

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

Table D8. Reading to Children by Any Family Member--Characteristics of Families and Households: 2000

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Survey of Income and Program Participation, 1996 Panel, Wave 12.

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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
Total	7,830	11,780	8.6	7.4	54.8	49.0	7.6	6.8
Monthly Family Income								
Under \$1,500	1,312	1,997	15.2	12.1	45.0	44.5	6.8	6.1
\$1,500 to \$2,999	1,830	2,885	10.3	8.8	53.0	42.1	7.0	6.4
\$3,000 to \$4,499	1,635	2,311	6.4	7.2	52.4	49.8	7.9	7.2
\$4,500 and over	2,842	4,333	4.9	3.9	62.9	55.5	8.1	7.1
Income not reported	211	254	20.7	16.1	38.9	45.6	7.3	7.3
Poverty Status								
Below poverty level	1,323	2,006	17.9	13.7	44.3	42.2	6.7	6.0
On or above poverty level	6,296	9,520	6.3	5.9	57.5	50.5	7.8	6.9
100 to 199 percent of poverty	1,681	2,968	10.9	9.0	49.2	44.0	6.7	6.4
200 percent of poverty or higher	4,615	6,552	4.6	4.5	60.5	53.5	8.2	7.2
Income not reported	211	254	20.7	16.1	38.9	45.6	7.3	7.3
Tenure								
Owns home	4,876	7,524	5.6	52.6	4.8	52.6	8.2	7.1
Rents home	2,598	3,767	13.8	42.6	12.5	42.6	6.6	6.2
Other arrangements	356	489	12.6	42.6	9.7	42.6	6.4	6.1
Region of Residence								
Northeast	1,480	2,159	7.3	3.7	67.8	56.5	9.0	7.4
Midwest	1,702	2,710	4.6	3.9	55.1	50.7	7.8	6.8

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South	2,810	3,822	8.3	9.4	50.7	43.6	6.7	6.3
West	1,838	3,088	14.0	10.7	50.2	48.9	7.6	7.0
Metropolitan Residence								
Metropolitan	6,442	9,528	8.5	8.1	55.7	49.3	7.9	6.9
In central cities	2,324	3,613	10.5	10.9	52.9	44.7	7.8	6.3
Outside central cities	4,118	5,916	7.4	6.4	57.3	52.1	7.9	7.2
Nonmetropolitan	1,388	2,251	9.2	4.4	50.3	47.6	6.4	6.3

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.