

Table 1 Demographic characteristics of victims of animal bites according to place of residence, Maku County, Islamic Republic of Iran, 2003-2012 (n = 2232)

| Characteristic | Total | | Rural | | Urban | | P-value ¹ |
|--------------------------|-------|------|-------|------|-------|------|----------------------|
| | No. | % | No. | % | No. | % | |
| Age group (years) | | | | | | | < 0.001 |
| < 10 | 416 | 18.6 | 324 | 20.1 | 92 | 14.9 | |
| 10-19 | 640 | 28.7 | 487 | 30.2 | 153 | 24.8 | |
| 20-29 | 441 | 19.8 | 270 | 16.7 | 171 | 27.7 | |
| 30-39 | 262 | 11.7 | 187 | 11.6 | 75 | 12.1 | |
| 40-49 | 191 | 8.6 | 140 | 8.7 | 51 | 8.3 | |
| ≥ 50 | 282 | 12.6 | 206 | 12.8 | 76 | 12.3 | |
| Sex | | | | | | | < 0.001 |
| Male | 1683 | 75.4 | 1158 | 71.7 | 525 | 85.0 | |
| Female | 549 | 24.6 | 456 | 28.3 | 93 | 15.0 | |
| Education | | | | | | | < 0.001 |
| Illiterate | 578 | 25.9 | 474 | 29.4 | 104 | 16.9 | |
| Primary school | 709 | 31.8 | 546 | 33.9 | 163 | 26.5 | |
| Secondary school | 512 | 23.0 | 368 | 22.8 | 144 | 23.4 | |
| High school and higher | 429 | 19.3 | 224 | 13.9 | 205 | 33.3 | |
| Occupation | | | | | | | < 0.001 |
| Student | 739 | 33.1 | 571 | 35.4 | 168 | 27.2 | |
| Not working + child | 282 | 12.6 | 217 | 13.5 | 65 | 10.5 | |
| Farmer/sheep keeper | 210 | 9.4 | 187 | 11.6 | 23 | 3.7 | |
| Paid employment | 249 | 11.2 | 115 | 7.1 | 134 | 21.7 | |
| Self-employed | 338 | 15.2 | 201 | 12.5 | 137 | 22.2 | |
| Housewife | 334 | 15.0 | 290 | 18.0 | 44 | 7.1 | |
| Other | 78 | 3.5 | 31 | 1.9 | 47 | 7.6 | |

¹Chi-squared test.

Some data were missing for education and occupation.