**Table S1: Data sources**

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| **Country** | **Age group** | **Data** | **Period** | **Contact information** |
| **Austria** | 35-79 | Longitudinal | 2001-2002 | Data were obtained from Statistics Austria (info@statistik.gv.at). Our contact person in the project wasJohannes Klotz (johannes.klotz@statistik.gv.at) |
| **Belgium** | 35-79 | Longitudinal | 2004-2005 | Data were obtained from Statistics Belgium (statbel@economie.fgov.be). Our contact person in the project was Patrick Deboosere (patrick.deboosere@vub.ac.be) |
| **Czech Republic** | 35-79 | CS, unlinked | 1998-2003 | Data were obtained from the Czech Statistical Office (infoservis@czso.cz). Our contact person in the project was Jitka Rychtarikova (rychta@natur.cuni.cz) |
| **Denmark** | 35-79 | Longitudinal | 2001-2005 | Data were obtained through Statistics Denmark ([www.dst.dk](http://www.dst.dk)). Our contact person in the project was Anita Lange (anl@dst.dk) |
| **England/ Wales** | 35-79 | Longitudinal | 2001-2006 | Data were obtained from the Office for National Statistics ([www.ons.gov.uk](http://www.ons.gov.uk)). Our contact person in the project was Chris White (chris.white@ons.gov.uk). |
| **Estonia** | 35-79 | CS, unlinked | 1998-2002 | Death data were obtained from Causes of Death Registry, National Institute for Health Development (NIHD), Tallinn, Estonia (gleb.denissov@tai.ee); population data by educational level were obtained from Statistics Estonia open database (<https://stat.ee>). Data were combined into multidimensional frequency tables for project needs by Mall Leinsalu, Department of Epidemiology and Biostatistics, NIHD (mall.leinsalu@tai.ee). She is the contact person for further requests. |
| **Finland** | 35-79 | Longitudinal | 2000-2005 | Data were obtained from Statistics Finland (web: <http://www.stat.fi/tup/mikroaineistot/index_en.html>; tutkijapalvelut@stat.fi). Our contact person in the project was Pekka Martikainen (pekka.martikainen@helsinki.fi) |
| **France** | 35-79 | Longitudinal | 1999-2004 | Death data were obtained from the French Causes of Death Registry, CepiDc, French National Institute for Health and Medical Research (Inserm; <https://www.inserm.fr>); population data by educational level were obtained from the French National Institute for Statistics (INSEE; <https://www.insee.fr/en/information/3974508>). Data were combined into multidimensional frequency tables for project needs by Gwenn Menvielle, Pierre Louis Institute for Epidemiology and Public Health (gwenn.menvielle@inserm.fr). She is the contact person for further requests.  |
| **Hungary** | 35-79 | CS, unlinked | 1999-2002 | Data were obtained from the Hungarian Central Statistical Office (<https://kapcsolat.ksh.hu/ContactCenter/index.xhtml?lang=en>). Our contact person in the project was Katalin Kovacs (kovacs@demografia.hu) |
| **Italy (Turin)** | 35-79 | Longitudinal | 2001-2006 | Data were obtained from the Turin Longitudinal Mortality Study. Our contact person in the project was Giuseppe Costa (giuseppe.costa@epi.piemonte.it) |
| **Lithuania** | 35-69 | Longitudinal | 2001-2005 | Data were obtained from the Lithuanian Department of Statistics (aleksandra.golubovic@stat.gov.lt). Our contact persons in the project was Domantas Jasilionis (Jasilionis@demogr.mpg.de) and Ramunė Kalėdienė (Ramune.Kalediene@lsmuni.lt) |
| **Norway** | 40-79 | Longitudinal | 2001-2006 | Norwegian Institute of Public Health, Kåre Bævre ( kare.baevre@fhi.no). Our contact person in the project was Bjørn Heine Strand (bjorn.heine.strand@fhi.no) |
| **Poland** | 35-64 | CS, unlinked | 2001-2003 | Data can be obtained from Statistics Poland (<https://stat.gov.pl/en/contacts/>. Our contact person in the project was Bogdan Wojtyniak (bogdan@medstat.waw.pl) |
| **Scotland** | 35-74 | Longitudinal | 2001-2005 | Professor Chris Dibben (chris.dibben@ed.ac.uk), Longitudinal Study Centre Scotland, National Records of Scotland, Ladywell House, Ladywell Road Edinburgh Scotland EH12 7TF.  |
| **Slovenia** | 35-79 | Longitudinal | 2002-2006  | Data can be obtained from the Statistical Office of the Republic of Slovenia (gp.surs@gov.si). Our contact person in the project was Barbara Artnik (barbara.artnik@mf.uni-lj.si) |
| **Spain (Barc.)** | 35-79 | CS, repeated | 2002-2006 | Spanish data for Barcelona city was obtained through Carme Borrell (cborrell@aspb.cat) |
| **Spain (Basque)** | 35-79 | Longitudinal | 2001-2006 | Regional Spanish data for the Basque country was obtained through Santiago Esnaola (sesnaola@ej-gv.es) |
| **Spain (Madrid)** | 35-79 | Longitudinal | 2001-2003 | Regional Spanish data for Madrid was obtained through Enrique Regidor (eregidor@msc.es) |
| **Sweden** | 35-79 | Longitudinal | 2000-2004 | Data can be obtained from Statistics Sweden (<https://www.scb.se/en/About-us/contact-us/>. Our contact in the project was Olle Lundberg (olle.lundberg@chess.su.se) |
| **Switzerland** | 35-79 | Longitudinal | 2000-2005 | Swiss Federal Statistical Office, Espace de l'Europe 10, CH-2000 Neuchâtel. Demetriq project contact person: Matthias Bopp (matthias.bopp@uzh.ch). Current contact person: Dominik Ullmann (dominik.ullmann@bfs.admin.ch) |