

**Table 425.—Percent of home computer users using specific applications, by selected characteristics:
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Selected characteristics	Number of home computer users, in thousands	Percent of computer users using specific applications ¹										
		Home book-keeping ²	School assignments	Games	Job-related ²	Home connection to school or work	Word processing	Data bases ²	Graphics	Desktop publishing ²	Spread-sheets ²	Internet
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Total, all persons ...	81,013 (600)	— —	29.9	62.6	—	10.6 (0.2)	60.9	—	23.4	—	—	44.9 (0.3)
Total, all persons over 15	53,845 (461)	45.2 (0.4)	16.0	53.2	35.5	14.6 (0.3)	70.6	26.7	26.0	17.9	29.4	52.4 (0.4)
Sex												
Male	41,260 (413)	32.4 (0.4)	28.5	66.4	26.8	12.9 (0.3)	57.0	21.0	24.0	12.4	23.1	48.4 (0.4)
Female	39,753 (304)	28.8 (0.4)	31.3	58.5	21.8	8.3 (0.2)	64.9	16.4	22.8	13.2	17.8	41.3 (0.4)
Race/ethnicity												
White, non-Hispanic	68,026 (330)	31.5 (0.3)	28.9	62.9	24.8	10.9 (0.2)	61.7	19.3	24.0	13.2	21.1	46.1 (0.3)
Black, non-Hispanic	4,943 (108)	28.1 (1.1)	32.9	62.5	22.5	8.8 (0.7)	55.6	15.2	20.5	11.0	17.9	34.3 (1.2)
Hispanic	4,081 (93)	24.3 (1.3)	34.6	59.6	19.9	7.5 (0.8)	55.8	14.3	20.1	10.4	14.6	38.1 (1.5)
Other	3,963 —	24.3 (1.3)	38.3	59.1	22.4	11.7 (1.0)	59.1	17.7	21.3	10.0	19.4	44.2 (1.6)
Age												
Under 15	18,774 (222)	— —	49.0	87.0	—	1.2 (0.1)	31.5	—	17.2	—	—	22.8 (0.5)
15 to 19	8,395 (153)	5.6 (0.4)	75.9	67.7	7.1	6.1 (0.5)	64.2	9.3	20.9	8.9	9.4	46.1 (0.9)
20 to 24	4,975 (119)	24.0 (1.0)	51.3	60.9	16.4	16.3 (0.9)	70.9	19.0	22.6	12.1	21.6	55.9 (1.2)
25 to 29	5,963 (130)	44.3 (1.1)	23.4	58.5	34.8	17.9 (0.9)	71.5	26.3	25.1	19.8	30.5	59.0 (1.1)
30 to 39	15,393 (203)	48.3 (0.7)	13.3	58.3	39.2	15.8 (0.5)	68.7	27.0	27.7	19.3	31.1	53.2 (0.7)
40 to 49	15,346 (203)	46.5 (0.7)	12.2	50.4	39.2	14.9 (0.5)	71.4	28.0	27.3	18.9	30.8	52.8 (0.7)
50 to 59	7,679 (147)	48.2 (1.0)	8.3	43.7	41.2	13.5 (0.7)	73.4	30.3	25.8	18.0	30.7	50.0 (1.0)
60 to 69	3,162 (96)	51.3 (1.5)	3.5	47.9	25.1	5.8 (0.7)	69.9	25.1	22.4	15.1	25.7	42.3 (1.5)
70 or older	1,327 (62)	44.5 (2.4)	2.1	43.0	17.3	4.4 (1.0)	63.8	22.4	17.1	9.2	20.2	35.3 (2.3)
Family income												
Under \$20,000	7,374 (144)	25.8 (0.9)	34.2	61.8	16.2	9.3 (0.6)	58.0	15.3	21.8	9.9	17.4	38.9 (1.0)
\$20,000 to \$29,999	7,819 (148)	29.3 (0.9)	30.8	66.4	18.7	6.7 (0.5)	57.2	15.6	22.4	12.4	16.6	37.6 (0.9)
\$30,000 to \$39,999	10,370 (169)	30.2 (0.8)	29.4	64.5	20.4	7.6 (0.5)	55.3	17.5	23.2	12.0	17.4	38.7 (0.8)
\$40,000 to \$49,999	9,627 (164)	29.3 (0.8)	28.3	66.3	20.4	8.1 (0.5)	55.5	16.6	23.9	12.1	18.0	38.6 (0.9)
\$50,000 to \$74,999	21,685 (236)	30.4 (0.5)	29.9	63.6	24.6	10.4 (0.4)	61.7	18.6	24.0	13.2	20.7	45.6 (0.6)
\$75,000 or more	24,138 (247)	33.4 (0.5)	29.1	58.2	31.7	14.9 (0.4)	66.8	22.2	23.7	14.1	25.0	53.6 (0.6)

—Not available.

¹ Individuals may be counted in more than one computer activity.

² Data are for persons 15 years old and over.

NOTE: Data are based on a sample survey of households and are subject to sampling and nonsampling error. Standard errors appear in parentheses.

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Current Population Survey, October 1997, unpublished data. (This table was prepared October 1998.)