

Table 2 Seasonal variation of consultation rates per 1000 visits for respiratory, allergic, dermatological and gastrointestinal diseases in the 4 studied health centres (governorate) in Bahrain, 2007

Disease category/season	Consultation rate per 1000 visits			
	Ibn Sina (Capital)	Hamad Town (Northern)	NBB (Muharraq)	Sitra (Central)
<i>Respiratory diseases</i>				
Winter	74	55	36	43
Spring	68	57	45	25
Summer	53	30	21	32
Autumn	84	66	47	31
All seasons	279	208	149	131
<i>Gastrointestinal diseases</i>				
Winter	9	7	10	5
Spring	8	8	10	9
Summer	7	4	4	6
Autumn	6	9	7	2
All seasons	30	28	31	22
<i>Allergic diseases</i>				
Winter	1	1	4	3
Spring	9	5	4	4
Summer	5	4	4	4
Autumn	4	7	3	3
All seasons	19	17	15	14
<i>Dermatological diseases</i>				
Winter	2	1	3	1
Spring	2	1	3	0
Summer	2	3	0	2
Autumn	5	3	1	1
All seasons	11	8	7	4