Reviewer’s report

Title: Cancer mortality differences among urban and rural residents in Lithuania

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Reviewer: Paola Pisani

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I acknowledged the efforts of the authors to comply with criticism and suggestions. I would like to note that with the correction of the numerators urban and rural trends are quite homogenous; though the differences existing at the beginning of the period persist, when trends indicate improvement (decline of mortality) these are present in both the urban and rural populations.

I maintain my query about the denominators: the authors should state whether annual estimates for urban and rural populations were used, since the figures show annual rates. Please also specify the source: Department of Statistics of Thank you.

Minor comments:

â¢ Delete (APC annual percentage change) from figures

â¢ Figure 6: correct labels.

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 that I have no competing interests.