

Table 3 Distribution of hydatidosis infection with respect to age and sex in the study areas

| Age and sex | Bab-al-Twail | | | Al-Qibla | | | Al-Hartha | | |
|--------------------|--------------|----------------|------|--------------|----------------|------|--------------|----------------|-------|
| | Total tested | Positive cases | | Total tested | Positive cases | | Total tested | Positive cases | |
| | No. | No. | % | No. | No. | % | No. | No. | % |
| <i>Age (years)</i> | | | | | | | | | |
| < 5 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 1 | 20.0 | 5 | 2 | 40.0 |
| 5–14 | 22 | 5 | 22.7 | 14 | 2 | 14.3 | 17 | 3 | 17.7 |
| 15–44 | 29 | 7 | 24.1 | 29 | 5 | 17.2 | 32 | 13 | 40.6 |
| 45+ | 7 | 2 | 28.6 | 11 | 3 | 27.3 | 6 | 3 | 50.0 |
| Unknown | 0 | – | – | 0 | – | – | 1 | 1 | 100.0 |
| <i>Sex</i> | | | | | | | | | |
| Male | 18 | 4 | 22.2 | 25 | 6 | 24.0 | 30 | 9 | 30.0 |
| Female | 43 | 10 | 23.3 | 33 | 5 | 15.2 | 32 | 13 | 40.6 |