# Appendix 2

## Study 1 details

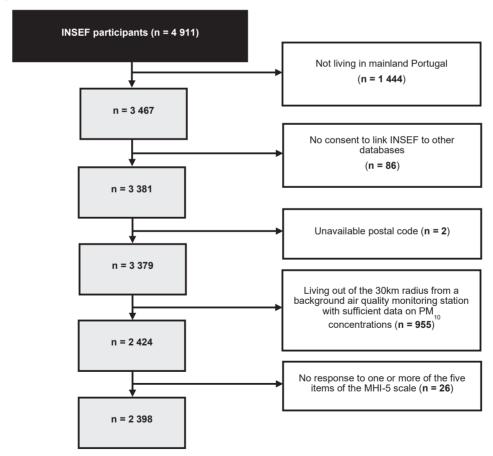
#### The 5-item Mental Health Inventory

#### How much of the time in the previous 4 weeks:

- 1. Have you been a very nervous person?
- 2. Have you felt so down in the dumps that nothing could cheer you up?
- 3. Have you felt calm and peaceful?
- 4. Have you felt downhearted and blue?
- 5. Have you been a happy person?

Figure 2.1. Items of the 5-item Mental Health Inventory

Adapted from Theunissen MJ, Jansen M, van Gestel A. Are mental health and binge drinking associated in Dutch adolescents? Cross-sectional public health study. BMC Res Notes. Apr 4 2011;4:100. doi:10.1186/1756-0500-4-100.



### Figure 2.2. Selection flow diagram for the individuals in study

SOURCE: prepared by the authors based on research data.

 $PM_{10}$  - particulate matter with an aerodynamic diameter less than or equal to 10 micrometres, INSEF - First Portuguese National Health Survey with Physical Examination, MHI-5 - 5-item Mental Health Inventory.

Table 2.1. Study 1 models' specification

|  | Logistic  | Log-binomial   | Robust Poisson   |
|--|---|--|--|
| Hypothe<br>sis in<br>study             | Long-term exposure to PM <sub>10</sub> is asso disorders  | ciated to an increased   | probable diagnosis of common mental  |
| Exposur<br>e                           | Long-term exposure to PM <sub>10</sub> (individ PM <sub>10</sub> , in µm/m³)  | ually allocated 1-year   | average measured concentrations of   |
| Other indepen dent variable s Outcom e | Sex (female/male, reference), age (2 (low, reference/medium/high), emplor professional occupation (white, reference), individually allocated 1-yeurbanization (urban/rural, reference)  Probable diagnosis of common men  | oyment status (employ<br>rence/blue-collar), area<br>ar average temperatur<br>, area-level walkability | a-level socioeconomic deprivation<br>re (continuous, in °C), degree of<br>$\gamma$ (terciles)  |
| Fitted<br>model<br>equation            | $\ln\left(\frac{p}{1-p}\right) = b_0 + b_1 \times long -$ $term \ exposure \ to \ PM_{10} + b_2 \times$ $sex \ (female) + b_3 \times age \ (35-49) +$ $b_4 \times age \ (50-64) + b_5 \times age \ (\ge$ $65) + b_6 \times$ $education \ level \ (medium) + b_7 \times$ $education \ level \ (high) + b_8 \times$ $employment \ status \ (unemployed) +$ $b_9 \times employment \ status \ (other) +$ $b_{10} \times$ $professional \ occupation \ (blue -$ $collar) + b_{11} \times area -$ $level \ socioeconomic \ deprivation \ (medium)$ $b_{12} \times area -$ $level \ socioeconomic \ deprivation \ (high)$ $b_{13} \times temperature + b_{14} \times$ $degree \ of \ urbanization \ (urban) +$ $b_{15} \times area -$ $level \ walkability \ (medium) + b_{16} \times$ $area - level \ walkability \ (high),$ $where \ p \ is \ the \ probability \ of$ $having \ a \ probable \ diagnosis$ | Did not converge   | $log(p) = b_0 + b_1 \times long  term\ exposure\ to\ PM_{10} + b_2 \times$ $sex\ (female) + b_3 \times age\ (35-49) +$ $b_4 \times age\ (50-64) + b_5 \times age\ (\geq 65) +$ $b_6 \times education\ level\ (medium) + b_7 \times$ $education\ level\ (high) + b_8 \times$ $employment\ status\ (unemployed) +$ $b_9 \times employment\ status\ (other) +$ $b_{10} \times professional\ occupation\ (blue-collar) + b_{11} \times area level\ socioeconomic\ deprivation\ (medium) +$ $b_{12} \times area level\ socioeconomic\ deprivation\ (high) +$ $b_{13} \times temperature + b_{14} \times$ $degree\ of\ urbanization\ (urban) + b_{15} \times$ $area-level\ walkability\ (medium) +$ $b_{16} \times area-level\ walkability\ (high)\ ,$ where $p$ is the probability of having a probable diagnosis |

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PM<sub>10</sub> - PARTICULATE MATTER LOWER THAN 10 MICROMETRES, MHI-5 - MENTAL HEALTH INVENTORY 5.

**Table 2.2.** Comparison of the characteristics between the included and the excluded INSEF participants

|                                     | <b>AII</b><br>(n=4 911) |        | Included<br>(n=2 398) |        | Excluded<br>(n=2 513) |        | p-value/<br>95%Cl <sup>\$</sup> |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------|-----------------------|--------|-----------------------|--------|---------------------------------|
| Exposure                            | _                       |        | -                     |        | _                     |        |                                 |
| Individual allocated 1-year average | 18.                     | (15.3- | 18.6                  | (15.3- | 18.5                  | (16.7- | (-0.345,                        |
| PM10* (μg/m³) – median (IQR)        | 5                       | 19.3)  | 10.0                  | 19.3)  | 10.5                  | 19.1)  | 0.178)                          |
| Independent variables               |                         |        |                       |        |                       |        |                                 |
| Sex - %                             |                         |        |                       |        |                       |        | 0.805                           |

| Female                               | 52.5       | 52.6        | 52.0  |            |
|--------------------------------------|------------|-------------|-------|------------|
| Male                                 | 47.5       | 47.4        | 48.0  |            |
| Age group - %                        |            |             |       | 0.245      |
| 25-34 years                          | 18.3       | 18.9        | 16.3  |            |
| 35-49 years                          | 34.4       | 34.1        | 35.6  |            |
| 50-64 years                          | 31.4       | 31.5        | 30.7  |            |
| 65-74 years                          | 15.9       | 15.5        | 17.4  |            |
| Education level* - %                 |            |             |       | 0.024      |
| Low <sup>a</sup>                     | 27.7       | 26.5        | 32.2  |            |
| Medium <sup>b</sup>                  | 52.9       | 53.5        | 50.5  |            |
| High <sup>c</sup>                    | 19.4       | 20.0        | 17.3  |            |
| Employment status* - %               |            |             |       | 0.441      |
| Employed                             | 61.9       | 62.3        | 60.7  |            |
| Unemployed                           | 11.3       | 11.4        | 10.8  |            |
| Other <sup>d</sup>                   | 26.8       | 26.3        | 28.5  |            |
| Professional occupation* - %         |            |             |       | 0.236      |
| White-collar <sup>e</sup>            | 62.2       | 62.9        | 59.7  |            |
| Blue-collar <sup>f</sup>             | 37.8       | 37.1        | 40.3  |            |
| Area-level socioeconomic             |            |             |       | 0.512      |
| deprivation terciles* - %            |            |             |       | 0.012      |
| Low deprivation (T1)                 | 16.9       | 16.0        | 20.4  |            |
| Moderate deprivation (T2)            | 33.4       | 31.6        | 40.2  |            |
| High deprivation (T3)                | 49.7       | 52.4        | 39.4  |            |
| Individual allocated 1-year average  | 15. (14.5- | 15.0 (14.8- | 14.9  | (-0.440, - |
| temperature (°C) – median (IQR)      | 0 16.7)    | 16.7)       | 16.2) | 0.326)     |
| Area-level walkability terciles* - % |            |             |       | <0.001     |
| Low walkability (T1)                 | 5.3        | 1.3         | 20.8  |            |
| Moderate walkability (T2)            | 18.2       | 18.4        | 17.6  |            |
| High walkability (T3)                | 76.4       | 80.3        | 61.6  |            |
| Degree of urbanization- %            |            |             |       | 0.282      |
| Rural                                | 25.4       | 28.2        | 19.2  |            |
| Urban                                | 73.6       | 71.8        | 80.8  |            |
| Outcome variables                    |            |             |       |            |
| Probable diagnosis of common         |            |             |       | 0.797      |
| mental health disorders* - %         | 00.5       |             | 00.   |            |
| Yes                                  | 22.6       | 22.7        | 22.1  |            |
| No                                   | 77.4       | 77.3        | 77.9  |            |
|                                      |            |             |       |            |

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INSEF – First Portuguese National Health Survey with Physical Examination, 95%CI - 95% confidence interval. IQR - interquartile range, PM $_{10}$  - particulate matter with an aerodynamic diameter less than or equal to 10 micrometres, T1 - first tercile, T2 - second tercile, T3 - third tercile, MHI-5 - 5-item Mental Health Inventory.

<sup>\* 2 339</sup> missings in individual allocated 1-year average PM₁0 and PM₁0 exposure terciles, 2 missings in area-level socioeconomic deprivation, 2 missings in area-level walkability, 4 missings in education level, 3 missings in employment status, 476 missings in professional occupation, 53 missings in at least one of the 5 items composing the MHI-5 (instrument whose score was categorized in two to obtain the categorical variable "probable diagnosis of common mental health disorders", being a score ≤52 indicative of a probable diagnosis).

<sup>\$</sup> p-values or 95%CI were presented according to the test used to compare proportions (Chi-squared test) or medians (robust confidence intervals for generalized Hodges-Lehmann median differences),

respectively. Results in bold are those with statistically significant differences between individuals included and excluded of the study.

- a: Less than secondary: levels 0-2 of the International Standard Classification of Education 2011 .
- b: Secondary: levels 3-4 of the International Standard Classification of Education 2011
- c: Professional or higher: levels 5–8 of the International Standard Classification of Education 2011.
- d: Other: students, retired, stay-at-home parents, other.
- e: White-collar: managers, professionals, technicians and associate professional, clerical support workers, and services and sales workers (according to the International Standard Classification of Occupations).
- f: Blue-collar: skilled agricultural workers, craft and related trades workers, plant and machine operators, and elementary occupations (according to the International Standard Classification of Occupations).
- All the estimates were weighted to account for different selection probabilities and population distribution.

Table 2.3. Estimates for the characteristics in study of the included individuals

|  | n    | Sample<br>estimates<br>(%/median)\$ | es<br>( | /eighted<br>stimates<br>95%CI)<br>/median) <sup>\$</sup> |
|--|------|-------------------------------------|---------|--|
| Exposure   |      | -                                   |         | ·  |
| Individual allocated 1-year average PM <sub>10</sub> (µg/m³) | 2398 | 19.0                                | 18.6    | (18.4-18.7)  |
| Independent variables  |      |                                     |         |  |
| Sex  |      |                                     |         |  |
| Female   | 1294 | 54.0                                | 52.6    | (50.2-55.1)  |
| Male   | 1104 | 46.0                                | 47.4    | (44.9-49.9)  |
| Age group  |      |                                     |         |  |
| 25-34 years  | 353  | 14.7                                | 18.9    | (17.2-20.7)  |
| 35-49 years  | 826  | 34.4                                | 34.1    | (32.0-36.4)  |
| 50-64 years  | 827  | 34.5                                | 31.5    | (29.4-33.7)  |
| 65-74 years  | 392  | 16.4                                | 15.5    | (13.9-17.2)  |
| Education level*   |      |                                     |         |  |
| Low <sup>a</sup>   | 679  | 28.3                                | 26.5    | (24.4-28.7)  |
| Medium <sup>b</sup>  | 1279 | 53.4                                | 53.5    | (50.2-56.8)  |
| High <sup>c</sup>  | 439  | 18.3                                | 20.0    | (16.7-23.7)  |
| Employment status*   |      |                                     |         |  |
| Employed   | 1448 | 60.4                                | 62.3    | (59.4-65.0)  |
| Unemployed   | 272  | 11.4                                | 11.4    | (9.7-13.4)   |
| Other <sup>d</sup>   | 677  | 28.2                                | 26.3    | (24.1-28.7)  |
| Professional occupation*                                     |      |                                     |         |  |
| White-collare  | 1376 | 62.3                                | 62.9    | (58.5-67.1)  |
| Blue-collar <sup>f</sup>                                     | 834  | 37.7                                | 37.1    | (32.9-41.5)  |
| Area-level socioeconomic deprivation terciles                |      |                                     |         |  |
| Low deprivation (T1)   | 475  | 19.8                                | 16.0    | (10.5-24.5)  |
| Moderate deprivation (T2)                                    | 609  | 25.4                                | 31.6    | (19.3-47.2)  |
| High deprivation (T3)  | 1314 | 54.8                                | 52.4    | (37.8-66.6)  |
| Individual allocated 1-year average temperature (°C)         | 2398 | 15.2                                | 15.0    | (14.8-15.3)  |
| Area-level walkability terciles                              |      |                                     |         |  |
| Low walkability (T1)   | 84   | 3.5                                 | 1.3     | (0.6-2.9)  |
| Moderate walkability (T2)                                    | 574  | 23.9                                | 18.4    | (13.5-24.6)  |
| High walkability (T3)  | 1740 | 72.6                                | 80.3    | (73.2-85.9)  |

| Degree of urbanization                               |      |      |      |             |  |  |  |  |
|--|------|------|------|-------------|--|--|--|--|
| Rural  | 702  | 29.3 | 28.2 | (22.7-34.5) |  |  |  |  |
| Urban  | 1696 | 70.7 | 71.8 | (65.5-77.3) |  |  |  |  |
| Outcomes   |      |      |      |             |  |  |  |  |
| Probable diagnosis of common mental health disorders |      |      |      |             |  |  |  |  |
| Yes  | 555  | 23.1 | 22.7 | (20.0-25.6) |  |  |  |  |
| No   | 1843 | 76.9 | 77.3 | (74.4-80.0) |  |  |  |  |

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**Table 2.4.** Characteristics of the included individuals (n=2 398) and comparison between groups of probable diagnosis of common mental health disorders

|   | Proba<br>diagno<br>Total of CN<br>(n=2 398) (n=58 |                 | nosis<br>CMD | Without<br>probable<br>diagnosis<br>of CMD<br>(n=1 843) |          | p-value/<br>95%CI <sup>§</sup> |                   |
|---|---|-----------------|--------------|---|----------|--------------------------------|-------------------|
| Individual allocated 1-year average PM <sub>10</sub> (µg/m³) – median (IQR) | 18.6  | (15.3-<br>19.3) | 18.<br>3     | (15.2<br>-<br>19.2)                                     | 18.<br>6 | (15.3<br>-<br>19.3)            | (0.012,<br>0.423) |
| Sex - %   |   |                 |              |   |          |                                | <0.001            |
| Female  | 5   | 2.6             | 70.4         |   | 47.4     |                                |                   |
| Male  | 4   | 47.4            |              | 29.6  |          | 2.6                            |                   |
| Age group - %   |   |                 |              |   |          |                                | 0.072             |
| 25-34 years   | 18  | 8.9             | 1            | 4.3   | 2        | 0.2                            |                   |
| 35-49 years   | 34  | 4.1             | 3            | 1.1   | 3        | 5.0                            |                   |
| 50-64 years   | 3   | 1.5             | 3            | 7.3   | 2        | 9.9                            |                   |
| 65-74 years   | 1   | 5.5             | 17.3         |   | 14.9     |                                |                   |
| Education level* - %  |   |                 |              |   |          |                                | <0.001            |
| Low <sup>a</sup>  | 20  | 6.5             | 3            | 3.2   | 2        | 4.5                            |                   |
| Medium <sup>b</sup>   | 5   | 53.5            |              | 3.2   | 5        | 3.6                            |                   |
| High <sup>c</sup>   | 20  | 0.0             | 1            | 3.6   | 2        | 1.9                            |                   |
| Employment status* - %  |   |                 |              |   |          |                                | <0.001            |
| Employed  |   | 2.3             | 5            | 1.5   | 6        | 5.4                            |                   |
| Unemployed  | 1   | 1.4             | 1            | 4.3   | 1        | 0.6                            |                   |
| Other <sup>d</sup>  | 20  | 6.3             | 3            | 4.2   | 2        | 4.0                            |                   |
| Professional occupation* - %  |   |                 |              |   |          |                                | 0.071             |

<sup>95%</sup>CI - 95% confidence intervals, PM<sub>10</sub> - particulate matter with an aerodynamic diameter less than or equal to 10 micrometres, T1 - first tercile, T2 - second tercile, T3 - third tercile.

<sup>\*1</sup> missing in education level, 1 missing in employment status, 188 missings in professional occupation.

<sup>\$</sup> percentages or medians were presented according to the type of variable being described (categorical or continuous, respectively).

a: Less than secondary: levels 0-2 of the International Standard Classification of Education 2011.

b: Secondary: levels 3-4 of the International Standard Classification of Education 2011

c: Professional or higher: levels 5-8 of the International Standard Classification of Education 2011.

d: Other: students, retired, stay-at-home parents, other.

e: White-collar: managers, professionals, technicians and associate professional, clerical support workers, and services and sales workers (according to the International Standard Classification of Occupations).

f: Blue-collar: skilled agricultural workers, craft and related trades workers, plant and machine operators, and elementary occupations (according to the International Standard Classification of Occupations).

| White-collare                        | 62.9        | 58.1    | 64.2         |         |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|---------|--------------|---------|
| Blue-collar <sup>f</sup>             | 37.1        | 41.9    | 35.8         |         |
| Area-level socioeconomic deprivation |             |         |              | 0.087   |
| terciles - %                         |             |         |              | 0.007   |
| Low deprivation (T1)                 | 16.0        | 16.4    | 15.9         |         |
| Moderate deprivation (T2)            | 31.6        | 36.0    | 30.3         |         |
| High deprivation (T3)                | 52.4        | 47.6    | 53.8         |         |
| Individual allocated 1-year average  | 15.0 (14.8- | 14.     | (14.8<br>15. | (0.015, |
| temperature (°C) – median (IQR)      | 16.7)       | 9 16.7) | 2 16.7)      | 0.141)  |
| Area-level walkability terciles - %  |             |         |              | 0.489   |
| Low walkability (T1)                 | 1.3         | 1.5     | 1.3          |         |
| Moderate walkability (T2)            | 18.4        | 20.6    | 17.7         |         |
| High walkability (T3)                | 80.3        | 77.9    | 81.0         |         |
| Degree of urbanization - %           |             |         |              | 0.051   |
| Rural                                | 28.2        | 33.0    | 26.9         |         |
| Urban                                | 71.8        | 67.0    | 73.1         |         |

SOURCE: prepared by the authors based on research data.

CMD - common mental health disorders, 95%CI - 95% confidence interval,  $PM_{10}$  - particulate matter with an aerodynamic diameter less than or equal to 10 micrometres, T1 - first tercile, T2 - second tercile, T3 - third tercile.

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