Reviewer's report

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The sampling framework shall be defined with more details. It would be better to divide the wide range of age of participants to subgroups. Some explanation shall be provided about the socio-cultural background of the study population. The problem of epidemiologic and nutrition transition shall be addressed more extensively. More interpretation of the findings is needed for the Discussion section. The number of figures shall be reduced.

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

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.