

**Table 1 Characteristics of the studied dentists (*n* = 239 respondents)**

<b>Characteristic</b>	<b>No.</b>	<b>%</b>
<b><i>Sex</i></b>		
Female	110	46.0
Male	129	54.0
<b><i>Year of graduation</i></b>		
Past 5 years	136	56.9
5-10 years ago	49	20.5
> 10 years ago	37	15.4
<b><i>Level of dental qualification</i></b>		
Bachelor/Doctor of Dental Surgery (BDS/DDS)	161	67.4
Postgraduate trainee	45	18.8
Postgraduate specialist	33	13.8
<b><i>Clinical setting</i></b>		
Hospital practice only	117	49.0
Private practice only	58	24.3
Both hospital and private practice	59	24.7
<b><i>Place of graduation</i></b>		
Islamabad	88	36.8
Peshawar	40	16.7
Lahore	33	13.8
Karachi	30	12.6
Multan	20	8.4
Jamshor	10	4.2
Abbotabad	7	2.9
Quetta	5	2.1
Foreign qualified	6	2.5

*Some frequencies do not add to 239 as respondents did not answer all questions.*