

ÖFKE DÜZEYİ, ÖFKE TARZLARI İLE SOSYAL PAYLAŞIM ARASINDA YORDAYICI İLİŞKİLER



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# ABSTRACT

Anger and anger expression style consists of a fundamental emotion and the behaviour of the component varying between individuals. Social sharing is a basic need inherent in human beings. Determining the effect of social sharing in anger and anger expression styles will make it possible to observe the dynamic relationship in this regard. The present study aims to analyze the predictor relations between the anger expression styles of undergraduate students of Sakarya University and their social sharing. The population of the study is the undergraduate students of Sakarya University in the 2019-2020 academic year. The sample of the study is 310 students selected through random sampling method. Personal Information Form, State-Trait Anxiety Inventory and Social Sharing Scale were used as the data-gathering instruments. SPSS Version 22.0 program was used in the data analysis. Apart from descriptive statistical parameters (arithmetic average, standard deviation as well as maximum and minimum frequencies), Independent Sample t-test and the one-way variance analysis (ANOVA) were conducted and Simple Regression analysis was implemented. The analysis revealed a significant difference between gender variance and social sharing, state anger and anger-out subscales, parental attitudes and state anger and anger-out subscales. According to the regression analysis results, social sharing level is explained significantly in the anger-in and state anger subscales. The results obtained were evaluated in the context of social work practices, psychology, sociology and psychological counselling and guidance services and recommendations were presented.

**Keywords:** Gerichtsdolmetscher/-übersetzer, Rechtsübersetzung, Übersetzungswissenschaft, translatorische Kompetenz

#### ÖΖ

Öfke ve öfke ifade tarzı bireylerarası farklılık gösteren temel bir duygu ve davranış bilesenini olusturur. Sosyal paylasım ise insan doğasında var olan temel bir ihtiyactır. Öfke ve öfke ifade şekillerinde sosyal paylaşımın etkisinin bilinmesi, bu konudaki dinamik ilişkiyi görmeyi de sağlayacaktır. Bu bağlamda yürütülen araştırmanın amacı, Sakarya Üniversitesi'nde öğrenim gören lisans öğrencilerinin öfke ifade tarzları ile sosyal paylaşımları arasındaki yordayıcı ilişkileri analiz edilmektir. Araştırmanın evrenini 2019-2020 eğitim-öğretim yılında öğrenimini Sakarya Üniversitesi'nde sürdüren lisans öğrencileri oluştururken, örneklemi ise random yöntemiyle seçilen 310 öğrenci oluşturmaktadır. Çalışma verileri için Kişisel Bilgi Formu, Durumluk ve Süreklilik Öfke Ölçeği ile Sosyal Paylaşım Ölçeği kullanılmıştır. Verilerin değerlendirilmesinde SPSS (Statistical Package for the Social Sciences) Version 22.0 programı kullanılmıştır. Tanımlayıcı istatistiksel parametrelerin (aritmetik ortalama, standart sapma, minimum, maksimum ve frekanslar) yanı sıra, Bağımsız Örneklem t-testi, Tek yönlü varyans analizi (ANOVA) ve Basit regresyon analizi kullanılmıştır. Araştırma sonuçlarına göre, cinsiyet değişkeni sosyal paylaşım, sürekli öfke ve öfke dısta alt boyutlarında; anne baba tutumlarıyla sürekli öfke ve öfke dışta alt boyutlarında anlamlı farklılık bulunmuştur. Bunun dışında yapılan regresyon analizi sonuçlarına göre sosyal paylaşım düzeyi öfke içte ve sürekli öfke alt boyutlarını anlamlı biçimde açıklamaktadır. Elde edilen sonuçlar sosyal hizmet uygulamaları, psikoloji, sosyoloji ve psikolojik danışma ve rehberlik hizmetleri bağlamında değerlendirilmiş ve önerilere yer verilmiştir.

Anahtar Kelimeler: Öfke, öfke kontrolü, öfke ifade tarzı, sosyal paylaşım

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#### INTRODUCTION

Emotions, ranging from joy to sorrow, are the fundamental dynamics affecting both the individuals and their surroundings (Köknel, 1999). Recognizing, knowing and canalizing these dynamic elements in the right way will make the human, having a sensitive structure, more powerful and more effective in her/his life. The fundamental characteristic of human beings differentiating them from other creatures is the control they have on their emotions, opinions and behaviours as well as canalizing them to the fields according to the needs (Elkin and Karadağlı, 2016; Yanık et al, 2017). However, the reflections of different emotions such as sorrow, joy and anger vary between humans. The control of emotions and opinions according to the place, time and situation is necessary for the individual to find inner peace as well as a determining factor for the having compatible relationships between both with family and social surroundings (Duran and Eldeleklioğlu, 2005). Although it is hard to classify the emotions, the fundamental emotions can be listed as fear, anger, joy, hope, sorrow, intimacy, wonder and hatred. It is possible to categorize the emotion. It is generally related with concepts such as violence, bullying and aggression (Yöndem and Bıçak, 2008). Yazgan-inanç et al. (2004) classified the emotions into three groups. *Positive emotions* such as love, happiness and affection were classified into the first group. The second group consists of *restrictive/hindering emotions* such as concern, anxiety and guilt. The third group consists of *hostility emotions* such as anger, jealousy and hatred.

**Anger** level and its expression style affect the individual as well as the people the individual communicates with. Anger style may also cause communication mistakes and problems. Anger can be analyzed in physiological, cognitive and behavioural dimensions (Kısaç, 1997; Temel et al., 2015). In the *physiological dimension*, anger is characterized by the acceleration in the heartbeat and an increase in the bloodstream after the adrenaline secretion, which is described as the general stimulation state, usually observed in the excited state (Balkaya, 2004). In the *cognitive dimension*, anger is usually is associated with thoughts and perceptions; it is revealed with anger reactions when a situation that threats, inhibits, belittles, hurts or harm the self is detected (Nelson-Jones, 1982, Veysel vd. 2015). In the *behavioural dimension*, anger can be expressed or suppressed. The expressed anger usually causes destructive and negative consequences for interpersonal relationships (Kısaç, 1999). Despite accepted as a normal emotion, gaining skills for the recognition and expression of anger is vital for the relationships (Firestone et al., 2003).

Psychoanalysis approach considers the *furiousness and aggression* states, associated with the anger, as inherent impulses. In addition, the psychoanalytic approach gives importance to the childhood years within this context. Apart from various theoretical frameworks put forward in order to explain states and styles of anger, it is generally accepted that the expression style of anger is a learned behaviour. Social learning theory and experimental studies conducted within this context revealed that taking someone as a model is the determining factor in the possible behavioural results of anger as well as violence and aggression (Burger, 2006). In addition, Avci's (2006) study o the violent behaviours of the teenagers revealed the significant relationship between the state anger of their families and their anger styles. Significantly higher levels of anger-in and angerout, as well as state anger, were found in the families of teenagers who were observed to have frequent violence behaviour. There are various definitions of anger as a positive and negative mood. Köknel (1999) defines anger as a constructive and promotive emotion having protective and developing functions for continuing one's existence and earning respect. According to Spielberger (1991), anger is a mood varying between furiousness, irritability and intense rage (Spielberger, cited in Bridewell and Chang, 1997). Hankins and Hankins (1988) have chosen to start from explaining the features of the anger when defining this emotion and listed these features as follows: 1) Anger is an unplanned behaviour. It arises automatically due to the experience and mood. 2) It is universal. 3) Anger arises as a result of criticism and hindering; and afterwards, the individual becomes open to criticism and attack. 4) The expression style of anger varies in different individuals and societies. Individual differences observed in many areas are also seen in the moods. The determining cause of anger type and level varies from person to person. However, hindering is one of the most basic causes of anger. In addition, provocation, disrespect to the individual rights and self-integrity and the punishment of anger behaviours are among the causes of anger (Morgan, 2000; Averil, 1983; Baltaş and Baltaş, 1999). Anger, as a mood, is reflected in the relationships and shapes the behaviour. Although the behaviour is accepted as the expression of emotion and thoughts, in fact, this constitutes the visible part of the iceberg for the behaviour of the individual.



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The invisible part of the iceberg consists of past experiences, environmental conditions and personality traits of the individual. A behaviour shaped through the relationships of these components with other systems arises. Therefore, when looking for solutions to the problems individuals face in their professional relations, not considering the problem only from individual pathology or personality is a significant point for a solution (Danış, 2006).

When anger is considered with its results, the studies conducted revealed that intensive anger constitutes a risk for maladaptive behaviours such as crimes, substance abuse and problems in interpersonal relationships (Deffenbacher et al., 1994; Averil, 1983). All these risks face the individual as disturbing the harmony of life and restricting social sharing. Professions trying to produce services in social life such as social work approach human as a value and make sharing worthy of this value. Analysis of human as a social being is a focus of interest for the profession (Yıldırım and Yıldırım, 2008). Social sharing and response levels of angry individuals towards their surroundings are affected by social and psychological barriers. Social work profession works for the liberation and removal of exactly these barriers (Thompson, 2016). Social sharing can be evaluated as a result of emotional experience, and individuals need to share with other people despite its re-stimulation of emotions and even renewing the same emotions (Zech et al., 2003). However, this sharing becomes difficult in emotions such as fear, anger and sorrow while it is easier for emotions such as happiness and joy. People usually

difficult in emotions such as fear, anger and sorrow while it is easier for emotions such as happiness and joy. People usually prefer not to share their emotions when they feel guilt or shame (Finkenauer and Rime, 1998). The determining factor in sharing is not the existence of a partner for an individual to share with, but the existence of someone sincere and supportive of emotions. Sharing the intense emotions increases the intimacy between people and facilitates the sustainability of the relationships (Pennebaker et al., 2001). However social sharing is affected by the environmental dynamics of the individual. Each individual has cultural and social environments, which constitutes two levels. While norms and values consist of the cultural environment, interpersonal relationships constitute the social environment (Danış, 2006). This aspect of human may make it necessary for the multiple application roles for the professional and interventions at different levels in the professional relationship between the anger of individuals, anger expression styles and social sharing, as well as shaping the professional support relationships based on the findings.

# METHODOLOGY

## **Research Model**

The study analyzed the predictivity between the state-trait anger and anger styles as well as social sharing of undergraduate students. In addition, the data obtained from data collection tools were analyzed for the difference in reference to the demographic data. As a descriptive research aiming to determine the status, the study employed the survey method. The study was conducted through the obtained data and interpreted in accordance with the literature.

## Sample Group

The population of the research is the undergraduate students of Sakarya University in the 2019-2020 academic year. The sample of the research is 310 students of the same university selected through random sampling method.

### **Data Collection Tools**

"Personal Information Form" prepared by the researchers for gathering demographic data, "State-Trait Anger Inventory" developed by Spielberg (1988) for measuring the state anger and anger styles, and "Social Sharing Scale" developed by Demirci Danışık (2005) for measuring the level of social sharing were used as the data-gathering instruments. *Personal information form* 

Information form was prepared by the researchers of the study in order to determine certain characteristics of undergraduate students involved in the sample of the study. The form included various questions such as gender, grade, parental attitudes, number of siblings, the residential area where the participant was raised, etc. State-Trait Anger Inventory

State-Trait Anger Inventory was prepared by Spielberger in 1983. It was adapted into Turkish by Özer (1994). Points are

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calculated based on the subscales in the inventory; in other words, total points are not calculated. The inventory was developed as a Likert-type scale and anger emotion and expression are scored between 1 and 4. The inventory consists of 34 items. First ten items measure the state/trait anger, 24 items aim to measure "suppressed, external and internal" anger expression styles. A high point of state anger (10 items), one of the subscales, indicates the high level of anger. A high point of anger control (8 items) indicates the easy control of anger. A high point of anger-out (8 items) indicates the easy expression of anger. A high level of anger-in (8 items) indicates suppressed anger (Savaşır and Şahin, 1997). *Social Sharing Scale* 

Social sharing scale was developed by Demirci Danışık in 2005. IT is a Likert-type scale. It consists of 11 items. The items in the scale are scoped between 1 to 4 as never, sometimes, frequently and always.

#### **Data Analysis**

In order to determine whether the points the students received changed according to the structures with two variables (gender), *Independent Sample T-test* was conducted. In addition, *One-way ANOVA - F test* was conducted in the groups with more than two variables (grade, parental attitudes, number of siblings and residential area where the participant was raised). Simple regression analysis was conducted to define the predictivity between the dependent and independent variables.

# **FINDINGS**

This chapter presents findings as to whether a significant relationship was found between demographic information of the sample group and the findings obtained from the data collection tools.

# Table 1 The Comparison of Demographic Characteristics of Sample Group with the Points They Received from the Social Sharing Scale and Subscales of State-Trait Anxiety Inventory

Dimensions	Gender	Ν	$\overline{x}$	SD	t.	р
Social Sharing	Female	241	31.9378	5.01584	5.024	.000
Social Sharing	Male	68	28.5735	4.34111	5.024	.000
Tueit Anneu	Female	242	21.6281	5.18157	2 242	004
Trait-Anger	Male	68	23.3529	6.25518	-2.313	.021
Angor Control	Female	242	21.0413	4.47936	608	.486
Anger Control	Male	68	21.4853	5.16444	-,698	.400
Angerin	Female	241	16.8838	3.92362	1 190	220
Anger-in	Male	68	17.5147	3.68738	-1.186	.236
Anger-out	Female	241	16.4108	4.04780	2 162	021
	Male	68	17.6471	4.56059	-2.162	.031

Table 1 presents N numbers according to the gender variable of the sample group, the arithmetic average of the scores they obtained as well as the standard deviations. In addition, the difference in the scores they obtained in the subscales of the Social Sharing Scale and State-Trait Anger Inventory were analyzed with Independent Sample T-Test based on the gender variable.

According to the table, the arithmetic average of the scores the female students obtained from Social Sharing Scale was 31.93 while the arithmetic average of the scores the male students obtained from Social Sharing Scale was 28.57. A significant difference was observed between the groups ( $t_{(307)=}$ 5.024; p=.000; p<0.05). According to the obtained data, the social sharing level of the female students was significantly higher than the male students.

According to the table, the arithmetic average of the scores the female students obtained from State Anger was 21.62 while the arithmetic average of the scores the male students obtained from State Anger was 23.35. A significant difference was observed between the groups ( $t_{(308)}$ =-2.313; p=.021; p<0.05). According to the obtained data, the state anger level of the male



students was significantly higher than the female students.

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According to the table, the arithmetic average of the scores the female students obtained from Anger Control was 21.04 while the arithmetic average of the scores the male students obtained from Anger Control was 21.48. A significant difference was not observed between the groups ( $t_{(308)=}$ -.698; p=.486; p>0.05). When the obtained data are analyzed based on the arithmetic average, the anger control level of male students was observed to be higher than the anger control level of female students.

According to the table, the arithmetic average of the scores the female students obtained from Anger-in was 16.88 while the arithmetic average of the scores the male students obtained from Anger-in was 17.51. A significant difference was not observed between the groups ( $t_{(307)=}$ -1.186; p=.236; p<0.05). When the obtained data are analyzed based on the arithmetic average, the anger-in level of male students was observed to be higher than the anger-in level of female students. According to the table, the arithmetic average of the scores the female students obtained from Anger-out was 16.41 while the arithmetic average of the scores the male students obtained from Anger-out was 17.64. A significant difference was observed between the groups ( $t_{(307)=}$ -2.162; p=.031; p<0.05). According to the obtained data, the anger-out level of male students was found to be significantly different from the anger-out level of female students.

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Table 2 The Evaluation of Social Sharing Levels of Students in the Sample Group and Their Levels of State and Trait Anger Scale Subscales in terms of Grade Variable

Dimensions	Grade	Ν	$\frac{1}{x}$	Sd	f	р	Significan Difference
	Freshman	27	31.0741			.910	-
	Sophomore	33	32.0000	4			
Social Sharing	Junior	46	31.0000		.250		
	Senior	193	31.1088	304			
	Other	10	31.5000				
	Freshman	27	22.3704				
	Sophomore	33	21.8788	4			
Trait-Anger	Junior	46	21.9130		.583	.675	-
	Senior	194	22.1289	305			
	Other	10	19.5000				
	Freshman	27	21.8519				
	Sophomore	33	20.9697	4 304		.606	
Anger Control	Junior	46	21.6522		.681		-
_	Senior	194	20.8763				
	Other	10	22.5000				
	Freshman	27	17.8148			.645	
-	Sophomore	33	16.5758	Л			
Anger-in	Junior	46	17.3913	4	.626		-
-	Senior	193	16.9430	304			
-	Other	10	16.2000				
	Freshman	27	16.8889				
-	Sophomore	32	16.3438	4			
Anger-out	Junior	46	17.1087		.275	.894	-
-	Senior	194	16.6495	304			
-	Other	10	15.9000				

Table 2 presents the results of variance analysis related to the general average of Social Sharing Scale the students in the sample group received and their levels of State-Trait Anxiety Inventory based on their grade variable.

According to the results of the data analysis, the levels of Social Sharing Scale of the sample groups don't differ significantly based on their grade ( $f_{(0.05:4-304)}$ , 250; p>0.05). When the values of arithmetic averages are considered, the highest level of social sharing was seen in sophomore students while the lowest level of social sharing was observed in junior students.



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According to the results of the data analysis, the levels of State Anger don't differ significantly based on their grade ( $f_{(0.05:4-305)}$ , 583; p>0.05). When the values of arithmetic averages are considered, the highest level of state anger was seen in freshman students while the lowest level of state anger was observed in other students.

According to the results of the analysis, the levels of Anger Control of the sample groups don't differ significantly based on their grade levels ( $f_{(0.05:4-305)}$ , 681; p>0.05). When the values of arithmetic averages are considered, the lowest level of anger control was seen in senior students while the highest level of anger control was observed in other students.

According to the results of the data analysis, the levels of Anger-in don't differ significantly based on their grade ( $f_{(0.05:4-305):'}$  626; p>0.05). When the values of arithmetic averages are considered, the highest level of anger-in was seen in freshman students while the lowest level of anger-in was observed in other students.

According to the results of the analysis, the levels of Anger-out of the sample groups don't differ significantly based on their grade levels ( $f_{(0.05:4-305)}$ , 275; p>0.05). When the values of arithmetic averages are considered, the highest level of anger-out was seen in junior students while the lowest level of anger-out was observed in other students.

Table 3 The Evaluation of Social Sharing Levels of Students in the Sample Group and Their Levels of State and Trait Anger Scale Subscales in terms of Parental Attitudes

Dimensions	Grade Level	Ν	$\frac{1}{x}$	Sd	f	р	Significant Difference
	Authoritarian	64	31.0625			.348	-
	Democratic	117	31.6410	3	4 4 9 2		
Social Sharing	Indifferent	13	29.0769	305	1.103		
	Protective	115	31.0609				
	Authoritarian	64	23.1406				Authoritarian
Trait Amgor	Democracy	118	21.4746	3	2.788	.041	- democratic, indifferent-
Trait-Anger	Indifferent	13	24.9231	306	2.700		democratic, indifferent -
	Protective	115	21.5913				protective
	Authoritarian	64	20.2188		1.633		
Angor Control	Democracy	118	21.7712	3		.182	
Anger Control	Indifferent	13	21.3077	306			-
	Protective	115	20.9826				
	Authoritarian	63	17.3175				
Angorin	Democracy	118	16.7203	3	.729	.535	
Anger-in	Indifferent	13	18.1538	305	.729	.555	-
	Protective	115	17.0435				
	Authoritarian	63	18.0635				
Anger out	Democracy	118	16.2712	3	3.140	026	Authoritaria - democratio
Anger-out	Indifferent	13	17.2308	305	5.140	.026	Authoritaria
	Protective	115	16.2870				proceetive,

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Table 3 presents the results of variance analysis related to the general average of Social Sharing Scale the students in the sample group received and their levels of State-Trait Anxiety Inventory based on their parental attitude variable.

According to the results of the analysis, the levels of Social Sharing Scale of the sample groups don't differ significantly based on the parental attitudes ( $f_{(0.05:3-305):}$ 1,103; p>0.05). When the values of arithmetic averages are considered, the highest level of social sharing was seen in democratic parental attitude while the lowest level of social sharing was observed in indifferent parental attitude.

According to the results of the data analysis, the levels of State Anger of the students in the sample group differ significantly based on the parental attitude ( $f_{(0.05:3-306)}$ , 2.788; p>0.05). LSD multiple comparison test was conducted in order to understand from which subscales the difference arises. According to these results, differentiation was observed between authoritarian - democratic parental attitudes (p=.049), indifferent - democratic parental attitudes (p=.030) and indifferent-protective parental attitudes (p=.037).

According to the results of the data analysis, the levels Anger Control Anger of the students in the sample group don't differ significantly based on the parental attitude ( $f_{(0.05:3-306)}$ , 1.633; p>0.05). When the values of arithmetic averages are considered, the highest level of social sharing was seen in democratic parental attitude while the lowest level of social sharing was observed in indifferent parental attitude.

According to the results of the analysis, the levels of Anger-in of the sample groups don't differ significantly based on the parental attitudes ( $f_{(0.05;3:305)}$ ;729; p>0.05). When the values of arithmetic averages are considered, the highest level of anger-in was seen in authoritarian parental attitude while the lowest level of anger-in was observed in democratic parental attitude.

According to the results of the data analysis, the levels Anger-out of the students in the sample group don't differ significantly based on the parental attitude ( $f_{(0.05:3-305)'}$ , 3.140; p>0.05). LSD multiple comparison test was conducted in order to understand from which subscales the difference arises. According to these results, differentiation was observed between authoritarian - democratic parental attitudes (p=.006) and authoritarian-protective parental attitudes (p=.007).

Dimensions	Grade Level	Ν	$\overline{x}$	Sd	f	р	Significant Difference
	Village - Town	62	30.5000				
Social Sharing	District	86	30.8372	2	1.202	.309	-
Social Sildring -	City Center / Metropolitan	158	31.6139	306	1.202	.309	-
	Village - Town	62	21.5806			.804	
Trait-Anger	District	87	22.0115	2	.330		-
Trait-Angel	City Center / Metropolitan	158	22.2089	307			
	Village - Town	62	21.7097			.541	
Anger Control	District	87	20.6207	2	.719		-
	City Center / Metropolitan	158	21.2152	307			_

# Table 4 The Evaluation of Social Sharing Levels of Students in the Sample Group and Their Levels of State and Trait Anger Scale Subscales in terms of the Residential Area where They were raised

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	 Village - Town	62	16.7742				
Anger-in	District	87	16.7471	2	.577	.631	_
	City Center / Metropolitan	157	17.2420	306	.377	.051	
	Village - Town	62	16.6452				
Anger-out	District	86	16.4186	2	.229	.876	_
Anger-out	City Center / Metropolitan	158	16.8544	306	.229	.070	-

Table 4 presents the results of variance analysis related to the general average of Social Sharing Scale the students in the sample group received and their levels of State-Trait Anxiety Inventory based on the residential area the participants were raised.

According to the results of the analysis, the levels of Social Sharing Scale of the sample groups don't differ significantly based on the residential area the participants were raised ( $f_{(0.05:2-306):}$ 1.202; p>0.05). When the values of arithmetic averages are considered, the highest level of social sharing was seen in students raised in city center/metropolitan while the lowest level of social sharing was observed in students raised in village/town.

According to the results of the data analysis, the levels of State Anger don't differ significantly based on the residential area the participants were raised. ( $f_{(0.05:2-307)}$ ; 330; p>0.05). When the values of arithmetic averages are considered, the highest level of state anger was seen in students raised in city center /metropolitan while the lowest level of state anger was observed in students raised in village/town.

According to the results of the analysis, the levels of Anger Control of the sample groups don't differ significantly based on the residential area the participants were raised.( $f_{(0.05:2-307)}$ ,719; p>0.05). When the values of arithmetic averages are considered, the highest level of anger control was seen in students raised in village/town while the lowest level of anger control was observed in students raised in the district.

According to the results of the data analysis, the levels of Anger-in don't differ significantly based on the residential area the participants were raised ( $f_{(0.05:2-306)!}$ , 577; p>0.05). When the values of arithmetic averages are considered, the highest level of anger-in was seen in students raised in city center /metropolitan while the lowest level of anger-in was observed in students raised in the district.

According to the results of the analysis, the levels of Anger-out of the sample groups don't differ significantly based on the residential area the participants were raised ( $f_{(0.05:2-306):}$ 229; p>0.05). When the values of arithmetic averages are considered, the highest level of anger-out was seen in students raised in city center/metropolitan while the lowest level of anger-out was observed in students raised in the district.

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Table 5 The Evaluation of Social Sharing Levels of Students in the Sample Group and Their Levels of State and Trait Anger Scale Subscales in terms of Number of Siblings Variable

Dimensions	Grade Level	Ν	$\overline{x}$	Sd	f	р	Significant Difference
_	1	16	29.6250				
-	2	104	31.4135	4			
Social Sharing	3	112	31.2054		.656	.623	-
	4	36	31.8056	304			
	5 and more	41	30.7073				
	1	16	22.8125				
-	2	104	22.4038	4		.735	
Trait-Anger	3	112	21.8839	4 305	.501		-
-	4	36	21.8889				
-	5 and more	42	21.1429				
	1	16	20.6875	4		.362	-
-	2	104	20.9135				
Anger Control	3	112	20.7768		1.090		
-	4	36	22.3333	305			
-	5 and more	42	21.8095				
	1	16	16.3750				
-	2	104	17.6923	4			
Anger-in	3	111	16.7477	4	1.343	.254	-
-	4	36	17.0000	304			
-	5 and more	42	16.3571				
	1	16	16.1875				
-	2	104	17.1154	4 304			
Anger-out	3	111	16.6036		.601	.662	-
-	4	36	15.9722				
-	5 and more	42	16.6190				

Table 5 presents the results of variance analysis related to the general average of Social Sharing Scale the students in the sample group received and their levels of State-Trait Anxiety Inventory based on the number of siblings variable.

According to the results of the analysis, the levels of Social Sharing Scale of the sample groups don't differ significantly based on the number of siblings ( $f_{(0.05;4-304),'}$  656; p>0.05). When the values of arithmetic averages are considered, the highest level of social sharing was seen in students who have 4 siblings while the lowest level of social sharing was observed in students who are the only child.



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According to the results of the data analysis, the levels of State Anger don't differ significantly based on the number of siblings ( $f_{(0.05:4-305)}$ , 501; p>0.05). When the values of arithmetic averages are considered, the highest level of state anger was seen in students who are the only child while the lowest level of state anger was observed in students with 5 or more siblings. In addition, when the data are analyzed, an inverse proportion can be observed between the state anger status and the number of siblings.

According to the results of the data analysis, the levels Anger Control Anger don't differ significantly based on the number of siblings ( $f_{(0.05:4-305)}$ , 1.090; p>0.05). When the values of arithmetic averages are considered, the lowest level of anger control was seen in students who are the only child while the highest level of anger control was observed in students with 4 siblings.

According to the results of the data analysis, the levels of Anger-in don't differ significantly based on the number of siblings  $(f_{(0.05:4-305)}, 1.343; p>0.05)$ . When the values of arithmetic averages are considered, the highest level of anger-in was seen in students who have 2 siblings while the lowest level of anger-in was observed in students who have 5 or more siblings.

According to the results of the analysis, the levels of Anger-out of the sample groups don't differ significantly based on the number of siblings ( $f_{(0.05:4-305)}$ , 601; p>0.05). When the values of arithmetic averages are considered, the highest level of anger-out was seen in students who have 2 siblings while the lowest level of anger-out was observed in students who have 4 siblings.

# Table 6 Simple Regression Analysis Results of Social Sharing Level of Sample Group towards the State Anger Stat Dependent Independent ß T P F Model (p) R<sup>2</sup> Variable Variable R T P F Model (p) R<sup>2</sup>

.000

.010

.010

.022

Trait-Anger 6.810

34.194

-.136

Fixed

**Social Sharing** 

As shown in the table, a significant relationship was found in the regression analysis conducted to determine the predictivity between state anger and social sharing point (F=6.810; p<0.05). The predictivity between the state anger levels and the social sharing levels as the determinant of state anger were found to be weak ( $R^2$ = 0.022). The state anger levels of the individuals decrease the total score of social sharing (r= -.147).

28.902

-2.610

Table 7 Simple Regression Analysis Results of Social Sharing Level of Sample Group towards the AngerControl State

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Dependent variable	Independent Variable	ß	т	Ρ	F	Model (p)	R <sup>2</sup>
Anger Control	Fixed	29.296	21.793	.000	2.097	.149	.007
	Social Sharing	.090	1.448	.149			

As shown in the table, a significant relationship wasn't found in the regression analysis conducted to determine the predictivity between anger control and social sharing point (F=2.097; p>0.05). The predictivity between the anger control levels and the social sharing levels as the determinant of anger control level were found to be weak (R<sup>2</sup>= 0.007). The anger control levels of the individuals increase the total score of social sharing(r=.082).

Table 8 Simple Regression Analysis Results of Social Sharing Level of Sample Group towards the Anger-in State

Dependent variable	Independent Variable	ß	т	Ρ	F	Model (p)	R <sup>2</sup>
Anger-in	Fixed	33.995	26.181	.000	4.879	.028	.016
	Social Sharing	164	-2.209	.028			

As shown in the table, a significant relationship was found in the regression analysis conducted to determine the predictivity between anger-in and social sharing point (F=4.897; p>0.05). The predictivity between the anger-in and the social sharing levels as the determinant of the anger-in level were found to be weak ( $R^2$ = 0.016). The anger-in levels of the individuals decrease the total score of social sharing (r= -.125).

Table 9 Simple Regression Analysis Results of Social Sharing Level of Sample Group towards the Anger-out

PREDICTOR RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN THE ANGER LEVEL, ANGER STYLES AND SOCIAL SHARING State Dependent Independent Model ß Т Ρ F R<sup>2</sup> Variable variable (p) Fixed 29.779 25.104 .000 .005 Anger-out 1.486 .224 **Social Sharing** .084 1.219 .224

As shown in the table, a significant relationship wasn't found in the regression analysis conducted to determine the predictivity between anger-out and social sharing point (F=1.486; p>0.05). The predictivity between the anger-out and the social sharing levels as the determinant of the anger-in level were found to be weak (R<sup>2</sup>= 0.005). The social sharing total score increases as the anger-out levels of the individuals increase (r=. 070).

# **DISCUSSION and CONCLUSION**

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This study analyzed the predictive relationships between the anger level, anger styles and social sharing of the undergraduate students.

The social sharing levels of female students participating in the study were observed to be significantly higher than the social sharing levels of male students. Kahramanol (2016) found that the search of females for social support, when faced with stressful situations, is higher than males.

The arithmetic averages anger control levels of female and male students were found to be close to each other (female students = 21.04; male students=21.48). This result shows no significant difference between groups in anger control. The arithmetic average of the scores the female students obtained from anger-in levels was 16.88 while the arithmetic average of the scores the male students obtained from anger-in levels was 17.51. No significant difference between groups was observed. As a result, it can be said that female and male students have similar anger control and anger-in level styles. Arman (2009) found no significant difference between anger-in and anger control point averages based on the gender variable of teachers working in primary and secondary schools.

The state anger level of the male students was found to be significantly higher than the female students. A significant difference was observed between female and male students when their points of anger-out levels were analyzed. According to the obtained data, the anger-out of male students was higher than the anger-out of female students.

Some differences were found between the genders on the anger reactions. It was found that males express their anger more directly while females express anger in indirect ways. Females were found to get angrier when they aren't taken seriously, when they face injustice, when the things don't go as they planned, when they are criticized or behaved selfishly. The anger thoughts of males were found to increase with negative self / self-perception (Keskin et al., 2011).

Savaşan (2009) analyzed the relationship between the anger of patients diagnosed with hypertension and their power of taking care of themselves. The study was conducted with the participation of 305 patients. According to the results, the suppression of anger was observed to be significantly higher in female patients than males patients. The expression of anger was found to be significantly higher in male patients than in female patients (Ekinci, 2013. Kaya et al. (2007) found that males expressed their anger more than females. Yöndem and Biçak (2008) found no difference between genders in anger control. They found that the anger levels and anger expressions as well as experiencing the anger inside is higher in males than females. Arman (2009) found a significant differentiation in expressed anger based on the gender variable of teachers working in primary and secondary schools. Male teachers' arithmetic averages of expressed anger were higher than female teachers' arithmetic averages. Akgün Şahin (2009) found that the anger-out subscale points of male caregivers of chemotherapy patients were higher. Albayrak and Kutlu (2009) observed significant relationships between gender and anger

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expression. Keskin et al. (2011) revealed that anger state points of males obtained from Anger State and Style Inventory was high enough to make a significant difference. Ekinci (2013) found significantly higher points of state anger, expressed anger and average points of total anger in male teachers than that of female teachers. Bal et al. (2018) found that the internal and anger-out of males were higher than that of females and the anger levels of males displayed more continuity. The high levels of state-trait anger of men may be associated with socio-cultural structure and the elements of male-dominant society. The audacious, fierce and aggressive characteristics of boys are considered reasonable in Turkish culture while girls are expected to be meek, obedient, and not speaking much and expressing their feelings (Keskin et al., 2011)

No significant relationship was found between the social sharing scale levels, state anger, anger control, anger-in and angerout levels of undergraduate students in the sample group and their grade. In addition, no significant relationship was found between social sharing scale levels, anger control and anger-in levels and the parental attitudes. No significant relationship was found between social sharing scale levels, state anger, anger control, anger-in, anger-out and the residential area where the participants were raised and the number of siblings. Yöndem and Bıçak (2008) studied the anger levels and anger styles of trainee teachers based on the department, gender, age, grade, the residential area and income level variables. The study was conducted with the participation of 713 trainee teachers. Significant differences were observed in anger levels and anger styles based on the department and gender variables. No significant differences were found in grade, age, the residential area where participants spent their lives and income level (Cited in Diril, 2011; Ekinci, 2013).

The present study revealed a significant relationship between State Anger levels and parental attitudes (f(0.05:3-306):2,788; p<0.05). A differentiation was observed between authoritarian - democratic parental attitudes (p=.049), indifferent democratic parental attitudes (p=.030) and indifferent-protective parental attitudes (p=.037). In addition, a significant relationship was observed between Anger-out levels and parental attitudes (f(0.05:3-305):3,140; p<0.05). A differentiation was observed between authoritarian - democratic parental attitudes (p=.006) and authoritarian-protective parental attitudes (p=.007). Parents with democratic attitudes allow their children to explain their ideas respect these ideas. These parents give their children the freedom to express themselves. The children raised with democratic parental attitudes become more successful in controlling their anger in social environments. On the other hand, parents with authoritarian attitudes don't reflect their love to their children. They want their children to do always what they want, and they don't have effective communication with their children. Most of the time, they give punishment to their children when they make mistakes. They don't ask the opinion of children in the decisions related to them. All of these and similar attitudes may cause state anger. The democratic attitudes of parents have a positive effect on various areas such as development, personality structure, academic achievements, social communication, interpersonal interaction, etc. Thus these attitudes decrease the anger and affect the expression style in a positive direction. Furthermore, the authoritarian parental attitudes were observed to have negative effects on development, personality structure, academic achievement, social communication, interpersonal interaction, etc. Hatunoğlu (1994) found a relationship between authoritarian and indifferent parental attitudes and aggressive behaviour of the 328 subjects, who were final year high students in Erzurum. The adolescents raised with authoritarian parental attitudes were found to have a higher level of aggressive tendencies than adolescents raised with democratic and indifferent parental attitudes. Yıldız and Erci (2011) analyzed the relationship between parental attitudes and adolescent aggression. They found a relationship between attitudes of parents and aggression of adolescents. A positively weak relationship was found between democratic attitude and adolescent aggression while a negatively weak relationship was found between authoritarian and indifferent parental attitudes and adolescent aggression (p<0.01). The adolescent aggression decreases as the perception of democratic attitude increases while the aggression increases as the perception of authoritarian and indifferent attitude increase. Yavuzer (1996) found that the majority of children committing crimes suffered from parental oppression and they were raised in environments exposed to physical violence. The nature of the relationship between parents and child was found to be associated with aggressive behaviour of the children. The intolerant behaviour of parents towards each other and their children result in intolerant behaviour in children (Cited in Adana and Arslantas, 2011).

A limited number of studies investigated the anger expression styles of adolescent and parents together. Wolf and Foshee (2003) studied domestic violence, anger expression and violent crime by adolescents. A significant relationship was found between exposure to domestic violence and violent crime by adolescents. The study propounds that the adolescents learned the anger expression styles of their parents by being exposed or witnessing the violence and thus they are at risk for committing violent crimes. This description is based on the fundamentals of social learning theory. According to World Health Organization, there is a strong relationship between the violence in adolescence and a weak relationship between



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parents and child, a high number of children in the family and lastly weak bonding between family members. A high number of these factors may adversely affect the social and emotional development of adolescents and their behaviours in the lack of social support. The adolescents may feel anger, curse their fates and become prone to violence when they don't get love and attention from their families and teachers, they are excluded by friends and they feel lonely (Haskan Avci and Yıldırım, 2014).

Savi (2008) determined that as the problem-solving function of the family decreases, the number of behavioural problems the adolescents face increases. Social learning theory emphasizes that parents teach violence behaviour by being a model to children and they fail to teach conflict resolution skills without violence (Okan İbiloğlu, 2012).

The aggression levels of students perceiving the attitudes of their parents as authoritarian were observed to be significantly higher than the aggression levels of students perceiving the attitudes of their parents as democratic and protective (Avcı, 2006). Albayrak and Kutlu (2009) found that the levels of state anger and anger expressions of students describing their families as oppressive was higher than other students. In addition, the levels of state anger and anger expressions of students describing their families as understanding/interested was lower than other students (Taşçı Eser and Üstün, 2011). This result indicates that the authoritarian and repressive parents put strict rules while raising their children, don't let the children express themselves. In addition, the parents limit the relationship of children with their friend groups and put some strict and unreasonable rules increasing their anger levels (Albayrak and Kutlu, 2009)

In this study, a significant relationship was found in the regression analysis conducted to determine the predictivity between state anger and social sharing point. It was found that the social sharing of individuals decrease as their state anger levels increase.

This study has also found a significant relationship in the regression analysis conducted to identify the predictivity between anger-in and social sharing point. It was found that the social sharing of individuals decrease as their anger-in levels increase. Anger results mostly due to the interpersonal relationships and interactions while it may be felt outside of social interactions (Guerrero & Andersen, 2000). When the differences in the family environments of students with high and low levels of anger are analyzed, it was detected that the family members of students with high levels of anger are less keen on each other. In addition, it was found that family members don't express their emotions, they have more intense conflict in the family and the structure of their families is very irregular (Topbaş, 2018)

State anger level is a point of anger indicating the low threshold of anger and the individual get angry easily (Spielberger et al., 1988). The expression or suppression of anger are two unsuitable anger expression styles (Özmen, 2006; Spielberger et al., 1988). Individuals are found to have difficulty in using social skills to express them and to solve problems when they are angry (Davila & Beck, 2002). The individuals with quick temper are found to have difficulty in maintaining their social relationships (Monnier et al., 1988). The increase in the aggressive behaviour related to anger was found to be in association with negative interpersonal relationship style (Şahin and et al., 2011). The findings of the studies related to this subject revealed that high level of anger and inappropriate anger expression styles are factors increasing the problems in interpersonal relationships (Cited in Sepetçi, 2019: 46).

Some suggestions can be presented within the light of the findings obtained in this study as follows: The undergraduate students consisted the sample of current study. Considering that anger, anger expression styles and social sharing (thus the interpersonal relationship dimension) concern individuals of all ages, research can be replicated with participants from different age groups and professions.

Recognizing and noticing the anger, controlling and expressing it in suitable ways is an important skill that should be taught to all individuals, from different ages and different professions. Thus, in order to disseminate the studies concerning this subject, various training programs can be prepared under different titles. These programs can be planned as group works and thus can be applied to raise awareness of larger groups.

Parents' child-rearing style has an undeniable importance in the personality and development of certain skills in children. Thus, not only the parents but also students of all ages, especially the university students should be prompt to take part in these training programs, as they will be parents in the future. Education programs are needed to support and empower the students' personal development within the scope of university or department elective courses (Coping with stress, empathy, etc.).

Social and sports activities supporting the common lives of students can be given more importance in universities.



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