

**Table 1 Overall pattern of tobacco smoking in 663 older people in Mansoura, Egypt**

<b>Characteristic</b>	<b>no. (%)</b>
<b>Current smokers*</b>	
Active smoking (any tobacco form):	168 (25.3)
Cigarettes smoking	143 (21.6)
Waterpipe smoking	54 (8.1)
Cigar/pipe smoking	7 (1.1)
Passive smoking	246 (37.1)
Pure passive smoking	79 (11.9)
<b>Combined (active and passive)</b>	
<b>Total current smokers**</b>	<b>247 (37.6)</b>
<b>Ex-smokers</b>	
Smoking index (289)*** (among ever smokers)	
0	62 (21.5)
<20	86 (29.8)
20–40	101 (34.9)
>40	40 (13.8)
Median (min–max)	28.1 (0–73.2)
<b>Significant nicotine dependence****</b>	
<b>Failed trial-to-quit****</b>	<b>39 (23.2)</b>
<b>Intention to quit****</b>	<b>51 (30.3)</b>
<b>Never active smokers</b>	<b>453 (68.3)</b>

\*Categories are not mutually exclusive

\*\*168 active smokers + 79 pure passive smokers = 247

\*\*\* % ever smokers (current, ex-smokers)

\*\*\*\*% current active smokers