Study	Difference in proportion taking statins within-trial (%) <sup>1</sup>	Allocated to statins				Allocated to p	lacebo	Risk Estimates	
		N	All deaths	CVD deaths	Ν	All deaths	CVD deaths	All deaths	CVD deaths
ALLHAT-	79	5089	661	529	5110	678	546	0.97 (0.87-1.07) <sup>2</sup>	0.96 (0.83-1.13) <sup>2</sup>
LLT ASCOT- LLA	78	5168	460	154	5137	520	167	$0.87 (0.71 - 1.06)^2$	$0.90 (0.66-1.23)^2$
WOS- COPS	70	3302	106	49	3293	135	71	$0.76 (0.59-0.98)^2$	$0.66 (0.46 - 0.95)^2$
ALERT	71	1050	143	66	1052	138	73	$1.02(0.81-1.30)^3$	$0.62 (0.40-0.96)^3$
SSSS	88	2221	182	136	2223	256	207	$0.70(0.58-0.84)^3$	$0.64(0.52-0.80)^3$
PROSPER	89	2891	298	122	2913	306	154	$0.97(0.83-1.14)^2$	$0.77 (0.61 - 0.98)^2$
HPS	68	10269	1328	826	10267	1507	998	$0.87(0.81-0.94)^3$	$0.82(0.75-0.90)^3$
LIPID	57	4512	498	331	4502	633	433	$0.77 (0.69-0.87)^3$	$0.75 (0.65 - 0.87)^3$

## eTable 1 Effect of treatment allocation on All-cause mortality and CVD-mortality reported within trial period

## Notes

- 1. Difference in % taking statins = [% taking statins in group allocated to statin in trial % taking statins in group allocated to placebo in trial]
- Studies reporting Hazard Ratio
  Studies reporting Relative Risk

- 4. Statistically significant results are **bolded**5. CVD = Cardiovascular Disease
- 6. Order of trials within primary prevention and secondary prevention is from shortest post-trial follow-up to longest.

Study	Average post- trial follow-	Difference in proportion taking	Allocated to statins			Allocated to placebo			Risk Ratio	
	սբ	post-trial (%) <sup>1</sup>	$\mathbf{N}^4$	All deaths	CVD deaths	$\mathbf{N}^4$	All deaths	CVD deaths	All deaths	CVD deaths
ALLHAT-	4	?	4428	897	484	4432	948	511	$0.91 (0.79 - 1.04)^2$	$0.95 (0.87 - 1.05)^2$
LLT										· · · ·
ASCOT-	8.3	4	2234	377	124	2198	430	131	<b>0.85 (0.74-0.98)</b> <sup>2</sup>	$0.91 (0.71 - 1.16)^2$
LLA										
WOS-	15.1	4	3196	1036	364	3158	1117	423	<b>0.88 (0.81-0.96)</b> <sup>2</sup>	$0.82 (0.71 - 0.94)^2$
COPS										
ALERT	1.6	0	811	51	22	820	51	25	$1.01 (0.69 - 1.47)^3$	$0.89 (0.51 - 1.56)^3$
SSSS	5	4	2039	232	155	1967	212	128	$1.03 (0.86 - 1.24)^3$	$1.14 (0.90-1.44)^3$
PROSPER	5.4	?	2588	931	396	2600	928	375	$0.99(0.91-1.09)^2$	$1.03 (0.89 - 1.18)^2$
HPS	5.7	0	8863	1962	1019	8656	1949	1007	$0.98(0.90-1.07)^3$	$0.98 (0.92 - 1.04)^3$
LIPID	10	1	3932	1341	756	3789	1319	765	$0.97 (0.90 - 1.05)^3$	$0.94(0.85-1.04)^3$

## eTable 2 Effect of treatment allocation on All-cause mortality and CVD-mortality reported for post-trial period

## Notes

- 1. Difference in % taking statins = [% taking statins in group allocated to statin in trial % taking statins in group allocated to placebo in trial]
- 2. Studies reporting Hazard Ratio
- **3.** Studies reporting Relative Risk
- 4. Number alive and followed post-trial
- 5. Statistically significant results are **bolded**

**6.** CVD = Cardiovascular Disease

7. Order of trials within primary prevention and secondary prevention is from shortest post-trial follow-up to longest