

Table 3 Forms of different types of violence toward studied nurses and their reaction to violence

Variable	No.	%
<i>Psychological violence</i>		
Verbal abuse	237	72.9
Disrespect by ignoring nurse's presence	88	27.1
<i>Physical violence</i>		
Physical abuse with an instrument ^a	42	37.2
Pushing and slapping	71	62.8
<i>Sexual violence</i>		
Harassment	19	100.0
<i>Nurses' reaction to violence</i>		
Silence/acceptance	44	12.3
Anger & resignation	37	10.3
Anger but continue working	99	27.7
Use formal system	178	49.7

^aSuch as scissors, forceps, etc.