Reviewer's report

Title: The 2003 Australian Breast Health Survey: Survey Design and Preliminary Results

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General

This revised manuscript has addressed many of the comments from the prior review. A few edits are suggested to improve the manuscript and provide further clarity.

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Major Compulsory Revisions (that the author must respond to before a decision on publication can be reached)

PAGE NUMBER COMMENT

1. 7, 2ND Paragraph 1.) Add “and” before “accessibility”
2.) Explain why the ovarian cancer questions were included. Consider deleting this as it is not mentioned anywhere else in the manuscript.

2. 8, 1st Paragraph Include response rate of some kind here.

3. 8, Last line How many exams did a woman have to report to be defined as “regular”? Define this or change your terminology to state had a mammogram in the last two years.

4. 9, Paragraph beginning on line 6
What about prior mammography history?

5. 12, Line 2 Provide examples of future programs.

6. 13 Add a statement about how the rates of regular mammography are good or bad, close to country goals, or compare to other studies.

7. 13, Line 8 Add references to self-report accuracy.

8. 13, Lines 11-12 The last sentence does not explain how this bias could be reduced.

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Minor Essential Revisions (such as missing labels on figures, or the wrong use of a term, which the author can be trusted to correct)

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Discretionary Revisions (which the author can choose to ignore)

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**Quality of written English:** Acceptable

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

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