Table HC7.12  Home Electronics Usage Indicators by Household Income, 2005

Million U.S. Housing Units

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**Personal Computers**

- **Do Not Use a Personal Computer**
  - 35.5
  - 17.1
  - 10.8
  - 4.2
  - 1.8
  - 1.6
  - 75.6
  - 9.6
  - 18.0
  - 16.4
  - 11.3
  - 20.3
  - 6.4
  - 17.9

- **Use a Personal Computer**
  - 75.6
  - 9.6
  - 18.0
  - 16.4
  - 11.3
  - 20.3
  - 6.4
  - 17.9

**Most-Used Personal Computer**

- **Type of PC**
  - Desk-top Model
    - 58.6
    - 7.6
    - 14.2
    - 13.1
    - 9.2
    - 14.6
    - 5.0
    - 14.5
  - Laptop Model
    - 16.9
    - 2.0
    - 3.8
    - 3.3
    - 2.1
    - 5.7
    - 1.3
    - 3.5

- **Hours Turned on Per Week**
  - Less than 2 Hours
    - 13.6
    - 3.1
    - 3.9
    - 3.4
    - 1.7
    - 1.6
    - 3.5
    - 1.8
  - 2 to 15 Hours
    - 29.1
    - 3.4
    - 7.0
    - 6.6
    - 4.5
    - 7.6
    - 2.3
    - 7.1
  - 16 to 40 Hours
    - 13.5
    - 1.3
    - 3.2
    - 2.2
    - 2.3
    - 4.5
    - 0.9
    - 2.8
  - 41 to 167 Hours
    - 6.3
    - 0.8
    - 1.1
    - 1.3
    - 0.9
    - 2.3
    - 0.5
    - 1.2
  - On All the Time
    - 13.0
    - 1.1
    - 2.7
    - 2.9
    - 2.0
    - 4.4
    - 0.8
    - 2.1

- **Status of PC When Not Being Used**
  - Left On
    - 12.5
    - 1.3
    - 2.6
    - 2.4
    - 1.9
    - 4.3
    - 0.9
    - 2.4
  - Completely Turned Off
    - 43.6
    - 6.3
    - 11.7
    - 9.6
    - 6.5
    - 9.5
    - 4.3
    - 11.9
  - Manually Put into Sleep Mode
    - 19.4
    - 1.9
    - 3.6
    - 4.4
    - 2.9
    - 6.6
    - 1.2
    - 3.7

- **CPU Goes to Sleep When PC is Left On**
  - Yes
    - 9.1
    - 1.0
    - 1.8
    - 1.7
    - 1.2
    - 3.3
    - 0.7
    - 1.8
  - No
    - 3.4
    - 0.3
    - 0.7
    - 0.7
    - 0.7
    - 1.0
    - 0.2
    - 0.6

- **Type of Monitor Used**
  - Desk-top
    - CRT (Standard Monitor)
      - 45.0
      - 6.6
      - 11.6
      - 10.2
      - 6.5
      - 10.1
      - 4.4
      - 12.1
  - Flat-Panel LCD
    - 13.6
    - 1.0
    - 2.6
    - 2.8
    - 2.7
    - 4.5
    - 0.6
    - 2.4
  - Laptop (Flat-panel LCD)
    - 16.9
    - 2.0
    - 3.8
    - 3.3
    - 2.1
    - 5.7
    - 1.3
    - 3.5

- **Status of Monitor When Not in Use**
  - Screen-Saver
    - 6.1
    - 0.6
    - 1.3
    - 1.4
    - 1.0
    - 1.9
    - 0.4
    - 1.2
  - Automatic Sleep Mode
    - 4.4
    - 0.6
    - 0.8
    - 0.7
    - 0.6
    - 1.6
    - 0.4
    - 0.9
  - Monitor is Turned Off
    - 2.0
    - Q
    - 0.5
    - 0.3
    - 0.4
    - 0.7
    - Q
    - 0.3

- **Second Most-Used Personal Computer**
  - Use a Second Personal Computer
    - 25.3
    - 1.3
    - 3.8
    - 4.9
    - 4.1
    - 11.1
    - 1.1
    - 3.7

- **Type of PC**
  - Desk-top Model
    - 15.8
    - 0.8
    - 2.6
    - 3.2
    - 2.8
    - 6.5
    - 0.7
    - 2.4
  - Lap-top Model
    - 9.4
    - 0.5
    - 1.2
    - 1.7
    - 1.3
    - 4.7
    - 0.4
    - 1.3

- **Hours Turned on Per Week**
  - Less than 2 Hours
    - 8.2
    - 0.4
    - 1.4
    - 2.0
    - 1.5
    - 2.9
    - 0.4
    - 1.4
  - 2 to 15 Hours
    - 9.9
    - 0.5
    - 1.4
    - 1.8
    - 1.5
    - 4.6
    - 0.4
    - 1.5
  - 16 to 40 Hours
    - 3.2
    - Q
    - 0.4
    - 0.5
    - 0.6
    - 1.6
    - Q
    - 0.4
  - 41 to 167 Hours
    - 1.2
    - Q
    - Q
    - Q
    - 0.8
    - N
    - Q
    - Q
  - On All the Time
    - 2.8
    - Q
    - 0.5
    - 0.4
    - 0.4
    - 1.4
    - Q
    - 0.3

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#### Weekday Hours Turned on per Day

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#### TV-Based Game System Usage per Week

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