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**Title:** Changes in Frailty among Community-Dwelling Older Chinese Adults and its Predictors: Evidence from a Two-Year Longitudinal Study

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This is the evidence from a 2-year longitudinal Study. A total of 4050 community residents aged ≥ 60 years were recruited in community-dwelling older Chinese adults. The transitions in frailty between baseline and 2-year follow-up were evaluated. The conclusion was that the status of frailty was reversible, and sociodemographic and lifestyle factors were related to changes in frailty. These findings help health practitioners to recognize susceptible individuals and provide health promotional planning to target aged populations. However, several points should be revised to improve the study.

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1. Page 2, line 30-32: there were 127 deaths and 23 participates lost to follow-up. Please specify the reason, especially whether it was related to frailty or not.

2. Page 14, table 1: The specific basis for judging different degrees of alcohol intake, reading and physical exercise should be explained in part Methods. That is to say, more detailed definition should be used to judge the specific basis of different degrees of Predictors.

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