Then, an absolute value of a difference between H_1 and H_0 is obtained as a' (the unit is mm). Aforementioned a' is measured by a height gauge, for example. The measurement is performed at a room temperature of 25 ± 3°C.

The aforementioned measurement is performed five times, and the average value of the aforementioned amount of displacement a' is assumed to be the amount of deflection A of the head portion 22.

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The amount of deflection A is preferably 0.4 to 3.0, is more preferably 0.4 to 2.5, and is further preferably 0.4 to 2.0. Also, the amount of deflection A is preferably 0.5 to 3.0, is more preferably 0.5 to 2.5, and is further preferably 0.5 to 2.0. If the amount of deflection A is within the aforementioned range, the head portion 22 itself is appropriately deflected, and flexibility of the bristle implanted portion implanted at the head portion 22 appears, which leads to a more satisfactory feeling of touch to the dental gum, that is the impression from the use. In addition, if the amount of deflection A is equal or greater than the aforementioned lower limit value, the impression from the use becomes satisfactory. If the amount of deflection A is equal to or less than the aforementioned upper limit value, sufficient strength of the head portion 22 tends to be secured. Further, the toothbrush 21 does not become excessively bristle, and satisfactory operability inside the oral cavity and cleaning power can easily be obtained.

Note that the amount of deflection A is adjusted by adjusting the bending elastic modulus of the material of the head portion (that is, the material of the handle body) and the thickness, the width, and the like of the head portion.

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(Amount of deflection B of neck portion)

The amount of deflection B of the neck portion is measured by the following