

Table 1 Background characteristics of grade 1 school students in Qatar, 2015–2016

Characteristic	Qatari (n = 745)		Non-Qatari (n = 2058)		Total (n = 2803)	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Sex						
Male	413	55.4	1067	51.8	1480	52.8
Female	332	44.6	991	48.2	1323	47.2
Age (years)^{***}						
5	46	6.2	1219	10.6	265	9.5
6	528	70.9	1342	65.2	1870	66.7
7	166	22.3	448	21.8	614	21.9
8	5	0.7	49	2.4	54	1.9
Place of birth^{***}						
Qatar	734	98.5	912	44.3	1646	58.7
Outside Qatar	11	1.5	1146	55.7	1157	41.3
Type of school^{***}						
Public	579	77.7	869	42.2	1448	51.7
Private	166	22.3	1189	57.8	1355	48.3

*** $P < 0.001$