The VDL (Vacant and derelict lands in the city of Glasgow which is over two acres and has been vacant since 2004 or earlier) may be considered an adverse environmental condition to people who live nearby. The increased stress and anxiety may eventually become mental health disorder. In this study, we created 2 sets of buffers around the VDL and compared the rates of reported mental health problem (population being prescribed drugs for anxiety, depression or psychosis for 2007) for people who live in or out of the zones of relevant buffer areas. The relative risks (RR) indicate that exposure to VDL increased the risk of having such diseases.