Data collection

Health care utilisation data (LINH)
- National sample of patients
- GP contacts, age, gender and postcode of residence

Data collection

Census data (area characteristics according to postcode)
- number of persons in age categories
- number of males and females
- one person households
- low income households
- non-western immigrants
- urbanisation

The two datasets were linked according to postcode

Analyses

The complete dataset was analysed using multiple linear regression

Results

Correlates between GP use and individual- and area characteristics were applied to national census data

Stage 1

Stage 2

Results

Local estimates of GP contacts for the postcode areas in the Netherlands

National Census dataset
- area characteristics for all the postcode areas in the Netherlands