Reviewer’s report

Title: Association between the longest job and oral health: Japan Gerontological Evaluation Study project cross-sectional study

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Major Compulsory Revisions
1. The characteristics of the analyzed population (n=23191) is representative of target population (n=46009)? Or, is the age and gender distribution of the analyzed sample similar to actual Japanese old population?

Minor Essential Revisions
1. Why the subjects with 9 or less teeth were excluded in the analysis of interdental brush-use? Is there any reason that people with 9 teeth do not use interdental brush? Since the number of teeth was obtained from self-administered questionnaire, this exclusion criteria might be ambiguous.
2. It is strange for the reviewer that oral health status or tooth retention is poor in “sales and service”-job class.

Level of interest: An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

Quality of written English: Acceptable

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.