

Annex 6.1

Tables on health

Table 6A.1. Cardiovascular disease, by age and sex

All ELSA sample members

Wave 1

	Age							Total
	50–54	55–59	60–64	65–69	70–74	75–79	80+	
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Diagnosed heart attack								
Men	3.6	4.6	8.6	9.8	12.7	14.2	12.1	8.3
Standard error	(0.6)	(0.7)	(1.0)	(1.1)	(1.3)	(1.6)	(1.5)	(0.4)
Women	0.6	1.3	2.3	3.5	7.9	6.0	7.0	3.7
Standard error	(0.2)	(0.3)	(0.5)	(0.6)	(1.0)	(1.0)	(1.0)	(0.3)
Diagnosed heart attack in last two years								
Men	0.5	1.3	2.2	1.9	2.5	3.4	2.8	1.8
Standard error	(0.3)	(0.4)	(0.5)	(0.5)	(0.6)	(0.8)	(0.8)	(0.2)
Women	0.0	0.2	0.2	1.2	1.6	1.4	1.7	0.8
Standard error	(0.0)	(0.1)	(0.2)	(0.4)	(0.5)	(0.5)	(0.4)	(0.1)
Diagnosed angina								
Men	3.3	7.9	11.7	11.7	14.5	20.8	19.1	11.1
Standard error	(0.6)	(0.9)	(1.2)	(1.1)	(1.4)	(1.9)	(1.8)	(0.4)
Women	1.6	2.9	5.9	8.7	13.3	12.7	16.8	8.1
Standard error	(0.4)	(0.5)	(0.8)	(0.9)	(1.2)	(1.4)	(1.4)	(0.4)
Symptomatic angina (Rose Questionnaire)								
Men	1.0	1.2	1.8	1.5	1.5	1.2	1.9	1.4
Standard error	(0.3)	(0.3)	(0.5)	(0.4)	(0.5)	(0.5)	(0.6)	(0.2)
Women	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.9	1.7	1.7	0.8	1.0
Standard error	(0.3)	(0.2)	(0.3)	(0.3)	(0.5)	(0.6)	(0.3)	(0.1)
Symptomatic heart attack								
Men	8.1	10.6	12.9	12.6	13.5	11.8	12.2	11.3
Standard error	(0.9)	(1.0)	(1.2)	(1.2)	(1.3)	(1.5)	(1.5)	(0.5)
Women	5.8	7.4	7.6	7.7	10.1	7.5	8.6	7.7
Standard error	(0.7)	(0.8)	(0.9)	(0.9)	(1.1)	(1.1)	(1.1)	(0.3)
Diagnosed stroke								
Men	1.2	2.2	3.8	5.5	6.8	7.8	13.3	4.8
Standard error	(0.4)	(0.5)	(0.7)	(0.8)	(1.0)	(1.2)	(1.0)	(0.3)
Women	1.0	1.0	2.3	3.8	5.9	5.0	9.3	3.7
Standard error	(0.3)	(0.3)	(0.5)	(0.6)	(0.8)	(0.9)	(1.1)	(0.3)
Diagnosed hypertension								
Men	25.8	32.8	37.5	40.0	44.3	44.5	38.5	36.1
Standard error	(1.5)	(1.5)	(1.7)	(1.8)	(1.9)	(2.3)	(2.3)	(0.7)
Women	24.7	31.7	35.4	43.3	49.1	50.8	46.7	38.8
Standard error	(1.3)	(1.4)	(1.6)	(1.7)	(1.8)	(2.1)	(1.9)	(0.6)
Diagnosed diabetes								
Men	4.6	6.9	8.1	9.9	13.0	12.3	9.7	8.5
Standard error	(0.7)	(0.8)	(1.0)	(1.1)	(1.3)	(1.5)	(1.4)	(0.4)
Women	2.1	5.4	5.7	6.4	9.9	9.4	6.5	6.1
Standard error	(0.4)	(0.7)	(0.8)	(0.8)	(1.1)	(1.2)	(0.9)	(0.3)

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Table 6A.1 contd. Cardiovascular disease, by age and sex

	50–54	55–59	60–64	65–69	70–74	75–79	Age 80+	Total
Symptomatic intermittent claudication (Edinburgh Questionnaire)								
Men								
Grade 1	2.3	3.0	3.1	3.2	4.4	3.6	4.1	3.2
Standard error	(0.5)	(0.5)	(0.6)	(0.6)	(0.8)	(0.9)	(0.9)	(0.3)
Grade 2	1.7	2.6	2.8	3.5	4.8	3.6	7.4	3.3
Standard error	(0.4)	(0.5)	(0.6)	(0.7)	(0.8)	(0.9)	(1.2)	(0.3)
Women								
Grade 1	2.9	2.9	2.6	2.5	4.4	3.4	4.7	3.3
Standard error	(0.5)	(0.5)	(0.6)	(0.5)	(0.7)	(0.8)	(0.8)	(0.2)
Grade 2	1.7	1.8	2.0	2.4	4.8	3.9	3.8	2.8
Standard error	(0.4)	(0.4)	(0.5)	(0.5)	(0.8)	(0.8)	(0.7)	(0.2)
<i>Bases (weighted):</i>								
<i>Men</i>	1086	995	815	731	627	493	457	5204
<i>Women</i>	1111	1020	851	806	752	653	825	6018
<i>Bases (unweighted):</i>								
<i>Men</i>	887	1008	796	794	663	493	470	5111
<i>Women</i>	1081	1157	873	901	789	585	737	6123

Table 6A.2. Heart disease,^a by occupational class, age and sex

<i>ELSA sample members</i>	<i>Wave 1</i>			
	Age			Total
	50–59	60–74	75+	
	%	%	%	%
Men				
Professional and managerial	8.9	17.4	26.8	15.7
Intermediate	13.9	18.2	24.0	17.9
Routine and manual	14.3	23.0	23.3	20.7
Women				
Professional and managerial	5.6	12.1	15.7	10.2
Intermediate	6.8	11.9	20.7	12.1
Routine and manual	9.5	15.8	18.6	14.6
<i>Bases (weighted):</i>				
<i>Men</i>	2081	2173	950	5204
<i>Women</i>	2131	2409	1478	6018
<i>Bases (unweighted):</i>				
<i>Men</i>	1895	2253	963	5111
<i>Women</i>	2238	2563	1322	6123

a. Defined as diagnosed or symptomatic heart attack or angina.

Table 6A.3. Diagnosed hypertension, by occupational class, age and sex

ELSA sample members *Wave 1*

	Age			Total
	50–59	60–74	75+	
	%	%	%	%
Men				
Professional and managerial	27.9	40.4	40.9	34.9
Intermediate	27.2	38.2	42.2	34.1
Routine and manual	31.5	41.1	41.9	37.1
Women				
Professional and managerial	26.8	38.7	42.4	34.0
Intermediate	26.4	40.1	49.2	37.5
Routine and manual	29.5	45.2	49.5	41.1
<i>Bases (weighted):</i>				
<i>Men</i>	2081	2172	949	5202
<i>Women</i>	2131	2405	1477	6013
<i>Bases (unweighted):</i>				
<i>Men</i>	1895	2252	962	5109
<i>Women</i>	2238	2559	1321	6118

Table 6A.4. Diagnosed diabetes, by occupational class, age and sex

ELSA sample members *Wave 1*

	Age			Total
	50–59	60–74	75+	
	%	%	%	%
Men				
Professional and managerial	5.1	9.3	12.9	8.1
Intermediate	6.4	7.8	9.9	7.5
Routine and manual	6.2	11.6	10.1	9.4
Women				
Professional and managerial	1.7	5.4	8.2	4.2
Intermediate	3.4	4.7	5.2	4.4
Routine and manual	4.8	9.2	8.6	7.6
<i>Bases (weighted):</i>				
<i>Men</i>	2081	2172	949	5202
<i>Women</i>	2131	2405	1477	6013
<i>Bases (unweighted):</i>				
<i>Men</i>	1895	2252	962	5109
<i>Women</i>	2238	2559	1321	6118

Table 6A.5. Heart disease,^a by region, age and sex

ELSA sample members

Wave 1

	Age			Total
	50–59	60–74	75+	
	%	%	%	%
Men				
North East	18.8	26.7	16.3	22.3
North West	13.5	26.7	24.6	21.6
Yorkshire & Humberside	14.7	24.2	34.4	22.3
East Midlands	10.7	22.6	28.0	19.0
West Midlands	8.8	15.9	30.6	16.4
East of England	8.9	17.1	17.3	14.2
London	16.0	17.3	22.0	17.7
South East	11.5	17.1	21.8	16.0
South West	11.2	17.1	22.2	16.2
Women				
North East	7.8	18.6	29.1	17.1
North West	8.0	14.8	18.8	13.2
Yorkshire & Humberside	8.5	17.8	23.3	15.5
East Midlands	9.1	11.7	17.2	11.6
West Midlands	10.5	12.0	22.2	13.6
East of England	8.2	14.9	20.7	13.7
London	7.5	14.1	16.4	12.2
South East	5.2	12.7	17.7	11.1
South West	9.0	11.2	13.6	11.0
<i>Bases (weighted):</i>				
<i>Men</i>	2081	2172	950	5203
<i>Women</i>	2131	2405	1478	6014
<i>Bases (unweighted):</i>				
<i>Men</i>	1895	2252	963	5110
<i>Women</i>	2238	2559	1322	6119

a. Defined as diagnosed or symptomatic heart attack or angina.

Table 6A.6. Non-cardiovascular chronic illness, by age and sex

All ELSA sample members

Wave 1

	Age							Total
	50–54	55–59	60–64	65–69	70–74	75–79	80+	
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Diagnosed lung disease								
Men	3.2	5.0	6.9	8.5	9.0	10.5	9.8	6.8
Standard error	(0.6)	(0.7)	(0.9)	(1.0)	(1.1)	(1.4)	(1.4)	(0.4)
Women	3.5	5.7	7.3	6.3	9.9	5.5	6.0	6.1
Standard error	(0.6)	(0.7)	(0.9)	(0.8)	(1.1)	(1.0)	(0.9)	(0.3)
Diagnosed asthma								
Men	8.8	10.9	12.8	9.7	11.3	8.5	7.0	10.1
Standard error	(1.0)	(1.0)	(1.2)	(1.1)	(1.2)	(1.3)	(1.2)	(0.4)
Women	13.1	12.9	15.3	13.8	11.4	11.0	10.6	12.7
Standard error	(1.0)	(1.0)	(1.2)	(1.2)	(1.1)	(1.3)	(1.2)	(0.4)
Diagnosed arthritis								
Men	15.9	20.3	26.6	26.8	30.4	32.4	38.3	25.2
Standard error	(1.2)	(1.3)	(1.6)	(1.6)	(1.8)	(2.1)	(2.3)	(0.6)
Women	24.4	31.6	36.0	40.1	45.6	47.1	48.8	37.8
Standard error	(1.3)	(1.4)	(1.6)	(1.6)	(1.8)	(2.1)	(1.9)	(0.6)
Hip fractures								
Men	a	a	1.2	0.4	0.8	2.0	1.6	0.7
Standard error			(0.4)	(0.2)	(0.4)	(0.6)	(0.1)	(0.1)
Women	a	a	0.9	1.0	1.9	3.5	6.2	1.7
Standard error			(0.4)	(0.3)	(0.5)	(0.8)	(0.9)	(0.2)
Joint replacements								
Men	a	a	2.4	3.8	7.4	9.9	10.2	6.2
Standard error			(0.6)	(0.7)	(1.0)	(1.4)	(1.4)	(0.4)
Women	a	a	2.7	5.8	8.5	11.2	13.0	8.2
Standard error			(0.6)	(0.8)	(1.0)	(1.3)	(1.3)	(0.5)
Diagnosed osteoporosis								
Men	0.6	0.6	1.1	2.1	1.5	2.9	1.5	1.3
Standard error	(0.3)	(0.3)	(0.4)	(0.5)	(0.5)	(0.8)	(0.6)	(0.2)
Women	3.6	3.6	7.7	8.1	11.9	10.2	11.2	7.7
Standard error	(0.6)	(0.6)	(0.9)	(0.9)	(1.2)	(1.3)	(1.2)	(0.4)
Diagnosed cancer								
Men	1.9	2.6	4.7	6.3	7.8	9.8	7.0	5.0
Standard error	(0.5)	(0.5)	(0.8)	(0.9)	(1.1)	(1.4)	(1.2)	(0.3)
Women	4.4	7.1	7.7	6.7	6.5	9.1	9.9	7.2
Standard error	(0.6)	(0.8)	(0.9)	(0.9)	(0.9)	(1.2)	(1.2)	(0.3)
Diagnosed Parkinson's								
Men	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.5	0.4	1.5	1.1	0.5
Standard error	(0.1)	(0.2)	(0.2)	(0.3)	(0.3)	(0.5)	(0.5)	(0.1)
Women	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.6	1.2	0.6	0.4
Standard error	(0.0)	(0.2)	(0.0)	(0.2)	(0.3)	(0.5)	(0.3)	(0.1)
<i>Bases (weighted):</i>								
Men	1086	995	815	731	627	493	457	5204
Women	1111	1020	851	806	752	653	825	6018
<i>Bases (unweighted):</i>								
Men	887	1008	796	794	663	493	470	5111
Women	1081	1157	873	901	789	585	737	6123

a. Questions regarding hip fractures and joint replacements were only asked of respondents aged 60+. Bases vary; those shown are for all ELSA sample members excluding interviews conducted by proxy.

Table 6A.7. Diagnosed arthritis, by occupational class, age and sex

ELSA sample members

Wave 1

	Age			Total
	50-59	60-74	75+	
	%	%	%	%
Men				
Professional and managerial	15.6	20.1	36.0	21.0
Intermediate	16.1	26.0	31.7	22.6
Routine and manual	21.5	33.2	35.9	29.7
Women				
Professional and managerial	24.8	37.9	49.2	34.0
Intermediate	25.9	38.2	46.6	35.9
Routine and manual	30.9	42.2	49.3	40.3
<i>Bases (weighted):</i>				
<i>Men</i>	2080	2170	948	5198
<i>Women</i>	2130	2405	1476	6011
<i>Bases (unweighted):</i>				
<i>Men</i>	1894	2251	962	5107
<i>Women</i>	2238	2558	1321	6117

Table 6A.8. Type of arthritis, by age and sex

ELSA sample members with diagnosed arthritis

Wave 1

	Age			Total
	50-59	60-74	75+	
	%	%	%	%
Men				
Osteoarthritis	51.4	56.2	50.2	53.3
Rheumatoid arthritis	19.5	22.4	25.7	22.4
Other	17.0	12.1	13.3	13.8
Don't know	14.7	11.5	12.3	12.6
Women				
Osteoarthritis	60.3	64.4	54.6	60.3
Rheumatoid arthritis	21.8	20.3	24.6	22.0
Other	12.0	10.1	10.6	10.8
Don't know	9.1	10.0	13.1	10.7
<i>Bases (weighted):</i>				
<i>Men</i>	374	604	334	1312
<i>Women</i>	593	970	710	2273
<i>Bases (unweighted):</i>				
<i>Men</i>	352	631	343	1326
<i>Women</i>	641	1050	646	2337

Proportions total more than 100% as respondents were permitted to choose more than one response option.

Table 6A.9. Joint replacement among those with diagnosed arthritis, by age and sex

ELSA sample members with diagnosed arthritis

Wave 1

	Age			Total
	50–59	60–74	75+	
	%	%	%	%
With joint replacement				
Men	a	11.3	20.0	14.5
Women	a	10.9	18.4	14.2
<i>Bases (weighted):</i>				
Men	a	570	334	904
Women	a	929	708	1637
<i>Bases (unweighted):</i>				
Men	a	597	343	940
Women	a	1006	645	1651

a. Questions regarding joint replacement were only asked of those aged 60+.

Table 6A.10. Respiratory illness,^a by occupational class, age and sex

ELSA sample members

Wave 1

	Age			Total
	50–59	60–74	75+	
	%	%	%	%
Men				
Professional and managerial	29.5	40.0	54.8	38.0
Intermediate	37.4	44.9	57.2	43.6
Routine and manual	42.2	52.2	56.6	49.6
Women				
Professional and managerial	33.6	46.3	47.1	40.8
Intermediate	35.7	47.0	52.7	44.4
Routine and manual	48.0	57.0	61.1	55.1
<i>Bases (weighted):</i>				
Men	2079	2164	942	5185
Women	2118	2400	1470	5988
<i>Bases (unweighted):</i>				
Men	1893	2245	956	5094
Women	2225	2553	1316	6094

a. Defined as diagnosed lung disease or asthma, or symptomatic respiratory illness on the MRC Respiratory Questionnaire.

Table 6A.11. Respiratory illness,^a by housing problems, age and sex

ELSA sample members

Wave 1

	Age			Total
	50–59	60–74	75+	
	%	%	%	%
Men				
No damp or condensation	35.1	46.1	55.5	43.5
Has damp or condensation	48.6	64.6	68.5	57.8
Women				
No damp or condensation	39.9	51.3	55.4	48.3
Has damp or condensation	52.3	60.8	72.9	59.7
<i>Bases (weighted):</i>				
<i>Men</i>	2068	2154	941	5163
<i>Women</i>	2104	2389	1465	5958
<i>Bases (unweighted):</i>				
<i>Men</i>	1883	2234	953	5070
<i>Women</i>	2210	2543	1312	6065

a. Defined as diagnosed lung disease or asthma, or symptomatic respiratory illness on the MRC Respiratory Questionnaire.

Table 6A.12. Respiratory illness,^a by degree of urbanisation, age and sex

ELSA sample members

Wave 1

	Age			Total
	50–59	60–74	75+	
	%	%	%	%
Men				
Urban	44.9	52.4	57.8	50.3
Suburban	36.0	47.3	56.6	44.4
Rural	32.1	44.6	54.1	41.5
Women				
Urban	44.5	57.0	59.7	53.7
Suburban	41.3	51.8	53.9	48.6
Rural	38.3	49.4	59.3	47.5
<i>Bases (weighted):</i>				
<i>Men</i>	2079	2165	942	5186
<i>Women</i>	2117	2399	1470	5986
<i>Bases (unweighted):</i>				
<i>Men</i>	1893	2245	956	5094
<i>Women</i>	2225	2553	1315	6093

a. Defined as diagnosed lung disease or asthma, or symptomatic respiratory illness on the MRC Respiratory Questionnaire.

Table 6A.13. Self-reported health and long-standing illness, by age and sex

All ELSA sample members

Wave 1

	Age							Total
	50–54	55–59	60–64	65–69	70–74	75–79	80+	
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Self-reported health								
Men								
Excellent	17.5	14.7	15.4	12.2	8.3	9.8	5.8	13.0
Standard error	(1.3)	(1.1)	(1.3)	(1.2)	(1.1)	(1.4)	(1.1)	(0.5)
Very good	33.2	30.3	29.0	26.8	29.9	14.0	23.5	29.0
Standard error	(1.6)	(1.5)	(1.3)	(1.6)	(1.8)	(1.9)	(2.0)	(0.7)
Good	30.6	30.5	25.6	30.6	30.7	21.0	29.4	29.7
Standard error	(1.6)	(1.5)	(15.7)	(10.7)	(1.8)	(2.1)	(2.1)	(0.7)
Fair	12.2	15.1	20.6	21.1	20.6	23.1	26.1	18.6
Standard error	(1.1)	(1.5)	(1.6)	(1.7)	(1.8)	(2.1)	(2.1)	(0.7)
Poor	5.6	8.0	7.8	7.9	8.6	10.9	12.1	8.2
Standard error	(0.8)	(0.9)	(1.0)	(1.0)	(1.1)	(1.4)	(1.6)	(0.4)
Women								
Excellent								
Standard error	17.8	14.2	14.2	12.9	8.7	7.4	8.6	12.5
Very good	(1.2)	(1.1)	(1.2)	(1.1)	(1.0)	(1.1)	(1.1)	(0.4)
Standard error	31.7	31.3	30.6	29.6	25.7	25.0	21.6	28.3
Good	(1.4)	(1.4)	(1.6)	(1.5)	(1.6)	(1.8)	(1.6)	(0.6)
Standard error	31.5	30.0	30.7	34.9	31.1	34.8	29.4	31.6
Fair	(1.4)	(1.4)	(1.6)	(1.6)	(1.7)	(2.0)	(1.8)	(0.6)
Standard error	13.9	17.2	17.7	15.9	24.8	22.1	25.5	19.2
Poor	(1.1)	(1.1)	(1.3)	(1.2)	(1.6)	(1.7)	(1.7)	(0.5)
Standard error	4.5	6.4	5.4	5.9	8.9	8.8	9.2	6.8
	(0.6)	(0.7)	(0.8)	(0.8)	(1.0)	(1.2)	(1.1)	(0.3)
Long-standing illness								
Men								
Standard error	43.0	50.4	56.6	58.0	63.3	64.4	68.2	55.4
Women	(1.7)	(1.6)	(1.8)	(1.8)	(1.9)	(2.2)	(2.2)	(0.7)
Standard error	44.3	52.8	53.3	58.8	63.0	62.3	67.3	56.5
	(1.5)	(1.5)	(1.7)	(1.7)	(1.7)	(2.0)	(1.8)	(0.7)
Limiting long-standing illness								
Men								
Standard error	24.1	28.9	36.4	35.1	36.3	39.5	53.0	34.0
Women	(1.4)	(1.4)	(1.7)	(1.7)	(1.9)	(2.2)	(2.3)	(0.7)
Standard error	25.4	30.3	30.2	32.7	40.2	42.6	50.3	35.0
	(1.3)	(1.4)	(1.5)	(1.6)	(1.8)	(2.1)	(1.9)	(0.6)
<i>Bases (weighted):</i>								
<i>Men</i>	1086	995	815	731	627	493	457	5204
<i>Women</i>	1111	1020	851	806	752	653	825	6018
<i>Bases (unweighted):</i>								
<i>Men</i>	887	1008	796	794	663	493	470	5111
<i>Women</i>	1081	1157	873	901	789	585	737	6123

Bases vary; those shown are for all ELSA sample members excluding interviews conducted by proxy.

Table 6A.14. Psychological health and well-being, by age and sex

All ELSA sample members

Wave 1

	Age							Total
	50-54	55-59	60-64	65-69	70-74	75-79	80+	
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
GHQ12 score 4+								
Men	13.8	13.7	9.9	9.5	10.1	11.9	15.9	12.1
Standard error	(1.2)	(1.1)	(1.1)	(1.1)	(1.3)	(1.6)	(1.9)	(0.5)
Women	15.5	14.7	11.8	11.0	12.4	15.8	18.7	14.2
Standard error	(1.1)	(1.1)	(1.1)	(1.1)	(1.3)	(1.7)	(1.7)	(0.5)
CES-D 3+ symptoms								
Men	18.7	20.0	20.2	19.3	17.3	22.6	26.4	20.1
Standard error	(1.3)	(1.3)	(1.5)	(1.5)	(1.5)	(1.9)	(2.1)	(0.6)
Women	25.5	24.9	23.3	24.5	31.0	33.7	37.2	28.1
Standard error	(1.3)	(1.3)	(1.5)	(1.5)	(1.7)	(2.0)	(1.9)	(0.6)
Diagnosed mental illness								
Men	9.0	6.7	6.1	4.9	3.9	2.7	3.2	5.8
Standard error	(1.0)	(0.8)	(0.9)	(0.8)	(0.8)	(0.7)	(0.7)	(0.3)
Women	12.7	13.4	8.8	7.2	5.7	4.5	4.9	8.6
Standard error	(1.0)	(1.0)	(1.0)	(0.9)	(0.8)	(0.9)	(0.8)	(0.4)
Above-average quality of life								
Men	63.8	61.4	64.6	64.1	61.9	52.3	38.8	60.5
Standard error	(1.7)	(1.7)	(1.8)	(1.9)	(2.1)	(2.6)	(2.8)	(0.8)
Women	64.4	64.3	67.6	65.3	58.9	55.9	43.4	61.3
Standard error	(1.6)	(1.5)	(1.7)	(1.8)	(2.0)	(2.4)	(2.4)	(0.7)
Low control at home								
Men	10.2	11.0	8.4	8.4	6.8	7.4	12.1	9.3
Standard error	(1.1)	(1.1)	(1.0)	(1.0)	(1.0)	(1.3)	(1.7)	(0.4)
Women	7.6	8.7	7.5	5.9	9.3	7.7	8.9	7.9
Standard error	(0.9)	(0.9)	(1.0)	(0.8)	(1.1)	(1.2)	(1.3)	(0.4)
Low control at work								
Men	22.8	24.7	16.2	9.2	--	--	--	21.3
Standard error	(1.6)	(1.7)	(1.9)	(2.4)	--	--	--	(0.9)
Women	22.4	22.2	19.6	--	--	--	--	21.0
Standard error	(1.5)	(1.6)	(2.6)	--	--	--	--	(0.9)
High demands at home								
Men	46.5	48.2	44.5	31.6	33.9	35.7	36.4	45.0
Standard error	(1.9)	(1.9)	(2.6)	(4.0)	(5.1)	(7.5)	(8.8)	(1.1)
Women	58.6	56.1	51.8	48.9	46.7	26.8	37.4	55.0
Standard error	(1.8)	(1.9)	(3.2)	(4.5)	(6.5)	(8.1)	(9.5)	(1.1)
High demands at work								
Men	21.1	21.4	17.0	15.9	--	--	--	19.1
Standard error	(1.4)	(1.4)	(1.4)	(1.4)	--	--	--	(0.6)
Women	40.8	37.0	26.9	--	--	--	--	29.1
Standard error	(1.6)	(1.5)	(1.6)	--	--	--	--	(0.6)
<i>Bases (weighted):</i>								
Men	1086	995	815	731	627	493	457	5204
Women	1111	1020	851	806	752	653	825	6018
<i>Bases (unweighted):</i>								
Men	887	1008	796	794	663	493	470	5111
Women	1081	1157	873	901	789	585	737	6123

Bases vary; those shown are for all ELSA sample members excluding interviews conducted by proxy.

Table 6A.15. Self-reported health, by occupational class, age and sex

<i>ELSA sample members</i>				<i>Wave 1</i>
	Age			Total
	50–59	60–74	75+	
	%	%	%	%
Men				
Professional and managerial				
Excellent or very good	58.9	50.5	36.0	51.7
Good	28.3	29.3	35.4	30.0
Fair or poor	12.7	20.2	28.6	18.4
Intermediate				
Excellent or very good	46.1	45.9	33.9	44.1
Good	31.7	28.4	31.2	30.3
Fair or poor	22.1	25.7	34.9	25.6
Routine and manual				
Excellent or very good	39.6	34.4	29.1	35.2
Good	33.1	29.3	27.5	30.2
Fair or poor	27.2	36.3	43.4	34.6
Women				
Professional and managerial				
Excellent or very good	59.0	53.6	38.5	53.4
Good	28.9	28.6	36.5	30.1
Fair or poor	12.0	17.8	25.1	16.5
Intermediate				
Excellent or very good	54.7	44.9	38.9	46.9
Good	29.0	35.1	32.4	32.3
Fair or poor	16.2	20.1	28.7	20.8
Routine and manual				
Excellent or very good	37.9	34.4	27.9	33.9
Good	33.3	33.2	32.3	33.0
Fair or poor	28.8	32.4	39.8	33.1
<i>Bases (weighted):</i>				
<i>Men</i>	2079	2164	942	5185
<i>Women</i>	2118	2400	1470	5988
<i>Bases (unweighted):</i>				
<i>Men</i>	1893	2245	956	5094
<i>Women</i>	2225	2553	1316	6094

Table 6A.16. Limiting long-standing illness, by occupational class, age and sex

<i>ELSA sample members</i>				<i>Wave 1</i>
	Age			Total
	50–59	60–74	75+	
	%	%	%	%
Men				
Professional and managerial	16.7	26.2	47.0	25.7
Intermediate	30.9	35.2	38.0	33.8
Routine and manual	33.6	42.1	48.0	40.3
Women				
Professional and managerial	22.9	26.0	44.0	27.7
Intermediate	24.7	29.7	46.1	31.9
Routine and manual	32.2	39.4	47.7	39.1
<i>Bases (weighted):</i>				
<i>Men</i>	2079	2164	942	5185
<i>Women</i>	2118	2400	1470	5988
<i>Bases (unweighted):</i>				
<i>Men</i>	1893	2245	956	5094
<i>Women</i>	2225	2553	1316	6094

Table 6A.17. Psychological health, by occupational class, age and sex

<i>ELSA sample members</i>				<i>Wave 1</i>
	Age			Total
	50–59	60–74	75+	
	%	%	%	%
GHQ12 score 4+				
Men				
Professional and managerial	11.4	6.3	11.9	9.6
Intermediate	11.8	10.8	13.7	11.7
Routine and manual	17.0	11.7	15.4	14.3
Women				
Professional and managerial	13.1	9.7	16.3	12.3
Intermediate	11.8	9.2	16.4	11.6
Routine and manual	18.4	13.9	18.7	16.5
CES-D 3+ symptoms				
Men				
Professional and managerial	13.6	10.4	18.1	13.2
Intermediate	19.0	18.7	21.8	19.3
Routine and manual	24.4	24.4	29.9	25.5
Women				
Professional and managerial	19.8	18.6	27.9	20.7
Intermediate	19.9	20.7	35.2	23.8
Routine and manual	31.2	32.5	39.0	33.7
<i>Bases (weighted):</i>				
<i>Men</i>	2079	2164	942	5185
<i>Women</i>	2118	2400	1470	5988
<i>Bases (unweighted):</i>				
<i>Men</i>	1893	2245	956	5094
<i>Women</i>	2225	2553	1316	6094

Table 6A.18. Smoking, frequent drinking and sedentary behaviour, by age and sex

<i>All ELSA sample members</i>								<i>Wave 1</i>
	Age							Total
	50–54	55–59	60–64	65–69	70–74	75–79	80+	
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Currently smokes								
Men	24.0	23.2	21.2	16.5	12.8	9.8	6.1	18.1
Standard error	(1.5)	(1.4)	(1.5)	(1.3)	(1.3)	(1.4)	(1.1)	(0.6)
Women	25.8	22.4	19.8	15.8	16.5	12.1	6.6	17.8
Standard error	(1.4)	(1.2)	(1.4)	(1.2)	(1.3)	(1.4)	(1.0)	(0.5)
Drinks twice a day or more								
Men	4.1	5.0	5.6	6.3	8.4	5.8	6.9	5.7
Standard error	(0.7)	(0.7)	(0.8)	(0.8)	(1.1)	(1.1)	(1.2)	(0.3)
Women	2.6	2.5	2.2	3.8	4.2	3.5	4.1	3.2
Standard error	(0.5)	(0.5)	(0.5)	(0.6)	(0.7)	(0.8)	(0.8)	(0.2)
Sedentary behaviour								
Men	7.9	12.0	14.4	14.3	16.3	21.2	42.1	15.9
Standard error	(0.9)	(1.0)	(1.3)	(1.3)	(1.5)	(1.9)	(2.3)	(0.5)
Women	11.1	11.5	14.4	18.3	28.1	33.5	55.5	23.3
Standard error	(1.0)	(1.0)	(1.2)	(1.3)	(1.6)	(2.0)	(1.9)	(0.6)
<i>Bases (weighted):</i>								
<i>Men</i>	1086	995	815	731	627	493	457	5204
<i>Women</i>	1111	1020	851	806	752	653	825	6018
<i>Bases (unweighted):</i>								
<i>Men</i>	887	1008	796	794	663	493	470	5111
<i>Women</i>	1081	1157	873	901	789	585	737	6123

Bases vary; those shown are for all ELSA sample members excluding interviews conducted by proxy.

Table 6A.19. Level of current smoking, by age and sex

<i>Current smokers</i>								<i>Wave 1</i>
	Age							Total
	50–54	55–59	60–64	65–69	70–74	75–79	80+	
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Men								
Light	21.9	22.4	23.2	27.2	29.3	[47.7]	--	25.5
Moderate	35.3	32.0	35.4	33.0	36.8	[31.7]	--	34.2
Heavy	42.8	45.6	41.4	40.0	33.9	[20.6]	--	40.4
Women								
Light	18.0	21.4	26.1	33.1	26.1	47.0	40.5	26.1
Moderate	45.8	43.9	37.5	40.0	49.0	38.0	49.4	43.4
Heavy	36.2	34.7	36.4	26.8	25.0	15.0	10.0	30.5
<i>Bases (weighted):</i>								
<i>Men</i>	246	215	167	114	76	44	24	886
<i>Women</i>	276	219	166	120	122	78	54	1036
<i>Bases (unweighted):</i>								
<i>Men</i>	197	213	161	121	79	44	26	841
<i>Women</i>	268	250	172	135	127	69	51	1072

Table 6A.20. Current smokers,^a by occupational class, age and sex

<i>ELSA sample members</i>				<i>Wave 1</i>
	Age			Total
	50–59	60–74	75+	
	%	%	%	%
Men				
Professional and managerial	16.3	9.3	6.1	11.8
Intermediate	23.7	18.1	4.9	18.4
Routine and manual	30.9	21.8	10.5	22.8
Women				
Professional and managerial	15.9	11.8	9.2	13.2
Intermediate	22.5	12.6	6.9	14.7
Routine and manual	30.2	22.8	10.3	22.1
<i>Bases (weighted):</i>				
<i>Men</i>	2080	2168	950	5198
<i>Women</i>	2130	2403	1477	6010
<i>Bases (unweighted):</i>				
<i>Men</i>	1894	2248	963	5105
<i>Women</i>	2237	2556	1322	6115

a. Self-reported smoking of cigarettes and/or roll-ups.

Table 6A.21. Change in smoking status since HSE,^a by age and sex

ELSA sample members

Wave 1

	Age			Total
	50–59	60–74	75+	
	%	%	%	%
Men				
Quit since HSE	3.4	3.5	1.5	3.1
Current non-smoker, no change	73.2	79.1	90.6	78.9
Smoker, no change	20.9	16.2	7.1	16.4
Previous smoker, relapsed	2.1	1.0	0.7	1.4
New smoker	0.3	0.2	0.0	0.2
Women				
Quit since HSE	3.2	3.2	1.1	2.7
Current non-smoker, no change	72.6	79.4	90.0	79.6
Smoker, no change	22.8	16.1	8.8	16.7
Previous smoker, relapsed	1.2	1.2	0.1	0.9
New smoker	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.1
<i>Bases (weighted):</i>				
<i>Men</i>	2023	2119	941	5083
<i>Women</i>	2107	2385	1472	5964
<i>Bases (unweighted):</i>				
<i>Men</i>	1840	2200	954	4994
<i>Women</i>	2212	2539	1317	6068

a. Data from ELSA sample members' responses to the Health Survey for England in 1998, 1999 or 2001.

Table 6A.22. Frequency of alcohol use, by occupational class, age and sex

ELSA sample members

Wave 1

	Age			Total
	50-59	60-74	75+	
	%	%	%	%
Men				
Professional and managerial				
Twice a day or more	4.3	8.9	8.3	6.7
Daily or almost daily	40.7	38.8	33.6	38.7
Once or twice a week	35.1	31.9	29.4	32.9
Once or twice a month	9.0	8.3	6.4	8.3
Special occasions only	6.5	8.3	14.5	8.6
Not at all	4.4	3.8	7.8	4.8
Intermediate				
Twice a day or more	3.9	6.8	7.8	5.7
Daily or almost daily	35.6	28.9	25.0	31.2
Once or twice a week	35.9	32.2	27.2	33.0
Once or twice a month	11.0	9.4	9.1	10.0
Special occasions only	9.5	13.8	19.6	12.9
Not at all	4.1	9.0	11.4	7.3
Routine and manual				
Twice a day or more	5.1	5.3	4.5	5.1
Daily or almost daily	21.8	23.0	20.2	22.1
Once or twice a week	42.4	34.8	28.0	36.1
Once or twice a month	10.6	9.9	7.5	9.7
Special occasions only	12.5	15.9	23.4	16.2
Not at all	7.5	11.2	16.4	10.9
Women				
Professional and managerial				
Twice a day or more	3.3	4.2	7.2	4.3
Daily or almost daily	28.9	28.7	23.9	28.0
Once or twice a week	36.4	27.8	17.5	29.8
Once or twice a month	12.1	11.8	7.4	11.2
Special occasions only	13.7	19.7	28.9	18.6
Not at all	5.7	7.9	15.1	8.2
Intermediate				
Twice a day or more	2.8	4.8	4.6	4.1
Daily or almost daily	20.2	19.6	18.5	19.6
Once or twice a week	39.7	28.3	19.6	30.2
Once or twice a month	11.9	12.7	9.5	11.7
Special occasions only	19.0	22.3	31.1	23.3
Not at all	6.5	12.2	16.7	11.3
Routine and manual				
Twice a day or more	2.0	2.2	2.2	2.1
Daily or almost daily	13.9	12.5	13.2	13.2
Once or twice a week	30.6	23.1	15.7	23.7
Once or twice a month	14.3	10.5	8.6	11.2
Special occasions only	26.6	29.9	34.4	30.0
Not at all	12.6	21.8	26.0	19.8
<i>Bases (weighted):</i>				
<i>Men</i>	2078	2169	949	5196
<i>Women</i>	2129	2403	1477	6009
<i>Bases (unweighted):</i>				
<i>Men</i>	1892	2249	962	5103
<i>Women</i>	2236	2557	1321	6114

Table 6A.23. Self-reported change in drinking habits since HSE,^a by age and sex

ELSA sample members

Wave 1

	Age			Total
	50–59	60–74	75+	
	%	%	%	%
Men				
No change	82.2	82.4	87.4	83.2
A lot more	0.5	0.3	0.0	0.3
A bit more	3.8	2.8	1.2	2.9
A bit less	6.5	6.4	4.4	6.1
A lot less	7.1	8.0	7.0	7.5
Women				
No change	84.5	89.7	92.7	88.6
A lot more	0.6	0.2	0.0	0.3
A bit more	3.9	2.4	1.6	2.7
A bit less	5.5	3.9	2.4	4.1
A lot less	5.5	3.9	3.3	4.3
<i>Bases (weighted):</i>				
<i>Men</i>	2010	2104	934	5048
<i>Women</i>	2094	2379	1416	5889
<i>Bases (unweighted):</i>				
<i>Men</i>	1829	2184	946	4959
<i>Women</i>	2199	2532	1307	6038

a. Data from ELSA sample members' responses to the Health Survey for England in 1998, 1999 or 2001.

Table 6A.24. Leisure-time activity level,^a by occupational class, age and sex

ELSA sample members

Wave 1

	Age			Total
	50–59	60–74	75+	
	%	%	%	%
Men				
Professional and managerial				
Level 0	6.1	7.3	23.2	9.7
Level 1	11.1	12.8	16.4	12.7
Level 2	29.6	31.3	33.5	30.9
Level 3	26.4	25.4	14.0	23.8
Level 4	26.8	23.2	12.9	23.0
Intermediate				
Level 0	10.9	13.5	29.0	14.9
Level 1	12.8	16.2	16.0	14.7
Level 2	24.4	27.0	24.0	25.4
Level 3	21.9	19.8	16.3	20.2
Level 4	30.0	23.5	14.6	24.9
Routine and manual				
Level 0	12.7	20.1	37.7	21.0
Level 1	16.3	16.6	15.3	16.3
Level 2	26.8	26.8	25.0	26.4
Level 3	20.6	19.7	13.5	18.8
Level 4	23.6	16.8	8.6	17.5
Women				
Professional and managerial				
Level 0	7.2	13.4	32.8	14.0
Level 1	13.4	11.2	16.1	13.0
Level 2	24.8	33.7	32.5	29.5
Level 3	25.7	20.9	9.2	21.0
Level 4	28.9	20.9	9.4	22.5
Intermediate				
Level 0	10.1	13.9	43.8	19.8
Level 1	14.8	14.3	14.7	14.6
Level 2	29.7	34.5	26.6	30.9
Level 3	21.3	21.2	8.3	18.1
Level 4	24.1	16.0	6.7	16.6
Routine and manual				
Level 0	13.8	25.2	50.1	27.8
Level 1	16.7	16.8	16.3	16.6
Level 2	33.3	32.5	22.9	30.3
Level 3	18.6	15.2	6.2	14.0
Level 4	17.6	10.4	4.6	11.3
<i>Bases (weighted):</i>				
<i>Men</i>	2078	2169	950	5197
<i>Women</i>	2126	2403	1477	6006
<i>Bases (unweighted):</i>				
<i>Men</i>	1892	2249	963	5104
<i>Women</i>	2233	2556	1321	6110

a. Level 0 is least active and level 4 is most active.

Table 6A.25. Leisure-time and occupational activity level, by occupational class, age and sex

ELSA sample members

Wave 1

	Age			Total
	50–59	60–74	75+	
	%	%	%	%
Men				
Professional and managerial				
Sedentary	2.3	3.4	11.4	4.3
Low	14.5	16.6	28.2	17.8
Moderate	55.8	56.6	47.5	54.6
High	27.5	23.4	12.9	23.3
Intermediate				
Sedentary	4.0	5.5	14.1	6.2
Low	12.4	20.0	29.8	18.3
Moderate	48.6	49.3	41.6	47.8
High	35.0	25.3	14.6	27.8
Routine and manual				
Sedentary	4.2	10.3	22.2	10.5
Low	16.5	23.9	30.7	22.7
Moderate	49.3	47.5	38.5	46.3
High	30.1	18.3	8.6	20.5
Women				
Professional and managerial				
Sedentary	0.7	5.0	12.7	4.4
Low	17.9	19.6	36.3	21.7
Moderate	52.4	54.6	41.7	51.4
High	29.0	20.9	9.4	22.5
Intermediate				
Sedentary	2.5	5.4	18.9	7.6
Low	21.0	22.6	39.6	26.1
Moderate	51.7	56.1	34.9	49.4
High	24.8	16.0	6.7	16.8
Routine and manual				
Sedentary	2.7	9.6	24.3	11.1
Low	23.2	30.6	42.1	31.1
Moderate	55.8	49.2	29.1	46.2
High	18.4	10.6	4.6	11.6
<i>Bases (weighted):</i>				
<i>Men</i>	2078	2169	950	5197
<i>Women</i>	2126	2403	1477	6006
<i>Bases (unweighted):</i>				
<i>Men</i>	1892	2249	963	5104
<i>Women</i>	2233	2556	1321	6110