

**Table 1 Distribution of school students according to demographic characteristics, Dubai 2010**

Demographic characteristic	Total (n = 2457)	
	No.	%
<i>Type of school</i>		
Government	481	19.6
Private	1976	80.4
<i>School grade</i>		
Preparatory	1327	54.0
Secondary	1130	46.0
<i>Sex</i>		
Male	1337	54.4
Female	1120	45.6
<i>Age (years)</i>		
10–	34	1.5
12–	539	23.0
14–	889	38.0
16–	784	33.5
18–	93	4.0
Mean (SD)	14.85 (1.67)	
<i>Nationality</i>		
Local	912	37.1
Non-local	1545	62.9
<i>Mother's educational level<sup>a</sup></i>		
Illiterate	116	4.8
Primary	103	4.2
Preparatory	99	4.1
Secondary	451	18.6
University	1657	68.3
<i>Father's educational level<sup>b</sup></i>		
Illiterate	79	3.3
Primary	51	2.1
Preparatory	136	5.6
Secondary	307	12.6
University	1857	76.4
<i>History of smoking in the family</i>		
No	1742	70.9
Yes	715	29.1

<sup>a</sup>Missing data for 31 students; <sup>b</sup>Missing data for 27 students.

SD = standard deviation.