

**Table 26.—Percent of elementary school children whose parents are involved in education-related activities, by selected child, parent, and school characteristics: 1996**

Characteristics of children, parents, and schools	Percent of children <sup>1</sup> whose parents report that they did the following things in the past month—						Percent of children <sup>2</sup> whose families have rules about—			Percent of children whose parents involved them in the following activities during the past week <sup>1</sup>				
	Visited a library	Went to a play, concert, or other live show	Visited an art gallery, museum, or historical site	Visited a zoo or aquarium	Talked about family history or ethnic heritage	Attended an event sponsored by a community, religious, or ethnic group	Time for bed on school nights	Amount of time child is allowed to watch television	Television programs child is allowed to watch	Told a story	Worked on art or crafts	Played a game or sport together	Built or made project or fixed something <sup>3</sup>	Worked on household chores
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>48.7</b>	<b>32.5</b>	<b>21.2</b>	<b>15.7</b>	<b>56.4</b>	<b>53.3</b>	<b>97.2</b>	<b>80.0</b>	<b>92.0</b>	<b>70.4</b>	<b>67.0</b>	<b>91.3</b>	<b>65.0</b>	<b>96.5</b>
Sex of child														
Male .....	48.5	30.3	20.6	15.3	55.8	52.6	97.8	80.3	92.0	69.8	64.2	91.9	66.6	96.1
Female .....	49.0	34.7	21.8	16.0	57.0	53.9	96.6	79.8	92.1	71.0	70.0	90.7	63.3	97.0
Race/ethnicity of child														
White, non-Hispanic .....	51.7	32.2	21.0	13.3	52.1	54.9	97.7	77.3	93.4	71.1	68.5	92.4	68.1	97.4
Black, non-Hispanic .....	43.9	38.1	22.2	21.6	69.5	54.6	97.3	88.5	90.8	66.9	63.5	92.5	59.6	97.0
Hispanic .....	38.9	26.6	19.6	19.3	58.4	44.3	95.1	83.5	88.0	70.0	63.3	84.7	56.9	91.8
Other, non-Hispanic .....	52.3	33.2	24.3	18.3	64.8	49.6	95.5	78.6	89.0	73.8	68.5	90.8	61.9	94.9
Highest education level of parents														
Less than high school .....	30.1	25.6	16.7	18.9	53.5	37.8	95.2	80.1	85.8	66.1	59.7	81.9	56.9	91.3
High school graduate .....	40.0	27.9	15.0	14.4	50.9	44.7	97.0	80.1	91.7	66.8	65.7	92.0	63.2	97.2
Some postsecondary .....	49.7	33.3	20.4	15.4	57.1	54.9	97.8	80.8	93.5	71.8	67.5	91.6	65.9	97.4
College graduate .....	60.1	35.8	27.3	16.3	59.5	63.6	97.7	77.7	93.3	72.7	71.1	93.9	69.1	96.7
Graduate/professional .....	65.3	41.6	32.5	16.3	65.4	67.2	97.2	81.0	92.6	75.4	69.0	92.5	68.2	96.3
Family Income														
Less than \$5,000 .....	40.4	38.1	19.8	19.2	57.4	43.1	97.7	85.5	90.9	70.3	64.1	89.0	62.9	94.9
\$5,001 to \$10,000 .....	37.2	27.3	16.1	17.0	58.2	41.9	93.6	81.0	88.7	67.1	67.3	89.3	60.4	95.9
\$10,001 to 15,000 .....	37.3	29.6	16.8	15.6	57.5	48.0	95.8	78.1	88.7	65.3	60.9	86.6	53.6	95.2
\$15,001 to 20,000 .....	41.1	25.7	13.9	16.8	55.7	47.0	98.0	79.2	89.8	66.7	60.5	88.5	64.8	97.1
\$20,001 to 25,000 .....	42.3	30.8	20.9	14.9	58.2	48.4	97.3	82.1	93.3	73.1	64.5	91.8	62.1	95.6
\$25,001 to 30,000 .....	43.3	27.1	17.7	16.0	54.6	50.4	97.1	80.3	90.5	69.3	67.1	91.7	65.1	95.2
\$30,001 to 35,000 .....	50.5	30.0	21.3	15.9	54.4	56.9	98.1	78.6	91.4	72.0	69.3	92.4	68.1	97.7
\$35,001 to 40,000 .....	56.4	32.6	17.3	13.2	53.5	55.8	97.8	81.3	95.0	71.8	69.3	92.4	70.0	96.8
\$40,001 to 50,000 .....	55.1	32.7	21.1	13.2	54.1	58.3	98.6	80.1	93.9	69.2	69.6	93.5	66.6	97.7
\$50,001 to 75,000 .....	55.5	33.3	25.1	13.4	54.9	59.7	97.8	78.9	94.4	71.7	68.5	92.0	67.3	97.5
Over \$75,000 .....	59.6	42.6	31.4	19.0	60.5	62.2	97.3	77.7	92.2	73.9	70.0	93.8	68.8	96.6
Child attending public schools <sup>4</sup> .....	48.3	31.7	19.9	14.7	57.1	51.9	97.3	79.9	91.5	66.7	64.4	90.5	63.9	97.3
Child attending private schools <sup>4</sup> .....	58.2	37.2	27.8	16.9	61.3	66.9	96.3	79.6	95.5	74.2	67.2	91.7	70.9	96.5

<sup>1</sup> Includes children enrolled in nursery school through grade 5.

<sup>2</sup> Includes children enrolled in kindergarten through grade 5.

<sup>3</sup> Includes children enrolled in 1st through 5th grade.

<sup>4</sup> Excludes nursery school and home-schooled children.

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, National Household Education Survey, 1996, unpublished data. (This table was prepared December 1998.)