## Electronic supplementary material

ESM methods: Ascertainment of covariates

The following covariates were ascertained through self-report in the touchscreen questionnaire at the baseline assessment. Income was defined as average household income before tax, with participants selecting one of five categories. Education was defined as highest educational attainment, which we categorized into: College or university degree; A level, O level, Certificate of Secondary Education or National Vocational Qualification, or equivalent; and none of the above). Area-based deprivation was assessed through the Townsend Deprivation Index (1), which we divided into fifths for this study. Due to small numbers of participants with a nonwhite ethnicity, we categorised ethnicity as white or other ethnicity. We categorised smoking as never, previous, or current smoker. We defined alcohol intake as safe drinking if men or women consumed  $\leq$  14 units of alcohol per week and as risky drinking if alcohol intake exceeded 14 units per week (2). In accordance with the International Physical Activity Questionnaire (3), we assigned level of physical activity as low, moderate or high. We classified oily fish intake as at least once a week, less than once per week, and never. We used information on daily fruit and vegetable intake to define consumption of at least five fruits or vegetables per day (4). Family history of stroke, heart disease, high blood pressure, and severe depression were defined as self-reported illness of mother or father. We calculated body mass index (kg/m<sup>2</sup>, BMI) based on measured height and weight ascertained at the assessment centre at baseline, and categorised this as: under- or normal weight  $(<18.5 - 24.9 \text{ kg/m}^2)$ ; overweight  $(25 - 29.9 \text{ kg/m}^2)$ ; obese  $(30 - 34.9 \text{ kg/m}^2)$ ; severely obese  $(35 - 39.9 \text{ kg/m}^2)$ ; and morbidly obese ( $\geq 40 \text{ kg/m}^2$ ). Since there were so few participants underweight (0.5% of all participants included in the analysis), these were included in the same category as normal weight. We defined

hypertension and high cholesterol level as diagnosis and/or treatment, ascertained

through self-report in the touchscreen questionnaire or nurse interview. Additionally,

we identified participants with hypertension through blood pressure measurements of

≥140/90 mmHg at the assessment centre at baseline. We ascertained history of

CVD (stroke, myocardial infarction, angina or transient ischaemic attack) and history

of cancer using responses to the touchscreen questionnaire and nurse interview,

and from linked hospital admission records prior to baseline.

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ESM Table 1: HRs (95% CIs) for CVD mortality risk among UK Biobank participants with neither, one or both of depression and diabetes with truncation of follow-up at six years

Cause of	Exposure	Unadjusted HR	Adjusted HR (95%CI)		
mortality		(95%CI)	Model 1 <sup>a</sup>	Model 2 <sup>b</sup>	
CVD mortality	Neither depression nor diabetes	1.0	1.0	1.0	
	Depression alone	1.41 (1.14 – 1.74)	1.51 (1.22 – 1.87)	1.24 (1.00 – 1.54)	
	Diabetes alone	4.94 (4.19 – 5.83)	2.74 (2.31 – 3.24)	1.95 (1.62 – 2.34)	
	Depression and diabetes	9.39 (6.97 – 12.64)	5.25 (3.88 – 7.09)	3.00 (2.19 – 4.11)	

ESM Table 2: Baseline characteristics and causes of death, separately for UK Biobank participants with and without complete data available

Characteristic	Incomplete cases	Complete cases
Characteristic	( <i>N</i> = 155,761)	( <i>N</i> = 344,069)
Men	57,446 (36.9)	170,348 (49.5)
Age (years), median (IQR)	59.0 (51.0, 64.0)	57.0 (50.0, 63.0)
White ethnicity	141,511 (90.9)	328771 (95.6)
Income (£)		
> 100,000	1766 (2.2)	21,119 (6.1)
52,000 - 100,000	10,284 (13.0)	75,791 (22.0)
31,000 – 51,999	18,622 (23.5)	91,852 (26.7)
18,000 – 30,999	22,108 (27.9)	85,635 (24.9)
< 18,000	26,364 (33.3)	69,672 (20.2)
Highest educational attainment		
College or university degree	32,666 (22.4)	127,578 (37.1)
Other degrees <sup>a</sup>	74,374 (51.0)	170,370 (49.5)
None of the above	38,653 (26.5)	46,121 (13.4)
Area-based deprivation		
1 = least deprived	28,679 (18.5)	71,716 (20.8)
2	28,929 (18.6)	70,868 (20.6)
3	29,983 (19.3)	70,022 (20.4)
4	30,356 (19.6)	69,485 (20.2)
5 = most deprived	37,196 (24.0)	61,978 (18.0)
BMI		
Underweight or normal weight	47,239 (30.9)	117,085 (34.0)
Overweight	61,893 (40.5)	149,255 (43.4)
Obese	29,546 (19.3)	57,393 (16.7)
Severely obese	9730 (6.4)	15,029 (4.4)
Morbidly obese	4285 (2.8)	5307 (1.5)
Physical activity		
High	45,348 (34.0)	129,581 (37.7)
Moderate	52,871 (39.6)	141,478 (41.1)
Low	35,241 (26.4)	73,010 (21.2)
Alcohol intake = Risky drinking	29,266 (38.6)	170,009 (49.4)
Smoking status		
Never	87,498 (57.2)	184,918 (53.7)
Previous	47,500 (31.1)	124,732 (36.3)
Current	17,847 (11.7)	34,419 (10.0)
Fruit and vegetable intake per day	104,873 (68.1)	241,968 (70.3)
= Less than five a day		
Oily fish intake		
At least once a week	82,387 (54.3)	194,921 (56.7)
Less than once a week	49,238 (32.4)	114,824 (33.4)
Never	20,115 (13.3)	34,324 (10.0)
History of CVD	13,067 (8.4)	22,470 (6.5)
History of cancer	14,498 (9.3)	29,828 (8.7)
Hypertension	91,238 (58.6)	191,015 (55.5)
High cholesterol level	32,544 (20.9)	62,926 (18.3)
Family history of CVD	106,112 (68.1)	239,848 (69.7)
Family history of depression	12,656 (8.1)	31,425 (9.1)
Cause of death	1	
Cancer	2872 (1.8)	5104 (1.5)
Circulatory disease	1079 (0.7)	1748 (0.5)
Other causes	1212 (0.8)	1709 (0.5)

Data are number (%) unless otherwise indicated. a A level, O level, Certificate of secondary education, National vocational qualification, or equivalent

ESM Table 3: HRs (95% CIs) for all-cause and cause-specific mortality risk among UK Biobank participants with neither, one of both of depression and diabetes (complete case analysis)

Causes of	Expecture	Unadjusted HR	Adjusted HR (95% CI)		
mortality	Exposure	(95% CI)	Model 1 <sup>a</sup>	Model 2 <sup>b</sup>	
All-cause	Neither depression nor diabetes	1.0	1.0	1.0	
	Depression alone	1.36 (1.26 – 1.46)	1.37 (1.27 – 1.47)	1.19 (1.11 – 1.29)	
mortality	Diabetes alone	2.81 (2.61 - 3.02)	1.79 (1.67 – 1.93)	1.56 (1.45 – 1.69)	
	Depression and diabetes	4.69 (4.07 - 5.41)	3.02 (2.62 - 3.48)	2.32 (2.00 - 2.69)	
	Neither depression nor diabetes	1.0	1.0	1.0	
Cancer	Depression alone	1.05 (0.94 – 1.16)	1.05 (0.94 – 1.16)	0.93 (0.83 - 1.03)	
mortality	Diabetes alone	2.00 (1.80 - 2.22)	1.36 (1.23 – 1.52)	1.28 (1.14 – 1.43)	
	Depression and diabetes	2.82 (2.24 - 3.54)	1.96 (1.56 – 2.47)	1.70 (1.35 – 2.15)	
	Neither depression nor diabetes	1.0	1.0	1.0	
Circulatory	Depression alone	1.37 (1.16 – 1.62)	1.47 (1.24 – 1.74)	1.22 (1.02 - 1.44)	
mortality	Diabetes alone	4.71 (4.13 – 5.38)	2.61 (2.28 - 2.99)	1.82 (1.57 – 2.10)	
-	Depression and diabetes	7.55 (5.83 – 9.79)	4.31 (3.32 – 5.59)	2.41 (1.84 – 3.16)	
	Neither depression nor diabetes	1.0	1.0	1.0	
Mortality	Depression alone	2.47 (2.16 - 2.82)	2.37 (2.07 - 2.72)	2.11 (1.84 – 2.43)	
from other causes	Diabetes alone	3.68 (3.16 - 4.28)	2.24 (1.92 - 2.61)	2.10 (1.77 – 2.48)	
	Depression and diabetes	8.36 (6.47 – 10.79)	4.83 (3.73 - 6.25)	3.85 (2.93 - 5.06)	

ESM Table 4: HRs (95% CIs) for all-cause and cause-specific mortality risk among UK Biobank participants with neither, one or both of depression and diabetes stratified by sex (complete case analysis)

Causes of	Expectite	Adjusted HR (95% CI) <sup>a</sup>		
mortality	Exposure	Men	Women	
	Neither depression nor diabetes	1.0	1.0	
All-Cause	Depression alone	1.24 (1.12 – 1.38)	1.15 (1.03 – 1.29)	
mortanty	Diabetes alone	1.58 (1.44 – 1.72)	1.53 (1.28 – 1.83)	
	Depression and diabetes	2.40 (2.02 – 2.84)	2.09 (1.56 – 2.81)	
Canaar	Neither depression nor diabetes	1.0	1.0	
Cancer	Depression alone	0.87 (0.73 – 1.02)	0.99 (0.86 – 1.14)	
mortanty	Diabetes alone	1.28 (1.12 – 1.46)	1.27 (1.01 – 1.60)	
	Depression and diabetes	1.86 (1.41 – 2.45)	1.38 (0.88 – 2.17)	
Circulatory	Neither depression nor diabetes	1.0	1.0	
Circulatory	Depression alone	1.30 (1.06 – 1.59)	1.03 (0.74 – 1.43)	
mortanty	Diabetes alone	1.75 (1.50 – 2.06)	2.35 (1.62 – 3.40)	
	Depression and diabetes	2.53 (1.88 – 3.40)	1.95 (0.97 – 3.92)	
Mantalita fuana	Neither depression nor diabetes	1.0	1.0	
wortality from	Depression alone	2.16 (1.81 – 2.58)	2.01 (1.61 – 2.52)	
other causes	Diabetes alone	2.18 (1.81 – 2.63)	1.84 (1.22 – 2.76)	
	Depression and diabetes	3.49 (2.51 – 4.84)	4.76 (2.91 – 7.80)	

a Fully adjusted model: adjusted for age, ethnicity, education, income and area-based deprivation, BMI, physical activity level, alcohol intake, smoking status, fruit and vegetable intake, oily fish intake, high cholesterol level, hypertension, history of CVD, history of cancer, family history of CVD and family history of depression at baseline

ESM Table 5: Measures of additive and multiplicative interaction between depression and diabetes on risk of all-cause and cause-specific mortality (complete case analysis)

Causes of		Multiplicative interaction		
mortality	RERI (CI)	AP (Cl)	S (CI)	p-value
All-cause mortality	0.56 (0.21 – 0.92)	0.24 (0.12 – 0.36)	1.74 (1.28 – 2.37)	0.003
Cancer mortality	0.38 (-0.30 – 1.06)	0.16 (-0.09 – 0.40)	1.37 (0.81 – 2.31)	0.005
Circulatory mortality	0.50 (0.08 - 0.92)	1.37 (0.81 – 2.31)	3.47 (1.27 – 9.49)	0.294
Mortality from other causes	0.64 (-0.41 – 1.70)	0.17 (-0.07 – 0.40)	1.29 (0.88 – 1.90)	0.658
CVD mortality	0.45 (-0.38 – 1.28)	0.17 (-0.10 – 0.44)	1.38 (0.80 – 2.36)	0.321
Non-CVD circulatory mortality	0.17 (-0.99 – 1.32)	0.10 (-0.52 – 0.72)	1.30 (0.23 – 7.41)	0.697

AP: Attributable proportion, RERI: Relative excess risk for interaction, S: Synergy index

ESM Table 6: HRs (95% CIs) for CVD- and non-CVD circulatory mortality risk among UK Biobank participants with neither, one or both of depression and diabetes (complete case analysis)

Causes of	es of lity Exposure	Unadjusted HR	Adjusted HR (95%CI)		
mortality		(95%CI)	Model 1 <sup>a</sup>	Model 2 <sup>b</sup>	
	Neither depression nor diabetes	1.0	1.0	1.0	
CVD	Depression alone	1.37 (1.13 – 1.67)	1.47 (1.21 – 1.79)	1.20 (0.98 – 1.46)	
mortality	Diabetes alone	5.25 (4.53 – 6.08)	2.87 (2.47 – 3.34)	2.00 (1.70 – 2.36)	
	Depression and diabetes	8.43 (6.32 –11.23)	4.69 (3.51 – 6.27)	2.65 (1.96 – 3.59)	
	Neither depression nor diabetes	1.0	1.0	1.0	
NON-CVD	Depression alone	1.36 (0.98 – 1.88)	1.48 (1.07 - 2.06)	1.27 (0.91 – 1.78)	
mortality	Diabetes alone	3.24 (2.40 – 4.37)	1.87 (1.38 – 2.54)	1.27 (0.92 – 1.77)	
	Depression and diabetes	5.17 (2.84 – 9.43)	3.16 (1.73 – 5.79)	1.71 (0.92 – 3.20)	

ESM Table 7: Causes of death in the other mortality group, overall and separately for participants with none, one or both of depression and diabetes (n, %)

Causes of death	Neither depression nor diabetes ( <i>N</i> = 1,962)	Depression alone ( <i>N</i> = 468)	Diabetes alone ( <i>N</i> = 380)	Depression and diabetes (N = 111)	<b>Total</b> ( <i>N</i> = 2,921)
Diseases of the respiratory system	517 (26.4%)	132 (28.2%)	101 (26.6%)	24 (21.6%)	774 (26.5%)
Diseases of the digestive system	343 (17.5%)	88 (18.8%)	76 (20.0%)	23 (20.7%)	530 (18.1%)
External causes of morbidity and mortality	320 (16.3%)	107 (22.9%)	37 (9.7%)	10 (9.0%)	474 (16.2%)
Diseases of the nervous system	325 (16.6%)	59 (12.6%)	31 (8.2%)	11 (9.9%)	426 (14.6%)
Certain infectious and parasitic diseases	90 (4.6%)	12 (2.6%)	14 (3.7%)	3 (2.7%)	119 (4.1%)
Endocrine, nutritional and metabolic diseases	36 (1.8%)	7 (1.5%)	58 (15.3%)	18 (16.2%)	119 (4.1%)
Mental and behavioural disorders	69 (3.5%)	16 (3.4%)	9 (2.4%)	1 (0.9%)	95 (3.3%)
Neoplasms (in situ, benign, uncertain or unknown behaviour)	64 (3.3%)	9 (1.9%)	9 (2.4%)	3 (2.7%)	85 (2.9%)
Diseases of the musculoskeletal system and connective tissue	57 (2.9%)	13 (2.8%)	7 (1.8%)	5 (4.5%)	82 (2.8%)
Diseases of the genitourinary system	37 (1.9%)	7 (1.5%)	21 (5.5%)	6 (5.4%)	71 (2.4%)
Symptoms, signs and abnormal clinical and laboratory findings, not elsewhere classified	43 (2.2%)	8 (1.7%)	10 (2.6%)	4 (3.6%)	65 (2.2%)
Diseases of the blood and blood- forming organs and certain disorders involving the immune mechanism	20 (1.0%)	2 (0.4%)	5 (1.3%)	1 (0.9%)	28 (1.0%)
Congenital malformations, deformations and chromosomal abnormalities	22 (1.1%)	4 (0.9%)	1 (0.3%)	0 (0.0%)	27 (0.9%)
Other death (temporary code)	12 (0.6%)	1 (0.2%)	0 (0.0%)	1 (0.9%)	14 (0.5%)
Diseases of the skin and subcutaneous tissue	7 (0.4%)	3 (0.6%)	1 (0.3%)	1 (0.9%)	12 (0.4%)

		Multiplicative interaction		
	RERI (CI)	AP (Cl)	S (Cl)	p-value
All-cause mortality	0.29 (0.03 – 0.54)	0.13 (0.03 – 0.24)	1.32 (1.05 – 1.67)	0.182
Cancer mortality	0.38 (0.07 – 0.68)	0.23 (0.08 – 0.39)	2.57 (1.27 – 5.23)	0.006
Circulatory mortality	-0.03 (-0.52 – 0.46)	-0.01 (-0.24 – 0.21)	0.98 (0.65 – 1.46)	0.578
Mortality from other causes	0.26 (-0.48 – 1.01)	0.07 (-0.12 – 0.27)	1.11 (0.83 – 1.49)	0.061
CVD mortality	-0.26 (-0.85 – 0.33)	-0.11 (-0.39 – 0.17)	0.83 (0.54 – 1.29)	0.197
Non-CVD circulatory mortality	0.57 (-0.31 – 1.46)	0.29 (-0.06 – 0.63)	2.33 (0.68 – 7.98)	0.177

ESM Table 8: Measures of additive and multiplicative interaction between depression and diabetes on risk of all-cause and cause-specific mortality

AP: Attributable proportion, RERI: Relative excess risk for interaction, S: Synergy index

ESM Table 9: HRs (95% CIs) for CVD- and non-CVD circulatory mortality risk among UK Biobank participants with neither, one of both of depression and diabetes

Causes of	Exposure	Unadjusted HR	Adjusted HR (95%CI)		
mortality		(95%CI)	Model 1 <sup>a</sup>	Model 2 <sup>b</sup>	
	Neither depression nor diabetes	1.0	1.0	1.0	
CVD	Depression alone	1.52 (1.32 – 1.76)	1.62 (1.39 – 1.88)	1.30 (1.12 – 1.52)	
mortality	Diabetes alone	5.82 (5.21 – 6.49)	3.27 (2.92 – 3.66)	2.25 (1.99 – 2.55)	
	Depression and diabetes	6.96 (5.54 – 8.75)	4.20 (3.33 – 5.29)	2.29 (1.80 – 2.92)	
Non-CVD circulatory mortality	Neither depression nor diabetes	1.0	1.0	1.0	
	Depression alone	1.33 (1.04 – 1.71)	1.41 (1.09 – 1.81)	1.19 (0.92 – 1.54)	
	Diabetes alone	3.07 (2.45 – 3.86)	1.88 (1.49 – 2.37)	1.24 (0.96 – 1.59)	
	Depression and diabetes	5.89 (3.97 – 8.74)	3.92 (2.63 – 5.83)	2.00 (1.31 – 3.06)	

## □ Depression □ Diabetes □ Interaction effect



ESM Fig. 1: HRs (95% CIs) for all-cause and cause-specific mortality risk among UK Biobank participants with neither, one of both of depression and diabetes (fully adjusted models<sup>a</sup>)

## □ Depression □ Diabetes □ Interaction effect



Biobank participants with neither, one of both of depression and diabetes (partially adjusted models\*)

a Partially adjusted model: adjusted for age, sex, ethnicity, education, income and area-based deprivation