

## AN INVESTIGATION OF MARRIED INDIVIDUALS' MARITAL SATISFACTION RELATED TO GENDER AND SPOUSAL SUPPORT

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### Abstract

The purpose of this study was to investigate relations among marital satisfaction, gender and spousal support in married individuals. The study data were gathered from 524 married individuals who live in İzmir. Data was collected with several instruments: Marital Satisfaction Scale, Spousal Support Scale and A Personal Questionnaire. In analyzing the data to examine the relationship between marital satisfaction and spousal support Spearman correlation analysis was conducted. Also Mann-Whitney U test was conducted to examine relationship between gender and marital satisfaction. Results of analysis indicated that marital satisfactions of women and man showed statistically non-significant differences. Also among married individuals in marital satisfaction and spousal support, positive middle level of relationship was identified. The findings obtained from this study were discussed in the light of literature.

**Keywords:** Marital satisfaction, gender, spousal support.