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Letter to the Editor

Prevalence of hypertension among Indian adults: Results from the great India blood pressure survey



We agree with the reader that selection bias is plausible, given that our study was based on survey results.¹ This also explains the high awareness of hypertension in our study. The same has been highlighted in the limitation section of our manuscript. National trends suggest a heterogeneous distribution of prevalence of hypertension in India.² We agree with the reader that state-wise data and distribution of prevalence according to urban-rural strata will help guide health policy. In the survey, camps were set-up as per the population density of the region. However, this data was not available for analysis and remains a limitation. We provided age- and gender-standardized prevalence estimates according to the 2011 census of India to account for the unequal distribution of participant population in our study. Further, our adjusted analysis suggested a prevalence of 30.7% which is similar to that reported by the largest meta-analysis on hypertension prevalence in India by Anchala et al³

Conflicts of interest

All authors have none to declare.

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