

Table 1200. Personal Participation in Various Arts or Creative Activities: 2008

[In percent, except as indicated (224.8 represents 224,800,000). For persons 18 years old and over. Represents participation at least once in the prior 12 months]

Item	Adult population (mil.)	Classical music ¹	Painting ²	Pottery	Sewing ³	Photography	Creative writing	Purchased art ⁴	Choir/chorale
Total	224.8	3.1	9.0	6.0	13.1	14.7	6.9	28.7	5.2
Sex:									
Male	108.5	3.0	7.1	4.5	2.3	13.3	6.2	29.6	3.9
Female	116.3	3.2	10.7	7.4	23.2	16.1	7.5	27.9	6.3
Race and ethnicity:									
White alone	154.5	3.5	9.4	6.9	15.5	16.1	7.0	29.6	4.9
African American alone	25.6	2.0	6.8	3.5	7.6	10.0	7.5	20.1	10.3
Other alone	14.3	4.7	11.9	6.1	10.2	16.2	8.2	16.5	5.5
Hispanic	30.4	1.1	7.4	3.6	7.1	10.9	5.3	30.6	2.2
Age:									
18 to 24 years old	28.9	5.9	14.7	6.4	9.0	17.8	11.3	37.2	6.1
25 to 34 years old	39.9	3.7	11.3	6.1	10.0	16.1	9.7	38.8	3.8
35 to 44 years old	41.8	3.0	9.9	7.5	11.4	18.6	6.2	27.1	4.3
45 to 54 years old	43.9	2.5	7.4	7.0	15.4	14.6	6.4	28.0	6.8
55 to 64 years old	33.3	2.4	6.8	5.4	15.7	13.0	4.4	25.6	5.3
65 to 74 years old	19.9	1.8	5.0	4.1	17.7	10.4	5.2	28.7	6.2
75 years old and older	17.1	1.4	4.4	2.1	15.4	5.5	3.1	14.2	3.6

¹ Of those who reported playing a musical instrument in the last 12 months. ² Includes painting, drawing, sculpture, and printmaking. ³ Includes weaving, crocheting, quilting, needlepoint, and sewing. ⁴ Of those who reported owning original art.

Source: U.S. National Endowment for the Arts, 2008 Survey of Public Participation in the Arts; <<http://www.nea.gov/research/index.html>>.