

Table 1 Demographic characteristics of the sample of women in 2 governorates of south Jordan

Demographic characteristic	Aqaba (n = 113) ^a		Ma'an (n = 146) ^a		Total (n = 259) ^a		P-value
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	
Age (years)							
15-20	23	20.4	21	14.4	44	17.0	0.14
21-25	21	18.6	18	12.3	39	15.1	
26-30	14	12.4	32	21.9	46	17.8	
31-35	8	7.1	15	10.3	23	8.9	
36-40	17	15.0	16	11.0	33	12.7	
41-45	3	2.7	11	7.5	14	5.4	
46-50	7	6.2	9	6.2	16	6.2	
≥ 51	20	17.7	24	16.4	44	17.0	
Marital status							
Single	26	23.0	36	24.8	62	24.0	0.80
Married	76	67.3	90	62.1	166	64.3	
Divorced	1	0.9	2	1.4	3	1.2	
Widowed	10	8.8	17	11.7	27	10.5	
Educational level							
Illiterate	50	44.2	49	33.6	99	38.2	< 0.001
Elementary	23	20.4	17	11.6	40	15.4	
Preparatory	24	21.2	29	19.9	53	20.5	
High school	11	9.7	35	24.0	46	17.8	
Diploma	1	0.9	8	5.5	9	3.5	
Bachelor degree	3	2.7	8	5.5	11	4.2	
Postgraduate degree	1	0.9	0	0.0	1	0.4	
Employment status							
Working	4	3.6	12	8.2	16	6.2	0.10
Not working	107	96.4	134	91.8	241	93.8	

^aData were missing in some categories.