

Table 1 Selected characteristics of the study population, by complementary/alternative medicine (CAM) use status

Characteristic	Total sample (n = 841)		Any CAM use (n = 321)		No CAM use (n = 520)		P-value
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	
Age (years)							
40–49	435	51.7	169	52.7	266	51.2	0.67
50–59	406	48.3	152	47.3	254	48.8	
Nationality							
Qatari	380	45.2	162	50.5	218	41.9	0.02
Non-Qatari	461	54.8	159	49.5	302	58.1	
Egyptian	144	17.1	55	34.6	89	29.5	0.12
Jordanian	76	9.0	30	18.9	46	15.2	
Palestinian	56	6.7	14	8.8	42	13.9	
Sudanese	42	5.0	9	5.7	33	10.9	
Lebanese	34	4.0	16	10.1	18	6.0	
Syrian	33	3.9	12	7.6	21	7.0	
Other	76	9.0	23	14.5	53	17.6	
Education							
Illiterate	57	6.8	12	3.7	45	8.7	< 0.001
Primary	66	7.9	16	5.0	50	9.6	
Elementary	99	11.8	33	10.3	66	12.7	
Secondary	235	28.0	83	25.9	152	29.3	
University graduate & above	383	45.6	177	55.1	206	39.7	
Menopause status							
Premenopausal	197	23.4	79	24.6	118	22.7	0.80
Perimenopausal	353	42.0	135	42.1	218	41.9	
Postmenopausal	265	31.5	99	30.8	166	31.9	
Hysterectomy	26	3.1	8	2.5	18	3.5	