Reviewer's report

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Minor Essential Revisions:
1) The education categories appear to have gaps. What category would someone who completed 10 grades be placed in? They would not be a high school graduate and would not be <= 8th grade. If the authors want to model variable with missing data, this should be mentioned in the methods. However, it remains of limited value in Table 3 and can be removed.

Level of interest: An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

Declaration of competing interests:
I declare that I have no competing interests.