

**Table 1 Incidence of smear-positive pulmonary tuberculosis, Golestan, Islamic Republic of Iran, 2014–2019**

Year	New cases, no.	Population, no.	Incidence, no. per 100 000 (95% CI)	P-value <sup>a</sup>	Annual percentage decrease
2014	424	1 778 359	23.84 (21.57–26.11)	< 0.001	NA
2015	372	1 801 163	20.65 (18.55–22.75)		13.38
2016	363	1 821 774	19.93 (17.88–21.97)		3.49
2017	313	1 844 767	16.97 (15.09–18.85)		14.85
2018	286	1 879 911	15.21 (13.45–16.98)		10.37
2019	289	1 923 701	15.02 (13.29–16.75)		1.25
Total	2047	11 049 675	18.52 (17.72–19.33)	NA	NA

CI: confidence intervals; NA: not applicable.

<sup>a</sup> Mann-Kendall test.