

**Table 26.—Percent of elementary school children whose parents are involved in education-related activities, by selected child, parent, and school characteristics: 1996 and 1999**

Characteristics of children, parents, and schools	Percent of children <sup>1</sup> in 1996 whose parents report that they did the following things in the past month—				Percent of children <sup>1</sup> in 1999 whose parents report that they did the following things in the past month—						Percent of children in 1999 whose parents involved them in the following activities during the last month <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	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	Attended an event sponsored by a community, religious, or ethnic group	Told a story	Worked on arts or crafts	Worked on household chores
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>48.7</b>	<b>32.5</b>	<b>21.2</b>	<b>15.7</b>	<b>48.6 (0.7)</b>	<b>32.1 (0.6)</b>	<b>22.2 (0.6)</b>	<b>14.1 (0.4)</b>	<b>54.9 (0.7)</b>	<b>52.8 (0.7)</b>	<b>69.4 (0.6)</b>	<b>67.9 (0.6)</b>	<b>93.7 (0.3)</b>
Sex of child													
Male .....	48.5	30.3	20.6	15.3	47.2 (0.9)	30.5 (0.9)	22.3 (0.8)	13.9 (0.6)	53.3 (0.9)	50.8 (0.9)	69.0 (0.9)	64.2 (0.9)	92.9 (0.5)
Female .....	49.0	34.7	21.8	16.0	50.1 (1.0)	33.7 (0.9)	22.2 (0.8)	14.3 (0.6)	56.6 (1.0)	54.9 (1.0)	69.7 (0.9)	71.9 (0.9)	94.6 (0.5)
Race/ethnicity of child													
White, non-Hispanic .....	51.7	32.2	21.0	13.3	48.9 (0.9)	33.9 (0.8)	22.3 (0.7)	12.0 (0.5)	52.7 (0.9)	54.6 (0.9)	70.9 (0.8)	72.4 (0.8)	96.1 (0.4)
Black, non-Hispanic .....	43.9	38.1	22.2	21.6	47.8 (1.8)	31.2 (1.6)	20.9 (1.4)	15.8 (1.2)	60.1 (1.9)	52.9 (1.9)	64.9 (1.8)	58.6 (1.8)	93.9 (0.8)
Hispanic .....	38.9	26.6	19.6	19.3	43.9 (1.5)	24.3 (1.2)	20.7 (1.2)	19.6 (1.1)	53.5 (1.5)	45.7 (1.5)	66.5 (1.4)	59.3 (1.5)	84.5 (1.1)
Other non-Hispanic .....	52.3	33.2	24.3	18.3	61.4 (2.9)	34.8 (2.9)	29.8 (2.9)	18.1 (2.0)	70.4 (2.7)	51.6 (3.0)	73.8 (2.7)	69.0 (2.6)	91.8 (1.6)
Highest education level of parents													
Less than high school .....	30.1	25.6	16.7	18.9	34.3 (2.3)	17.4 (1.7)	12.1 (1.5)	15.1 (1.6)	44.9 (2.5)	36.6 (2.3)	61.6 (2.4)	54.1 (2.5)	81.4 (1.8)
High school graduate .....	40.0	27.9	15.0	14.4	40.3 (1.4)	25.9 (1.2)	16.0 (1.0)	12.9 (0.8)	47.6 (1.4)	42.6 (1.4)	66.5 (1.3)	64.3 (1.3)	92.8 (0.7)
Some postsecondary .....	49.7	33.3	20.4	15.4	48.2 (1.2)	31.8 (1.1)	20.9 (0.9)	12.6 (0.7)	57.4 (1.2)	53.6 (1.2)	70.1 (1.1)	69.4 (1.1)	95.8 (0.5)
College graduate .....	60.1	35.8	27.3	16.3	57.4 (1.5)	40.3 (1.5)	29.0 (1.4)	15.1 (1.0)	60.2 (1.5)	64.5 (1.4)	74.1 (1.3)	73.8 (1.3)	96.0 (0.6)
Graduate/professional .....	65.3	41.6	32.5	16.3	62.4 (1.6)	42.4 (1.6)	34.2 (1.6)	17.5 (1.3)	62.8 (1.6)	65.3 (1.6)	72.0 (1.5)	72.7 (1.5)	95.4 (0.7)
Family Income													
Less than \$5,000 .....	40.4	38.1	19.8	19.2	42.7 (4.3)	24.9 (3.1)	16.5 (2.7)	16.6 (2.6)	54.5 (4.1)	37.3 (3.9)	67.5 (4.1)	55.9 (4.2)	90.9 (2.0)
\$5,001 to \$10,000 .....	37.2	27.3	16.1	17.0	43.8 (2.9)	21.0 (2.3)	17.7 (2.1)	14.5 (1.9)	49.8 (2.9)	38.8 (2.8)	69.5 (2.7)	58.4 (2.9)	89.9 (1.7)
\$10,001 to 15,000 .....	37.3	29.6	16.8	15.6	44.8 (2.7)	24.5 (2.2)	18.2 (2.1)	15.3 (2.0)	54.7 (2.7)	45.5 (2.7)	66.7 (2.5)	61.2 (2.6)	91.9 (1.4)
\$15,001 to 20,000 .....	41.1	25.7	13.9	16.8	43.1 (2.7)	25.8 (2.3)	13.3 (1.6)	13.8 (1.7)	49.2 (2.7)	47.2 (2.7)	62.4 (2.6)	64.1 (2.5)	91.4 (1.4)
\$20,001 to 25,000 .....	42.3	30.8	20.9	14.9	38.6 (2.3)	26.1 (2.1)	18.6 (1.8)	14.6 (1.5)	53.0 (2.5)	47.4 (2.5)	67.6 (2.4)	63.4 (2.3)	89.8 (1.4)
\$25,001 to 30,000 .....	43.3	27.1	17.7	16.0	45.3 (2.4)	30.4 (2.3)	20.7 (2.0)	14.4 (1.6)	53.3 (2.4)	50.1 (2.4)	70.6 (2.2)	68.7 (2.2)	94.6 (0.9)
\$30,001 to 35,000 .....	50.5	30.0	21.3	15.9	49.3 (2.5)	31.1 (2.3)	21.6 (2.1)	11.9 (1.5)	54.7 (2.5)	53.8 (2.4)	69.3 (2.2)	66.2 (2.3)	93.1 (1.5)
\$35,001 to 40,000 .....	56.4	32.6	17.3	13.2	52.0 (2.4)	34.5 (2.2)	23.5 (2.0)	13.1 (1.4)	57.0 (2.4)	59.2 (2.3)	72.5 (2.1)	71.4 (2.1)	96.2 (0.8)
\$40,001 to 50,000 .....	55.1	32.7	21.1	13.2	52.1 (2.0)	32.5 (1.8)	22.5 (1.6)	13.1 (1.3)	55.8 (1.9)	58.4 (1.9)	68.9 (1.8)	72.2 (1.7)	95.6 (0.7)
\$50,001 to 75,000 .....	55.5	33.3	25.1	13.4	51.5 (1.5)	34.6 (1.5)	23.1 (1.3)	12.2 (0.9)	53.8 (1.5)	57.5 (1.5)	70.9 (1.4)	72.5 (1.4)	96.2 (0.6)
Over \$75,000 .....	59.6	42.6	31.4	19.0	55.5 (1.5)	44.4 (1.5)	31.7 (1.4)	15.8 (1.0)	60.8 (1.5)	62.0 (1.4)	71.4 (1.4)	74.4 (1.3)	95.4 (0.7)
Child attending public schools <sup>2</sup> .....	48.3	31.7	19.9	14.7	47.5 (0.7)	30.4 (0.7)	21.0 (0.6)	13.7 (0.5)	54.4 (0.7)	51.1 (0.7)	68.7 (0.7)	67.4 (0.7)	93.6 (0.4)
Child attending private schools <sup>2</sup> .....	58.2	37.2	27.8	16.9	56.6 (1.8)	44.2 (1.8)	31.2 (1.6)	17.0 (1.3)	58.5 (1.7)	64.9 (1.7)	73.9 (1.6)	71.6 (1.5)	94.6 (0.8)

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

<sup>2</sup> Excludes nursery school and home-schooled children.

NOTE: Standard errors appear in parentheses.

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, National Household Education Survey, 1996 and 1999, unpublished data. (This table was prepared June 2001.)