

Table SI. Acne vulgaris severity levels and disability weights used in GBD 2021.

Sequela	Severity level	Lay description	DW (95% CI)
Mild acne vulgaris	Disfigurement, level 1	The individual has a slight, visible physical deformity that others notice, which causes some worry and discomfort.	0.011 (0.005–0.021)
Moderate acne vulgaris	Disfigurement, level 2	The individual has a visible physical deformity that causes others to stare and comment. As a result, the person is worried and has trouble sleeping and concentrating.	0.067 (0.044–0.096)
Severe acne vulgaris	Disfigurement, level 3	The individual has an obvious physical deformity that makes others uncomfortable, which causes the person to avoid social contact, feel worried, sleep poorly, and think about suicide.	0.405 (0.275–0.546)

Abbreviations: DW, disability weight; CI, confidence interval.

Source: Derived from the Global Burden of Disease Study 2021 supplementary appendix (Appendix 1), acne vulgaris subsection, Table 3.

Reference

1. Global incidence, prevalence, years lived with disability (YLDs), disability-adjusted life-years (DALYs), and healthy life expectancy (HALE) for 371 diseases and injuries in 204 countries and territories and 811 subnational locations, 1990-2021: a systematic analysis for the Global Burden of Disease Study 2021. *Lancet* 2024; 403: 2133-2161.