Table 2a. Risk of Bias for Cohort Studies as assessed by The Newcastle Ottawa scale.

Author, Year	Representativeness o exposed cohort (select bias)		Ascertainment of exposure (selection bias)	Demonstration that outcome was not present at start of study (selection bias)	Comparability of cohorts (comparability bias)	Ascertainment of outcome (outcome bias)	Adequate follow-up (outcome bias)	Adequacy of follow-up of cohorts (outcome bias)	Total score
Signal et al., 2017 ²⁹	*	*	Standardized questionnaires	*	* *	Self-report	*	*	7/9
Buist et al., 2014 ³⁵	*	*	Standardized questionnaires	*	* *	Self-report	*	> 70% attrition	6/9
Gavin et al., 2011 32	*	*	Standardized questionnaires	No	* *	Self-report	*	*	6/9
Liu et al., 2018 ⁴⁷	*	*	Standardized questionnaires	No	* *	Self-report	*	*	6/9
Liu et al., 2016 ⁴⁴	*	*	Standardized questionnaires	No	* *	Self-report	*	*	6/9

Abbott &	*	Non-Pacific	Standardized	No	* *	Self-report	*	*	5/9
Williams,		Islanders were	questionnaires						
2006 ³⁶		not							
		represented							
Becares &	*	*	Standardized	*	* *	Self-report	Measured	> 30%	5/9
Atatoa,			questionnaires				beyond the	attrition	
2016 37							highest risk		
							for PPD		
D. Hayes	Not representative	*	Standardized	No	* *	Self-report	Unspecified	*	4/9
et al., 2010			questionnaires						
45									
Roberson	Not representative	Not	Standardized	*	* (controlled	Self-report	*	*	4/9
et al., 2015		representative	questionnaires		for other				
46					factors but not				

age)

Stock et	Not representative	Not	Standardized	*	* (controlled	Self-report	*	*	4/9
al., 2012 34		representative	questionnaires		for other				
					factors but not				
					age)				
Wei et al.,	Not representative	Not	Standardized	No	* *	Self-report	*	*	4/9
2008 48		representative	questionnaires						
Bowen et	*	Not mentioned	Standardized	No	No	Self-report	*	*	3/9
al., 2008			questionnaires						
39,52									
B. Hayes	Not representative	Not	Standardized	No	* *	Self-report	Unspecified	*	3/9
et al., 2010		representative	questionnaires						
33									
Huang et	*	*	Standardized	No	No	Self-report	No	*	3/9
al., 2007 ⁴²			questionnaires						
Morland et	Not representative	Not	Standardized	*	* (controlled	Self-report	Beyond risk	*	3/9
al., 2007 53	(clinic sample)	reprehensive	questionnaires		for other		period for		
		(clinic sample)			factors but not		Antenatal		
					age)		PTSD		

Shah et al.,	*	Not	Standardized	No	No	Self-report	*	*	3/9
2011 40		representative	questionnaires						
Wang et	No	No	Standardized	No	* (controlled	Self-report	*	*	3/9
al., 2003 49			questionnaires		for other				
					factors but not				
					age)				
Goebert et	Not representative	Not	Standardized	No	No	Self-report	*	*	2/9
al., 2007 30		representative	questionnaires						
Sugarman	Not representative	*	Standardized	No	No	Self-report	No	*	2/9
et al., 1994	of all urban		questionnaires						
43	American Indian								
	women								
Webster et	Not representative	*	Standardized	No	No	Self-report	No	*	2/9
al., 1994 38	(deliberately		questionnaires						
	excluded Pacific								
	Islanders)								

Mah et al.,	*	No	Standardized	No	No	Self-report	Beyond risk	Significant	1/9
2017 54		comparison	questionnaires				period for	attrition	
		group					Antenatal	(>80%)	
							PTSD		
Onoye et	Not representative	Not	Standardized	No	No	Self-report	*	Significant	1/9
al., 2009 ³¹	(clinic sample)	representative	questionnaires					attrition	
		(clinic sample)						(>50%)	

There are 8 criteria of the NOS which are represented in each column. A maximum of one star can be allocated to each criterion, with the exception of comparability

bias, where two stars can be allocated. The greater the number of stars, the higher the quality of the study

Author,	Adequate	Representativeness	Selection of	Definition of	Comparability of	Ascertainment of	Non-	Total
Year	definition	(selection bias)	controls	controls	cases and controls	exposure	response rate	score
	(selection		(selection	(selection	(comparability	(exposure bias)	(exposure	
	bias)		bias)	bias)	bias)		bias)	
Burns et al.,	*	*	Hospital	*	**	*	*	7/8
2006 50			controls					
Burns et al.,	*	*	Hospital	*	**	*	*	7/8
2006 51			controls					
Dodgson et	Self-report	*	Hospital	*	* *	Self-report	*	5/8
al., 2014 41			controls					

Table 2b. Risk of bias for Case-Control studies as assessed by The Newcastle Ottawa scale.

There are 8 criteria of the NOS which are represented in each column. A maximum of one star can be allocated to all categories, with the exception of comparability

bias, where two stars can be allocated. The greater the number of stars, the higher the quality of the study