

Table 4 Mean decayed, missing and filled deciduous teeth and percentage change in 3 school-based programmes in Kuwait, post-war

Region and age group	Index	Year	Year	Change over baseline %
		Mean	Mean	
<i>Adan^a</i>		1994/5	1997/8	
4 years	dmft	n/a	n/a	
6 years	dmft	5.5	5.5	0
9 years	dmft	4.3	4.2	+2.3*
9 years	DMFT	1.0	1.0	0
12 years	DMFT	2.0	2.0	0
<i>Farwaniya^a</i>		1994/5	1997/8	
4 years	dmft	n/a	n/a	
6 years	dmft	5.5	5.8	-5.2
9 years	dmft	3.9	4.0	-2.5
9 years	DMFT	1.9	1.2	+36.8*
<i>Hawally^b</i>		1994	1997	
4 years	dmft	4.35	4.05	+6.9*
6 years	dmft	5.73	5.25	+8.4*
9 years	dmft	4.17	3.72	+9.4*
9 years	DMFT	1.14	0.93	+18.4*

^aYear-long data, clinical patients only, up to 8% of regional population excluded, data collected through clinical screenings, multiple examiners.

^bPoint prevalence data of a regional population sample, WHO methods.

*Statistically significant, $P \leq 0.05$.

dmft = decayed, missing and filled deciduous teeth;
DMFT = decayed, missing and filled permanent teeth.

n/a = data not available.