

Table 1 Construct structure of the AUDIT score for problem drinking among university students in Lebanon

Items	Factor 1 loading	Factor 2 loading	Communality
Frequency of feeling a morning urge to drink in previous 12 months	0.753	–	0.433
Unable to stop drinking in previous 12 months	0.681	–	0.554
Unable to remember what happened after drinking in previous 12 months	0.677	–	0.591
Frequency of guilt after drinking in previous 12 months	0.641	–	0.443
Any person who was hurt in consequence of your alcohol consumption in previous 12 months	0.633	–	0.316
Unable to perform usual activities because of alcohol consumption in previous 12 months	0.549	–	0.481
Did anybody suggest to you that you should decrease your alcohol consumption?	0.451	–	0.371
Frequency of consumption of 6 drinks and more on one occasion	–	0.913	0.790
Mean number of drinks on one occasion	–	0.903	0.759
Usual frequency of alcohol consumption	–	0.813	0.631
Total AUDIT score correlation	0.842*	0.862*	0.552**

\*P < 0.001 for Pearson coefficients correlation with AUDIT score; \*\*P < 0.001 for Pearson coefficients correlation between factor 1 and factor 2.

The reliability of the total AUDIT score and of both factors was 0.815 for the total, 0.734 for factor 1 and 0.803 for factor 2.