

Table 1 Descriptive characteristics of children from the under-5 mortality records in Isfahan (n = 1433) (2010-2005)

Characteristic	No.	%
Structural		
Maternal education		
Illiterate	185	13.7
Below high school diploma	599	44.2
High school Diploma	440	34.5
University degree	107	9.4
Household's financial problems		
Yes	364	40.2
No	579	59.7
Nationality		
Iranian	1348	93.5
Foreign	83	6.4
Intermediary		
Age		
Newborn (< 28 days)	170	11.8
Infant (< 1 year)	706	49.2
1-5 years	557	38.8
Sex		
Male	786	54.8
Female	647	45.1
History of chronic disease		
Yes	453	38.4
No	726	61.5
Residence		
Urban	1131	78.9
Rural	295	20.6
Nomadic	7	0.5
Child's living status		
Living with 2 parents	1250	87.2
Living with mother	91	6.3
Living with father	23	1.5
Living with relatives	18	1.2
Living in supportive centers	19	1.3
Other	22	1.5
Physical access to medicine		
Yes	713	65.3
No	379	34.7
Physical access to laboratory or radiology		
Yes	658	65.9
No	341	34.1
Physical access to ambulance		
Yes	720	65.9
No	385	35.0