

**Table 3 Percentage of children caries-free in permanent dentition in Kuwait, post-war**

<b>Region and age group</b>	<b>Year %</b>	<b>Year %</b>	<b>Change over baseline %</b>
<i>Adan</i> <sup>a</sup>	1994/5	1997/8	
6 years	92.0	94.0	+2.0*
9 years	41.0	52.0	+27.0*
<i>Farwaniya</i> <sup>a</sup>	1994/5	1997/8	
6 years	89.0	93.0	+4.5*
9 years	37.0	47.0	+27.0*
<i>Hawally</i> <sup>b</sup>	1994	1997	
6 years	91.0	91.0	0
9 years	45.0	55.0	+22.0*

<sup>a</sup>*Year-long data, clinical patients only, up to 8% of regional population excluded, data collected through clinical screenings, multiple examiners.*

<sup>b</sup>*Point prevalence data of a regional population sample, WHO methods.*

*\*Statistically significant,  $P \leq 0.05$ .*