

Table 3 Ageing disability score by sociodemographic characteristics of the elderly population (*concluded*)

Variable	Mean (SD) disability score	P-value
<i>Education</i>		
Illiterate	85.5 (30.2)	
Elementary	104.6 (27.0)	
Intermediate	107.6 (19.6)	0.001
High school	109.8 (17.0)	
<i>Regular bodily activity</i>		
Yes	111.7 (19.4)	
No	88.1 (30.4)	0.001
<i>Frequency of hospitalizations (times/last year)</i>		
0	117.5 (25.1)	
1-2	92.8 (30.6)	
3-5	83.2 (30.2)	0.03
6+	76.0 (28.3)	
<i>Health perception</i>		
Excellent	66.3 (28.8)	
Good	87.1 (27.6)	
Moderate	105.2 (24.6)	0.001
Bad	107.0 (33.5)	
Very bad	66.0 (0.0)	
<i>No. of diseases/person</i>		
0	112.1 (23.1)	
1	96.4 (30.7)	
1+	81.4 (26.7)	0.001

SD = standard deviation; ADL = activities of daily living.