

CHARACTERISTIC	IMMEDIATE RESUSCITATION (N = 309)	DELAYED RESUSCITATION (N = 289)
Age (yr)	31±11	31±10
Male sex (% of patients)	88	91
Systolic blood pressure (mm Hg)	58±35	59±34
Injury Severity Score	26±14	26±14
Revised Trauma Score	5.4±2.1	5.6±2.1
Probability of survival	69	72
Mechanism of injury (% of patients)		
Gunshot wound	65	67
Stab wound	29	30
Shotgun-blast wound	6	3
Primary site of surface injury (% of patients)		
Neck	5	3
Chest	33	35
Abdomen	63	62
Patient care times (min)		
Response interval	8±5	8±6
Scene interval	9±8	7±6
Transport interval	13±6	12±6
Trauma-center interval	44±65	52±99
Intraoperative interval	114±105	134±101†

\*Plus-minus values are means ±SD.  
†P = 0.028 for the comparison between groups.

**Table 1.** Characteristics of 598 Patients with Penetrating Torso Injuries Who Received Immediate or Delayed Fluid Resuscitation.