

Table A-10a. Age-adjusted percentages (with standard errors) of difficulties in physical functioning among adults aged 18 and over, by selected characteristics: United States, 2015

| Selected characteristic | Any physical difficulty ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot walk quarter of a mile ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot climb up 10 steps without resting ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot stand for 2 hours ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot sit for 2 hours ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot stoop, bend, or kneel ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot reach over head ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot grasp or handle small objects ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot lift or carry 10 pounds ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot push or pull large objects ¹ |
|---|--------------------------------------|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|---|
| Total | 15.2 (0.26) | 7.0 (0.18) | 5.1 (0.15) | 9.5 (0.20) | 3.2 (0.13) | 8.8 (0.19) | 2.4 (0.11) | 1.8 (0.09) | 4.3 (0.14) | 6.1 (0.16) |
| Sex | | | | | | | | | | |
| Male | 12.6 (0.34) | 5.9 (0.24) | 3.9 (0.19) | 8.0 (0.28) | 2.7 (0.17) | 7.2 (0.27) | 2.0 (0.14) | 1.5 (0.13) | 2.8 (0.17) | 4.3 (0.20) |
| Female | 17.6 (0.36) | 7.9 (0.24) | 6.0 (0.20) | 10.7 (0.29) | 3.7 (0.18) | 10.2 (0.27) | 2.7 (0.15) | 2.1 (0.13) | 5.5 (0.21) | 7.7 (0.25) |
| Age (years) | | | | | | | | | | |
| 18–44 | 5.4 (0.26) | 1.9 (0.16) | 1.0 (0.12) | 2.9 (0.20) | 1.6 (0.14) | 2.6 (0.18) | 0.8 (0.12) | 0.5 (0.08) | 1.2 (0.12) | 1.9 (0.16) |
| 45–64 | 19.4 (0.50) | 8.5 (0.34) | 6.4 (0.30) | 11.8 (0.39) | 5.2 (0.27) | 11.6 (0.39) | 3.2 (0.21) | 2.4 (0.20) | 5.3 (0.27) | 8.0 (0.33) |
| 65–74 | 29.8 (0.90) | 13.1 (0.67) | 9.7 (0.57) | 19.1 (0.78) | 5.1 (0.44) | 18.1 (0.78) | 4.3 (0.42) | 3.5 (0.38) | 7.6 (0.54) | 10.6 (0.59) |
| 75 and over | 48.0 (1.16) | 28.0 (1.02) | 21.3 (0.93) | 33.2 (1.09) | 4.6 (0.44) | 28.8 (1.03) | 7.5 (0.58) | 6.0 (0.55) | 17.0 (0.88) | 21.5 (0.94) |
| Race | | | | | | | | | | |
| One race ² | 15.2 (0.26) | 6.9 (0.18) | 5.0 (0.15) | 9.4 (0.21) | 3.2 (0.13) | 8.7 (0.19) | 2.3 (0.11) | 1.8 (0.09) | 4.2 (0.14) | 6.1 (0.16) |
| White | 15.0 (0.30) | 6.7 (0.20) | 4.7 (0.16) | 9.2 (0.24) | 3.1 (0.14) | 8.7 (0.22) | 2.3 (0.12) | 1.7 (0.11) | 3.9 (0.15) | 5.8 (0.18) |
| Black or African American | 18.4 (0.67) | 10.1 (0.51) | 7.6 (0.46) | 12.4 (0.58) | 4.2 (0.35) | 10.6 (0.53) | 3.5 (0.30) | 2.5 (0.28) | 6.3 (0.41) | 8.4 (0.46) |
| American Indian or Alaska Native | 21.3 (2.25) | 12.9 (2.09) | 8.6 (2.26) | 15.1 (2.22) | *6.1 (2.23) | 11.0 (2.00) | 4.1 (1.07) | * | 8.9 (2.11) | 11.5 (2.55) |
| Asian | 10.1 (0.76) | 4.4 (0.53) | 3.1 (0.47) | 5.3 (0.55) | 2.0 (0.40) | 5.4 (0.58) | 1.6 (0.33) | 1.3 (0.35) | 4.5 (0.55) | 4.9 (0.57) |
| Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander | *9.6 (3.95) | * | * | * | * | * | * | * | * | * |
| Two or more races ³ | 21.1 (1.87) | 11.5 (1.41) | 11.0 (1.55) | 15.1 (1.79) | 5.3 (1.18) | 14.3 (1.76) | 5.4 (1.27) | *3.2 (1.03) | 8.8 (1.49) | 9.6 (1.56) |
| Black or African American, white | 17.1 (3.99) | 10.9 (2.53) | 11.2 (2.76) | 13.6 (3.37) | * | *8.8 (3.51) | 8.6 (1.93) | * | 10.1 (2.10) | *10.1 (3.65) |
| American Indian or Alaska Native, white | 24.7 (2.77) | 14.6 (2.28) | 13.6 (2.19) | 19.2 (2.83) | 7.3 (1.98) | 18.1 (2.38) | *4.1 (1.33) | *4.6 (1.60) | 10.0 (1.98) | 12.1 (2.19) |
| Hispanic or Latino origin ⁴ and race | | | | | | | | | | |
| Hispanic or Latino | 14.4 (0.57) | 6.4 (0.40) | 5.7 (0.38) | 9.0 (0.47) | 3.4 (0.30) | 8.4 (0.48) | 3.1 (0.30) | 2.2 (0.28) | 6.0 (0.40) | 6.9 (0.43) |
| Mexican or Mexican American | 14.9 (0.78) | 6.9 (0.57) | 5.8 (0.52) | 9.5 (0.64) | 3.7 (0.45) | 9.2 (0.69) | 3.2 (0.41) | 2.4 (0.42) | 6.5 (0.61) | 7.7 (0.64) |
| Not Hispanic or Latino | 15.5 (0.29) | 7.1 (0.19) | 5.0 (0.16) | 9.6 (0.23) | 3.2 (0.14) | 8.9 (0.21) | 2.3 (0.11) | 1.8 (0.10) | 4.1 (0.15) | 6.1 (0.18) |
| White, single race | 15.3 (0.34) | 6.8 (0.22) | 4.7 (0.18) | 9.4 (0.27) | 3.1 (0.16) | 8.8 (0.25) | 2.2 (0.13) | 1.7 (0.12) | 3.6 (0.16) | 5.8 (0.21) |
| Black or African American, single race | 18.3 (0.68) | 10.2 (0.53) | 7.6 (0.47) | 12.3 (0.59) | 4.3 (0.36) | 10.5 (0.54) | 3.4 (0.30) | 2.5 (0.28) | 6.2 (0.41) | 8.5 (0.47) |

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|--|--------------------------------------|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|---|
| Education⁵ | | | | | | | | | | |
| Less than a high school diploma | 26.7 (0.86) | 13.4 (0.66) | 11.3 (0.63) | 17.0 (0.72) | 7.4 (0.55) | 16.5 (0.72) | 5.5 (0.48) | 4.0 (0.40) | 9.6 (0.59) | 13.3 (0.69) |
| High school diploma or GED ⁶ | 20.1 (0.58) | 9.8 (0.43) | 6.8 (0.35) | 12.4 (0.47) | 4.2 (0.31) | 11.9 (0.47) | 3.1 (0.25) | 2.6 (0.24) | 5.4 (0.30) | 7.9 (0.37) |
| Some college | 18.0 (0.50) | 7.9 (0.35) | 5.5 (0.31) | 11.4 (0.42) | 4.1 (0.26) | 10.6 (0.40) | 2.3 (0.19) | 2.0 (0.17) | 4.4 (0.28) | 6.6 (0.32) |
| Bachelor's degree or higher | 10.0 (0.39) | 3.9 (0.25) | 2.5 (0.20) | 6.1 (0.30) | 1.2 (0.13) | 5.4 (0.31) | 1.2 (0.15) | 0.9 (0.14) | 2.5 (0.21) | 3.3 (0.23) |
| Current employment status⁷ | | | | | | | | | | |
| Employed | 7.4 (0.41) | 1.9 (0.19) | 0.9 (0.10) | 2.8 (0.22) | 0.9 (0.09) | 3.6 (0.29) | 0.7 (0.15) | 0.7 (0.20) | 0.8 (0.09) | 1.5 (0.17) |
| Full-time | 5.9 (0.57) | 1.4 (0.19) | 0.8 (0.13) | 2.4 (0.26) | 0.8 (0.08) | 3.1 (0.48) | 0.6 (0.15) | 0.4 (0.07) | 0.6 (0.10) | 1.2 (0.14) |
| Part-time | 10.7 (0.79) | 3.0 (0.40) | 1.5 (0.26) | 4.2 (0.46) | 1.4 (0.23) | 5.0 (0.53) | *1.1 (0.36) | *1.2 (0.36) | 1.5 (0.26) | 2.7 (0.40) |
| Not employed but has worked previously | 27.7 (0.65) | 13.7 (0.46) | 9.7 (0.35) | 18.8 (0.54) | 7.7 (0.39) | 16.7 (0.53) | 4.9 (0.30) | 3.6 (0.25) | 8.3 (0.36) | 12.4 (0.45) |
| Not employed and has never worked | 25.5 (1.41) | 14.1 (1.13) | 11.2 (1.03) | 16.7 (1.22) | 5.2 (0.80) | 12.9 (1.09) | 4.5 (0.64) | 3.7 (0.65) | 11.1 (1.03) | 13.3 (1.17) |
| Family income⁸ | | | | | | | | | | |
| Less than \$35,000 | 25.2 (0.50) | 12.5 (0.38) | 9.5 (0.34) | 16.7 (0.44) | 6.4 (0.30) | 15.2 (0.41) | 4.6 (0.24) | 3.6 (0.23) | 7.8 (0.31) | 11.4 (0.37) |
| \$35,000 or more | 11.4 (0.32) | 4.6 (0.21) | 3.2 (0.18) | 6.7 (0.25) | 2.0 (0.14) | 6.2 (0.24) | 1.5 (0.13) | 1.0 (0.11) | 2.6 (0.17) | 4.0 (0.20) |
| \$35,000–\$49,999 | 15.5 (0.76) | 7.5 (0.54) | 4.9 (0.44) | 10.1 (0.64) | 3.4 (0.39) | 9.5 (0.62) | 2.0 (0.29) | 1.5 (0.25) | 4.1 (0.45) | 5.9 (0.51) |
| \$50,000–\$74,999 | 13.8 (0.67) | 5.8 (0.46) | 4.1 (0.40) | 8.3 (0.54) | 2.7 (0.37) | 7.3 (0.50) | 2.3 (0.34) | 1.3 (0.23) | 3.3 (0.36) | 5.0 (0.45) |
| \$75,000–\$99,999 | 10.9 (0.70) | 3.9 (0.47) | 2.8 (0.41) | 5.9 (0.55) | 2.0 (0.31) | 5.7 (0.50) | 1.6 (0.35) | 1.0 (0.25) | 2.0 (0.34) | 3.2 (0.41) |
| \$100,000 or more | 8.6 (0.49) | 2.8 (0.31) | 1.8 (0.28) | 4.7 (0.37) | 1.0 (0.16) | 4.5 (0.39) | 0.6 (0.15) | 0.8 (0.16) | 1.8 (0.26) | 2.8 (0.32) |
| Poverty status⁹ | | | | | | | | | | |
| Poor | 29.3 (0.79) | 14.5 (0.59) | 12.7 (0.60) | 20.0 (0.71) | 8.5 (0.54) | 18.1 (0.67) | 6.1 (0.43) | 5.0 (0.43) | 11.2 (0.56) | 14.6 (0.63) |
| Near poor | 22.1 (0.63) | 11.4 (0.47) | 7.7 (0.39) | 14.6 (0.54) | 5.4 (0.37) | 13.3 (0.54) | 3.8 (0.30) | 2.9 (0.26) | 6.5 (0.36) | 9.7 (0.45) |
| Not poor | 11.7 (0.29) | 4.8 (0.20) | 3.4 (0.17) | 6.8 (0.23) | 2.0 (0.13) | 6.5 (0.22) | 1.5 (0.12) | 1.1 (0.10) | 2.7 (0.15) | 4.1 (0.19) |

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|---|--------------------------------------|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|---|
| Health insurance coverage ¹⁰ | | | | | | | | | | |
| Under 65: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Private | 6.4 (0.24) | 2.2 (0.15) | 1.4 (0.11) | 3.2 (0.18) | 1.5 (0.12) | 3.4 (0.18) | 0.8 (0.09) | 0.6 (0.08) | 1.3 (0.11) | 2.2 (0.15) |
| Medicaid | 27.4 (0.91) | 13.4 (0.71) | 10.3 (0.65) | 18.8 (0.81) | 9.2 (0.66) | 15.6 (0.73) | 5.1 (0.51) | 3.6 (0.38) | 9.1 (0.58) | 12.6 (0.67) |
| Other coverage | 27.2 (1.77) | 12.6 (1.26) | 8.2 (0.95) | 20.0 (1.61) | 8.6 (1.01) | 17.4 (1.43) | 4.7 (0.62) | 4.2 (0.83) | 7.3 (1.03) | 11.9 (1.24) |
| Uninsured | 9.4 (0.68) | 3.6 (0.44) | 2.7 (0.40) | 4.9 (0.49) | 2.2 (0.33) | 5.1 (0.52) | 1.5 (0.30) | 1.3 (0.28) | 2.5 (0.36) | 3.9 (0.50) |
| 65 and over: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Private | 34.4 (1.08) | 17.2 (0.90) | 12.0 (0.76) | 22.3 (0.98) | 3.0 (0.36) | 20.6 (0.94) | 4.0 (0.47) | 2.9 (0.38) | 9.1 (0.71) | 12.6 (0.76) |
| Medicare and Medicaid | 60.9 (2.59) | 38.6 (2.57) | 31.6 (2.31) | 45.8 (2.67) | 10.6 (1.84) | 40.5 (2.65) | 13.5 (1.94) | 12.1 (2.04) | 29.6 (2.47) | 34.4 (2.54) |
| Medicare Advantage | 36.8 (1.50) | 18.8 (1.23) | 13.8 (1.08) | 24.5 (1.35) | 5.1 (0.61) | 20.4 (1.23) | 5.9 (0.75) | 4.5 (0.67) | 11.0 (0.93) | 14.0 (1.07) |
| Medicare only | 39.6 (1.89) | 21.6 (1.55) | 17.1 (1.36) | 26.0 (1.63) | 6.0 (0.84) | 23.6 (1.52) | 6.9 (0.87) | 5.2 (0.82) | 13.6 (1.32) | 17.5 (1.37) |
| Other coverage | 43.6 (2.59) | 21.3 (2.09) | 18.2 (1.91) | 30.8 (2.55) | 6.1 (1.33) | 28.7 (2.41) | 6.1 (1.18) | 7.1 (1.28) | 12.2 (1.61) | 17.9 (2.11) |
| Uninsured | 34.4 (9.60) | *20.8 (8.70) | * | * | * | *22.6 (9.56) | * | * | * | * |
| Marital status | | | | | | | | | | |
| Married | 12.6 (0.32) | 5.3 (0.22) | 3.8 (0.18) | 7.6 (0.26) | 2.6 (0.15) | 7.2 (0.24) | 1.8 (0.13) | 1.4 (0.12) | 3.0 (0.17) | 4.6 (0.21) |
| Widowed | 27.3 (4.96) | 18.6 (4.88) | *15.0 (4.81) | 19.8 (4.88) | *5.9 (1.86) | 19.7 (4.90) | *3.9 (1.23) | 1.9 (0.40) | *14.3 (4.84) | 16.4 (4.87) |
| Divorced or separated | 21.0 (0.79) | 10.3 (0.59) | 7.4 (0.48) | 13.7 (0.64) | 5.2 (0.48) | 12.6 (0.64) | 3.2 (0.37) | 2.3 (0.25) | 5.8 (0.40) | 8.6 (0.47) |
| Never married | 17.9 (0.79) | 8.8 (0.65) | 5.9 (0.54) | 11.2 (0.72) | 3.4 (0.42) | 10.0 (0.67) | 3.1 (0.44) | 2.4 (0.48) | 5.9 (0.60) | 7.9 (0.65) |
| Living with a partner | 16.1 (1.25) | 5.5 (0.80) | 4.2 (0.74) | 9.3 (0.96) | 4.7 (0.69) | 8.6 (0.94) | 2.1 (0.44) | 2.1 (0.55) | 4.4 (0.80) | 5.6 (0.78) |
| Place of residence ¹¹ | | | | | | | | | | |
| Large MSA | 13.9 (0.33) | 6.3 (0.23) | 4.6 (0.20) | 8.4 (0.27) | 2.7 (0.16) | 7.7 (0.26) | 2.0 (0.14) | 1.5 (0.13) | 4.1 (0.19) | 5.5 (0.23) |
| Small MSA | 15.4 (0.46) | 7.0 (0.33) | 5.0 (0.26) | 9.9 (0.37) | 3.4 (0.25) | 9.3 (0.35) | 2.4 (0.19) | 1.8 (0.16) | 4.2 (0.23) | 6.2 (0.28) |
| Not in MSA | 19.8 (0.82) | 9.4 (0.51) | 6.7 (0.43) | 12.5 (0.65) | 5.0 (0.38) | 11.7 (0.58) | 3.6 (0.37) | 2.7 (0.28) | 4.9 (0.38) | 8.0 (0.43) |
| Region | | | | | | | | | | |
| Northeast | 14.5 (0.64) | 5.9 (0.39) | 4.0 (0.32) | 8.9 (0.53) | 2.9 (0.30) | 7.8 (0.51) | 2.0 (0.25) | 1.7 (0.22) | 4.5 (0.37) | 5.5 (0.38) |
| Midwest | 15.9 (0.51) | 7.8 (0.39) | 5.6 (0.31) | 10.0 (0.42) | 2.9 (0.26) | 9.3 (0.39) | 2.6 (0.26) | 1.8 (0.21) | 4.1 (0.30) | 6.1 (0.34) |
| South | 15.7 (0.44) | 7.6 (0.30) | 5.4 (0.25) | 9.7 (0.34) | 3.4 (0.20) | 9.5 (0.33) | 2.5 (0.15) | 2.0 (0.16) | 4.3 (0.21) | 6.8 (0.28) |
| West | 14.4 (0.52) | 6.1 (0.33) | 4.7 (0.30) | 9.2 (0.42) | 3.4 (0.29) | 8.0 (0.37) | 2.3 (0.22) | 1.5 (0.16) | 4.3 (0.29) | 5.5 (0.30) |

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|--|--------------------------------------|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|---|
| Hispanic or Latino origin ⁴ , race, and sex | | | | | | | | | | |
| Hispanic or Latino, male | 10.1 (0.75) | 4.7 (0.52) | 4.0 (0.50) | 6.9 (0.63) | 2.6 (0.41) | 6.1 (0.61) | 2.0 (0.36) | 1.4 (0.31) | 3.4 (0.48) | 4.5 (0.56) |
| Hispanic or Latina, female | 18.4 (0.82) | 7.8 (0.59) | 7.2 (0.55) | 11.1 (0.69) | 4.2 (0.43) | 10.5 (0.70) | 4.0 (0.48) | 3.0 (0.44) | 8.3 (0.60) | 9.0 (0.61) |
| Not Hispanic or Latino: | | | | | | | | | | |
| White, single race, male | 13.1 (0.46) | 5.9 (0.30) | 3.7 (0.23) | 8.3 (0.37) | 2.8 (0.23) | 7.4 (0.36) | 1.9 (0.18) | 1.4 (0.16) | 2.4 (0.19) | 4.0 (0.25) |
| White, single race, female | 17.4 (0.48) | 7.5 (0.31) | 5.5 (0.25) | 10.4 (0.37) | 3.5 (0.22) | 10.0 (0.35) | 2.4 (0.19) | 1.9 (0.16) | 4.7 (0.24) | 7.3 (0.33) |
| Black or African American, single race, male | 14.1 (0.89) | 8.1 (0.69) | 5.9 (0.64) | 9.1 (0.71) | 3.7 (0.48) | 8.3 (0.73) | 3.1 (0.45) | 2.3 (0.39) | 4.5 (0.60) | 6.3 (0.65) |
| Black or African American, single race, female | 21.6 (0.93) | 11.7 (0.71) | 8.8 (0.65) | 14.8 (0.87) | 4.7 (0.53) | 12.1 (0.79) | 3.7 (0.42) | 2.7 (0.39) | 7.5 (0.57) | 10.0 (0.68) |

* Estimates are considered unreliable. Data preceded by an asterisk have a relative standard error (RSE) greater than 30% and less than or equal to 50% and should be used with caution. Data not shown have an RSE greater than 50%.
 - Quantity zero.

¹In a series of separate questions, respondents were asked the degree of difficulty they experienced performing nine physical activities by themselves and without using any special equipment. The activities included walking a quarter of a mile (or three city blocks); standing for 2 hours; stooping, bending, or kneeling; climbing 10 steps without resting; sitting for 2 hours; reaching over one's head; using one's fingers to grasp or handle small objects; lifting or carrying a 10-pound object (such as a full bag of groceries); and pushing or pulling a large object (such as a living room chair). The response categories consisted of "not at all difficult," "only a little difficult," "somewhat difficult," "very difficult," "can't do at all," or "do not do this activity." For this table, response categories "very difficult" and "can't do [it] at all" are combined.

"Any physical difficulty" consists of a "very difficult" or "can't do at all" response to at least one of the nine physical activities shown in the remaining columns.

²Refers to persons who indicated only a single race group, including those of Hispanic or Latino origin.

³Refers to persons who indicated more than one race group, including those of Hispanic or Latino origin. Only two combinations of multiple race groups are shown due to small sample sizes for other combinations.

⁴Refers to persons who are of Hispanic or Latino origin and may be of any race or combination of races. "Not Hispanic or Latino" refers to persons who are not of Hispanic or Latino origin, regardless of race.

⁵Shown only for adults aged 25 and over. Estimates are age adjusted to the projected 2000 U.S. population as the standard population using four age groups: 25-44, 45-64, 65-74, and 75 and over.

⁶GED is General Educational Development high school equivalency diploma.

⁷"Full-time" employment is 35 or more hours per week. "Part-time" employment is 34 or fewer hours per week.

⁸Includes persons in families that reported either a dollar amount or would not provide a dollar amount but provided an income interval.

⁹"Poor" persons live in families defined as below the poverty threshold. "Near poor" persons live in families with incomes of 100% to less than 200% of the poverty threshold. "Not poor" persons live in families with incomes that are 200% of the poverty threshold or greater.

¹⁰Based on a hierarchy of mutually exclusive categories. Adults with more than one type of health insurance were assigned to the first appropriate category in the hierarchy. "Uninsured" includes adults who had no coverage as well as those who had only Indian Health Service coverage or had only a private plan that paid for one type of service such as accidents or dental care.

¹¹MSA is metropolitan statistical area. Large MSAs have a population size of 1 million or more; small MSAs have a population size of less than 1 million. "Not in MSA" consists of persons not living in a metropolitan statistical area.

NOTES: Estimates are based on household interviews of a sample of the civilian noninstitutionalized population. This table is based on data from the Sample Adult file and was weighted using the Sample Adult weight. Unknowns for the columns were not included in the denominators when calculating percentages. Percentages may not add to totals due to rounding. "Total" includes other races not shown separately and persons with unknown education, family income, poverty status, and health insurance characteristics. Unless otherwise specified, estimates are age-adjusted using the projected 2000 U.S. population as the standard population and using four age groups: 18-44, 45-64, 65-74, and 75 and over. Estimates for age groups are not age-adjusted. For more information on the data source, methods, and definitions used for this table, refer to Technical Notes for Summary Health Statistics Tables: National Health Interview Survey (available from <http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhis/SHS/tables.htm>). Suggested citation: Blackwell DL, Villarreal MA. Tables of Summary Health Statistics for U.S. Adults: 2015 National Health Interview Survey. National Center for Health Statistics. 2016. Available from: <http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhis/SHS/tables.htm>.

SOURCE: NCHS, National Health Interview Survey, 2015.

Table A-10b. Frequencies (in thousands) of difficulties in physical functioning among adults aged 18 and over, by selected characteristics: United States, 2015

| Selected characteristic | All adults aged 18 and over | Any physical difficulty ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot walk quarter of a mile ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot climb up 10 steps without resting ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot stand for 2 hours ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot sit for 2 hours ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot stoop, bend, or kneel ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot reach over head ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot grasp or handle small objects ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot lift or carry 10 pounds ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot push or pull large objects ¹ | |
|---|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|---|--|
| Total | 242,501 | 39,605 | 18,163 | 13,239 | 24,684 | 8,391 | 23,038 | 6,215 | 4,735 | 11,045 | 15,884 | |
| Sex | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Male | 116,875 | 15,255 | 7,108 | 4,715 | 9,718 | 3,397 | 8,799 | 2,421 | 1,832 | 3,341 | 5,259 | |
| Female | 125,625 | 24,349 | 11,055 | 8,524 | 14,967 | 4,994 | 14,239 | 3,793 | 2,904 | 7,704 | 10,625 | |
| Age (years) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 18–44 | 112,760 | 6,135 | 2,115 | 1,140 | 3,279 | 1,759 | 2,933 | 917 | 594 | 1,313 | 2,165 | |
| 45–64 | 83,239 | 16,111 | 7,102 | 5,340 | 9,818 | 4,337 | 9,647 | 2,673 | 2,020 | 4,392 | 6,692 | |
| 65–74 | 27,297 | 8,147 | 3,570 | 2,660 | 5,210 | 1,403 | 4,929 | 1,178 | 968 | 2,079 | 2,906 | |
| 75 and over | 19,204 | 9,212 | 5,375 | 4,099 | 6,377 | 892 | 5,529 | 1,447 | 1,153 | 3,260 | 4,122 | |
| Race | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| One race ² | 238,301 | 38,866 | 17,806 | 12,892 | 24,164 | 8,199 | 22,563 | 6,035 | 4,635 | 10,772 | 15,568 | |
| White | 191,218 | 31,787 | 14,165 | 10,208 | 19,649 | 6,513 | 18,587 | 4,769 | 3,700 | 8,223 | 12,313 | |
| Black or African American | 29,796 | 5,354 | 2,880 | 2,146 | 3,600 | 1,292 | 3,075 | 991 | 727 | 1,823 | 2,428 | |
| American Indian or Alaska Native | 2,307 | 425 | 237 | *154 | 288 | *130 | 238 | *89 | * | *163 | 225 | |
| Asian | 14,360 | 1,245 | 495 | 351 | 598 | 257 | 647 | 184 | 156 | 533 | 585 | |
| Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander | 619 | *54 | * | * | * | * | * | * | * | * | * | |
| Two or more races ³ | 4,200 | 739 | 357 | 347 | 520 | 192 | 475 | 180 | *101 | 273 | 316 | |
| Black or African American, white | 851 | *105 | *53 | *57 | *66 | * | * | * | * | *65 | *58 | |
| American Indian or Alaska Native, white | 1,647 | 437 | 235 | 224 | 342 | 124 | 310 | *67 | *71 | 151 | 191 | |
| Hispanic or Latino origin ⁴ and race | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Hispanic or Latino | 37,755 | 4,298 | 1,841 | 1,610 | 2,632 | 1,091 | 2,527 | 920 | 675 | 1,723 | 2,002 | |
| Mexican or Mexican American | 22,992 | 2,399 | 1,039 | 877 | 1,487 | 618 | 1,492 | 527 | 419 | 979 | 1,156 | |
| Not Hispanic or Latino | 204,746 | 35,306 | 16,321 | 11,628 | 22,052 | 7,300 | 20,511 | 5,295 | 4,060 | 9,322 | 13,882 | |
| White, single race | 157,410 | 28,019 | 12,572 | 8,810 | 17,342 | 5,513 | 16,365 | 3,970 | 3,084 | 6,738 | 10,513 | |
| Black or African American, single race | 28,418 | 5,133 | 2,798 | 2,066 | 3,446 | 1,259 | 2,944 | 944 | 696 | 1,722 | 2,346 | |

Table A-10b. Frequencies (in thousands) of difficulties in physical functioning among adults aged 18 and over, by selected characteristics: United States, 2015

| Selected characteristic | All adults aged 18 and over | Any physical difficulty ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot walk quarter of a mile ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot climb up 10 steps without resting ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot stand for 2 hours ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot sit for 2 hours ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot stoop, bend, or kneel ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot reach over head ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot grasp or handle small objects ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot lift or carry 10 pounds ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot push or pull large objects ¹ |
|---|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|---|
| | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Education ⁵ | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Less than a high school diploma | 26,648 | 8,283 | 4,322 | 3,666 | 5,398 | 2,162 | 5,203 | 1,757 | 1,235 | 3,054 | 4,171 |
| High school diploma or GED ⁶ | 50,847 | 11,742 | 5,847 | 4,154 | 7,316 | 2,321 | 6,934 | 1,818 | 1,516 | 3,255 | 4,730 |
| Some college | 61,605 | 11,388 | 4,879 | 3,444 | 7,136 | 2,653 | 6,775 | 1,492 | 1,318 | 2,726 | 4,126 |
| Bachelor's degree or higher | 72,373 | 6,733 | 2,491 | 1,553 | 3,999 | 887 | 3,607 | 884 | 589 | 1,646 | 2,181 |
| Current employment status ⁷ | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Employed | 148,914 | 8,676 | 2,224 | 1,299 | 3,515 | 1,436 | 4,361 | 903 | 710 | 1,092 | 2,028 |
| Full-time | 121,609 | 6,126 | 1,462 | 907 | 2,413 | 1,043 | 3,115 | 629 | 483 | 675 | 1,307 |
| Part-time | 25,508 | 2,324 | 674 | 359 | 968 | 360 | 1,132 | *244 | 213 | 367 | 637 |
| Not employed but has worked previously | 79,530 | 27,694 | 14,192 | 10,545 | 18,982 | 6,275 | 17,020 | 4,727 | 3,534 | 8,545 | 12,225 |
| Not employed and has never worked | 13,899 | 3,206 | 1,720 | 1,366 | 2,161 | 658 | 1,630 | 563 | 473 | 1,380 | 1,604 |
| Family income ⁸ | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Less than \$35,000 | 66,342 | 18,325 | 9,296 | 7,101 | 12,200 | 4,396 | 11,103 | 3,333 | 2,646 | 5,787 | 8,287 |
| \$35,000 or more | 148,656 | 16,645 | 6,476 | 4,383 | 9,486 | 3,061 | 9,181 | 2,153 | 1,476 | 3,654 | 5,601 |
| \$35,000–\$49,999 | 25,114 | 4,093 | 1,962 | 1,302 | 2,653 | 891 | 2,493 | 529 | 385 | 1,056 | 1,542 |
| \$50,000–\$74,999 | 37,018 | 5,268 | 2,191 | 1,537 | 3,165 | 1,039 | 2,840 | 868 | 500 | 1,224 | 1,872 |
| \$75,000–\$99,999 | 27,607 | 2,914 | 1,002 | 737 | 1,554 | 596 | 1,523 | 437 | 233 | 483 | 830 |
| \$100,000 or more | 58,917 | 4,371 | 1,321 | 807 | 2,113 | 534 | 2,325 | 320 | 358 | 891 | 1,357 |
| Poverty status ⁹ | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Poor | 28,022 | 7,326 | 3,558 | 3,047 | 4,956 | 2,181 | 4,486 | 1,496 | 1,230 | 2,709 | 3,605 |
| Near poor | 42,375 | 9,966 | 5,188 | 3,526 | 6,609 | 2,320 | 6,000 | 1,712 | 1,316 | 2,943 | 4,381 |
| Not poor | 159,450 | 20,020 | 8,173 | 5,730 | 11,562 | 3,441 | 11,331 | 2,632 | 1,890 | 4,553 | 6,843 |

Table A-10b. Frequencies (in thousands) of difficulties in physical functioning among adults aged 18 and over, by selected characteristics: United States, 2015

| Selected characteristic | All adults aged 18 and over | Any physical difficulty ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot walk quarter of a mile ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot climb up 10 steps without resting ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot stand for 2 hours ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot sit for 2 hours ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot stoop, bend, or kneel ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot reach over head ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot grasp or handle small objects ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot lift or carry 10 pounds ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot push or pull large objects ¹ |
|---|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|---|
| Health insurance coverage ¹⁰ | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Under 65: | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Private | 135,220 | 9,736 | 3,402 | 2,132 | 4,835 | 2,195 | 5,273 | 1,232 | 857 | 1,922 | 3,234 |
| Medicaid | 25,313 | 6,788 | 3,319 | 2,527 | 4,652 | 2,275 | 3,854 | 1,275 | 902 | 2,235 | 3,108 |
| Other coverage | 9,086 | 3,420 | 1,625 | 1,163 | 2,452 | 1,103 | 2,243 | 680 | 564 | 981 | 1,604 |
| Uninsured | 24,896 | 2,117 | 777 | 588 | 1,097 | 503 | 1,146 | 335 | 283 | 539 | 849 |
| 65 and over: | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Private | 19,581 | 6,427 | 3,149 | 2,195 | 4,162 | 592 | 3,870 | 749 | 543 | 1,670 | 2,316 |
| Medicare and Medicaid | 3,267 | 1,992 | 1,265 | 1,036 | 1,500 | 346 | 1,326 | 440 | 396 | 969 | 1,126 |
| Medicare Advantage | 11,634 | 4,183 | 2,084 | 1,537 | 2,760 | 599 | 2,318 | 665 | 503 | 1,216 | 1,564 |
| Medicare only | 7,890 | 3,034 | 1,629 | 1,277 | 1,971 | 471 | 1,813 | 521 | 399 | 1,024 | 1,310 |
| Other coverage | 3,808 | 1,613 | 764 | 656 | 1,133 | 240 | 1,055 | 224 | 248 | 429 | 659 |
| Uninsured | 249 | *83 | * | * | * | * | *58 | * | * | * | * |
| Marital status | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Married | 128,583 | 18,310 | 7,747 | 5,618 | 11,086 | 3,880 | 10,612 | 2,731 | 2,145 | 4,541 | 6,702 |
| Widowed | 14,720 | 6,619 | 3,769 | 2,958 | 4,400 | 873 | 4,203 | 1,169 | 798 | 2,402 | 3,153 |
| Divorced or separated | 27,858 | 7,181 | 3,522 | 2,683 | 4,778 | 1,750 | 4,358 | 1,083 | 868 | 1,959 | 3,038 |
| Never married | 53,374 | 5,276 | 2,344 | 1,433 | 3,153 | 1,182 | 2,650 | 898 | 663 | 1,584 | 2,169 |
| Living with a partner | 17,665 | 2,161 | 750 | 512 | 1,239 | 702 | 1,176 | 333 | 253 | 546 | 794 |
| Place of residence ¹¹ | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Large MSA | 134,062 | 19,286 | 8,630 | 6,319 | 11,595 | 3,733 | 10,709 | 2,777 | 2,125 | 5,618 | 7,616 |
| Small MSA | 74,299 | 12,350 | 5,658 | 4,096 | 7,971 | 2,684 | 7,496 | 2,002 | 1,492 | 3,435 | 4,971 |
| Not in MSA | 34,140 | 7,968 | 3,875 | 2,824 | 5,118 | 1,974 | 4,833 | 1,436 | 1,119 | 1,991 | 3,298 |
| Region | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Northeast | 42,320 | 6,893 | 2,846 | 1,952 | 4,248 | 1,344 | 3,750 | 954 | 834 | 2,137 | 2,604 |
| Midwest | 54,367 | 9,226 | 4,545 | 3,311 | 5,777 | 1,686 | 5,432 | 1,463 | 1,058 | 2,381 | 3,569 |
| South | 90,015 | 15,447 | 7,477 | 5,387 | 9,584 | 3,386 | 9,399 | 2,487 | 2,033 | 4,204 | 6,688 |
| West | 55,798 | 8,038 | 3,295 | 2,589 | 5,075 | 1,975 | 4,456 | 1,309 | 810 | 2,324 | 3,024 |

Table A-10b. Frequencies (in thousands) of difficulties in physical functioning among adults aged 18 and over, by selected characteristics: United States, 2015

| Selected characteristic | All adults aged 18 and over | Any physical difficulty ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot walk quarter of a mile ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot climb up 10 steps without resting ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot stand for 2 hours ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot sit for 2 hours ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot stoop, bend, or kneel ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot reach over head ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot grasp or handle small objects ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot lift or carry 10 pounds ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot push or pull large objects ¹ |
|--|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|---|
| | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Hispanic or Latino, male | 18,798 | 1,360 | 639 | 511 | 890 | 380 | 853 | 294 | 206 | 434 | 570 |
| Hispanic or Latina, female | 18,957 | 2,938 | 1,203 | 1,099 | 1,742 | 711 | 1,674 | 626 | 470 | 1,289 | 1,432 |
| Not Hispanic or Latino: | | | | | | | | | | | |
| White, single race, male | 76,483 | 11,311 | 5,074 | 3,223 | 7,195 | 2,357 | 6,482 | 1,653 | 1,232 | 2,059 | 3,536 |
| White, single race, female | 80,927 | 16,708 | 7,499 | 5,588 | 10,147 | 3,156 | 9,883 | 2,317 | 1,851 | 4,679 | 6,976 |
| Black or African American, single race, male | 12,771 | 1,721 | 967 | 680 | 1,109 | 498 | 1,018 | 356 | 264 | 531 | 760 |
| Black or African American, single race, female | 15,647 | 3,412 | 1,830 | 1,386 | 2,337 | 761 | 1,926 | 589 | 433 | 1,191 | 1,587 |

* Estimates are considered unreliable. Data preceded by an asterisk have a relative standard error (RSE) greater than 30% and less than or equal to 50% and should be used with caution. Data not shown have an RSE greater than 50%.

- Quantity zero.

¹In a series of separate questions, respondents were asked the degree of difficulty they experienced performing nine physical activities by themselves and without using any special equipment. The activities included walking a quarter of a mile (or three city blocks); standing for 2 hours; stooping, bending, or kneeling; climbing 10 steps without resting; sitting for 2 hours; reaching over one's head; using one's fingers to grasp or handle small objects; lifting or carrying a 10-pound object (such as a full bag of groceries); and pushing or pulling a large object (such as a living room chair). The response categories consisted of "not at all difficult," "only a little difficult," "somewhat difficult," "very difficult," "can't do at all," or "do not do this activity."

For this table, response categories "very difficult" and "can't do [it] at all" are combined.

"Any physical difficulty" consists of a "very difficult" or "can't do at all" response to at least one of the nine physical activities shown in the remaining columns.

²Refers to persons who indicated only a single race group, including those of Hispanic or Latino origin.

³Refers to persons who indicated more than one race group, including those of Hispanic or Latino origin. Only two combinations of multiple race groups are shown due to small sample sizes for other combinations.

⁴Refers to persons who are of Hispanic or Latino origin and may be of any race or combination of races. "Not Hispanic or Latino" refers to persons who are not of Hispanic or Latino origin, regardless of race.

⁵Shown only for adults aged 25 and over.

⁶GED is General Educational Development high school equivalency diploma.

⁷"Full-time" employment is 35 or more hours per week. "Part-time" employment is 34 or fewer hours per week.

⁸Includes persons in families that reported either a dollar amount or would not provide a dollar amount but provided an income interval.

⁹"Poor" persons live in families defined as below the poverty threshold. "Near poor" persons live in families with incomes of 100% to less than 200% of the poverty threshold. "Not poor" persons live in families with incomes that are 200% of the poverty threshold or greater.

¹⁰Based on a hierarchy of mutually exclusive categories. Adults with more than one type of health insurance were assigned to the first appropriate category in the hierarchy. "Uninsured" includes adults who had no coverage as well as those who had only Indian Health Service coverage or had only a private plan that paid for one type of service such as accidents or dental care.

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SOURCE: NCHS, National Health Interview Survey, 2015.

Table A-10c. Crude percentages (with standard errors) of difficulties in physical functioning among adults aged 18 and over, by selected characteristics: United States, 2015

| Selected characteristic | Any physical difficulty ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot walk quarter of a mile ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot climb up 10 steps without resting ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot stand for 2 hours ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot sit for 2 hours ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot stoop, bend, or kneel ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot reach over head ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot grasp or handle small objects ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot lift or carry 10 pounds ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot push or pull large objects ¹ |
|---|--------------------------------------|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|---|
| Total | 16.3 (0.29) | 7.5 (0.20) | 5.5 (0.16) | 10.2 (0.23) | 3.5 (0.13) | 9.5 (0.22) | 2.6 (0.11) | 2.0 (0.10) | 4.6 (0.15) | 6.6 (0.18) |
| Sex | | | | | | | | | | |
| Male | 13.1 (0.38) | 6.1 (0.25) | 4.0 (0.21) | 8.3 (0.30) | 2.9 (0.18) | 7.5 (0.29) | 2.1 (0.15) | 1.6 (0.13) | 2.9 (0.17) | 4.5 (0.21) |
| Female | 19.4 (0.42) | 8.8 (0.27) | 6.8 (0.24) | 11.9 (0.32) | 4.0 (0.19) | 11.3 (0.32) | 3.0 (0.16) | 2.3 (0.15) | 6.1 (0.24) | 8.5 (0.28) |
| Age (years) | | | | | | | | | | |
| 18–44 | 5.4 (0.26) | 1.9 (0.16) | 1.0 (0.12) | 2.9 (0.20) | 1.6 (0.14) | 2.6 (0.18) | 0.8 (0.12) | 0.5 (0.08) | 1.2 (0.12) | 1.9 (0.16) |
| 45–64 | 19.4 (0.50) | 8.5 (0.34) | 6.4 (0.30) | 11.8 (0.39) | 5.2 (0.27) | 11.6 (0.39) | 3.2 (0.21) | 2.4 (0.20) | 5.3 (0.27) | 8.0 (0.33) |
| 65–74 | 29.8 (0.90) | 13.1 (0.67) | 9.7 (0.57) | 19.1 (0.78) | 5.1 (0.44) | 18.1 (0.78) | 4.3 (0.42) | 3.5 (0.38) | 7.6 (0.54) | 10.6 (0.59) |
| 75 and over | 48.0 (1.16) | 28.0 (1.02) | 21.3 (0.93) | 33.2 (1.09) | 4.6 (0.44) | 28.8 (1.03) | 7.5 (0.58) | 6.0 (0.55) | 17.0 (0.88) | 21.5 (0.94) |
| Race | | | | | | | | | | |
| One race ² | 16.3 (0.30) | 7.5 (0.20) | 5.4 (0.16) | 10.1 (0.23) | 3.4 (0.13) | 9.5 (0.22) | 2.5 (0.11) | 1.9 (0.10) | 4.5 (0.15) | 6.5 (0.18) |
| White | 16.6 (0.34) | 7.4 (0.22) | 5.3 (0.18) | 10.3 (0.27) | 3.4 (0.15) | 9.7 (0.25) | 2.5 (0.13) | 1.9 (0.12) | 4.3 (0.17) | 6.4 (0.20) |
| Black or African American | 18.0 (0.72) | 9.7 (0.54) | 7.2 (0.48) | 12.1 (0.60) | 4.3 (0.37) | 10.3 (0.55) | 3.3 (0.30) | 2.4 (0.29) | 6.1 (0.42) | 8.2 (0.47) |
| American Indian or Alaska Native | 18.4 (2.87) | 10.3 (2.60) | *6.7 (2.17) | 12.5 (2.85) | *5.6 (1.94) | 10.3 (2.09) | 3.9 (1.04) | * | *7.1 (2.14) | 9.8 (2.53) |
| Asian | 8.7 (0.78) | 3.4 (0.48) | 2.4 (0.38) | 4.2 (0.52) | 1.8 (0.35) | 4.5 (0.53) | 1.3 (0.27) | 1.1 (0.31) | 3.7 (0.51) | 4.1 (0.52) |
| Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander | *8.8 (4.00) | * | * | * | * | * | * | * | * | * |
| Two or more races ³ | 17.6 (1.97) | 8.5 (1.33) | 8.3 (1.48) | 12.4 (1.75) | 4.6 (1.02) | 11.3 (1.64) | 4.3 (1.13) | *2.4 (0.82) | 6.5 (1.36) | 7.5 (1.40) |
| Black or African American, white | *12.4 (3.90) | *6.3 (2.57) | *6.7 (3.15) | *7.7 (3.19) | * | * | * | * | *7.6 (3.30) | *6.8 (3.10) |
| American Indian or Alaska Native, white | 26.5 (3.65) | 14.2 (2.96) | 13.6 (2.88) | 20.8 (3.46) | 7.5 (2.09) | 18.8 (3.17) | *4.1 (1.28) | *4.3 (1.55) | 9.2 (2.41) | 11.6 (2.59) |
| Hispanic or Latino origin ⁴ and race | | | | | | | | | | |
| Hispanic or Latino | 11.4 (0.52) | 4.9 (0.33) | 4.3 (0.31) | 7.0 (0.40) | 2.9 (0.26) | 6.7 (0.40) | 2.4 (0.25) | 1.8 (0.22) | 4.6 (0.33) | 5.3 (0.35) |
| Mexican or Mexican American | 10.4 (0.64) | 4.5 (0.41) | 3.8 (0.38) | 6.5 (0.50) | 2.7 (0.35) | 6.5 (0.50) | 2.3 (0.34) | 1.8 (0.30) | 4.3 (0.43) | 5.0 (0.45) |
| Not Hispanic or Latino | 17.2 (0.33) | 8.0 (0.22) | 5.7 (0.18) | 10.8 (0.26) | 3.6 (0.15) | 10.0 (0.25) | 2.6 (0.12) | 2.0 (0.11) | 4.6 (0.17) | 6.8 (0.20) |
| White, single race | 17.8 (0.39) | 8.0 (0.26) | 5.6 (0.21) | 11.0 (0.31) | 3.5 (0.17) | 10.4 (0.30) | 2.5 (0.14) | 2.0 (0.13) | 4.3 (0.19) | 6.7 (0.23) |
| Black or African American, single race | 18.1 (0.74) | 9.8 (0.56) | 7.3 (0.49) | 12.1 (0.62) | 4.4 (0.38) | 10.4 (0.57) | 3.3 (0.31) | 2.5 (0.29) | 6.1 (0.43) | 8.3 (0.49) |

Table A-10c. Crude percentages (with standard errors) of difficulties in physical functioning among adults aged 18 and over, by selected characteristics: United States, 2015

| Selected characteristic | Any physical difficulty ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot walk quarter of a mile ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot climb up 10 steps without resting ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot stand for 2 hours ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot sit for 2 hours ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot stoop, bend, or kneel ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot reach over head ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot grasp or handle small objects ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot lift or carry 10 pounds ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot push or pull large objects ¹ |
|--|--------------------------------------|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|---|
| Education⁵ | | | | | | | | | | |
| Less than a high school diploma | 31.1 (0.97) | 16.2 (0.78) | 13.8 (0.74) | 20.3 (0.81) | 8.1 (0.57) | 19.5 (0.78) | 6.6 (0.53) | 4.6 (0.44) | 11.5 (0.65) | 15.7 (0.78) |
| High school diploma or GED ⁶ | 23.1 (0.67) | 11.5 (0.49) | 8.2 (0.41) | 14.4 (0.54) | 4.6 (0.32) | 13.6 (0.53) | 3.6 (0.27) | 3.0 (0.26) | 6.4 (0.35) | 9.3 (0.43) |
| Some college | 18.5 (0.55) | 7.9 (0.36) | 5.6 (0.32) | 11.6 (0.44) | 4.3 (0.27) | 11.0 (0.43) | 2.4 (0.20) | 2.1 (0.19) | 4.4 (0.29) | 6.7 (0.33) |
| Bachelor's degree or higher | 9.3 (0.40) | 3.4 (0.24) | 2.1 (0.18) | 5.5 (0.30) | 1.2 (0.14) | 5.0 (0.30) | 1.2 (0.15) | 0.8 (0.14) | 2.3 (0.20) | 3.0 (0.22) |
| Current employment status⁷ | | | | | | | | | | |
| Employed | 5.8 (0.23) | 1.5 (0.12) | 0.9 (0.09) | 2.4 (0.13) | 1.0 (0.09) | 2.9 (0.16) | 0.6 (0.08) | 0.5 (0.07) | 0.7 (0.08) | 1.4 (0.11) |
| Full-time | 5.0 (0.23) | 1.2 (0.11) | 0.7 (0.09) | 2.0 (0.14) | 0.9 (0.09) | 2.6 (0.17) | 0.5 (0.08) | 0.4 (0.08) | 0.6 (0.08) | 1.1 (0.11) |
| Part-time | 9.1 (0.69) | 2.6 (0.34) | 1.4 (0.25) | 3.8 (0.40) | 1.4 (0.24) | 4.4 (0.45) | *1.0 (0.32) | 0.8 (0.20) | 1.4 (0.25) | 2.5 (0.34) |
| Not employed but has worked previously | 34.8 (0.63) | 17.8 (0.48) | 13.3 (0.40) | 23.9 (0.54) | 7.9 (0.33) | 21.4 (0.51) | 5.9 (0.29) | 4.4 (0.25) | 10.7 (0.38) | 15.4 (0.44) |
| Not employed and has never worked | 23.1 (1.34) | 12.4 (0.99) | 9.8 (0.87) | 15.5 (1.13) | 4.7 (0.72) | 11.7 (0.95) | 4.0 (0.56) | 3.4 (0.54) | 9.9 (0.87) | 11.5 (0.97) |
| Family income⁸ | | | | | | | | | | |
| Less than \$35,000 | 27.6 (0.60) | 14.0 (0.44) | 10.7 (0.38) | 18.4 (0.51) | 6.6 (0.32) | 16.7 (0.48) | 5.0 (0.26) | 4.0 (0.24) | 8.7 (0.35) | 12.5 (0.42) |
| \$35,000 or more | 11.2 (0.33) | 4.4 (0.20) | 2.9 (0.17) | 6.4 (0.25) | 2.1 (0.14) | 6.2 (0.25) | 1.4 (0.13) | 1.0 (0.11) | 2.5 (0.16) | 3.8 (0.19) |
| \$35,000–\$49,999 | 16.3 (0.83) | 7.8 (0.56) | 5.2 (0.46) | 10.6 (0.68) | 3.5 (0.40) | 9.9 (0.66) | 2.1 (0.32) | 1.5 (0.27) | 4.2 (0.46) | 6.1 (0.53) |
| \$50,000–\$74,999 | 14.2 (0.71) | 5.9 (0.48) | 4.2 (0.41) | 8.6 (0.58) | 2.8 (0.37) | 7.7 (0.53) | 2.3 (0.34) | 1.3 (0.25) | 3.3 (0.38) | 5.1 (0.46) |
| \$75,000–\$99,999 | 10.6 (0.70) | 3.6 (0.43) | 2.7 (0.39) | 5.6 (0.53) | 2.2 (0.33) | 5.5 (0.49) | 1.6 (0.33) | 0.8 (0.22) | 1.8 (0.29) | 3.0 (0.38) |
| \$100,000 or more | 7.4 (0.46) | 2.2 (0.25) | 1.4 (0.20) | 3.6 (0.30) | 0.9 (0.14) | 3.9 (0.36) | 0.5 (0.12) | 0.6 (0.14) | 1.5 (0.20) | 2.3 (0.25) |
| Poverty status⁹ | | | | | | | | | | |
| Poor | 26.1 (0.92) | 12.7 (0.61) | 10.9 (0.60) | 17.7 (0.77) | 7.8 (0.52) | 16.0 (0.71) | 5.3 (0.41) | 4.4 (0.40) | 9.7 (0.56) | 12.9 (0.65) |
| Near poor | 23.5 (0.70) | 12.2 (0.52) | 8.3 (0.43) | 15.6 (0.59) | 5.5 (0.38) | 14.2 (0.59) | 4.0 (0.31) | 3.1 (0.28) | 6.9 (0.39) | 10.3 (0.49) |
| Not poor | 12.6 (0.33) | 5.1 (0.22) | 3.6 (0.18) | 7.3 (0.25) | 2.2 (0.14) | 7.1 (0.25) | 1.7 (0.12) | 1.2 (0.11) | 2.9 (0.16) | 4.3 (0.19) |

Table A-10c. Crude percentages (with standard errors) of difficulties in physical functioning among adults aged 18 and over, by selected characteristics: United States, 2015

| Selected characteristic | Any physical difficulty ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot walk quarter of a mile ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot climb up 10 steps without resting ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot stand for 2 hours ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot sit for 2 hours ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot stoop, bend, or kneel ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot reach over head ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot grasp or handle small objects ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot lift or carry 10 pounds ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot push or pull large objects ¹ |
|---|--------------------------------------|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|---|
| Health insurance coverage ¹⁰ | | | | | | | | | | |
| Under 65: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Private | 7.2 (0.27) | 2.5 (0.16) | 1.6 (0.12) | 3.6 (0.19) | 1.6 (0.13) | 3.9 (0.20) | 0.9 (0.10) | 0.6 (0.09) | 1.4 (0.12) | 2.4 (0.16) |
| Medicaid | 26.8 (0.98) | 13.1 (0.73) | 10.0 (0.67) | 18.4 (0.85) | 9.0 (0.66) | 15.2 (0.75) | 5.0 (0.50) | 3.6 (0.37) | 8.8 (0.60) | 12.3 (0.69) |
| Other coverage | 37.6 (1.88) | 17.9 (1.44) | 12.8 (1.21) | 27.0 (1.63) | 12.1 (1.15) | 24.7 (1.60) | 7.5 (0.93) | 6.2 (0.93) | 10.8 (1.18) | 17.7 (1.44) |
| Uninsured | 8.5 (0.63) | 3.1 (0.38) | 2.4 (0.35) | 4.4 (0.45) | 2.0 (0.30) | 4.6 (0.47) | 1.3 (0.26) | 1.1 (0.24) | 2.2 (0.33) | 3.4 (0.45) |
| 65 and over: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Private | 32.8 (1.08) | 16.1 (0.87) | 11.2 (0.73) | 21.3 (0.96) | 3.0 (0.37) | 19.8 (0.92) | 3.8 (0.44) | 2.8 (0.37) | 8.5 (0.68) | 11.8 (0.73) |
| Medicare and Medicaid | 61.0 (2.59) | 38.7 (2.57) | 31.7 (2.37) | 45.9 (2.66) | 10.6 (1.85) | 40.6 (2.64) | 13.5 (1.92) | 12.1 (2.03) | 29.7 (2.46) | 34.5 (2.54) |
| Medicare Advantage | 36.0 (1.50) | 17.9 (1.20) | 13.2 (1.05) | 23.7 (1.34) | 5.2 (0.62) | 19.9 (1.21) | 5.7 (0.73) | 4.3 (0.64) | 10.5 (0.91) | 13.4 (1.05) |
| Medicare only | 38.5 (1.90) | 20.6 (1.53) | 16.2 (1.33) | 25.0 (1.61) | 6.0 (0.83) | 23.0 (1.49) | 6.6 (0.84) | 5.1 (0.79) | 13.0 (1.27) | 16.6 (1.33) |
| Other coverage | 42.4 (2.61) | 20.1 (2.08) | 17.2 (1.90) | 29.8 (2.55) | 6.3 (1.42) | 27.7 (2.44) | 5.9 (1.11) | 6.5 (1.17) | 11.3 (1.54) | 17.3 (2.10) |
| Uninsured | 33.5 (8.54) | *15.3 (7.30) | *16.8 (7.78) | *16.8 (7.78) | * | *23.2 (8.30) | * | * | * | * |
| Marital status | | | | | | | | | | |
| Married | 14.2 (0.37) | 6.0 (0.24) | 4.4 (0.21) | 8.6 (0.29) | 3.0 (0.16) | 8.3 (0.27) | 2.1 (0.15) | 1.7 (0.14) | 3.5 (0.19) | 5.2 (0.23) |
| Widowed | 45.0 (1.23) | 25.6 (1.02) | 20.1 (0.98) | 29.9 (1.14) | 5.9 (0.58) | 28.6 (1.10) | 7.9 (0.64) | 5.4 (0.53) | 16.3 (0.92) | 21.4 (1.01) |
| Divorced or separated | 25.8 (0.82) | 12.6 (0.61) | 9.6 (0.52) | 17.2 (0.69) | 6.3 (0.45) | 15.6 (0.69) | 3.9 (0.33) | 3.1 (0.33) | 7.0 (0.42) | 10.9 (0.53) |
| Never married | 9.9 (0.49) | 4.4 (0.32) | 2.7 (0.23) | 5.9 (0.39) | 2.2 (0.24) | 5.0 (0.33) | 1.7 (0.22) | 1.2 (0.18) | 3.0 (0.26) | 4.1 (0.32) |
| Living with a partner | 12.2 (0.92) | 4.2 (0.57) | 2.9 (0.46) | 7.0 (0.69) | 4.0 (0.56) | 6.7 (0.71) | 1.9 (0.46) | 1.4 (0.31) | 3.1 (0.51) | 4.5 (0.57) |
| Place of residence ¹¹ | | | | | | | | | | |
| Large MSA | 14.4 (0.38) | 6.4 (0.25) | 4.7 (0.21) | 8.6 (0.29) | 2.8 (0.17) | 8.0 (0.29) | 2.1 (0.14) | 1.6 (0.13) | 4.2 (0.20) | 5.7 (0.24) |
| Small MSA | 16.6 (0.53) | 7.6 (0.37) | 5.5 (0.30) | 10.7 (0.42) | 3.6 (0.26) | 10.1 (0.40) | 2.7 (0.21) | 2.0 (0.17) | 4.6 (0.27) | 6.7 (0.31) |
| Not in MSA | 23.3 (0.88) | 11.3 (0.56) | 8.3 (0.50) | 15.0 (0.71) | 5.8 (0.40) | 14.2 (0.62) | 4.2 (0.34) | 3.3 (0.31) | 5.8 (0.41) | 9.7 (0.49) |
| Region | | | | | | | | | | |
| Northeast | 16.3 (0.73) | 6.7 (0.46) | 4.6 (0.37) | 10.0 (0.58) | 3.2 (0.32) | 8.9 (0.58) | 2.3 (0.28) | 2.0 (0.26) | 5.0 (0.41) | 6.2 (0.43) |
| Midwest | 17.0 (0.59) | 8.4 (0.44) | 6.1 (0.36) | 10.6 (0.48) | 3.1 (0.27) | 10.0 (0.46) | 2.7 (0.27) | 1.9 (0.22) | 4.4 (0.34) | 6.6 (0.38) |
| South | 17.2 (0.52) | 8.3 (0.35) | 6.0 (0.29) | 10.6 (0.39) | 3.8 (0.22) | 10.4 (0.37) | 2.8 (0.17) | 2.3 (0.18) | 4.7 (0.24) | 7.4 (0.32) |
| West | 14.4 (0.55) | 5.9 (0.34) | 4.6 (0.31) | 9.1 (0.43) | 3.5 (0.30) | 8.0 (0.39) | 2.3 (0.22) | 1.5 (0.16) | 4.2 (0.29) | 5.4 (0.30) |

Table A-10c. Crude percentages (with standard errors) of difficulties in physical functioning among adults aged 18 and over, by selected characteristics: United States, 2015

| Selected characteristic | Any physical difficulty ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot walk quarter of a mile ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot climb up 10 steps without resting ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot stand for 2 hours ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot sit for 2 hours ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot stoop, bend, or kneel ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot reach over head ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot grasp or handle small objects ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot lift or carry 10 pounds ¹ | Very difficult to or cannot push or pull large objects ¹ |
|--|--------------------------------------|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|---|
| Hispanic or Latino origin ⁴ , race, and sex | | | | | | | | | | |
| Hispanic or Latino, male | 7.2 (0.59) | 3.4 (0.40) | 2.7 (0.36) | 4.7 (0.46) | 2.0 (0.33) | 4.5 (0.47) | 1.6 (0.27) | 1.1 (0.23) | 2.3 (0.34) | 3.0 (0.38) |
| Hispanic or Latina, female | 15.5 (0.80) | 6.3 (0.51) | 5.8 (0.47) | 9.2 (0.62) | 3.8 (0.40) | 8.8 (0.62) | 3.3 (0.43) | 2.5 (0.38) | 6.8 (0.55) | 7.6 (0.56) |
| Not Hispanic or Latino: | | | | | | | | | | |
| White, single race, male | 14.8 (0.52) | 6.6 (0.34) | 4.2 (0.27) | 9.4 (0.42) | 3.1 (0.24) | 8.5 (0.40) | 2.2 (0.19) | 1.6 (0.17) | 2.7 (0.22) | 4.6 (0.27) |
| White, single race, female | 20.6 (0.55) | 9.3 (0.36) | 6.9 (0.31) | 12.5 (0.42) | 3.9 (0.24) | 12.2 (0.42) | 2.9 (0.20) | 2.3 (0.19) | 5.8 (0.29) | 8.6 (0.36) |
| Black or African American, single race, male | 13.5 (0.90) | 7.6 (0.68) | 5.3 (0.61) | 8.7 (0.71) | 3.9 (0.51) | 8.0 (0.72) | 2.8 (0.41) | 2.1 (0.38) | 4.2 (0.56) | 5.9 (0.63) |
| Black or African American, single race, female | 21.8 (1.06) | 11.7 (0.80) | 8.9 (0.72) | 14.9 (0.94) | 4.9 (0.56) | 12.3 (0.87) | 3.8 (0.46) | 2.8 (0.43) | 7.6 (0.63) | 10.1 (0.75) |

* Estimates are considered unreliable. Data preceded by an asterisk have a relative standard error (RSE) greater than 30% and less than or equal to 50% and should be used with caution. Data not shown have an RSE greater than 50%.
 - Quantity zero.

¹In a series of separate questions, respondents were asked the degree of difficulty they experienced performing nine physical activities by themselves and without using any special equipment. The activities included walking a quarter of a mile (or three city blocks); standing for 2 hours; stooping, bending, or kneeling; climbing 10 steps without resting; sitting for 2 hours; reaching over one's head; using one's fingers to grasp or handle small objects; lifting or carrying a 10-pound object (such as a full bag of groceries); and pushing or pulling a large object (such as a living room chair). The response categories consisted of "not at all difficult," "only a little difficult," "somewhat difficult," "very difficult," "can't do at all," or "do not do this activity." For this table, response categories "very difficult" and "can't do [it] at all" are combined.

"Any physical difficulty" consists of a "very difficult" or "can't do at all" response to at least one of the nine physical activities shown in the remaining columns.

²Refers to persons who indicated only a single race group, including those of Hispanic or Latino origin.

³Refers to persons who indicated more than one race group, including those of Hispanic or Latino origin. Only two combinations of multiple race groups are shown due to small sample sizes for other combinations.

⁴Refers to persons who are of Hispanic or Latino origin and may be of any race or combination of races. "Not Hispanic or Latino" refers to persons who are not of Hispanic or Latino origin, regardless of race.

⁵Shown only for adults aged 25 and over.

⁶GED is General Educational Development high school equivalency diploma.

⁷"Full-time" employment is 35 or more hours per week. "Part-time" employment is 34 or fewer hours per week.

⁸Includes persons in families that reported either a dollar amount or would not provide a dollar amount but provided an income interval.

⁹"Poor" persons live in families defined as below the poverty threshold. "Near poor" persons live in families with incomes of 100% to less than 200% of the poverty threshold. "Not poor" persons live in families with incomes that are 200% of the poverty threshold or greater.

¹⁰Based on a hierarchy of mutually exclusive categories. Adults with more than one type of health insurance were assigned to the first appropriate category in the hierarchy. "Uninsured" includes adults who had no coverage as well as those who had only Indian Health Service coverage or had only a private plan that paid for one type of service such as accidents or dental care.

¹¹MSA is metropolitan statistical area. Large MSAs have a population size of 1 million or more; small MSAs have a population size of less than 1 million. "Not in MSA" consists of persons not living in a metropolitan statistical area.

NOTES: Estimates are based on household interviews of a sample of the civilian noninstitutionalized population. This table is based on data from the Sample Adult file and was weighted using the Sample Adult weight. Persons who respond "do not do this activity" as well as those for whom the information is unknown are not included in the denominator when calculating percentages. Percentages may not add to totals due to rounding. "Total" includes other races not shown separately and persons with unknown education, family income, poverty status, and health insurance characteristics. For more information on the data source, methods, and definitions used for this table, refer to Technical Notes for Summary Health Statistics Tables: National Health Interview Survey (available from <http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhis/SHS/tables.htm>). Suggested citation: Blackwell DL, Villarroel MA. Tables of Summary Health Statistics for U.S. Adults: 2015 National Health Interview Survey. National Center for Health Statistics. 2016. Available from: <http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhis/SHS/tables.htm>.

SOURCE: NCHS, National Health Interview Survey, 2015.