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## Introduction

In the April 2019 Population Health Survey Module System (PHSMS), a series of questions were asked to provide a comprehensive overview of adult (aged 18+) sport and physical activity in South Australia. The aims of these questions were to determine:
$>$ How people across different demographics and locations are choosing to get active.
$>\quad$ The rates of volunteering to support sport and physical activity.
$>$ The link between engaging in sport and physical activity and health, wellbeing and social outcomes.
$>$ The public's sense of pride by having South Australian athletes performing on the elite stage.
The majority of the questions in this survey have been adapted from the 'Active Lives' survey published by Sport England ${ }^{1}$. Additional questions regarding individual's health and wellbeing, community connectedness and individual development were included in the survey to investigate their relationship with physical activity. This report presents basic descriptive statistics for each question, as well as differences between levels of moderate intensity physical activity and selected demographics.

## Methods

The PHSMS sample comprised South Australian adults aged 18 years and over. The survey primarily utilised a Computer-Assisted Telephone Interviewing (CATI) system. Participants were also offered the option of completing the survey online by receiving a unique hyperlink sent to a mobile phone or email address. Data were collected in April/May 2019.

The survey obtained ethics approval from the SA Health Human Research Ethics Committee. All answers are confidential and all results are presented in a form that does not allow any individual's answers to be identified.

## Weighting and presentation of data

The data presented in this report are weighted. Weighting is a technique for adjusting unit record survey data to enable population estimates to be made by statistically increasing or decreasing the numbers of cases with particular characteristics so that the proportion of cases in the sample are adjusted to the population proportion. Data were weighted by the inverse of the individual's probability of selection and the number of telephone numbers they have, then re-weighted to age group, by sex, by section of state (metropolitan/country) benchmarks derived from the June 2016 ABS Census data.

The weighting of data can result in rounding discrepancies or totals not adding.

## Statistical analysis

Data preparation and analysis were completed using SPSS 24 software. Excel 2010 was used to collate tables. The weighted proportions of people who respond to each category of the attribute are presented in the tables along with the $95 \%$ confidence interval.

## Disclaimers

Data are not age-sex standardised. Different age and sex structures of the population over time may have an influence on prevalence rates. Non-relevant responses such as 'don't know', 'refused', or 'didn't apply' have not been included in the analysis unless stated.

Aboriginal is used in this document respectfully as an all-encompassing term for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, health and culture.

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## Demographics

The weighted sample of the PHSMS April 2019 survey are presented in Table 1.
Table 1: Weighted demographic sample of PHSMS April 2019 Survey (PHSMS April 2019, $\mathbf{n}=\mathbf{2 9 9 9}$ )

|  | n | \% | (95 \% CI) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Gender |  |  |  |
| Male | 1447 | 48.3 | (46.5-50.0) |
| Female | 1552 | 51.7 | (50.0-53.5) |
| Age (years) |  |  |  |
| 18 to 24 | 262 | 8.7 | (7.8-9.8) |
| 25 to 34 | 515 | 17.2 | (15.9-18.6) |
| 35 to 44 | 508 | 16.9 | (15.6-18.3) |
| 45 to 54 | 541 | 18.0 | (16.7-19.4) |
| 55 to 64 | 493 | 16.5 | (15.1-17.8) |
| 65 to 74 | 368 | 12.3 | (11.1-13.5) |
| 75+ | 312 | 10.4 | (9.3-11.5) |
| Location |  |  |  |
| Metropolitan | 2161 | 72.1 | (70.4-73.6) |
| Rural | 838 | 27.9 | (26.4-29.6) |
| SEIFA* |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 468 | 15.6 | (14.3-16.9) |
| Low | 671 | 22.4 | (20.9-23.9) |
| Middle | 697 | 23.2 | (21.8-24.8) |
| High | 548 | 18.3 | (16.9-19.7) |
| Highest | 615 | 20.5 | (19.1-22.0) |
| Marital Status |  |  |  |
| Married/Living with partner | 2071 | 69.1 | (67.4-70.7) |
| Separated/Divorced | 348 | 11.6 | (10.5-12.8) |
| Widowed | 141 | 4.7 | (4.0-5.5) |
| Never Married | 417 | 13.9 | (12.7-15.2) |
| Not stated | 22 | 0.7 | (0.5-1.1) |
| Dependents in household |  |  |  |
| 0 | 1623 | 54.1 | (52.3-55.9) |
| 1 | 457 | 15.2 | (14.0-16.6) |
| 2 | 497 | 16.6 | (15.3-17.9) |
| 3 | 278 | 9.3 | (8.3-10.3) |
| 4 | 67 | 2.2 | (1.8-2.8) |
| 5+ | 60 | 2.0 | (1.5-2.5) |
| Not stated | 18 | 0.6 | (0.4-0.9) |
| Employment status |  |  |  |
| Full time employed | 1119 | 37.3 | (35.6-39.1) |
| Part time employed | 429 | 14.3 | (13.1-15.6) |
| Casual | 242 | 8.1 | (7.1-9.1) |
| Unemployed | 133 | 4.4 | (3.7-5.2) |
| Engaged in home duties | 125 | 4.2 | (3.5-4.9) |
| Student | 124 | 4.1 | (3.5-4.9) |
| Retired | 616 | 20.6 | (19.1-22.0) |
| Unable to work | 111 | 3.7 | (3.1-4.4) |
| Other | 85 | 2.8 | (2.3-3.5) |
| Not stated | 14 | 0.5 | (0.3-0.8) |
| Education status |  |  |  |
| No schooling to secondary | 1038 | 34.6 | (32.9-36.3) |
| Trade, certificate, diploma | 919 | 30.6 | (29.0-32.3) |
| Degree or higher | 1032 | 34.4 | (32.7-36.1) |
| Not stated | 10 | 0.3 | (0.2-0.6) |

[^1]*SEIFA: Socio-Economic Index for Areas

Table 1 (Continued)

|  | n | \% | (95\% CI) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Disability Status |  |  |  |
| Yes | 570 | 19.0 | (17.6-20.4) |
| No | 2403 | 80.1 | (78.7-81.5) |
| Not stated | 26 | 0.9 | (0.6-1.2) |
| Aboriginal Status |  |  |  |
| Aboriginal | 60 | 2.0 | (1.5-2.5) |
| Non-Aboriginal | 2929 | 97.7 | (97.1-98.2) |
| Not stated | 10 | 0.3 | (0.2-0.6) |
| Country of Birth |  |  |  |
| Australia | 2261 | 75.4 | (73.8-76.9) |
| U.K. and Ireland | 274 | 9.1 | (8.1-10.2) |
| Other | 445 | 14.8 | (13.6-16.1) |
| Not Stated | 20 | 0.7 | (0.4-1.0) |
| Culturally and Linguistically Diversity (CALD) |  |  |  |
| English speaking background (Non-CALD) | 2596 | 86.6 | (85.3-87.7) |
| Non-English speaking background (CALD) | 384 | 12.8 | (11.6-14.0) |
| Not defined | 20 | 0.7 | (0.4-1.0) |
| Access to a vehicle |  |  |  |
| 0 | 148 | 4.9 | (4.2-5.8) |
| 1 | 788 | 26.3 | (24.7-27.9) |
| 2 | 1217 | 40.6 | (38.8-42.3) |
| 3 | 501 | 16.7 | (15.4-18.1) |
| 4+ | 342 | 11.4 | (10.3-12.6) |
| Not stated | 2 | 0.1 | (0.0-0.2) |
| Dwelling type |  |  |  |
| Owned or being purchased by the occupants | 2104 | 70.1 | (68.5-71.8) |
| Rented privately | 677 | 22.6 | (21.1-24.1) |
| Rented from Housing SA | 114 | 3.8 | (3.2-4.5) |
| Retirement village | 39 | 1.3 | (0.9-1.8) |
| Other | 18 | 0.6 | (0.4-0.9) |
| Not stated | 47 | 1.6 | (1.2-2.1) |
| Household Income |  |  |  |
| Up to \$20,000 | 216 | 7.2 | (6.3-8.2) |
| \$20,001-\$40,000 | 394 | 13.1 | (12.0-14.4) |
| \$40,001-\$60,000 | 329 | 11.0 | (9.9-12.1) |
| \$60,001-\$80,000 | 304 | 10.1 | (9.1-11.3) |
| \$80,001-\$100,000 | 317 | 10.6 | (9.5-11.7) |
| \$100,001-\$150,000 | 434 | 14.5 | (13.2-15.8) |
| More than \$150,000 | 432 | 14.4 | (13.2-15.7) |
| Not stated | 573 | 19.1 | (17.7-20.5) |
| Total | 2999 | 100.0 |  |

Note: The weighting of data can result in rounding discrepancies or totals not adding. CI denotes Confidence Interval.

## Overall Health and Wellbeing

## Self-assessed health status

Measures: Respondents were asked to self-report their own health status using the standardised SF1 question. Self-reported health status is commonly used as a general indicator of health and wellbeing, revealing insight to a person's perception of his or her own health at a given point in time. The responses to this question are presented in Table 2.

Table 2 shows that nearly $80 \%$ of respondents reported their health status as good or better.

Table 2: Proportion of respondents aged $\geq 18$ years reporting their health status (PHSMS April 2019, $\mathrm{n}=2974$ )

|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{( 9 5} \% \mathbf{C l})$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | :--- |
| Excellent | 420 | 14.1 | $(12.9-15.4)$ |
| Very Good | 960 | 32.3 | $(30.6-34.0)$ |
| Good | 991 | 33.3 | $(31.6-35.0)$ |
| Fair | 407 | 13.7 | $(12.5-15.0)$ |
| Poor | 197 | 6.6 | $(5.8-7.6)$ |
| Excellent / Very Good / Good | 2370 | 79.7 | $(78.2 .81 .1)$ |
| Fair / Poor | 604 | 20.3 | $(18.9-21.8)$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{2 9 7 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0}$ |  |

Note: The weighting of data can result in rounding discrepancies or totals not adding. Cl : Confidence Interval.
Don't know/refused ( $\mathrm{n}=25$ ) excluded

## Health care utilisation

Measures: Respondents were asked if they had used a variety of health services in South Australia in the past 12 months (Table 3). Respondents were allowed to provide multiple answers to this question.

The most commonly utilised health service was a General Practitioner (92\%) followed by a dentist and specialist doctor. Around one fifth of respondents had used some kind of hospital service in the past 12-months. Less than $4 \%$ of respondents reported not using any of the listed health services (Table 3).

Table 3: Proportion of respondents aged $\geq 18$ years reporting healthcare utilisation in the last 12 months (PHSMS April 2019, $\mathbf{n}=\mathbf{2 9 8 8}$ )

|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | (95 \% CI) |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| GP | 2749 | 92.0 | $(91.0-92.9)$ |
| Dentist | 1734 | 58.0 | $(56.3-59.8)$ |
| Specialist Doctor | 1449 | 48.5 | $(46.7-50.3)$ |
| Other Health Professional^ | 1077 | 36.0 | $(34.3-37.8)$ |
| Hospital Admission | 640 | 21.4 | $(20.0-22.9)$ |
| Hospital Outpatient Clinic | 546 | 18.3 | $(16.9-19.7)$ |
| Hospial Emergency Department | 534 | 17.9 | $(16.5-19.3)$ |
| Didn't access at least one of the above health services | 106 | 3.6 | $(2.9-4.3)$ |

[^2] Refused ( $n=11$ ) excluded, ^Allied health, nursing, Aboriginal health worker, multiple responses allowed

## Subjective Individual Wellbeing

Measures: Respondents were asked four questions relating to their wellbeing "Overall, how satisfied are you with your life nowadays?", "Overall, to what extent do you feel the things you do in your life are worthwhile?", "Overall, how happy did you feel yesterday?", and "Overall, how anxious did you feel yesterday?". For each of these questions respondents gave a number between 0 and 10 where 0 meant not at all and 10 meant completely.

The proportion of respondents aged 18 years and over reporting individual subjective wellbeing measures are reported in Table 4. The majority of adults responded favourably to each question.

Note: scoring of the question 'overall, how anxious did you feel yesterday' is inversed whereby a lower score denotes a better state of wellbeing.

Table 4: Proportion of respondents aged $\geq 18$ years reporting individual subjective wellbeing measures (PHSMS April 2019)

|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{( 9 5} \% \mathbf{C l})$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Satisfied with life nowadays (n=2981) |  |  |  |
| Medium/High (7-10) | 2333 | 78.3 | $(76.8-79.7)$ |
| Very Low/Low (0-6) | 648 | 21.7 | $(20.3-23.2)$ |
| Things you do in life are worthwhile (n=2975) |  |  |  |
| Medium/High (7-10) | 2475 | 83.2 | $(81.8-84.5)$ |
| Very Low/Low (0-6) | 500 | 16.8 | $(15.5-18.2)$ |
| How happy did you feel yesterday? (n=2983) |  |  |  |
| Medium/High (7-10) | 2215 | 74.2 | $(72.7-75.8)$ |
| Very Low/Low (0-6) | 768 | 25.8 | $(24.2-27.3)$ |
| How anxious did you feel yesterday? (n=2978) |  |  |  |
| Medium/Low (0-3) | 1890 | 63.5 | $(61.7-65.2)$ |
| Very high/high (4-10) | 1088 | 36.5 | $(34.8-38.3)$ |

Note: The weighting of data can result in rounding discrepancies or totals not adding. CI: Confidence Interval.
Excludes don't know/refused

The four wellbeing questions were then used to categorise respondents into three groups; those with good wellbeing, those with poor wellbeing, and those who were neutral (Table 5). Respondents were considered to have good wellbeing if they scored well on all four questions:

A score of 8-10 for life satisfaction, life being worthwhile, feeling happy yesterday and 0-2 for feeling anxious yesterday.
Respondents were considered to have poor wellbeing if they scored badly on at least one measure:
A score of 0-4 for life satisfaction, life being worthwhile, feeling happy yesterday and 6-10 for feeling anxious yesterday.
All other respondents were considered to be neutral. As shown in Table 5, 31.2\% of respondents reported having good overall wellbeing.

Table 5: Proportion of respondents aged $\geq 18$ years reporting overall subjective wellbeing status (PHSMS April 2019, n=2973)

|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{( 9 5 \% ~ C I )}$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Good wellbeing (scoring well on all four questions) | 927 | 31.2 | $(29.5-32.9)$ |
| Scoring neither well nor badly (neutral) | 1112 | 37.4 | $(35.7-39.2)$ |
| Poor wellbeing (scoring badly on at least one of the four questions) | 934 | 31.4 | $(29.8-33.1)$ |
| Note: The weighting of data can result in rounding discrepancies or totals not adding. Cl: Confidence Interval. |  |  |  |

## Physical Activity

## Perceptions of ability and opportunity

Measures: Respondents were asked to what extent do they agree or disagree with the following two statements: "I feel that I have the ability to be physically active, exercise or play sport" and "I feel that I have the opportunity to be physically active, exercise or play sport".

More than three quarters (75.3\%) of respondents agreed that they have the ability to be physically active, exercise or play sport (Table 6). Nearly $80 \%$ of respondents agreed that they have the opportunity to be physically active, exercise or play sport (Table 7).

Table 6: "I feel that I have the ability to be physically active, exercise or play sport" (PHSMS April 2019, n=2983)

|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | \% | $\mathbf{( 9 5}$ \% CI) |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Strongly Agree/Agree | 2247 | 75.3 | $(73.8-76.8)$ |
| Neutral/Disagree/Strongly Disagree | 736 | 24.7 | $(23.2-26.2)$ |
| Total | 2983 | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0}$ |  |

Note: The weighting of data can result in rounding discrepancies or totals not adding. CI denotes Confidence Interval. Don't Know/Refused ( $\mathrm{n}=16$ ) are excluded

Table 7: "I feel that I have the opportunity to be physically active, exercise or play sport" (PHSMS
April 2019, n=2985)

|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{( 9 5}$ \% CI) |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Strongly Agree/Agree | 2381 | 79.8 | $(78.3-81.2)$ |
| Neutral/Disagree/Strongly Disagree | 604 | 20.2 | $(18.8-21.7)$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{2 9 8 5}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0}$ |  |

Note: The weighting of data can result in rounding discrepancies or totals not adding. Cl denotes Confidence Interval. Don't Know/Refused ( $\mathrm{n}=14$ ) are excluded

## Physical Activity Stage of Change: Assessment Tool

Measures: Respondents were asked four questions to assess their change in physical activity behaviours. Respondents were asked "Are you regularly physically active?", "Have you been doing so for more than six months", "Do you intend to in the next thirty days?", and "Do you intend to in the next six months?". Regular physically active was defined as a total of 30 mins or more per day and be done at least 5 days per week.

Based on these questions, respondents were further classified according to stages of change described by Prochaska \& DiClemente as shown below in Table 8. The Transtheoretical Model (TM) has been described as an integrative and comprehensive model of behaviour and is also known as one of the most important theoretical health promotion developments ${ }^{2}$.

Table 8: Stage of Change Model (Prochaska \& DiClemente, 1983)

| Stage of Change | Characteristics |
| :--- | :--- |
| Pre-contemplation | In this stage, people do not intend to take action in the foreseeable future <br> (defined as within the next 6 months). People are often unaware that their <br> behaviour is problematic or produces negative consequences |
| Contemplation | In this stage, people are intending to start the healthy behaviour in the <br> foreseeable future (defined as within the next 6 months) |
| Preparation | In this stage, people are ready to take action within the next 30 days. <br> People start to take small steps toward the behaviour change, and they <br> believe changing their behaviour can lead to a healthier life. |
| Action | In this stage, people have recently changed their behaviour (defined as <br> within the last 6 months) and intend to keep moving forward with that <br> behaviour change. |
| Maintenance | In this stage, people have sustained their behaviour change for a while <br> (defined as more than 6 months) and intend to maintain the behaviour <br> change going forward. |

The proportions of respondents by stages of change (physical activity) are presented by key demographics in Table 9.
$>12.5 \%$ were not regularly active nor did they have any intention of doing so within the next six months (pre-contemplation). Older adults aged 65+ were more likely to be in the precontemplation stage compared with younger respondents.
$>7.4 \%$ intended on becoming regularly physically active within the next six months (contemplation)
$>18.4 \%$ intended on being physically active within the next 30 days (preparation). Females, younger respondents and those living in the metropolitan area were more likely to be in the preparation stage than their counterparts.
$>4.3 \%$ were physically active but for less than six months (action). Respondents aged 18-34 years were more likely to be in the action stage compared with older respondents.
$>57.4 \%$ were regularly physically active, and had been for more than six months (maintenance). Males were more likely to be in the maintenance stage compared with females.

There were no differences between SEIFA quintiles and any of the different stages of change

[^3]Table 9: Proportion of respondents reporting stages of change in physical activity, by selected demographics (PHSMS April 2019, $\mathbf{n}=\mathbf{2 9 9 9}$ )

|  | Pre-contemplation |  | Contemplation |  | Preparation |  | Action |  | Maintenance |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | n | \% (95 \% Cl) | n | \% (95 \% CI) | n | \% (95 \% Cl) | n | \% (95 \% Cl) | n | \% (95 \% Cl) |
| All | 374/2999 | 12.5 (11.3-13.7) | 223/2999 | 7.4 (6.5-8.4) | 552/2999 | 18.4 (17.0-19.8) | 129/2999 | 4.3 (3.6-5.1) | 1721/2999 | 57.4 (55.6-59.1) |
| Gender |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male | 155/1447 | 10.7 (9.2-12.4) | 89/1447 | 6.1 (5.0-7.5) | 220/1447 | 15.2 (13.4-17.1) | 51/1447 | 3.5 (2.7-4.6) | 933/1447 | 64.4 (62.0-66.9) |
| Female | 219/1552 | 14.1 (12.4-15.9) | 134/1552 | 8.7 (7.3-10.1) | 333/1552 | 21.4 (19.5-23.6) | 78/1552 | 5.0 (4.0-6.2) | 788/1552 | 50.8 (48.3-53.3) |
| Age (years) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 18 to 34 | 42/776 | 5.4 (4.0-7.2) | 61/776 | 7.9 (6.1-9.9) | 172/776 | 22.1 (19.3-25.2) | 51/776 | 6.5 (5.0-8.5) | 451/776 | 58.1 (54.6-61.6) |
| 35 to 64 | 205/1542 | 13.3 (11.7-15.1) | 121/1542 | 7.9 (6.6-9.3) | 298/1542 | 19.4 (17.4-21.4) | 57/1542 | 3.7 (2.8-4.7) | 860/1542 | 55.8 (53.3-58.2) |
| 65+ | 127/680 | 18.7 (15.9-21.7) | 41/680 | 6.0 (4.4-8.0) | 82/680 | 12.0 (9.8-14.7) | 20/680 | 3.0 (1.9-4.4) | 410/680 | 60.3 (56.6-63.9) |
| Location |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Metropolitan | 266/2161 | 12.3 (11.0-13.7) | 159/2161 | 7.4 (6.3-8.5) | 427/2161 | 19.7 (18.1-21.5) | 96/2161 | 4.5 (3.6-5.4) | 1212/2161 | 56.1 (54.0-58.2) |
| Rural | 108/838 | 12.9 (10.7-15.3) | 64/838 | 7.7 (6.0-9.6) | 125/838 | 15.0 (12.6-17.4) | 32/838 | 3.8 (2.7-5.3) | 509/838 | 60.7 (57.4-64.0) |
| SEIFA* ${ }^{(1)}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 71/468 | 15.1 (12.1-18.6) | 44/468 | 9.5 (7.0-12.3) | 84/468 | 17.8 (14.7-21.6) | 18/468 | 3.7 (2.4-5.9) | 252/468 | 53.9 (49.3-58.3) |
| Low | 99/671 | 14.8 (12.2-17.6) | 56/671 | 8.3 (6.4-10.6) | 117/671 | 17.4 (14.7-20.4) | 36/671 | 5.3 (3.8-7.3) | 363/671 | 54.1 (50.3-57.8) |
| Middle | 75/697 | 10.8 (8.6-13.2) | 41/697 | 5.9 (4.3-7.8) | 120/697 | 17.2 (14.6-20.2) | 33/697 | 4.8 (3.3-6.5) | 428/697 | 61.3 (57.8-65.0) |
| High | 69/548 | 12.5 (10.0-15.6) | 41/548 | 7.6 (5.5-9.9) | 114/548 | 20.7 (17.6-24.3) | 19/548 | 3.4 (2.2-5.3) | 305/548 | 55.7 (51.5-59.8) |
| Highest | 61/615 | 9.9 (7.7-12.5) | 40/615 | 6.5 (4.8-8.7) | 119/615 | 19.3 (16.4-22.6) | 23/615 | 3.8 (2.5-5.5) | 372/615 | 60.6 (56.6-64.3) |

Note: The weighting of data can result in rounding discrepancies or totals not adding. Cl denotes Confidence Interval.
*SEIFA: Socio-Economic Index for Areas

## Core Questions for Physical Activity

## Physical activity in the past $\mathbf{1 2}$-months

Respondents were asked if they had participated in various physical activities in the past 12 months These included; walking (for fitness, recreation, to walk the dog or for transport; where it was for at least 10 minutes), cycling, dance, and a sport, fitness or recreation activity.

In the past 12-months, walking was the most popular activity ( $90.4 \%$ ) followed by a sport, fitness or recreation activity ( $56.0 \%$ ). Nearly $6 \%$ of respondents reported not engaging in any of the listed activities in the past 12-months (Table 10).

Table 10: Proportion of respondents reporting engaging in certain physical activities in the past 12 months (PHSMS April 2019, n=2999)

|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | \% | $\mathbf{( 9 5}$ \% CI) |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Walking | 2712 | 90.4 | $(89.3-91.4)$ |
| Cycling | 720 | 24.0 | $(22.5-25.6)$ |
| Dance | 628 | 20.9 | $(19.5-22.4)$ |
| Sport, fitness or recreation activity | 1680 | 56.0 | $(54.2-57.8)$ |
| No physical activity in the past 12-months | 178 | 5.9 | $(5.1-6.8)$ |

Note: The weighting of data can result in rounding discrepancies or totals not adding. CI: Confidence Interval. Multiple responses allowed

## Physical activity in the past week

For each type of physical activity, respondents were asked multiple questions to measure how much time they spent participating in each activity. The category 'Sport, fitness and recreation activity' were further separated into four sub categories. Examples of the activities within each sub category are listed below:
$>$ Fitness activities: gym, internal training, boot camp, cross-fit
$>$ Team sports: football, netball, hockey, basketball, soccer, baseball/softball, volleyball, bowls $>$ Individual sports: tennis, squash, golf, equestrian, triathlon, martial arts, rowing, shooting
$>$ Recreation or other activities: jogging, swimming, trail running, surfing, skate, adventure activities, ten-pin bowling
The responses were used to calculate time spent per week for each activity (Table 11). Respondents were categorised to either 0 minutes, $1-149$ min or $150+$ minutes, with $150+$ minutes of activity being a proxy measure of engaging in activity for at least 30 minutes on five days of the week.

Note: Respondents who reported 'don't know' or 'refused' when asked about their frequency and duration of each activity were unable to be categorised into any of the three groups in Table 11

Regarding physical activity in the past week, over $80 \%$ of respondents reported walking, with $43.4 \%$ doing so for more than 150 minutes. Fitness activities, described as going to the gym, boot camp, cross fit, internal training were the next most popular activity, with nearly $30 \%$ of respondents engaging in these activities in the past week, however most of those respondents participated in 1149 minutes of activity (Table 11).

The proportions of people engaging in at least 150 minutes of physical activity by key demographics are presented in Table 12 below. Key findings include:
$>$ Males (63.0\%) were more likely to engage in at least 150 minutes of physical activity compared to females (53.1\%)
$>$ Younger respondents were more likely to report engaging in at least 150 min of activity, and older respondents were more likely to report not engaging in any activity (0 minutes)
$>$ Those living in the middle and highest SEIFA categories were more likely to engage in 150 minutes of activity

Table 11: Proportion of respondents reporting physical activities in categories of minutes per week (PHSMS April 2019)

|  | None |  | 1-149 minutes |  | 150+ minutes |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | n | \% (95 \% CI) | n | \% (95 \% CI) | n | \% (95 \% CI) |
| Walking ( $\mathrm{n}=2823$ ) | 506 | 17.9 (16.5-19.4) | 1093 | 38.7 (36.9-40.5) | 1225 | 43.4 (41.6-45.2) |
| Cycling ( $\mathrm{n}=2991$ ) | 2674 | 89.4 (88.3-90.5) | 209 | 7.0 (6.1-7.9) | 108 | 3.6 (3.0-4.3) |
| Dance ( $\mathrm{n}=2983$ ) | 2544 | 85.3 (84.0-86.5) | 401 | 13.5 (12.3-14.7) | 39 | 1.3 (0.9-1.8) |
| Fitness Activities ( $\mathbf{n = 2 9 8 9 \text { ) }}$ | 2152 | 72.0 (70.4-73.6) | 464 | 15.5 (14.3-16.9) | 373 | 12.5 (11.3-13.7) |
| Team Sports ( $\mathbf{n}=\mathbf{2 9 9 2}$ ) | 2731 | 91.3 (90.2-92.2) | 157 | 5.3 (4.5-6.1) | 103 | 3.4 (2.8-4.1) |
| Individual Sports ( $\mathbf{n = 2 9 9 6}$ ) | 2693 | 89.9 (88.8-90.9) | 175 | 5.8 (5.0-6.7) | 129 | 4.3 (3.6-5.1) |
| Recreation/Other ( $\mathrm{n}=2978$ ) | 2341 | 78.6 (77.1-80.1) | 463 | 15.5 (14.3-16.9) | 174 | 5.8 (5.0-6.7) |

Note: The weighting of data can result in rounding discrepancies or totals not adding. CI: Confidence Interval. Don't know/refused frequency and duration component excluded.

Table 12: Proportion of respondents reporting physical activities in categories of minutes per week, by selected demographics (PHSMS April 2019, $\mathbf{n}=2999$ )

|  | None |  | 1-149 minutes |  | 150+ minutes |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | n | \% (95 \% CI) | n | \% (95 \% CI) | n | \% (95 \% Cl) |
| All | 449/2999 | 15.0 (13.7-16.3) | 815/2999 | 27.2 (25.6-28.8) | 1736/2999 | 57.9 (56.1-59.6) |
| Gender |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male | 190/1447 | 13.1 (11.5-14.9) | 346/1447 | 23.9 (21.8-26.2) | 912/1447 | 63.0 (60.5-65.5) |
| Female | 259/1552 | 16.7 (14.9-18.6) | 469/1552 | 30.2 (28.0-32.5) | 824/1552 | 53.1 (50.6-55.6) |
| Age (years) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 18 to 34 | 62/776 | 8.0 (6.2-10.1) | 176/776 | 22.6 (19.8-25.7) | 538/776 | 69.4 (66.0-72.5) |
| 35 to 64 | 239/1542 | 15.5 (13.8-17.4) | 442/1542 | 28.6 (26.4-31.0) | 862/1542 | 55.9 (53.4-58.4) |
| 65+ | 148/680 | 21.7 (18.8-25.0) | 197/680 | 29.0 (25.7-32.5) | 335/680 | 49.3 (45.5-53.0) |
| Location |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Metropolitan | 312/2161 | 14.5 (13.0-16.0) | 586/2161 | 27.1 (25.3-29.0) | 1263/2161 | 58.4 (56.4-60.5) |
| Rural | 136/838 | 16.3 (13.9-18.8) | 229/838 | 27.3 (24.4-30.4) | 473/838 | 56.4 (53.1-59.8) |
| SEIFA* ${ }^{\text {a }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 84/468 | 17.9 (14.7-21.6) | 148/468 | 31.6 (27.5-35.9) | 237/468 | 50.5 (46.1-55.2) |
| Low | 127/671 | 18.9 (16.1-22.0) | 197/671 | 29.3 (26.0-32.9) | 348/671 | 51.8 (48.1-55.6) |
| Middle | 86/697 | 12.4 (10.1-14.9) | 183/697 | 26.2 (23.1-29.6) | 428/697 | 61.4 (57.8-65.0) |
| High | 77/548 | 14.1 (11.3-17.1) | 149/548 | 27.3 (23.6-31.0) | 321/548 | 58.6 (54.4-62.6) |
| Highest | 75/615 | 12.2 (9.8-15.0) | 138/615 | 22.4 (19.3-25.9) | 402/615 | 65.4 (61.5-69.0) |

Note: The weighting of data can result in rounding discrepancies or totals not adding. Cl denotes Confidence Interval.
*SEIFA: Socio-Economic Index for Areas

## Association of minutes of physical activity with health status

Measures: This section presents the proportion of respondents by minutes of physical activity ( 0 minutes, 1-149 minutes or 150+ minutes) by self-reported health status (Table 13), healthcare utilisation (Table 14), and wellbeing (Table 15).

Table 13 shows that the proportion of respondents who self-reported their health status as good or better improved with participation in physical activity. Respondents who did not engage in any physical activity ( $54.4 \%$ ) were less likely to report a good or better health status compared to those who engaged in at least 150 minutes ( $88.1 \%$ ). The results should be interpreted with caution due to the possible effect of reverse causality. It is unknown if lower engagement in physical activity caused poorer rates of self-reported health, or whether people with poorer self-reported health (possibly due to other health risk factors) led to respondents being unable to engage in more activity.

Table 13: Proportion of respondents reporting health status by minutes of physical activity (PHSMS April 2019, n=2974)

|  | None |  | $\mathbf{1 - 1 4 9}$ minutes |  | $\mathbf{1 5 0 +}$ minutes |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%(95 \% \mathbf{C l})$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%(95 \% \mathbf{C l})$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%(95 \% \mathbf{C l})$ |
| Excellent | 22 | $4.9(3.2-7.3)$ | 64 | $8.0(6.2-9.9)$ | 334 | $19.4(17.6-21.3)$ |
| Very Good | 64 | $14.4(11.4-17.9)$ | 225 | $27.8(24.8-31.0)$ | 671 | $39.0(36.7-41.3)$ |
| Good | 156 | $35.1(30.9-39.7)$ | 322 | $39.8(36.5-43.3)$ | 513 | $29.8(27.6-32.0)$ |
| Fair | 106 | $23.9(20.1-28.1)$ | 137 | $16.9(14.5-19.7)$ | 164 | $9.5(8.2-11.0)$ |
| Poor | 96 | $21.7(18.0-25.7)$ | 60 | $7.4(5.8-9.4)$ | 41 | $2.4(1.7-3.2)$ |
| Excellent/Very Good/Good | 241 | $54.4(49.7-59.0)$ | 611 | $75.6(72.6-78.5)$ | 1518 | $88.1(86.5-89.6)$ |
| Fair / Poor | 202 | $45.6(41.0-50.3)$ | 197 | $24.4(21.5-27.4)$ | 205 | $11.9(10.4-13.5)$ |

Note: The weighting of data can result in rounding discrepancies or totals not adding. CI: Confidence Interval. Don't know/refused to SF1 question ( $n=25$ ) excluded.

Respondents who engaged in at least 150 minutes of physical activity were less likely to report using a hospital service (admission, ED or outpatient clinic) compared to those who did not do any physical activity. They were also less likely to visit a specialist doctor compared to all other groups, but more likely to visit a dentist (Table 14).

Table 14: Proportion of respondents reporting healthcare utilisation by minutes of physical activity (PHSMS April 2019, n=2988)

|  | None |  | $\mathbf{1 - 1 4 9}$ minutes |  | $\mathbf{1 5 0 +}$ minutes |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%(95 \% \mathbf{C l})$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%(95 \% \mathbf{C l})$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%(95 \% \mathbf{C l})$ |
| GP | 420 | $94.5(91.9-96.2)$ | 774 | $95.2(93.4-96.4)$ | 1554 | $89.8(88.3-91.2)$ |
| Specialist Doctor | 243 | $54.7(50.0-59.2)$ | 420 | $51.6(48.2-55.0)$ | 785 | $45.4(43.0-47.7)$ |
| Dentist | 202 | $45.5(40.8-50.0)$ | 429 | $52.8(49.3-56.1)$ | 1102 | $63.7(61.4-65.9)$ |
| Other Health Professional^ | 153 | $34.4(30.1-38.9)$ | 327 | $40.2(36.8-43.6)$ | 597 | $34.5(32.3-36.8)$ |
| Hospital Admission | 122 | $27.4(23.4-31.7)$ | 204 | $25.1(22.2-28.1)$ | 314 | $18.1(16.4-20.0)$ |
| Hospital Outpatient Clinic | 112 | $25.3(21.3-29.4)$ | 191 | $23.5(20.7-26.5)$ | 243 | $14.1(12.5-15.7)$ |
| Hospital ED | 106 | $23.9(20.0-27.9)$ | 159 | $19.5(16.9-22.4)$ | 269 | $15.5(13.9-17.3)$ |
| Didn’t access any health service | 11 | $2.6(1.3-4.2)$ | 19 | $2.3(1.5-3.5)$ | 76 | $4.4(3.5-5.4)$ |

Note: The weighting of data can result in rounding discrepancies or totals not adding. CI: Confidence Interval. Refused healthcare question ( $n=11$ ) excluded. ^Allied health, nursing, Aboriginal health worker.

Respondents who engaged in at least 150 minutes of physical activity reported higher levels of individual wellbeing across all four individual questions, as well as their overall wellbeing score, compared to those who engaged in lower levels of physical activity (Table 15).

Again, the results should be interpreted with caution due to the possible effect of reverse causality. It is unknown if lower engagement in physical activity caused poorer rates of wellbeing, or whether people with poorer wellbeing (possibly due to other health risk factors) led to respondents being unable to engage in more activity.

Table 15: Proportion of respondents reporting subjective wellbeing measures and overall wellbeing status by minutes of physical activity (PHSMS April 2019)

|  | None |  | 1-149 minutes |  | 150+ minutes |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | n | \% (95 \% CI) | n | \% (95 \% CI) | n | \% (95 \% CI) |
| Satisfied with life nowadays ( $\mathrm{n}=2981$ ) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Medium/High (7-10) | 250 | 57.8 (53.2-62.5) | 605 | 74.4 (71.2-77.2) | 1478 | 85.2 (83.5-86.8) |
| Very Low/Low (0-6) | 182 | 42.2 (37.5-46.8) | 208 | 25.6 (22.6-28.6) | 257 | 14.8 (13.2-16.5) |
| Things you do in life are worthwhile ( $\mathrm{n}=2975$ ) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Medium/High (7-10) | 284 | 65.4 (60.7-69.6) | 681 | 84.2 (81.7-86.7) | 1510 | 87.2 (85.5-88.7) |
| Very Low/Low (0-6) | 151 | 34.6 (30.4-39.3) | 128 | 15.8 (13.4-18.5) | 222 | 12.8 (11.3-14.5) |
| How happy did you feel yesterday? ( $\mathrm{n}=2983$ ) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Medium/High (7-10) | 268 | 61.9 (57.3-66.4) | 564 | 69.3 (66.1-72.4) | 1383 | 79.7 (77.7-81.5) |
| Very Low/Low (0-6) | 165 | 38.1 (33.6-42.7) | 250 | 30.7 (27.6-33.9) | 353 | 20.3 (18.5-22.3) |
| How anxious did you feel yesterday? ( $\mathrm{n}=2978$ ) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Medium/Low (0-3) | 241 | 55.6 (51.1-60.4) | 515 | 63.3 (60.0-66.6) | 1134 | 65.5 (63.2-67.7) |
| Very high/high (4-10) | 192 | 44.4 (39.8-49.2) | 298 | 36.7 (33.4-40.0) | 598 | 34.5 (32.3-36.8) |
| Overall Wellbeing ( $\mathrm{n}=2973$ ) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Scoring well | 82 | 18.9 (15.4-22.8) | 223 | 27.6 (24.6-30.8) | 622 | 35.9 (33.7-38.2) |
| Scoring neither well/ badly | 152 | 35.1 (30.6-39.6) | 328 | 40.5 (37.2-44.0) | 632 | 36.5 (34.3-38.8) |
| Scoring badly | 200 | 46.0 (41.4-50.8) | 257 | 31.8 (28.7-35.1) | 477 | 27.6 (25.5-29.7) |

Note: The weighting of data can result in rounding discrepancies or totals not adding. CI: Confidence Interval. Don't know/refused wellbeing questions excluded.

## Association of minutes of physical activity with individual development

Measures: This section presents the proportion of respondents by minutes of physical activity ( 0 minutes, 1-149 minutes or 150+ minutes) by the following two individual development questions whereby respondents were asked to what extent did they agree or disagree with the following statements;
$>$ I can achieve most of the goals I set myself
$>$ If I find something difficult, I keep trying until I can do it
Respondents who engaged in at least 150 minutes of physical activity were more likely to agree they were able to achieve most of their goals (87.5\%), compared with those who engaged in 1-149minutes (76.2\%) and those who did not engage in any activity (61.6\%) (Table 16).

Table 16: Proportion of respondents reporting if they could achieve most of their goals set by themselves by minutes of physical activity (PHSMS April 2019, $\mathbf{n}=\mathbf{2 9 8 1}$ )

|  | None |  | $\mathbf{1 - 1 4 9}$ minutes |  | $\mathbf{1 5 0 +}$ minutes |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%(95 \% \mathbf{C l})$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%(95 \% \mathbf{C l})$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%(95 \% \mathbf{C l})$ |
| Strongly Agree / Agree | 270 | $61.6(57.2-66.3)$ | 617 | $76.2(73.1-79.0)$ | 1518 | $87.5(85.9-89.0)$ |
| Neutral | 72 | $16.5(13.2-20.2)$ | 107 | $13.3(11.0-15.7)$ | 132 | $7.6(6.4-8.9)$ |
| Disagree / Strongly Disagree | 96 | $21.9(18.3-26.0)$ | 85 | $10.5(8.5-12.7)$ | 84 | $4.9(3.9-5.9)$ |

Note: The weighting of data can result in rounding discrepancies or totals not adding. CI : Confidence Interval. Don't Know/Refused ( $n=18$ ) are excluded.

Similarly, nearly $90 \%$ of respondents who engaged in at least 150 minutes of physical activity agreed that if they found something difficult, they keep trying until they could do it, which was higher than respondents engaging in 1-149 minutes of activity ( $84.2 \%$ ) and no activity ( $71.1 \%$ ) (Table 17).

Table 17: Proportion of respondents reporting if they found something difficult, they keep trying until they could do it by minutes of physical activity (PHSMS April 2019, $\mathbf{n}=\mathbf{2 9 8 6}$ )

|  | None |  | $\mathbf{1 - 1 4 9}$ minutes |  | $\mathbf{1 5 0 +}$ minutes |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%(95 \% \mathbf{C l})$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%(95 \% \mathbf{C l})$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%(95 \% \mathbf{C l})$ |
| Strongly Agree / Agree | 313 | $71.1(66.8-75.2)$ | 685 | $84.2(81.6-86.6)$ | 1552 | $89.6(88.0-90.9)$ |
| Neutral | 68 | $15.4(12.3-19.1)$ | 93 | $11.5(9.4-13.8)$ | 124 | $7.1(6.0-8.4)$ |
| Disagree / Strongly Disagree | 59 | $13.5(10.5-16.8)$ | 35 | $4.3(3.1-5.9)$ | 58 | $3.3(2.6-4.3)$ |

Note: The weighting of data can result in rounding discrepancies or totals not adding. Cl : Confidence Interval. Don't Know/Refused ( $n=12$ ) are excluded.

## Association of minutes of physical activity with community connectedness

Measures: This section presents the proportion of respondents by minutes of physical activity ( 0 minutes, 1-149 minutes or 150+ minutes) by the following two community connectedness questions whereby respondents were asked to what extent did they agree or disagree with the following statements;
> Most people in my local area can be trusted
$>\quad$ There are people in my life who really care about me

Over two-thirds (67\%) of respondents that reported 150 minutes or more of physical activity a week agreed that most people in their local area could be trusted, compared to $63.5 \%$ of the respondents that reported 1-149 minutes and 54.7\% of those that reported none (Table 18).

The majority of respondents reporting 150 minutes or more of physical activity agreed that there were people in their life who really care about them (98.2\%), compared to $97.3 \%$ of the respondents that reported 1-149 minutes and 93.3\% of those that reported none (Table 19).

Table 18: Proportion of respondents reporting if they agreed/disagreed that most people in their local area could be trusted by minutes of physical activity (PHSMS April 2019, $\mathbf{n = 2 8 7 5}$ )

|  | None |  | $\mathbf{1 - 1 4 9}$ minutes |  | 150+ minutes |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%(95 \% \mathbf{C l})$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%(95 \% \mathbf{C l})$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%(95 \% \mathbf{C l})$ |
| Strongly Agree / Agree | 227 | $54.7(50.0-59.6)$ | 495 | $63.5(60.1-66.9)$ | 1126 | $67.0(64.7-69.2)$ |
| Neutral | 106 | $25.7(21.6-30.0)$ | 198 | $25.4(22.5-28.6)$ | 372 | $22.1(20.2-24.1)$ |
| Disagree / Strongly Disagree | 81 | $19.7(16.0-23.6)$ | 86 | $11.0(9.0-13.4)$ | 184 | $10.9(9.5-12.5)$ |

Note: The weighting of data can result in rounding discrepancies or totals not adding. CI denotes Confidence Interval. Don't Know/Refused ( $\mathrm{n}=124$ ) are excluded

Table 19: Proportion of respondents reporting if they agreed/disagreed that there were people in their life who really cared about them by minutes of physical activity (PHSMS April 2019, $\mathbf{n}=\mathbf{2 9 9 3}$ )

|  | None |  | $\mathbf{1 - 1 4 9}$ minutes |  | $\mathbf{1 5 0 +}$ minutes |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%(95 \% \mathbf{C l})$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%(95 \% \mathbf{C l})$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%(95 \% \mathbf{C l})$ |
| Strongly Agree / Agree | 414 | $93.3(90.6-95.3)$ | 792 | $97.3(96.0-98.2)$ | 1704 | $98.2(97.5-98.8)$ |
| Neutral | 16 | $3.6(2.2-5.6)$ | 9 | $1.1(0.5-2.0)$ | 19 | $1.1(0.7-1.7)$ |
| Disagree / Strongly Disagree | 13 | $3.0(1.7-4.8)$ | 13 | $1.6(0.9-2.6)$ | 12 | $0.7(0.4-1.2)$ |

Note: The weighting of data can result in rounding discrepancies or totals not adding. Cl denotes Confidence Interval. Don't Know/Refused ( $\mathrm{n}=6$ ) are excluded

## Association of minutes of physical activity with social capital

Measures: This section presents the proportion of respondents by minutes of physical activity (0 minutes, 1-149 minutes or 150+ minutes) by the following three social capital questions whereby respondents were asked to what extent did they agree or disagree with the following statements;
$>$ I feel safe walking in my local community after dark
$>$ I identify with my local community
$>$ If there was a serious problem in my local community, the people here would come together to solve it

Over $71 \%$ of respondents who reported engaging in 150 minutes or more of physical activity a week agreed they felt safe walking in their local community after dark, which was higher than those reporting 1-149 minutes (62.7\%) and none (49.7\%) (Table 20).

Table 20: Proportion of respondents reporting if they felt safe walking in their local community after dark by minutes of physical activity (PHSMS April 2019, n=2933)

|  | None |  | $\mathbf{1 - 1 4 9}$ minutes |  | $\mathbf{1 5 0 +}$ minutes |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%(\mathbf{9 5} \% \mathbf{C l})$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%(95 \% \mathbf{C l})$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%(\mathbf{9 5} \% \mathbf{C l})$ |
| Strongly Agree / Agree | 208 | $49.7(45.0-54.5)$ | 498 | $62.7(59.3-66.0)$ | 1229 | $71.4(69.3-73.6)$ |
| Neutral | 70 | $16.7(13.4-20.5)$ | 114 | $14.4(12.0-16.9)$ | 225 | $13.1(11.6-14.7)$ |
| Disagree / Strongly Disagree | 141 | $33.6(29.3-38.4)$ | 182 | $22.9(20.1-25.9)$ | 266 | $15.5(13.8-17.2)$ |

Note: The weighting of data can result in rounding discrepancies or totals not adding. CI denotes Confidence Interval. Don't Know/Refused ( $\mathrm{n}=66$ ) are excluded

Similarly, $70.7 \%$ of respondents reporting engaging in 150 minutes or more of physical activity a week agreed that they identified with their local community, compared to $61.3 \%$ of respondents reporting 1149 minutes and $52.6 \%$ reporting none (Table 21).

Table 21: Proportion of respondents reporting that they feel that they get identified in their local community by minutes of physical activity (PHSMS April 2019, n=2944)

|  | None |  | $\mathbf{1 - 1 4 9}$ minutes |  | 150+ minutes |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%(95 \% \mathbf{C l})$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%(95 \% \mathbf{C l})$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%(95 \% \mathbf{C l})$ |
| Strongly Agree / Agree | 221 | $52.6(47.7-57.2)$ | 492 | $61.3(57.9-64.6)$ | 1217 | $70.7(68.6-72.9)$ |
| Neutral | 110 | $26.1(22.1-30.5)$ | 232 | $28.9(25.8-32.1)$ | 358 | $20.8(18.9-22.8)$ |
| Disagree / Strongly Disagree | 90 | $21.3(17.7-25.5)$ | 78 | $9.7(7.8-11.9)$ | 146 | $8.5(7.2-9.9)$ |

Note: The weighting of data can result in rounding discrepancies or totals not adding. Cl denotes Confidence Interval. Don't Know/Refused ( $\mathrm{n}=55$ ) are excluded

There were no differences in the proportion of respondents who agreed that their local community would come together to solve a serious problem by minutes of physical activity, however $16.4 \%$ of respondents reporting no physical activity disagreed with the statement, which was higher than respondents reporting 1-149 minutes (8.8\%) and 150+ minutes (9.4\%) (Table 22).

Table 22: Proportion of respondents reporting that if there was a serious problem in their local community, the people here would come together to solve it by minutes of physical activity (PHSMS April 2019, n=2790)

|  | None |  | $\mathbf{1 - 1 4 9}$ minutes |  | 150+ minutes |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%(95 \% \mathbf{C I})$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%(95 \% \mathbf{C l})$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%(95 \% \mathbf{C l})$ |
| Strongly Agree / Agree | 228 | $59.8(54.9-64.7)$ | 479 | $62.9(59.5-66.3)$ | 1062 | $64.5(62.1-66.7)$ |
| Neutral | 91 | $23.8(19.8-28.4)$ | 215 | $28.3(25.1-31.5)$ | 431 | $26.2(24.1-28.3)$ |
| Disagree / Strongly Disagree | 63 | $16.4(13.1-20.5)$ | 67 | $8.8(6.9-11.0)$ | 154 | $9.4(8.0-10.8)$ |

Note: The weighting of data can result in rounding discrepancies or totals not adding. CI denotes Confidence Interval. Don't Know/Refused ( $\mathrm{n}=210$ ) are excluded

## Moderate to vigorous physical activity

Australia's Physical Activity and Sedentary Behaviour guidelines ${ }^{3}$ provide recommendations for adults of different ages considered essential for individual health and wellbeing. One part of these recommendations for adults aged 18-64 years are to:
$>$ Accumulate 150 to 300 minutes of moderate intensity physical activity, or 75 to 150 minutes of vigorous intensity physical activity, or an equivalent combination of both moderate and vigorous activities each week.

Adults aged 65 years and over are recommended to:
$>$ Accumulate at least 30 minutes of moderate intensity physical activity on most, preferably all days The reporting of adults engaging in at least 150minutes of moderate intensity physical activity per week is a common proxy for meeting these aspects of the guidelines and is therefore presented below.

Measures: As described in the previous section, for each type of physical activity, respondents were asked multiple questions to measure how much time they spent participating in each activity. Some activities were further asked at what intensity they were performed at, by describing whether the activity made them breathe harder than normal. Some activities were not asked these questions and therefore the level of intensity has been assumed. Table 23 below describe how the intensity of each activity was calculated. Minutes of vigorous intensity activity were multiplied by two to account for their higher intensity.

Table 23: Determination of intensity of physical activity (PHSMS April 2019)

|  |  |
| :--- | :---: |
| Walking | Assumed to be moderate intensity <br> Cycling |
| Assumed to be vigorous intensity <br> Dance | Assumed to be moderate intensity |

The results found that $59 \%$ of respondents engaged in at least 150 minutes of at least moderate intensity physical activity in the past week, with a quarter (25.5\%) engaging in between 1-149 minutes, and $15.5 \%$ not doing any moderate intensity activity (Table 24). The proportions of people engaging in at least 150 minutes of moderate intensity activity by various demographics are presented in Table 24 below. Key findings include:
$>$ Males (64.2\%) were more likely to engage in 150 minutes of moderate intensity activity compared to females (54.2\%)
$>$ Participation rates were higher in younger respondents
$>$ The unemployed ( $37.2 \%$ ) and those unable to work ( $28.6 \%$ ) were the least likely to report engaging in at least 150minutes of moderate activity of all the occupation groups. Students were the most likely (74.4\%)
$>$ Participation in 150 mintues of moderate intensity activity increased with higher education levels, access to more vehicles in the household, and a higher household income

[^4]Table 24: Proportion of respondents reporting number of minutes of at least moderate intensity physical activity, by selected demographics (PHSMS April 2019, n=2999)

|  | None |  | 1-149 minutes |  | 150+ minutes |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | n | \% (95 \% CI) | n | \% (95 \% CI) | n | \% (95 \% CI) |
| All | 464 | 15.5 (14.2-16.8) | 765 | 25.5 (24.0-27.1) | 1770 | 59.0 (57.3-60.8) |
| Gender |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male | 196 | 13.6 (11.9-15.4) | 322 | 22.3 (20.2-24.5) | 929 | 64.2 (61.7-66.6) |
| Female | 268 | 17.3 (15.4-19.2) | 443 | 28.5 (26.3-30.8) | 841 | 54.2 (51.7-56.7) |
| Age (years) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 18 to 24 | 34 | 13.1 (9.3-17.4) | 41 | 15.8 (11.6-20.4) | 186 | 71.1 (65.3-76.2) |
| 25 to 34 | 33 | 6.5 (4.5-8.8) | 115 | 22.4 (18.9-26.1) | 366 | 71.1 (67.0-74.9) |
| 35 to 44 | 71 | 14.0 (11.2-17.2) | 148 | 29.2 (25.3-33.2) | 288 | 56.8 (52.4-61.0) |
| 45 to 54 | 84 | 15.5 (12.7-18.8) | 140 | 25.9 (22.3-29.7) | 317 | 58.6 (54.4-62.7) |
| 55 to 64 | 86 | 17.4 (14.3-21.0) | 119 | 24.1 (20.5-28.1) | 289 | 58.6 (54.2-62.9) |
| 65 to 74 | 56 | 15.3 (11.8-19.2) | 110 | 29.8 (25.4-34.7) | 202 | 54.9 (49.8-59.9) |
| 75+ | 100 | 32.0 (27.1-37.4) | 91 | 29.3 (24.3-34.4) | 121 | 38.8 (33.5-44.3) |
| Gender and Age (years) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male 18 to 24 | 16 | 12.8 (8.1-20.1) | 24 | 19.8 (13.5-27.6) | 82 | 67.4 (59.1-75.6) |
| Male 25 to 34 | 8 | 3.0 (1.5-5.8) | 43 | 16.9 (12.7-21.8) | 204 | 80.1 (74.8-84.6) |
| Male 35 to 44 | 38 | 14.9 (11.1-20.0) | 62 | 24.5 (19.7-30.3) | 152 | 60.6 (54.4-66.5) |
| Male 45 to 54 | 40 | 14.9 (11.0-19.6) | 52 | 19.4 (15.0-24.5) | 176 | 65.7 (59.8-71.2) |
| Male 55 to 64 | 44 | 18.4 (13.7-23.4) | 50 | 20.9 (15.9-26.1) | 147 | 60.8 (54.5-66.7) |
| Male 65 to 74 | 19 | 10.7 (6.7-15.8) | 55 | 30.7 (24.3-37.8) | 105 | 58.6 (51.4-65.7) |
| Male 75+ | 32 | 24.4 (17.5-32.1) | 36 | 27.6 (20.2-35.3) | 63 | 48.0 (39.3-56.2) |
| Female 18 to 24 | 19 | 13.4 (8.7-20.0) | 17 | 12.3 (7.5-18.3) | 104 | 74.3 (66.6-81.0) |
| Female 25 to 34 | 26 | 9.8 (6.8-14.1) | 72 | 27.8 (22.5-33.4) | 162 | 62.4 (56.3-68.0) |
| Female 35 to 44 | 34 | 13.1 (9.5-17.8) | 87 | 33.9 (28.3-39.8) | 136 | 53.1 (46.8-59.0) |
| Female 45 to 54 | 44 | 16.1 (12.1-20.8) | 88 | 32.3 (26.9-37.9) | 141 | 51.6 (45.7-57.5) |
| Female 55 to 64 | 41 | 16.4 (12.1-21.2) | 68 | 27.1 (21.8-32.7) | 142 | 56.4 (50.2-62.4) |
| 65 to 74 | 37 | 19.6 (14.3-25.5) | 55 | 28.9 (22.9-35.7) | 98 | 51.5 (44.5-58.6) |
| Female 75+ | 68 | 37.5 (30.9-45.0) | 55 | 30.5 (24.2-37.6) | 58 | 32.1 (25.7-39.3) |
| Location |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Metropolitan | 322 | 14.9 (13.4-16.4) | 552 | 25.5 (23.7-27.4) | 1288 | 59.6 (57.5-61.7) |
| Rural | 143 | 17.0 (14.6-19.7) | 213 | 25.4 (22.6-28.4) | 482 | 57.5 (54.1-60.8) |
| SEIFA* |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 84 | 18.0 (14.7-21.6) | 139 | 29.6 (25.7-34.0) | 245 | 52.4 (47.8-56.8) |
| Low | 135 | 20.1 (17.2-23.3) | 187 | 27.9 (24.6-31.4) | 349 | 52.0 (48.2-55.8) |
| Middle | 87 | 12.5 (10.2-15.1) | 171 | 24.5 (21.4-27.8) | 439 | 63.0 (59.4-66.5) |
| High | 82 | 14.9 (12.2-18.1) | 135 | 24.7 (21.2-28.4) | 331 | 60.4 (56.3-64.4) |
| Highest | 76 | 12.4 (9.9-15.1) | 133 | 21.6 (18.5-25.0) | 406 | 66.0 (62.2-69.7) |
| Marital Status |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married/Living with partner | 262 | 12.7 (11.3-14.1) | 540 | 26.1 (24.2-28.0) | 1269 | 61.3 (59.2-63.4) |
| Separated/Divorced | 76 | 21.8 (17.7-26.4) | 106 | 30.5 (25.8-35.4) | 166 | 47.6 (42.5-52.9) |
| Widowed | 47 | 33.6 (26.0-41.4) | 43 | 30.5 (23.4-38.4) | 51 | 35.9 (28.6-44.3) |
| Never Married | 72 | 17.2 (13.9-21.1) | 73 | 17.4 (14.1-21.4) | 272 | 65.3 (60.6-69.7) |
| Not stated | 7 | 30.5 (15.5-52.6) | 3 | 13.3 (4.0-32.1) | 13 | 56.3 (38.5-77.5) |
| Dependents in household |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 283 | 17.4 (15.6-19.3) | 417 | 25.7 (23.6-27.9) | 923 | 56.9 (54.5-59.3) |
| 1 | 55 | 12.0 (9.3-15.3) | 116 | 25.3 (21.6-29.5) | 286 | 62.7 (58.1-66.9) |
| 2 | 64 | 12.9 (10.2-16.0) | 119 | 23.9 (20.4-27.8) | 314 | 63.2 (58.9-67.3) |
| 3 | 35 | 12.4 (9.1-16.9) | 68 | 24.4 (19.7-29.8) | 175 | 63.1 (57.2-68.5) |
| 4 | 14 | 20.6 (12.5-31.7) | 22 | 32.6 (22.5-44.6) | 31 | 46.8 (34.7-58.2) |
| 5+ | 10 | 16.4 (8.9-27.6) | 19 | 32.2 (21.0-44.1) | 31 | 51.4 (39.2-64.0) |
| Not stated | 4 | 25.0 (8.0-44.6) | 5 | 26.9 (11.5-50.6) | 9 | 48.1 (28.4-71.6) |
| Employment status |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Full time employed | 103 | 9.2 (7.6-11.0) | 243 | 21.7 (19.4-24.2) | 773 | 69.1 (66.3-71.7) |
| Part time employed | 42 | 9.8 (7.2-12.9) | 120 | 27.9 (23.9-32.4) | 267 | 62.3 (57.6-66.7) |
| Casual | 47 | 19.3 (14.8-24.8) | 49 | 20.4 (15.6-25.6) | 146 | 60.3 (54.1-66.3) |
| Unemployed | 37 | 27.8 (20.7-35.9) | 46 | 35.0 (26.9-42.9) | 49 | 37.2 (29.0-45.3) |
| Engaged in home duties | 13 | 10.3 (6.0-16.6) | 58 | 45.9 (37.8-55.1) | 55 | 43.8 (35.5-52.8) |
| Student | 14 | 11.1 (6.6-17.7) | 18 | 14.5 (9.2-21.5) | 92 | 74.4 (66.0-81.3) |
| Retired | 135 | 22.0 (18.8-25.3) | 184 | 29.9 (26.4-33.6) | 297 | 48.2 (44.3-52.2) |
| Unable to work | 51 | 46.0 (36.9-55.2) | 28 | 25.4 (17.9-33.9) | 32 | 28.6 (21.0-37.7) |
| Other | 20 | 23.6 (15.5-33.3) | 17 | 20.1 (12.6-29.4) | 48 | 56.3 (45.9-66.6) |
| Not stated | 2 | 16.2 (3.1-38.5) | 1 | 8.9 (0.8-28.8) | 10 | 74.9 (45.5-89.5) |



Note: The weighting of data can result in rounding discrepancies or totals not adding. CI: Confidence Interval.
*SEIFA: Socio-Economic Index for Areas

## Other Physical Activity Characteristics

Measures: This section presents the subjective wellbeing measures by the respondent's responses to the following questions relating to the physical activities they engage in:
$>$ What proportion of these activities do you normally do outdoors? (Table 25)
$>$ What proportion of these activities do you normally do with other people (friends, family, teammates)? (Table 26)
$>$ What proportion of these activities are "organised" (e.g. by a gym, club, school) (Table 27)
> Are you a "member" of a club or organisation associated with these activities? (Table 28)

Table 25 shows that respondents that undertook at least half of their physical activity outdoors, reported a higher proportion scoring well for overall wellbeing (34.4\%) than those who completed none or less than half of their physical activity outdoors ( $24.4 \%$ ). These respondents were also more likely to report favourable responses for all wellbeing measures compared those who undertook none, or less than half of their activity outdoors.

Table 25: Proportion of respondents reporting subjective wellbeing measures and overall wellbeing status by amount of physical activity done outdoors (PHSMS April 2019)

|  | None/Less than half |  | Half or more |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%(95 \% \mathrm{Cl})$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%(95 \% \mathbf{C l})$ |
| Satisfied with life nowadays (n=2854) |  |  |  |  |
| Medium/High (7-10) | 531 | $73.2(69.8-76.3)$ | 1746 | $82.0(80.3-83.6)$ |
| Very Low/Low (0-6) | 195 | $26.8(23.7-30.2)$ | 383 | $18.0(16.4-19.7)$ |
| Things you do in life are worthwhile (n=2844) |  |  |  |  |
| Medium/High (7-10) | 589 | $81.6(78.6-84.3)$ | 1816 | $85.6(84.0-87.0)$ |
| Very Low/Low (0-6) | 133 | $18.4(15.7-21.4)$ | 306 | $14.4(13.0-16.0)$ |
| How happy did you feel yesterday? (n=2855) |  |  |  |  |
| Medium/High (7-10) | 516 | $71.1(67.7-74.3)$ | 1635 | $76.8(75.0-78.6)$ |
| Very Low/Low (0-6) | 210 | $28.9(25.7-32.3)$ | 495 | $23.2(21.5-25.1)$ |
| How anxious did you feel yesterday? (n=2851) |  |  |  |  |
| Medium/Low (0-3) | 417 | $57.5(53.9-61.1)$ | 1406 | $66.1(64.1-68.1)$ |
| Very high/high (4-10) | 308 | $42.5(38.9-46.1)$ | 720 | $33.9(31.9-35.9)$ |
| Overall Wellbeing (n=2843) |  |  |  |  |
| Scoring well | 177 | $24.4(21.4-27.7)$ | 729 | $34.4(32.4-36.4)$ |
| Scoring neither well/ badly | 292 | $40.3(36.8-43.9)$ | 778 | $36.7(34.7-38.8)$ |
| Scoring badly | 255 | $35.3(31.8-38.8)$ | 612 | $28.9(27.0-30.8)$ |

Note: The weighting of data can result in rounding discrepancies or totals not adding. Cl : Confidence Interval.
Don't know/refused wellbeing questions excluded.

Respondents participating in at least half of their physical activity with other people reported a higher proportion scoring well in overall wellbeing (34.9\%) than those who had not completed less than half (27.4\%). These respondents also scored higher for life satisfaction and for feeling things they did in life were worthwhile (Table 26).

Table 26: Proportion of respondents reporting subjective wellbeing measures and overall wellbeing status by amount of physical activity done with other people (PHSMS April 2019)

|  | None/Less than half |  | Half or more |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%(95 \% \mathbf{C l})$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%(95 \% \mathbf{C l})$ |
| Satisfied with life nowadays (n=2854) |  |  |  |  |
| Medium/High (7-10) | 856 | $74.5(71.9-77.0)$ | 1421 | $83.3(81.5-85.0)$ |
| Very Low/Low (0-6) | 293 | $25.5(23.0-28.1)$ | 285 | $16.7(15.0-18.5)$ |
| Things you do in life are worthwhile (n=2844) |  |  |  |  |
| Medium/High (7-10) | 904 | $79.0(76.6-81.3)$ | 1501 | $88.3(86.7-89.8)$ |
| Very Low/Low (0-6) | 240 | $21.0(18.7-23.4)$ | 199 | $11.7(10.2-13.3)$ |
| How happy did you feel yesterday? (n=2855) |  |  |  |  |
| Medium/High (7-10) | 842 | $73.3(70.7-75.8)$ | 1309 | $76.7(74.6-78.6)$ |
| Very Low/Low (0-6) | 306 | $26.7(24.2-29.3)$ | 398 | $23.3(21.4-25.4)$ |
| How anxious did you feel yesterday? (n=2851) |  |  |  |  |
| Medium/Low (0-3) | 717 | $62.6(59.7-65.3)$ | 1106 | $64.8(62.5-67.1)$ |
| Very high/high (4-10) | 428 | $37.4(34.6-40.2)$ | 600 | $35.2(32.9-37.5)$ |
| Overall Wellbeing (n=2843) |  |  |  |  |
| Scoring well | 313 | $27.4(24.9-30.0)$ | 593 | $34.9(32.6-37.2)$ |
| Scoring neither well/ badly | 465 | $40.7(37.9-43.6)$ | 606 | $35.6(33.4-37.9)$ |
| Scoring badly | 365 | $31.9(29.3-34.7)$ | 502 | $29.5(27.4-31.7)$ |

Note: The weighting of data can result in rounding discrepancies or totals not adding. Cl : Confidence Interval. Don't know/refused wellbeing questions excluded.

Respondents that reported at least half of their physical activity was "organised" were more likely to have better overall wellbeing (35.6\%), life satisfaction (84.6\%) and feelings of happiness (66.1\%) compared to those who reported that none/less than half of their activity was organised (Table 27).

Table 27: Proportion of respondents reporting subjective wellbeing measures and overall wellbeing status by amount of physical activity that is "organised" (PHSMS April 2019)

|  | None/Less than half |  | Half or more |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%(95 \% \mathbf{C l})$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%(95 \% \mathbf{C l})$ |
| Satisfied with life nowadays (n=2854) |  |  |  |  |
| Medium/High (7-10) | 1525 | $77.6(75.7-79.4)$ | 752 | $84.6(82.1-86.8)$ |
| Very Low/Low (0-6) | 441 | $22.4(20.6-24.3)$ | 137 | $15.4(13.2-17.9)$ |
| Things you do in life are worthwhile (n=2844) |  |  |  |  |
| Medium/High (7-10) | 1632 | $83.6(81.8-85.1)$ | 773 | $86.7(84.4-88.9)$ |
| Very Low/Low (0-6) | 321 | $16.4(14.8-18.1)$ | 118 | $13.3(11.1-15.6)$ |
| How happy did you feel yesterday? (n=2855) |  |  |  |  |
| Medium/High (7-10) | 1442 | $73.5(71.5-75.4)$ | 709 | $79.5(76.7-82.0)$ |
| Very Low/Low (0-6) | 521 | $26.5(24.6-28.5)$ | 183 | $20.5(18.0-23.3)$ |
| How anxious did you feel yesterday? (n=2851) |  |  |  |  |
| Medium/Low (0-3) | 1234 | $62.9(60.8-65.1)$ | 590 | $66.1(63.1-69.3)$ |
| Very high/high (4-10) | 726 | $37.1(34.9-39.2)$ | 302 | $33.9(30.8-37.1)$ |
| Overall Wellbeing (n=2843) |  |  |  |  |
| Scoring well | 590 | $30.2(28.2-32.2)$ | 316 | $35.6(32.5-38.8)$ |
| Scoring neither well/ badly | 742 | $38.0(35.8-40.1)$ | 328 | $36.9(33.8-40.1)$ |
| Scoring badly | 623 | $31.8(29.8-34.0)$ | 245 | $27.5(24.7-30.6)$ |

Note: The weighting of data can result in rounding discrepancies or totals not adding. CI : Confidence Interval.
Don't know/refused wellbeing questions excluded.

Respondents who were a member of a club or organisation associated with their physical activity were more likely to have a better overall wellbeing ( $36.1 \%$ ), life satisfaction ( $86.4 \%$ ), feelings of worth ( $90.3 \%$ ) and feelings of happiness ( $79.5 \%$ ) compared to those who were not a member of an organisation (Table 28).

Table 28: Proportion of respondents reporting subjective wellbeing measures and overall wellbeing status by membership status of a club or organisation associated with physical activity (PHSMS April 2019)

|  | Non-member |  | Member |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | n | \% (95 \% CI) | n | \% (95 \% CI) |
| Satisfied with life nowadays ( $\mathrm{n}=2840$ ) |  |  |  |  |
| Medium/High (7-10) | 1372 | 75.9 (74.0-77.9) | 893 | 86.4 (84.2-88.4) |
| Very Low/Low (0-6) | 435 | 24.1 (22.2-26.1) | 140 | 13.6 (11.6-15.7) |
| Things you do in life are worthwhile ( $\mathrm{n}=2827$ ) |  |  |  |  |
| Medium/High (7-10) | 1461 | 81.4 (79.6-83.2) | 932 | 90.3 (88.3-91.9) |
| Very Low/Low (0-6) | 333 | 18.6 (16.8-20.4) | 101 | 9.7 (8.1-11.7) |
| How happy did you feel yesterday? ( $\mathrm{n}=2838$ ) |  |  |  |  |
| Medium/High (7-10) | 1315 | 72.9 (70.8-74.9) | 822 | 79.5 (77.0-81.9) |
| Very Low/Low (0-6) | 490 | 27.1 (25.1-29.2) | 212 | 20.5 (18.1-23.0) |
| How anxious did you feel yesterday? ( $\mathrm{n}=2834$ ) |  |  |  |  |
| Medium/Low (0-3) | 1154 | 64.0 (61.8-66.3) | 664 | 64.3 (61.3-67.2) |
| Very high/high (4-10) | 648 | 36.0 (33.8-38.2) | 369 | 35.7 (32.8-38.7) |
| Overall Wellbeing ( $\mathrm{n}=2829$ ) |  |  |  |  |
| Scoring well | 532 | 29.6 (27.5-31.8) | 373 | 36.1 (33.3-39.1) |
| Scoring neither well/ badly | 677 | 37.7 (35.5-40.0) | 388 | 37.6 (34.7-40.6) |
| Scoring badly | 588 | 32.7 (30.6-34.9) | 271 | 26.3 (23.6-29.0) |

Note: The weighting of data can result in rounding discrepancies or totals not adding. Cl : Confidence Interval. Don't know/refused wellbeing questions excluded. $\mathrm{n}=17$ don't know member/non-member excluded.

## Volunteering

Measures: Respondents were asked if they had given any of their time to do any volunteering activities for a sports organisation in the last 12 months, and the responses are shown in Table 29. The respondents who had volunteered were further asked the number of occasions they had done so in the past 12 months, and the results are shown in Table 30.

A total of $n=934$ respondents (31.1\%) reported volunteering their time for a sporting organisation in the last 12-months. Of these respondents, around half reported raising funds for a sports club, organisation or event (53.4\%) or providing any other help for a sport or recreational physical activity ( $51.1 \%$ ). All response options are provided in Table 29 below, and multiple responses were allowed.

There were $\mathrm{n}=496$ respondents that reported volunteering for a non-sporting organisation, and $n=1569$ that didn't report volunteering for any activity. These respondents are excluded from Table 29.

Table 29: During the last 12 months, have you given any of your time to do any of the following activities for a sports organisation? (PHSMS April 2019, $\mathbf{n}=\mathbf{9 3 4}$ )

| Activities | $\mathbf{n}$ | \% | (95 \% CI) |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Raise funds for a sports club, organisation or event (Only includes <br> fundraising for sport, not more general charitable fundraising <br> through taking part in a sports event or activity) | 499 | 53.4 | $(50.2-56.6)$ |
| Provide any other help for a sport or recreational physical activity <br> (e.g. helping with refreshments; sports kit or equipment) | 477 | 51.1 | $(47.9-54.3)$ |
| Provide transport which helps people take part in sport (other <br> than family members) | 375 | 40.1 | $(37.0-43.3)$ |
| Perform an administrative or committee role for a sports <br> organisation, activity or event (e.g. chairman, treasurer, social <br> secretary, first aider, welfare officer) | 300 | 32.1 | $(29.2-35.2)$ |
| Coach or instruct an individual or team(s) in a sport or <br> recreational physical activity (other than solely for family <br> members) | 275 | 29.5 | $(26.6-32.4)$ |
| Referee, umpire, or officiate at a sports match, competition or <br> event | 240 | 25.7 | $(23.0-28.6)$ |
| Act as a steward or marshal at a sports activity or event | 184 | 19.6 | $(17.2-22.3)$ |
| Note: The weighting of data can result in rounding discrepancies or totals not adding. Cl denotes Confidence Interval. Multiple <br> responses allowed |  |  |  |

Table 30 shows that $30 \%$ of respondents had volunteered for a sports organisation on more than one occasion in the last 12 months. The $\mathrm{n}=496$ respondents that reported volunteering for a non-sporting organisation were not asked how many times they had volunteered in the past 12 months and are therefore excluded from the table.

Table 30: Have you volunteered for a sports organisation on more than one occasion in the last 12 months? (PHSMS April 2019, n=2503)

|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{( 9 5}$ \% CI) |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| None/Once | 1737 | 69.4 | $(67.6-71.2)$ |
| More than once | 741 | 29.6 | $(27.8-31.4)$ |
| Don't know | 25 | 1.0 | $(0.7-1.4)$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{2 5 0 3}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0}$ |  |

Note: The weighting of data can result in rounding discrepancies or totals not adding. Cl denotes Confidence Interval Volunteering for a non-sporting organisation ( $n=496$ ) excluded.

## Volunteering by wellbeing and community/social measures

This section presents the proportion of respondents reporting subjective wellbeing measures, community connectedness and social capital measures by volunteering status (for a sports organisation) in the last 12 months.
Table 31 presents the subjective wellbeing measures by respondents that reported volunteering for a sporting organisation more than once in the past 12 months (regular volunteers). Regular volunteers scored better for overall wellbeing (36.4\%) than those volunteering none or once ( $28.1 \%$ ), as well as scoring higher for life satisfaction, feeling happy the previous day and feeling that things they did in life were worthwhile.
Table 31: Proportion of respondents reporting wellbeing measures and overall status by volunteering for a sports organisation in the last 12 months (PHSMS April 2019)

|  | Volunteered <br> none/ once |  | Volunteered <br> more than once |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | $n$ | $\%(95 \% \mathbf{C l})$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%(95 \% \mathbf{C l})$ |
| Satisfied with life nowadays (n=2460) |  |  |  |  |
| Medium/High (7-10) | 1280 | $74.4(72.4-76.5)$ | 628 | $84.9(82.0-87.2)$ |
| Very Low/Low (0-6) | 440 | $25.6(23.6-27.7)$ | 112 | $15.1(12.7-17.8)$ |
| Things you do in life are worthwhile (n=2458) |  |  |  |  |
| Medium/High (7-10) | 1374 | $80.0(78.0-81.8)$ | 669 | $90.5(88.1-92.4)$ |
| Very Low/Low (0-6) | 344 | $20.0(18.2-22.0)$ | 71 | $9.5(7.6-11.9)$ |
| How happy did you feel yesterday? (n=2465) |  |  |  |  |
| Medium/High (7-10) | 1210 | $70.2(68.0-72.3)$ | 592 | $80.0(76.9-82.7)$ |
| Very Low/Low (0-6) | 514 | $29.8(27.7-32.0)$ | 148 | $20.0(17.2-23.0)$ |
| How anxious did you feel yesterday? (n=2461) |  |  |  |  |
| Medium/Low (0-3) | 1063 | $61.7(59.4-64.0)$ | 471 | $63.7(60.2-67.1)$ |
| Very high/high (4-10) | 659 | $38.3(36.0-40.6)$ | 268 | $36.3(32.9-39.8)$ |
| Overall Wellbeing (n=2453) |  |  |  |  |
| Strongly Agree / Agree | 481 | $28.1(26.0-30.2)$ | 269 | $36.4(33.0-39.9)$ |
| Neutral | 645 | $37.6(35.4-39.9)$ | 263 | $35.6(32.2-39.1)$ |
| Disagree / Strongly Disagree | 588 | $34.3(32.1-36.6)$ | 207 | $28.0(24.9-31.3)$ |

Note: The weighting of data can result in rounding discrepancies or totals not adding. Cl : Confidence Interval.
Don't know/refused wellbeing questions excluded. Volunteering for a non-sporting organisation ( $n=496$ ) excluded. Don't know volunteer status ( $\mathrm{n}=25$ ) excluded.

The data in Table 32 show that there were no differences in community connectedness between regular volunteers, and those who did not regularly volunteer.

Table 32: Proportion of respondents reporting community connectedness measures by volunteering for a sports organisation in the last 12 months (PHSMS April 2019)

|  | Volunteered none/ once |  | Volunteered more than once |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | n | \% (95 \% CI) | n | \% (95 \% CI) |
| Most people in my local area can be trusted ( $\mathrm{n}=2369$ ) |  |  |  |  |
| Strongly Agree / Agree | 1005 | 61.1 (58.7-63.4) | 483 | 66.7 (63.2-70.1) |
| Neutral | 421 | 25.6 (23.5-27.7) | 159 | 22.0 (19.1-25.1) |
| Disagree / Strongly Disagree | 219 | 13.3 (11.7-15.0) | 82 | 11.3 (9.2-13.8) |
| There are people in my life who really care about me ( $\mathrm{n}=2472$ ) |  |  |  |  |
| Strongly Agree / Agree | 1682 | 97.1 (96.2-97.8) | 724 | 97.7 (96.6-98.7) |
| Neutral | 22 | 1.3 (0.8-1.9) | 9 | 1.3 (0.6-2.2) |
| Disagree / Strongly Disagree | 28 | 1.6 (1.1-2.3) | 7 | 1.0 (0.4-1.8) |

Note: The weighting of data can result in rounding discrepancies or totals not adding. Cl : Confidence Interval.
Community connectedness don't know/refused ( $n=124$ ) \& ( $n=6$ ) excluded. Volunteering for a non-sporting organisation ( $n=496$ ) excluded. Don't know volunteer status ( $n=25$ ) excluded.

Table 33 shows that regular volunteers reported higher social capital measures than who did not volunteered or volunteered only once. Nearly three-quarters (72.4\%) of regular volunteers agreed that they felt safe walking in their community after dark (compared to 62.7\%), $79.8 \%$ identified with the local community (compared to $58.3 \%$ ), and $72.6 \%$ agreed that if there was a serious problem in their local community the people would come together to solve it (compared to 59.2\%).

Table 33: Proportion of respondents reporting social capital measures by volunteering for a sports organisation in the last 12 months (PHSMS April 2019)

|  | Volunteered none/ once |  | Volunteered more than once |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | n | \% (95 \% CI) | n | \% (95 \% CI) |
| I feel safe walking in my local community after dark ( $\mathrm{n}=2431$ ) |  |  |  |  |
| Strongly Agree / Agree | 1063 | 62.7 (60.3-64.9) | 532 | 72.4 (69.1-75.5) |
| Neutral | 255 | 15.0 (13.4-16.8) | 93 | 12.7 (10.4-15.2) |
| Disagree / Strongly Disagree | 378 | 22.3 (20.3-24.3) | 109 | 14.9 (12.4-17.5) |
| I identify with my local community ( $\mathrm{n}=2436$ ) |  |  |  |  |
| Strongly Agree / Agree | 991 | 58.3 (55.9-60.6) | 586 | 79.8 (76.7-82.5) |
| Neutral | 483 | 28.4 (26.3-30.6) | 113 | 15.4 (12.9-18.1) |
| Disagree / Strongly Disagree | 227 | 13.4 (11.8-15.0) | 35 | 4.8 (3.4-6.5) |
| If there was a serious problem in my local community, the people here would come together to solve it ( $\mathrm{n}=2309$ ) |  |  |  |  |
| Strongly Agree / Agree | 943 | 59.2 (56.8-61.6) | 521 | 72.6 (69.3-75.8) |
| Neutral | 462 | 29.0 (26.8-31.3) | 140 | 19.6 (16.8-22.5) |
| Disagree / Strongly Disagree | 187 | 11.7 (10.2-13.4) | 56 | 7.8 (6.0-9.9) |

[^5]Social capital measures don't know/refused ( $n=66$ ), ( $n=55$ ) \& ( $n=210$ ) excluded. Volunteering for a non-sporting organisation ( $n=496$ ) excluded. Don't know volunteer status $(n=25)$ excluded.

## Pride in Sport

Measures: Respondents were asked about the feelings they had for national, international or professional sport and athletes. Responses were scored between one and ten with higher scores denoting "strongly agree" and lower scores denoting "strongly disagree". Responses were then categorised with an overall score between 0 to 6 considered to be 'Disagree' and 7-10 considered to be 'Agree'. Results are presented in Tables 34 to 36 .

More than three-quarters ( $77.4 \%$ ) of respondents agreed that having South Australian athletes excel on the world stage, at Olympic, Para and Commonwealth Games, instils pride in their state (Table 34). The majority of the respondents ( $85.9 \%$ ) agreed that South Australian sporting teams should be respected in national competitions across a range of sports (Table 35), and $86.5 \%$ of respondents agreed that having positive sporting role models is important for their community (Table 36).

Table 34: "Having South Australian athletes excel on the world stage, at Olympic, Para and Commonwealth Games, instils pride in our state" (PHSMS April 2019, $\mathbf{n}=\mathbf{2 9 9 9}$ )

|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | \% | $\mathbf{( 9 5 \% ~ C I )}$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Agree (a score of 7-10) | 2321 | 77.4 | $(75.9-78.9)$ |
| Disagree (a score of 0-6) | 678 | 22.6 | $(21.1-24.1)$ |
| Total | 2999 | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0}$ |  |

Note: The weighting of data can result in rounding discrepancies or totals not adding. CI denotes Confidence Interval.

Table 35: "It's important that South Australian sporting teams are respected in national competitions across a range of sports" (PHSMS April 2019, n=2999)

|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{( 9 5}$ \% CI) |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Agree (a score of 7-10) | 2575 | 85.9 | $(84.6-87.1)$ |
| Disagree (a score of 0-6) | 424 | 14.1 | $(12.9-15.4)$ |
| Total | 2999 | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0}$ |  |

Note: The weighting of data can result in rounding discrepancies or totals not adding. Cl denotes Confidence Interval.

Table 36: "Having positive sporting role models is important for our community" (PHSMS April 2019, $\mathrm{n}=2999$ )

|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | \% | $\mathbf{( 9 5 \% ~ C I )}$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Agree (a score of 7-10) | 2595 | 86.5 | $(85.3-87.7)$ |
| Disagree (a score of 0-6) | 404 | 13.5 | $(12.3-14.7)$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{2 9 9 9}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0}$ |  |

Note: The weighting of data can result in rounding discrepancies or totals not adding. CI denotes Confidence Interval.

## Attended a Live Sports Event

Measures: Respondents were asked if they had attended a live sports event as a spectator during the last 12 months (including all matches and competitions, including professional sport as well as watching family and friends compete). If they had attended the events, they were further asked how many times they had done that.

Of the 2999 respondents, $\mathrm{n}=1549$ (51.6\%) reported that they had attended a live sports event in the last 12 months. Just over a third (34.3\%) of respondents attended a live sports event less than once a month on average, while $17.4 \%$ had attended an event at least once a month on average over the past year (Table 37).

Table 37: Number of times respondents attended a live sports event in the past 12 months (PHSMS April 2019, n=2999)

|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | \% | $\mathbf{( 9 5} \% \mathbf{C l})$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| None | 1450 | 48.4 | $(46.6-50.1)$ |
| $1-11$ times | 1028 | 34.3 | $(32.6-36.0)$ |
| 12 or more times | 521 | 17.4 | $(16.0-18.8)$ |

Note: The weighting of data can result in rounding discrepancies or totals not adding. CI: Confidence Interval.

Table 38 suggests that respondents who had not attended live sports events in the past 12 months were more likely to be female, aged 65 years and over, and reside in the lowest socioeconomic areas. Respondents aged 35-64 years were more likely to report attending a live sporting event, on average, at least one per month, compared to other age groups.

Table 38: Proportion of respondents reporting number of times they attended a live sports event in the past 12 months, by selected demographics (PHSMS April 2019, n=2999)

|  | None |  | $\mathbf{1 - 1 1 \text { times }}$ |  | $\mathbf{1 2}$ or more times |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%(95 \% \mathbf{C l})$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%(95 \% \mathbf{C l})$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%(95 \% \mathbf{C l})$ |
| All | $1450 / 2999$ | $48.4(46.6-50.1)$ | $1028 / 2999$ | $34.3(32.6-36.0)$ | $521 / 2999$ | $17.4(16.0-18.8)$ |
| Gender |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male | $644 / 1447$ | $44.5(42.0-47.1)$ | $543 / 1447$ | $37.5(35.1-40.0)$ | $260 / 1447$ | $18.0(16.1-20.0)$ |
| Female | $807 / 1552$ | $52.0(49.5-54.5)$ | $485 / 1552$ | $31.2(29.0-33.6)$ | $260 / 1552$ | $16.8(15.0-18.7)$ |
| Age (years) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 18 to 34 | $368 / 776$ | $47.4(43.9-50.9)$ | $297 / 776$ | $38.3(34.9-41.7)$ | $111 / 776$ | $14.3(12.0-16.9)$ |
| 35 to 64 | $676 / 1542$ | $43.9(4.4-46.3)$ | $546 / 1542$ | $35.4(33.1-37.8)$ | $320 / 1542$ | $20.7(18.8-22.8)$ |
| 65+ | $406 / 680$ | $59.7(56.0-63.3)$ | $185 / 680$ | $27.2(24.0-30.6)$ | $89 / 680$ | $13.1(10.7-15.8)$ |
| Location |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Metropolitan | $1064 / 2161$ | $49.2(47.1-51.3)$ | $726 / 2161$ | $33.6(31.6-35.6)$ | $371 / 2161$ | $17.2(15.6-18.8)$ |
| Rural | $386 / 838$ | $46.1(42.7-49.4)$ | $302 / 838$ | $36.0(32.8-39.3)$ | $150 / 838$ | $17.9(15.4-20.6)$ |
| SEIFA* |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | $263 / 468$ | $56.2(51.7-60.6)$ | $146 / 468$ | $31.2(27.1-35.5)$ | $59 / 468$ | $12.6(9.8-15.8)$ |
| Low | $345 / 671$ | $51.4(47.6-55.2)$ | $214 / 671$ | $31.9(28.5-35.5)$ | $112 / 671$ | $16.7(14.0-19.7)$ |
| Middle | $328 / 697$ | $47.0(43.4-50.8)$ | $257 / 697$ | $36.9(33.4-40.5)$ | $112 / 697$ | $16.0(13.5-18.9)$ |
| High | $256 / 548$ | $46.8(42.6-50.9)$ | $189 / 548$ | $34.5(30.6-38.5)$ | $103 / 548$ | $18.7(15.7-22.2)$ |
| Highest | $257 / 615$ | $41.9(37.9-45.7)$ | $222 / 615$ | $36.1(32.4-40.0)$ | $135 / 615$ | $22.0(18.8-25.3)$ |

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*SEIFA: Socio-Economic Index for Areas

## Summary

The data presented in this report are from the Population Health Survey Module System survey conducted in April/May 2019. The survey aimed to provide a comprehensive overview of adult sport and physical activity in South Australia.

The majority of questions were adapted from the 'Active Lives' survey published by Sports England, with several additional modules regarding health and wellbeing, individual development, community connectedness, social capital and pride in sport included.

The core physical activity questions yielded several measures of activity which were presented in the report. Data were presented for engagement in activities in the past 12-months, as well as the past week. The questions culminated in being able to determine the proportion of adults who engaged in at least 150 minutes of any physical activity, and those engaging in at least 150 minutes of moderate intensity physical activity. Differences in engagement in physical activity between demographic groups were reported, as well as health outcomes.

The data presented are descriptive in nature, and present the basic findings of the questions within the survey. Data should be interpreted with caution for many of the tables investigating physical activity by various health and community outcomes, as reverse causality is unknown.

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