Table 2 Clinical characteristics of the study participants

Characteristic	Frequency	Percentage
Previously diagnosed cases of hypertension		
Yes	375	25.3
No	1105	74.7
Compliance with antihypertensive treat	ment (n = 375)	
Regularly take treatment	330	88.0
Irregularly take treatment	22	5.9
Do not take treatment	23	6.1
Access to antihypertensive drugs (n = 37	5)	
Public hospital	47	12.5
Private pharmacy	292	77.9
Missing data	36	9.6
Prevalence of hypertension (n = 1480)a		
Hypertensive	809	54-7
Not hypertensive	671	45-3
Prevalence of stage 2 hypertension (n = 1	480)b	
Hypertensive	593	40.1
Not hypertensive	887	59.9
Classification of hypertensive patients (n = 809)	
Uncontrolled, known cases of hypertension	249	30.8
Well controlled, known cases of hypertension	126	15.6
Newly diagnosed cases of hypertension based on examination	434	53.6
Type of hypertension among newly diag	nosed cases (n	= 434)
Systolic	142	32.5
Diastolic	38	8.5
Combined systolic and diastolic	256	59.0

^{*}Using 130/80 mm Hg cutoff according to the new guidelines.

bUsing 140/90 mm Hg cutoff.