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## Orthodontic Treatment, Dental Health, and Oral Health Behavior in Young Norwegian Adults

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## ABSTRACT

Information about previous orthodontic treatment and oral health is evaluated for 525 17yr-olds and 175 21yr-olds. Of these, 24.6% of the 17yr-olds and 14.3% of the 21yr-olds had received orthodontic treatment. Orthodontic treatment did not appear to have had any adverse effect on the level of periodontal disease, and caries prevalence in the orthodontically treated 17yr-olds was less than in the untreated subjects.

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