

Table 1: Demographic characteristics of survey respondents by country of residence

Demographic variable	Nicaragua N (%)	Pakistan N (%)	Ecuador N (%)	Lebanon N (%)	All countries N (%)	P
Mean Age (years \pm standard deviation)	52.6 \pm 12.4	41.5 \pm 13.8	55.8 \pm 14.9	53.4 \pm 16.8	47.8 \pm 15.7	<0.001 *
Gender (female)	65/100 (65.0%)	299/493 (60.6%)	173/252 (68.7%)	45/99 (45.5%)	582/944 (61.7%)	<0.001 *
Marital status (married or living with partner)	52/100 (52.0%)	67/493 (13.6%)	155/252 (61.5%)	80/100 (80.0%)	354/945 (37.5%)	<0.001 *
Education (10 years or less of formal education)	67/99 (67.7%)	243/493 (49.3%)	174/249 (69.9%)	52/100 (52.0%)	536/941 (57.0%)	<0.001 *
Employment status (employed outside the home)	36/100 (36.0%)	294/493 (59.6%)	107/251 (42.6%)	53/99 (53.5%)	369/943 (39.1%)	0.003 *
Self-classified health status (fair or poor)	62/100 (62.0%)	309/493 (62.7%)	164/251 (65.3%)	30/100 (30.0%)	565/944 (59.9%)	<0.001 *
Personal or family history of heart condition	75/100 (75.0%)	432/493 (87.6%)	133/252 (52.8%)	85/100 (85.0%)	725/945 (76.7%)	<0.001 *
Unable to afford the cost of a new pacemaker	91/98 (92.9%)	236/256 (95.2%)	181/246 (73.6%)	29/86 (33.7%)	537/686 (78.3%)	<0.001 *

* P < 0.05 by ANOVA for age; otherwise, by Chi Square.