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Supplemental materials

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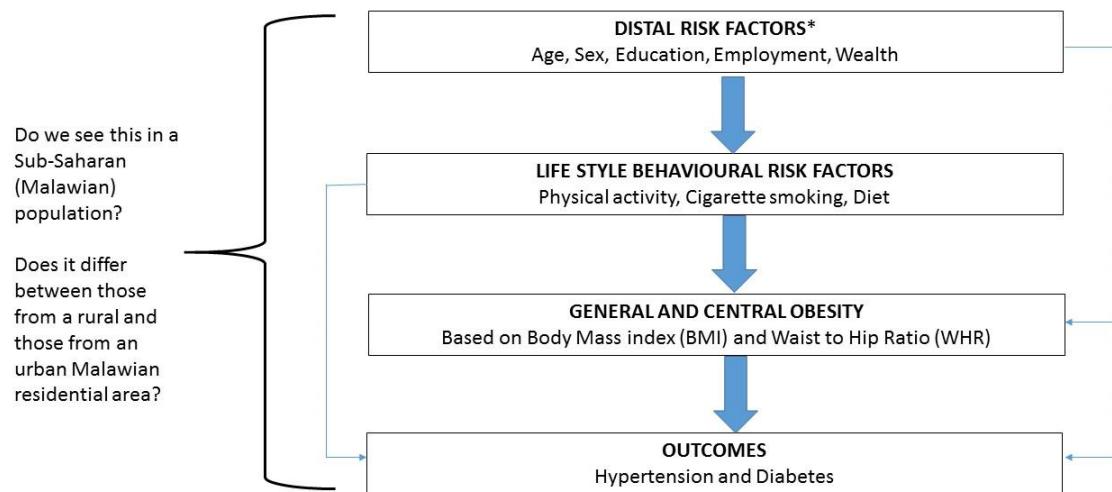
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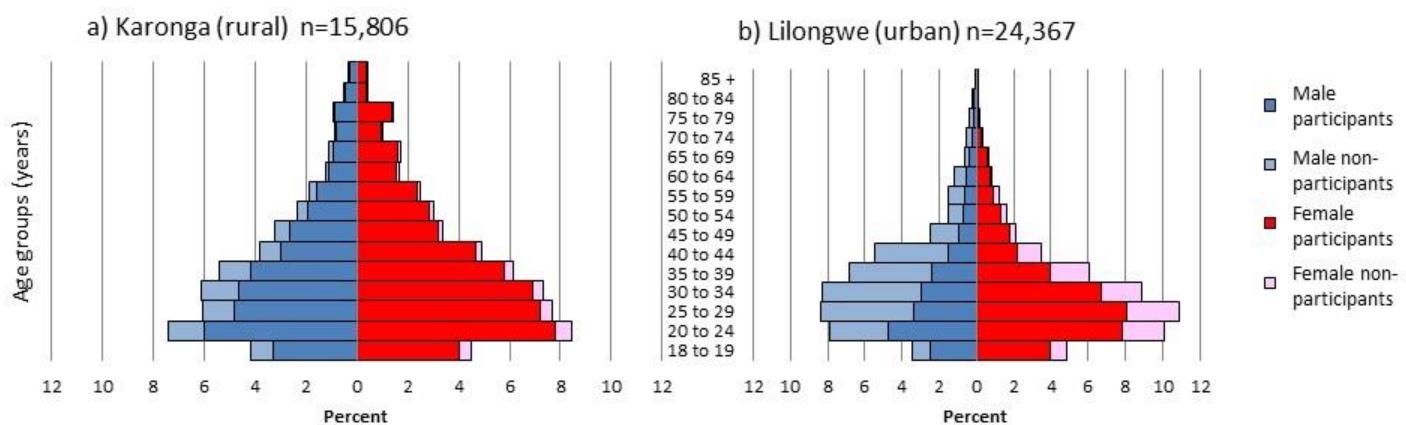
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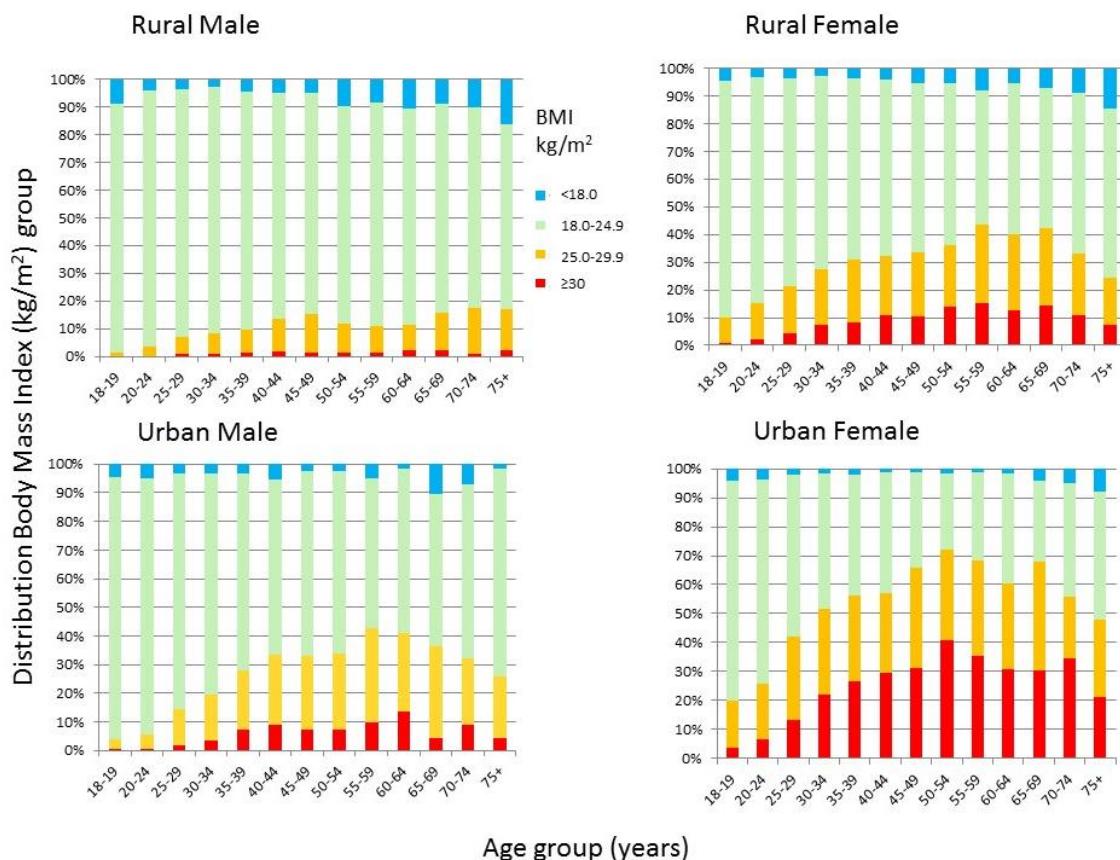


Supplementary Figure 2: Adult population distributions and participation proportion of a) rural and b) urban populations

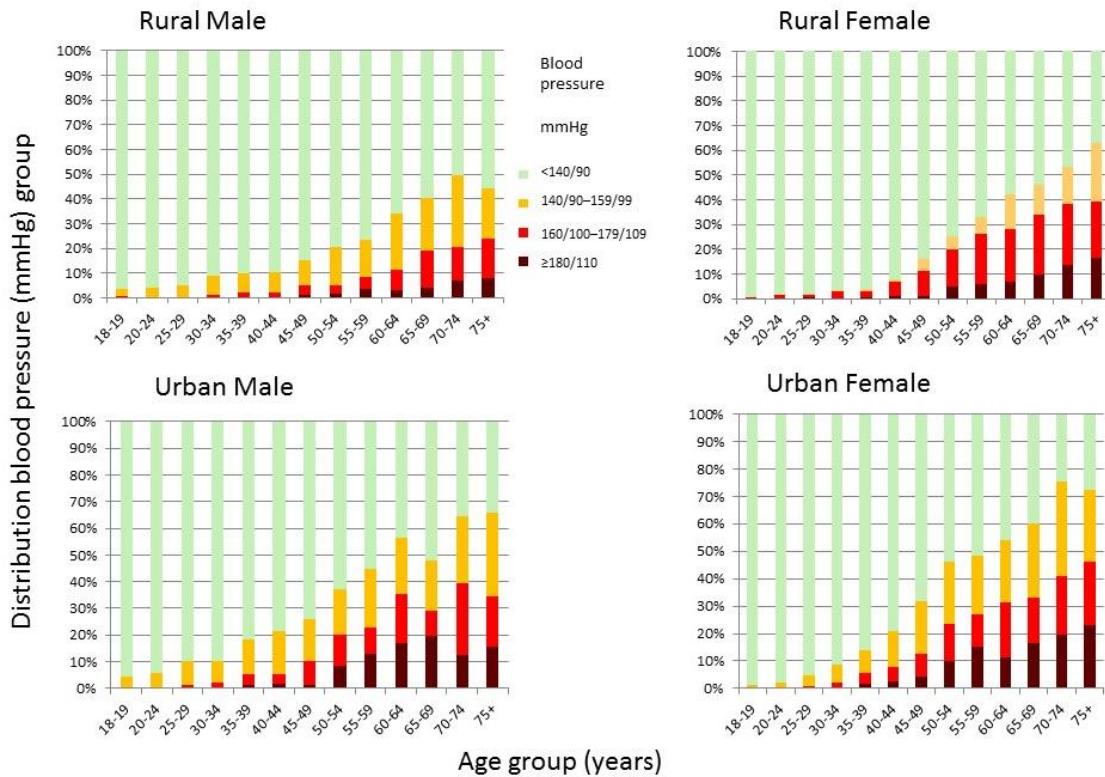
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Supplementary Figure 3. Distribution of Body Mass Index by site, sex and age group



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Supplementary Figure 5. Distribution of blood glucose by site, sex and age group



Supplementary Table 1. Association of urbanicity and gender with other hypertension, diabetes and anthropometry indices

	Rural ¹	Urban ¹	Male ²	Female ²
Waist-to-hip ratio high				
n (%)	5,158 (38.7%)	3,063 (21.1%)	2,030 (18.4%)	6,191 (36.9%)
Risk Ratio (Basic adjustment)	Ref	0.63 (0.60-0.65)	Ref	2.17 (2.08-2.26)
Adjusted Risk Ratio ³	Ref	0.67 (0.64-0.71)	Ref	2.14 (2.05-2.23)
Untreated Mod/Severe Hypertension³				
n (%)	435 (3.3%)	513 (3.6%)	369 (3.4%)	579 (3.4%)
Risk Ratio (Basic adjustment)	Ref	2.10 (1.86-2.38)	Ref	1.14 (1.01-1.30)
Adjusted Risk Ratio	Ref	1.67 (1.42-1.99)	Ref	1.13 (0.99-1.30)
On Hypertension medication				
n (%)	509 (3.7%)	680 (4.5%)	307 (2.8%)	882 (5.0%)
Risk Ratio (Basic adjustment)	Ref	2.34 (2.11-2.60)	Ref	1.98 (1.75-2.23)
Adjusted Risk Ratio	Ref	1.37 (1.18-1.58)	Ref	2.51 (2.20-2.86)
Undiagnosed diabetes⁴				
n (%)	98 (0.8%)	135 (1.2%)	92 (1.0%)	141 (1.0%)
Risk Ratio (Basic adjustment)	Ref	2.06 (1.57-2.68)	Ref	0.95 (0.73-1.23)
Adjusted Risk Ratio	Ref	1.58 (1.05-2.37)	Ref	0.97 (0.93-1.28)
On diabetes medication				
n (%)	80 (0.58%)	147 (0.98%)	88 (0.80%)	139 (0.78%)
Risk Ratio (Basic adjustment)	Ref	2.90 (2.22-3.78)	Ref	1.03 (0.79-1.34)
Adjusted Risk Ratio	Ref	1.44 (0.97-2.13)	Ref	1.43 (1.08-1.90)

¹ Adjusted for age & sex

² Adjusted for age & site

³ Untreated moderate or severe blood pressure systolic ≥ 160 mmHg and/or diastolic ≥ 100 mmHg and not on medication

⁴ Undiagnosed diabetes: plasma glucose ≥ 7 mmol/L and no prior diagnosis of diabetes

Supplementary Table 2. Stratified analyses for overweight/obesity

Overweight or obesity ¹ Adjusted Risk Ratio ² (95%CI)						
Age – sex stratification						
	Male < 30 years	Male 30-50 years	Male 50+ years	Female < 30 Years	Female 30-50 years	Female 50+ years
Site						
Karonga (rural)	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref
Lilongwe (urban)	1.70 (1.22-2.38)	1.12 (0.94-1.33)	1.51 (1.20-1.89)	1.76 (1.52-2.03)	1.33 (0.21-1.46)	1.35 (1.21-1.51)
Wealth quintiles						
Poorest	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref
2	1.65 (1.08-2.53)	1.38 (0.98-1.94)	1.02 (0.67-1.55)	1.13 (0.96-1.32)	1.16 (1.02-1.31)	1.11 (0.96-1.30)
3	1.37 (0.86-2.13)	2.39 (1.73-3.30)	1.40 (0.94-2.07)	1.25 (1.08-1.44)	1.31 (1.17-1.47)	1.40 (1.21-1.61)
4	1.53 (1.01-2.30)	2.90 (2.12-3.95)	1.57 (0.06-2.33)	1.34 (1.17-1.55)	1.51 (0.35-1.69)	1.40 (1.21-1.62)
Wealthiest	1.80 (1.17-2.77)	4.22 (3.08-5.80)	2.37 (1.60-3.51)	1.48 (1.28-1.72)	1.77 (1.58-1.97)	1.71 (1.47-1.97)
Education						
None	0.83 (0.14-0.55)	0.17 (0.03-1.00)	1.12 (0.68-1.86)	0.91 (0.66-1.26)	0.97 (0.83-1.14)	0.84 (0.74-0.96)
Standard1-5	0.67 (0.32-1.39)	0.75 (0.50-1.13)	1.03 (0.75-1.41)	1.01 (0.84-1.20)	0.97 (0.88-1.07)	0.88 (0.80-0.98)
Standard 6-8	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref
Secondary	1.18 (0.86-1.63)	0.95 (0.79-1.14)	1.75 (1.39-2.20)	0.96 (0.87-1.06)	1.02 (0.95-1.09)	1.15 (1.03-1.27)
Post-secondary	2.09 (1.41-3.08)	1.36 (1.09-1.68)	1.71 (1.32-2.21)	0.98 (0.84-1.15)	1.13 (1.03-1.25)	1.16 (0.99-1.37)
Employment						
Not working	0.40 (0.29-0.55)	0.61 (0.44-0.84)	1.05 (0.83-1.32)	0.60 (0.53-0.68)	0.80 (0.71-0.90)	0.88 (0.74-0.97)
Housework	0.41 (0.21-0.82)	0.57 (0.33-0.98)	0.83 (0.52-1.33)	0.80 (0.72-0.90)	0.86 (0.80-0.92)	0.91 (0.81-1.02)
Subsistence	0.89 (0.58-1.36)	0.52 (0.41-0.67)	0.72 (0.52-0.98)	0.76 (0.63-0.91)	0.69 (0.62-0.77)	0.82 (0.72-0.95)
Self-employed	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref
Salaried	0.96 (0.68-1.33)	1.00 (0.86-1.17)	0.93 (0.73-1.19)	0.80 (0.69-0.93)	0.87 (0.80-0.95)	0.92 (0.76-1.10)
Site – sex stratification						
	Rural Male	Rural Female	Urban Male	Urban Female		
Age group; years						
18-29	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref
30-39	2.06 (1.55-2.72)	1.72 (1.53-1.93)	2.24 (1.86-2.70)	1.58 (1.49-1.68)		
40-49	3.00 (2.27-3.97)	1.97 (1.73-2.22)	3.07 (2.53-3.71)	1.75 (0.63-1.87)		
50-59	2.54 (1.83-3.53)	2.48 (2.19-2.82)	3.82 (3.12-4.69)	2.09 (1.94-2.25)		
60-69	3.25 (2.26-4.67)	2.77 (2.40-3.21)	5.13 (4.13-6.36)	2.05 (1.85-2.26)		
70+	5.05 (3.70-6.89)	1.97 (1.62-2.39)	5.35 (3.93-7.28)	1.77 (1.50-2.09)		
Wealth quintiles						
Poorest	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref
2	1.24 (0.94-1.65)	1.11 (0.99-1.24)	1.31 (0.90-1.90)	1.16 (1.02-1.30)		
3	1.78 (1.34-2.37)	1.25 (1.11-1.40)	1.71 (1.22-2.39)	1.32 (1.18-1.46)		
4	1.66 (1.24-2.24)	1.37 (1.22-1.55)	2.22 (1.61-3.06)	1.46 (1.21-1.61)		
Wealthiest	3.07 (2.26-4.17)	1.62 (1.41-1.86)	2.71 (1.97-3.73)	1.67 (1.51-1.85)		
Education						
None	0.72 (0.37-1.39)	0.89 (0.75-1.03)	0.74 (0.41-1.33)	0.91 (0.82-1.03)		
Standard1-5	0.78 (0.57-1.06)	0.90 (0.80-0.99)	0.80 (0.56-1.16)	0.99 (0.91-1.07)		
Standard 6-8	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref		
Secondary	1.20 (0.99-1.45)	1.04 (0.94-1.15)	1.25 (1.03-1.51)	1.00 (0.94-1.06)		
Post-secondary	0.96 (0.65-1.41)	0.91 (0.67-1.24)	1.96 (1.60-2.40)	1.09 (1.00-1.18)		
Employment						
Not working	0.70 (0.52-0.95)	0.75 (0.63-0.88)	0.50 (0.41-0.60)	0.68 (0.63-0.74)		
Housework	0.54 (0.19-1.49)	0.72 (0.62-0.84)	0.53 (0.38-0.73)	0.88 (0.83-0.93)		
Subsistence	0.65 (0.52-0.82)	0.72 (0.65-0.80)	1.22 (0.67-2.22)	0.75 (0.55-1.04)		
Self-employed	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref		
Salaried	1.27 (0.97-1.65)	1.08 (0.87-1.32)	0.90 (0.78-1.03)	0.85 (0.79-0.92)		

¹BMI ≥25kg/m²

²Adjusted for distal factors; age, site (urban/rural), wealth, education, occupation (see Suppl. Figure 1. Conceptual model of risk factors for cardiometabolic outcomes (web appendix page 2)).

Supplementary Table 3. Stratified analyses for hypertension

Hypertension ¹ Adjusted Risk Ratio ² (95%CI)						
Age – sex stratification						
	Male < 30 years	Male 30-50 years	Male 50+ years	Female < 30 Years	Female 30-50 years	Female 50+ years
Site						
Karonga (rural)	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref
Lilongwe (urban)	1.78 (1.27-2.49)	1.31 (1.05-1.63)	1.22 (1.06-1.41)	1.32 (0.84-2.07)	1.56 (1.24-1.96)	1.10 (1.00-1.22)
Wealth quintiles						
Poorest	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref
2	1.12 (0.76-1.66)	1.25 (0.95-1.66)	0.98 (0.79-1.21)	0.75 (0.45-1.26)	1.36 (1.03-1.80)	0.96 (0.86-1.09)
3	1.23 (0.84-1.81)	1.38 (1.04-1.84)	1.13 (0.92-1.40)	1.02 (0.63-1.65)	1.59 (1.22-2.08)	1.03 (0.91-1.16)
4	0.82 (0.54-1.22)	1.41 (1.07-1.87)	1.26 (1.03-1.55)	1.35 (0.87-2.09)	1.84 (1.42-2.39)	1.14 (1.01-1.28)
Wealthiest	1.09 (0.72-1.63)	1.54 (1.14-2.08)	1.42 (1.16-1.78)	1.27 (0.77-2.10)	2.23 (1.72-2.89)	1.14 (0.99-1.30)
Education						
None	1.51 (0.35-6.57)	1.08 (0.49-2.37)	0.92 (0.68-1.21)	1.45 (0.53-4.00)	1.16 (0.84-1.61)	1.18 (1.06-1.31)
Standard 1-5	0.93 (0.52-1.67)	0.94 (0.65-1.37)	1.03 (0.87-1.22)	1.54 (0.89-2.67)	1.09 (0.88-1.34)	1.15 (1.04-1.26)
Standard 6-8	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref
Secondary	0.92 (0.67-1.26)	0.99 (0.81-1.21)	1.16 (1.01-1.34)	1.05 (0.73-1.51)	0.97 (0.82-1.14)	1.01 (0.89-1.15)
Post-secondary	1.39 (0.91-2.14)	1.44 (1.11-1.88)	1.21 (1.01-1.44)	1.03 (0.59-1.80)	1.06 (0.82-1.37)	1.05 (0.84-1.30)
Employment						
Not working	0.58 (0.41-0.81)	0.82 (0.57-1.20)	1.71 (1.42-2.06)	0.66 (0.41-1.08)	0.88 (0.66-1.18)	1.51 (1.32-1.73)
Housework	0.83 (0.49-1.43)	0.62 (0.32-1.17)	1.36 (1.02-1.83)	0.95 (0.61-1.48)	1.02 (0.86-1.21)	1.16 (1.01-1.34)
Subsistence	0.83 (0.54-1.27)	0.96 (0.74-1.25)	1.15 (0.93-1.43)	0.59 (0.32-1.10)	0.73 (0.56-0.97)	0.93 (0.80-1.07)
Self-employed	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref
Salaried	0.68 (0.46-1.01)	1.05 (0.86-1.28)	1.00 (0.81-1.24)	1.20 (0.69-2.09)	0.95 (0.77-1.17)	1.20 (0.96-1.50)
Site – age stratification						
	Rural < 30 years	Rural 30-50 years	Rural 50+ years	Urban < 30 Years	Urban 30-50 years	Urban 50+ years
Sex						
Male	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref
Female	0.33 (0.23-0.47)	0.65 (0.54-0.78)	1.30 (1.18-1.44)	0.43 (0.34-0.54)	0.90 (0.79-1.04)	1.14 (1.03-1.26)
Wealth quintiles						
Poorest	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref
2	1.16 (0.76-1.76)	1.23 (0.96-1.58)	0.95 (0.84-1.06)	0.72 (0.44-1.17)	1.44 (1.04-1.98)	1.09 (0.85-1.40)
3	1.10 (0.69-1.77)	1.35 (1.03-1.78)	1.05 (0.93-1.19)	1.16 (0.78-1.72)	1.72 (1.29-2.30)	1.27 (1.02-1.58)
4	0.87 (0.50-1.50)	1.40 (1.05-1.86)	1.02 (0.89-1.17)	1.10 (0.75-1.60)	1.97 (1.49-2.60)	1.61 (0.31-1.97)
Wealthiest	0.78 (0.36-1.70)	1.45 (1.00-2.08)	1.07 (0.89-1.28)	1.23 (0.84-1.82)	2.31 (1.75-3.05)	1.63 (1.33-2.01)
Education						
None	2.95 (0.81-10.75)	1.39 (0.81-2.37)	1.21 (1.07-1.38)	1.06 (0.38-2.95)	1.08 (0.75-1.55)	1.10 (0.95-1.27)
Standard 1-5	1.30 (0.70-2.42)	0.96 (0.72-1.29)	1.15 (1.04-1.28)	1.10 (0.65-1.85)	1.11 (0.88-1.41)	1.03 (0.90-1.17)
Standard 6-8	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref
Secondary	1.13 (0.79-1.60)	0.95 (0.77-1.17)	1.14 (0.98-1.32)	0.88 (0.64-1.20)	0.98 (0.83-1.16)	1.02 (0.91-1.15)
Post-secondary	2.38 (0.79-7.15)	1.37 (0.83-2.27)	1.67 (1.28-2.18)	1.09 (0.74-1.60)	1.18 (0.96-1.44)	1.03 (0.89-1.20)
Employment						
Not working	0.75 (0.44-1.28)	0.82 (0.48-1.42)	1.71 (1.42-2.06)	0.53 (0.39-0.73)	0.88 (0.68-1.13)	1.50 (1.31-1.72)
Housework	1.84 (0.89-3.79)	0.94 (0.60-1.46)	1.24 (0.99-1.54)	0.71 (0.51-0.99)	1.05 (0.89-1.24)	1.21 (1.05-1.40)
Subsistence	0.93 (0.57-1.51)	0.78 (0.62-0.97)	1.05 (0.88-1.26)	1.00 (0.16-6.25)	1.47 (0.80-2.68)	1.00 (0.64-1.55)
Self-employed	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref
Salaried	0.86 (0.32-2.30)	0.93 (0.66-1.31)	1.03 (0.78-1.36)	0.75 (0.53-1.07)	1.01 (1.01 (0.87-1.19)	1.01 (0.85-1.20)

¹Systolic ≥140mmHg and/or diastolic ≥90mmHg and/or on antihypertensive medication

²Adjusted for distal factors; age, site (urban/rural), wealth, education, occupation (see Suppl. Figure 1. Conceptual model of risk factors for cardiometabolic outcomes (web appendix page 2)).

Supplementary Table 4: Hypertension: Screening, cascade of care, access to diagnostic testing, a previous diagnosis, medication and control

	Total	Rural Male	Rural Female	Urban Male	Urban Female
Of individuals aged ≥40 years N=8,552					
Blood pressure measured ever	3,564/8,552 41·7%	378/2,180 17·3%	998/3,061 32·6%	742/1,288 57·6%	1,446/2,023 71·5%
Blood pressure measured ≥40 years	3,140/8,552 36·7%	354/2,180 16·2%	820/3,061 26·8%	682/1,288 53·0%	1,284/2,023 63·5%
Of overweight and obese individuals N=8,702					
Blood pressure measured ever	5,238/8,702 60·2%	132/536 24·6%	1,178/2,570 45·8%	611/8,702 63·5%	3,317/4,633 71·2%
Of all current hypertensives, previously diagnosed¹ and on medication, and undiagnosed N=4,096					
Blood pressure measured ever	2,277/4,096 55·6%	214/787 27·2%	483/1,101 43·9%	507/859 59·0%	1,073/1,349 79·5%
Previously diagnosed	1,708/4,096 41·7%	172/787 21·9%	482/1,101 43·8%	295/859 34·3%	759/1,349 56·3%
On medication	1,189/4,096 29·0%	127/787 16·1%	382/1,101 34·7%	180/859 21·0%	500/1,349 37·1%
Of previously diagnosed hypertensives on regular medication and for whom a blood pressure measurement was available N=1,183²					
Blood pressure controlled <140/90 mmHg	440/1,183 37·2%	41/127 32·3%	148/378 39·2%	50/179 27·9%	201/499 40·3%

¹Excludes 849 people with a prior diagnosis of hypertension who were not on medication but did not have hypertension (BP>140/90) when measured in the study

² Excludes 6 people who did not have blood pressure measured during the study

Supplementary Table 5: Diabetes: Screening, cascade of care, access to diagnostic testing, a previous diagnosis, medication and control

	Total	Rural Male	Rural Female	Urban Male	Urban Female
Of individuals aged ≥ 40 years and over N=8,552					
Blood glucose test ever	858/8,552	109/2,180	140/3,061	243/1,288	366/2,023
	10.0%	5.0%	4.6%	18.9%	18.1%
Blood glucose measured ≥40 years	784/8,552	99/2,180	130/3,061	220/1,288	335/2,023
	9.2%	4.5%	4.3%	17.1%	16.6%
Of overweight and obese individuals N=8,702					
Blood glucose test ever	891/8,702	42/536	109/2,570	191/963	549/4,633
	10.2%	7.8%	4.2%	19.8%	11.8%
Of all individuals with diabetes, previously diagnosed & undiagnosed N=566					
Blood glucose test ever ¹	304/566	32/84	53/124	86/133	133/225
	53.7%	38.1%	42.7%	64.7%	59.1%
Previously diagnosed	333/566	41/84	69/124	84/133	139/225
	58.8%	48.8%	55.7%	63.2%	61.8%
Of all previously diagnosed diabetic individuals N=333					
On regular medication	227/333	33/41	47/69	55/84	92/139
	68.2%	80.5%	68.1%	65.5%	66.2%
Blood glucose controlled FBG <7.0 mmol/L	157/293	21/37	32/63	44/69	60/124
	53.6%	56.8%	50.8%	63.8%	48.4%
Of diagnosed diabetic individuals on regular medication N=227					
Blood glucose controlled FBG <7.0 mmol/L	84/207	14/29	18/46	25/47	27/83
	40.6%	48.3%	39.1%	53.2%	31.8%

¹54 individuals previously diagnosed with diabetes reported never to have had a blood test for glucose, including 19 people on regular medication.

Supplementary Table 6: Associations of risk factors with multi-morbidity¹ – age-adjusted and distal factor adjusted risk ratios

Characteristics	Males N=8,936		Females N=14,199	
	Age-adjusted Risk Ratio (95% CI)	Adjusted Risk Ratio ² (95%CI)	Age-adjusted Risk Ratio (95% CI)	Adjusted Risk Ratio ² (95%CI)
Site				
Karonga (rural)	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref
Lilongwe (urban)	4.00 (3.04-5.25)	1.91 (1.31-2.78)	3.11 (2.71-3.58)	1.43 (1.17-1.74)
Age group; years				
18-29	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref
30-39	8.66 (4.05-18.49)	9.81 (4.44-21.68)	5.89 (4.04-8.58)	5.72 (3.89-8.42)
40-49	16.10 (7.59-34.15)	17.71 (8.05-38.96)	16.34 (11.37-23.48)	17.44 (11.92-25.51)
50-59	28.41 (13.46-59.95)	37.83 (17.45-82.03)	29.72 (20.78-42.51)	36.47 (25.11-52.98)
60-69	61.07 (29.37-127.00)	75.19 (36.16-156.35)	36.57 (25.36-52.73)	50.81 (34.94-73.88)
70+	31.57 (14.48-68.83)	72.70 (32.89-160.70)	31.76 (21.48-46.94)	51.76 (34.42-77.87)
Wealth quintiles				
Poorest	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref
2	1.50 (0.70-3.24)	1.27 (0.59-2.76)	1.62 (1.16-2.29)	1.64 (1.17-2.31)
3	2.34 (1.11-4.91)	1.59 (0.75-3.37)	2.62 (1.91-3.61)	2.19 (1.59-3.03)
4	4.91 (2.44-9.84)	2.56 (1.25-5.24)	4.56 (3.39-6.12)	3.24 (2.40-4.38)
Wealthiest	10.54 (5.34-20.81)	3.91 (1.91-7.98)	6.48 (4.82-8.70)	3.96 (2.90-5.39)
Education				
None	<0.001 (0.001-<0.001)	<0.001 (0.001-<0.001)	0.82 (0.63-1.08)	0.95 (0.72-1.25)
Standard 1-5	0.60 (0.30-1.19)	0.65 (0.33-1.30)	0.85 (0.77-1.16)	1.07 (0.88-1.30)
Standard 5-8	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref
Secondary	2.44 (1.70-3.51)	1.67 (1.13-2.46)	1.88 (2.59-3.99)	1.16 (0.96-1.39)
Post-secondary	7.06 (4.90-10.12)	2.90 (1.89-4.44)	3.21 (2.59-3.99)	1.46 (1.11-1.93)
Employment				
Not working	1.17 (0.80-1.71)	0.80 (0.54-1.18)	0.87 (0.68-1.11)	0.74 (0.58-0.96)
Housework	0.66 (0.29-1.53)	0.66 (0.29-1.48)	0.96 (0.79-1.16)	0.88 (0.72-1.07)
Subsistence	0.29 (0.19-0.44)	0.74 (0.45-1.21)	0.30 (0.24-0.38)	0.50 (0.38-0.65)
Self-employed	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref
Salaried	1.08 (0.75-1.55)	0.73 (0.50-1.05)	1.36 (1.08-1.72)	0.87 (0.67-1.15)
Physical activity				
Did not meet	2.58 (1.92-3.47)	1.23 (1.01-1.51)	1.68 (1.29-2.20)	1.31 (1.00-1.73)
Met recommendation	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref
Smoking				
Not current	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref
Current	0.26 (0.13-0.50)	0.47 (0.24-0.92)	0.33 (0.05-2.21)	0.46 (0.08-2.75)
Alcohol				
Not in last year	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref
In last year	0.73 (0.55-0.96)	0.98 (0.74-1.29)	1.84 (1.43-2.37)	1.84 (1.42-2.38)
Sugary drinks intake				
<6 tsps/day	Ref	Ref	Ref	Ref
≥6 tsps/day	0.86 (0.64-1.34)	0.74 (0.56-0.99)	1.09 (0.93-1.27)	0.93 (0.79-1.09)

¹ Multi-morbidity is defined as more than one concurrent condition of hypertension (Systolic ≥ 140 mmHg and/or diastolic ≥ 90 mmHg and/or on antihypertensive medication), diabetes (FBG ≥ 7.0 mmol/L, or a previous self-reported diagnosis by a health professional, whether or not on medication) or obesity (BMI $\geq 30\text{kg}/\text{m}^2$)

² Adjusted for distal factors; age, site, wealth, education, occupation (see Suppl. Figure 1. Conceptual model of risk factors for cardiometabolic outcomes (web appendix page 2)

Supplementary Table 7: Prevalence of co-morbidities amongst diabetic and hypertensive participants

	Rural Male n/N (%)	Rural Female n/N (%)	Urban Male n/N (%)	Urban Female n/N (%)
Diabetic participants				
Hypertension	44/84 (52·4)	64/124 (51·6)	79/133 (59·4)	138/225 (61·3)
Obesity	5/84 (6·0)	42/120 (35·0)	23/133 (17·3)	120/219 (54·8)
Hypertensive participants				
Diabetes	44/677 (6·5)	64/941 (6·8)	79/670 (11·8)	138/1,134 (12·2)
Obesity	33/781 (4·2)	210/1,073 (19·6)	106/858 (12·4)	504/1,329 (37·9)

Supplementary Table 8: Risk ratios (RR) for associations between a previous diagnosis and treatment for hypertension or diabetes and a diagnosis and medication for the other condition

Hypertension status in study	RR of previous diabetes diagnosis N=566	RR of already being on medication in those with previous diabetes diagnosis N=333
	Adjusted RR ¹ (95% CI)	Adjusted RR ¹ (95% CI)
No hypertension	Ref	Ref
Hypertension; previously undiagnosed	0.57 (0.39-0.82)	0.91 (0.65-1.26)
Previously diagnosed hypertension; no medication	1.23 (0.99-1.54)	0.62 (0.42-0.92)
Previously diagnosed hypertension; on medication	1.35 (1.12-1.64)	1.21 (1.00-1.47)
Diabetes status in study	RR of hypertension diagnosis N=3422	RR of already being on medication in those with a previous hypertension diagnosis N=2216
	Adjusted RR ¹ (95% CI)	Adjusted RR ¹ (95% CI)
No diabetes	Ref	Ref
Diabetes; previously undiagnosed	1.16 (0.98-1.36)	1.38 (1.17-1.63)
Previously diagnosed diabetes; no medication	1.80 (1.53-2.11)	1.05 (0.79-1.41)
Previously diagnosed diabetes; on medication	1.83 (1.69-1.99)	1.61 (1.48-1.75)

¹Adjusted for site, sex and age