

Table 1 Characteristics of type 2 diabetics and nondiabetics by demographic and oral hygiene variables

Variable	Diabetic (n = 106)		Nondiabetic (n = 106)		P-value ^a
	No.	%	No.	%	
<i>Sex</i>					
Male	49	46.2	54	50.9	0.492
Female	57	53.8	52	49.1	
<i>Education</i>					
< high school	73	68.9	68	64.2	0.467
≥ high school	33	31.1	38	35.8	
<i>Smoking habit</i>					
Yes	32	30.2	45	42.4	0.063
No	74	69.8	61	57.6	
<i>Toothbrushing</i>					
Yes	95	89.6	95	89.6	1.000
No	11	10.4	11	10.4	
<i>Use of auxiliary aids</i>					
Yes	4	22.6	23	21.7	0.869
No	82	77.4	83	78.3	
<i>Average plaque index</i>					
0–1	42	39.6	37	34.9	0.478
> 1	64	60.4	69	65.1	
<i>Mean (SD) age (years)</i>	46.9	(7.2)	47.0	(7.2)	0.949

^aWilcoxon signed-rank test for age and chi-squared test for other