

**P70-89. A Child's Day: 2000 (Selected Indicators of Child Well-Being)**

**Table D7. Reading to Children by Any Family Member--Characteristics of Children and Parents: 2000**

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(Numbers in thousands)

Characteristic	Age of child		Family reading practices					
			Percent never read to last week		Percent of children read to 7 or more times per week		Average times read to child per week /1	
	1 and 2 years	3 to 5 years	1 and 2 years	3 to 5 years	1 and 2 years	3 to 5 years	1 and 2 years	3 to 5 years
<b>Total</b>	7,830	11,780	8.6	7.4	54.8	49.0	7.6	6.8
<b>CHILD</b>								
<b>Sex</b>								
Female	3,801	5,808	7.9	7.5	55.5	48.8	7.7	6.8
Male	4,029	5,971	9.3	7.4	54.1	49.2	7.5	6.8
<b>Race and Ethnicity</b>								
White	6,177	9,420	7.7	6.1	56.4	51.9	7.9	7.0
Non-Hispanic	5,164	7,631	4.6	3.6	60.9	56.0	8.1	7.3
Black	1,260	1,813	10.9	12.9	47.8	35.5	6.3	5.8
Asian and Pacific Islander	277	391	19.1	10.7	52.3	46.9	8.5	6.3
Hispanic (of any race)	1,063	1,928	23.8	17.2	34.2	34.3	6.1	5.7
<b>PARENT</b>								
<b>Sex</b>								
Female	7,647	11,462	8.6	7.3	54.8	49.1	7.6	6.8
Male	182	317	10.6	11.0	53.8	43.7	8.4	6.2
<b>Race and Ethnicity</b>								
White	6,327	9,586	7.4	6.1	56.5	51.9	7.9	7.0
Non-Hispanic	5,126	7,701	4.3	3.7	61.1	56.2	8.1	7.3
Black	1,191	1,676	12.2	13.7	47.0	34.6	6.3	5.8
Asian and Pacific Islander	267	380	21.8	12.6	49.0	46.8	8.0	6.4
Hispanic (of any race)	1,162	2,037	21.1	16.0	36.9	34.1	6.3	5.6

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<b>Marital Status</b>								
Married /2	5,750	8,700	7.2	5.9	57.6	52.0	8.0	7.0
Separated, divorced, widowed	647	1,233	11.7	9.0	49.1	42.5	6.5	6.3
Never married	1,434	1,846	12.9	13.5	46.0	39.2	6.5	5.8
<b>Educational Attainment</b>								
High school or less	3,490	5,392	14.1	11.8	44.6	40.0	6.3	6.0
Some college	1,265	2,083	5.7	4.7	58.1	52.7	7.5	7.3
Vocational or associate degree	927	1,399	5.6	3.8	60.3	52.2	8.3	6.6
Bachelor's degree	1,709	2,180	2.9	3.2	66.1	60.9	9.2	7.6
Advanced degree	438	725	3.0	2.3	69.8	63.7	9.4	8.5
<b>Employment Status /3</b>								
Worked full-time last month	2,988	4,836	6.2	7.1	51.9	45.1	6.9	6.4
Worked part-time last month	1,817	2,712	5.5	3.8	61.6	54.1	8.4	7.0
Did not work last month	1,025	4,231	13.0	10.1	53.5	50.2	7.8	7.1
<b>Occupation /4</b>								
Managerial-professional	1,432	2,148	3.9	2.6	62.1	55.6	8.1	7.2
Technical, sales, and administrative	1,738	2,601	4.8	5.5	49.7	46.0	7.1	6.4
Service occupations	681	1,225	10.1	9.8	56.6	42.9	7.1	6.7
Other	955	1,569	8.1	8.2	55.7	46.8	6.4	5.9

Note: Family members include either parent or any other relative.

/1 Based on children reported as being read to one or more times per week.

/2 Married includes married, spouse present and married, spouse absent (excluding separated).

/3 Full-time includes those who usually work 35 or more hours per week; part-time includes those who usually work 1-34 hours per week; those who did not work last month include individuals who are unemployed or are not in the labor force.

/4 Excludes those who work in the Armed Forces.