

<b>Clinical characteristics</b>	<b>FINRISK97</b>	<b>DILGOM</b>	<b>YFS</b>	<b>NFBC66</b>	<b>NFBC86</b>	<b>INTERVAL</b>	<b>SABRE</b>
Number of participants	6,942	4,124	1,948	4,702	3,726	40,958	4,976
Age (years $\pm$ s.d.)	47.5 $\pm$ 13.2	52.1 $\pm$ 13.6	37.7 $\pm$ 5.0	31.0 $\pm$ 0.3	16 $\pm$ 0.4	43.5 $\pm$ 14.3	52.4 $\pm$ 7.0
Female (%)	50	53	53	54	48	51	22
BMI $\pm$ s.d.	26.7 $\pm$ 4.5	26.5 $\pm$ 4.6	26.0 $\pm$ 4.7	24.6 $\pm$ 4.2	21.3 $\pm$ 3.6	26.4 $\pm$ 4.6	26.4 $\pm$ 4.0
Total cholesterol (mmol/l)	5.0 $\pm$ 1.0	4.3 $\pm$ 0.9	5.0 $\pm$ 1.0	5.3 $\pm$ 1.2	4.4 $\pm$ 0.9	4.2 $\pm$ 1.0	5.9 $\pm$ 1.1
HDL cholesterol (mmol/l)	1.6 $\pm$ 0.3	1.5 $\pm$ 0.4	1.6 $\pm$ 0.3	1.7 $\pm$ 0.4	1.5 $\pm$ 0.3	1.4 $\pm$ 0.4	1.4 $\pm$ 0.4
Triglycerides (mmol/l)	0.9 $\pm$ 0.6	1.1 $\pm$ 0.6	1.3 $\pm$ 0.7	1.2 $\pm$ 0.7	0.9 $\pm$ 0.5	1.2 $\pm$ 0.5	1.7 $\pm$ 1.3