**Table 1: Characteristics of the study population with diagnoses and symptoms of depression**

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|  | **Depression diagnosis** |  | **Depression symptoms** |
|  | **males** | **females** |  | **males** | **females** |
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| **No. of patients (%)** | 7539 (38.2%) | 12171 (61.8%) |  | 9642 (36.7%) | 16634 (63.3%) |
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| **Age at 1st recorded episode**  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  Median  | 64.1 | 65.7 |  | 66.8 | 68.9 |
|  IQR | [59.0,73.5] | [59.4,75.0] |  | [60.2,77.0] | [61.0,79.2] |
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| **Area deprivation (IMD)** |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 = Least deprived | 1691 (22.4%) | 2670 (21.9%) |  | 2262 (23.5%) | 3856 (23.2%) |
| 2 | 1735 (23.0%) | 2866 (23.6%) |  | 2245 (23.3%) | 3842 (23.1%) |
| 3 | 1590 (21.1%) | 2582 (21.2%) |  | 1973 (20.5%) | 3406 (20.5%) |
| 4 | 1398 (18.5%) | 2390 (19.6%) |  | 1764 (18.3%) | 3220 (19.4%) |
| 5= Most deprived | 985 (13.1%) | 1442 (11.9%) |  | 1248 (12.9%) | 2046 (12.3%) |
| Missing | 140 (1.9%) | 221 (1.8%) |  | 150 (1.6%) | 264 (1.6%) |
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| **Type of neighbourhood** |  |  |  |  |  |
|  Urban | 5844 (77.5%) | 9,394 (77.2%) |  | 7269 (75.4%) | 12590 (75.7%) |
|  Town and fringe | 910 (12.1%) | 1,531 (12.6%) |  | 1375 (14.3%) | 2356 (14.2%) |
|  Village, hamlet or  isolated dwelling | 616 (8.2%) | 969 (7.9%) |  | 807 (8.4%) | 1337 (8.0%) |
|  Missing | 169 (2.2%) | 277 (2.3%) |  | 191 (2%) | 351 (2.1%) |
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