

**Table 1122. Internet Activities of Adults, by Type of Home Internet Connection: 2007 and 2008**

[In percent. For Internet users 18 years old and over. For persons who have ever performed the activity. Based on telephone surveys of persons with land-line telephones. In September 2007, 2,400 persons were interviewed, including 129 cell phone users. The response rate was 20 percent. In May 2008, 2,251 persons were interviewed. The response rate was 25 percent]

Activity	Survey date (month,year)	American adults performing activity	Internet users performing activity	Home dial-up users performing activity	Home broadband users performing activity
Send or read e-mail . . . . .	Sept., 2007	66	90	86	94
Use a search engine to find information . . . . .	May, 2008	65	89	80	94
Check weather reports and forecasts online . . . . .	May, 2008	58	80	75	84
Get news online. . . . .	May, 2008	54	73	61	80
Buy a product online. . . . .	Sept., 2007	48	66	59	74
Visit a local, state, or federal government Web site. . . . .	May, 2008	49	66	55	72
Buy or make a reservation for travel . . . . .	Sept., 2007	47	64	51	72
Look for news or information about politics . . . . .	May, 2008	40	55	37	62
Do any banking online. . . . .	Sept., 2007	39	53	44	61
Watch a video on a video-sharing site . . . . .	May, 2008	38	52	29	60
Look online for info about a job. . . . .	May, 2008	35	47	36	50
Send instant messages . . . . .	May, 2008	30	40	38	44
Get financial information online . . . . .	Sept., 2007	26	36	32	40
Use online classified ads or sites like Craig's List. . . . .	Sept., 2007	24	32	24	38
Rate a product, service, or person. . . . .	Sept., 2007	24	32	28	36
Use a social networking site. . . . .	May, 2008	21	29	21	33
Participate in an online auction . . . . .	Sept., 2007	19	26	16	32
Make a donation to a charity online . . . . .	May, 2008	14	20	9	23
Download a podcast so you can listen to it or view it later . . . . .	May, 2008	14	19	8	22
Create or work on your own online journal or blog . . . . .	May, 2008	9	12	8	15

Source: Pew Internet & American Life Project Surveys. See <<http://www.pewinternet.org/index.asp>>.