Reviewer's report

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The authors made many changes in response to the first set of reviews, and I think generally in the right direction.

I remain skeptical that identification assumptions for the natural effects are satisfied, but the authors do raise this dubious assumption as a caveat (lines 437-440), and so at least the paper is honest in this regard. Likewise, although I am not fond of self-rated health as an epidemiologic outcome, the authors also state caveats about these measures, and so the paper discloses these weaknesses appropriately.

I am also not comfortable with all the attention to what is "statistically significant", but we have to pick our battles.

Reference 38 is not complete (needs volume, issue and page numbers).