

The impact of financial wellness



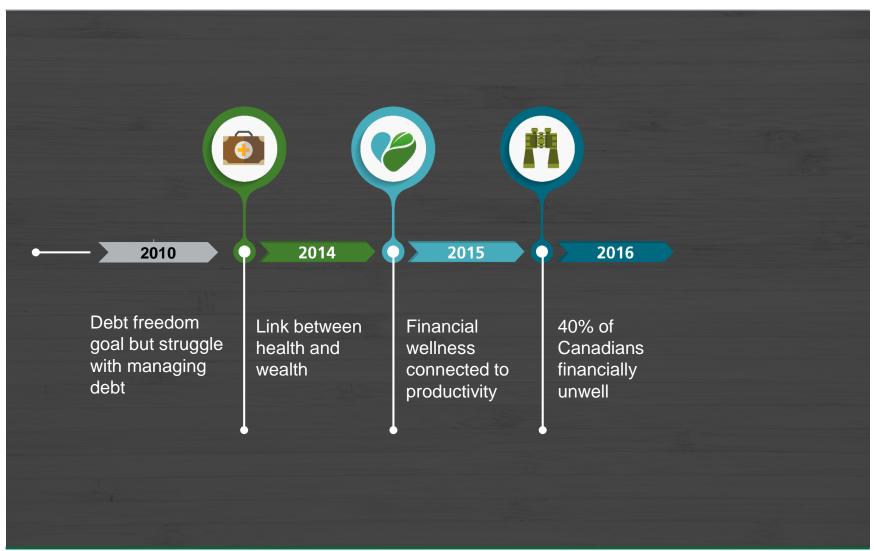
### Exploring the connection Financial wellness and employee health



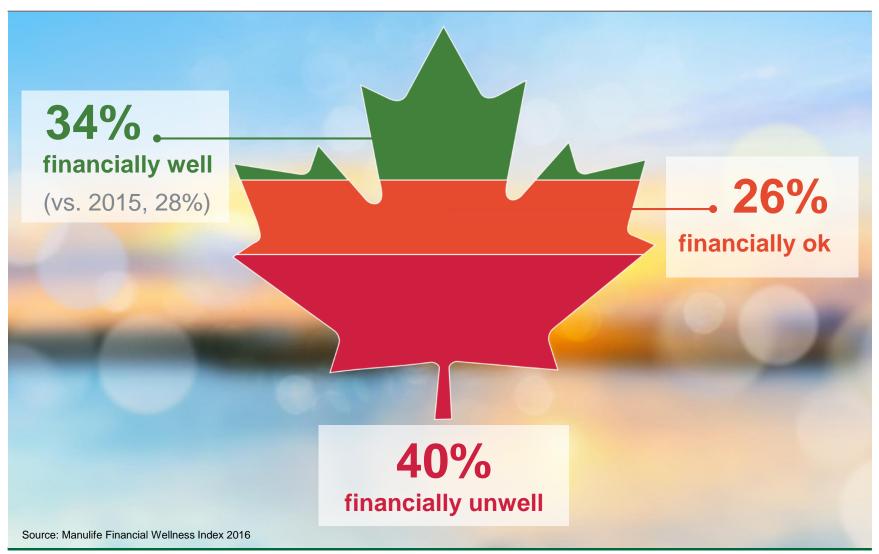
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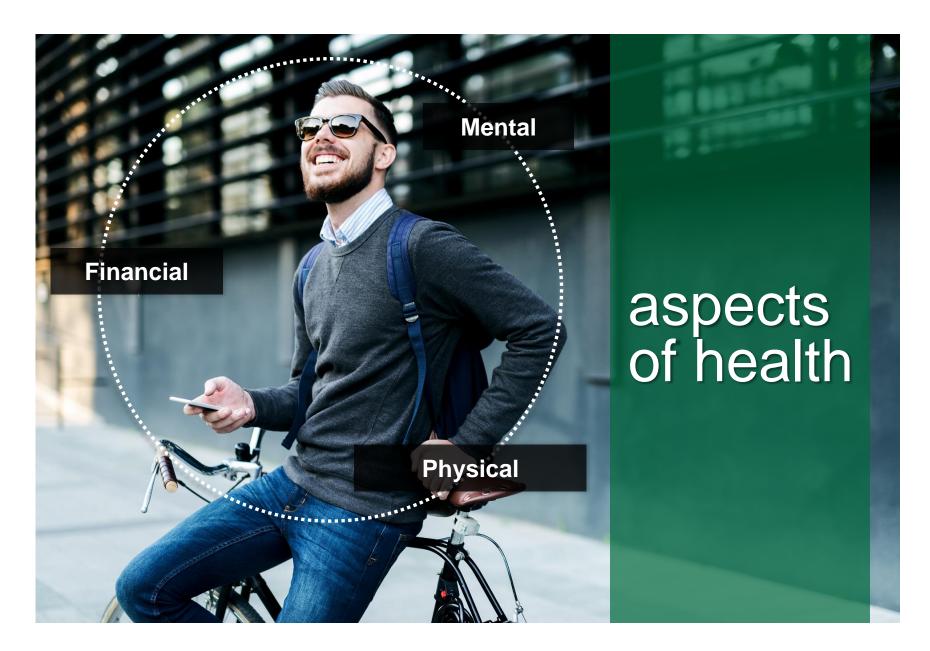


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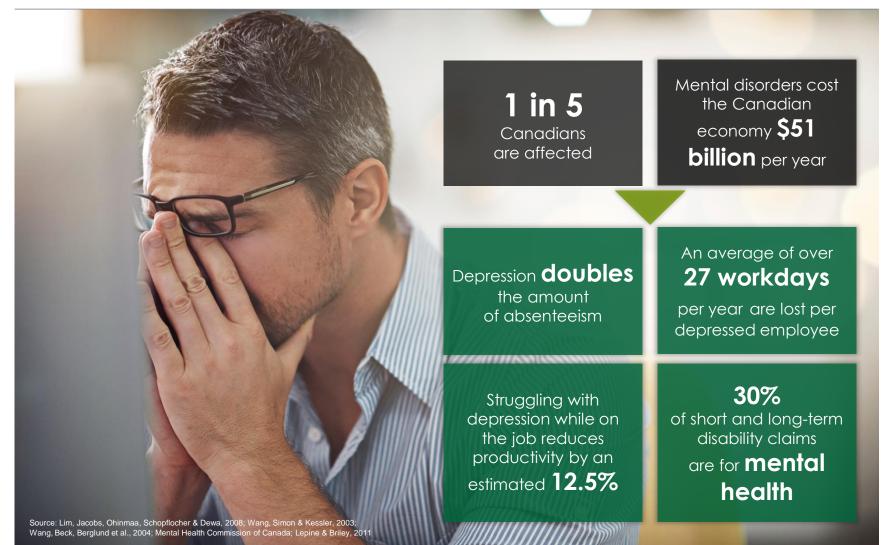


### Financial health of Canadians





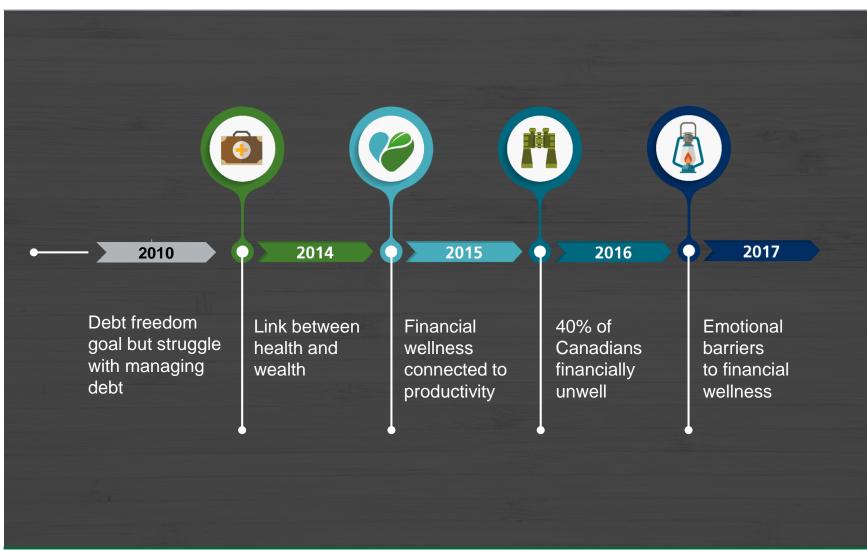
### Prevalence and impact Workplace burden of mental disorders



### Poor financial wellness impacts physical health



### Continuing research



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# Barriers to financial health



### Counsellors told us

Financial challenges part of life issues 1/2 time and only 1/3 of those people make connection

46% of counsellors feel it's difficult for people to reveal issues

Source: Emotional Barriers to financial wellness - 2017 study by Manulife/Homewood



### What counsellors hear

It's very personal, sometimes more personal than sex. When I ask clients if they want to talk about money they are not very open.

People with financial issues won't share their worries. They get stuck with them and think about them at night, they think about it when they wake up.

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#### Insight from our research

Feel recovery will take longer due to financial issues

Of the financially unwell say they feel distracted at work due to moneyrelated issues

Source: Manulife Financial Wellness Index 2016

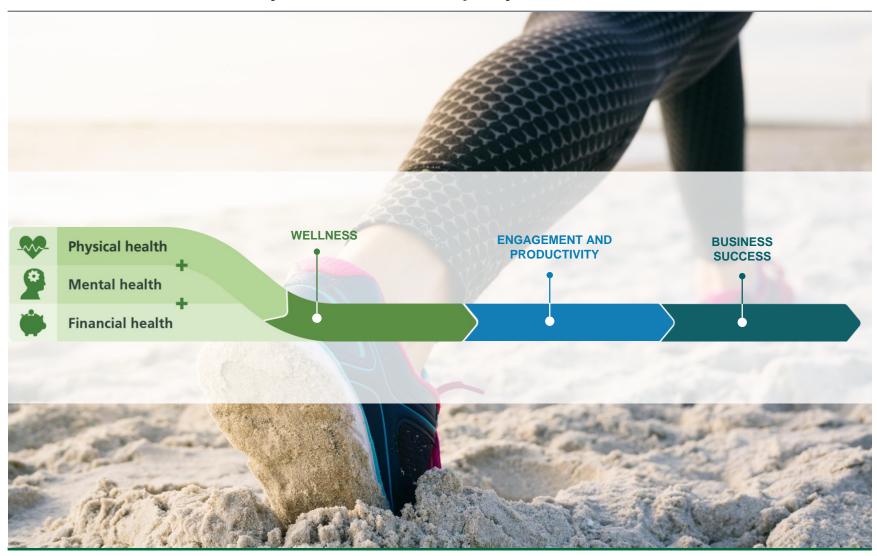
Believe financial stress affects work and productivity

93%

### Helping employees become financially well

They are not alone It's okay They can still get there

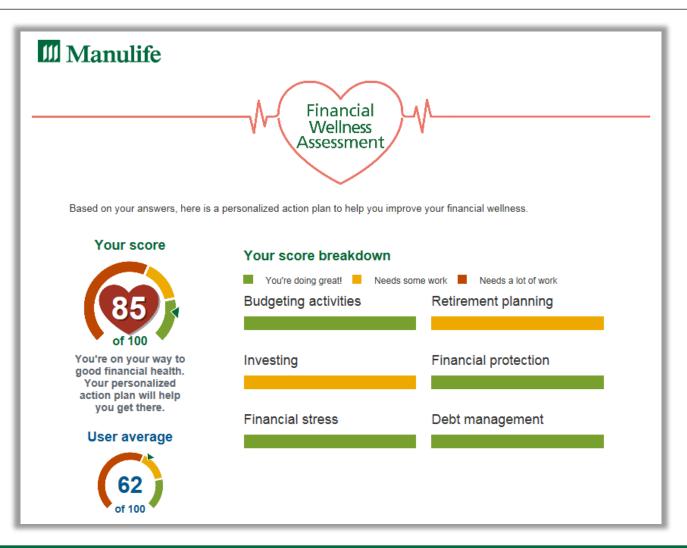
### How does it affect you as an employer?



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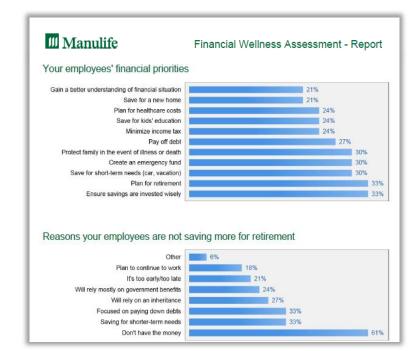


### Help at the fingertips



#### Your employees' financial priorities

- Gain a better understanding of financial situation
- Save for a new home
- Plan for healthcare costs
- Save for kids' educations
- Minimize income tax
- Pay off debt
- Protect family in the event of illness of death
- Create an emergency fund
- Save for short-term needs (car, vacation)
- Plan for retirement
- Ensure savings are invested wisely



### **Emerging solutions - best practices**

Commit to Workplace Wellness along the health continuum Leadership commitment Understand your data Involve your plan members Communicate tools & resources Continuous improvement is essential

Source: The Sanofi Canada Healthcare Survey, 2017



## Thank you

