Reviewer's report

Title: Impact of Family Average Income on Stroke Prevalence among Urban and Rural Residents in Regional Mainland China

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Reviewer: Anthony G Rudd

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General
This is an interesting paper with some important messages for the management of stroke in low and middle income countries. It is well written and the methodology appears sound.

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Major Compulsory Revisions (that the author must respond to before a decision on publication can be reached)
The numbers of people approached and the percentage who consented should be included in the results. The 90.1% figure is in the discussion but should be included in the results

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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)
It is a shame that the data being used is now 7 years old. This will raise concerns that the messages being given in this paper are no longer relevant and this should be justified in the text

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Discretionary Revisions (which the author can choose to ignore)
None

What next?: Accept after minor essential revisions

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 I have no competing interests