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APPENDIX J-1.

Dependent Variable-Covariate Associations for the Dermatologic Assessment

This appendix contains results of tests of association between each dependent variable and candidate covariates for the adjusted analysis of each dependent variable. Pearson's chi-square test (continuity-adjusted for 2×2 tables) is used for significance testing of the associations between the dependent variable and the candidate covariate. When a candidate covariate is continuous in nature (for example, age), the covariate is discretized prior to the analysis of the discrete dependent variable.

Table J-1-1.
Dependent Variable-Covariate Associations for the Dermatologic Assessment

Dependent Variable	Level	Age			Occupation			
		Born ≥1942	Born <1942	p-Value	Officer	Enlisted Flyer	Enlisted Groundcrew	p-Value
Occurrence of Acne (Lifetime)	Yes	(n=956) 81.7%	(n=1,277) 89.0%	<0.001	(n=869) 86.8%	(n=365) 86.8%	(n=999) 84.7%	0.365
Acne Relative to Time of Duty in SEA								
Pre- & Post- SEA and Post- SEA vs. Pre- SEA and None	Pre- & Post-SEA and Post- SEA	(n=956) 81.1%	(n=1,277) 88.8%	<0.001	(n=869) 86.4%	(n=365) 86.3%	(n=999) 84.4%	0.410
Location of Acne (Pre- & Post-SEA and Post-SEA)	Temples/ Eyes/ Ears	(n=773) 38.7%	(n=1,133) 51.1%	<0.001	(n=670) 48.3%	(n=283) 46.0%	(n=736) 44.0%	0.135
Other Abnormalities	Yes	(n=956) 74.0%	(n=1,275) 89.2%	<0.001	(n=868) 84.6%	(n=364) 85.7%	(n=999) 79.9%	0.007
Dermatology Index	Abnormal	(n=956) 46.1%	(n=1,276) 43.6%	0.246	(n=869) 39.1%	(n=364) 49.5%	(n=999) 47.7%	<0.001

Table J-1-1. (Continued)
Dependent Variable-Covariate Associations for the Dermatologic Assessment

Dependent Variable	Level	Race			Presence of Pre-SEA Acne		
		Black	Non-Black	p-Value	No	Yes	p-Value
Occurrence of Acne (Lifetime)	Yes	(n=131) 72.5%	(n=2,102) 86.0%	0.612	--	--	--
Acne Relative to Time of Duty in SEA							
Pre- & Post-SEA and Post-SEA vs. Pre-SEA and None	Pre- & Post- and Post-SEA	(n=131) 83.2%	(n=2,102) 85.6%	0.524	(n=2,008) 84.3%	(n=225) 96.4%	<0.001
Location of Acne (Pre- & Post-SEA and Post-SEA)	Temples/ Eyes/ Ears	(n=109) 25.7%	(n=1,797) 47.3%	<0.001	--	--	--
Other Abnormalities	Yes	(n=131) 72.5%	(n=2,100) 83.3%	0.002	(n=2,006) 83.5%	(n=225) 74.7%	0.001
Dermatology Index	Abnormal	(n=131) 64.1%	(n=2,101) 43.5%	<0.001	(n=2,007) 43.0%	(n=225) 59.1%	<0.001

--: Covariate not applicable for dependent variable.

Note: Temples/Eyes/Ears = Temples, eyes, ears, temples and eyes, temples and ears, eyes and ears, or temples, eyes, and ears.

APPENDIX J-2.

Interaction Tables for the Dermatologic Assessment

This appendix contains results of exposure analyses of interactions between covariates and group or dioxin. Results are presented for separate strata of the covariate and include sample sizes, percent abnormal, relative risks, confidence intervals, and p-values. Chapter 7, Statistical Methods, provides further details on the analytical approaches used in the interaction analyses. The covariate involved in the interaction and a reference to the analysis table in Chapter 14 are given in the heading of each subtable. A summary of the interactions described in this appendix follows.

Appendix J-2 Table	Chapter 14 Table	Dependent Variable	Model	Covariate
J-2-1	14-6	Acne Relative to Time of Duty in SEA (Pre- & Post-SEA vs. Pre-SEA)	1	Age, Occupation
J-2-2	14-11	Other Abnormalities	2	Presence of Pre-SEA Acne
J-2-3	14-12	Dermatology Index	1 3	Age Age

Table J-2-1.
Interaction Table for Acne Relative to Time of Duty in SEA
(Pre- and Post-SEA vs. Pre-SEA)

a) MODEL 1: RANCH HANDS VS. COMPARISONS — ADJUSTED (Group-by-Age: Table 14-6)						
Stratum	Occupational Category	Group	n	Percent Pre- & Post-SEA	Adj. Relative Risk (95% C.I.)	p-Value
Born ≥ 1942	<i>All</i>	<i>Ranch Hand</i>	56	92.9	--	--
		<i>Comparison</i>	84	97.6		
Born < 1942	<i>All</i>	<i>Ranch Hand</i>	37	100.0	--	--
		<i>Comparison</i>	48	95.8		
Born ≥ 1942	Officer	Ranch Hand	14	85.7	--	--
		Comparison	20	100.0		
	Enlisted Flyer	Ranch Hand	5	60.0	--	--
		Comparison	10	100.0		
Born < 1942	Enlisted Groundcrew	Ranch Hand	37	100.0	--	--
		Comparison	54	96.3		
	Officer	Ranch Hand	18	100.0	--	--
		Comparison	32	96.9		
	Enlisted Flyer	Ranch Hand	12	100.0	--	--
		Comparison	7	100.0		
	Enlisted Groundcrew	Ranch Hand	7	100.0	--	--
		Comparison	9	88.9		

--: Relative risk, confidence interval, and p-value not presented due to sparse number of participants with pre-SEA acne only.

Table J-2-2.
Interaction Table for Other Abnormalities

a) MODEL 2: RANCH HANDS — INITIAL DIOXIN — ADJUSTED (Initial Dioxin-by-Presence of Pre-SEA Acne: Table 14-11)					
Initial Dioxin Category Summary Statistics				Analysis Results for Log₂ (Initial Dioxin)	
Stratum	Initial Dioxin	n	Percent Abnormal	Adjusted Relative Risk (95% C.I.)^a	p-Value
No Pre-SEA Acne	Low	159	84.9	0.83 (0.65,1.05)	0.113
	Medium	154	85.7		
	High	157	80.3		
Pre-SEA Acne	Low	15	73.3	2.61 (1.23,5.52)	0.012
	Medium	19	57.9		
	High	16	87.5		

^a Relative risk for a twofold increase in initial dioxin.

Note: Low = 39-98 ppt; Medium = >98-232 ppt; High = >232 ppt.

Table J-2-3.
Interaction Table for Dermatology Index

a) MODEL 1: RANCH HANDS VS. COMPARISONS — ADJUSTED (Group-by-Age: Table 14-12)						
Stratum	Occupational Category	Group	n	Percent Abnormal	Adj. Relative Risk (95% C.I.)	p-Value
<i>Born ≥ 1942</i>	<i>All</i>	<i>Ranch Hand</i>	396	48.2	<i>1.16 (0.89,1.51)</i>	<i>0.269</i>
		<i>Comparison</i>	560	44.6		
<i>Born < 1942</i>	<i>All</i>	<i>Ranch Hand</i>	556	40.6	<i>0.80 (0.64,1.01)</i>	<i>0.058</i>
		<i>Comparison</i>	720	45.8		
Born ≥ 1942	Officer	Ranch Hand	79	43.0	1.22 (0.81,1.83)	0.339
		Comparison	121	38.8		
	Enlisted Flyer	Ranch Hand	38	42.1	0.89 (0.53,1.47)	0.637
		Comparison	59	52.5		
	Enlisted Groundcrew	Ranch Hand	279	50.5	1.19 (0.89,1.58)	0.234
		Comparison	380	45.3		
Born < 1942	Officer	Ranch Hand	288	36.8	0.87 (0.65,1.16)	0.327
		Comparison	381	40.2		
	Enlisted Flyer	Ranch Hand	124	45.2	0.63 (0.41,0.97)	0.034
		Comparison	143	53.8		
	Enlisted Groundcrew	Ranch Hand	144	44.4	0.84 (0.59,1.21)	0.350
		Comparison	196	51.0		

Table J-2-3. (Continued)
Interaction Table for Dermatology Index

b) MODEL 3: RANCH HANDS AND COMPARISONS BY DIOXIN CATEGORY — ADJUSTED (Dioxin Category-by-Age: Table 14-12)					
Stratum	Dioxin Category	n	Percent Abnormal	Adjusted Relative Risk (95% C.I.)	p-Value
Born ≥ 1942	Comparison	454	43.0		
	Background RH	128	50.0	1.60 (1.06,2.41)	0.024
	Low RH	85	50.6	1.32 (0.82,2.11)	0.258
	High RH	154	44.2	0.97 (0.66,1.41)	0.856
	Low plus High RH	239	46.4	1.08 (0.78,1.49)	0.638
Born < 1942	Comparison	608	46.2		
	Background RH	246	45.1	1.08 (0.80,1.47)	0.605
	Low RH	175	35.4	0.61 (0.43,0.87)	0.006
	High RH	106	38.7	0.59 (0.38,0.91)	0.018
	Low plus High RH	281	36.7	0.60 (0.45,0.81)	0.001

Note: Model 3: RH = Ranch Hand.

Comparison: Current Dioxin ≤ 10 ppt.

Background (Ranch Hand): Current Dioxin ≤ 10 ppt.

Low (Ranch Hand): Current Dioxin > 10 ppt, 10 ppt < Initial Dioxin ≤ 143 ppt.

High (Ranch Hand): Current Dioxin > 10 ppt, Initial Dioxin > 143 ppt.

APPENDIX J-3.

Dermatology Analysis Tables Occupation Removed from Final Model

This appendix contains results of exposure analyses after occupation has been removed from those final dioxin models (Models 2 through 6) that contained occupation. These analyses are performed to investigate the relationship of the dependent variable to dioxin without removing any effects due to occupation. The format of these tables closely parallels the adjusted panels of Chapter 14 tables. A summary of the tables found in this appendix follows.

Appendix J-3 Table	Chapter 14 Table	Dependent Variable
J-3-1	14-3	Occurrence of Acne
J-3-2	14-4	Acne Relative to Time of Duty in SEA (Pre- & Post-SEA and Post-SEA vs. Pre-SEA and None)
J-3-3	14-5	Acne Relative to Time of Duty in SEA (Post-SEA vs. None)
J-3-4	14-8	Location of Acne (Post-SEA)
J-3-5	14-10	Location of Acne (Pre- & Post-SEA and Post-SEA)
J-3-6	14-11	Other Abnormalities
J-3-7	14-12	Dermatology Index

Table J-3-1.
Analysis of Occurrence of Acne
Occupation Removed from Final Model

a) MODEL 2: RANCH HANDS — INITIAL DIOXIN — ADJUSTED			
Analysis Results for Log₂ (Initial Dioxin)^a			
n	Adj. Relative Risk (95% C.I.)^b	p-Value	Covariate Remarks
520	1.03 (0.84,1.26)	0.780	AGE (p=0.002)

^a Adjusted for percent body fat at the time of duty in SEA, change in percent body fat from the time of duty in SEA to the date of the blood draw for dioxin, and covariates specified under "Covariate Remarks" column.

^b Relative risk for a twofold increase in initial dioxin.

b) MODELS 4, 5, AND 6: RANCH HANDS — CURRENT DIOXIN — ADJUSTED				
Analysis Results for Log₂ (Current Dioxin + 1)				
Model^a	n	Adj. Relative Risk (95% C.I.)^b	p-Value	Covariate Remarks
4	894	1.03 (0.90,1.18)	0.672	AGE (p<0.001)
5	894	0.98 (0.92,1.15)	0.649	AGE (p<0.001)
6 ^c	894	1.02 (0.90,1.16)	0.750	AGE (p<0.001)

^a Model 4: Log₂ (lipid-adjusted current dioxin + 1).

Model 5: Log₂ (whole-weight current dioxin + 1).

Model 6: Log₂ (whole-weight current dioxin + 1), adjusted for log₂ total lipids.

^b Relative risk for a twofold increase in current dioxin.

^c Adjusted for log₂ total lipids in addition to covariates specified under "Covariate Remarks" column.

Table J-3-2.
Analysis of Acne Relative to Time of Duty in SEA
(Pre- and Post-SEA and Post-SEA vs. Pre-SEA and None)
Occupation Removed from Final Model

a) MODEL 2: RANCH HANDS — INITIAL DIOXIN — ADJUSTED			
Analysis Results for Log_e (Initial Dioxin)^a			
n	Adj. Relative Risk (95% C.I.)^b	p-Value	Covariate Remarks
520	1.05 (0.85,1.28)	0.665	AGE (p < 0.001) PRESEA (p = 0.019)

^a Adjusted for percent body fat at the time of duty in SEA, change in percent body fat from the time of duty in SEA to the date of the blood draw for dioxin, and covariates specified under "Covariate Remarks" column.

^b Relative risk for a twofold increase in initial dioxin.

b) MODEL 3: RANCH HANDS AND COMPARISONS BY DIOXIN CATEGORY — ADJUSTED				
Dioxin Category	n	Adj. Relative Risk (95% C.I.)^{ab}	p-Value	Covariate Remarks
Comparison	1,063			AGE (p < 0.001) PRESEA (p < 0.001)
Background RH	374	1.20 (0.83,1.73)	0.324	
Low RH	260	1.06 (0.70,1.60)	0.773	
High RH	260	1.07 (0.73,1.59)	0.721	
Low plus High RH	520	1.07 (0.78,1.46)	0.674	

^a Relative risk and confidence interval relative to Comparisons.

^b Adjusted for percent body fat at the time of duty in SEA, change in percent body fat from the time of duty in SEA to the date of the blood draw for dioxin, and covariates specified under "Covariate Remarks" column.

Note: RH = Ranch Hand.

Comparison: Current Dioxin ≤ 10 ppt.

Background (Ranch Hand): Current Dioxin ≤ 10 ppt.

Low (Ranch Hand): Current Dioxin > 10 ppt, 10 ppt < Initial Dioxin ≤ 143 ppt.

High (Ranch Hand): Current Dioxin > 10 ppt, Initial Dioxin > 143 ppt.

Table J-3-2. (Continued)
Analysis of Acne Relative to Time of Duty in SEA
(Pre- and Post-SEA and Post-SEA vs. Pre-SEA and None)
Occupation Removed from Final Model

c) MODELS 4, 5, AND 6: RANCH HANDS — CURRENT DIOXIN — ADJUSTED				
Model ^a	n	Analysis Results for Log ₂ (Current Dioxin + 1)		
		Adj. Relative Risk (95% C.I.) ^b	p-Value	Covariate Remarks
4	894	1.03 (0.90,1.18)	0.638	AGE (p<0.001) PRESEA (p=0.001)
5	894	1.03 (0.92,1.16)	0.635	AGE (p<0.001) PRESEA (p=0.001)
6 ^c	894	1.03 (0.91,1.16)	0.693	AGE (p<0.001) PRESEA (p=0.001)

^a Model 4: Log₂ (lipid-adjusted current dioxin + 1).

Model 5: Log₂ (whole-weight current dioxin + 1).

Model 6: Log₂ (whole-weight current dioxin + 1), adjusted for log₂ total lipids.

^b Relative risk for a twofold increase in current dioxin.

^c Adjusted for log₂ total lipids in addition to covariates specified under "Covariate Remarks" column.

Table J-3-3.
Analysis of Acne Relative to Time of Duty in SEA
(Post-SEA vs. None)
Occupation Removed from Final Model

a) MODEL 2: RANCH HANDS — INITIAL DIOXIN — ADJUSTED			
Analysis Results for Log ₂ (Initial Dioxin) ^a			
n	Adj. Relative Risk (95% C.I.) ^b	p-Value	Covariate Remarks
470	1.03 (0.84,1.27)	0.761	AGE (p<0.001)

^a Adjusted for percent body fat at the time of duty in SEA, change in percent body fat from the time of duty in SEA to the date of the blood draw for dioxin, and covariates specified under "Covariate Remarks" column.

^b Relative risk for a twofold increase in initial dioxin.

b) MODELS 4, 5, AND 6: RANCH HANDS — CURRENT DIOXIN — ADJUSTED				
Model ^a	Analysis Results for Log ₂ (Current Dioxin + 1)			
	n	Adj. Relative Risk (95% C.I.) ^b	p-Value	Covariate Remarks
4	807	1.04 (0.90,1.19)	0.619	AGE (p<0.001)
5	807	1.03 (0.92,1.16)	0.602	AGE (p<0.001)
6 ^c	807	1.03 (0.90,1.17)	0.686	AGE (p<0.001)

^a Model 4: Log₂ (lipid-adjusted current dioxin + 1).

Model 5: Log₂ (whole-weight current dioxin + 1).

Model 6: Log₂ (whole-weight current dioxin + 1), adjusted for log₂ total lipids.

^b Relative risk for a twofold increase in current dioxin.

^c Adjusted for log₂ total lipids in addition to covariates specified under "Covariate Remarks" column.

Table J-3-4.
Analysis of Location of Acne (Post-SEA)
Occupation Removed from Final Model

a) MODELS 5 AND 6: RANCH HANDS — CURRENT DIOXIN — ADJUSTED				
Model ^a	Analysis Results for Log ₂ (Current Dioxin + 1)			
	n	Adj. Relative Risk (95% C.I.) ^b	p-Value	Covariate Remarks
5	692	0.97 (0.88,1.06)	0.469	AGE (p=0.001) RACE (p=0.004)
6 ^c	692	0.97 (0.88,1.07)	0.513	AGE (p=0.001) RACE (p=0.005)

^a Model 5: Log₂ (whole-weight current dioxin + 1).

Model 6: Log₂ (whole-weight current dioxin + 1), adjusted for log₂ total lipids.

^b Relative risk for a twofold increase in current dioxin.

^c Adjusted for log₂ total lipids in addition to covariates specified under "Covariate Remarks" column.

Table J-3-5.
Analysis of Location of Acne
(Pre- and Post-SEA and Post-SEA)
Occupation Removed from Final Model

a) MODELS 4, 5, AND 6: RANCH HANDS — CURRENT DIOXIN — ADJUSTED				
Model ^a	Analysis Results for Log ₂ (Current Dioxin + 1)			
	n	Adj. Relative Risk (95% C.I.) ^b	p-Value	Covariate Remarks
4	775	0.99 (0.89,1.09)	0.778	AGE (p=0.001) RACE (p=0.012)
5	775	0.98 (0.90,1.06)	0.596	AGE (p=0.001) RACE (p=0.011)
6 ^c	774	0.98 (0.89,1.07)	0.641	AGE (p=0.001) RACE (p=0.013)

^a Model 4: Log₂ (lipid-adjusted current dioxin + 1).
 Model 5: Log₂ (whole-weight current dioxin + 1).
 Model 6: Log₂ (whole-weight current dioxin + 1), adjusted for log₂ total lipids.

^b Relative risk for a twofold increase in current dioxin.

^c Adjusted for log₂ total lipids in addition to covariates specified under "Covariate Remarks" column.

Table J-3-6.
Analysis of Other Abnormalities
Occupation Removed from Final Model

a) MODEL 2: RANCH HANDS — INITIAL DIOXIN — ADJUSTED			
Analysis Results for Log₂ (Initial Dioxin)^a			
n	Adj. Relative Risk (95% C.I.)^b	p-Value	Covariate Remarks
520	1.02 (0.84,1.23)**	0.840**	INIT*PRESEA (p=0.041) RACE*PRESEA (p=0.106) AGE*PRESEA (p=0.640)

^a Adjusted for percent body fat at the time of duty in SEA, change in percent body fat from the time of duty in SEA to the date of the blood draw for dioxin, and covariates specified under "Covariate Remarks" column.

^b Relative risk for a twofold increase in initial dioxin.

** Log₂ (initial dioxin)-by-covariate interaction ($0.01 < p \leq 0.05$); adjusted relative risk, confidence interval, and p-value derived from model after deletion of this interaction; refer to Appendix Table J-4-1 for further analysis of this interaction.

b) MODEL 3: RANCH HANDS AND COMPARISONS BY DIOXIN CATEGORY — ADJUSTED				
Dioxin Category	n	Adj. Relative Risk (95% C.I.)^{ab}	p-Value	Covariate Remarks
Comparison	1,061			AGE (p<0.001) RACE (p=0.008) PRESEA (p=0.030)
Background RH	374	1.27 (0.90,1.79)	0.168	
Low RH	260	1.14 (0.77,1.68)	0.515	
High RH	260	1.11 (0.78,1.59)	0.555	
Low plus High RH	520	1.12 (0.85,1.50)	0.420	

^a Relative risk and confidence interval relative to Comparisons.

^b Adjusted for percent body fat at the time of duty in SEA, change in percent body fat from the time of duty in SEA to the date of the blood draw for dioxin, and covariates specified under "Covariate Remarks" column.

Note: RH = Ranch Hand.

Comparison: Current Dioxin \leq 10 ppt.

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High (Ranch Hand): Current Dioxin > 10 ppt, Initial Dioxin > 143 ppt.

Table J-3-6. (Continued)
Analysis of Other Abnormalities
Occupation Removed from Final Model

c) MODELS 4, 5, AND 6: RANCH HANDS — CURRENT DIOXIN — ADJUSTED				
Model ^a	Analysis Results for Log ₂ (Current Dioxin + 1)			
	n	Adj. Relative Risk (95% C.I.) ^b	p-Value	Covariate Remarks
4	894	0.98 (0.87,1.11)	0.750	AGE (p<0.001) PRESEA (p=0.050) RACE (p=0.562)
5	894	1.00 (0.90,1.11)	0.991	AGE (p<0.001) PRESEA (p=0.051) RACE (p=0.572)
6 ^c	894	0.97 (0.86,1.09)	0.580	AGE (p<0.001) PRESEA (p=0.641) RACE (p=0.540)

^a Model 4: Log₂ (lipid-adjusted current dioxin + 1).

Model 5: Log₂ (whole-weight current dioxin + 1).

Model 6: Log₂ (whole-weight current dioxin + 1), adjusted for log₂ total lipids.

^b Relative risk for a twofold increase in current dioxin.

^c Adjusted for log₂ total lipids in addition to covariates specified under "Covariate Remarks" column.

Table J-3-7.
Analysis of Dermatology Index
Occupation Removed from Final Model

a) MODEL 2: RANCH HANDS — INITIAL DIOXIN — ADJUSTED			
Analysis Results for Log₂ (Initial Dioxin)^a			
n	Adj. Relative Risk (95% C.I.)^b	p-Value	Covariate Remarks
520	1.04 (0.91,1.19)	0.603	RACE (p=0.028) PRESEA (p=0.060)

^a Adjusted for percent body fat at the time of duty in SEA, change in percent body fat from the time of duty in SEA to the date of the blood draw for dioxin, and covariates specified under "Covariate Remarks" column.

^b Relative risk for a twofold increase in initial dioxin.

b) MODEL 3: RANCH HANDS AND COMPARISONS BY DIOXIN CATEGORY — ADJUSTED				
Dioxin Category	n	Adj. Relative Risk (95% C.I.)^{ab}	p-Value	Covariate Remarks
Comparison	1,062			DXCAT*AGE (p=0.009) RACE (p<0.001) PRESEA (p<0.001)
Background RH	374	1.14 (0.90,1.45)**	0.280**	
Low RH	260	0.80 (0.61,1.07)**	0.129**	
High RH	260	0.87 (0.66,1.15)**	0.338**	
Low plus High RH	520	0.84 (0.67,1.04)**	0.107**	

^a Relative risk and confidence interval relative to Comparisons.

^b Adjusted for percent body fat at the time of duty in SEA, change in percent body fat from the time of duty in SEA to the date of the blood draw for dioxin, and covariates specified under "Covariate Remarks" column.

** Categorized dioxin-by-covariate interaction ($p \leq 0.01$); adjusted relative risk, confidence interval, and p-value derived from model after deletion of this interaction; refer to Appendix Table J-4-2 for further analysis of this interaction.

Note: RH = Ranch Hand.

Comparison: Current Dioxin ≤ 10 ppt.

Background (Ranch Hand): Current Dioxin ≤ 10 ppt.

Low (Ranch Hand): Current Dioxin > 10 ppt, $10 \text{ ppt} < \text{Initial Dioxin} \leq 143$ ppt.

High (Ranch Hand): Current Dioxin > 10 ppt, Initial Dioxin > 143 ppt.

Table J-3-7. (Continued)
Analysis of Dermatology Index
Occupation Removed from Final Model

c) MODELS 4, 5 AND 6: RANCH HANDS — CURRENT DIOXIN — ADJUSTED				
Model ^a	Analysis Results for Log ₂ (Current Dioxin + 1)			
	n	Adj. Relative Risk (95% C.I.) ^b	p-Value	Covariate Remarks
4	894	0.94 (0.85,1.03)	0.158	RACE (p=0.005) PRESEA (p=0.006)
5	894	0.94 (0.87,1.01)	0.102	RACE (p=0.005) PRESEA (p=0.007)
6 ^c	894	0.95 (0.87,1.03)	0.221	RACE (p=0.006) PRESEA (p=0.008)

^a Model 4: Log₂ (lipid-adjusted current dioxin + 1).

Model 5: Log₂ (whole-weight current dioxin + 1).

Model 6: Log₂ (whole-weight current dioxin + 1), adjusted for log₂ total lipids.

^b Relative risk for a twofold increase in current dioxin.

^c Adjusted for log₂ total lipids in addition to covariates specified under "Covariate Remarks" column.

APPENDIX J-4.

Interaction Tables for the Dermatologic Assessment Occupation Removed from Final Model

This appendix contains results of exposure analyses of interactions between covariates and dioxin after occupation has been removed from those final dioxin models (Models 2 through 6) that contained occupation. These tables are supplements to tables in Appendix J-3, which are main effects results with occupation removed from the model. Results are presented for separate strata of the covariate and include sample sizes, percent abnormal, relative risks, confidence intervals, and p-values. Chapter 7, Statistical Methods, provides further details on the analytical approaches used in the interaction analyses. The analysis model, covariate involved in the interaction, and a reference to the analysis table in Chapter 14 are given in the heading of each subtable. A summary of the interactions described in this appendix follows.

Appendix J-4 Table	Chapter 14 Table	Appendix J-3 Table	Dependent Variable	Model	Covariate
J-4-1	14-11	J-3-6	Other Abnormalities	2	Presence of Pre-SEA Acne
J-4-2	14-12	J-3-7	Dermatology Index	3	Age

Table J-4-1.
Interaction Table for Other Abnormalities
Occupation Removed from Final Model

a) MODEL 2: RANCH HANDS — INITIAL DIOXIN — ADJUSTED (Initial Dioxin-by-Presence of Pre-SEA Acne: Tables 14-11 and J-3-6)					
Initial Dioxin Category Summary Statistics				Analysis Results for Log ₂ (Initial Dioxin)	
Stratum	Initial Dioxin	n	Percent Abnormal	Adjusted Relative Risk (95% C.I.) ^a	p-Value
No Pre-SEA Acne	Low	159	84.9	0.94 (0.77,1.15)	0.556
	Medium	154	85.7		
	High	157	80.3		
Pre-SEA Acne	Low	15	73.3	1.67 (0.95,2.92)	0.072
	Medium	19	57.9		
	High	16	87.5		

^a Relative risk for a twofold increase in initial dioxin.

Note: Low = 39-98 ppt; Medium = >98-232 ppt; High = >232 ppt.

Table J-4-2.
Interaction Table for Dermatology Index
Occupation Removed from Final Model

a) MODEL 3: RANCH HANDS AND COMPARISONS BY DIOXIN CATEGORY — ADJUSTED (Dioxin Category-by-Age: Tables 14-12 and J-3-7)					
Stratum	Dioxin Category	n	Percent Abnormal	Adjusted Relative Risk (95% C.I.)	p-Value
Born ≥ 1942	Comparison	454	43.0		
	Background RH	128	50.0	1.44 (0.97,2.16)	0.073
	Low RH	85	50.6	1.31 (0.82,2.10)	0.260
	High RH	154	44.2	1.05 (0.72,1.52)	0.817
	Low plus High RH	239	46.4	1.13 (0.82,1.56)	0.442
Born < 1942	Comparison	608	46.2		
	Background RH	246	45.1	1.00 (0.74,1.35)	0.999
	Low RH	175	35.4	0.62 (0.43,0.87)	0.007
	High RH	106	38.7	0.70 (0.45,1.07)	0.098
	Low plus High RH	281	36.7	0.65 (0.48,0.87)	0.003

Note: RH = Ranch Hand.

Comparison: Current Dioxin ≤ 10 ppt.

Background (Ranch Hand): Current Dioxin ≤ 10 ppt.

Low (Ranch Hand): Current Dioxin > 10 ppt, 10 ppt < Initial Dioxin ≤ 143 ppt.

High (Ranch Hand): Current Dioxin > 10 ppt, Initial Dioxin > 143 ppt.

APPENDIX K-1.

Dependent Variable-Covariate Associations for the Cardiovascular Assessment

Appendix K-1-1 contains results of tests of associations between each dependent variable and candidate covariates for the adjusted analysis of each dependent variable. Pearson's chi-square test (continuity-adjusted for 2×2 tables) is used for significance testing of the associations between each discrete dependent variable and the candidate covariate. When a candidate covariate is continuous in nature (e.g., age), the covariate is discretized prior to the analysis of the discrete dependent variable. Pearson's correlation coefficient is used for significance testing of the associations between each continuous dependent variable and a continuous candidate covariate. When a candidate covariate is discrete in nature and the dependent variable is continuous, means (transformed back to the original scale, if necessary) are presented and an analysis of variance is used to investigate the difference between the means.

Associations Between the Cardiovascular Physical Examination Findings and Verified Essential Hypertension, Verified Heart Disease, and Verified Myocardial Infarction

Appendix Table K-1-2 contains the results of associations between the central and peripheral physical examination findings and the verified cardiovascular disease endpoints. Pearson's continuity-adjusted chi-square test is used for significance testing of the associations between each discrete variable and the verified cardiovascular history endpoints. When a physical examination endpoint is continuous in nature (e.g., systolic blood pressure), the means are presented and an analysis of variance is used to investigate the difference between the means.

Table K-1-1.
Dependent Variable-Covariate Associations for Cardiovascular Assessment

Dependent Variable	Level	Age			Race		
		Born ≥1942	Born <1942	p-Value	Black	Non-Black	p-Value
Essential Hypertension	Yes	(n=942) 30.1 %	(n=1,236) 44.7 %	<0.001	(n=125) 44.0 %	(n=2,053) 38.1 %	0.221
Heart Disease (Excluding Essential Hypertension)	Yes	(n=948) 39.7 %	(n=1,254) 55.5 %	<0.001	(n=126) 49.2 %	(n=2,076) 48.8 %	0.999
Myocardial Infarction	Yes	(n=948) 2.5 %	(n=1,254) 10.0 %	<0.001	(n=126) 3.2 %	(n=2,076) 7.0 %	0.137
Systolic Blood Pressure (continuous) (discrete)	Abnormal	(n=948) 9.8 %	(n=1,253) 19.7 %	$r=0.215$ <0.001	(n=126) $\bar{x}=123.93$ 15.9 %	(n=2,075) $\bar{x}=121.84$ 15.4 %	0.217 0.993
Heart Sounds	Abnormal	(n=945) 20.0 %	(n=1,250) 20.6 %	0.788	(n=126) 26.2 %	(n=2,069) 20.0 %	0.116
Overall Electrocardiograph (ECG)	Abnormal	(n=947) 12.5 %	(n=1,253) 29.7 %	<0.001	(n=126) 28.6 %	(n=2,074) 21.9 %	0.101
ECG: Right Bundle Branch Block (RBBB)	Abnormal	(n=948) 0.7 %	(n=1,252) 1.9 %	0.032	(n=126) 3.2 %	(n=2,074) 1.3 %	0.179
ECG: Left Bundle Branch Block (LBBB)	Abnormal	(n=948) 0.3 %	(n=1,252) 0.6 %	0.449	(n=126) 0.0 %	(n=2,074) 0.5 %	0.866
ECG: Non-specific ST-and T-Wave Changes	Abnormal	(n=948) 7.7 %	(n=1,252) 19.4 %	<0.001	(n=126) 23.8 %	(n=2,074) 13.8 %	0.003
ECG: Bradycardia	Abnormal	(n=948) 3.0 %	(n=1,254) 2.5 %	0.576	(n=126) 2.4 %	(n=2,076) 2.7 %	0.999
ECG: Tachycardia	Abnormal	(n=948) 0.2 %	(n=1,254) 0.2 %	0.999	(n=126) 0.0 %	(n=2,076) 0.2 %	0.999
ECG: Arrhythmia	Abnormal	(n=948) 2.4 %	(n=1,253) 6.2 %	<0.001	(n=126) 3.2 %	(n=2,075) 4.7 %	0.574
ECG: Evidence of Prior Myocardial Infarction	Abnormal	(n=946) 1.2 %	(n=1,250) 5.1 %	<0.001	(n=126) 0.8 %	(n=2,070) 3.6 %	0.157
ECG: Other Diagnoses	Abnormal	(n=948) 0.5 %	(n=1,254) 0.8 %	0.616	(n=126) 0.8 %	(n=2,076) 0.7 %	0.999

Note: Correlations (r) are based on total sample and are not category-specific.

Table K-1-1. (Continued)
Dependent Variable-Covariate Associations for Cardiovascular Assessment

Dependent Variable	Level	Occupation			p-Value
		Officer	Enlisted Flyer	Enlisted Groundcrew	
Essential Hypertension	Yes	(n=843) 38.8%	(n=358) 41.3%	(n=977) 37.1%	0.348
Heart Disease (Excluding Essential Hypertension)	Yes	(n=853) 54.2%	(n=362) 49.7%	(n=987) 44.0%	<0.001
Myocardial Infarction	Yes	(n=853) 6.3%	(n=362) 9.1%	(n=987) 6.4%	0.163
Systolic Blood Pressure (continuous) (discrete)	Abnormal	(n=853) \bar{x} = 123.46 17.5%	(n=361) \bar{x} = 122.00 15.8%	(n=987) \bar{x} = 120.65 13.6%	0.005 0.069
Heart Sounds	Abnormal	(n=852) 22.7%	(n=360) 18.1%	(n=983) 19.1%	0.088
Overall Electrocardiograph (ECG)	Abnormal	(n=852) 24.9%	(n=362) 25.7%	(n=986) 18.8%	0.002
ECG: Right Bundle Branch Block (RBBB)	Abnormal	(n=852) 1.1%	(n=361) 1.9%	(n=987) 1.5%	0.454
ECG: Left Bundle Branch Block (LBBB)	Abnormal	(n=852) 0.9%	(n=361) 0.3%	(n=987) 0.2%	0.067
ECG: Non-specific ST-and T-Wave Changes	Abnormal	(n=852) 14.8%	(n=361) 19.1%	(n=987) 12.3%	0.006
ECG: Bradycardia	Abnormal	(n=853) 3.6%	(n=362) 2.2%	(n=987) 2.0%	0.086
ECG: Tachycardia	Abnormal	(n=853) 0.2%	(n=362) 0.0%	(n=987) 0.3%	0.582
ECG: Arrhythmia	Abnormal	(n=852) 5.2%	(n=362) 5.0%	(n=987) 4.0%	0.431
ECG: Evidence of Prior Myocardial Infarction	Abnormal	(n=849) 4.0%	(n=362) 4.1%	(n=985) 2.6%	0.195
ECG: Other Diagnoses	Abnormal	(n=853) 0.6%	(n=362) 0.8%	(n=987) 0.7%	0.886

Note: Correlations (r) are based on total sample and are not category-specific.

Table K-1-1. (Continued)
Dependent Variable-Covariate Associations for Cardiovascular Assessment

Dependent Variable	Level	Lifetime Cigarette Smoking History (pack-years)			p-Value
		0	>0-10	>10	
Essential Hypertension	Yes	(n=600) 38.5%	(n=665) 35.2%	(n=910) 40.9%	0.072
Heart Disease (Excluding Essential Hypertension)	Yes	(n=604) 47.4%	(n=671) 46.3%	(n=924) 51.7%	0.071
Myocardial Infarction	Yes	(n=604) 3.3%	(n=671) 6.1%	(n=924) 9.6%	<0.001
Systolic Blood Pressure (continuous) (discrete)	Abnormal	(n=604) 16.9%	(n=671) r=0.001 13.9%	(n=923) 15.7%	0.999 0.317
Heart Sounds	Abnormal	(n=604) 25.3%	(n=668) 19.2%	(n=920) 17.8%	0.001
Overall Electrocardiograph (ECG)	Abnormal	(n=603) 21.2%	(n=671) 18.0%	(n=923) 26.0%	0.001
ECG: Right Bundle Branch Block (RBBB)	Abnormal	(n=603) 1.2%	(n=671) 1.0%	(n=923) 1.8%	0.340
ECG: Left Bundle Branch Block (LBBB)	Abnormal	(n=603) 0.7%	(n=671) 0.6%	(n=923) 0.3%	0.602
ECG: Non-specific ST- and T-Wave Changes	Abnormal	(n=603) 13.3%	(n=671) 10.6%	(n=923) 17.9%	<0.001
ECG: Bradycardia	Abnormal	(n=604) 3.0%	(n=671) 2.8%	(n=924) 2.4%	0.747
ECG: Tachycardia	Abnormal	(n=604) 0.2%	(n=671) 0.3%	(n=924) 0.2%	0.881
ECG: Arrhythmia	Abnormal	(n=603) 4.6%	(n=671) 4.2%	(n=924) 4.9%	0.804
ECG: Evidence of Prior Myocardial Infarction	Abnormal	(n=601) 1.7%	(n=671) 2.7%	(n=921) 5.1%	0.001
ECG: Other Diagnoses	Abnormal	(n=604) 0.8%	(n=671) 0.0%	(n=924) 1.1%	0.030

Note: Correlations (r) are based on total sample and are not category-specific.

Table K-1-1. (Continued)
Dependent Variable-Covariate Associations for Cardiovascular Assessment

Dependent Variable	Level	Current Cigarette Smoking (cigarettes/day)				p-Value
		0-Never Smoked	0-Former Smoker	>0-20	>20	
Essential Hypertension	Yes	--	--	--	--	--
Heart Disease (Excluding Essential Hypertension)	Yes	--	--	--	--	--
Myocardial Infarction	Yes	--	--	--	--	--
Systolic Blood Pressure (continuous) (discrete)		(n=604)	(n=1,042)	(n=342)	(n=211)	
			$r=-0.122$			
	Abnormal	16.9%	17.2%	11.4%	9.5%	<0.001 0.004
Heart Sounds		(n=604)	(n=1,038)	(n=340)	(n=211)	
	Abnormal	25.3%	19.7%	17.4%	13.3%	<0.001
Overall Electrocardiograph (ECG)		(n=603)	(n=1,042)	(n=342)	(n=211)	
	Abnormal	21.2%	23.1%	22.2%	20.9%	0.785
ECG: Right Bundle Branch Block (RBBB)		(n=603)	(n=1,043)	(n=341)	(n=211)	
	Abnormal	1.2%	1.7%	0.9%	1.4%	0.635
ECG: Left Bundle Branch Block (LBBB)		(n=603)	(n=1,043)	(n=341)	(n=211)	
	Abnormal	0.7%	0.7%	0.0%	0.0%	0.295
ECG: Non-specific ST-and T-Wave Changes		(n=603)	(n=1,043)	(n=341)	(n=211)	
	Abnormal	13.3%	15.6%	13.5%	12.8%	0.462
ECG: Bradycardia		(n=604)	(n=1,043)	(n=342)	(n=211)	
	Abnormal	3.0%	2.5%	3.2%	1.9%	0.748
ECG: Tachycardia		(n=604)	(n=1,043)	(n=342)	(n=211)	
	Abnormal	0.2%	0.3%	0.0%	0.5%	0.656
ECG: Arrhythmia		(n=603)	(n=1,043)	(n=342)	(n=211)	
	Abnormal	4.6%	4.4%	4.4%	5.7%	0.875
ECG: Evidence of Prior Myocardial Infarction		(n=601)	(n=1,040)	(n=342)	(n=211)	
	Abnormal	1.7%	3.7%	5.3%	4.3%	0.021
ECG: Other Diagnoses		(n=604)	(n=1,043)	(n=342)	(n=211)	
	Abnormal	0.8%	0.4%	1.5%	0.5%	0.189

--: Covariate not applicable for dependent variable.

Note: Correlations (r) are based on total sample and are not category-specific.

Table K-1-1. (Continued)
Dependent Variable-Covariate Associations for Cardiovascular Assessment

Dependent Variable	Level	Lifetime Alcohol History (drink-years)			p-Value
		0	>0-40	>40	
Essential Hypertension	Yes	(n=134) 38.8%	(n=1,458) 34.5%	(n=544) 48.5%	<0.001
Heart Disease (Excluding Essential Hypertension)	Yes	(n=134) 47.0%	(n=1,473) 48.3%	(n=553) 50.3%	0.679
Myocardial Infarction	Yes	(n=134) 10.4%	(n=1,473) 6.1%	(n=553) 7.8%	0.093
Systolic Blood Pressure (continuous) (discrete)	Abnormal	(n=134) 17.2%	(n=1,472) r=0.048 15.3%	(n=553) 15.6%	0.027 0.846
Heart Sounds	Abnormal	(n=134) 16.4%	(n=1,468) 20.5%	(n=552) 20.1%	0.529
Overall Electrocardiograph (ECG)	Abnormal	(n=134) 23.9%	(n=1,471) 21.7%	(n=553) 23.1%	0.694
ECG: Right Bundle Branch Block (RBBB)	Abnormal	(n=134) 0.7%	(n=1,471) 1.4%	(n=553) 1.6%	0.725
ECG: Left Bundle Branch Block (LBBB)	Abnormal	(n=134) 0.0%	(n=1,471) 0.7%	(n=553) 0.2%	0.259
ECG: Non-specific ST- and T-Wave Changes	Abnormal	(n=134) 16.4%	(n=1,471) 13.9%	(n=553) 15.0%	0.625
ECG: Bradycardia	Abnormal	(n=134) 2.2%	(n=1,473) 2.9%	(n=553) 2.2%	0.615
ECG: Tachycardia	Abnormal	(n=134) 0.7%	(n=1,473) 0.2%	(n=553) 0.2%	0.439
ECG: Arrhythmia	Abnormal	(n=134) 6.7%	(n=1,472) 4.6%	(n=553) 4.2%	0.444
ECG: Evidence of Prior Myocardial Infarction	Abnormal	(n=134) 4.5%	(n=1,470) 3.4%	(n=551) 3.3%	0.782
ECG: Other Diagnoses	Abnormal	(n=134) 1.5%	(n=1,473) 0.7%	(n=553) 0.5%	0.490

Note: Correlations (r) are based on total sample and are not category-specific.

Table K-1-1. (Continued)
Dependent Variable-Covariate Associations for Cardiovascular Assessment

Dependent Variable	Level	Cholesterol (mg/dl)			p-Value
		0-200	>200-239	>239	
Essential Hypertension	Yes	(n=710) 34.8%	(n=868) 38.0%	(n=599) 43.4%	0.006
Heart Disease (Excluding Essential Hypertension)	Yes	(n=715) 50.2%	(n=880) 50.5%	(n=606) 45.1%	0.085
Myocardial Infarction	Yes	(n=715) 6.7%	(n=880) 7.0%	(n=606) 6.6%	0.937
Systolic Blood Pressure (continuous)		(n=715)	(n=879) $r=0.076$	(n=606)	<0.001
(discrete)	Abnormal	14.4%	14.4%	18.2%	0.097
Heart Sounds	Abnormal	(n=714) 21.7%	(n=875) 20.1%	(n=605) 19.0%	0.469
Overall Electrocardiograph (ECG)	Abnormal	(n=715) 21.7%	(n=880) 22.7%	(n=604) 22.4%	0.881
ECG: Right Bundle Branch Block (RBBB)	Abnormal	(n=715) 1.5%	(n=879) 1.1%	(n=605) 1.7%	0.667
ECG: Left Bundle Branch Block (LBBB)	Abnormal	(n=715) 0.4%	(n=879) 0.6%	(n=605) 0.5%	0.915
ECG: Non-specific ST-and T-Wave Changes	Abnormal	(n=715) 12.7%	(n=879) 15.0%	(n=605) 15.4%	0.307
ECG: Bradycardia	Abnormal	(n=715) 3.5%	(n=880) 2.7%	(n=606) 1.7%	0.117
ECG: Tachycardia	Abnormal	(n=715) 0.1%	(n=880) 0.3%	(n=606) 0.2%	0.655
ECG: Arrhythmia	Abnormal	(n=715) 4.9%	(n=880) 4.7%	(n=605) 4.1%	0.798
ECG: Evidence of Prior Myocardial Infarction	Abnormal	(n=714) 3.4%	(n=879) 3.4%	(n=602) 3.5%	0.992
ECG: Other Diagnoses	Abnormal	(n=715) 0.6%	(n=880) 0.7%	(n=606) 0.8%	0.843

Note: Correlations (r) are based on total sample and are not category-specific.

Table K-1-1. (Continued)
Dependent Variable-Covariate Associations for Cardiovascular Assessment

Dependent Variable	Level	HDL (mg/dl)			Body Fat		
		Normal: >35	Low: 0-35	p-Value	Obese: >25%	Lean or Normal: ≤25%	p-Value
Essential Hypertension	Yes	(n=1,598) 36.5%	(n=555) 43.1%	0.006	(n=549) 57.0%	(n=1,629) 32.2%	<0.001
Heart Disease (Excluding Essential Hypertension)	Yes	(n=1,615) 48.9%	(n=561) 49.0%	0.985	(n=561) 50.1%	(n=1,641) 48.4%	0.533
Myocardial Infarction	Yes	(n=1,615) 5.5%	(n=561) 10.5%	<0.001	(n=561) 8.0%	(n=1,641) 6.4%	0.222
Systolic Blood Pressure (continuous) (discrete)	Abnormal	(n=1,614) r=-0.016 15.6%	(n=561) 14.4%	0.443 0.550	(n=561) r=0.273 24.4%	(n=1,640) 12.4%	<0.001 <0.001
Heart Sounds	Abnormal	(n=1,609) 20.1%	(n=560) 20.9%	0.724	(n=560) 24.6%	(n=1,635) 18.8%	0.004
Overall Electrocardiograph (ECG)	Abnormal	(n=1,613) 21.5%	(n=561) 24.4%	0.172	(n=561) 25.0%	(n=1,639) 21.4%	0.087
ECG: Right Bundle Branch Block (RBBB)	Abnormal	(n=1,613) 1.4%	(n=561) 1.6%	0.836	(n=561) 1.4%	(n=1,639) 1.4%	0.999
ECG: Left Bundle Branch Block (LBBB)	Abnormal	(n=1,613) 0.7%	(n=561) 0.0%	0.106	(n=561) 0.7%	(n=1,639) 0.4%	0.630
ECG: Non-specific ST-and T-Wave Changes	Abnormal	(n=1,613) 13.6%	(n=561) 16.4%	0.115	(n=561) 18.4%	(n=1,639) 13.0%	0.002
ECG: Bradycardia	Abnormal	(n=1,615) 3.0%	(n=561) 1.8%	0.155	(n=561) 0.7%	(n=1,641) 3.4%	0.001
ECG: Tachycardia	Abnormal	(n=1,615) 0.2%	(n=561) 0.4%	0.829	(n=561) 0.2%	(n=1,641) 0.2%	0.999
ECG: Arrhythmia	Abnormal	(n=1,614) 4.2%	(n=561) 5.7%	0.161	(n=561) 4.1%	(n=1,640) 4.8%	0.600
ECG: Evidence of Prior Myocardial Infarction	Abnormal	(n=1,611) 2.5%	(n=559) 5.9%	<0.001	(n=559) 3.6%	(n=1,637) 3.4%	0.912
ECG: Other Diagnoses	Abnormal	(n=1,615) 0.6%	(n=561) 1.1%	0.333	(n=561) 0.2%	(n=1,641) 0.9%	0.167

Note: Correlations (r) are based on total sample and are not category-specific.

Table K-1-1. (Continued)
Dependent Variable-Covariate Associations for Cardiovascular Assessment

Dependent Variable	Level	Diabetic Class			p-Value
		Normal	Impaired	Diabetic	
Essential Hypertension	Yes	(n=1,622) 32.2%	(n=242) 54.1%	(n=311) 58.8%	<0.001
Heart Disease (Excluding Essential Hypertension)	Yes	(n=1,632) 47.5%	(n=247) 53.0%	(n=320) 52.8%	0.084
Myocardial Infarction	Yes	(n=1,632) 5.3%	(n=247) 10.5%	(n=320) 11.9%	<0.001
Systolic Blood Pressure (continuous)		(n=1,631) \bar{x} =119.49	(n=247) \bar{x} =126.39	(n=320) \bar{x} =131.11	<0.001
(discrete)	Abnormal	11.8%	22.7%	28.4%	<0.001
Heart Sounds	Abnormal	(n=1,627) 19.7%	(n=246) 18.3%	(n=319) 24.5%	0.114
Overall Electrocardiograph (ECG)	Abnormal	(n=1,631) 19.1%	(n=247) 26.7%	(n=319) 35.1%	<0.001
ECG: Right Bundle Branch Block (RBBB)	Abnormal	(n=1,631) 1.1%	(n=247) 1.2%	(n=319) 3.1%	0.018
ECG: Left Bundle Branch Block (LBBB)	Abnormal	(n=1,631) 0.5%	(n=247) 0.4%	(n=319) 0.6%	0.927
ECG: Non-specific ST-and T-Wave Changes	Abnormal	(n=1,631) 12.0%	(n=247) 16.6%	(n=319) 24.5%	<0.001
ECG: Bradycardia	Abnormal	(n=1,632) 3.2%	(n=247) 1.2%	(n=320) 0.9%	0.021
ECG: Tachycardia	Abnormal	(n=1,632) 0.2%	(n=247) 0.4%	(n=320) 0.0%	0.578
ECG: Arrhythmia	Abnormal	(n=1,631) 3.7%	(n=247) 6.9%	(n=320) 7.2%	0.005
ECG: Evidence of Prior Myocardial Infarction	Abnormal	(n=1,628) 2.6%	(n=247) 4.5%	(n=318) 6.6%	0.001
ECG: Other Diagnoses	Abnormal	(n=1,632) 0.7%	(n=247) 0.4%	(n=320) 0.9%	0.745

Note: Correlations (r) are based on total sample and are not category-specific.

Table K-1-1. (Continued)
Dependent Variable-Covariate Associations for Cardiovascular Assessment

Dependent Variable	Level	Personality Type			Family History of Heart Disease		
		A	B	p-Value	No	Yes	p-Value
Essential Hypertension	Yes	(n=932) 36.6%	(n=1,244) 39.8%	0.140	(n=918) 31.9%	(n=1,234) 43.4%	<0.001
Heart Disease (Excluding Essential Hypertension)	Yes	(n=942) 50.5%	(n=1,258) 47.6%	0.190	(n=926) 44.1%	(n=1,250) 52.6%	<0.001
Myocardial Infarction	Yes	(n=942) 6.6%	(n=1,258) 7.0%	0.768	(n=926) 4.4%	(n=1,250) 8.6%	<0.001
Systolic Blood Pressure (continuous)	Abnormal	(n=941) $\bar{x}=121.21$	(n=1,258) $\bar{x}=122.53$	0.097	(n=926) $\bar{x}=120.94$	(n=1,249) $\bar{x}=122.61$	0.037
(discrete)		13.5%	16.9%	0.032	14.9%	15.9%	0.585
Heart Sounds	Abnormal	(n=938) 21.0%	(n=1,255) 19.8%	0.508	(n=922) 20.0%	(n=1,247) 20.7%	0.715
Overall Electrocardiograph (ECG)	Abnormal	(n=940) 21.9%	(n=1,258) 22.6%	0.752	(n=925) 20.4%	(n=1,249) 23.5%	0.104
ECG: Right Bundle Branch Block (RBBB)	Abnormal	(n=941) 1.4%	(n=1,257) 1.4%	0.999	(n=926) 1.4%	(n=1,248) 1.4%	0.999
ECG: Left Bundle Branch Block (LBBB)	Abnormal	(n=941) 0.4%	(n=1,257) 0.6%	0.898	(n=926) 0.5%	(n=1,248) 0.5%	0.999
ECG: Non-specific ST-and T-Wave Changes	Abnormal	(n=941) 13.7%	(n=1,257) 14.9%	0.477	(n=926) 13.9%	(n=1,248) 14.7%	0.675
ECG: Bradycardia	Abnormal	(n=942) 3.1%	(n=1,258) 2.4%	0.388	(n=926) 2.4%	(n=1,250) 3.0%	0.486
ECG: Tachycardia	Abnormal	(n=942) 0.1%	(n=1,258) 0.3%	0.562	(n=926) 0.1%	(n=1,250) 0.3%	0.570
ECG: Arrhythmia	Abnormal	(n=941) 4.9%	(n=1,258) 4.4%	0.639	(n=926) 4.2%	(n=1,249) 4.9%	0.524
ECG: Evidence of Prior Myocardial Infarction	Abnormal	(n=938) 2.5%	(n=1,256) 4.1%	0.042	(n=923) 2.5%	(n=1,247) 4.1%	0.056
ECG: Other Diagnoses	Abnormal	(n=942) 0.5%	(n=1,258) 0.8%	0.629	(n=926) 0.5%	(n=1,250) 0.8%	0.643

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Table K-1-1. (Continued)
Dependent Variable-Covariate Associations for Cardiovascular Assessment

Dependent Variable	Level	Age			Race		
		Born ≥1942	Born <1942	p-Value	Black	Non-Black	p-Value
Diastolic Blood Pressure (continuous) (discrete)	Abnormal	(n=948) 3.7%	(n=1,253) 2.6%	$r=0.025$ 0.239 0.157	(n=126) $\bar{x}=73.94$ 4.0%	(n=2,075) $\bar{x}=72.20$ 3.0%	0.051 0.723
Funduscopy Examination	Abnormal	(n=945) 4.1%	(n=1,245) 7.9%	<0.001	(n=126) 7.9%	(n=2,064) 6.2%	0.540
Carotid Bruits	Abnormal	(n=948) 0.4%	(n=1,253) 2.3%	0.001	(n=126) 0.0%	(n=2,075) 1.6%	0.294
Radial Pulses	Abnormal	(n=948) 0.2%	(n=1,254) 0.6%	0.354	(n=126) 0.8%	(n=2,076) 0.4%	0.999
Femoral Pulses	Abnormal	(n=948) 0.2%	(n=1,254) 1.3%	0.012	(n=126) 0.8%	(n=2,076) 0.8%	0.999
Popliteal Pulses	Abnormal	(n=948) 0.3%	(n=1,252) 2.2%	<0.001	(n=126) 1.6%	(n=2,074) 1.4%	0.999
Dorsalis Pedis Pulses	Abnormal	(n=946) 5.3%	(n=1,252) 9.5%	<0.001	(n=126) 7.1%	(n=2,072) 7.7%	0.948
Posterior Tibial Pulses	Abnormal	(n=948) 1.1%	(n=1,252) 4.4%	<0.001	(n=126) 4.8%	(n=2,074) 2.8%	0.336
Leg Pulses	Abnormal	(n=946) 5.8%	(n=1,253) 10.5%	<0.001	(n=126) 9.5%	(n=2,073) 8.4%	0.796
Peripheral Pulses	Abnormal	(n=946) 5.9%	(n=1,253) 10.9%	<0.001	(n=126) 10.3%	(n=2,073) 8.7%	0.640
Kidney, Urethra, and Bladder (KUB) X Ray Excluding Kidney Stones	Abnormal	(n=946) 19.6%	(n=1,253) 39.4%	<0.001	(n=126) 24.6%	(n=2,073) 31.2%	0.144
Intermittent Claudication and Vascular Insufficiency (ICVI) Index	Abnormal	(n=945) 1.1%	(n=1,254) 4.1%	<0.001	(n=126) 4.0%	(n=2,073) 2.7%	0.599

Note: Correlations (r) are based on total sample and are not category-specific.

Table K-1-1. (Continued)
Dependent Variable-Covariate Associations for Cardiovascular Assessment

Dependent Variable	Level	Occupation			p-Value
		Officer	Enlisted Flyer	Enlisted Groundcrew	
Diastolic Blood Pressure (continuous) (discrete)	Abnormal	(n=852) $\bar{x}=72.31$ 3.1%	(n=362) $\bar{x}=72.68$ 3.0%	(n=987) $\bar{x}=72.16$ 3.0%	0.680 0.999
Funduscopy Examination	Abnormal	(n=848) 5.1%	(n=359) 8.1%	(n=983) 6.6%	0.118
Carotid Bruits	Abnormal	(n=853) 1.6%	(n=362) 1.7%	(n=986) 1.3%	0.820
Radial Pulses	Abnormal	(n=853) 0.4%	(n=362) 0.0%	(n=987) 0.6%	0.284
Femoral Pulses	Abnormal	(n=853) 0.7%	(n=362) 1.4%	(n=987) 0.7%	0.428
Popliteal Pulses	Abnormal	(n=852) 1.3%	(n=361) 1.9%	(n=987) 1.2%	0.582
Dorsalis Pedis Pulses	Abnormal	(n=851) 7.3%	(n=361) 8.9%	(n=986) 7.6%	0.635
Posterior Tibial Pulses	Abnormal	(n=852) 2.7%	(n=361) 3.9%	(n=987) 2.8%	0.518
Leg Pulses	Abnormal	(n=851) 7.5%	(n=362) 9.9%	(n=986) 8.8%	0.341
Peripheral Pulses	Abnormal	(n=851) 7.8%	(n=362) 9.9%	(n=986) 9.2%	0.372
Kidney, Urethra, and Bladder (KUB) X Ray Excluding Kidney Stones	Abnormal	(n=853) 32.4%	(n=361) 33.2%	(n=985) 28.6%	0.125
Intermittent Claudication and Vascular Insufficiency (ICVI) Index	Abnormal	(n=852) 2.8%	(n=362) 3.6%	(n=985) 2.5%	0.585

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Table K-1-1. (Continued)
Dependent Variable-Covariate Associations for Cardiovascular Assessment

Dependent Variable	Level	Lifetime Cigarette Smoking History (pack-years)			p-Value
		0	>0-10	>10	
Diastolic Blood Pressure (continuous) (discrete)		(n=604)	(n=671) $r=-0.077$	(n=923)	<0.001
	Abnormal	3.8%	4.0%	1.8%	0.019
Funduscopy Examination	Abnormal	(n=599) 3.8%	(n=668) 6.0%	(n=920) 7.9%	0.005
Carotid Bruits	Abnormal	(n=604) 0.7%	(n=671) 1.6%	(n=923) 2.0%	0.121
Radial Pulses	Abnormal	(n=604) 0.3%	(n=671) 0.1%	(n=924) 0.6%	0.285
Femoral Pulses	Abnormal	(n=604) 0.0%	(n=671) 1.0%	(n=924) 1.2%	0.031
Popliteal Pulses	Abnormal	(n=604) 0.0%	(n=669) 1.3%	(n=924) 2.3%	0.001
Dorsalis Pedis Pulses	Abnormal	(n=604) 4.6%	(n=667) 5.8%	(n=924) 10.9%	<0.001
Posterior Tibial Pulses	Abnormal	(n=604) 0.7%	(n=669) 1.9%	(n=924) 5.2%	<0.001
Leg Pulses	Abnormal	(n=604) 4.8%	(n=668) 6.6%	(n=924) 12.2%	<0.001
Peripheral Pulses	Abnormal	(n=604) 5.1%	(n=668) 6.7%	(n=924) 12.6%	<0.001
Kidney, Urethra, and Bladder (KUB) X Ray Excluding Kidney Stones	Abnormal	(n=602) 28.4%	(n=671) 28.2%	(n=923) 34.3%	0.010
Intermittent Claudication and Vascular Insufficiency (ICVI) Index	Abnormal	(n=603) 1.3%	(n=671) 1.9%	(n=924) 4.4%	<0.001

Note: Correlations (r) are based on total sample and are not category-specific.

Table K-1-1. (Continued)
Dependent Variable-Covariate Associations for Cardiovascular Assessment

Dependent Variable	Level	Current Cigarette Smoking (cigarettes/day)				p-Value
		0-Never Smoked	0-Former Smoker	>0-20	> 20	
Diastolic Blood Pressure (continuous) (discrete)	Abnormal	(n=604) 3.8%	(n=1,043) 2.9%	(n=342) 2.6%	(n=210) 2.4%	$r=-0.113$ <0.001 0.615
Funduscopy Examination	Abnormal	(n=599) 3.8%	(n=1,038) 6.6%	(n=342) 6.1%	(n=209) 11.5%	0.001
Carotid Bruits	Abnormal	(n=604) 0.7%	(n=1,042) 2.1%	(n=342) 1.5%	(n=211) 0.9%	0.115
Radial Pulses	Abnormal	(n=604) 0.3%	(n=1,043) 0.4%	(n=342) 0.3%	(n=211) 0.9%	0.631
Femoral Pulses	Abnormal	(n=604) 0.0%	(n=1,043) 0.6%	(n=342) 2.0%	(n=211) 2.4%	<0.001
Popliteal Pulses	Abnormal	(n=604) 0.0%	(n=1,041) 0.8%	(n=342) 3.5%	(n=211) 4.7%	<0.001
Dorsalis Pedis Pulses	Abnormal	(n=604) 4.6%	(n=1,040) 7.3%	(n=342) 11.4%	(n=210) 11.9%	<0.001
Posterior Tibial Pulses	Abnormal	(n=604) 0.7%	(n=1,041) 2.5%	(n=342) 5.3%	(n=211) 8.1%	<0.001
Leg Pulses	Abnormal	(n=604) 4.8%	(n=1,041) 8.3%	(n=342) 12.6%	(n=210) 13.3%	<0.001
Peripheral Pulses	Abnormal	(n=604) 5.1%	(n=1,041) 8.5%	(n=342) 12.9%	(n=210) 13.3%	<0.001
Kidney, Urethra, and Bladder (KUB) X Ray Excluding Kidney Stones	Abnormal	(n=602) 28.4%	(n=1,042) 31.6%	(n=342) 33.6%	(n=211) 29.9%	0.351
Intermittent Claudication and Vascular Insufficiency (ICVI) Index	Abnormal	(n=603) 1.3%	(n=1,043) 2.5%	(n=342) 4.4%	(n=211) 6.2%	0.001

Note: Correlations (r) are based on total sample and are not category-specific.

Table K-1-1. (Continued)
Dependent Variable-Covariate Associations for Cardiovascular Assessment

Dependent Variable	Level	Lifetime Alcohol History (drink-years)			p-Value
		0	>0-40	>40	
Diastolic Blood Pressure (continuous)		(n=134)	(n=1,473)	(n=552)	0.382
(discrete)	Abnormal	3.7%	3.2%	2.7%	0.784
Funduscopic Examination	Abnormal	(n=132) 9.8%	(n=1,466) 5.2%	(n=550) 8.4%	0.007
Carotid Bruits	Abnormal	(n=134) 0.0%	(n=1,472) 1.4%	(n=553) 2.0%	0.221
Radial Pulses	Abnormal	(n=134) 0.0%	(n=1,473) 0.4%	(n=553) 0.4%	0.758
Femoral Pulses	Abnormal	(n=134) 0.0%	(n=1,473) 0.5%	(n=553) 1.6%	0.027
Popliteal Pulses	Abnormal	(n=134) 1.5%	(n=1,471) 1.2%	(n=553) 1.8%	0.518
Dorsalis Pedis Pulses	Abnormal	(n=134) 6.7%	(n=1,469) 7.0%	(n=553) 9.8%	0.106
Posterior Tibial Pulses	Abnormal	(n=134) 2.2%	(n=1,471) 2.2%	(n=553) 4.9%	0.006
Leg Pulses	Abnormal	(n=134) 6.7%	(n=1,470) 7.6%	(n=553) 11.2%	0.027
Peripheral Pulses	Abnormal	(n=134) 6.7%	(n=1,470) 8.0%	(n=553) 11.2%	0.054
Kidney, Urethra, and Bladder (KUB) X Ray Excluding Kidney Stones	Abnormal	(n=134) 31.3%	(n=1,470) 28.9%	(n=553) 36.3%	0.006
Intermittent Claudication and Vascular Insufficiency (ICVI) Index	Abnormal	(n=134) 3.0%	(n=1,472) 2.2%	(n=553) 4.3%	0.040

Note: Correlations (r) are based on total sample and are not category-specific.

Table K-1-1. (Continued)
Dependent Variable-Covariate Associations for Cardiovascular Assessment

Dependent Variable	Level	Cholesterol (mg/dl)			p-Value
		0-200	>200-239	>239	
Diastolic Blood Pressure (continuous) (discrete)		(n=714)	(n=880) r=0.090	(n=606)	<0.001
	Abnormal	2.2%	3.0%	4.1%	0.136
Funduscopy Examination		(n=713)	(n=876)	(n=600)	
	Abnormal	5.2%	6.2%	7.7%	0.180
Carotid Bruits		(n=714)	(n=880)	(n=606)	
	Abnormal	1.7%	1.5%	1.3%	0.864
Radial Pulses		(n=715)	(n=880)	(n=606)	
	Abnormal	0.4%	0.3%	0.5%	0.899
Femoral Pulses		(n=715)	(n=880)	(n=606)	
	Abnormal	0.4%	1.0%	1.0%	0.354
Popliteal Pulses		(n=715)	(n=878)	(n=606)	
	Abnormal	0.8%	1.4%	2.0%	0.205
Dorsalis Pedis Pulses		(n=714)	(n=878)	(n=605)	
	Abnormal	7.4%	7.4%	8.4%	0.726
Posterior Tibial Pulses		(n=715)	(n=878)	(n=606)	
	Abnormal	2.8%	2.5%	3.8%	0.338
Leg Pulses		(n=714)	(n=879)	(n=605)	
	Abnormal	8.5%	8.2%	8.9%	0.882
Peripheral Pulses		(n=714)	(n=879)	(n=605)	
	Abnormal	8.8%	8.3%	9.4%	0.756
Kidney, Urethra, and Bladder (KUB) X Ray Excluding Kidney Stones		(n=713)	(n=879)	(n=606)	
	Abnormal	33.1%	28.3%	31.8%	0.100
Intermittent Claudication and Vascular Insufficiency (ICVI) Index		(n=712)	(n=880)	(n=606)	
	Abnormal	1.1%	3.2%	4.3%	0.002

Note: Correlations (r) are based on total sample and are not category-specific.

Table K-1-1. (Continued)
Dependent Variable-Covariate Associations for Cardiovascular Assessment

Dependent Variable	Level	HDL (mg/dl)			Body Fat		
		Normal: >35	Low: 0-35	p-Value	Obese: >25%	Lean or Normal: ≤25%	p-Value
Diastolic Blood Pressure (continuous) (discrete)		(n=1,614)	(n=561)		(n=561)	(n=1,640)	
		r=-0.040			r=0.218		
	Abnormal	3.0%	3.0%	0.999	5.2%	2.3%	0.001
Funduscopic Examination	Abnormal	(n=1,606) 5.9%	(n=558) 7.5%	0.193	(n=556) 7.0%	(n=1,634) 6.0%	0.451
Carotid Bruits	Abnormal	(n=1,615) 1.7%	(n=560) 1.1%	0.423	(n=561) 1.8%	(n=1,640) 1.4%	0.661
Radial Pulses	Abnormal	(n=1,615) 0.4%	(n=561) 0.4%	0.999	(n=561) 0.5%	(n=1,641) 0.4%	0.874
Femoral Pulses	Abnormal	(n=1,615) 0.6%	(n=561) 1.4%	0.122	(n=561) 0.9%	(n=1,641) 0.8%	0.999
Popliteal Pulses	Abnormal	(n=1,614) 1.0%	(n=560) 2.3%	0.032	(n=561) 1.4%	(n=1,639) 1.3%	0.999
Dorsalis Pedis Pulses	Abnormal	(n=1,613) 7.6%	(n=559) 8.1%	0.817	(n=561) 6.6%	(n=1,637) 8.1%	0.301
Posterior Tibial Pulses	Abnormal	(n=1,614) 2.5%	(n=560) 4.1%	0.081	(n=561) 2.0%	(n=1,639) 3.3%	0.143
Leg Pulses	Abnormal	(n=1,613) 8.4%	(n=560) 8.9%	0.784	(n=561) 7.1%	(n=1,638) 9.0%	0.206
Peripheral Pulses	Abnormal	(n=1,613) 8.8%	(n=560) 8.9%	0.997	(n=561) 7.3%	(n=1,638) 9.3%	0.181
Kidney, Urethra, and Bladder (KUB) X Ray Excluding Kidney Stones	Abnormal	(n=1,613) 30.6%	(n=560) 31.6%	0.704	(n=560) 32.9%	(n=1,639) 30.1%	0.251
Intermittent Claudication and Vascular Insufficiency (ICVI) Index	Abnormal	(n=1,612) 2.4%	(n=561) 3.9%	0.088	(n=561) 3.4%	(n=1,638) 2.6%	0.428

Note: Correlations (r) are based on total sample and are not category-specific.

Table K-1-1. (Continued)
Dependent Variable-Covariate Associations for Cardiovascular Assessment

Dependent Variable	Level	Diabetic Class			p-Value
		Normal	Impaired	Diabetic	
Diastolic Blood Pressure (continuous)		(n=1,631) $\bar{x}=71.63$	(n=247) $\bar{x}=72.98$	(n=320) $\bar{x}=75.15$	<0.001
(discrete)	Abnormal	2.8%	3.2%	4.4%	0.301
Funduscopy Examination	Abnormal	(n=1,625) 5.2%	(n=244) 9.8%	(n=318) 9.1%	0.001
Carotid Bruits	Abnormal	(n=1,631) 1.2%	(n=247) 3.2%	(n=320) 1.9%	0.037
Radial Pulses	Abnormal	(n=1,632) 0.3%	(n=247) 0.4%	(n=320) 0.9%	0.271
Femoral Pulses	Abnormal	(n=1,632) 0.4%	(n=247) 1.2%	(n=320) 2.8%	<0.001
Popliteal Pulses	Abnormal	(n=1,631) 0.6%	(n=246) 3.3%	(n=320) 3.8%	<0.001
Dorsalis Pedis Pulses	Abnormal	(n=1,629) 6.0%	(n=246) 11.4%	(n=320) 13.8%	<0.001
Posterior Tibial Pulses	Abnormal	(n=1,631) 1.7%	(n=246) 5.3%	(n=320) 7.5%	<0.001
Leg Pulses	Abnormal	(n=1,629) 6.5%	(n=247) 13.0%	(n=320) 15.3%	<0.001
Peripheral Pulses	Abnormal	(n=1,629) 6.7%	(n=247) 13.4%	(n=320) 15.9%	<0.001
Kidney, Urethra, and Bladder (KUB) X Ray Excluding Kidney Stones	Abnormal	(n=1,629) 28.5%	(n=247) 30.8%	(n=320) 42.5%	<0.001
Intermittent Claudication and Vascular Insufficiency (ICVI) Index	Abnormal	(n=1,630) 1.8%	(n=246) 4.1%	(n=320) 6.9%	<0.001

Note: Correlations (r) are based on total sample and are not category-specific.

Table K-1-1. (Continued)
Dependent Variable-Covariate Associations for Cardiovascular Assessment

Dependent Variable	Level	Personality Type			Family History of Heart Disease		
		A	B	p-Value	No	Yes	p-Value
Diastolic Blood Pressure (continuous) (discrete)	Abnormal	(n=942) $\bar{x}=72.10$ 2.3%	(n=1,257) $\bar{x}=72.46$ 3.6%	0.389 0.120	(n=925) $\bar{x}=71.85$ 3.6%	(n=1,250) $\bar{x}=72.57$ 2.6%	0.089 0.263
Funduscopy Examination	Abnormal	(n=934) 6.0%	(n=1,254) 6.5%	0.724	(n=921) 4.5%	(n=1,243) 7.6%	0.004
Carotid Bruits	Abnormal	(n=942) 1.4%	(n=1,257) 1.6%	0.822	(n=926) 1.1%	(n=1,249) 1.8%	0.208
Radial Pulses	Abnormal	(n=942) 0.4%	(n=1,258) 0.4%	0.999	(n=926) 0.5%	(n=1,250) 0.3%	0.651
Femoral Pulses	Abnormal	(n=942) 1.1%	(n=1,258) 0.6%	0.391	(n=926) 0.8%	(n=1,250) 0.8%	0.999
Popliteal Pulses	Abnormal	(n=940) 1.6%	(n=1,258) 1.2%	0.535	(n=926) 1.2%	(n=1,248) 1.4%	0.747
Dorsalis Pedis Pulses	Abnormal	(n=938) 6.8%	(n=1,258) 8.3%	0.213	(n=925) 6.9%	(n=1,247) 8.3%	0.281
Posterior Tibial Pulses	Abnormal	(n=940) 3.2%	(n=1,258) 2.8%	0.665	(n=926) 2.9%	(n=1,248) 2.9%	0.999
Leg Pulses	Abnormal	(n=939) 8.0%	(n=1,258) 8.9%	0.494	(n=925) 7.8%	(n=1,248) 9.0%	0.364
Peripheral Pulses	Abnormal	(n=939) 8.1%	(n=1,258) 9.3%	0.362	(n=925) 8.1%	(n=1,248) 9.2%	0.409
Kidney, Urethra, and Bladder (KUB) X Ray Excluding Kidney Stones	Abnormal	(n=940) 28.1%	(n=1,257) 32.9%	0.017	(n=924) 28.9%	(n=1,249) 32.3%	0.102
Intermittent Claudication and Vascular Insufficiency (ICVI) Index	Abnormal	(n=941) 2.7%	(n=1,256) 2.9%	0.784	(n=926) 1.9%	(n=1,249) 3.4%	0.050

Note: Correlations (r) are based on total sample and are not category-specific.

Table K-1-1. (Continued)
Dependent Variable-Covariate Associations for Cardiovascular Assessment

Dependent Variable	Level	Blood Pressure Medication		p-Value
		Yes	No	
Systolic Blood Pressure (continuous) (discrete)	Abnormal	(n=434) $\bar{x}=131.68$ 28.8%	(n=1,767) $\bar{x}=119.57$ 12.2%	<0.001 <0.001
Diastolic Blood Pressure (continuous) (discrete)	Abnormal	(n=435) $\bar{x}=75.81$ 4.8%	(n=1,766) $\bar{x}=71.44$ 2.6%	<0.001 0.024

Note: Correlations (r) are based on total sample and are not category-specific.

Table K-1-2.
Association Between Cardiovascular Findings and Verified Essential Hypertension, Verified Heart Disease,
and Verified Myocardial Infarction

		Essential Hypertension			Heart Disease*			Myocardial Infarction		
Variable	Level	Total	Percent Yes	p-Value	Total	Percent Yes	p-Value	Total	Percent Yes	p-Value
Central Cardiac Function										
Systolic Blood Pressure (D)	Normal	1,844	31.3	<0.001	1,861	47.8	0.030	1,861	6.6	0.311
	Abnormal	333	77.8		340	54.4		340	8.2	
Heart Sounds	Normal	1,730	36.8	0.003	1,749	46.7	<0.001	1,749	6.8	0.996
	Abnormal	441	44.7		446	57.2		446	7.0	
Overall Electrocardiograph (ECG)	Normal	1,693	34.0	<0.001	1,710	41.6	<0.001	1,710	2.3	<0.001
	Abnormal	483	54.0		490	74.5		490	22.4	
ECG: Right Bundle Branch Block (RBBB)	Normal	2,145	38.1	0.014	2,169	48.3	<0.001	2,169	6.6	0.002
	Abnormal	31	61.3		31	90.3		31	22.6	
ECG: Left Bundle Branch Block (LBBB)	Normal	2,165	38.5	0.652	2,189	48.6	0.002	2,189	6.8	0.999
	Abnormal	11	27.3		11	100.0		11	9.1	
ECG: Non-specific ST- and T-Wave Changes	Normal	1,865	35.5	<0.001	1,884	45.6	<0.001	1,884	4.1	<0.001
	Abnormal	311	55.9		316	68.0		316	23.1	
ECG: Bradycardia	Normal	2,119	39.0	0.002	2,143	47.8	<0.001	2,143	6.8	0.801
	Abnormal	59	18.6		59	88.1		59	8.5	
ECG: Tachycardia	Normal	2,173	38.4	0.594	2,197	48.7	0.065	2,197	6.8	0.999
	Abnormal	5	60.0		5	100.0		5	0.0	
ECG: Arrhythmia	Normal	2,076	37.6	<0.001	2,100	47.2	<0.001	2,100	6.2	<0.001
	Abnormal	101	56.4		101	83.2		101	19.8	

* Excluding essential hypertension.

Table K-1-2. (Continued)
Association Between Cardiovascular Findings and Verified Essential Hypertension, Verified Heart Disease,
and Verified Myocardial Infarction

Variable	Level	Essential Hypertension			Heart Disease*			Myocardial Infarction		
		Total	Percent Yes	p-Value	Total	Percent Yes	p-Value	Total	Percent Yes	p-Value
ECG: Evidence of Prior Myocardial Infarction	Normal	2,097	37.3	<0.001	2,121	47.1	<0.001	2,121	3.5	<0.001
	Abnormal	75	68.0		75	100.0		75	100.0	
ECG: Other Diagnoses	Normal	2,163	38.2	0.047	2,187	48.7	0.100	2,187	6.4	<0.001
	Abnormal	15	66.7		15	73.3		15	60.0	
Peripheral Vascular Function										
Diastolic Blood Pressure (D)	Normal	2,111	36.7	<0.001	2,134	48.8	0.847	2,134	6.8	0.974
	Abnormal	66	95.5		67	50.7		67	6.0	
Funduscopy Examination	Normal	2,031	36.8	<0.001	2,053	48.1	0.004	2,053	6.4	0.012
	Abnormal	135	63.7		137	61.3		137	12.4	
Carotid Bruits	Normal	2,144	38.1	0.014	2,168	48.2	<0.001	2,168	6.5	<0.001
	Abnormal	33	60.6		33	87.9		33	24.2	
Radial Pulses	Normal	2,169	38.4	0.475	2,193	48.8	0.461	2,193	6.7	0.240
	Abnormal	9	55.6		9	66.7		9	22.2	
Femoral Pulses	Normal	2,161	38.3	0.138	2,184	48.8	0.420	2,184	6.7	0.231
	Abnormal	17	58.8		18	61.1		18	16.7	
Popliteal Pulses	Normal	2,147	38.1	0.014	2,170	48.7	0.158	2,170	6.6	0.011
	Abnormal	29	62.1		30	63.3		30	20.0	
Dorsalis Pedis Pulses	Normal	2,008	37.8	0.074	2,029	47.9	0.002	2,029	6.2	<0.001
	Abnormal	166	45.2		169	60.4		169	13.6	
Posterior Tibial Pulses	Normal	2,113	37.8	0.001	2,135	48.5	0.051	2,135	6.4	<0.001
	Abnormal	63	58.7		65	61.5		65	18.5	
Leg Pulse Index	Normal	1,991	38.0	0.164	2,012	47.9	0.004	2,012	6.1	<0.001
	Abnormal	184	43.5		187	59.4		187	13.9	

* Excluding essential hypertension.

Table K-1-2. (Continued)
Association Between Cardiovascular Findings and Verified Essential Hypertension, Verified Heart Disease, and Verified Myocardial Infarction

Variable	Level	Essential Hypertension			Heart Disease*			Myocardial Infarction		
		Total	Percent Yes	p-Value	Total	Percent Yes	p-Value	Total	Percent Yes	p-Value
Peripheral Pulse Index	Normal	1,985	37.9	0.139	2,006	47.9	0.002	2,006	6.0	<0.001
	Abnormal	190	43.7		193	59.6		193	14.5	
Kidney, Urethra, and Bladder (KUB) X-Ray Excluding Kidney Stones	Normal	1,504	35.0	<0.001	1,521	45.6	<0.001	1,521	4.8	<0.001
	Abnormal	671	46.1		678	56.2		678	11.4	
Intermittent Claudication and Vascular Insufficiency (ICVI) Index	Normal	2,117	38.0	0.012	2,137	48.5	0.063	2,137	6.4	<0.001
	Abnormal	58	55.2		62	61.3		62	21.0	

Variable	Level	Systolic Blood Pressure (C)			Diastolic Blood Pressure (C)		
		Total	Mean (95% C.I.)	p-Value	Total	Mean (95% C.I.)	p-Value
Essential Hypertension	No	1,341	115.55 (114.78,116.32)	<0.001	1,340	69.31 (68.87,69.75)	<0.001
	Yes	836	132.00 (130.67,133.33)		837	76.95 (76.28,77.62)	
Heart Disease*	No	1,126	121.03 (120.00,122.06)	0.016	1,126	72.60 (72.04,73.16)	0.144
	Yes	1,075	122.93 (121.79,124.08)		1,075	71.99 (71.41,72.58)	
Myocardial Infarction	No	2,051	121.75 (120.96,122.54)	0.051	2,051	72.33 (71.91,72.75)	0.610
	Yes	150	124.79 (121.61,127.98)		150	71.91 (70.44,73.38)	

C: Continuous analysis.

D: Discrete analysis.

* Excluding essential hypertension.