

**Appendix 1 (as supplied by the authors):** Supplemental Table 1. Age standardized incidence, one-year mortality and heart failure hospitalization rates of ambulatory heart failure patients. Incidence rates are expressed per 100,000 population. Mortality rates are expressed per 1000 population. Hospitalization rates are per 1000 person-years.

Year	Sex	HF Cases	Deaths	Standardized Rate		Standardized Rate		Standardized Rate	
				Incidence	95% CI	Mortality	95% CI	Hospitalization	95% CI
2009	Female	8433	1464	213.5	(208.8-218.2)	89.4	(79.7-100.1)	89.7	(79.4-101.1)
	Male	9312	1461	313.4	(307.0-319.9)	88.2	(80.0-97.0)	102.9	(92.4-114.3)
2010	Female	8366	1373	208.4	(203.8-213.1)	86.8	(76.6-98.0)	85.3	(75.4-96.1)
	Male	9262	1396	301.9	(295.8-308.2)	81.9	(74.9-89.4)	96.1	(86.9-105.9)
2011	Female	8424	1418	201.8	(197.4-206.3)	81.5	(71.4-92.7)	86.9	(76.9-97.8)
	Male	9292	1381	294.2	(288.2-300.2)	82.1	(74.9-89.9)	98.1	(88.0-109.1)
2012	Female	8526	1404	199.9	(195.6-204.4)	85.5	(75.8-96.0)	98.8	(87.2-111.5)
	Male	9585	1377	293.5	(287.6-299.5)	76.5	(69.6-84.0)	93.0	(84.3-102.4)
2013	Female	8997	1497	205.8	(201.4-210.3)	84.8	(75.2-95.3)	97.6	(86.0-110.3)
	Male	10510	1523	312.8	(306.8-318.9)	83.0	(75.3-91.2)	91.1	(82.3-100.7)

HF, heart failure; CI, confidence interval

Supplemental Table 2. Multivariable predictors of one-year mortality.

Variable	Adjusted HR (95% CI)
<b>Age Category</b>	
<b>40-64 years</b>	Reference
<b>65-74 years</b>	1.54 (1.44-1.64)
<b>75-84 years</b>	2.58 (2.43-2.73)
<b>&gt; 85 years</b>	4.89 (4.62-5.18)
<b>Female</b>	0.97 (0.93-1.00)
<b>Rural</b>	1.01 (0.96-1.06)
<b>Income Quintile</b>	
<b>1 (Low)</b>	1.08 (1.02-1.14)
<b>2</b>	1.04 (0.98-1.09)
<b>3</b>	0.99 (0.94-1.04)
<b>4</b>	1.01 (0.95-1.06)
<b>5 (High)</b>	Reference
<b>Benign Hypertension</b>	0.78 (0.75-0.81)
<b>Complicated Hypertension</b>	0.77 (0.73-0.81)
<b>Atrial Fibrillation</b>	0.99 (0.95-1.04)
<b>Myocardial Infarction</b>	0.98 (0.94-1.03)
<b>Valvular Disease</b>	0.93 (0.86-1.00)
<b>Peripheral Arterial Disease</b>	1.34 (1.24-1.44)
<b>Cerebrovascular Disease</b>	1.20 (1.13-1.28)
<b>Pulmonary Circulatory Disease</b>	1.24 (1.12-1.37)
<b>COPD/Asthma</b>	1.17 (1.13-1.21)
<b>Alcohol Abuse</b>	1.62 (1.45-1.82)
<b>Renal Disease</b>	1.67 (1.58-1.77)
<b>Diabetes</b>	1.13 (1.10-1.17)
<b>Hypothyroidism</b>	1.06 (0.96-1.17)
<b>Liver Disease</b>	2.34 (2.12-2.59)
<b>Dementia</b>	1.96 (1.84-2.09)
<b>Depression</b>	1.16 (1.06-1.28)
<b>Psychosis</b>	1.43 (1.17-1.76)
<b>Primary Tumor</b>	1.64 (1.56-1.73)
<b>Metastatic Cancer</b>	3.42 (3.17-3.70)
<b>Paraplegia</b>	1.53 (1.35-1.75)
<b>Venous Thromboembolism</b>	1.40 (1.24-1.58)

HR, hazard ratio; CI, confidence interval; COPD, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease