

Table 1 Sociodemographic characteristics and adherence to medication prescribed by family physicians of primary health care users in Albania

Variable	Drug intake (n = 1216)	Nonintake (n = 300)	P ^a
Sex			0.137
Male	561 (81.9) ^b	124 (18.1)	
Female	655 (78.8)	176 (21.2)	
Age group			0.045
< 40 years	285 (81.4)	65 (18.6)	
40–64.9 years	510 (77.4)	149 (22.6)	
≥ 65 years	421 (83.0)	86 (17.0)	
Marital status			0.185
Married	998 (80.9)	236 (19.1)	
Other	218 (77.3)	64 (22.7)	
Place of residence			< 0.001
Rural	460 (73.4)	167 (26.6)	
Urban	756 (85.0)	133 (15.0)	
Educational level			< 0.001
Low (0–8 years)	460 (72.0)	179 (28.0)	
Middle (9–12 years)	434 (82.7)	91 (17.3)	
High (≥ 13 years)	320 (91.7)	29 (8.3)	
Employment status			< 0.001
Employed	428 (88.1)	58 (11.9)	
Unemployed	287 (66.4)	145 (33.6)	
Retired	489 (83.7)	95 (16.3)	
Economic level			< 0.001
Low	274 (60.5)	179 (39.5)	
Not low	941 (88.6)	121 (11.4)	

^aFisher's exact test.

^bAbsolute numbers and percentages (in parentheses).

Discrepancies in totals are due to missing values.