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Echocardiographically determined left ventricular geometry can independently predict major cardiovascular events. The various prevalence of LVH and abnormal left ventricular geometry have been reported in different populations, but not much data are available in Chinese. We conducted a cross-sectional study in northern China. Our results suggested that the prevalence of LVH and abnormal LV geometric patterns was higher in women than in men and increased with age. It is crucial to improve the awareness rate of hypertension and control the risk factors of CV complications in untreated hypertensive population.

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