Reviewer's report

Title: Time trends in social differences in nutrition habits of Lithuanian population: 1994-2010

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Many thanks for this interesting and useful paper, please find below some comments for revision.

Minor Essential Revisions
1. Though the manuscript is well written, it would greatly benefit from being edited by a native English speaker as there are several syntax errors and other mistakes.
2. The Background section includes essential information but which is not organised in a logical way. The reasons underpinning health inequalities are mixed in with the impact that inequalities has on populations, followed by the health status of Lithuanians and behaviours/risk factors that may have contributed to health inequalities...it doesn’t flow and would benefit from being more structured/organised.
3. In the Discussion, the authors tend to repeat the results and provide explanatory patterns, but this is not very convincingly presented. It would be useful to focus on the explanatory factors, and provide more depth on these, and then really the most useful information was about the Action Plan, but the reader is left hanging...What happened after 2010, was the strategy/action plan not renewed and if so, why not? What is meant by intersectoral cooperation problems, and so forth. This is the core of the question, because otherwise the study remains at the level of individual dietary behaviour, without adequately addressing the 'upstream' factors which are more likely to have an impact.

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: Yes, but I do not feel adequately qualified to assess the statistics.

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