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Characteristic	Average hours per day spent in leisure and sports activities, all days of week										
	leisure and sports	Participating in sports, exercise and recreation	Socializing and communicating	Watching TV	Reading	Relaxing/ thinking	Playing games and computer use for leisure	Other leisure and sports activities, including travel(1)			
Sex											
Men	5.48	0.38	0.56	2.82	0.25	0.37	0.71	0.38			
Women	4.67	0.25	0.61	2.39	0.31	0.36	0.43	0.33			
Age											
Total, 15 years and over	5.07	0.31	0.59	2.60	0.28	0.36	0.57	0.35			
15 to 19 years	5.36	0.64	0.59	2.01	0.15	0.17	1.31	0.49			
20 to 24 years	4.67	0.46	0.65	1.70	0.13	0.26	0.93	0.55			
25 to 34 years	4.26	0.26	0.56	1.84	0.17	0.27	0.83	0.33			
35 to 44 years	3.80	0.23	0.57	1.89	0.15	0.29	0.39	0.27			

Footnotes

- (1) Includes other leisure and sports activities, not elsewhere classified, and travel related to leisure and sports activities.
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Characteristic	leisure and sports	Participating in sports, exercise and recreation	Socializing and communicating	Watching TV	Reading	Relaxing/ thinking	Playing games and computer use for leisure	Other leisure and sports activities, including travel(1)		
45 to 54 years	4.32	0.28	0.62	2.13	0.18	0.46	0.32	0.32		
55 to 64 years	5.34	0.26	0.59	3.08	0.33	0.42	0.33	0.33		
65 to 74 years	6.52	0.32	0.55	3.95	0.47	0.43	0.43	0.37		
75 years and over	7.56	0.27	0.58	4.58	0.77	0.58	0.44	0.34		
Race and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity										
White	5.07	0.32	0.60	2.57	0.31	0.33	0.56	0.37		
Black or African American	5.62	0.21	0.48	3.37	0.14	0.64	0.49	0.27		
Asian	3.98	0.49	0.57	1.46	0.17	0.25	0.71	0.33		
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity	4.45	0.28	0.69	2.25	0.10	0.40	0.46	0.28		
Employment status										
Employed	4.13	0.28	0.53	2.01	0.18	0.31	0.49	0.33		
Full-time workers	3.97	0.27	0.52	1.94	0.17	0.31	0.44	0.32		
Part-time workers	4.68	0.30	0.55	2.27	0.20	0.31	0.70	0.36		

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	Average hours per day spent in leisure and sports activities, all days of week									
Characteristic	Total, all leisure and sports activities	Participating in sports, exercise and recreation	Socializing and communicating	Watching TV	Reading	Relaxing/ thinking	Playing games and computer use for leisure	Other leisure and sports activities, including travel(1)		
Not employed	6.68	0.37	0.68	3.61	0.46	0.46	0.69	0.40		
Usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers (single jobholders only)(2)										
\$0 - \$840	3.91	0.16	0.48	2.10	0.10	0.32	0.50	0.23		
\$841 - \$1,250	4.22	0.21	0.55	2.03	0.19	0.36	0.52	0.36		
\$1,251 - \$1,970	4.05	0.34	0.50	1.87	0.15	0.35	0.52	0.33		
\$1,971 and higher	4.00	0.38	0.55	1.87	0.22	0.21	0.39	0.38		
Presence and age of household children										
No household children under 18	5.66	0.32	0.58	3.01	0.35	0.39	0.62	0.38		
Household children under 18	3.87	0.30	0.59	1.77	0.14	0.31	0.45	0.30		

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	A	verage hours	sports ac	orts activities, all days of week				
Characteristic	leisure and sports	Participating in sports, exercise and recreation	Socializing and communicating	Watching TV	Reading	Relaxing/ thinking	Playing games and computer use for leisure	Other leisure and sports activities, including travel(1)
Children 13 to 17 years, none younger	4.74	0.42	0.59	2.36	0.12	0,26	0.63	0.38
Children 6 to 12 years, none younger	3.86	0.30	0.52	1.61	0.20	0.43	0.50	0.30
Youngest child under 6 years	3.23	0.22	0.67	1.47	0.09	0.24	0.27	0.25
Marital status and sex								
Married, spouse present	4.74	0.28	0.63	2.52	0.29	0.35	0.36	0.31
Men	5.17	0.32	0.59	2.90	0.26	0.40	0.36	0.32
Women	4.30	0.24	0.66	2.13	0.32	0.30	0.36	0.29
Other marital statuses	5.40	0.35	0.54	2.68	0.27	0.38	0.78	0.40
Men	5.83	0.45	0.52	2.73	0.24	0.34	1.10	0.44
Women	5.02	0.25	0.56	2.63	0.29	0.41	0.50	0.37
Educational attainment, 25 years and over								
Less than a high school	5.30	0.20	0.74	3.01	0.08	0.83	0.27	0.17

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Characteristic diploma	leisure and sports	Participating in sports, exercise and recreation	Socializing and communicating	Watching TV	Reading	Relaxing/ thinking	Playing games and computer use for leisure	Other leisure and sports activities, including travel(1)			
High school											
graduates, no college	5.52	0.19	0,55	3.36	0.20	0.44	0.48	0.30			
Some college or associate degree	5.36	0.22	0.59	2.94	0.31	0.44	0.48	0.37			
Bachelor's degree and higher	4.58	0.35	0.57	2.17	0.41	0.27	0.48	0.34			
Bachelor's degree only	4.67	0.35	0.57	2.26	0.36	0.29	0.52	0.32			
Advanced degree	4.46	0.36	0.56	2.04	0.49	0.24	0.40	0.37			

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NOTE: Unless otherwise specified, data refer to persons 15 years and over. Persons of Hispanic or Latino ethnicity may be of any race.

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