

Table 1) Demographic Characteristics of participants in the study

	Variables	Number	Percent
Gender	Male	127	52.9
	Female	113	47.1
Level of Education	Illiterate	43	18.1
	Primary School	73	30.5
	Junior High School	55	22.3
	Diploma	48	20.2
	University	21	8.9
Marital Status	Single	8	3.3
	Married	175	72.9
	Widow/Widower	56	23.4
	Divorced	1	0.4
Home ownership	Personal	164	68.8
	Rental	35	16.3
	The Home of Relatives	25	8.3
	Organizational	1	0.3
	Other	15	6.3

Table 2) Comparison of the mean scores of the components of quality of life and social support in the participants based on gender

The Components of Life Quality and Social Support		Males (n=127)		Females (n=113)		Significance Level
		Mean	SD	Mean	SD	
Life Quality	Physical Function	12.2	2.8	10.3	2.3	<0.001
	Mental Function	12.1	2.8	12.2	2.4	0.628
	Social Function	6.4	1.6	7.1	1.6	0.001
	Sexual Function	2.0	1.3	1.3	1.2	<0.001
	Self-Care	14.2	3.4	15.6	2.3	0.118
	Anxiety and Depression	10.1	2.5	10.1	3.3	0.830
	Life Satisfaction	9.6	3.3	11.1	2.8	<0.001
	Total Life Quality	68.9	12.3	67.6	10.3	0.404
Social Support	Emotional Support	47.0	27.2	30.8	25.5	<0.001
	Structural Support	33.4	18.3	24.2	19.4	<0.001
	Performance Support	71.1	41.1	46.1	38.1	<0.001

Table 3) The relationship between demographic variables and components of quality of life and social support for participants

Components of Quality of Life and Social Support		Age	Education Level	Marital Status
Life Quality	Physical Function	0.834	0.037	<0.001
	Mental Function	0.175	<0.001	0.264
	Social Function	0.468	0.005	0.673
	Sexual Function	0.003	0.002	<0.001
	Self-Care	0.006	0.003	0.005
	Anxiety and Depression	0.384	0.762	0.426
	Life Satisfaction	0.077	0.015	0.887
	Total Life Quality	0.744	<0.001	0.034
Social Support	Emotional Support	0.129	0.019	0.150
	Performance Support	0.114	0.010	0.158
	Structural Support	0.596	0.022	0.096

Table 4) The correlation between the components of life quality and social support

Social Support Dimensions	Total Life Quality	Physical Performance	Self-Care	Anxiety and Depression	Mental Function	Social Function	Sexual Function	Life Satisfaction
Emotional Support	0.442	0.009	0.501	0.701	0.032	<0.001	0.255	0.025
Structural Support	0.469	0.024	0.470	0.349	0.020	0.002	0.335	0.124
Performance Support	0.452	0.008	0.542	0.831	0.033	<0.001	0.251	0.023