

Table1. Distribution of the study group according to chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) status and sociodemographic characteristics

Sociodemographic characteristics	With COPD (<i>n</i> = 48)		Without COPD (<i>n</i> = 270)		χ^2	<i>P</i> -value
	No.	%	No.	%		
Age (years)						
35-44	2	2.0	100	98.0	25.5	< 0.01
45-54	17	16.8	84	83.2		
55-64	14	20.9	53	79.1		
≥ 65	15	31.2	33	68.8		
Sex						
Male	40	15.0	227	85.0	0.017	0.897
Female	8	15.7	43	84.3		
Education						
Illiterate/primary	11	23.9	35	76.1	4.01	0.134
Secondary	19	15.7	102	84.3		
Higher	18	11.9	133	88.1		
Occupation						
Unemployed	19	44.2	24	55.8	32.99	< 0.001
Employed	25	10.7	219	89.3		
Homemaker	4	12.9	27	87.1		
Income^a						
Low	22	21.6	80	78.4	4.94	0.084
Middle	21	12.3	150	87.7		
High	5	11.1	40	88.9		
Crowding index						
> 2	29	19.5	120	80.5	4.17	0.041
≤ 2	19	11.2	150	88.8		

^aLow income > 500 000 Iraqi Dinars; middle income 500 000-1300 0000 Iraqi Dinars; high income > 1300 000 Iraqi Dinars.