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Overview

Introduction

The Global Physical Activity Questionnaire was developed by WHO for physical activity surveillance in countries. It collects information on physical activity participation in three settings (or domains) and sedentary behaviour. These domains are:

- Activity at work
- Travel to and from places
- Recreational activities

Using GPAQ

All the questions must be asked if you are using GPAQ, skipping questions or removing any of the domains will restrict the results that you are able to calculate.

Prior to using GPAQ you should review the question by question section. This section, which follows the actual questions, will guide the interviewer in asking the questions and recording responses.

GPAQ version 1

This document provides information on version 2 of the Global Physical Activity Questionnaire. It is advised that you use version 2 of GPAQ.

If you have already used GPAQ 1 and need advise on analyzing this information please refer to GPAQ version 1 section of this document.

Calculating and cleaning physical activity data

There is an analysis section at the end of this document which describes how to clean and analyze the physical activity data. This section uses the coding column as a reference for all the calculations

METs

METs are commonly used in the analysis of physical activity.

MET (Metabolic Equivalent): The ratio of the work metabolic rate to the resting metabolic rate. One MET is defined as 1 kcal/kg/hour and is equivalent to the energy cost of sitting quietly.

A MET is also defined as oxygen uptake in ml/kg/min with one MET equal to the oxygen cost of sitting quietly, around 3.5 ml/kg/min.

Coding column for questionnaire

The coding column is used as a guide for analysis of the physical activity data. If you insert this questionnaire into another questionnaire, you may change the question numbers, but do not change the coding column.

Physical Activity

Next I am going to ask you about the time you spend doing different types of physical activity in a typical week. Please answer these questions even if you do not consider yourself to be a physically active person.

Think first about the time you spend doing work. Think of work as the things that you have to do such as paid or unpaid work, study/training, household chores, harvesting food/crops, fishing or hunting for food, seeking employment. [Insert other examples if needed]. In answering the following questions 'vigorous-intensity activities' are activities that require hard physical effort and cause large increases in breathing or heart rate, 'moderate-intensity activities' are activities that require moderate physical effort and cause small increases in breathing or heart rate.

| Activ | stions | Response | Code |
|---------------------------------|---|---|---------------------|
| | vity at work | | |
| 1 | Does your work involve vigorous-intensity activity that causes large increases in breathing or heart rate like <i>[carrying or</i> | Yes 1 | |
| | lifting heavy loads, digging or construction work] for at least 10 minutes continuously? | No 2 <i>If No, go to P 4</i> | P1 |
| | [INSERT EXAMPLES] (USE SHOWCARD) | | |
| 2 | In a typical week, on how many days do you do vigorous- intensity activities as part of your work? | Number of days | P2 |
| 3 | How much time do you spend doing vigorous-intensity activities at work on a typical day? | Hours : minutes hrs mins | P3 (a-b) |
| 4 | Does your work involve moderate-intensity activity that causes small increases in breathing or heart rate such as brisk walking <i>[or carrying light loads</i>] for at least 10 minutes continuously? | Yes 1 | P4 |
| | [INSERT EXAMPLES] (USE SHOWCARD) | No 2 If No, go to P 7 | |
| 5 | In a typical week, on how many days do you do moderate-intensity activities as part of your work? | Number of days —— | P5 |
| 6 | How much time do you spend doing moderate-intensity activities at work on a typical day? | Hours : minutes hrs mins | P6 (a-b) |
| Trav | el to and from places | | • |
| The | next questions exclude the physical activities at work that you | i have already mentioned | |
| Now | I would like to ask you about the usual way you travel to and hip. [insert other examples if needed] Do you walk or use a bicycle (pedal cycle) for at least 10 | | |
| Now wors | I would like to ask you about the usual way you travel to and hip. [insert other examples if needed] | from places. For example to work, for shopping, to | market, to place of |
| Now wors | I would like to ask you about the usual way you travel to and hip. [insert other examples if needed] Do you walk or use a bicycle (pedal cycle) for at least 10 | from places. For example to work, for shopping, to | |
| Now wors 7 | I would like to ask you about the usual way you travel to and hip. [insert other examples if needed] Do you walk or use a bicycle (pedal cycle) for at least 10 minutes continuously to get to and from places? In a typical week, on how many days do you walk or bicycle | from places. For example to work, for shopping, to Yes 1 No 2 If No, go to P 10 | P7 |
| Now wors 7 8 9 | I would like to ask you about the usual way you travel to and hip. [insert other examples if needed] Do you walk or use a bicycle (pedal cycle) for at least 10 minutes continuously to get to and from places? In a typical week, on how many days do you walk or bicycle for at least 10 minutes continuously to get to and from places? How much time do you spend walking or bicycling for travel | Yes 1 No 2 If No, go to P 10 Number of days Hours: minutes | P7 P8 P9 |
| Now wors 7 8 9 Recr | I would like to ask you about the usual way you travel to and hip. [insert other examples if needed] Do you walk or use a bicycle (pedal cycle) for at least 10 minutes continuously to get to and from places? In a typical week, on how many days do you walk or bicycle for at least 10 minutes continuously to get to and from places? How much time do you spend walking or bicycling for travel on a typical day? | Yes 1 No 2 If No, go to P 10 Number of days Hours: minutes hrs mins | P7 P8 P9 |
| Now wors 7 8 9 Recr | I would like to ask you about the usual way you travel to and hip. [insert other examples if needed] Do you walk or use a bicycle (pedal cycle) for at least 10 minutes continuously to get to and from places? In a typical week, on how many days do you walk or bicycle for at least 10 minutes continuously to get to and from places? How much time do you spend walking or bicycling for travel on a typical day? The eational activities The ext questions exclude the work and transport activities that yould like to ask you about sports, fitness and recreational (leisure) activities that cause large increases in breathing or heart rate like [running or football,] for at least 10 minutes | Yes 1 No 2 If No, go to P 10 Number of days Hours: minutes hrs mins | P7 P8 P9 |
| Now wors 7 8 9 Recr The Now | I would like to ask you about the usual way you travel to and hip. [insert other examples if needed] Do you walk or use a bicycle (pedal cycle) for at least 10 minutes continuously to get to and from places? In a typical week, on how many days do you walk or bicycle for at least 10 minutes continuously to get to and from places? How much time do you spend walking or bicycling for travel on a typical day? eational activities next questions exclude the work and transport activities that yould like to ask you about sports, fitness and recreational Do you do any vigorous-intensity sports, fitness or recreational (leisure) activities that cause large increases in breathing or | Yes 1 No 2 If No, go to P 10 Number of days Hours: minutes rou have already mentioned. activities (leisure), [insert relevant terms]. | P7 P8 P9 (a-b) |
| Now wors 7 8 9 Recr The Now | I would like to ask you about the usual way you travel to and hip. [insert other examples if needed] Do you walk or use a bicycle (pedal cycle) for at least 10 minutes continuously to get to and from places? In a typical week, on how many days do you walk or bicycle for at least 10 minutes continuously to get to and from places? How much time do you spend walking or bicycling for travel on a typical day? The eational activities The ext questions exclude the work and transport activities that a like to ask you about sports, fitness and recreational (leisure) activities that cause large increases in breathing or heart rate like [running or football,] for at least 10 minutes continuously? | Yes 1 No 2 If No, go to P 10 Number of days Hours: minutes rou have already mentioned. activities (leisure), [insert relevant terms]. | P7 P8 P9 (a-b) |

| Phys | Physical Activity (recreational activities) contd. | | | | | |
|---|--|-----------------------------|--------------|--|--|--|
| Quest | ions | Response | Code | | | |
| 13 | Do you do any moderate-intensity sports, fitness or recreational (<i>leisure</i>) activities that causes a small increase in breathing or heart rate such as brisk walking,(<i>cycling</i> , <i>swimming</i> , <i>volleyball</i>)for at least 10 minutes continuously? | Yes 1 No 2 If No. go to P16 | P13 | | | |
| | [INSERT EXAMPLES] (USE SHOWCARD) | No 2 If No, go to P16 | | | | |
| 14 | In a typical week, on how many days do you do moderate-intensity sports, fitness or recreational (<i>leisure</i>) activities? | Number of days | P14 | | | |
| 15 | How much time do you spend doing moderate-intensity sports, fitness or recreational (<i>leisure</i>) activities on a typical day? | Hours : minutes ; hrs mins | P15 (a-b) | | | |
| Seden | tary behaviour | | | | | |
| The following question is about sitting or reclining at work, at home, getting to and from places, or with friends including time spent [s desk, sitting with friends, travelling in car, bus, train, reading, playing cards or watching television], but do not include time spent slee [INSERT EXAMPLES] (USE SHOWCARD) | | | | | | |
| 16 | How much time do you usually spend sitting or reclining on a typical day? | Hours : minutes | P16 (a-b) | | | |

GPAQ Question by Question Guide

CORE: Physical Activity

Next I am going to ask you about the time you spend doing different types of physical activity in a typical week. Please answer these questions even if you do not consider yourself to be a physically active person. There are various domains of activity which need to be included; work, activities in and around the home and garden, to get from place-to-place (transport-related) and recreation (discretionary or leisure-time) exercise or sports activities. This opening statement should not be omitted.

The respondent will have to think first about the time she/he spends doing work. Work includes things that he/she has to do such as paid or unpaid work, household chores, harvesting food, fishing or hunting for food, seeking employment. [Insert other examples if needed]
In answering the following questions 'vigorous-intensity activities' are activities that require hard physical effort and cause large increases in breathing or heart rate, 'moderate-intensity activities' are activities that require moderate physical effort and cause small increases in breathing or heart rate.

| Quest | ions | Response | | | | | | |
|----------|--|--|---|-------------|--|--|--|--|
| Activit | y at work | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Does your work involve vigorous-intensity activity that causes large increases in breathing or heart rate like <i>[carrying or application or a</i> | Yes | 1 | | | | | |
| | lifting heavy loads, digging or construction work] for at least 10 minutes continuously? | | | P1 | | | | |
| | Activities are regarded as vigorous intensity if they cause a large increase in breathing and/or heart rate. | No | 2 If No, go to P 4 | | | | | |
| | [INSERT EXAMPLES] (USE SHOWCARD) | | | | | | | |
| 2 | In a typical week, on how many days do you do vigorous- intensity activities as part of your work? | Nivershau of days | | | | | | |
| | "Typical week" means a week when a person is doing vigorous intensity activities and not an average over a period | Number of days | | P2 | | | | |
| | Valid responses range from 1-7. | | | | | | | |
| 3 | How much time do you spend doing vigorous-intensity activities at work on a typical day? | | | P3 | | | | |
| | Think of one day you can recall easily. Consider only those activities undertaken continuously for 10 minutes or more. Probe very high responses (over 4 hrs) to verify | Hours : minutes | hrs mins | (a-b) | | | | |
| 4 | Does your work involve moderate-intensity activity, that causes small increases in breathing or heart rate such as brisk walking <i>[or carrying light loads]</i> for at least 10 minutes continuously? | Yes | 1 | P4 | | | | |
| | Activities are regarded as moderate intensity if they cause a small increase in breathing and/or heart rate. | No | 2 If No, go to P 7 | | | | | |
| | [INSERT EXAMPLES] (USE SHOWCARD) | | | | | | | |
| 5 | In a typical week, on how many days do you do moderate- intensity activities as part of your work? | Number of days | | P5 | | | | |
| | Valid responses range from 1-7 | | | | | | | |
| 6 | How much time do you spend doing moderate-intensity activities at work on a typical day? Think of one day you can recall easily. Consider only those | Hours : minutes | L | P6 (a-b) | | | | |
| | activities undertaken continuously for 10 minutes or more. Probe very high responses (over 4 hrs) to verify | | hrs mins | (a b) | | | | |
| Travel | to and from places | | | | | | | |
| | xt questions exclude the physical activities at work that you | have already mentioned | 1 | | | | | |
| Now I v | would like to ask you about the usual way you travel to and o. [insert other examples if needed] | | | ace of | | | | |
| The intr | oductory statement to the following questions on transport-related ow they travel around getting from place-to-place. This statement | nd physical activity is very imposited in the should not be omitted. | portant. It asks and helps the participant to r | ow think | | | | |
| 7 | Do you walk or use a bicycle (<i>pedal cycle</i>) for at least 10 minutes continuously to get to and from places? | Yes | 1 | P7 | | | | |
| | Circle the appropriate response | No | 2 If No, go to P 10 | | | | | |
| 8 | In a typical week, on how many days do you walk or bicycle for at least 10 minutes continuously to get to and from places? <i>Valid responses range from 1-7</i> | Number of days | ш | P8 | | | | |

| 9 | How much time do you spend walking or bicycling for travel on a typical day? Think of one day you can recall easily. Consider the total amount of time walking or bicycling for trips of 10 minutes or more. Probe very high responses (over 4 hrs) to verify. | Hours : minutes | P9 (a-b) |
|----------------------|--|--|--------------|
| Recrea | ational activities | | ' |
| Now I v This inta | | activities (leisure),[insert relevant terms]. nal activities. This can also be called discretionary or leisure time. It orted should be done regularly and not just occasionally. It is import | |
| 10 | Do you do any vigorous-intensity sports, fitness or recreational (<i>leisure</i>) activities that cause large increases in breathing or heart rate like [<i>running or football</i> ,] for at least 10 minutes continuously? [INSERT EXAMPLES] (USE SHOWCARD)? | Yes 1 | P10 |
| | Activities are regarded as vigorous intensity if they cause a large increase in breathing and/or heart rate. | No 2 <i>If No, go to P 13</i> | |
| 11 | In a typical week, on how many days do you do vigorous- intensity sports, fitness or recreational (<i>leisure</i>) activities? <i>Valid responses range from 1-7</i> | Number of days ———————————————————————————————————— | P11 |
| 12 | How much time do you spend doing vigorous-intensity sports, fitness or recreational activities on a typical day? | | D40 |
| | Think of one day you can recall easily. Consider the total amount of time doing vigorous recreational activities for periods of 10 minutes or more. Probe very high responses (over 4 hrs). | Hours : minutes hrs mins | P12 (a-b) |
| 13 | Do you do any moderate-intensity sports, fitness or recreational <i>(leisure)</i> activities that causes a small increase in breathing or heart rate such as brisk walking,(<i>cycling, swimming, volleyball</i>)for at least 10 minutes continuously? | Yes 1 | P13 |
| | Activities are regarded as moderate intensity if they cause a small increase in breathing and/or heart rate. [INSERT EXAMPLES] (USE SHOWCARD) | No 2 If No, go to P16 | |
| 14 | In a typical week, on how many days do you do moderate- intensity sports, fitness or recreational (<i>leisure</i>) activities? <i>Valid responses range from 1-7</i> | Number of days | P14 |
| 15 | How much time do you spend doing moderate-intensity sports, fitness or recreational (<i>leisure</i>) activities on a typical day? Think of one day you can recall easily. Consider the total amount of time doing moderate recreational activities for periods of 10 minutes or more. Probe very high responses (over 4 hrs). | Hours : minutes LLL : LLL hrs mins | P15 (a-b) |
| Seden | tary behaviour | | ' |
| desk, s | | e, getting to and from places, or with friends including time sp ng cards or watching television], but do not include time spen | |
| 16 | How much time do you usually spend sitting or reclining on a typical day? Consider total time spent at work sitting, in an office, reading, watching television, using a computer, doing hand craft like knitting resting etc. Do not include time spent sleeping. | Hours : minutes hrs min s | P16 (a-b) |

Cleaning GPAQ data

Introduction

It is important to standardize the way in which the data collected in cleaned and analyzed. Use the guidelines below when cleaning and analyzing your data.

The cleaning and analysis guidelines use the coding column in the questionnaire as an identifier.

Cleaning

You should clean each domain independently. Some of the calculations use all the domains and others use only one of the domains. If a participant does not respond to one of the domains it does not mean that rest of the domains are invalid.

Check for the following for all the domains.

| If | Then |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Days per week or time per day | Case should not be included in the |
| variables are missing | denominator of the domain variable |
| Hour values are 15, 30, 45, or 60 | Move them into the corresponding |
| | minute variable, if the corresponding |
| | minute variable is empty or zero |
| | (most likely a data recording error). |

Note: Cleaning each domain independently may result in a floating denominator.

Maximum values

There are no restrictions within the time variables. The only requirement is that the values are plausible.

If the sum of P3, P6, P9, P12, and P15 is greater than 24 hours or 1440 minutes then remove the respondent from all the physical activity analysis.

Note: For information on how to create P3, P6, P9, P12, and P15 see the Cleaning GPAQ with Epi Info

Detailed cleaning instructions

There are detailed cleaning instructions on how to clean each variable in the Cleaning GPAQ with Epi Info section of this document. This section includes details on how to clean the variables and the associated Epi Info code.

Introduction

GPAQ 1 is the first version of the Global Physical Activity Questionnaire. A reliability and validity study was conducted on GPAQ1 and the questionnaire was modified according to the results.

GPAQ 1 can be analyzed in the same manner as GPAQ 2. Prior to using the analysis guidelines or the STEPS generic analysis syntax, some of the variables in GPAQ 1 need to be recoded.

Changes from GPAQ 2

GPAQ 2 has removed three questions from GPAQ 1. Two of the questions are filtering questions and one looks at the length of workdays. These three questions are:

- GPAQ1P1: Does your work involve mostly sitting or standing, with walking for no more than 10 minutes at a time?
- GPAQ1P6: How long is your typical work day?
- GPAQ1P9: Does your [recreation, sport or leisure time] involve mostly sitting, reclining, or standing, with no physical activity lasting more than 10 minutes at a time?

GPAQ1P1

Follow the instructions in the table below to recode GPAQ1P1

| Step | Ac | tion | | | | | | | |
|------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| 1 | Rename the variable for the quest | tion " Does your work involve | | | | | | | |
| | mostly sitting or standing, with w | alking for no more than 10 | | | | | | | |
| | minutes at a time?" to GPAQ1P1 | | | | | | | | |
| 2 | Create variables: | | | | | | | | |
| | • Plorig | | | | | | | | |
| | • P4orig | | | | | | | | |
| 3 | Make P1orig and P4orig equal to | the original P1 and P4 in your | | | | | | | |
| | dataset (P1orig=P1, P4orig=P4) | | | | | | | | |
| 4 | Recode P1 and P4 with the follow | ving rule. | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| | P1 Recode | P4 Recode | | | | | | | |
| | If GPAQ1P1=2 (no) then | If GPAQ1P1=2 (no) then | | | | | | | |
| | P1=2(no), otherwise P1 | P4=2(no), otherwise P4 | | | | | | | |
| | remains P1 | remains P1 | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| | In Epi Info: | In Epi Info: | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| | If GPAQ1P1=2 THEN If GPAQ1P1=2 THEN | | | | | | | | |
| | P1=2 | P4=2 | | | | | | | |
| | ELSE | ELSE | | | | | | | |
| | P1=P1 | P4=P4 | | | | | | | |
| | END | END | | | | | | | |

GPAQ1P6

The variable for the question "How long is your typical work day?", does not need to be coded into the dataset for the analysis of the GPAQ data.

Recode the variable to GPAQ1P6 and keep it in the original dataset.

GPAQ1P9

Follow the instructions in the table below to recode GPAQ1P9.

| Step | A | Action | | | | | | | | |
|------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| 1 | Rename the variable for the que | stion " Does your [recreation, | | | | | | | | |
| | | ostly sitting, reclining, or standing, | | | | | | | | |
| | with no physical activity lasting more than 10 minutes at a time?" | | | | | | | | | |
| | to GPAQ1P9 | | | | | | | | | |
| 2 | Create variables: | | | | | | | | | |
| | • P10orig | | | | | | | | | |
| | • P13orig | | | | | | | | | |
| 3 | Make P10orig and P13orig equa | • | | | | | | | | |
| | your dataset (P10orig=P10, P13 | | | | | | | | | |
| 4 | Recode P10 and P13 with the fe | ollowing rule. | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | |
| | P10 Recode | P13 Recode | | | | | | | | |
| | If GPAQ1P9=2 (no) then | If GPAQ1P9=2 (no) then | | | | | | | | |
| | P10=2(no), otherwise P10 | P13=2(no), otherwise P13 | | | | | | | | |
| | remains P10 | remains P13 | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | |
| | In Epi Info: | In Epi Info: | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | |
| | If GPAQ1P9=2 THEN | If GPAQ1P9=2 THEN | | | | | | | | |
| | P10=2 | P13=2 | | | | | | | | |
| | ELSE | ELSE | | | | | | | | |
| | P10=P10 | P13=P13 | | | | | | | | |
| | END | END | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | |

Producing tables

Once you have completed the GPAQ 1 recode and saved the results to your dataset you will be able to produce all the results in the analysis section. Follow the instructions provided for each table to produce the results.

Analysis Guidelines and Calculations

Introduction

Analysis physical activity data can be very complicated and the result confusing. The following guidelines will help clarify the results of the physical activity and will also provide valuable information on the classifications. Make sure you use some of these guidelines when you report physical activity data.

- MET values are applied to vigorous and moderate intensity variables in the work and recreation settings. These have been calculated using an average of the typical types of activity undertaken. Different types of activities have been grouped together and given an MET value based on the intensity of the activity. Applying MET values to activity levels allows us to calculate total physical activity.
- The calculations below use multiple questions in the physical activity section. To simplify this a bit the questions have been clustered into four groups (as they appear in the Instrument). In the Instrument questions section of the table, only the group label appears. The specific questions for each groups is presented below.
- Activity at work:
 - Does your work involve vigorous-intensity activity that causes large increases in breathing or heart rate like [examples] for at least 10 minutes continuously?
 - In a typical week, on how many days do you do vigorous-intensity activities as part of your work?
 - How much time do you spend doing vigorous-intensity activities at work on a typical day?
 - Does your work involve moderate-intensity activity, that causes small increases in breathing or heart rate such as brisk walking for at least 10 minutes continuously?
 - In a typical week, on how many days do you do moderate-intensity activities as part of your work?
 - How much time do you spend doing moderate-intensity activities at work on a typical day?
- Travel to and from places:
 - Do you walk or use a bicycle for at least 10 minutes continuously to get to and from places?
 - In a typical week, on how many days do you walk or bicycle for at least 10 minutes continuously to get to and from places?

Analysis Guidelines and Calculations, Continued

Introduction (continued)

- How much time do you spend walking or bicycling for travel on a typical day?
- Recreational activities:
 - Do you do any involve vigorous-intensity sports, fitness or recreational activities that cause large increases in breathing or heart rate like [examples] for at least 10 minutes continuously?
 - In a typical week, on how many days do you do vigorous-intensity sports, fitness or recreational activities?
 - How much time do you spend doing vigorous-intensity sports, fitness or recreational activities on a typical day?
 - Do you do any involve moderate-intensity sports, fitness or recreational activities that cause large increases in breathing or heart rate like [examples] for at least 10 minutes continuously?
 - In a typical week, on how many days do you do moderate--intensity sports, fitness or recreational activities?
 - How much time do you spend doing moderate--intensity sports, fitness or recreational activities on a typical day?
- Sedentary behaviour :
 - How much time do you usually spend sitting or reclining on a typical day?

MET values

For the calculation of physical activity the following MET values are used:

| Domain | METS value |
|------------|-------------------------------------|
| Work | • Moderate MET value = 4.0 |
| | • Vigorous MET value = 8.0 |
| Transport | Cycling and walking MET value = 4.0 |
| Recreation | • Moderate MET value = 4.0 |
| | • Vigorous MET value = 8.0 |

Levels of total physical activity

Description: percentage of participants classified into three categories of total physical activity

Instrument questions:

- activity at work
- travel to and from places
- recreational activities

| | Men (N=) | | | | Women (N=) | | | | Both Sexes (N=) | | | |
|-------------|--|--------|---------|--|-------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------------|--|-------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------------|--|
| Age Group | Percent Low level of activity Percent Moderate levels of activity | | Percent | | Percent Low level of activity | Percent Moderate levels of activity | Percent High level of activity | | Percent Low level of activity | Percent Moderate levels of activity | Percent High level of activity | |
| | % | % | % | | % | % | % | | % | % | % | |
| | 95% CI | 95% CI | 95% CI | | 95% CI | 95% CI | 95% CI | | 95% CI | 95% CI | 95% CI | |
| 25-34 years | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 35-44 years | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 45-54 years | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 55-64 years | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 25-64 years | | | | | | | | | | | | |

Analysis Information:

• Questions used (uses coding column as identifier):

- Work: P1; P2; P3; P4; P5; P6

- Transport: P7; P8; P9

- Recreation: P10; P11; P12; P13; P14; P15

• Calculation: see table on next page

Analysis Guidelines and Calculations, Continued

Levels of total physical activity (continued) Total physical activity MET-minutes/week (= the sum of the total MET minutes of activity computed for each setting)

Equation: Total Physical Activity = [(P2 * P3 * 8) + (P5 * P6 * 4) + (P8 * P9 * 4) + (P11 * P12 * 8) + (P14 * P15 * 4)]

| Level of total physical activity | Physical activity cutoff value |
|----------------------------------|--|
| High | • IF:(P2 + P11) >= 3 days AND Total physical activity MET minutes per week is >= 1500 OR |
| | • IF: (P2 + P5 + P8 + P11 + P14) >= 7 days AND total physical activity MET minutes per week is >= 3000 |
| Moderate | • IF: (P2 + P11) >= 3 days AND ((P2 * P3) + (P11 * P12)) >= 60 minutes |
| | OR |
| | • IF: $(P5 + P8 + P14) >= 5$ days AND $((P5 * P6) + (P8 * P9) + (P14 * P15) >= 150$ minutes |
| | OR |
| | • IF: (P2 + P5 + P8 + P11 + P14)>= 5 days AND Total physical activity MET minutes per week >= 600 |
| Low | F: the value does not reach the criteria for either high or moderate levels of physical activity |

Total physical activity

Description: median time of total physical activity per day.

Instrument questions

• activity at work

• travel to and from places

• recreational activities

| | Men | Women | Both |
|-------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | N= | N= | N= |
| Age Group | Median (inter- | Median (inter- | Median (inter- |
| | quartile range) | quartile range) | quartile range) |
| | 95% CI | 95% CI | 95% CI |
| 25-34 years | | | |
| 35-44 years | | | |
| 45-54 years | | | |
| 55-64 years | | | |
| 25-64 years | | | |

Analysis Information:

• Questions used (uses coding column as identifier):

- Work: P1; P2; P3; P4; P5; P6

- Transport: P7; P8; P9

- Recreation: P10; P11; P12; P13; P14; P15

• Calculation: Total physical activity MET-minutes/week

• Total Physical Activity in minutes per week = [(P2 * P3] + (P5 * P6) + (P8 * P9) + (P11 * P12) + (P14 * (P15)]

• (Total physical activity in minutes per week / 7) = Average total physical activity in minutes per day

Setting-specific physical activity

Description: median time spent per day in minutes, in work-, transport- and recreation-related physical activity

Instrument questions:

- activity at work
- travel to and from places
- recreational activities

| | | Men (N=) | | | Women (N=) | | В | oth Sexes (N= |) |
|-------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| | Work | Transport | Recreation | Work | Transport | Recreation | Work | Transport | Recreation |
| Age Group | Median (inter- quartile range) | Median (inter- quartile range) | Median (inter- quartile range) | Median (interquartile range) | Median (inter- quartile range) |
| | 95% CI | 95% CI | 95% CI | 95% CI | 95% CI | 95% CI | 95% CI | 95% CI | 95% CI |
| 25-34 years | | | | | | | | | |
| 35-44 years | | | | | | | | | |
| 45-54 years | | | | | | | | | |
| 55-64 years | | | | | | | | | |
| 25-64 years | | | | | | | | | |

Analysis Information:

- Questions used (uses coding column as identifier):
- Work: P1; P2; P3; P4; P5; P6
- Transport: P7; P8; P9
- Recreation: P10; P11; P12; P13; P14; P15
- Calculation: Setting specific physical activity- see table on next page

| Setting | | Recode | Equation |
|------------|--------------------------------|--|--|
| Work | If P1=2 (No) P4=2 (No) | Then Recode P2 and P3 = 0 Recode P5 and P6 = 0 | Total work related physical activity in minutes per week= [(P2 * P3) + (P5 * P6)] Average total physical activity in minutes per day = (total work related physical activity in minutes per week/ 7) |
| Transport | If P7=2 (No) | Then Recode P8 and P9 = 0 | Total transport related physical activity in minutes per week = (P8 * P9) Average total transport activity in minutes per day = (total transport related physical activity in minutes per week/7) |
| Recreation | If P10=2 (No) P13=2 (No) | Then Recode P11 and P12 = 0 Recode P14 and P15 = 0 | Total recreational related physical activity in minutes per week = [(P11 * P12) + (P14 * P15)] Average total recreational activity in minutes per day = (total recreational related physical activity in minutes per week/ 7) |

Note: The recode is only used during the analysis of this table. Make sure you do not use the recoded values for other calculations.

No physical activity by setting

Description: percentage of participants classified as doing no work-transport- or recreational-related physical activity.

Instrument questions:

- activity at work
- travel to and from places
- recreational activities

| | | Men (N=) | | | Women (N=) |) | В | oth Sexes (N: | =) |
|-------------|--------|-----------|------------|--------|-------------|------------|--------|---------------|------------|
| | Work | Transport | Recreation | Work | Transport | Recreation | Work | Transport | Recreation |
| Age Group | N= | N= | N= | N= | N= | N= | N= | N= | N= |
| | % | % | % | % | % | % | % | % | % |
| | 95% CI | 95% CI | 95% CI | 95% CI | 95% CI | 95% CI | 95% CI | 95% CI | 95% CI |
| 25-34 years | | | | | | | | | |
| 35-44 years | | | | | | | | | |
| 45-54 years | | | | | | | | | |
| 55-64 years | | | | | | | | | |
| 25-64 years | | | | | | | | | |

Analysis Information:

- Questions used (uses coding column as identifier):
- Work: P1; P4Transport: P7
- Recreation: P10; P13
- Calculation: no physical activity by setting see table below

| Setting | Equation |
|-----------|---|
| Work | = (P1=2 and P4=2) / ((P1=1) + (P1=2) + (P4=1) + |
| | (P4=2)) |
| Transport | = (P7=2) / ((P7=1) + (P7=2)) |

| Recreation | = (P10=2 and P13=2) / ((P10=1) + (P10=2) + (P13=1) + |
|------------|--|
| | (P13=2)) |

Sedentary

Description: total time spent in sedentary activities per day.

Instrument question:

• sedentary behaviour

| | Men | (N=) | Womer | n (N=) | Both | n (N=) |
|-------------|--------|-----------------------------------|--------|-----------------------------------|--------|-----------------------------------|
| | mean | median | mean | median | mean | median |
| Age Group | mean | median (inter- quartile range) | mean | median (inter- quartile range) | mean | median (inter- quartile range) |
| | 95% CI | 95% CI | 95% CI | 95% CI | 95% CI | 95% CI |
| 25-34 years | | | | | | |
| 35-44 years | | | | | | |
| 45-54 years | | | | | | |
| 55-64 years | | | | | | |
| 25-64 years | | | | | | |

Analysis Information:

• Questions used (uses coding column as identifier): P16

• Calculation: Total sedentary activity per day = P16

Work related physical activity

Description: median time of work-related moderate- and vigorous-intensity physical activity per day.

Instrument questions:

• activity at work

| | Men (N=) | | | Womer | n (N=) | Both | (N=) |
|-------------|-----------------|-----------------|---|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | Moderate | Vigorous | | Moderate | Vigorous | Moderate | Vigorous |
| Age Group | median (inter- | median (inter- | | median (inter- | median (inter- | median (inter- | median (inter- |
| | quartile range) | quartile range) | | quartile range) | quartile range) | quartile range) | quartile range) |
| | 95% CI | 95% CI | | 95% CI | 95% CI | 95% CI | 95% CI |
| 25-34 years | | | - | | | | |
| 35-44 years | | | | | | | |
| 45-54 years | | | | | | | |
| 55-64 years | | | - | | | | |
| 25-64 years | | | | | | | |

Analysis Information:

- Questions used (uses coding column as identifier): P1; P2; P3; P4; P5; P6
- Calculation:

| Setting | Recode | | Equation |
|-----------------------|-----------|------------------------|--|
| Moderate work related | | | Total moderate-intensity minutes per week= (P5 * P6) |
| physical activity | If | Then | |
| | P4=2 (No) | Recode P5 and P6 = 0 | |
| | | _ | |
| Vigorous work related | | | Total vigorous-intensity minutes per week= (P2 * P3) |
| physical activity | If | Then | |
| | P1=2 (No) | Recode P2 and P3 = 0 | |
| | | | |

Recreational physical activity

Description: median time of recreational moderate- and vigorous-intensity physical activity.

Instrument question:

• recreational activities

| | Men | (N=) | Womer | n (N=) | Both | (N=) |
|-------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | Moderate | Vigorous | Moderate | Vigorous | Moderate | Vigorous |
| Age Group | median (inter- |
| | quartile range) |
| | 95% CI |
| 25-34 years | | | | | | |
| 35-44 years | | | | | | |
| 45-54 years | | | | | | |
| 55-64 years | | | | | | |
| 25-64 years | | | | | | |

Analysis Information:

- Questions used (uses coding column as identifier): P10; P11; P12; P13; P14; P15
- Calculation:

| Setting | Recode | | Equation |
|---------------------------|------------|--------------------------|--|
| Moderate recreational | | | Total moderate-intensity minutes per week= (P14 * P15) |
| related physical activity | If | Then | |
| | P13=2 (No) | Recode P14 and P15 = 0 | |
| | | | |
| Vigorous recreational | | | Total vigorous-intensity minutes per week= (P11 *P12) |
| related physical activity | If | Then | |
| | P10=2 (No) | Recode P11 and P12 = 0 | |
| | | | |

Cleaning GPAQ With Epi Info

Introduction

GPAQ collects information on three domains. These domains are:

- Activity at work
- Travel to and from places
- Recreational activities.

For analysis purposes these domains can be further broken down into six different groups. These groups are:

- Work vigorous (codes P1-P3)
- Work moderate (codes P4-P6)
- Travel (codes P7-P9)
- Recreational vigorous (codes P10-P12)
- Recreational moderate (codes P13-P15)
- Sitting (code P16)

Note: You will need to use the questionnaire in order to understand the cleaning information.

Grouping the GPAQ sections

The GPAQ questionnaire can be cleaned for each domain independently. If a participant responded to questions P1-P3 and did not answer questions P4-P6, then they would qualify for inclusion for work vigorous (P1-P3) and they would not qualify for work moderate (P4-)6). This will result in a floating denominator during analysis.

Cleaning GPAQ With Epi Info, Continued

Work vigorous P1-P3

- If P3a = 15, 30, 45, 60 and P3b is missing or empty then put the value from P3a into P3b. It is assumed that value was recorded in the hour column instead of the minute column.
- Create a new variable P3 and combine the hour and minute columns into one variable. P3 should be minutes. P3=[(P3a*60) + P3b]

| Cleaning variable | CLN=1 (variable is clean/valid) | CLN=2 (variable is clean/valid) |
|-------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| P1CLN | P1=1 or P1=2 | P1= missing |
| P2CLN | P1=1 AND P2=1-7 | - P1=1 AND P2= missing |
| | | - P1=2 AND P2=1-7 |
| P3CLN | If P2CLN=1 AND (P3 >9 AND <1441) | If P2CLN=1 AND (P3>1440 or P3<10) |

P4-P6

- Work moderate If P6a = 15, 30, 45, 60 and P6b is missing or empty then put the value from P6a into P6b. It is assumed that value was recorded in the hour column instead of the minute column.
 - Create a new variable P6 and combine the hour and minute columns into one variable. P6 should be minutes. P6=[(P6a*60) + P6b]

| Cleaning variable | CLN=1 (variable is clean/valid) | CLN=2 (variable is clean/valid) |
|-------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| P4CLN | P4=1 or P4=2 | P4= missing |
| P5CLN | P4=1 and P5=1-7 | - P4=1 and P5= missing |
| | | - P4=2 and P5=1-7 |
| P6CLN | If P5CLN=1 and (P6 > 9 AND < 1441) | If P5CLN=1 and (P6>1440 or P6<10) |

Cleaning GPAQ With Epi Info, Continued

Travel P7-P9

- If P9a = 15, 30, 45, 60 and P9b is missing or empty then put the value from P9a into P9b. It is assumed that value was recorded in the hour column instead of the minute column.
- Create a new variable P9 and combine the hour and minute columns into one variable. P9 should be minutes. P9=[(P9a*60) + P9b]

| Cleaning variable | CLN=1 (variable is clean/valid) | CLN=2 (variable is clean/valid) |
|-------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| P7CLN | P7=1 or P7=2 | P7= missing |
| P8CLN | P7=1 and P8=1-7 | - P7=1 and P8= missing |
| | | - P7=2 and P8=1-7 |
| P9CLN | If P8CLN=1 and (P9 > 9 AND < 1441) | If P8CLN=1 and (P9>1440 or P9<10) |

Recreational vigorous P10-P12

- If P12a = 15, 30, 45, 60 and P12b is missing or empty then put the value from P12a into P12b. It is assumed that value was recorded in the hour column instead of the minute column.
- Create a new variable P12 and combine the hour and minute columns into one variable. P12 should be minutes. P12=[(P12a*60) + P12b]

| Cleaning variable | CLN=1 (variable is clean/valid) | CLN=2 (variable is clean/valid) |
|-------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| P10CLN | P10=1 or P10=2 | P10= missing |
| P11CLN | P10=1 and P11=1-7 | - P10=1 and P11= missing |
| | | - P10=2 and P11=1-7 |
| P12CLN | If P11CLN=1 and (P12 > 9 AND < 1441) | If P11CLN=1 and (P12>1440 or P12<10) |

Cleaning GPAQ With Epi Info, Continued

Recreational moderate P13-P15

- If P15a = 15, 30, 45, 60 and P15b is missing or empty then put the value from P15a into P15b. It is assumed that value was recorded in the hour column instead of the minute column.
- Create a new variable P15 and combine the hour and minute columns into one variable. P15 should be minutes. P15=[(P15a*60) + P15b]

| Cleaning variable | CLN=1 (variable is clean/valid) | CLN=2 (variable is clean/valid) |
|-------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| P13CLN | P13=1 or P13=2 | P13= missing |
| P14CLN | P13=1 and P14=1-7 | - P13=1 and P14= missing |
| | | - P13=2 and P14=1-7 |
| P15CLN | If P14CLN=1 and (P15 > 9 AND < 1441) | If P14CLN=1 and (P15>1440 or P15<10) |

Sitting P16

- If P16a = 15, 30, 45, 60 and P16b is missing or empty then put the value from P16a into P16b. It is assumed that value was recorded in the hour column instead of the minute column.
- Create a new variable P16 and combine the hour and minute columns into one variable. P16 should be minutes. P16=[(P16a*60) + P16b]

| Cleaning variable | CLN=1 (variable is clean/valid) | CLN=2 (variable is clean/valid) |
|-------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| P16CLN | P16 <1441 | P16>1440 |