

Table 1 Demographic profile of female study participants in Gorgan, Islamic Republic of Iran, n = 206

Characteristic	No.	%
Marital status		
Single	101	49
Married	89	43
Engaged	7	3.5
Widow	7	3.5
Divorced	2	1
Living with		
Spouse & children	79	38.5
Parents	68	33.2
Friends	30	14.2
Mother	13	6.4
Alone	11	5.3
Children	4	1.9
Father	1	0.5
Education		
Primary school	5	2.4
Secondary school	6	2.9
Dropped out of high school	43	20.9
High school	19	9.2
Associate degree	36	17.5
Bachelor's degree	88	42.7
Master's degree	9	4.4
Ethnicity		
Fars	174	84.4
Turkmen	17	8.3
Turk	15	7.3