

Table 2 Causes of bilateral and unilateral blindness in community and hospital studies

Type/Cause	Community study (<i>n</i> = 56)		Hospital study (<i>n</i> = 350)		χ^2 -value	<i>P</i> -value
	No.	%	No.	%		
Bilateral blindness						
Cataract	40	71.4	167	47.7	10.85	< 0.001
Glaucoma	0	0.0	40	11.4	-	-
Age-related macular degeneration	8	14.3	34	9.7	1.10	0.294
Corneal opacities	1	1.8	19	5.4	1.34	0.247
Diabetic retinopathy	0	0.0	33	9.4	-	-
Uncorrected aphakia	1	1.8	22	6.3	1.82	0.177
Optic atrophy	1	1.8	0	0.0	-	-
Other	5	8.9	35	10.0	0.07	0.80
Unilateral blindness						
Cataract	38	62.3	33	27.7	19.20	< 0.001
Glaucoma	1	1.6	16	13.4	6.10	0.014
Age-related macular degeneration	2	3.3	1	0.8	1.51	0.219
Corneal opacities	6	9.8	14	11.8	0.15	0.695
Diabetic retinopathy	0	0.0	5	4.2	-	-
Trauma-related ocular complications	2	3.3	14	11.8	3.33	0.068
Optic atrophy	1	1.6	1	0.8	0.23	0.629
Other	11	18.0	35	29.4	2.59	0.108