

**Appendix 3 (as submitted by the authors): Characteristics of people who completed all cycles or dropped out of the National Population Health Survey**

	Completed	All-time dropped-out	<u>Dropped-out at each of the follow-up cycles</u>					
			1-2	2-3	3-4	4-5	5-6	6-7
Sample size (15+)	9889	3481	1055	1098	1139	1274	976	610
Age (years; mean, sd)	42 (16)	40 (17)	43 (19)	42 (19)	42 (19)	42 (19)	40 (18)	39 (16)
Age (years; median)	42	38	40	37	38	39	37	38
Female : Male	1.3	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.1
Education (% 2 <sup>nd</sup> school)	61	48	48	51	51	48	49	50
Married or with partner (%)	63	50	48	49	51	51	49	49
Hospital stay, last year (%)	6.5	7.1	8.9	7.0	6.0	6.4	6.2	6.0
FI (mean, sd)	0.064 (0.068)	0.067 (0.070)	0.062 (0.086)	0.061 (0.082)	0.057 ( 0.079)	0.057 ( 0.077)	0.056 (0.070)	0.056 (0.074)

Note: FI = Frailty Index, sd = standard deviation.