Figure 7.1. Percentage of adults aged 18 years and over who engaged in regular leisure-time physical activity: United States, 1997- September 2010


NOTES: This measure reflects the definition used for the physical activity Leading Health Indicator in Healthy People 2010 (3). Regular leisure-time physical activity is defined as engaging in light-moderate leisure-time physical activity for greater than or equal to 30 minutes at a frequency greater than or equal to five times per week or engaging in vigorous leisure-time physical activity for greater than or equal to 20 minutes at a frequency greater than or equal to three times per week. In Early Releases before September 2005 (based on the 2004 National Health Interview Survey (NHIS)), regular physical activity was calculated slightly differently than for Healthy People 2010. The earlier Early Release estimates excluded from the analysis persons with unknown duration of light-moderate or vigorous leisure-time physical activity who were known to have not met the frequency recommendations for light-moderate or vigorous leisure-time physical activity (i.e., partial unknowns). With the current release, persons who were known to have not met the frequency recommendations are classified as "not regular," regardless of duration. All estimates have been rerun using the revised denominator. The impact of the change on the estimates was minimal (typically 0.1 percentage point or less). The analyses excluded persons with unknown physical activity participation (about 3\% of respondents each year). Beginning with the 2003 data, NHIS transitioned to weights derived from the 2000 census. In this Early Release, estimates for 2000-2002 were recalculated using weights derived from the 2000 census. See "About This Early Release" for more details.

DATA SOURCE: CDC/NCHS, National Health Interview Survey, 1997-September 2010, Sample Adult Core component. Data are based on household interviews of a sample of the civilian noninstitutionalized population.

- For January-September 2010, 34.8\% (95\% confidence interval $=33.79 \%-35.78 \%$ ) of U.S. adults aged 18 years and over engaged in regular leisure-time physical activity, which was lower than, but not significantly different from, the January-September 2009 estimate of 35.4\%.
- The annual percentages of adults aged 18 years and over who engaged in regular leisuretime physical activity ranged from $29.8 \%$ in 1998 to $34.7 \%$ in 2009.

Figure 7.2. Percentage of adults aged 18 years and over who engaged in regular leisure-time physical activity, by age group and sex: United States, J anuary- September 2010


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DATA SOURCE: CDC/NCHS, National Health Interview Survey, January-September 2010, Sample Adult Core component. Data are based on household interviews of a sample of the civilian noninstitutionalized population.

- For both sexes combined, adults aged 75 years and over were less likely than adults in younger age groups to engage in regular leisure-time physical activity.
- For adults aged 18-24 years, 25-64 years, 65-74 years, and 75 years and over, women were less likely than men to engage in regular leisure-time physical activity.

Figure 7.3. Age-sex-adjusted percentage of adults aged 18 years and over who engaged in regular leisure-time physical activity, by race/ ethnicity: United States, J anuary- September 2010


NOTES: This measure reflects the definition used for the physical activity Leading Health Indicator in Healthy People 2010 (3). Regular leisure-time physical activity is defined as engaging in light-moderate leisure-time physical activity for greater than or equal to 30 minutes at a frequency greater than or equal to five times per week or engaging in vigorous leisure-time physical activity for greater than or equal to 20 minutes at a frequency greater than or equal to three times per week. In Early Releases before September 2005 (based on the 2004 National Health Interview Survey), regular physical activity was calculated slightly differently than for Healthy People 2010. The earlier Early Release estimates excluded from the analysis persons with unknown duration of light-moderate or vigorous leisure-time physical activity who were known to have not met the frequency recommendations for lightmoderate or vigorous leisure-time physical activity (i.e., partial unknowns). With the current release, persons who were known to have not met the frequency recommendations are classified as "not regular," regardless of duration. The analyses excluded 361 persons ( $1.7 \%$ ) with unknown physical activity participation. Estimates are age-sex-adjusted using the projected 2000 U.S. population as the standard population and using five age groups: 18-24 years, 25-34 years, 35-44 years, 45-64 years, and 65 years and over.

DATA SOURCE: CDC/NCHS, National Health Interview Survey, January-September 2010, Sample Adult Core component. Data are based on household interviews of a sample of the civilian noninstitutionalized population.

- The age-sex-adjusted percentage of adults who engaged in regular leisure-time physical activity was $26.9 \%$ for Hispanic adults, $38.3 \%$ for non-Hispanic white adults, and $27.3 \%$ for non-Hispanic black adults.
- Non-Hispanic white adults were more likely to engage in regular leisure-time physical activity than Hispanic adults and non-Hispanic black adults.


## Data tables for Figures 7.1-7.3:

Data table for Figure 7.1. Percentage of adults aged 18 years and over who engaged in regular leisure-time physical activity: United States, 1997-September 2010

| Year | Crude ${ }^{1}$ percent (95\% confidence interval) | Age-adjusted ${ }^{2}$ percent (95\% confidence interval) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1997 yearly | 32.0 (31.3-32.6) | 31.8 (31.1-32.4) |
| 1997 Jan.-Sept. | 32.6 (31.7-33.5) | 32.4 (31.4-33.3) |
| 1998 yearly | 29.8 (29.1-30.4) | 29.6 (28.9-30.3) |
| 1998 Jan.-Sept. | 29.6 (28.6-30.5) | 29.6 (28.7-30.6) |
| 1999 yearly | 30.2 (29.5-31.0) | 30.1 (29.4-30.8) |
| 1999 Jan.-Sept. | 29.4 (28.4-30.5) | 29.7 (28.6-30.7) |
| 2000 yearly | 31.7 (31.0-32.4) | 31.7 (31.0-32.4) |
| 2000 Jan.-Sept. | 32.4 (31.7-33.2) | 32.4 (31.6-33.2) |
| 2001 yearly | 31.9 (31.2-32.7) | 31.8 (31.1-32.6) |
| 2001 Jan.-Sept. | 32.7 (31.9-33.6) | 32.7 (31.8-33.5) |
| 2002 yearly | 31.7 (31.0-32.5) | 31.7 (30.9-32.5) |
| 2002 Jan.-Sept. | 32.5 (31.6-33.4) | 32.4 (31.6-33.3) |
| 2003 yearly | 32.8 (32.1-33.6) | 32.8 (32.0-33.6) |
| 2003 Jan.-Sept. | 32.7 (31.6-33.8) | 33.0 (31.9-34.1) |
| 2004 yearly | 30.2 (29.4-31.0) | 30.1 (29.3-30.9) |
| 2004 Jan.-Sept. | 30.4 (29.3-31.5) | 30.3 (29.2-31.4) |
| 2005 yearly | 30.1 (29.38-30.92) | 30.1 (29.37-30.90) |
| 2005 Jan.-Sept. | 30.8 (29.79-31.84) | 30.8 (29.78-31.81) |
| 2006 yearly | 30.9 (29.91-31.80) | 30.9 (29.96-31.85) |
| 2006 Jan.-Sept. | 31.1 (29.91-32.24) | 31.1 (29.93-32.27) |
| 2007 yearly | 30.8 (29.73-31.82) | 30.8 (29.74-31.82) |
| 2007 Jan.-Sept. | 30.7 (29.47-32.02) | 30.7 (29.40-31.93) |
| 2008 yearly | 31.9 (30.92-32.97) | 32.0 (30.95-33.01) |
| 2008 Jan.-Sept. | 31.7 (30.69-32.74) | 31.8 (30.74-32.78) |
| 2009 yearly | 34.7 (33.73-35.58) | 34.8 (33.89-35.76) |
| 2009 Jan.-Sept. | 35.4 (34.26-36.62) | 35.6 (34.43-36.84) |
| 2010 Jan.-Sept. | 34.8 (33.79-35.78) | 35.0 (33.97-35.97) |

${ }^{1}$ Crude estimates are presented in the figure.
${ }^{2}$ Estimates for this Healthy People 2010 Leading Health Indicator are age-adjusted using the projected 2000 U.S. population as the standard population and using five age groups: 18-24 years, 25-34 years, 35-44 years, 45-64 years, and 65 years and over.

> NOTES: Beginning with the 2003 data, the National Health Interview Survey transitioned to weights derived from the 2000 census. In this Early Release, estimates for $2000-2002$ were recalculated using weights derived from the 2000 census. See "About This Early Release" for more details.

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Data table for Figure 7.2. Percentage of adults aged 18 years and over who engaged in regular leisure-time physical activity, by age group and sex: United States, JanuarySeptember 2010

| Age and sex | Percent | 95\% confidence interval |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 18-24 years, total 18-24 years, male 18-24 years, female | $\begin{aligned} & 42.4 \\ & 50.9 \\ & 33.7 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 39.27-45.46 \\ & 46.88-54.94 \\ & 30.13-37.26 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |
| 25-64 years, total 25-64 years, male 25-64 years, female | $\begin{array}{r} 36.3 \\ 37.9 \\ 34.7 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 35.15-37.40 \\ & 36.38-39.44 \\ & 33.37-36.02 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |
| 65-74 years, total 65-74 years, male 65-74 years, female | $\begin{aligned} & 26.8 \\ & 31.8 \\ & 22.5 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 24.52-29.07 \\ & 28.11-35.40 \\ & 19.70-25.38 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |
| 75 years and over, total <br> 75 years and over, male <br> 75 years and over, female | $\begin{aligned} & 17.8 \\ & 24.3 \\ & 13.4 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 15.61-19.99 \\ & 20.33-28.35 \\ & 11.35-15.53 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |
| 18 years and over (crude ${ }^{1}$ ), total <br> 18 years and over (crude ${ }^{1}$ ), male <br> 18 years and over (crude ${ }^{1}$ ), female | $\begin{aligned} & 34.8 \\ & 38.3 \\ & 31.5 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 33.79-35.78 \\ & 36.95-39.60 \\ & 30.41-32.67 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |
| 18 years and over (age-adjusted ${ }^{2}$ ), total 18 years and over (age-adjusted ${ }^{2}$ ), male 18 years and over (age-adjusted ${ }^{2}$ ), female | $\begin{aligned} & 35.0 \\ & 38.2 \\ & 32.0 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 33.97-35.97 \\ & 36.90-39.51 \\ & 30.84-33.12 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |

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Data table for Figure 7.3. Age-sex-adjusted percentage of adults aged 18 years and over who engaged in regular leisure-time physical activity, by race/ ethnicity: United States, J anuary- September 2010

| Race/ ethnicity | Age-sex-adjusted ${ }^{\mathbf{1}}$ percent <br> (95\% confidence interval) | Age-adjusted ${ }^{2}$ percent <br> (95\% confidence interval) |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Hispanic or Latino | $26.9(25.21-28.66)$ | $27.1(25.33-28.86)$ |
| Not Hispanic or Latino, single <br> race, white | $38.3(36.94-39.63)$ | $38.3(36.98-39.67)$ |
| Not Hispanic or Latino, single <br> race, black | $27.3(25.59-29.04)$ | $27.0(25.26-28.72)$ |

${ }^{1}$ Age-sex-adjusted estimates are presented in the figure. Estimates are age-sex-adjusted using the projected 2000 U.S. population as the standard population and using five age groups: 18-24 years, 25-34 years, 35-44 years, 45-64 years, and 65 years and over.
${ }^{2}$ Estimates for this Healthy People 2010 Leading Health Indicator are age-adjusted using the projected 2000 U.S. population as the standard population and using five age groups: 18-24 years, $25-34$ years, $35-44$ years, $45-64$ years, and 65 years and over.

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