

Table 1 Percentage distribution of components of decayed, missing and filled teeth index (DMFT) and significant caries index (SiC) values by age group

Age (years)	No. examined	D teeth Mean	M teeth Mean	F teeth Mean	DMFT index Mean (SD)	SiC index
18–19	153	3.23	0.88	0.86	4.96 (3.16)	6.00
20–24	309	2.63	1.48	1.59	5.70 (3.63)	7.00
25–29	331	2.69	2.65	2.25	7.56 (4.74)	9.00
30–34	265	2.38	4.71	2.87	9.96 (6.30)	12.00
35–44	595	1.43	7.89	3.40	12.62 (7.28)	15.32
45–54	337	0.97	13.51	2.90	17.36 (7.56)	22.00
55–64	127	0.46	16.80	2.38	19.60 (7.56)	25.00
65+	66	0.33	19.58	2.26	22.17 (6.71)	28.00
Total	2183	1.87	7.05	2.56	11.44 (7.87)	14.00

SD = standard deviation.