

Percent of Dentate Persons Answering “Yes” to Each Measure of OHRQoL, Stratified by Depression Status

Self-reported oral disease and tissue damage			
	All	GDS Score <5	GDS Score >5
	<i>(n=203)</i>	<i>(n=186)</i>	<i>(n=17)</i>
Infected or sore gums	19.2	18.3	29.4
Teeth stained or look bad	36.5	33.3*	70.6*
Currently using a broken denture	12.2	12.5	12.5
Bad breath	14.3	12.4*	35.3*
Oral pain/discomfort			
Toothache pain	10.8	9.7	23.5
Pain in your teeth when you chew	21.2	19.9	35.3
Teeth sensitive to hot/cold	24.8	23.8	35.3
Teeth sensitive to sweets	5.4	4.9	11.8
Sores or irritations in mouth that are painful	11.8	10.2*	29.4*
Denture soreness	8.9	7.3	25.0
Oral functional limitation			
Difficulty speaking/pronouncing	13.8	11.3*	41.2*
Difficulty chewing	42.5	44.4	56.3
Oral disadvantage due to...			
... oral disease/tissue damage			
Avoided laughing or smiling	6.4	5.4*	17.6*
Avoided talking to someone	4.4	2.7*	23.5*
Uncomfortable eating with other people	13.3	10.8*	41.2*
Limited contact with other people	6.4	5.4*	17.6*
Been embarrassed by appearance	13.8	10.8*	47.1*
Felt depressed	8.9	6.5*	35.3*
Felt stressed	8.4	6.5*	29.4*
... oral pain and discomfort			
Avoided daily activities	8.4	5.9*	35.3*
Trouble sleeping	4.9	3.8*	17.6*
...function			
Avoided chewing hard things	32.0	30.1*	52.9*
Avoided eating foods you like	19.2	17.2*	41.2*

Avoided eating with others due to chewing problems	9.4	7.5*	29.4*
Cut food into small pieces	38.9	38.2	47.1
Cooked food longer	23.2	22.0	35.3
Reduce the amount of food you eat	11.8	10.2*	29.4*
Lost any weight	6.4	5.4*	17.6*

...mouth dryness

Limited the kinds of foods you eat	4.4	2.7*	23.5*
Caused you any discomfort or pain	8.4	6.5*	29.4*
Caused you any worry or concern	6.4	5.4*	17.6*
Kept you from socializing	1.5	0.5*	11.8*
Made you uncomfortable when eating in front of other people	4.9	3.8*	17.6*
Had a bad effect on how food tastes for you	9.4	7.5*	29.4*

Self-rated oral health (Fair or Poor)

Chewing ability	20.2	17.7*	47.0*
Dental appearance	35.0	33.9	47.1
Mouth Health	30.5	28.5*	52.9*
Taste food	13.8	23.7*	41.2*
Smell food	13.3	11.8	29.6

(somewhat or completely unsatisfied)

Satisfaction with chewing ability	16.3	15.0	29.6
Satisfaction with dental appearance	19.7	18.3	35.3
Satisfaction with mouth health	20.7	18.3*	47.1*

Perceived need for dental care

Yes, need a routine check-up	14.2	15.2	11.7
Yes, have a dental problem	21.5	27.3	17.6
No, problem can wait	9.1	6.0	8.1
No, mouth in good shape	51.8	44.3	58.0

*Numbers connote that the difference in GDS <5 and GDS >5 is statistically significant