

Table 2 Health status of students in Benghazi

Characteristic	Males (n = 154)		Females (n = 229)		Total (n = 383)		χ^2 -value	P-value
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%		
Self-rating of health								
Excellent	73	47.4	95	41.5	168	43.9	2.087	0.149 ^b
Very good	50	32.5	101	44.1	151	39.4		
Good	24	15.6	29	12.7	53	13.8		
Poor	6	3.9	3	1.3	9	2.3		
No answer	1	0.6	1	0.4	2	0.5		
Health complaints at present								
Yes	28	18.2	40	17.5	68	17.8	0.04	0.842
No	124	80.5	187	81.7	311	81.2		
No answer	2	1.2	2	0.9	4	1.1		
Total	154	100.0	229	100.0	383	100.0		
Diseases at present^a								
Digestive problem	4	14.3	9	22.5	13	19.1	2.60	0.107 ^c
Influenza	2	7.1	7	17.5	9	13.2		
NCD	3	10.7	6	15.0	9	13.2		
Migraine	4	14.3	4	10.0	8	11.8		
Sensory complaint	4	14.3	4	10.0	8	11.8		
Accident	6	21.4	1	2.5	7	10.3		
Epilepsy	1	3.6	2	5.0	3	4.4		
Depression	0	0.0	2	5.0	2	2.9		
Respiratory problem	1	3.6	1	2.5	2	2.9		
Other	1	3.6	0	0.0	1	1.5		
No answer	2	7.1	4	10.0	6	8.9		
Total	28	100.0	40	100.0	68	100.0		
Time of last complaint								
Previous month	36	34.6	81	51.9	117	45.0	7.6	0.006
Other	68	65.4	75	48.1	143	55.0		
Total	104	100.0	156	100.0	260	100.0		

^aPercentages were calculated out of total diseases reported. ^bExcellent/very good vs good/poor; ^cDigestive problem/influenza vs all others. NCD = noncommunicable disease, e.g. blood pressure, diabetes.