Reviewer’s report

Title: Short-term association between ambient temperature and homicide in South Africa: a case-crossover study

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Reviewer: Matthew Chersich

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Excellent work, I like Figure 1, but please add a sentence in the results about what that means, not all policy makers can understand the figure, something like e.g.: "The odds of a homicide when temperatures are above 35 degrees C are 1.2x fold higher than when temperatures are below 20 degrees C (95% CI=xx-xx). I am pleased to see the breakdown by gender, though see there is no clear interaction detected. However, all estimates for women are below those of men. I think that is something that could be said, but leave this second point to the author's discretion. I am in 2 minds about that point.

Well done on a great paper!

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