

STROBE Statement

	Item No	
Title and abstract	1	(a) Indicate the study's design with a commonly used term in the abstract (Page 3, lines 43 - 51) (b) Provide in the abstract an informative and balanced summary of what was done and what was found (Page 3, lines 43 - 63)
Introduction		
Background/rationale	2	Explain the scientific background and rationale for the investigation being reported (Page 4-6, lines 76 - 124)
Objectives	3	State specific objectives, including any prespecified hypotheses (Page 6-7, lines 125 - 130)
Methods		
Study design	4	Present key elements of study design early in the paper (Page 7, lines 132; Page 9, lines 174; Page 10, lines 190)
Setting	5	Describe the setting, locations, and relevant dates, exposure, follow-up, and data collection (Page 7-9, lines 132-173)
Participants	6	Give the eligibility criteria, and the sources and methods of selection of participants. (Page 8, lines 157-165) Describe methods of follow-up (Page 8-9, lines 166-169)
Variables	7	Clearly define all outcomes, exposures, predictors, potential confounders, and effect modifiers. Give diagnostic criteria. (Page 7-8, lines 143-151; Page 9, lines 169-172)
Data sources/ measurement	8	For each variable of interest, give sources of data and details of methods of assessment (measurement). (Page 9, lines 174-189)
Bias	9	Describe any efforts to address potential sources of bias (Page 8, lines 157-165)
Study size	10	Explain how the study size was arrived at (Page 7, lines 133-136)
Quantitative variables	11	Explain how quantitative variables were handled in the analyses. (Page 10, lines 194-198)
Statistical methods	12	Describe all statistical methods (Page 10, lines 191-209)
Results		
Participants	13	Report Number of participants at the beginning and end of the study (Page 11, lines 212-214)
Descriptive data	14	(a) Give characteristics of study participants and information on exposures and potential confounders (Page 11, lines 214-222) (b) Summarise follow-up time (average and total amount) (Page 11, lines 220-222)
Outcome data	15	Report numbers of outcome events or summary measures over time (Page 11, lines 220-222; Page 11, lines 224-231)
Main results	16	(a) Give unadjusted estimates and confounder-adjusted estimates and their precision (eg, 95% confidence interval). (Page 15-16, lines 307-329) (b) Report category boundaries when continuous variables were categorized (Page 15, lines 295-305)

Other analyses	17	Report other analyses done—eg analyses of subgroups (Page 16-17, lines 330-340)
Discussion		
Key results	18	Summarise key results with reference to study objectives (Page 17-21, lines 354-434)
Limitations	19	Discuss limitations of the study (Page 21-22, lines 435-443)
Interpretation	20	Give a cautious overall interpretation of results considering objectives, limitations, multiplicity of analyses, results from similar studies, and other relevant evidence (Page 22, lines 445-450)
Generalisability	21	Discuss the generalisability (external validity) of the study results (Page 22, lines 448-450)
Other information		
Funding	22	Give the source of funding and the role of the funders for the present study (Page 22, lines 456-461)