

Table 5 Reasons given by students for not visiting the dentist last year by community periodontal index of treatment needs (CPITN) score

Reason for not visiting the dentist	Total students		% of students ^a			
	No.	%	CPITN score			
			0	1	2	3
No need for dental visits	647	28.7	21.9	23.6	53.5	0.9
Fear of pain	556	24.7	12.9	25.2	59.2	2.7
Do not have time	385	17.1	13.5	25.5	58.4	2.6
Difficulty making an appointment	121	5.4	13.2	21.5	63.6	1.7
Difficulty reaching the dental clinic	78	3.5	16.7	26.9	50.0	6.4
Expensive treatment fees	68	3.0	16.2	20.6	58.8	4.4
2 reasons	322	14.3	10.6	23.3	63.7	2.5
3+ reasons	75	3.3	13.3	20.0	62.7	4.0

^a*P* < 0.001.