Additional file 4. Results of analysis using different analytic methods

Table 1: Mean chance-corrected concordance across causes including uncertainty intervals, calculated as the median across 500 splits for each method, with and without HCE.

Method	HCE	Chance-corrected concordance (95% CI)
Tariff	no HCE	53.4% (53.2%, 53.9%)
	with HCE	66.1% (65.6%, 66.5%)
SSP	no HCE	53.9% (53.5%, 54.3%)
	with HCE	67.9% (67.4%, 68.3%)
Random Forest	no HCE	52.4% (52.1%, 52.7%)
	with HCE	66.9% (66.5%, 67.3%)

Table 2: Cause-specific chance-corrected concordance using different analytic methods, calculated as the median across 500 splits for each method, with and without HCE.

	CCC Tariff (%)		CCC	SSP (%)	CCC RF (%)	
	no HCE	with HCE	no HCE	with HCE	no HCE	with HCE
Depression	80.3	88.7	85.1	87.6	79.8	84.6
Angina pectoris	52.9	83.9	67.6	93.6	61.0	87.1
Cirrhosis	68.6	93.2	69.7	91.3	67.5	93.3
Rheumatoid arthritis	51.1	66.4	55.0	90.4	43.4	66.8
Asthma	46.7	77.5	60.7	87.8	52.2	81.7
COPD	27.5	52.9	28.3	56.5	35.8	64.4
Hearing loss	50.3	51.1	50.9	52.8	42.2	47.0
Cataracts	35.8	40.0	38.1	57.9	37.4	48.4
Vision loss	42.2	39.1	20.3	18.4	27.8	33.1
Osteoarthritis	23.6	35.8	13.0	25.9	29.6	40.1
Control	56.0	58.1	50.4	51.4	45.0	48.7

Table 3: Median CSPF accuracy using different analytic methods with and without HCE information, including uncertainty intervals, calculated as the median across 500 splits for each method.

Method	HCE	CSPF accuracy (95% UI)
Tariff	no HCE	0.772 (0.765, 0.779)
	with HCE	0.826 (0.818, 0.834)
SSP	no HCE	0.764 (0.753, 0.771)
	with HCE	0.817 (0.809, 0.828)
Random Forest no HCE		0.775 (0.767, 0.781)
	with HCE	0.822 (0.814, 0.829)
King-Lu	no HCE	0.736 (0.729, 0.745)
	with HCE	0.765 (0.758, 0.772)

Table 4: Cause-specific prevalence fraction absolute error by analytical method, with and without HCE*.

	Та	ariff	SSP		I	RF	KL		
Prevalence fraction	no	with	no	with	no	with	no	with	
absolute error	HCE								
Asthma	0.025	0.014	0.034	0.016	0.031	0.015	0.038	0.033	
Cirrhosis	0.027	0.016	0.016	0.007	0.021	0.015	0.042	0.036	
COPD	0.031	0.021	0.034	0.024	0.034	0.023	0.048	0.043	
Angina pectoris	0.030	0.020	0.026	0.024	0.032	0.026	0.044	0.039	
Osteoarthritis	0.033	0.029	0.039	0.031	0.038	0.032	0.044	0.043	
Cataracts	0.032	0.027	0.032	0.031	0.036	0.029	0.045	0.042	
Rheumatoid arthritis	0.024	0.017	0.037	0.029	0.031	0.019	0.037	0.031	
Vision loss	0.047	0.038	0.036	0.030	0.049	0.037	0.043	0.043	
Depression	0.030	0.026	0.059	0.026	0.032	0.021	0.016	0.016	
Hearing loss	0.044	0.030	0.032	0.028	0.032	0.033	0.038	0.034	
Control	0.043	0.030	0.029	0.025	0.030	0.027	0.030	0.029	

^{*}This table is displayed as a heat map, where larger errors are shaded in darker reds and smaller errors are darker greens. Unshaded (white) is medium error.

Figure 1: Cause-specific chance-corrected concordance using different analytic methods with and without HCE.

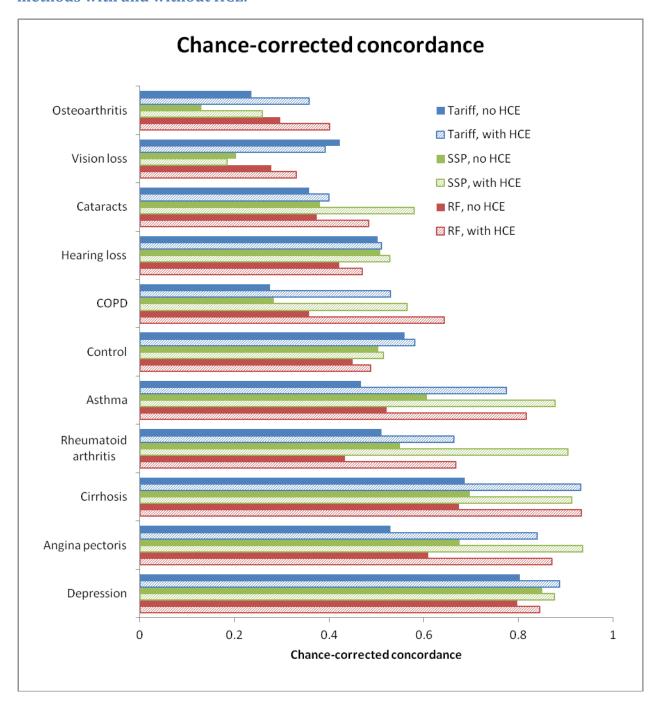
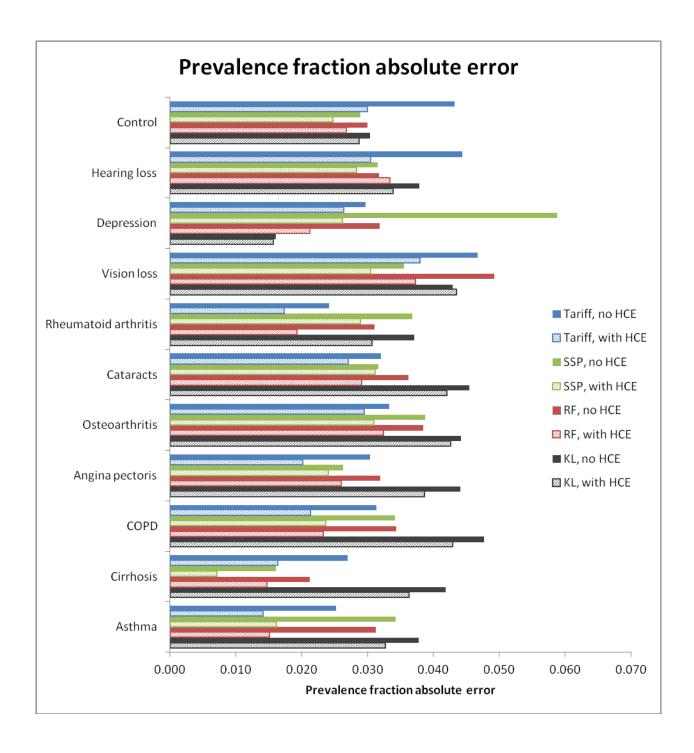


Figure 2: Cause-specific prevalence fraction error using different analytic methods of analysis, with and without HCE.



Additional file 5. Example of confusion matrix for true and estimated cause classifications.

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True cause:												
Angina pectoris	24	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	27
Osteoarthritis	2	8	6	0	4	0	0	1	2	0	1	24
Rheumatoid arthritis	1	4	19	0	1	0	1	2	0	0	0	28
Asthma	0	1	0	15	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	18
Cataracts	1	1	0	0	10	4	1	2	1	5	2	27
COPD	1	0	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	5
Cirrhosis	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	0	0	2	1	23
Depression	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	0	1	0	12
Hearing loss	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	5	0	2	12
Vision loss	3	0	0	0	8	0	1	1	3	8	0	24
Control	2	0	0	3	1	0	0	3	21	0	20	50
Total	34	15	25	19	25	7	23	25	34	16	27	250

Additional file 6. Prevalence fraction absolute error and CSPF accuracy for ninecause Tariff Method aggregation, with and without HCE. *

	Estimates			
Prevalence fraction absolute error	no HCE	with HCE		
Cirrhosis	0.013	0.013		
Asthma	0.017	0.014		
COPD	0.025	0.024		
Angina pectoris	0.030	0.027		
Arthritis	0.035	0.029		
Depression	0.032	0.029		
Hearing loss	0.035	0.032		
Vision loss or cataracts	0.038	0.036		
Control	0.036	0.031		
CSPF accuracy	0.842	0.858		

^{*}This table is displayed as a heat map, where larger error is indicated with darker reds and smaller error is indicated with darker greens.