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eTable 1. Definitions of Ideal, Intermediate, and Poor Cardiovascular Health Metrics for Adults

	AHA definitions	Definitions for prevalence 1988-1994, 1999-2004, and	and trends analyses or nea	arest match in NHANES	NHANES III Linked Mortality File
Goal/Metrics	of Cardiovascular health metrics*	NHANES III (1988-1994)	NHANES 1999-2004	NHANES 2005-2010	(through 2006) analyses
Smoking status					
ldeal	Never or quit >12 months ago	NHANES III did not ask the time since quitting smoking. For the ideal category of smoking status, we included the participants who self-reported never smoking for consistent estimates across the surveys.	NHANES 1999-2004 asked the time since quitting smoking. To be consistent with NHANES III estimate, we included the participants who self- reported never smoking for the ideal category of smoking status.	NHANES 2005-2010 asked the time since quitting smoking. To be consistent with NHANES III estimate, we included the participants who self- reported never smoking for the ideal category of smoking status.	NHANES 1999-2004 and 2005-2010 estimates indicated that only about 3% former smokers had quit <12 months ago, so we used the definition of current smoking vs. others in the association study.
Intermediate	Former or quit ≤ 12 months	For intermediate category of smoking status, we included all former smokers.	We included all former smokers for the intermediate category of smoking status. However, among former smokers, only 2.9% (95% CI 2.4-3.5) had quit smoking <12 months.	We included all former smokers for the intermediate category of smoking status. However, among former smokers, only 3.0% (95% CI 2.7-3.5) had quit smoking <12 months.	-
Poor	Current smoking	Current smoking	Current smoking	Current smoking	-
Body mass index (BMI)					
Ideal	<25 kg/m ²	<25 kg/m² (BMI is calculated as weight in kilograms divided by height in meters squared)	<25 kg/m² (BMI is calculated as weight in kilograms divided by height in meters squared)	<25 kg/m² (BMI is calculated as weight in kilograms divided by height in meters squared)	BMI <25 vs. ≥25
Intermediate	25–29.9 kg/m ²	25–29.9 kg/m²	25–29.9 kg/m ²	25–29.9 kg/m²	-
Poor	≥30.0 kg/m ²	≥30.0 kg/m ²	≥30.0 kg/m ²	≥30.0 kg/m²	-
Physical activity					
ldeal	150+ min/wk moderate or 75+ min/wk vigorous or 150+ min/wk	NHANES III did not ask the duration of physical activities. We used the following definition to	150+ min/wk moderate or 75+ min/wk vigorous or 150+ min/wk moderate + vigorous. Physical	150+ min/wk moderate or 75+ min/wk vigorous or 150+ min/wk moderate + vigorous for NHANES	Physical activities with 3 <mets <6="" and="" engaged="" in="" or="" physical<="" td="" times="" wk="" ≥5=""></mets>

	moderate + vigorous	classify participants as physically active: physical activities with 3≤METS <6 and engaged in ≥5 times/wk or physical activities with METS ≥6 and 3.0 times/wk. ¹⁵ . Physical activities included walking, jogging or running, bicycling, swimming, aerobics or aerobic dancing, other dancing, calisthenics, gardening or yard work, and other sports.	activities included walking, jogging or running, bicycling, swimming, aerobics or aerobic dancing, other dancing, calisthenics, gardening or yard work, and other sports.	2005-2006. The physical activity questionnaires changed substantially after NHANES 2007-2008; thus, we restricted our Trend analyses to data from NHANES 1999-2004 and 2005-2006 for consistency. Physical activities included walking, jogging or running, bicycling, swimming, aerobics or aerobic dancing, other dancing, calisthenics, gardening or yard work, and other sports.	activities with METS ≥6 and 3.0 times/wk. vs. others
Intermediate	1–149 min/wk moderate or 1–74 min/wk vigorous or 1–149 min/wk moderate + vigorous	The difference between physically active and none physical activity was taken as intermediate.	1–149 min/wk moderate or 1–74 min/wk vigorous or 1–149 min/wk moderate + vigorous.	1–149 min/wk moderate or 1–74 min/wk vigorous or 1–149 min/wk moderate + vigorous for NHANES 2005-2006.	_
Poor	None	None	None	None	-
Healthy diet score					
Ideal	4–5 Components	-	-	-	-
		AHA's healthy diet score ranges from 0-5 and is calculated from sum of the following components, one point each for the consumption of fruits and vegetables (≥4.5 cups/day), fish (≥two 3.5-oz servings/week), fiberrich whole grains (≥ three 1-oz-equivalent servings/day), sodium (<1500 mg/d), and sugarsweetened beverages (≤36-oz/week). We	FFQ was administrated in NHANES 2003-2004 only. FFQ in NHANES 2003-2004 was developed by the National Cancer Institute (NCI) with a 124 foods and beverage items and used a "past 12 months" reference period. The methods of estimating healthy diet score is the same as in NHANES III. For Trend analyses, we dichotomized the score	FFQ was administrated in NHANES 2005-2006 only. FFQ in NHANES 2003-2004 was developed by the National Cancer Institute (NCI) with a 124 food and beverage items and used a "past 12 months" reference period. The methods of estimating healthy diet score is the same as in NHANES III. For Trend analyses, we dichotomized the score as <2 vs. ≥2 components due	Healthy diet score ≥2
Intermediate	2–3 Components	estimated the healthy diet	as <2 vs. ≥2 components	to the paucity of	vs. <2 components

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		score based on the Food	due to the paucity of	participants with a score	
		Frequency Questionnaire	participants with a score	≥4 (<1.0%).	
		(FFQ) for all the dietary	≥4 (<1.0%).		
		elements, with the			
		exception of sodium. We			
		assumed that the reported			
		consumption of one			
		serving of fruit or			
		vegetables was one cup;			
		one serving of fish, 3.5-oz;			
		one serving of whole			
		grains, 1-oz equivalent of			
		whole grains; and one			
		serving of sugar			
		sweetened beverages, 12-			
		oz. For fruits and			
		vegetable consumption,			
		we excluded white			
		potatoes, French fries,			
		citrus and other fruit juice,			
		and hot red chili peppers.			
		For sodium intake, we			
		used the National Cancer			
		Institute methodology to			
		estimate the usual intakes of sodium. 18 NHANES III			
		FFQ used a "past month"			
		reference period. For trend and association analyses,			
		we dichotomized the score			
		as <2 vs. >2 components			
		due to the paucity of			
		participants with a score			
		≥4 (<1.0%).			
Poor	0–1 Components	FFQ <2 components	FFQ <2 components	FFQ <2 components	FFQ <2 components
Total	,	·		,	
cholesterol					
					Total cholesterol
ldeal ^a	<200 mg/dL	<200 mg/dL	<200 mg/dL	<200 mg/dL	<200 vs. ≥200 mg/dL
	200–239 mg/dL or	200–239 mg/dL or treated	200–239 mg/dL or treated	200–239 mg/dL or treated	, and the second
Intermediate	treated to goal	to goal	to goal	to goal	-
Poor	≥240 mg/dL	≥240 mg/dL	≥240 mg/dL	≥240 mg/dL	_
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Blood pressure					
Ideal ^a	SBP<120/DBP<80 mmHg	SBP<120/DBP<80 mmHg	SBP<120/DBP<80 mmHg	SBP<120/DBP<80 mmHg	SBP<120/DBP<80 mmHg vs. SBP≥120/DBP≥80 mmHg
Intermediate	SBP 120–139 or DBP 80–89 mmHg or treated to goal	SBP 120–139 or DBP 80– 89 mmHg or treated to goal	SBP 120–139 or DBP 80–89 mmHg or treated to goal	SBP 120–139 or DBP 80– 89 mmHg or treated to goal	
Poor	SBP ≥140 or DBP ≥90 mm Hg	SBP ≥140 or DBP ≥90 mmHg	SBP ≥140 or DBP ≥90 mmHg	SBP ≥140 or DBP ≥90 mmHg	-
Fasting plasma glucose					
		Fasting glucose was available for a sub-sample of NHANES III participants (n=6939).	Fasting glucose was available for a subsample of NHANES 1999-2004 participants (n=5635).	Fasting glucose was available for a sub-sample of NHANES 2005-2010 participants (n=4124).	We used hemoglobin A1c <5.7% as an approximation to <100mg/dL fasting glucose. ^b A1c <5.7%
Ideal	<100 mg/dL	<100 mg/dL	<100 mg/dL	<100 mg/dL	vs. A1c ≥5.7%
Intermediate	100–125 mg/dL or treated to goal	100–125 mg/dL or treated to goal	100–125 mg/dL or treated to goal	100–125 mg/dL or treated to goal	-
Poor	≥126 mg/dL	≥126 mg/dL	≥126 mg/dL	≥126 mg/dL	-

a untreated values, ie, no hypertension or high cholesterol levels.
b. American Diabetes Association. Standards of medical care in diabetes -2010. *Diabetes Care* 2010;33 Suppl 1:S11-61.

eTable 2. Adjusted Hazard Ratios (HRs) of All-Cause and CVD Mortality by Cardiovascular Health Metrics and Age Group, NHANES III (1988-1994) Linked Mortality File (Through 2006)

			Number of cardi	ovascular health	metrics		p-value	
Characteristics	0-1	2	3	4	5	6+	for trends ^b	Adjusted PAF (95% CI) ^c
All-cause mortality								
Age < 60 years								
All deaths	46	122	184	174	83	38		
Number of participants								
Total person yrs	3507	12401	27189	39934	36484	18798		
HR adjusted for age, sex & race-	4.0	0.50 (0.00 4.00)	0.50 (0.04 0.07)	0.00 (0.05 0.50)	0.00 (0.40, 0.40)	0.00 (0.440.00)	-0.004	
ethnicity only				0.38 (0.25 - 0.59)				04.4 (5.0.00.4)
Fully-adjusted HR ^a	1.0	0.65 (0.38 - 1.11)	0.57 (0.35 - 0.95)	0.44 (0.29 - 0.67)	0.30 (0.17 - 0.54)	0.29 (0.16 - 0.52)	<0.001	61.4 (5.0-88.1)
Age ≥ 60 years	407	200	507	F 4 4	207	0.4		
All deaths	107	323	527	544	287	84		
Number of participants								
Total person yrs	2003	6217	10590	10782	6307	2579		
HR adjusted for age, sex & race-								
ethnicity only	1.0	0.62 (0.47 - 0.80)	0.49 (0.37 - 0.65)	0.39 (0.29 - 0.52)	0.40 (0.30 - 0.53)	0.23 (0.16 - 0.32)	<0.001	
Fully-adjusted HR ^a	1.0			0.41 (0.30 - 0.54)				54.9 (3.4-83.4)
CVD mortality		,	,		,			
Age < 60 years								
CVD deaths	18	53	63	31	13	3		
Number of participants								
Total person yrs	3507	12401	27189	39934	36484	18798		
HR adjusted for								
age, sex & race-								
ethnicity only				0.19 (0.09 - 0.39)				
Fully-adjusted HR ^a	1.0	0.88 (0.48 - 1.60)	0.58 (0.27 - 1.21)	0.23 (0.10 - 0.53)	0.12 (0.04 - 0.37)	0.04 (0.01 - 0.23)	< 0.001	89.5 (7.0-99.2)
Age < 60 years								
CVD deaths	52	145	225	261	119	43		

			Number of cardi	ovascular health	metrics		p-value	1
Characteristics	0-1	2	3	4	5	6+	for trends ^b	Adjusted PAF (95% CI) ^c
Number of participants								
Total person yrs	2003	6217	10590	10782	6307	2579		
HR adjusted for age, sex & race-								
ethnicity only	1.0	0.64 (0.44 - 0.92)	0.43 (0.30 - 0.62)	0.40 (0.29 - 0.55)	0.34 (0.21 - 0.53)	0.23 (0.13 - 0.43)	<0.001	
Fully-adjusted HR ^a	1.0	0.67 (0.46 - 0.96)	0.46 (0.32 - 0.66)	0.43 (0.31 - 0.60)	0.35 (0.22 - 0.57)	0.25 (0.14 - 0.46)	<0.001	43.6 (0.1-83.4)

Adjusted for age, sex, race/ethnicity, educational attainment, alcohol intake, family history of CVD, smoking status, physical activity, BMI, health diet score, total cholesterol, blood pressure, and hemoglobin A1c.

P-value for Trends across the categories of cardiovascular health metrics based on Satterthwaite adjusted F-test; P-values for number of cardiovascular health metrics by age group interactions were 0.487 and 0.016 for the multivariable-adjusted models of all-cause and CVD mortality, respectively, based on Satterthwaite adjusted F-test; all tests two-tailed. Adjusted for age, sex, race/ethnicity, educational attainment, alcohol intake, and family history of CVD and cardiovascular health metrics.

eTable 3. Adjusted Hazard Ratios (HRs) of All-Cause and CVD Mortality by Cardiovascular Health Metrics and Sex, NHANES III (1988-1994) Linked Mortality File (Through 2006)

			Number of card	iovascular health	metrics		p-	
Characteristics	0-1	2	3	4	5	6+	value for	Adjusted full
All-cause mortality								
Male								
All deaths	61	212	390	385	225	76		
Number of								
participants								
Total person yrs	2667	8906	19298	25309	18856	9038		
HR adjusted for								
age, sex & race-								
ethnicity only						0.34 (0.19 - 0.59)		
Fully-adjusted HR ^a	1.0	0.82 (0.46 - 1.45)	0.75 (0.46 - 1.20)	0.53 (0.32 - 0.89)	0.56 (0.34 - 0.92)	0.42 (0.24 - 0.72)	<0.001	53.6 (0.0-83.8)
Female								
All deaths	27	96	148	148	80	27		
Number of								
participants								
Total person yrs	2667	8906	19298	25309	18856	9038		
HR adjusted for								
age, sex & race-								
ethnicity only	1.0	1.17 (0.68 - 2.01)	0.74 (0.42 - 1.30)	0.55 (0.35 - 0.87)	0.44 (0.29 - 0.67)	0.23 (0.12 - 0.44)	<0.001	
								63.4 (17.1-
Fully-adjusted HR ^a	1.0	1.27 (0.73 - 2.22)	0.81 (0.46 - 1.43)	0.62 (0.39 - 0.99)	0.51 (0.32 - 0.80)	0.31 (0.16 - 0.59)	<0.001	86.8)
CVD mortality								
Male								
CVD deaths	92	233	321	333	145	46		
Number of								
participants								
Total person yrs	2843	9712	18481	25408	23935	12339		
HR adjusted for								
age, sex & race-								
ethnicity only	1.0	0.55 (0.41 - 0.74)	0.44 (0.33 - 0.59)	0.41 (0.30 - 0.57)	0.33 (0.23 - 0.46)	0.19 (0.12 - 0.32)	<0.001	
Fully-adjusted HR ^a						0.22 (0.13 - 0.36)		

			Number of card	iovascular health	metrics		p-	
Characteristics	0-1	2	3	4	5	6+	value for trends	Adjusted full
Female								
CVD deaths	43	102	140	144	52	19		
Number of participants								
Total person yrs	2843	9712	18481	25408	23935	12339		
HR adjusted for age, sex & race-ethnicity only	1.0	0.48 (0.32 - 0.72)	0.37 (0.24 - 0.57)	0.31 (0.20 - 0.48)	0.23 (0.13 - 0.41)	0.15 (0.07 - 0.33)	<0.001	
Fully-adjusted HR ^a	1.0	0.51 (0.34 - 0.76)	0.39 (0.27 - 0.58)	0.32 (0.21 - 0.50)	0.24 (0.13 - 0.43)	0.16 (0.07 - 0.36)	<0.001	64.1 (0.1-92.5)
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a. Adjusted for age, sex, race/ethnicity, educational attainment, alcohol intake, family history of CVD, smoking status, physical activity, BMI, health diet score, total cholesterol, blood pressure, and hemoglobin A1C.

P-value for Trends across the categories of cardiovascular health metrics based on Satterthwaite adjusted F-test; P-values for number of cardiovascular health metrics by sex interactions were 0.321 and 0.344 for the multivariable-adjusted models of all-cause and CVD mortality, respectively, based on Satterthwaite adjusted F-test; all tests two-tailed.
Adjusted for age, sex, race/ethnicity, educational attainment, alcohol intake, and family history of CVD and cardiovascular health metrics.

eTable 4. Adjusted Hazard Ratios (HRs) of All-Cause and CVD Mortality by Number of Cardiovascular Health Metrics Met and Race/Ethnicity, NHANES III (1988-1994) Linked Mortality File (Through 2006)

			Number of cardi	ovascular health	metrics		p-	
Characteristics	0-1	2	3	4	5	6+	value for	Adjusted PAF (95% CI)°
All-cause mortality					-	-		,
Non-Hispanic white								
All deaths	54	198	338	402	246	91		
Number of								
participants								
Total person yrs	1558	5981	13875	19938	16666	10077		
HR adjusted for								
age, sex & race-								
ethnicity only	1.0	0.65 (0.47 - 0.90)	0.54 (0.40 - 0.75)	0.42 (0.32 - 0.56)	0.38 (0.28 - 0.52)	0.25 (0.18 - 0.35)	<0.001	
Fully-adjusted HR ^a	1.0	0.68 (0.49 - 0.93)	0.58 (0.42 - 0.80)	0.46 (0.35 - 0.60)	0.43 (0.32 - 0.57)	0.29 (0.22 - 0.40)	< 0.001	59.6 (23.3-81.0)
Non-Hispanic black								
All deaths	26	96	133	181	97	40		
Number of								
participants								
Total person yrs	1558	5981	13875	19938	16666	10077		
HR adjusted for								
age, sex & race-								
ethnicity only						0.18 (0.11 - 0.29)		
Fully-adjusted HR ^a	1.0	0.76 (0.53 - 1.08)	0.52 (0.36 - 0.76)	0.43 (0.30 - 0.60)	0.33 (0.21 - 0.52)	0.22 (0.13 - 0.36)	<0.001	68.0 (16.4-90.4)
Mexican American								
All deaths	61	147	198	156	51	15		
Number of								
participants								
Total person yrs	2392	6606	11784	13411	9863	4821		
HR adjusted for								
age, sex & race-								
ethnicity only						0.36 (0.19 - 0.67)		
Fully-adjusted HR ^b	1.0	0.85 (0.61 - 1.18)	0.70 (0.49 - 0.99)	0.69 (0.50 - 0.96)	0.44 (0.28 - 0.71)	0.41 (0.22 - 0.75)	0.0016	63.3 (15.1-87.2)
CVD mortality								
Non-Hispanic white								

			Number of cardi	ovascular health	metrics		p-	
Characteristics	0-1	2	3	4	5	6+	value for trends	Adjusted PAF (95% CI) ^c
CVD deaths	30	57	84	56	13	2		
Number of participants								
Total person yrs	2392	6606	11784	13411	9863	4821		
HR adjusted for age, sex & race-ethnicity only	1.0	0 64 (0 42 - 0 99)	0 56 (0 38 - 0 84)	0 47 (0 32 - 0 69)	0 22 (0 12 - 0 40)	0.12 (0.02 - 0.62)	0.001	
Fully-adjusted HR ^a	1.0	0.66 (0.42 - 0.99)	0.50 (0.50 - 0.0 4) 0.61 (0.40 - 0.92)	0.47 (0.32 - 0.03)	0.22 (0.12 - 0.40)	0.12 (0.02 - 0.63)	0.001	71 2 (0 1-94 6)
Non-Hispanic black	1.0	0.00 (0.41 - 1.00)	0.01 (0.40 - 0.52)	0.02 (0.04 - 0.70)	0.24 (0.10 - 0.40)	0.12 (0.02 - 0.00)	0.000	7 1.2 (0.1-54.0)
CVD deaths	35	91	161	143	60	16		
Number of participants								
Total person yrs	1403	5385	10963	15393	14144	5319		
HR adjusted for age, sex & race-ethnicity only						0.50 (0.28 - 0.90)		
Fully-adjusted HR ^a	1.0	0.70 (0.47 - 1.06)	0.72 (0.46 - 1.13)	0.51 (0.32 - 0.82)	0.46 (0.28 - 0.77)	0.64 (0.34 - 1.19)	0.026	50.0 (0.0-94.5)
Mexican American								
CVD deaths	13	41	65	49	19	4		
Number of participants								
Total person yrs	1403	5385	10963	15393	14144	5319		
HR adjusted for age, sex & race-								
ethnicity only	1.0					0.19 (0.04 - 0.84)		
Fully-adjusted HR ^a	1.0	1.04 (0.42 - 2.56)	0.95 (0.41 - 2.19)	0.36 (0.16 - 0.84)	0.37 (0.14 - 0.97)	0.23 (0.05 - 0.97)	<0.001	79.6 (0.0-98.9)
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^a Adjusted for age, sex, race/ethnicity, educational attainment, alcohol intake, family history of CVD, smoking status, physical activity, BMI, health diet score, total cholesterol, blood pressure, and hemoglobin A1C.

P-value for Trends across the categories of cardiovascular health metrics score based on Satterthwaite adjusted F-test.; P-values for number of cardiovascular health metrics met by race/ethnicity interactions were 0.312 and 0.527 for the multivariable-adjusted models of all-cause and CVD mortality, respectively, based on Satterthwaite adjusted F-test; all tests two-tailed.

^{c.} Adjusted for age, sex, race/ethnicity, educational attainment, alcohol intake, and family history of CVD and cardiovascular health metrics.

eTable 5. Adjusted Hazard Ratios (HRs) of All-Cause and CVD Mortality by Cardiovascular Health Metrics and Educational Attainment, NHANES III (1988-1994) Linked Mortality File (Through 2006)

			Number of cardi	ovascular health	metrics		p-	
Characteristics	0-1	2	3	4	5	6+	value for trends	Adjusted PAF (95% CI) ^c
All-cause mortality								
<12 years of school								
All deaths	105	264	419	409	170	46		
Number of participants								
Total person yrs	3052	9483	16882	19883	13372	3940		
HR adjusted for age, sex & race-ethnicity only		0.54 (0.40 - 0.72)	0.53 (0.40 - 0.71)	0.42 (0.31 - 0.57)	0.36 (0.26 - 0.51)	0.23 (0.15 - 0.34)	<0.001	
Fully-adjusted HR ^a	1.0	0.54 (0.40 - 0.73)	<u>0.53 (0.40 - 0.71)</u>	0.43 (0.31 - 0.58)	0.36 (0.26 - 0.51)	0.23 (0.15 - 0.36)	<0.001	61.4 (19.2-84.5)
≥12 years of school								
All deaths	48	121	169	166	64	19		
Number of participants								
Total person yrs	3052	9483	16882	19883	13372	3940		
HR adjusted for age, sex & race-ethnicity only Fully-adjusted HR ^a	1.0 1.0					0.22 (0.09 - 0.55) 0.23 (0.09 - 0.58)		
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CVD mortality								
<12 years of school								
CVD deaths	48	181	292	309	200	76		
Number of								
participants								
Total person yrs	2458	9135	20897	30833	29420	17538		
HR adjusted for age, sex & race-								
ethnicity only						0.34 (0.20 - 0.56)		
Fully-adjusted HR ^a	1.0	0.71 (0.05 - 1.58)	0.69 (0.42 - 1.14)	0.57 (0.37 - 0.88)	0.54 (0.33 - 0.88)	0.37 (0.22 - 0.61)	< 0.001	54.8 (11.7-80.5)

			Number of cardi	ovascular health	metrics		p-	
Characteristics	0-1	2	3	4	5	6+	value for trends	Adjusted PAF (95% CI)°
<12 years of								,
school								
CVD deaths	22	77	119	126	68	27		
Number of								
participants								
Total person yrs	2458	9135	20897	30833	29420	17538		
HR adjusted for								
age, sex & race-								
ethnicity only	1.0					0.18 (0.09 - 0.36)		
Fully-adjusted HR ^a	1.0	0.83 (0.40 - 1.69)	0.55 (0.27 - 1.11)	0.39 (0.20 - 0.78)	0.33 (0.17 - 0.64)	0.21 (0.10 - 0.43)	<0.001	76.3 (13.2-95.4)
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Adjusted for age, sex, race/ethnicity, educational attainment, alcohol intake, family history of CVD, smoking status, physical activity, BMI, health diet score, total cholesterol, blood pressure, and hemoglobin A1C.

b. P-value for Trends across the categories of cardiovascular health metrics profile based on Satterthwaite adjusted F-test. P-values for number of cardiovascular health metrics by educational attainment interactions were 0.446 and 0.818 for the multivariable-adjusted models of all-cause and CVD mortality, respectively, based on Satterthwaite adjusted F-test; all tests two-tailed.

Adjusted for age, sex, race/ethnicity, educational attainment, alcohol intake, and family history of CVD and cardiovascular health metrics.

eTable 6. Adjusted Hazard Ratios (HRs) of All-Cancer Mortality by Cardiovascular Health Metrics, NHANES III (1988-1994) Linked Mortality File (Through 2006)

			Number of card	diovascular health	n metrics		p-	
Characteristics	0-1	2	3	4	5	6+	value for trends	Adjusted PAF (95% CI) ^c
All-cause mortality								
All deaths	84	180	189	106	60	17		
Number of								
participants	1236	2608	3370	3081	2060	957		
Total person yrs	15894	34666	45515	43030	29397	13851		
HR adjusted for age, sex & race-ethnicity			0.88 (0.58 –					
only	1.0	0.99 (0.66 – 1.48)	1.33)	0.56 (0.33 - 0.95)	0.81 (0.50 - 1.29)	0.54 (0.27 – 1.08)	0.050	
			0.90 (0.59 –					
Fully-adjusted HR ^a	1.0	1.01 (0.68 – 1.52)	1.36)	0.59 (0.34 - 0.99)	0.87 (0.55 – 1.38)	0.60 (0.29 – 1.25)	0.098	44.3 (0.0-76.0)

Adjusted for age, sex, race/ethnicity, educational attainment, alcohol intake, family history of CVD, smoking status, physical activity, BMI, health diet score, total cholesterol, blood pressure, and hemoglobin A1c.

P-value for Trends across the categories of cardiovascular health metrics based on Satterthwaite adjusted F-test; all tests two-tailed.

Adjusted for age, sex, race/ethnicity, educational attainment, alcohol intake, and family history of CVD and cardiovascular health metrics.

eTable 7. Weighted Prevalence, Adjusted Hazard Ratios (HRs) and Population-Attributable Fractions (PAFs) (95% Confidence Intervals) for Cardiovascular Health Metrics and Risk of All-Cause and CVD Mortality With BMI Classified as <30 vs ≥30 and Total Cholesterol as <240 vs ≥240 mg/dL, NHANES III (1988-1994) Linked Mortality File (Through 2006)

Cardiovascular health		Weighted prevalence	HR adjusted for age, sex and race/ethnicity	Fully adjusted HR	Adjusted PAF			
metrics	Cases/participants	(95% CI)	only (95% CI)	(95% CI) ^a	(95% CI) ^b			
		(==,	All-cause mortality					
Current smoking								
Yes	691/3542	28.8 (27.1 – 30.5)	1.0	1.0	-			
No	1982/9770	71.2 (69.5 – 72.9)	0.46 (0.40 - 0.52)	0.49 (0.42 - 0.57)	24.8 (18.3-31.1)			
Physical activity		· ·		•	, ,			
No	1722/8316	57.9 (55.5 – 60.3)	1.0	1.0	-			
Yes	951/4996	42.1 (39.7 – 44.7)	0.79 (0.74 - 0.86)	0.85 (0.77 - 0.93)	10.1 (2.1-17.9)			
ВМІ								
≥30	655/3439	22.2 (20.8 – 23.6)	1.0	1.0	-			
<30	2018/9873	77.8 (76.4 – 79.2)	0.85 (0.74 - 0.97)	0.88 (0.77 - 0.99)	1.5 (0-6.8)			
Healthy diet score								
<2 components	1919/10245	74.2 (72.6 – 75.8)	1.0	1.0	-			
≥2 components	754/3067	25.8 (24.2 – 27.4)	0.83 (0.73 - 0.95)	0.94 (0.83 - 1.07)	1.4 (0.0-14.8)			
Total serum cholesterol,								
mg/dL								
≥240	808/2775	20.1 (18.9 – 21.3)	1.0	1.0				
<240	1865/10537	79.9 (78.7 – 81.1)	1.04 (0.92 - 1.17)	1.06 (0.94 - 1.18)	n/a			
Blood pressure, mmHg								
≥120/≥80	2297/7947	54.2 (52.3 – 56.1)	1.0	1.0	-			
<120/<80	376/5365	45.8 (43.9 – 47.7)	0.79 (0.66 - 0.94)	0.81 (0.68 - 0.95)	28.5 (18.1-38.3)			
Hemoglobin A1c, %								
≥5.7%	1144/3233	15.8 (14.2 – 17.4)	1.0	1.0	-			
<5.7%	1529/10079	84.2 (82.6 – 85.8)	0.69 (0.63 - 0.75)	0.73 (0.67 - 0.80)	10.1 (6.2-14.7)			
Current smoking			CVD mortality					
Yes	229/3542	28.8 (27.1 – 30.5)	1.0	1.0	-			
No	856/9770	71.2 (69.5 – 72.9)	0.46 (0.38 - 0.57)	0.50 (0.39 - 0.64)	14.3 (5.8-22.7)			
Physical activity		·						
No	718/8316	57.9 (55.5 – 60.3)			-			
Yes	367/4996	42.1 (39.7 – 44.7)	0.74 (0.63 - 0.87)	0.77 (0.65 - 0.92)	11.4 (1.0-21.7)			
ВМІ		<u> </u>		<u> </u>				

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Cardiovascular health		Weighted prevalence	HR adjusted for age, sex and race/ethnicity	Fully adjusted HR	Adjusted PAF
metrics	Cases/participants	(95% CI)	only (95% CI)	(95% CI) ^a	(95% CI) ^b
≥30	277/3439	22.2 (20.8 – 23.6)	1.0	1.0	-
<30	808/9873	77.8 (76.4 – 79.2)	0.77 (0.60 - 0.99)	0.82 (0.65 - 1.05)	1.2 (0-9.0)
Healthy diet score					
<2 components	763/10245	74.2 (72.6 – 75.8)			-
≥2 components	322/3067	25.8 (24.2 – 27.4)	0.74 (0.60 - 0.90)	0.82 (0.67 - 1.02)	13.2 (3.5 -29.3)
Total serum cholesterol, mg/dL					
≥240	379/2775	20.1 (18.9 – 21.3)	1.0	1.0	-
<240	706/10537	79.9 (78.7 – 81.1)	0.82 (0.68 - 0.97)	0.83 (0.71 - 0.98)	3.7 (0-9.0)
Blood pressure, mmHg					
≥120/≥80	981/7947	54.2 (52.3 – 56.1)			
<120/<80	104/5365	45.8 (43.9 – 47.7)	0.61 (0.45 - 0.83)	0.64 (0.47 - 0.86)	39.2 (25.0 -51.8)
Hemoglobin A1c, %					
≥5.7%	497/3233	15.8 (14.2 – 17.4)			-
<5.7%	588/10079	84.2 (82.6 – 85.8)	0.66 (0.54 - 0.80)	0.71 (0.58 - 0.86)	8.2 (2.1 -14.3)
Current smoking			IHD mortality		
Yes	120/3542	28.8 (27.1 – 30.5)	1.0	1.0	-
No	456/9770	71.2 (69.5 – 72.9)	0.42 (0.32 - 0.56)	0.48 (0.35 - 0.66)	18.0 (8.1-27.6)
Physical activity					
No	377/8316	57.9 (55.5 – 60.3)			-
Yes	199/4996	42.1 (39.7 – 44.7)	0.76 (0.61 - 0.94)	0.83 (0.65 - 1.06)	6.5 (0.0-21.0)
ВМІ					
≥30	142/3439	22.2 (20.8 – 23.6)	1.0	1.0	-
<30	434/9873	77.8 (76.4 – 79.2)	0.71 (0.52 - 0.96)	0.74 (0.54 - 1.01)	5.7 (0-15.9)
Healthy diet score					
<2 components	412/10245	74.2 (72.6 – 75.8)			-
≥2 components	164/3067	25.8 (24.2 – 27.4)	0.65 (0.48 - 0.87)	0.74 (0.55 - 0.98)	20.7 (1.3 -38.6)
Total serum cholesterol, mg/dL					
≥240	198/2775	20.1 (18.9 – 21.3)	1.0	1.0	-
<240	378/10537	79.9 (78.7 – 81.1)	0.81 (0.62 - 1.06)	0.83 (0.66 - 1.05)	3.7 (0.0 – 10.8)
Blood pressure, mmHg					
≥120/≥80	518/7947	54.2 (52.3 – 56.1)			
<120/<80	58/5365	45.8 (43.9 – 47.7)	0.66 (0.38 - 1.12)	0.67 (0.39 - 1.13)	31.7 (5.9 -53.6)
Hemoglobin A1c, %					
≥5.7%	262/3233	15.8 (14.2 – 17.4)			

Cardiovascular health metrics	Cases/participants	•	HR adjusted for age, sex and race/ethnicity only (95% CI)	Fully adjusted HR	Adjusted PAF (95% CI) ^b
<5.7%	314/10079	84.2 (82.6 – 85.8)	0.66 (0.51 - 0.85)	0.71 (0.55 - 0.90)	6.6 (0.1 -13.4)

Adjusted for age, sex, race/ethnicity, educational attainment, alcohol intake, family history of CVD, smoking status, physical activity, BMI, healthy diet score, total cholesterol, blood pressure, and hemoglobin A1c.

Adjusted for age, sex, race/ethnicity, educational attainment, alcohol intake, family history of CVD, smoking status, physical activity, BMI, healthy diet score, total cholesterol, blood pressure, and hemoglobin A1c. The negative values of the lower 95% CI of the PAF were rounded to zero.

eTable 8. Adjusted Hazard Ratios (HRs) of All-Cause, CVD, and IHD Mortality by Cardiovascular Health Metrics With BMI Classified as <30 vs ≥30 and Total Cholesterol as <240 vs ≥240 mg/dL, NHANES III (1988-1994) Linked Mortality File (Through 2006)

			Number of cardio	vascular health	metrics ^a		p-value		
Characteristics	0-1	2	3	4	5	6+	for trends ^c	Adjusted PAF (95% CI) ^d	
All-cause mortality									
All deaths	141	430	718	776	441	167			
Number of									
participants	410	1347	2755	3738	3259	1803			
Total person yrs	5197	17448	36666	51076	26037	25928			
HR adjusted for									
age, sex & race-									
ethnicity only	1.0	0.69 (0.51 - 0.93)	0.56 (0.43 - 0.74)	0.47 (0.36 - 0.62)	0.40 (0.30 - 0.54)	0.29 (0.22 - 0.39)	<0.001		
Fully-adjusted HR ^b	1.0	0.72 (0.54 - 0.96)	0.60 (0.45 - 0.79)	0.51 (0.39 - 0.65)	0.45 (0.33 - 0.60)	0.35 (0.26 - 0.46)	<0.001	59.5 (34.0-76.8)	
CVD mortality		,	,	,	,	,		,	
CVD deaths	66	189	293	315	162	60			
Number of									
participants	410	1347	2755	3738	3259	1803			
Total person yrs	5197	17448	36666	51076	26037	25928			
HR adjusted for									
age, sex & race-									
ethnicity only	1.0	0.67 (0.50 - 0.89)	0.48 (0.36 - 0.65)	0.38 (0.29 - 0.50)	0.31 (0.22 - 0.43)	0.18 (0.12 - 0.28)	<0.001		
Fully-adjusted HR ^b	1.0	0.70 (0.52 - 0.93)	0.52 (0.38 - 0.70)	0.41 (0.31 - 0.54)	0.33 (0.23 - 0.47)	0.21 (0.13 - 0.33)	<0.001	64.9 (16.4-88.1)	

		Number of cardiovascular health metrics ^a									
Characteristics	0-1	2	3	4	5		for trends ^c	Adjusted PAF (95% CI) ^d			
IHD mortality											
IHD deaths	30	108	153	163	87	35					
Number of											
participants	410	1347	2755	3738	3259	1803					
Total person yrs	5197	17448	36666	51076	26037	25928					
HR adjusted for											
age, sex & race-											
ethnicity only	1.0			0.32 (0.23 - 0.46)							
Fully-adjusted HR ^b	1.0	0.68 (0.48 - 0.97)	0.46 (0.32 - 0.65)	0.35 (0.25 - 0.49)	0.30 (0.19 - 0.48)	0.19 (0.10 - 0.34)	0.0019	65.7 (2.2-91.4)			

BMI was classified as <30 vs. ≥30 and total cholesterol was classified as <240 vs. ≥240mg/dL.

Adjusted for age, sex, race/ethnicity, educational attainment, alcohol intake, family history of CVD, smoking status, physical activity, BMI, healthy eating index, total cholesterol, blood pressure, and hemoglobin A1C.

P-value for trends across the categories of cardiovascular health metrics profile based on Satterthwaite adjusted F-test; all tests two-tailed.

Adjusted for age, sex, race/ethnicity, educational attainment, alcohol intake, and family history of CVD and all seven cardiovascular health metrics were considered together in estimating

eTable 9. Baseline Characteristics by Number of Cardiovascular Health Metrics, NHANES III (1988-1994) Linked Mortality File (Through 2006)

	No. of	Total			Number	of cardiovas	cular health	metrics			
		weighted									p-
Characteristics ^b	pants	prevalence	0°	1	2	3	4	5	6	7 ^c	value
No. of participants	13,312		154	1082	2608	3370	3081	2060	821	136	
								18.2			
			8.0	6.4	15.8	24.4	23.7	(16.9 -	8.9	1.8	
Total: % (95% CI)			(0.6-1.2)	(5.8-7.0)	(14.7-17.0)	(23.3-25.5)	(22.6 - 24.7)	19.6)	(8.0 - 9.9)		<0.001
			52.5	51.0	49.3			38.2	36.5	37.1	
Age: mean (95%		43.4	(49.4 -	(49.7 –	(48.1 -	45.9	41.7	(37.1 –	(35.1 –	(34.7 -	
CI)	13,312	(42.5 - 44.3)	55.7)	52.2)	50.6)	(44.7 - 47.0)	(40.5 - 42.8)	39.4)	38.0)	39.5)	<0.001
Gender: % (95% CI)											
			55.8	55.8	52.6			45.0	36.5	25.7	
		49.6	(43.1 -	(50.8 –	(49.5 -	53.3	52.0	(42.2 -	(32.3 -	(17.4 -	
Male	6382	(48.5 - 50.6)		60.7)		(50.6 - 55.9)	(49.1 - 55.0)	47.8)	41.1)	36.1)	
			44.1	44.2	47.4			55.0	63.5	74.3	
		50.4	(31.9 –	(39.3 -	(44.3 -	46.7	48.0	(52.2 -	(59.0 –	(63.9 -	
Female	6930	(49.4 - 51.5)	57.0)	49.2)	50.5)	(44.1 - 49.4)	(45.1 - 50.9)	57.8)	67.8)	82.6)	<0.001
Race/Ethnicity: % (95% CI)											
			63.7	74.2	75.0			75.9	80.0	87.1	
Non-Hispanic		76.4	(49.1 -	(70.5 -	(71.2 –	76.5	76.2	(71.5 -	(74.8 –	(81.9 –	
White	5296	(73.8 - 78.8)		77.7)	78.5)	(73.6 - 79.2)	(73.3 - 78.8)	79.9)	80.4)	91.0)	
			21.8	16.1	13.2						
Non-Hispanic		10.5	(14.0 –	(13.5 –	(11.2 –	10.3	10.5	8.6	6.6	3.4	
Black	3679	(9.3 - 11.7)	32.2)	19.0)	15.0)	(8.9 - 11.7)	(9.1 - 12.0)	(7.5 - 9.8)	(5.1 - 8.5)	(2.0 - 5.7)	
Mexican		5.3	5.8	4.9	6.3	5.3	5.6	5.3	3.4	2.7	
American	3786	(4.5 - 6.2)	(3.7 - 9.2)	(4.0 - 5.9)	(5.3 - 7.4)	(4.5 - 6.3)	(4.6 - 6.9)	(4.1 - 6.8)	(2.6 - 4.4)	(1.7 - 4.2)	
		7.9	8.7	4.8	5.5	7.9	7.3	10.2	10.0	6.9	
Other	551	(6.4 - 9.8)	(2.3 - 27.5)	(3.0 - 7.8)	(3.5 - 8.6)	(6.1 - 10.2)	(6.3 - 9.5)	(7.3 - 14.3)	(6.4 - 15.3)	(3.5 - 13.0)	<0.001
Years of education: % (95% CI)											
70 (33 /0 01)			44.1	38.0	32.4			16.3			
		23.6	(29.0 -	(32.0 –	(29.1 -	26.5	23.3	(13.8 -	7.7	4.15	
0 – 11	5261	(21.7 - 25.7)	60.4)	44.3)	36.0)		(20.6 – 26.3)	19.1)	(5.1 - 11.6)		
0 - 11	3201	1(21.1 - 23.1)	00.4)	44.3)	30.0)	(23.0 - 29.3)	1(20.0 - 20.3)	19.1)	(0.1 - 11.0)	(1.7 - 9.9)	

	No. of				Number	of cardiovas	cular health	metrics			
Characteristics ^b		weighted prevalence	0°	1	2	3	4	5	6	7 ^c	p- value
			54.4	52.3	55.2			53.7	53.5	46.5	
		55.2	(37.9 -	(46.8 -	(52.0 -	58.1	55.5	(50.2 -	(48.6 -	(33.5 -	
12 - 15	6362	(53.4 - 57.0)	70.0)	57.7)		(55.2 - 61.0)	(51.9 - 59.1)	57.2)	58.3)	59.9)	
					12.4			30.0	38.8	49.4	
		21.2	1.5	9.8	(10.2 -	15.5	21.1	(26.6 -	(33.0 –	(37.7 –	
≥16	1689	(19.4 - 23.0)	(0.5 - 4.1)	(7.0 - 13.5)	14.9)	(13.0 - 18.3)	(18.8 - 23.7)	33.7)	44.9)	61.2)	<0.001
Alcohol intake (drinks/wk): % (95% CI) ^d											
			21.5	19.5	24.7			20.8	18.3		
		20.6	(10.3 -	(15.0 -	(21.4 –	20.9	19.5	(17.6 -	(14.2 –	12.9	
None	2582	(18.3 - 23.1)		24.9)	28.3)	(17.2 - 25.1)	(16.3 - 23.1)	24.4)	23.1)	(6.6 - 23.8)	
			19.5	35.0	33.6			42.4	52.1	52.4	
		39.3	(12.0 -	(29.0 -	(30.3 -	35.8	38.5	(38.2 -	(46.6 -	(40.5 -	
<3/per week	2928	(37.1 - 41.5)	30.3)	41.5)	37.1)	(32.4 - 39.4)	(34.4 - 42.9)	46.6)	57.6)	64.1)	
			59.0	45.5	41.7			36.8	29.6	34.7	
	0.450	40.1	(42.0 –	(38.8 -	(37.7 -	43.3	42.0	(33.0 -	(24.2 -	(23.8 –	.0.004
≥3/per week	3156	(37.6 - 42.7)	74.0)	52.4)	45.8)	(38.9 - 47.8)	(38.0 - 46.1)	40.9)	35.6)	47.4)	<0.001
Family history of CVD: % (95% CI)											
				15.0							
		10.3	10.0	(12.8 –	11.1	11.3	10.0	8.7	7.9	7.3	
Yes	1112	(9.4 - 11.3)	(4.9 - 19.3)	17.6)	(9.0 - 13.4)	(9.5 - 13.3)	(8.3 - 12.1)	(6.7 - 11.2)		(2.7 - 18.2)	
			90.0	85.0	88.9			91.3	92.1	92.7	
	40000	89.7	(80.7 -	(82.4 -	(86.6 –	88.7	90.0	(88.8 -	(88.8 -	(81.8 -	0.005
No	12200	(88.7 - 90.6)	95.1)	87.2)	91.0)	(86.7 - 90.5)	(87.9 - 91.7)	93.3)	94.5)	97.3)	0.005
Cardiovascular health-factors											
Current smoking: Number and % (95% CI)											
Number of											
participants	9770		0	548	1717	2475	2358	1760	776	136	
				40.5	60.3			83.7	93.4		
		71.2		(35.4 -	(56.7 -	68.3	71.4	(80.6 -	(90.9 -		
Yes (%)		(69.5 - 72.9)	0	45.9)	63.8)	(65.5 - 72.2)	(67.9 - 74.7)	86.4)	95.3)	100.0	
Number of participants	3542		154	534	891	895	723	300	45	0	

	No. of		Number of cardiovascular health metrics ^a								
Characteristics ^b		weighted prevalence	0°	1	2	3	4	5	6	7 °	p- value
				59.5	39.7			16.3			
		28.8		(54.1 –	(36.2 –	31.1	28.6	(13.6 –	6.6		
No (%)		(27.1 - 30.6)	100	64.6)	43.3)	(27.8 - 34.5)	(25.3 - 32.1)	19.4)	(4.7 - 9.1)	-	<0.001
Physical activity: number and % (95% CI)											
Number of											
participants	4996		0	60	448	1071	1393	1171	717	136	
					16.2			58.7	87.0		
		42.1		5.4	(13.5 -	32.1	47.0	(55.1 -	(82.5 –		
Yes (%)		(39.7 - 44.5)	0	(3.7 - 7.8)	19.2)	(29.1 - 35.2)	(44.1 - 50.0)	62.2)	90.4)	100	
Number of	0040		454	4000	0400	0000	4000	000	404	0	
participants	8316		154	1022 94.6	2160	2299	1688	889	104	0	
		57.9		94.6	83.5 (80.8 -	67.9	53.0	41.3 (37.8 -	13.0		
No (%)		(55.5 - 60.3)	100.0	96.3)	86.5)		(50.0 – 55.9)	(37.8 - 44.9)	(9.6 - 17.5)	0	<0.001
BMI: number and		(33.3 - 00.3)	100.0	90.5)	00.0)	(04.9 - 70.9)	(30.0 – 33.9)	77.9)	(9.0 - 17.0)		10.001
% (95% CI)											
Number of											
participants	5152		0	65	343	907	1482	1491	728	136	
					12.9			73.9	90.1		
		44.1		5.8	(10.9 -	26.5	50.5	(70.7 -	(86.3 -		
<25		(42.4 - 45.9)	0	(4.3 - 7.9)	15.2)	(23.9 - 29.4)	(47.2 - 53.9)	76.9)	92.9)	100	<0.001
Number of										_	
participants	8160	== 0 /= 1 1	154	1017	2265	2463	1599	569	93	0	
>05		55.9 (54.1-	400	94.2	87.1	73.5	49.5	26.1	9.9	0	
≥25 Healthy diet score:		57.6)	100	(92.1-95.7)	(84.8-89.1)	(70.6-76.2)	(46.2- 52.8)	(23.1-29.3)	(7.1- 13.7)	0	
number and % (95% CI)											
Number of											
participants	3067		0	41	328	675	764	693	430	136	
r				1	11.7	<u> </u>		34.7	55.7		
		25.8		3.1	(10.1 -	19.8	24.7	(31.1 -	(50.6 -		
≥2 components		(24.3 - 27.4)	0	(1.6 - 6.1)	13.6)	(17.4 - 22.5)	(22.4 - 27.2)	38.5)	(60.6	100	<0.001
Number of											
participants	10245		154	1041	2280	2695	2317	1367	391	0	

	No. of	Total weighted prevalence			Number	of cardiovas	cular health	metrics ^a			
Characteristics ^b			0°	1	2	3	4	5	6	7°	p- value
		74.2		96.9	88.3	80.2	75.3	65.3	44.4		
<2 components		(72.6 - 75.7)	100	(93.9–98.4)	(86.4 - 89.9)	(77.6–82.6)	(72.9–77.6)	(61.6-68.9)	(39.4–49.5)	0	<0.001
Total serum cholesterol,											
(mg/dL): number and % (95% CI)											
Number of											
participants	6481		0	81	569	1403	1886	1662	744	136	
		49.7		5.7	17.3	37.5	58.5	77.3	87.0		
<200mg/dL		(48.0 - 51.5)	0	(4.2 - 7.9)	(14.7-20.2)	(34.8- 40.2)	(55.5-61.5)	(74.9-79.6)	(83.2-90.0)	100	
Number of											
participants	6831		154	1001	2039	1967	1195	398	77	0	
≥200mg/dL		50.3 (48.5-52.0)	100	94.3 (92.1-95.9)	82.7 (79.8-85.3)	62.5 (59.8-65.2)	41.5 (38.5-44.5)	22.7 (20.4-25.1)	13.0 (10.0-16.8)	0	<0.001
Blood pressure (mmHg): Number and % (95% CI)											
Number of											
participants	5365		0	37	342	954	1636	1534	726	136	
		45.8	_	4.9	14.6	30.5	53.2	74.1	88.0		
<120/80 mmHg		(43.9-47.7)	0	(3.1-7.5)	(12.1-17.4)	(27.4-33.8)	(50.6-55.9)	(71.1-76.9)	(84.0-91.2)	100	
Number of	70.47		454	4045	0000	0440	4445	500	0.5	0	
participants	7947	54.2	154	1045 95.1	2266 85.5	2416 69.5	1445 46.8	526 25.9	95 12.0	0	
≥120/80 mmHg		(52.3-56.1)	100	(92.5-96.9)	(82.6-87.9)	(66.2-72.7)	46.8 (44.1-49.4)	25.9 (23.1-28.9)	(8.9-16.0)	0	<0.001
Hemoglobin A1c (%): number and % (95% CI)											
Number of											
participants	10079		0	250	1469	2627	2805	1989	805	136	
<5.7%		84.2 (82.5 - 85.8)	0	34.5 (28.9- 40.5)	67.1 (63.7 - 70.3)	84.7 (82 2- 86 9)	94.6 (93.5- 95.5)	97.5 (96 4- 98 3)	98.9 (97 3- 99 5)	100	
Number of	3233	(==:0 00:0)		(=0.0 .0.0)	,	(==== =====	(20.0 20.0)	(= 2 23.0)	(21.0 00.0)		
participants	3200		154	832	1139	745	276	71	16	0	
≥5.7%		15.8 (14.2- 17.5)	100	65.5 (59.5- 71.1)	32.9 (29.7- 36.3)	15.3 (13.1- 17.8)	5.4 (4.5- 6.5)	2.5 (1.7- 3.6)	1.2 (0.5- 2.7)	0	<0.001

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- a. Mean and percentage (%) presented by number of cardiovascular health metrics met.
 b. For the continuous variables (e.g., age and BMI), p-value for difference across the CV health-factor categories. For categorical variables (e.g., race-ethnicity), we presented χ² test. All tests were two-tailed and based on Satterthwaite adjusted F-test.
- ^{c.} For all categorical variables among the participants with zero or seven cardiovascular health metrics, the relative standard error (RSE), defined as the ratio of the standard error of the estimate divided by the estimate multiplied by 100, were >30% indicating the unreliable estimates (National Center for Health Statistics. ANALYTIC AND REPORTING GUIDELINES: The Third National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey, Hyattsville, Maryland; U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Public Health Service, CDC:
- d. Approximately 35% of participants had missing information on frequency and amount of alcohol consumed in the past 12 months; we couldn't calculate the average drinks per week for those participants. However, the distributions of missing data were similar by the number of cardiovascular health metrics met; so we included those with missing information on frequency and amount of alcohol consumed as a category in the multivariable analyses.