

Extra Curricular Activity
Year 12 / Grade 11
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Instrument

Peters, S., Dodge, K., Pettit, G., & Bates, J.. (1995). *Extracurricular Activity Survey*. Unpublished instrument. Nashville, TN: Vanderbilt University.

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I. Survey Description

The Extra Curricular Activity is a 100-item questionnaire measuring the child's involvement and satisfaction in after-school activities in the domains of school, community, church, and employment. In years 11 and 12, the employment variables were not used for the administration of this measure. Accordingly, the questionnaire consisted of only 85 items. The measure asks the participant to consider the past 12 months, including the current summer and the past school year. For each category—school, church and community—participants can list up to five different activities. The participants are asked to estimate the amount of time they have spent per week and number of weeks per year they have spent in each of the activities listed. Using a 5-point scale (1 = not very satisfied to 5 = extremely satisfied), participants are also asked to rate their satisfaction with each activity.

II. Report Sample

These analyses were conducted on the first cohort on the high-risk control sample (n = 155) and the normative sample (n = 308, 387 with overlap) for the twelfth year of the study. One hundred and eighteen records were missing the entire measure. Forty three records were missing from the control sample (5 from Durham, 17 from Nashville, 9 from Pennsylvania and 12 from Washington). Seventy five records were missing from the normative sample (12 from Durham, 22 from Nashville, 19 from Pennsylvania and 22 from Washington).

III. Scaling

No scales are constructed for this measure. However, means including up to 5 items estimating time spent per week and weeks per year, as well as a satisfaction score rating each activity were calculated.

The calculated mean followed the algorithm of adding scores for the 5 items and then dividing the sum by the number on non-missing items. For some respondents the mean consisted of scores for 5 items divided by 5, for others a single item divided by 1. Descriptive statistics for these means are reported in the next section.

IV Descriptive Statistics for Computed Means

High or low risk sample	N	Variable	Label	Mean	Std Dev	Minimum	Maximum	N Miss
HI	155	eca12hrs1	Mean School Activity Hours/Week ECA Y12	8.73	6.35	0.25	27.50	123
		eca12wks1	Mean School Activity Weeks/Year ECA Y12	18.73	11.00	1.00	40.00	123
		eca12sat1	Mean Satisfaction with School Activities ECA Y12	4.10	0.79	2.50	5.00	123
		eca12hrs2	Mean Church Activity Hours/Week ECA Y12	5.33	8.65	0.50	40.00	134
		eca12wks2	Mean Church Activity Weeks/Year ECA Y12	40.43	14.20	3.00	52.00	134
		eca12sat2	Mean Satisfaction with Church Activities ECA Y12	3.83	1.04	1.00	5.00	134
		eca12hrs3	Mean Community Activity Hours/Week ECA Y12	6.65	5.81	0.25	20.00	129
		eca12wks3	Mean Community Activity Weeks/Year ECA Y12	18.24	15.39	1.00	52.00	129
		eca12sat3	Mean Satisfaction with Community Activities ECA Y12	4.26	0.72	3.00	5.00	130
LO	308	eca12hrs1	Mean School Activity Hours/Week ECA Y12	8.25	5.52	0.50	30.00	199
		eca12wks1	Mean School Activity Weeks/Year ECA Y12	21.56	10.39	5.00	40.00	199
		eca12sat1	Mean Satisfaction with School Activities ECA Y12	3.93	0.65	2.00	5.00	199
		eca12hrs2	Mean Church Activity Hours/Week ECA Y12	3.09	2.37	1.00	12.00	252
		eca12wks2	Mean Church Activity Weeks/Year ECA Y12	39.96	16.10	2.00	52.00	252
		eca12sat2	Mean Satisfaction with Church Activities ECA Y12	4.12	0.77	2.00	5.00	252
		eca12hrs3	Mean Community Activity Hours/Week ECA Y12	9.79	8.56	1.00	32.00	272
		eca12wks3	Mean Community Activity Weeks/Year ECA Y12	23.81	19.88	2.00	52.00	272
		eca12sat3	Mean Satisfaction with Community Activities ECA Y12	3.92	0.95	1.00	5.00	272

No statistical significance difference was found for any of the calculated means between members of the high and low risk samples.

V. Recommendations for Use

The user is advised to examine the computed means with care. Some are calculated using a single item. The high number of missing values for items used to compute means for Church and Community Activities should be noted.