water drinking water supplies in 18 districts of Karachi grouped by level of contamination (n = 6 samples in each district)

Level of contamination/District Median lead levels Median rank

ppb

Table 2 Kruskall-Wallis test for differences in lead levels of untreated ground

	ppo	
Mild (mean lead < 50 ppb)		
Bin Qasim	8	10.0
Gidap	20	17.8
North Nazimabad	20	19.5
Gulshan	25	21.4

65

70

110

115

155

150

200

200

195

200

185

325

365

285

34.6

44.3

45.5

58.4

61.6

61.8

63.9

64.5 70.3

72.0

74.6

83.3

87.2

89.7

Moderate (mean lead 50-150 ppb)

Severe (mean lead > 150 ppb)

Shah Faisal

New Karachi

Liaqatabad

Landhi

Korangi

Baldia

Kimari

Orangi

Liyari

2 = 65.3, df = 17, P < 0.001.

Jamsheed

Malir

Gulberg

Sadar

Site