

Table HC4.12 Home Electronics Usage Indicators by Renter-Occupied Housing Unit, 2005
Million U.S. Housing Units

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			Single-Family Units		Apartments in Buildings With--		Mobile Homes
			Detached	Attached	2 to 4 Units	5 or More Units	
Total.....	111.1	33.0	8.0	3.4	5.9	14.4	1.2
Personal Computers							
Do Not Use a Personal Computer.....	35.5	15.3	3.0	1.9	3.1	6.4	0.8
Use a Personal Computer.....	75.6	17.7	5.0	1.6	2.8	8.0	0.4
Most-Used Personal Computer							
Type of PC							
Desk-top Model.....	58.6	12.8	4.0	1.1	2.0	5.4	0.3
Laptop Model.....	16.9	4.9	1.0	0.4	0.8	2.6	Q
Hours Turned on Per Week							
Less than 2 Hours.....	13.6	3.3	0.8	0.3	0.7	1.3	Q
2 to 15 Hours.....	29.1	6.6	1.9	0.6	0.9	3.1	Q
16 to 40 Hours.....	13.5	3.3	1.2	0.2	0.6	1.3	Q
41 to 167 Hours.....	6.3	1.4	0.3	Q	Q	0.8	N
On All the Time.....	13.0	3.1	0.8	0.3	0.6	1.4	Q
Status of PC When Not Being Used							
Left On.....	12.5	2.7	0.7	0.4	0.4	1.2	Q
Completely Turned Off.....	43.6	10.8	3.1	0.8	1.6	5.0	0.3
Manually Put into Sleep Mode.....	19.4	4.2	1.2	0.4	0.8	1.8	Q
CPU Goes to Sleep When PC is Left On							
Yes.....	9.1	1.8	0.5	0.3	0.2	0.8	Q
No.....	3.4	0.9	Q	Q	Q	0.4	N
Type of Monitor Used							
Desk-top							
CRT (Standard Monitor).....	45.0	10.1	3.1	0.9	1.6	4.3	0.3
Flat-Panel LCD.....	13.6	2.8	0.9	0.3	0.4	1.2	Q
Laptop (Flat-panel LCD).....	16.9	4.9	1.0	0.4	0.8	2.6	Q
Status of Monitor When Not in Use							
Screen-Saver.....	6.1	1.4	0.4	Q	0.3	0.5	N
Automatic Sleep Mode.....	4.4	0.9	0.2	Q	Q	0.4	N
Monitor is Turned Off.....	2.0	0.4	Q	Q	Q	0.3	Q
Second Most-Used Personal Computer							
Use a Second Personal Computer.....	25.3	4.4	1.6	0.7	0.6	1.5	Q
Type of PC							
Desk-top Model.....	15.8	2.7	1.1	0.4	0.3	0.9	Q
Lap-top Model.....	9.4	1.7	0.5	Q	0.3	0.7	Q
Hours Turned on Per Week							
Less than 2 Hours.....	8.2	1.4	0.5	Q	0.2	0.4	Q
2 to 15 Hours.....	9.9	1.8	0.6	0.3	Q	0.6	Q
16 to 40 Hours.....	3.2	0.5	Q	Q	Q	Q	N
41 to 167 Hours.....	1.2	Q	Q	N	Q	Q	N
On All the Time.....	2.8	0.6	Q	Q	Q	Q	N

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Status of PC When Not in Use							
Left On.....	3.2	0.7	Q	Q	Q	0.2	N
Completely Turned Off.....	17.8	3.1	1.2	0.4	0.4	1.1	Q
Manually Put into Sleep Mode.....	4.2	0.7	Q	Q	Q	0.3	N
CPU Goes to Sleep When PC is Left On							
Yes.....	2.2	0.5	Q	Q	Q	Q	N
No.....	1.0	Q	Q	Q	Q	Q	N
Type of Monitor Used							
Desk-top							
CRT (Standard Monitor).....	11.6	1.9	0.8	0.2	Q	0.6	Q
Flat-Panel LCD.....	4.2	0.8	0.2	Q	Q	0.3	N
Laptop (Flat-panel LCD).....	9.4	1.7	0.5	Q	0.3	0.7	Q
Monitor Goes to Sleep When Not in Use							
Screen-Saver.....	1.7	0.4	Q	Q	Q	Q	N
Automatic Sleep Mode.....	1.0	Q	Q	Q	Q	Q	N
Monitor is Turned Off.....	0.5	Q	Q	Q	Q	Q	N
Use of Internet							
Have Access to Internet							
Yes.....	66.9	14.2	4.0	1.3	2.1	6.6	Q
Dial-up (phone).....	26.8	4.9	1.6	0.3	0.7	2.2	Q
DSL.....	19.1	4.5	1.2	0.4	0.6	2.2	Q
Cable Modem.....	20.8	4.9	1.2	0.6	0.8	2.2	Q
No.....	8.7	3.5	1.0	0.2	0.7	1.4	0.2
Status of DSL Connection When Not in Use							
Turned Off.....	5.0	1.3	0.3	Q	Q	0.8	N
Left On.....	14.2	3.2	0.9	0.3	0.5	1.5	Q
Status of Cable Modem When Not in Use							
Turned Off.....	4.1	0.7	Q	Q	Q	0.4	N
Left On.....	16.7	4.1	1.1	0.5	0.8	1.7	Q
Have a Wireless Router							
Yes.....	2.4	0.7	Q	Q	Q	0.4	Q
No.....	12.7	2.4	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.9	Q
No DSL or Modem Connection.....	27.0	4.9	1.5	0.3	0.7	2.2	Q
Primary Use of PC(s)							
Personal Use.....	39.8	8.2	2.2	0.5	1.2	4.1	Q
Recreation.....	14.4	3.9	1.2	0.6	0.7	1.4	Q
Education/School.....	10.3	3.6	0.9	0.3	0.5	1.8	Q
Home Business.....	7.6	1.3	0.5	Q	Q	0.5	Q
Telecommuting.....	3.5	0.7	Q	Q	Q	Q	Q
Telecommuting by Personal Computer							
1 or 2 Days per Week.....	0.8	Q	N	Q	N	N	N
3 to 5 Days per Week.....	1.3	0.3	Q	N	Q	Q	N
More than 5 Days per Week.....	1.4	0.3	Q	N	Q	Q	Q

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PC Printer	65.4	13.3	3.8	1.3	1.9	6.0	0.3
With Built-in Fax/Copier.....	27.7	5.3	1.8	0.5	0.6	2.3	Q
Without Built-in Fax/Copier.....	37.8	7.9	2.0	0.7	1.4	3.7	Q
Use a Color Television Set	109.7	32.2	7.8	3.4	5.8	14.0	1.1
Weekday Hours Turned on per Day							
Less than 1 Hour.....	6.2	2.1	0.5	Q	0.4	1.0	Q
1 to 3 Hours.....	49.1	13.3	2.8	1.5	2.6	5.9	0.5
Most of the Day.....	46.0	13.3	3.4	1.3	2.3	5.9	0.5
On All the Time.....	8.4	3.5	1.1	0.5	0.6	1.2	Q
No Television.....	1.4	0.8	Q	Q	Q	0.5	Q
Weekend Hours Turned on per Day							
Less than 1 Hour.....	7.3	2.6	0.6	Q	0.6	1.2	Q
1 to 3 Hours.....	35.9	9.6	2.2	1.2	1.8	4.1	0.3
Most of the Day.....	56.4	16.0	3.8	1.5	2.9	7.2	0.7
On All the Time.....	10.1	4.0	1.2	0.6	0.6	1.5	Q
No Television.....	1.4	0.8	Q	Q	Q	0.5	Q
TV-Based Game System Usage per Week							
Use a TV-Based Game System.....	34.7	11.0	3.6	1.3	2.0	3.8	0.4
Less than 5 Hours.....	19.9	6.2	2.0	0.7	1.0	2.2	0.3
5 to 10 Hours.....	8.9	2.5	0.7	0.3	0.5	0.9	Q
11 to 15 hours.....	2.4	0.6	0.2	Q	Q	Q	Q
16 to 20 Hours.....	1.5	0.8	Q	Q	Q	0.3	Q
More than 20 Hours.....	2.1	0.9	0.4	Q	Q	0.2	Q
Do Not Use a TV-Based Game System.....	75.0	21.1	4.3	2.1	3.9	10.2	0.7

Q = Data withheld either because the Relative Standard Error (RSE) was greater than 50 percent or fewer than 10 households were sampled.

N = No cases in reporting sample.

Notes: • Because of rounding, data may not sum to totals. • See Glossary for definition of terms used in these tables.

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