

Table 3 Mean and median blood test values among Turkish pregnant women for the first, second and third trimesters, 2016–2017

Test	1st trimester (n = 168)		2nd trimester (n = 130)		3rd trimester (n = 108)		P
	Mean (SD)	Median (min–max)	Mean (SD)	Median (min–max)	Mean (SD)	Median (min–max)	
Hb (g/dL)	12.61 (0.97)	12.71 (9.70–15.30)	11.90 (0.91)	12.00 (9.40–14.10)	11.50 (1.16)	11.60 (8.20–13.70)	< 0.001 < 0.001 ^a 0.246 ^b < 0.001 ^c
Hct (%)	37.87 (2.54)	37.95 (30.00–45.20)	35.64 (2.58)	36.00 (26.00–41.00)	34.55 (3.30)	35.10 (24.70–41.60)	< 0.001 < 0.001 ^a 0.575 ^b < 0.001 ^c
Ferritin (µg/L)	30.80 (25.56)	24.50 (4.60–185.00)	20.20 (12.37)	16.35 (5.00–59.00)	19.72 (15.50)	16.20 (5.20–87.0)	0.001 < 0.001 ^a 0.408 ^b 0.220 ^c

Hb = haemoglobin.

Hct = hematocrit.

^aComparison of first and second trimesters.

^bComparison of second and third trimesters.

^cComparison of first and third trimesters.