

# **American Time Use Survey (ATUS) Activity Lexicon**

**2006**

This document is the classification scheme used to code activities collected during the  
American Time Use Survey

**Bureau of Labor Statistics**

Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
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## 01 Personal Care

### 01 Sleeping

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sleeping	dreaming
falling asleep	cat napping
dozing off	getting some shut-eye
napping	dozing
getting up	
waking up	

#### 02 Sleeplessness

insomnia	counting sheep
tossing and turning	
lying awake	

#### 99 Sleeping, n.e.c.\*

### 02 Grooming

#### 01 Washing, dressing and grooming oneself

bathing/showering	putting on pajamas
brushing/flossing teeth	washing face
grooming	washing hands
blow-drying hair	putting in contact lenses
brushing hair	shaving legs
putting on makeup	cleaning contact lenses
shaving	washing hair
getting dressed/undressed	filing nails
changing clothes	combing hair
laying clothes out	gargling mouthwash
putting on hand cream	putting on shoes
perming own hair	removing curlers

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doing own hair	putting on night cream
running bath	cutting own hair
doing nails	washing feet
putting on nail polish	cleaning ears
using the bathroom	brushing lint off clothing
getting a haircut from spouse/friend (unpaid)	

**99 Grooming, n.e.c.\***

**03 Health-related Self Care**

**01 Health-related self care**

doing childbirth exercises	taking vitamins
dressing a wound	resting because of injury
giving oneself a shot	taking cough drops
taking insulin	bandaging ankle
putting ice on injury	giving oneself an injection
gargling for sore throat	testing blood sugar level
resting because of illness	applying ointment
taking medicine	changing oxygen
doing stress management exercises	exercising or therapy for medical reasons
meditating (not religious)	

**99 Self care, n.e.c.\***

feeling sick

**04 Personal Activities**

**01 Personal/Private activities**

having sex	private activity, unspecified
making out	personal activity, unspecified
cuddling partner in bed	
necking	

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99 Personal activities, n.e.c.\*

**05 Personal Care Emergencies**

**01 Personal emergencies**

- being involved in a personal accident
- losing consciousness
- being involved in an accident requiring emergency care
- stanching blood flow
- waiting for ambulance

99 Personal care emergencies, n.e.c.\*

99 Personal Care, n.e.c.\*

99 Personal care, n.e.c.\*

**02 Household Activities**

**01 Housework**

**01 Interior cleaning**

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|----------------------|----------------------------------|
| vacuuming            | washing floor                    |
| making the bed       | cleaning out drawers             |
| cleaning bathrooms   | changing sheets                  |
| sweeping floors      | emptying ashtray                 |
| tidying up           | cleaning bathtub                 |
| dusting              | cleaning out closet              |
| cleaning carpets     | scrubbing                        |
| taking out the trash | cleaning floors                  |
| polishing furniture  | cleaning bedroom                 |
| emptying trash cans  | mopping floors                   |
| recycling            | picking up toys                  |
| cleaning cupboards   | cleaning toilet                  |
| picking up clothes   | sorting newspapers for recycling |

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straightening up the house  
picking up the house  
cleaning the house

cleaning windows  
shampooing carpet  
sweeping  
washing walls

**02 Laundry**

putting laundry in washer/dryer  
hanging clothes on clothesline  
sorting laundry  
treating stains  
ironing  
folding clean laundry  
putting clean laundry away  
putting out clean towels  
removing lint from dryer  
doing laundry

bringing in washing/laundry  
putting towels in bathroom  
hand washing clothing  
taking clothes off the line  
checking wash  
taking clothes out of washer  
washing curtains  
folding clothes  
hanging clothes  
adding fabric softener  
spot treating clothes

**03 Sewing, repairing, & maintaining textiles**

sewing on buttons  
hemming garments  
sewing a new dress/clothing  
sewing curtains/other hh items  
knitting/crocheting blankets  
altering clothing  
polishing shoes  
repairing curtains  
repairing/caring for clothes/hats/shoes

sewing hem  
cleaning shoes/sneakers  
knitting/crocheting sweaters, clothing  
crocheting quilt  
crocheting

**04 Storing interior hh items, inc. food**

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putting away the groceries  
 storing food  
 putting shopping away  
 moving stuff to attic/basement  
 boxing things up for storage

putting away decorations  
 storing the groceries  
 putting away Christmas decorations  
 putting away holiday items

**99 Housework, n.e.c.\***

**02 Food & Drink Prep., Presentation, & Clean-up**

**01 Food and drink preparation**

baking/cooking/broiling/boiling  
 cooking meals  
 defrosting  
 packing food/lunches/picnics  
 making baby food  
 mixing/heating up baby formula  
 mixing drinks  
 making coffee/tea  
 heating food up  
 preparing food for company/guests  
 canning food  
 preserving food  
 preparing food for other hh members  
 pouring water in glass  
 getting a drink  
 brewing beer or wine  
 breast-pumping  
 baking Christmas cookies

bottling fruit  
 cooking dinner  
 peeling potatoes  
 making jam  
 preparing salad  
 baking a cake  
 chopping/slicing vegetables  
 putting roast in oven  
 smoking fish  
 dehydrating food  
 thawing frozen food  
 drying food  
 putting icing on cake  
 carving meat  
 boiling water  
 baking biscuits  
 salting meat  
 butchering meat  
 making a gingerbread house

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**02 Food presentation**

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>    serving a meal</li> <li>    setting the table</li> <li>    polishing silver</li> <li>    filling salt/pepper/sugar</li> <li>    serving hors d'oeuvres</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>garnishing food</li> <li>putting out condiments</li> <li>passing out drinks</li> </ul>
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**03 Kitchen and food clean-up**

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>    cleaning up after a meal</li> <li>    clearing the table</li> <li>    loading the dishwasher</li> <li>    washing/drying dishes</li> <li>    putting leftovers away</li> <li>    cleaning up the kitchen only</li> <li>    cleaning kitchen cupboard</li> <li>    cleaning freezer</li> <li>    defrosting freezer</li> <li>    cleaning refrigerator</li> <li>    cleaning microwave oven</li> <li>    cleaning oven</li> <li>    cleaning stove</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>cleaning barbecue grill</li> <li>cleaning high chair</li> <li>cleaning up plates and food</li> <li>emptying dishwasher</li> <li>wiping table</li> <li>rinsing dishes</li> <li>washing pots and pans</li> <li>putting dishes away</li> <li>throwing away leftovers</li> <li>mopping the kitchen floor</li> </ul>
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**99 Food & drink prep, presentation, & clean-up, n.e.c.\***

**03 Interior Maintenance, Repair, & Decoration**

**01 Interior arrangement, decoration, & repairs**

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>    decorating</li> <li>    moving/rearranging furniture</li> <li>    hanging pictures</li> <li>    hanging curtains</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>setting mousetraps</li> <li>fumigating house</li> <li>measuring windows for curtains</li> <li>making plumbing improvements</li> </ul>
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<p>painting</p> <p>hanging wallpaper</p> <p>laying linoleum/tile/wood floors</p> <p>refitting kitchen/bathroom</p> <p>remodeling interior of house</p> <p>fixing leaks</p> <p>plastering</p> <p>putting up shelves</p> <p>replacing fuses</p> <p>changing light bulbs</p> <p>putting up Christmas lights (inside)</p>	<p>stripping paint</p> <p>stripping wallpaper</p> <p>installing carpet</p> <p>hanging blinds/shades</p> <p>taking down towel bars</p> <p>taking down indoor decorations</p> <p>decorating the Christmas tree</p> <p>carving jack-o-lanterns</p> <p>setting up a manger (inside)</p> <p>hanging Christmas stockings</p> <p>putting up Christmas decorations (inside)</p> <p>setting up menorah candles (inside)</p>
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**02 Building and repairing furniture**

<p>making furniture</p> <p>refinishing furniture</p> <p>reupholstering furniture</p> <p>refinishing wood furniture</p> <p>repairs to furniture</p> <p>painting furniture</p>	<p>making cabinets</p> <p>stripping furniture</p> <p>sanding wood furniture</p> <p>staining wood furniture</p> <p>changing cabinet hardware</p> <p>assembling furniture</p>
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**03 Heating and cooling**

<p>chopping wood</p> <p>lighting fireplace</p> <p>bringing in wood/kindling</p> <p>shoveling coal</p> <p>filling heater with fuel</p> <p>installing window AC unit</p> <p>changing furnace filter</p>	<p>collecting wood</p> <p>stacking firewood</p> <p>setting the fire</p> <p>installing wood burning stove</p> <p>installing fireplace</p> <p>opening/closing windows</p>
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**99 Interior maintenance, repair, & decoration, n.e.c.\***

**04 Exterior Maintenance, Repair, & Decoration**

**01 Exterior cleaning**

sweeping deck/patio/porch	cleaning garage
sweeping steps	cleaning shed
shoveling snow	sweeping garage
removing ice from walkways	cleaning chimney
putting away yard equipment	washing outside windows
putting away bicycles	picking up trash that blew into yard
cleaning gutters	sweeping sidewalk
putting away outside toys	

**02 Exterior repair, improvements, & decoration**

painting/staining porch/deck	painting house exterior
fixing the roof	fixing mailbox
fixing broken windows	staining house exterior
replacing screens	fixing weatherboards
building a deck	fixing bird feeder
building a garage/carport	building a fence
building a shed	painting or staining fence
putting new roof on house	putting new roof on garage
adding another room to house	setting up garden furniture
screening in a porch	decorating outside for holidays
installing a gate or fence	hanging flags
paving or blacktopping	hanging address numbers
making structural additions	working on boat lift
hanging outdoor lights	repairing boat dock
decorating outside for parties	hanging up wind chimes

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putting up outdoor holiday decorations

repairing wind chimes

putting up Christmas lights (outside)

putting up Christmas decorations (outside)

**99 Exterior maintenance, repair & decoration, n.e.c.\***

**05 Lawn, Garden, and Houseplants**

**01 Lawn, garden, and houseplant care**

applying pesticides

planting tomatoes

spraying for bugs

digging in the vegetable garden

gardening

laying paving stones

doing yard work

fertilizing garden

trimming branches/hedges

planting beans

pruning shrubs/flowers

planting fruit tree

picking up branches, twigs

pruning tree

raking leaves

putting snail killer around vegetables

blowing leaves

sowing flower or vegetable seeds

planting

spraying fruit trees

mulching

spraying rose bushes

watering houseplants

tying up tomatoes

weeding

putting pesticides on lawn

cutting the grass

turning sprinkler on or off

mowing the lawn

watering outdoor plants

edging

hunting mushrooms

adding chemicals to lawn

weeding vegetable garden

fertilizing the lawn

weeding flower garden

spreading mulch

watering lawn/garden

seeding

planting fruit and vegetables

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picking fruit and vegetables

gathering nuts

collecting eggs, honey

**02 Ponds, pools, and hot tubs**

adding chemicals to pool

chlorinating the pool

cleaning the pond, pool, hot tub

putting in a pond, pool, hot tub

repairing pond, pool, hot tub

winterizing pool

draining pool

filling the pool

adding chemicals to hot tub

testing ph in water

turning on/off the hot tub

**99 Lawn and garden, n.e.c.\***

**06 Animals and Pets**

**01 Care for animals and pets (not veterinary care)**

caring for household pets

cleaning up after pets

watching kittens/puppies being born

exercising pets

taking pets for a walk

walking the dog

feeding/watering pets

petting animals

clipping cat's claws

adopting a pet

visiting an animal shelter to select pet

clipping dog's nails

cleaning the litter box

playing with animals

bathing dog

changing dog's water

feeding rabbit

feeding birds

grooming pets

feeding fish

grooming horse

feeding guinea pig

brushing dog

tending a wounded bird

feeding a stray

feeding a raccoon

caring for an orphaned animal

nursing a sick animal

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providing medical care to pets	feeding squirrels
burying animals	feeding cat
feeding ducks	filling the bird feeder
playing with the dog	feeding horses
feeding the dog	

**99 Pet and animal care, n.e.c.\***

**07 Vehicles**

**01 Vehicle repair and maintenance (by self)**

changing oil	changing wheel on motorcycle
adding oil	putting new chain on bicycle
putting air in tires	filling brake fluid
charging battery	checking battery
filling radiator	restoring car
changing spark plugs	checking tire pressure
washing/waxing cars or other vehicles	cleaning boat
replacing vehicle headlights	fixing bike
putting protective cover on vehicle	fixing motorcycle
scraping ice/snow off vehicle	cleaning/vacuuming vehicles
checking fluids	replacing vehicle taillights
changing/rotating tires	installing car CD player
replacing brakes	putting on registration stickers
adding equipment to vehicles	putting car/vehicle in garage
installing car stereo/speakers	checking tires
putting on license plates/tags	assembling bicycle
overhauling engine	rebuilding engine
doing a ring job	covering boat
doing a valve job	installing a trailer hitch

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tuning up vehicles

hooking up trailer to car/truck

cleaning camper/RV

winterizing boat

checking to make sure car was locked

**99 Vehicles, n.e.c.\***

**08 Appliances, Tools, and Toys**

**01 Appliance, tool, and toy set-up, repair, & maintenance (by self)**

fixing household camera

hooking up satellite dish

setting up or fixing computer

installing a printer

changing batteries in appliances

installing a scanner

setting/winding clocks

installing a modem

repairing toys

installing a fax machine

installing appliances

connecting washing machine/dryer

repairing appliances

maintaining tools and equipment

hooking up stereo, VCR

charging batteries

cleaning tools and equipment

loading software on computer

repairing tools & equipment

waxing skis

sharpening knives/other tools

restringing tennis racket

cleaning/oiling lawnmowers

repairing sporting equipment

setting up toy train track

setting up doll house

installing heating or A/C equipment

**99 Appliances and tools, n.e.c.\***

**09 Household Management**

**01 Financial management**

making a budget

checking receipts against bank statements

balancing the checkbook

borrowing money (not banking)

checking/trading stocks

lending money (not banking)

buying/selling stocks

using computer to keep budget

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researching investments

writing checks

paying bills

filing receipts

filling out tax forms

using computer to pay bills

giving money to hh child

giving money to hh adult

**02 Household & personal organization and planning**

making shopping lists

labeling videos

assigning chores

packing suitcase (for self)

organizing/planning hh parties

packing car for trip

organizing/planning hh events

unpacking car from a trip

planning household trip

packing recreational vehicle for trip

planning household meals

unpacking recreational vehicle from a trip

packing bags (for self or household)

unpacking bags (for self)

getting organized for work (for self)

organizing school stuff (for self)

looking for misplaced items

wrapping presents

borrowing household items

packing boxes for household move or trip

lending household items

planning vacation

putting pictures in albums

organizing file cabinet

filling out paperwork

dropping off/picking up household items

sorting paperwork

organizing boxes in garage

making photocopies (for self or hh)

doing paperwork

sorting books

looking at store purchases

filling a Christmas stocking

unwrapping/opening packages

opening presents/gifts (alone)

sorting household items

planning menu

filling an Easter basket

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Loading/unloading the car  
 Unloading groceries/shopping items

Carrying in groceries

**03 HH & personal mail & messages (except e-mail)**

mailing letters, payments  
 checking phone messages  
 mailing/picking up packages  
 sending reg./cert. packages/mail  
 bringing in newspaper/mail  
 sorting mail  
 writing letters (personal or hh)  
 looking at/checking mail  
 getting mail in  
 checking to see if mail came

collecting mail  
 mailing/picking up letters  
 sending express mail  
 throwing away junk mail  
 signing for certified mail  
 writing cards (personal or hh)  
 reading mail  
 addressing holiday cards  
 writing Christmas cards  
 writing Valentines

**04 HH & personal e-mail and messages**

reading e-mail (personal or hh)  
 instant messaging (personal)  
 sending e-mail (personal or hh)  
 checking e-mail (personal or hh)  
 cleaning out e-mail inbox (personal or hh)

reading/sending e-mail, not specified

**05 Home security**

installing smoke detectors  
 installing alarms  
 maintaining smoke detectors  
 checking locks  
 changing locks  
 breaking into home if locked out  
 locking doors, windows

turning out the lights  
 maintaining alarms/security systems  
 breaking into a locked house  
 bolting doors/windows  
 closing the blinds/curtains  
 locking up the house  
 locking up home

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setting security alarm

closing house up

**99 Household management, n.e.c.\***

**99 Household Activities, n.e.c.\***

**99 Household activities, n.e.c.\***

household emergency

household accident

putting out a kitchen fire

collecting water from burst pipe

**03 Caring For & Helping Household Members**

**01 Caring For & Helping HH Children**

**01 Physical care for hh children**

dressing hh child

putting hh child to bed

bathing hh child

rocking hh child

changing hh child's diapers

cuddling hh child

drawing a bath for a hh child

holding hh child

breastfeeding/nursing hh baby

soothing hh child/baby

preparing a shower for a hh child

carrying hh child/baby

laying out clothes for hh child

tucking in hh child

feeding hh child

giving hh child a bath

giving hh child a bottle

getting hh child up

getting hh child ready to go somewhere

getting hh child ready for school

waking hh child

helping hh child get dressed

getting hh child ready for bed

helping hh child brush teeth

cutting hh child's hair

helping hh child bathe

helping hh child use the bathroom

Helping hh child feed him/herself

**02 Reading to/with hh children**



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reading to hh child

helping hh child read

reading with hh child

teaching hh child to read

listening to a hh child read

**03 Playing with hh children, not sports**

playing with hh child

tickling hh child

horsing around with hh child

playing games w/hh child only

dancing with hh child

giving hh child a piggyback ride

entertaining hh child

**04 Arts and crafts with hh children**

organizing coin collection with hh child

helping hh child make arts and crafts

making holiday decorations w/hh child

building model planes with hh child

**05 Playing sports with hh children**

playing basketball with hh child

teaching hh child to ride a bike

riding bikes with hh child

teaching hh child how to play a sport

strolling with a hh child

walking with a hh child

**06 Talking with/listening to hh children**

talking with hh child

telling hh child to brush teeth

lecturing hh child

telling hh child to get ready for bed

fussing at/scolding hh child

singing to hh child

hearing about hh child's day

singing with hh child

listening to hh child sing/recite

**08 Organization & planning for hh children**

organizing activities for hh child

helping with parties for hh child

planning parties for hh child

unpacking hh child's bag

making costume for hh child

planning play dates for hh child

planning activities for hh child

signing hh child up for activities

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		packing hh child's bag	planning events for hh child
	<b>09</b>	<b>Looking after hh children (as a primary activity)</b>	
		supervising hh child	supervising hh child swimming
		monitoring hh child	sitting with hh child
		keeping tabs on hh child	accompanying hh child trick-or-treating
		checking on hh child	accompanying hh child visiting Santa Claus
		watching but not interacting with hh child	
	<b>10</b>	<b>Attending hh children's events</b>	
		watching hh child's sporting event	
		watching a hh child's school play	
		attending hh child's recital	
	<b>11</b>	<b>Waiting for/with hh children</b>	
		waiting to pick up hh child	waiting for hh child to get ready
		waiting for hh child to finish his/her activity	waiting for school bus with hh child
	<b>12</b>	<b>Picking up/dropping off hh children</b>	
		dropping off hh child at friend's house	dropping off hh child at soccer practice
		picking up hh child from day care	picking up hh child from church
		dropping off hh child at babysitter's	
		picking up hh child from school	
	<b>99</b>	<b>Caring for &amp; helping hh children, n.e.c.*</b>	
			adopting a child
<b>02</b>		<b>Activities Related to HH Children's Education</b>	
	<b>01</b>	<b>Homework (hh children)</b>	
		helping hh child with homework	signing hh child's homework log
		reviewing hh child's homework	checking hh child's homework for completion
		helping hh child with a school project	picking up hh child's books/assignments
		quizzing hh child before a test	

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**02 Meetings and school conferences (hh children)**

observing hh child's class	meeting w/school speech pathologist of hh child
attending hh child's parent-teacher conference	meeting with guidance counselor of hh child
attending hh child's back-to-school night	meeting with principal of hh child
meeting w/school psychologist of hh child	talking to/with hh child's tutor
talking with teachers of hh child	meeting with hh child's tutor
attending a PTA meeting	attending hh child's school open house

**03 Home schooling of hh children**

home schooling a hh child

**04 Waiting associated with hh children's education**

waiting to meet with hh child's teacher

**99 Activities related to hh child's education, n.e.c.\***

**03 Activities Related to HH Children's Health**

**01 Providing medical care to hh children**

taking hh child's temperature	putting medicine on hh child's burn
putting medicine on hh child's cuts	bandaging hh child's cuts/burns
giving hh child's insulin shot	giving hh child medicine
bandaging hh child's scrapes	sitting with sick hh child
helping hh child w/physical therapy	

**02 Obtaining medical care for hh children**

accompanying hh child to medical appt	talking with hh child's nurse
talking with hh child's doctor	

**03 Waiting associated with hh children's health**

waiting while doctor examines hh child	waiting with hh child at physician's office
waiting with hh child at hospital	

**99 Activities related to hh child's health, n.e.c.\***

visiting hh child in hospital

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#### 04 Caring For Household Adults

##### 01 Physical care for hh adults

bathing hh adult	putting hh adult to bed
feeding hh adult	providing physical aid to hh adult
dressing hh adult	helping hh adult dress
getting hh adult ready to go somewhere	cutting hh adult's hair
waking hh adult	

##### 02 Looking after hh adult (as a primary activity)

supervising hh adult  
 monitoring hh adult  
 checking on hh adult

##### 03 Providing medical care to hh adult

giving hh adult medicine  
 bandaging hh adult

##### 04 Obtaining medical and care services for hh adult

accompanying hh adult to medical appt.	meeting with adult care provider
talking to hh adult's doctors/nurses	talking to/with adult daycare provider

##### 05 Waiting associated with caring for household adults

waiting while doctor examines hh adult	waiting with hh adult at hospital
waiting with hh adult at physician's office	waiting to meet a hh adult's care provider

##### 99 Caring for household adults, n.e.c.\*

#### 05 Helping Household Adults

##### 01 Helping hh adults

helping hh adult w/computer  
 helping hh adult w/taxes/bills  
 shopping for hh adult (not self)

##### 02 Organization & planning for hh adults

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planning activities for hh adult  
organizing parties for hh adult  
making things for hh adult  
packing hh adult's bags

planning events for hh adult  
planning parties for hh adult

**03 Picking up/dropping off hh adult**

dropping hh adult off at senior center  
picking up hh adult from hh adult's event

**04 Waiting associated with helping hh adults**

waiting to pick up hh adult  
waiting for hh adult to get ready

**99 Helping household adults, n.e.c.\***

**99 Caring For & Helping HH Members, n.e.c.\***

**99 Caring for & helping hh members, n.e.c.\***

**04 Caring For & Helping NonHH Members**

**01 Caring For & Helping NonHH Children**

**01 Physical care for nonhh children**

dressing nonhh child  
bathing nonhh child  
changing nonhh child's diapers  
drawing a bath for nonhh child  
preparing a shower for nonhh child  
laying out clothes for nonhh child  
feeding nonhh child  
giving nonhh child a bottle  
getting nonhh child ready to go somewhere  
waking nonhh child  
helping nonhh child use the bathroom

putting nonhh child to bed  
rocking nonhh child  
cuddling nonhh child  
holding nonhh child  
soothing nonhh child/baby  
carrying nonhh child/baby  
tucking in nonhh child  
cutting nonhh child's hair  
helping nonhh child get dressed  
helping nonhh child brush teeth  
helping nonhh child bathe

Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
<b>ATUS 2006 Lexicon</b>			

Helping nonhh child feed him/herself

**02 Reading to/with nonhh children**

reading to nonhh children

helping nonhh child read

reading with nonhh children

teaching nonhh child to read

listening to a nonhh child read

**03 Playing with nonhh children, not sports**

playing with nonhh child

tickling nonhh child

horsing around w/nonhh child

playing games w/nonhh child only

dancing with nonhh child

giving nonhh child a piggyback ride

entertaining nonhh child

**04 Arts and crafts with nonhh children**

organizing coin collection with nonhh child

helping nonhh child make arts and crafts

making holiday decorations w/nonhh child

building model planes with nonhh child

**05 Playing sports with nonhh children**

playing basketball with nonhh child

teaching nonhh child to ride a bike

riding bikes with nonhh child

teaching nonhh child how to play a sport

strolling with a nonhh child

walking with a nonhh child

**06 Talking with/listening to nonhh children**

talking with nonhh child

telling nonhh child to brush teeth

lecturing nonhh child

telling nonhh child to get ready for bed

fussing at/scolding nonhh child

singing to nonhh child

hearing about nonhh child's day

singing with nonhh child

listening to a nonhh child sing

**08 Organization & planning for nonhh children**

organizing activities for nonhh child

helping w/party for nonhh child

planning party for nonhh child

unpacking nonhh child's bag

Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
<b>ATUS 2006 Lexicon</b>			

making costumes for nonhh child  
 planning activities for nonhh child  
 packing nonhh child's bag

planning play dates for nonhh child  
 signing nonhh child up for activities

**09 Looking after nonhh children (as primary activity)**

supervising nonhh child  
 monitoring nonhh child  
 keeping tabs on nonhh child  
 checking on nonhh child  
 watching but not interacting w/nonhh child

supervising nonhh child swimming  
 accompanying nonhh child trick-or-treating  
 accompanying nonhh child visiting Santa Claus

**10 Attending nonhh children's events**

watching nonhh child's sporting event  
 watching nonhh child's school play  
 attending nonhh child's recital

**11 Waiting for/with nonhh children**

waiting to pick up nonhh child  
 waiting for nonhh child to finish his/her activity

waiting for nonhh child to get ready  
 waiting for school bus with nonhh child

**12 Dropping off/picking up nonhh children**

dropping off nonhh child at friend's house  
 picking up nonhh child from day care  
 dropping off nonhh child at babysitter's  
 picking up nonhh child from school

dropping off nonhh child at soccer practice

**99 Caring for and helping nonhh children, n.e.c.\***

handing out Halloween candy

**02 Activities Related to Nonhh Children's Education**

**01 Homework (nonhh children)**

helping a nonhh child w/homework  
 reviewing nonhh child's homework

signing nonhh child's homework log  
 checking nonhh child's homework

Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
<b>ATUS 2006 Lexicon</b>			

		helping nonhh child with sch. project	picking up nonhh child's books/assignments
		quizzing nonhh child before a test	
	<b>02</b>	<b>Meetings and school conferences (nonhh children)</b>	
		observing nonhh child's class	meeting w/school speech pathologist of nonhh child
		observing nonhh child's class	meeting with guidance counselor of nonhh child
		attending non-hh child's parent-teacher conference	meeting with principal of nonhh child
		attending non-hh child's back-to-school night	talking to/with nonhh child's tutor
		meeting w/school psychologist of nonhh child	meeting with nonhh child's tutor
		talking with teachers of nonhh child	attending nonhh child's school open house
		attending PTA meeting	
	<b>03</b>	<b>Home schooling of nonhh children</b>	
		home schooling a nonhh child	
	<b>04</b>	<b>Waiting associated with nonhh children's education</b>	
		waiting to meet with nonhh child's teacher	
	<b>99</b>	<b>Activities related to nonhh child's educ., n.e.c.*</b>	
<b>03</b>		<b>Activities Related to Nonhh Children's Health</b>	
	<b>01</b>	<b>Providing medical care to nonhh children</b>	
		taking a nonhh child's temperature	putting medicine on nonhh child's burn
		putting medicine on nonhh child's cuts	bandaging nonhh child's cuts/burns
		giving nonhh child's insulin shot	giving nonhh child medicine
		bandaging nonhh child's scrapes/cuts	sitting with sick nonhh child
		helping nonhh child w/phys. therapy	
	<b>02</b>	<b>Obtaining medical care for nonhh children</b>	
		accompanying nonhh child to medical appt	talking with nonhh child's nurse
		talking with nonhh child's doctor	
	<b>03</b>	<b>Waiting associated with nonhh children's health</b>	
		waiting while doctor examines nonhh child	waiting with nonhh child at physician's office



Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
<b>ATUS 2006 Lexicon</b>			

waiting with nonhh child at hospital

**99 Activities related to nonhh child's health, n.e.c.\***

visiting a nonhh child in the hospital

**04 Caring For Nonhousehold Adults**

**01 Physical care for nonhh adults**

bathing nonhh adult

putting nonhh adult to bed

feeding nonhh adult

providing physical aid to nonhh adult

dressing nonhh adult

helping nonhh adult dress

getting nonhh adult ready to go somewhere

cutting nonhh adult's hair

waking nonhh adult

**02 Looking after nonhh adult (as a primary activity)**

supervising nonhh adult

monitoring nonhh adult

checking on nonhh adult

**03 Providing medical care to nonhh adult**

giving nonhh adult medicine

bandaging nonhh adult

**04 Obtaining medical and care services for nonhh adult**

accompanying nonhh adult to medical appt.

meeting w/nonhh adult care provider

talking to nonhh adult's doctors/nurses

talking to/with nonhh adult care provider

**05 Waiting associated with caring for nonhh adults**

waiting while doctor examines nonhh adult

waiting with nonhh adult at hospital

waiting with nonhh adult at physician's office

waiting to meet a nonhh adult care provider

**99 Caring for nonhh adults, n.e.c.\***

**05 Helping Nonhousehold Adults**

**01 Housework, cooking, & shopping assistance for nonhh adults**

doing housework for nonhh adult

shopping for nonhh adult (not self)

Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
<b>ATUS 2006 Lexicon</b>			

	doing laundry for nonhh adult (not self)	cooking/preparing food for nonhh adult
<b>02</b>	<b>House &amp; lawn maintenance &amp; repair assistance for nonhh adults</b>	
	mowing the lawn for nonhh adult	mending fence for nonhh adult
	fixing plumbing leak for nonhh adult	painting house for nonhh adult
	disposing of trash for nonhh adult	
<b>03</b>	<b>Animal &amp; pet care assistance for nonhh adults</b>	
	feeding pets for nonhh adult	walking dog for nonhh adult
	bathing dog for nonhh adult	
<b>04</b>	<b>Vehicle &amp; appliance maintenance/repair assistance for nonhh adults</b>	
	changing tires for nonhh adult	fixing computer for nonhh adult
	adjusting brakes for nonhh adult	fixing car for nonhh adult
	fixing appliances for nonhh adult	maintaining sports equipment for nonhh adults
<b>05</b>	<b>Financial management assistance for nonhh adults</b>	
	helping nonhh adult w/computer applications	
	helping nonhh adult w/taxes/bills	
<b>06</b>	<b>Household management &amp; paperwork assistance for nonhh adults</b>	
	running errands for nonhh adult (not self)	planning events for nonhh adult
	planning activities for nonhh adult	planning party for nonhh adult
	organizing party for nonhh adult	doing paperwork for nonhh adult
	making things for nonhh adult	
	packing nonhh adult's bags	
<b>07</b>	<b>Picking up/dropping off nonhh adult</b>	
	dropping nonhh adult off at senior center	
	picking up nonhh adult from adult's event	
<b>08</b>	<b>Waiting associated with helping nonhh adults</b>	
	waiting to pick up nonhh adult	
	waiting for nonhh adult to get ready	
<b>99</b>	<b>Helping nonhh adults, n.e.c.*</b>	

Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
<b>ATUS 2006 Lexicon</b>			

99 Caring For & Helping NonHH Members, n.e.c.\*

99 Caring for & helping nonhh members, n.e.c.\*

## 05 Work & Work-Related Activities

### 01 Working

#### 01 Work, main job

at work (main job)	attending convention (main job)
putting in overtime at work (main job)	organizing materials (main job)
working extra hours (main job)	preparing materials (main job)
on-the-job training (main job)	reading a book/other material (main job)
reading and writing (main job)	reviewing notes, briefs, or papers (main job)
computer use (main job)	preparing lesson plans (main job)
telephone calls (main job)	grading papers (main job)
attending class (main job)	writing memos/papers (main job)
registering for training (main job)	writing letters (main job)
attending conferences (main job)	marking assignments (main job)
talking to instructor (class for main job)	checking e-mail (main job)
enrollment in training/classes (main job)	surfing the Internet (main job)
attending sales training (main job)	designing/updating a website (main job)
attending typing training (main job)	making reserv. on the Internet (main job)
talking to other conference attendees (main job)	phone calls to/from coworkers (main job)
reading/sending e-mail (main job)	phone calls to/from clients (main job)
phone calls to/from supervisors (main job)	checking voicemail messages (main job)
phone calls to/from customers (main job)	doing research/homework (main job)
calling leads for stories/information (main job)	registering for class (main job)

#### 02 Work, other job(s)

at work (other job)	attending convention (other job)
extra hours at other job	organizing materials (other job)

Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
<b>ATUS 2006 Lexicon</b>			

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>on-the-job training (other job)</li> <li>moonlighting</li> <li>reading and writing (other job)</li> <li>computer use (other job)</li> <li>telephone calls (other job)</li> <li>attending class (other job)</li> <li>registering for training (other job)</li> <li>attending conferences (other job)</li> <li>talking to instructor (class for other job)</li> <li>enrollment in training/classes (other job)</li> <li>attending sales training (other job)</li> <li>attending typing training (other job)</li> <li>talking to other conference attendees (other job)</li> <li>reading/sending e-mail (other job)</li> <li>phone calls to/from supervisors (other job)</li> <li>phone calls to/from customers (other job)</li> <li>calling leads for stories/information (other job)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>preparing materials (other job)</li> <li>reading a book/other material (other job)</li> <li>reviewing notes, briefs, or papers (other job)</li> <li>preparing lesson plans (other job)</li> <li>grading papers (other job)</li> <li>writing memos/papers (other job)</li> <li>writing letters (other job)</li> <li>marking assignments (other job)</li> <li>checking e-mail (other job)</li> <li>surfing the Internet (other job)</li> <li>designing/updating a website (other job)</li> <li>making reserv. on the Internet (other job)</li> <li>phone calls to/from coworkers (other job)</li> <li>phone calls to/from clients (other job)</li> <li>checking voicemail messages (other job)</li> <li>doing research/homework (other job)</li> <li>registering for class (other job)</li> </ul>
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**03 Security procedures related to work**

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>opening bags for security search (work)</li> <li>being searched at security checkpoint (work)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>passing through metal detector (work)</li> </ul>
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**04 Waiting associated with working**

**99 Working, n.e.c.\***

**02 Work-Related Activities**

**01 Socializing, relaxing, and leisure as part of job**

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>attending social event w/coworkers (part of job)</li> <li>talking w/co-workers at social event (part of job)</li> <li>attending social event w/bosses (part of job)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>talking w/clients at social event (part of job)</li> </ul>
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Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
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**02 Eating and drinking as part of job**

- eating/drinking w/clients (part of job)
- eating/drinking w/customers (part of job)
- eating/drinking w/coworkers (part of job)
- eating/drinking w/bosses (part of job)
- having lunch/dinner w/clients (part of job)

**03 Sports and exercise as part of job**

- playing golf w/clients (part of job)
- working out w/clients (part of job)
- attending sporting event w/boss (part of job)

**04 Security procedures as part of job**

- opening bags for security search (part of job)
- being searched at security checkpoint (part of job)

passing through metal detector (part of job)

**05 Waiting associated with work-related activities**

**99 Work-related activities, n.e.c.\***

**03 Other Income-generating Activities**

**01 Income-generating hobbies, crafts, and food**

- preparing food or drink for sale
- drawing, painting, or sketching for sale
- making pottery for sale
- making furniture for sale
- making baskets for sale

doing woodworking for sale  
 making tapestries/quilts for sale  
 making dinners for sale

**02 Income-generating performances**

- playing in a band for pay
- acting in a play for pay
- singing for pay
- dancing for pay

Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
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**03 Income-generating services**

babysitting for pay	shoveling snow for pay
mowing lawns for pay	home improvements for pay
doing household chores for pay	typing paper for pay

**04 Income-generating rental property activities**

maintaining/renovating rental property	making repairs to rental property
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**05 Waiting associated with other income-generating activities**

**99 Other income-generating activities, n.e.c.\***

- collecting aluminum cans to sell for self
- selling items at a garage sale
- redeeming winning lottery ticket
- selling items at auction, yard sale
- selling items at flea market
- selling own used textbooks for pay

**04 Job Search and Interviewing**

**01 Job search activities**

contacting employer	making phone calls to prospective employer
sending out resumes	asking former employers to provide references
sending resumes to employers	auditioning for acting role (non-volunteer)
placing/answering ads	auditioning for band/symphony (non-volunteer)
researching details about a job	filling out job application
asking about job openings	reading ads in paper/on Internet
researching an employer	checking vacancies
submitting applications	writing/updating resume
meeting with headhunter/temp agency	picking up job application

**03 Job interviewing**

- interviewing by phone or in person

Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
<b>ATUS 2006 Lexicon</b>			

scheduling/canceling interview (for self)

preparing for interview

**04 Waiting associated with job search or interview**

waiting to go in for an interview

**05 Security procedures rel. to job search/interviewing**

opening bags for security search (job search)

passing through metal detector (job search)

being searched at security checkpoint (job search)

**99 Job search and Interviewing, n.e.c.\***

**99 Work and Work-Related Activities, n.e.c.\***

**99 Work and work-related activities, n.e.c.\***

**06 Education**

**01 Taking Class**

**01 Taking class for degree, certification, or licensure**

attending class (degree, certificate, or license)

listening to a lecture (degree, certificate, or license)

auditing a course (degree, certificate, or license)

attending a seminar (degree, certificate, or license)

taking a field trip (degree, certificate, or license)

taking on-line course (degree, certificate, or license)

talking to classmates (degree, certificate, or license)

talking to teacher (degree, certificate, or license)

taking exams (degree, certificate, or license)

attending practicum/internships (degree, certificate, or license)

**02 Taking class for personal interest**

taking a car maintenance/repair class (personal int.)

dance class (personal int.)

taking a cooking class (personal int.)

taking a sewing class (personal int.)

taking a financial planning class (personal int.)

taking a pottery class (personal int.)

taking a retirement planning seminar

taking a wine appreciation class (personal int.)

taking personal development classes (personal int.)

taking parenting class

taking music/voice lessons (personal int.)

taking a massage class (personal int.)

taking photography class (personal int.)

taking on-line course (personal interest)

Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
<b>ATUS 2006 Lexicon</b>			

taking academic class (personal int.)	talking to teacher (class for personal int.)
taking CPR, first aid (personal int.)	talking to classmates (class for personal int.)
prenatal/child care classes (personal int.)	attending Lamaze class
taking self-defense (personal int.)	attending Sunday school
taking driver's education	attending Bible study
taking driving lessons	
taking a art, craft, hobby, recreational course (personal int.)	

**03 Waiting associated with taking classes**

waiting for the teacher

**04 Security procedures rel. to taking classes**

opening bags for security search (taking classes)	passing through metal detector (taking classes)
being searched at security checkpoint (taking classes)	

**99 Taking class, n.e.c.\***

taking GRE prep course	taking a CPA prep course
taking SAT prep course	having detention
taking GMAT prep course	attending study hall
taking LSAT prep course	having a free period
attending class, reason unknown	

**02 Extracurricular School Activities (Except Sports)**

**01 Extracurricular club activities**

attending Key Club activities, including meetings	attending National Honor Society activities
attending language club activities	attending pep club activities
attending math club activities	attending American Field Service activities, inc mtgs
participating in chess club activities, inc. meetings	practicing for debate club competition
participating in academic club activities, inc meetings	attending science club activities

**02 Extracurricular music & performance activities**

attending band practice	attending play practice
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Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
<b>ATUS 2006 Lexicon</b>			

attending choir practice as extracurricular school activity

**03 Extracurricular student government activities**

attending student government meetings

preparing for student govt elections

**04 Waiting associated with extracurricular activities**

waiting for band practice to start

waiting for an after-school meeting to start

**99 Education-related extracurricular activities, n.e.c.\***

**03 Research/Homework**

**01 Research/homework for class for degree, certification, or licensure**

listening to language cd (degree, certificate, or licensure)

writing paper/essay (degree, certificate, or licensure)

attending study group (degree, certificate, or licensure)

studying (degree, certificate, or licensure)

organizing notes (degree, certificate, or licensure)

reading (degree, certificate, or licensure)

reading/sending e-mail (degree, certificate, or licensure)

**02 Research/homework for class for pers. interest**

listening to language cd (class for personal int.)

organizing notes (class for personal int.)

writing paper/essay (class for personal int.)

reading (class for personal int.)

attending study group (class for personal int.)

reading/sending e-mail (class for personal int.)

studying (class for personal int.)

**03 Waiting associated with research/homework**

waiting for study group

**99 Research/homework n.e.c.\***

studying for the SAT

studying for the CPA exam

studying for the GRE

preparing for SAT

studying for the LSAT

preparing for the GRE

Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
<b>ATUS 2006 Lexicon</b>			

studying for the GMAT

preparing for the LSAT

#### 04 Registration/Administrative activities

##### 01 Administrative activities: class for degree, certification, or licensure

enrolling in class (degree, certificate, or licensure)

getting parking pass for class  
(degree, certificate, or licensure)

registering for class (degree, certificate, or licensure)

looking at course descriptions/listings (degree, certificate, or licensure)

getting ID for class (degree, certificate, or licensure)

paying tuition/fees for class (degree)

##### 02 Administrative activities: class for personal interest

enrolling in class (personal interest)

getting parking pass for class (personal interest)

registering for class (personal interest)

paying fees for class (personal interest)

getting ID for class (personal interest)

paying tuition for class (personal interest)

##### 03 Waiting associated w/admin. activities (education)

waiting in line to register/get ID

waiting in line to pay tuition/fees

waiting to enroll in class

##### 99 Administrative for education, n.e.c.\*

registering for test prep class

registering for GMAT

registering for GRE

registering for CPA exam

registering for SAT

registering for MCAT

registering for LSAT

#### 99 Education, n.e.c.\*

##### 99 Education, n.e.c.\*

attending own graduation ceremony

## 07 Consumer Purchases

### 01 Shopping (Store, Telephone, Internet)

#### 01 Grocery shopping

Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
<b>ATUS 2006 Lexicon</b>			

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>buying groceries</li> <li>ordering groceries</li> <li>paying for groceries</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>talking to the produce manager</li> </ul>
<b>02</b>	<p><b>Purchasing gas</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>buying gas</li> <li>pumping gas</li> <li>paying for gasoline</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>talking to gas station attendant</li> </ul>
<b>03</b>	<p><b>Purchasing food (not groceries)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>paying the pizza delivery person</li> <li>paying check for a meal/drink/snack</li> <li>buying fast food</li> <li>paying for fast food at drive-through</li> <li>paying for meal at restaurant</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>talking to fast food cashier</li> <li>talking to the waiter</li> <li>picking up take-out food</li> <li>placing order at a deli/fast food place</li> </ul>
<b>04</b>	<p><b>Shopping, except groceries, food and gas</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>buying movie tickets</li> <li>browsing</li> <li>shopping for a new or used car</li> <li>test-driving a vehicle</li> <li>buying a new or used car</li> <li>paying for a new or used car</li> <li>checking out of hotel/motel/B&amp;B</li> <li>shopping but not yet buying</li> <li>shopping at flea markets/auctions</li> <li>browsing/shopping at fundraisers</li> <li>dropping off products for repairs</li> <li>buying everyday consumer goods</li> <li>buying a pet</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>shopping at yard sales</li> <li>buying gardening supplies</li> <li>shopping at e-bay</li> <li>renting a tuxedo</li> <li>renting a rug shampooer</li> <li>renting lawn equipment</li> <li>ordering concert tickets</li> <li>ordering football tickets</li> <li>visiting a book fair</li> <li>talking to the salesclerk</li> <li>returning videotapes to store</li> <li>renting a movie</li> <li>looking at products in catalogs</li> </ul>

Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
<b>ATUS 2006 Lexicon</b>			

buying appliances	buying postage stamps
renting products	window shopping
renting a car/truck/van	paying for purchases
paying for a rental car/truck/van	paying for movie tickets
ordering products	buying clothes
picking up prescriptions/film	ordering clothes
returning consumer goods	buying books/CDs/other items
looking through catalogs	looking at products

**05 Waiting associated with shopping**

waiting in line to purchase groceries	waiting in line to buy gas
waiting in line to pay for goods	

**99 Shopping, n.e.c.\***

**02 Researching Purchases**

**01 Comparison shopping**

researching items/prices/availability	browsing through circulars
reading product reviews	comparing prices at different stores
comparison shopping on the Internet	

**99 Researching purchases, n.e.c.\***

**03 Security Procedures Rel. to Consumer Purchases**

**01 Security procedures rel. to consumer purchases**

opening bags for security search (consumer purchases)	passing through metal detector (consumer purchases)
being searched at security checkpoint (consumer purchases)	

**99 Security procedures rel. to consumer purchases, n.e.c.\***

**99 Consumer Purchases, n.e.c.\***

**99 Consumer purchases, n.e.c.\***

**08 Professional & Personal Care Services**

**01 Childcare Services**

Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
<b>ATUS 2006 Lexicon</b>			

**01 Using paid childcare services**

hiring a nanny or babysitter	paying for after school care program
paying for daycare	meeting with daycare providers
checking out daycare facility	talking to/with babysitter
paying for summer camp	paying for lessons, instructions
talking to/with the daycare provider	paying for tutorial services
talking to/with the camp counselor	hiring a tutor

**02 Waiting associated w/purchasing childcare svcs**

waiting to meet a childcare provider

**99 Using paid childcare services, n.e.c.\***

**02 Financial Services and Banking**

**01 Banking**

doing banking	meeting with loan officer
making a withdrawal, deposit, transfer	talking to/with the bank manager
applying for a loan or mortgage	talking to/with a teller
filling in loan applications	talking to/with a loan officer
using the ATM	
finding out information about loans	

**02 Using other financial services**

meeting with an accountant	meeting with claims adjuster
meeting with stockbroker	talking to/with claims adjusters
completing a credit card application	talking to/with an accountant
meeting w/insurance agent	talking to/with stock broker
talking to/with insurance agents	

**03 Waiting associated w/banking/financial services**

waiting in line at the bank

**99 Using financial services and banking, n.e.c.\***

Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
<b>ATUS 2006 Lexicon</b>			

**03 Legal Services**

**01 Using legal services**

paying a lawyer

meeting with a lawyer/paralegal

talking to/with a lawyer

meeting with arbitrator/mediator

talking to/with a mediator

talking to/with a paralegal/arbitrator

**02 Waiting associated with legal services**

waiting to meet a lawyer

**99 Using legal services, n.e.c.\***

**04 Medical and Care Services**

**01 Using health and care services outside the home**

having dental work done

having an eye exam

having inpatient treatment

having outpatient treatment

having a doctor's appointment

having a physical

seeing a psychologist

receiving physical therapy

seeing a chiropractor

making a co-payment

paying for healthcare services

talking to/with a physical therapist

talking to/with a psychologist

talking to/with a pharmacist

having wisdom teeth removed

attending group therapy

having acupuncture

talking to/with a doctor

talking to/with a nurse

talking to/with a healthcare practitioner

purchasing adult daycare

paying for adult care services

paying for long-term care

purchasing elder care services

purchasing hospice/respite care

checking out adult care facility

paying the doctor

**02 Using in-home health and care services**

receiving in-home healthcare

hiring someone to look after hh adult

**03 Waiting associated with medical services**

Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
<b>ATUS 2006 Lexicon</b>			

waiting at the physician's office

waiting for lab test results

waiting for surgery

**99 Using medical services, n.e.c.\***

**05 Personal Care Services**

**01 Using personal care services**

getting a haircut

having a pedicure

having nails done

getting hair done

having a facial

getting a tan at the tanning salon

having a massage

paying for a haircut

talking to/with the hair stylist

talking to/with the manicurist

**02 Waiting associated w/personal care services**

waiting for the barber

**99 Using personal care services, n.e.c.\***

**06 Real Estate**

**01 Activities rel. to purchasing/selling real estate**

looking at property

writing a contract on an apartment

purchasing house, apartment, land

putting up "for sale" signs for house

reviewing house information

attending open house (real estate)

reading real estate ads

talking to home inspector

renting house, apartment, land

meeting a real estate agent

writing a contract on a house/property

signing a lease

renting storage space

signing a housing contract

closing on house/condominium

paying the rent

talking to/with a real estate agent

Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
<b>ATUS 2006 Lexicon</b>			

talking to/with a home buyer

talking to/with a home seller

**02 Waiting associated w/purchasing/selling real estate**

waiting for a real estate agent

**99 Using real estate services, n.e.c.\***

**07 Veterinary Services (excluding grooming)**

**01 Using veterinary services**

purchasing medicine for a pet

paying for pet health insurance

paying for veterinary services

talking to/with vet

talking to/with vet assistant/vet tech.

**02 Waiting associated with veterinary services**

waiting for the vet

**99 Using veterinary services, n.e.c.\***

**08 Security Procedures Rel. to Professional/Personal Svcs.**

**01 Security procedures rel. to professional/personal svcs.**

opening bags for security search (professional svcs)

passing through metal detector (professional svcs)

being searched at security checkpoint (professional svcs)

**99 Security procedures rel. to professional/personal svcs n.e.c.\***

**99 Professional and Personal Services, n.e.c.\***

**99 Professional and personal services, n.e.c.\***

sitting for photos at a portrait studio

having a family portrait made

meeting with a wedding planner

**09 Household Services**

**01 Household Services (not done by self)**

**01 Using interior cleaning services**

hiring a cleaning service or maid

talking to/meeting with the maid/maid service



Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
<b>ATUS 2006 Lexicon</b>			

		hiring a butler	hiring carpet cleaners
		paying a cleaning service	
	<b>02</b>	<b>Using meal preparation services</b>	
		hiring a caterer	talking to/meeting with caterer
		hiring wait staff/bartender for a party	talking to/meeting with reception planner
		hiring a personal chef	
		paying the caterer	
		paying the wait staff	
		meeting a caterer	
		tipping the wait staff or bartender	
	<b>03</b>	<b>Using clothing repair and cleaning services</b>	
		dropping off clothes at the dry cleaners	having a dress hemmed
		having a garment altered	paying the drycleaner
		having shirts laundered	paying the tailor
		picking up clothing at the dry cleaners	
		having a suit tailored	
	<b>04</b>	<b>Waiting associated with using household services</b>	
		waiting for the cleaning service	waiting for meal preparation services
		watching paid cook prepare a meal	
	<b>99</b>	<b>Using household services, n.e.c.*</b>	
<b>02</b>		<b>Home Maint/Repair/Decor/Construction (not done by self)</b>	
	<b>01</b>	<b>Using home maint/repair/décor/construction svcs</b>	
		hiring an electrician or plumber	hiring/meeting w/interior decorator
		hiring/meeting w/interior designer	hiring someone to repair house siding
		hiring a prof. home remodeling svc.	meeting with a contractor
		hiring a contractor	talking to/with electrician or plumber
		hiring/meeting with an architect	talking to/with the interior designer

Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
<b>ATUS 2006 Lexicon</b>			

paying to have your roof repaired hiring someone to build an addition hiring appliance repairer hiring someone to fix your computer paying a contractor paying a plumber or electrician hiring window washers hiring deck cleaners/refinishers hiring driveway pavers hiring someone to clean house siding	talking to/with the contractor talking to/with computer technician hiring movers talking to/meeting with movers paying a decorator
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**02 Waiting associated w/ home main/repair/décor/constr**

waiting for architect watching repairperson	waiting while repairs are made watching movers
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**99 Using home maint/repair/décor/constr services, n.e.c.\***

**03 Pet Services (not done by self, not vet)**

**01 Using pet services**

attending animal obedience classes hiring a pet sitter/walker paying the pet sitter/walker talking to/with animal trainer talking to/with the groomer talking to/with the pet sitter	hiring a pet trainer meeting with pet trainer meeting with kennel caretakers talking to/with animal caretaker paying the pet groomer paying the animal trainer
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**02 Waiting associated with pet services**

waiting for pet services watching pet trainer	watching pet groomer
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**99 Using pet services, n.e.c.\***

**04 Lawn & Garden Services (not done by self)**

Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
<b>ATUS 2006 Lexicon</b>			

**01 Using lawn and garden services**

hiring a landscaper	hiring someone to water lawn/flowers
hiring someone to water houseplants	hiring someone to shovel snow
hiring someone to cut grass	hiring someone to rake leaves
meeting with landscaper	paying the landscaper
talking to/with a plant-sitter	
talking to/with the landscaper	
talking to person who cuts your grass	

**02 Waiting associated with using lawn & garden services**

waiting for landscaper	watching landscaper
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**99 Using lawn and garden services, n.e.c.\***

**05 Vehicle Maint. & Repair Services (not done by self)**

**01 Using vehicle maintenance or repair services**

paying for a tune-up/oil change	talking to/with service person
paying for a car wash	talking to/with mechanic
paying for repair work done on car	talking to/with auto body repair person
	paying a mechanic

**02 Waiting associated with vehicle main. or repair svcs**

waiting while car is repaired	watching car being washed
waiting while car is washed	

**99 Using vehicle maint. & repair svcs, n.e.c.\***

**99 Household Services, n.e.c.\***

**99 Using household services, n.e.c.\***

using butchering services	talking to telephone repairperson
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**10 Government Services & Civic Obligations**

**01 Using Government Services**

**01 Using police and fire services**

Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
<b>ATUS 2006 Lexicon</b>			

obtaining police or fire services  
being questioned by police  
being stopped for traffic violation  
helping the police with something

talking to police officer  
meeting with detective

**02 Using social services**

applying for social services  
filling out forms to receive compensation  
applying for unemployment benefits  
applying for welfare, food stamps, etc  
collecting unemployment benefits  
collecting social security/workers comp  
applying for relief services

filling out forms to receive benefits  
talking to a social services worker  
meeting social worker

**03 Obtaining licenses & paying fines, fees, taxes**

getting driver's license or tags  
getting car inspected  
obtaining boat licensing  
obtaining parking permits  
getting a passport  
taking a driving exam  
taking a pilot's exam  
getting a pet or sporting license

getting fishing/crabbing license  
paying property taxes at gov't. office  
talking to a motor vehicle admin. clerk  
getting a marriage license  
paying for a pet or sporting license  
paying for a marriage license  
paying overdue library book fines  
paying parking/speeding ticket

**99 Using government services, n.e.c.\***

**02 Civic Obligations & Participation**

**01 Civic obligations & participation**

serving on jury duty  
making a court appearance  
participating in naturalization ceremony

acting as a witness in court  
talking to a parole officer or judge  
talking to immigration/naturalization agent

Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
<b>ATUS 2006 Lexicon</b>			

meeting with a parole officer  
interviewing with INS, IRS, etc.  
voting  
participating in government surveys  
attending a Congressional session  
attending a town hall meeting  
meeting w/congressperson

doing court-ordered community service  
meeting w/State/local govt rep.  
attending zoning hearings  
talking to a political representative

**99 Civic obligations & participation, n.e.c.\***

**03 Waiting Associated w/Govt Svcs or Civic Obligations**

**01 Waiting associated with using police/fire services**

**02 Waiting associated w/obtaining licenses**

**03 Waiting associated w/civic obligations & participation**

**99 Waiting assoc. w/govt svcs or civic obligations, n.e.c.\***

**04 Security Procedures Rel. to Govt Svcs/Civic Obligations**

**01 Security procedures rel. to govt svcs/civic obligations**

opening bags for security search (govt svcs)

passing through metal detector (govt svcs)

being searched at security checkpoint (govt svcs)

**99 Security procedures rel. to govt svcs/civic obligations, n.e.c.\***

**99 Government Services, n.e.c.\***

**99 Government services, n.e.c.\***

**11 Eating and Drinking**

**01 Eating and Drinking**

**01 Eating and drinking**

attending Passover Seder

taking a lunch break

**99 Eating and drinking, n.e.c.\***

**02 Waiting associated with eating & drinking**

Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
<b>ATUS 2006 Lexicon</b>			

**01 Waiting associated w/eating & drinking**

waiting for the pizza delivery person  
 waiting for food to be delivered  
 waiting for a table

waiting for the check  
 waiting to place an order

**99 Waiting associated with eating & drinking, n.e.c.\***

**99 Eating and Drinking, n.e.c.\***

**99 Eating and drinking, n.e.c.\***

**12 Socializing, Relaxing, and Leisure**

**01 Socializing and Communicating**

**01 Socializing and communicating with others**

entertaining family  
 hanging out with family  
 spending time with family  
 talking with family  
 arguing with family  
 greeting family  
 hugging or kissing family  
 visiting with family  
 accompanying family while they run errands  
 entertaining friends  
 hanging out with friends  
 spending time with friends  
 talking with friends  
 arguing with friends  
 greeting friends  
 hugging/kissing friends  
 visiting with friends

giving gifts to friends  
 giving presents to adults  
 opening birthday presents (with others)  
 opening Christmas gifts (with others)  
 opening gifts (with others)  
 opening wedding presents (with others)  
 visiting household/nonhh adult in hospital  
 visiting adult in nursing home  
 accompanying family/friends to look at family/friend's new house  
 accompanying friends while they run errands  
 talking with neighbors  
 talking to/with other parents  
 talking with acquaintances  
 greeting neighbors/acquaintances  
 hugging/kissing acquaintances/others  
 greeting other parents  
 hugging/kissing neighbors

Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
<b>ATUS 2006 Lexicon</b>			

**99 Socializing and communicating, n.e.c.\***

**02 Attending or Hosting Social Events**

**01 Attending or hosting parties/receptions/ceremonies**

attending graduation ceremonies (for adults)  
attending a charity social event  
attending receptions  
attending parties

attending birthday parties  
attending bachelor/ette party  
attending housewarming  
attending holiday open house

**02 Attending meetings for personal interest (not volunteering)**

attending a senior citizens meeting  
attending an Al-anon meeting  
attending a homeowner's association meeting  
attending a fraternal lodge meeting  
attending a church circle meeting

attending a Boy Scout/Girl Scout meeting (for self)  
attending professional meetings (not work)  
attending fraternity/sorority meetings  
attending book club meetings  
attending club meetings (not school)  
attending AA meetings

**99 Attending/hosting social events, n.e.c.\***

**03 Relaxing and Leisure**

**01 Relaxing, thinking**

doing nothing/goofing off/wasting time  
hanging around/hanging out (alone)  
resting/relaxing/lounging  
sunbathing  
worrying/crying  
breaks at work, unspecified activity  
watching husband assemble lawnmower  
sitting in the sauna  
sitting in the hot tub/Jacuzzi/whirlpool

reflecting  
grieving  
sitting around  
daydreaming  
fantasizing  
wondering  
watching wife garden  
watching husband cook dinner

**02 Tobacco and drug use**

Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
<b>ATUS 2006 Lexicon</b>			

		smoking a cigarette/cigar/pipe	chewing tobacco
		having a cigarette	smoking marijuana/pot/weed
		rolling a cigarette	using recreational drugs
<b>03</b>	<b>Television and movies (not religious)</b>		
		watching TV	returning movies to library
		watching a DVD/video/instructional video	
		watching home movies/home videos	
		setting the VCR or DVD player	
		borrowing movies from the library	
<b>04</b>	<b>Television (religious)</b>		
		watching religious broadcasting	
<b>05</b>	<b>Listening to the radio</b>		
		listening to public radio	listening to the top ten on the radio
		listening to a radio talk show	listening to music on the radio
<b>06</b>	<b>Listening to/playing music (not radio)</b>		
		listening to recorded music	listening to someone play the piano
		listening to records/CDs/DVDs/tapes	tuning musical instruments
		playing musical instrument (leisure)	singing
		singing karaoke	Christmas caroling
		composing music	
<b>07</b>	<b>Playing games</b>		
		playing board games/playing cards	playing Scrabble
		working jigsaw puzzles/crossword puzzles	playing computer games
		hitting a pinata	playing games over the internet
		hiding matzo (Passover)	spinning dreidels
		hiding Easter eggs	
<b>08</b>	<b>Computer use for leisure (excluding games)</b>		



Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>computer use, unspecified</li> <li>computer use, leisure (personal interest)</li> <li>surfing the internet (personal interest)</li> <li>downloading files, music, pictures (personal interest)</li> <li>burning CDs (personal interest)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>surfing the web (personal interest)</li> <li>participating in a chat room (personal interest)</li> <li>designing/updating website (personal interest)</li> <li>browsing on the internet (personal interest)</li> </ul>
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**09 Arts and crafts as a hobby**

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>artistic painting</li> <li>making holiday/other decorations</li> <li>videotaping</li> <li>photography</li> <li>making pottery/sculpting</li> <li>wood working</li> <li>dyeing Easter eggs</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>model making</li> <li>jewelry making</li> <li>taking photographs</li> <li>taking pictures</li> <li>taking snapshots</li> <li>making Halloween costumes (for self)</li> <li>making Christmas decorations</li> </ul>
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**10 Collecting as a hobby**

- collecting/organizing stamps
- organizing coin collection

**11 Hobbies, except arts & crafts and collecting**

- bird watching
- researching family tree

**12 Reading for personal interest**

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>reading the newspaper (personal interest)</li> <li>reading a magazine/book (personal interest)</li> <li>flipping/leafing through magazine (personal interest)</li> <li>being read to (personal interest)</li> <li>listening to books on tape (personal interest)</li> <li>borrowing books from the library (pers. interest)</li> <li>doing research (personal interest)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>reading the Bible (personal interest)</li> <li>reading scripture (personal interest)</li> <li>reading, unspecified</li> <li>returning library books</li> <li>browsing at the library</li> <li>checking out library books (personal int.)</li> </ul>
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Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
<b>ATUS 2006 Lexicon</b>			

**13 Writing for personal interest**

writing in journal (personal interest)	writing stories (personal interest)
writing in diary (personal interest)	editing (personal interest)
writing lyrics	

**99 Relaxing and leisure, n.e.c.\***

**04 Arts and Entertainment (other than sports)**

**01 Attending performing arts**

attending comedy club	attending musicals
attending opera	attending the theater
attending a concert	attending jazz bar
attending the ballet	
attending dance troupe performances	
attending plays	

**02 Attending museums**

attending an art gallery	attending an arboretum
visiting the zoo	attending a botanical garden
attending exhibitions	

**03 Attending movies/film**

attending the movies

**04 Attending gambling establishments**

gambling	playing craps
attending a casino	playing keno
betting on the horses	

**05 Security procedures rel. to arts & entertainment**

opening bags for security search (art/entertainment)	passing through metal detector (art/entertainment)
being searched at security checkpoint (art/entertainment)	

**99 Arts and entertainment, n.e.c.\***

Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
<b>ATUS 2006 Lexicon</b>			

setting off fireworks	visiting historic sites
attending a flower show	attending the county fair
attending an amusement park	attending the circus
attending a festival	attending a carnival
attending a poetry reading	watching a parade/fireworks
attending a book signing	attending an auto show
taking a guided nature walk	attending an art/history/music lecture

**05 Waiting Associated with Socializing, Relaxing, and Leisure**

- 01 Waiting assoc. w/socializing & communicating
- 02 Waiting assoc. w/attending/hosting social events
- 03 Waiting associated with relaxing/leisure
- 04 Waiting associated with arts & entertainment
- 99 Waiting associated with socializing, n.e.c.\*

**99 Socializing, Relaxing, and Leisure, n.e.c.\***

- 99 Socializing, relaxing, and leisure, n.e.c.\*

**13 Sports, Exercise, and Recreation**

**01 Participating in Sports, Exercise, or Recreation**

- 01 Doing aerobics
  - doing step aerobics
  - doing high-impact aerobics
  - doing low-impact aerobics
- 02 Playing baseball
  - talking to baseball coach
- 03 Playing basketball
  - talking to basketball referee
- 04 Biking
  - registering for a bike race

talking to aerobics instructor

Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
<b>ATUS 2006 Lexicon</b>			

**05 Playing billiards**

shooting pool  
 playing snooker

**06 Boating**

sailing                                   yachting  
 kayaking                                 rafting  
 canoeing                                 crewing

**07 Bowling**

playing duck pins  
 playing ten pins

**08 Climbing, spelunking, caving**

rock climbing  
 mountain climbing

**09 Dancing**

**10 Participating in equestrian sports**

horseback riding  
 steeple chase  
 playing polo

**11 Fencing**

**12 Fishing**

deep-sea fishing                         talking to the boat captain  
 fly fishing  
 crabbing  
 clam-digging

**13 Playing football**

playing touch football                 talking to the football referee  
 playing flag football

Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
<b>ATUS 2006 Lexicon</b>			

**14 Golfing**

playing the front 9  
 playing the back 9  
 hitting balls at the driving range  
 practicing putting

talking to the caddy

**15 Doing gymnastics**

tumbling  
 using the balance beam  
 using parallel bars

talking to the gymnastics coach  
 using uneven bars  
 using the pommel horse

**16 Hiking**

**17 Playing hockey**

playing ice hockey  
 playing field hockey

talking to the hockey coach

**18 Hunting**

hunting game  
 hunting deer/elk  
 hunting ducks

talking to the hunting guide

**19 Participating in martial arts**

doing karate  
 doing kickboxing

talking to martial arts instructor

**20 Playing racquet sports**

playing tennis  
 playing squash  
 playing handball  
 playing racquetball  
 playing badminton

talking to the tennis coach  
 playing lacrosse

**21 Participating in rodeo competitions**

Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
<b>ATUS 2006 Lexicon</b>			

		calf roping	
		barrel riding	
22	<b>Rollerblading</b>	roller-skating	
		skateboarding	
23	<b>Playing rugby</b>		
24	<b>Running</b>	jogging	talking to race officials
		running a marathon	running cross country
		running a race/organized run	
25	<b>Skiing, ice skating, snowboarding</b>	snow tubing	
26	<b>Playing soccer</b>		
27	<b>Softball</b>	playing wiffle ball	
28	<b>Using cardiovascular equipment</b>	using the Stairmaster	riding stationary bicycle
		using the treadmill	spinning
		using the rowing machine	
29	<b>Vehicle touring/racing</b>	stock car racing	riding in a go-cart
		drag racing	riding in or driving a dune buggy
		doing motocross	
		snowmobiling	
		4-wheeling	
30	<b>Playing volleyball</b>	playing Wally ball	

Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
<b>ATUS 2006 Lexicon</b>			

**31 Walking**

**32 Participating in water sports**

swimming

talking to the swimming coach

playing water polo

water aerobics

diving

river tubing

waterskiing

surfing

snorkeling

body surfing

scuba diving

boogie-boarding

**33 Weightlifting/strength training**

lifting weights

bodybuilding

**34 Working out, unspecified**

stretching

**35 Wrestling**

freestyle wrestling

talking to the wrestling referee

Greco-Roman wrestling

**36 Doing yoga**

Pilates

talking to the yoga instructor

**99 Playing sports n.e.c.\***

ping-pong

skydiving

table tennis

windsurfing

horseshoes

kite flying

croquet

bungee jumping

archery

cricket

skeet-shooting

tai chi

target practice

paintball

throwing darts

baton twirling

Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
<b>ATUS 2006 Lexicon</b>			

boxing	curling
shooting league	cheerleading
javelin	footbag
pole vaulting	setting up camping tent
discus	starting a campfire
playing Frisbee golf	digging a latrine
throwing a Frisbee	collecting firewood for camp
hang-gliding	playing in the snow
ballooning	

**02 Attending Sporting/Recreational Events**

- 01 Watching aerobics**
- 02 Watching baseball**
- 03 Watching basketball**
- 04 Watching biking**
  - watching a bicycle race
- 05 Watching billiards**
  - watching pool players
  - watching snooker players
- 06 Watching boating**
  - watching sailing
  - watching kayaking
  - watching canoeing
- 07 Watching bowling**
  - watching ten pins
  - watching duck pins
- 08 Watching climbing, spelunking, caving**
- 09 Watching dancing**



Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
<b>ATUS 2006 Lexicon</b>			

**10 Watching equestrian sports**

- watching horseback riding
- watching a steeple chase
- watching polo game

**11 Watching fencing**

**12 Watching fishing**

- watching deep-sea fishing
- watching fly fishing
- watching crabbing
- watching clam-digging

**13 Watching football**

- watching touch football
- watching tag football

**14 Watching golfing**

- watching a golf tournament

**15 Watching gymnastics**

- watching tumbling
- watching balance beam completion
- watching parallel bar competition

**16 Watching hockey**

- watching ice hockey
- watching field hockey

**17 Watching martial arts**

- watching karate
- watching kickboxing

**18 Watching racquet sports**

- watching tennis
- watching lacrosse

Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
<b>ATUS 2006 Lexicon</b>			

	watching squash	watching racquetball
	watching handball	watching badminton
<b>19</b>	<b>Watching rodeo competitions</b>	
<b>20</b>	<b>Watching rollerblading</b>	
	watching roller-skating	
	watching skateboarding	
<b>21</b>	<b>Watching rugby</b>	
<b>22</b>	<b>Watching running</b>	
	watching a marathon	watching cross country running
	watching a running race	watching an organized run
<b>23</b>	<b>Watching skiing, ice skating, snowboarding</b>	
	watching snow tubing	
<b>24</b>	<b>Watching soccer</b>	
<b>25</b>	<b>Watching softball</b>	
	watching wiffle ball	
<b>26</b>	<b>Watching vehicle touring/racing</b>	
	watching a stock car race	
	watching a drag race	
	watching a motocross race	
	watching snowmobiling	
	watching 4-wheeling	
<b>27</b>	<b>Watching volleyball</b>	
	watching Wally ball	
<b>28</b>	<b>Watching walking</b>	
	watching a walking sporting event	
<b>29</b>	<b>Watching water sports</b>	
	watching a swim/dive meet	watching water aerobics

Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
<b>ATUS 2006 Lexicon</b>			

		watching a water polo match	
	<b>30</b>	<b>Watching weightlifting/strength training</b>	
		watching weightlifting competition	
	<b>31</b>	<b>Watching people working out, unspecified</b>	
	<b>32</b>	<b>Watching wrestling</b>	
	<b>99</b>	<b>Attending sporting events, n.e.c.*</b>	
		watching ping-pong	watching discus
		watching croquet game	watching hang-gliding
		watching archery	watching ballooning
		watching skeet-shooting	watching skydiving
		watching dart playing	watching windsurfing
		watching boxing	watching bungee jumping
		watching javelin	watching baton twirling
		watching pole vaulting	watching cheerleading
<b>03</b>		<b>Waiting Associated with Sports, Exercise, &amp; Recreation</b>	
	<b>01</b>	<b>Waiting related to playing sports or exercising</b>	
	<b>02</b>	<b>Waiting related to attending sporting events</b>	
	<b>99</b>	<b>Waiting associated with sports, exercise, &amp; recreation, n.e.c.*</b>	
<b>04</b>		<b>Security Procedures Rel. to Sports, Exercise, &amp; Recreation</b>	
	<b>01</b>	<b>Security related to playing sports or exercising</b>	
		opening bags for security search (playing sports)	passing through metal detector (playing sports)
		being searched at security checkpoint (playing sports)	
	<b>02</b>	<b>Security related to attending sporting events</b>	
		opening bags for security search (attending sports)	passing through metal detector (attending sports)
		being searched at security checkpoint (attending sports)	
	<b>99</b>	<b>Security related to sports, exercise, &amp; recreation, n.e.c.*</b>	
<b>99</b>		<b>Sports, Exercise, &amp; Recreation, n.e.c.*</b>	

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99 Sports, exercise, & recreation, n.e.c.\*

**14 Religious and Spiritual Activities**

**01 Religious/Spiritual Practices**

**01 Attending religious services**

attending church services	attending mosque
attending synagogue	attending church revival
attending temple	attending funerals
attending a baptism/christening	attending wakes, memorial services
attending confirmation service	attending/participating in weddings
attending a bar mitzvah/briss	

**02 Participation in religious practices**

ushering for religious services	rehearsing for religious ceremonies
singing in the church choir	decorating for religious ceremonies
praying alone	cleaning up after religious ceremonies
visiting graves	leading church choir, musical groups
attending church choir practice	playing the church organ
putting flowers on graves	participating in church musical performance
attending a religious retreat	opening advent calendar day
praying with others	conducting religious rites in the home
lighting menorah candles (Hanukah)	
lighting advent wreath	

**03 Waiting associated w/religious & spiritual activities**

Waiting associated w/ religious & spiritual activities

**04 Security procedures rel. to religious & spiritual activities**

opening bags for security search (religious activities)	passing through metal detector (religious activities)
being searched at security checkpoint (religious activities)	

**99 Religious and Spiritual Activities, n.e.c.\***

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99 Religious and spiritual activities, n.e.c.\*

## 15 Volunteer Activities

### 01 Administrative & Support Activities

#### 01 Computer use

writing/sending e-mail (volunteer)  
 checking e-mail (volunteer)  
 designing website for volunteer org.  
 computer use, unspecified (volunteer)  
 surfing the internet (volunteer)

#### 02 Organizing and preparing

preparing for a meeting (volunteer)	filing (volunteer)
organizing volunteer materials	preparing/organizing schedules (volunteer)
stuffing envelopes (volunteer)	addressing envelopes (volunteer)

#### 03 Reading

reviewing notes, briefs, papers (volunteer)  
 reading books, journals, newspapers (volunteer)

#### 04 Telephone calls (except hotline counseling)

making phone calls (volunteer)

#### 05 Writing

editing newsletters (volunteer)  
 writing letters/memos (volunteer)

#### 06 Fundraising

collecting monetary donations (volunteer)  
 raising money for charitable causes (volunteer)  
 raising money for political candidates (volunteer)  
 ringing a bell for the Salvation Army (volunteer)  
 selling nonfood items at a concession stand (volunteer)

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**99 Administrative & support activities, n.e.c.\***

**02 Social Service & Care Activities (Except Medical)**

**01 Food preparation, presentation, clean-up**

- working in a soup kitchen (volunteer)
- preparing food for a fundraiser (volunteer)
- delivering/serving meals to shut-ins (volunteer)
- baking cookies for the PTA bake sale (volunteer)
- distributing groceries at food bank (volunteer)
- serving food at a homeless shelter (volunteer)
- selling food or unknown items at a concession stand (volunteer)

**02 Collecting & delivering clothing & other goods**

- collecting clothing for disaster relief (volunteer)
- distributing blankets at a homeless shelter (volunteer)
- donating books (volunteer)                                sorting books (volunteer)
- donating clothing (volunteer)                                sorting clothing (volunteer)

**03 Providing care**

- visiting shut-ins or the elderly (volunteer)
- reading to the blind (volunteer)
- spending time with hospice patients (volunteer)
- walking dogs at animal shelter (volunteer)

**04 Teaching, leading, counseling, mentoring**

- being a Big Brother/Big Sister (volunteer)                                teaching Sunday school (volunteer)
- tutoring (volunteer)    teaching parenting classes (volunteer)
- working a hotline for victim support svcs. (volunteer)                                doing vocational training (volunteer)
- coaching teams (volunteer)    counseling at a halfway house (volunteer)
- assisting in a classroom (volunteer)    leading Boy Scout meeting (volunteer)
- leading religious youth group (volunteer)

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**99 Social service & care activities, n.e.c.\***

**03 Indoor & Outdoor Maintenance, Building, & Clean-up Activities**

**01 Building houses, wildlife sites, & other structures**

- building houses for Habitat for Humanity (volunteer)
- building a wildlife refuge area (volunteer)
- building playgrounds (volunteer)

**02 Indoor & outdoor maintenance, repair, & clean-up**

- cleaning parks/streets (volunteer)                      doing environmental clean-up (volunteer)
- picking up trash (volunteer)                              repairing cars (volunteer)
- renovating a house (volunteer)                          maintaining hiking trails (volunteer)
- repairing tools or equipment (volunteer)              planting trees (volunteer)

**99 Indoor & outdoor maintenance, building & clean-up activities, n.e.c.\***

**04 Participating in Performance & Cultural Activities**

**01 Performing**

- acting in a performance (volunteer)                      emceeding a charity function (volunteer)
- dancing in a performance (volunteer)                      auctioneering a benefit auction (volunteer)
- performing music (volunteer)                                  practicing for a performance (volunteer)

**02 Serving at volunteer events & cultural activities**

- manning an information booth (volunteer)
- ushering for a benefit performance (volunteer)
- being a docent/museum guide (volunteer)

**99 Participating in performance & cultural activities, n.e.c.\***

**05 Attending Meetings, Conferences, & Training**

**01 Attending meetings, conferences, & training**

- attending training (volunteer)                              serving on a board (volunteer)
- attending meetings (volunteer)                              serving on a finance committee (volunteer)
- attending conferences (volunteer)                          chairing a committee (volunteer)

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attending seminars (volunteer)

**99 Attending meetings, conferences, & training, n.e.c.\***

**06 Public Health & Safety Activities**

**01 Public health activities**

donating blood (volunteer)

providing medical care (volunteer)

**02 Public safety activities**

being on duty as firefighter (volunteer)

patrolling for neighborhood crime watch (volunteer)

**99 Public health & safety activities, n.e.c.\***

**07 Waiting Associated with Volunteer Activities**

**01 Waiting associated with volunteer activities**

**99 Waiting associated with volunteer activities, n.e.c.\***

**99 Volunteer Activities, n.e.c.\***

**99 Volunteer activities, n.e.c.\***

picketing (volunteer)

handing out political flyers (volunteer)

monitoring water quality (volunteer)

**16 Telephone Calls**

**01 Telephone Calls (to or from)**

**01 Telephone calls to/from family members**

talking on phone to relatives

**02 Telephone calls to/from friends, neighbors, or acquaintances**

talking on phone to friends/neighbors/acquaintances

talking on phone to girlfriend

talking on phone to boyfriend

talking on phone to fiancée

**03 Telephone calls to/from education services providers**

talking on phone to a teacher

talking on phone to a school nurse



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talking on phone to a principal  
talking on phone to a professor  
talking on phone to an instructor

talking on phone to a school cafeteria worker

**04 Telephone calls to/from salespeople**

talking on phone to a sales clerk  
talking on phone to a store manager  
talking on phone to a customer service representative  
talking on phone to a store counter person  
talking on phone to a cashier

talking on phone to a salesperson  
talking on phone to a telemarketer

**05 Telephone calls to/from professional or personal care svcs providers**

talking on phone to a barber/hairstylist/manicurist  
talking on phone to a lawyer/mediator/paralegal  
talking on phone to a doctor/nurse/veterinarian  
talking on phone to a real estate agent  
talking on phone to a banker/insurance agent/loan officer

talking on phone to a pharmacist  
talking on phone to an accountant  
talking on phone to a massage therapist

**06 Telephone calls to/from household services providers**

talking on phone to a pet sitter/pet walker  
talking on phone to a cleaning service/caterer  
talking on phone to a plumber/electrician/contractor  
talking on phone to a landscaper/gardener  
talking on phone to a mechanic/auto body repair person

talking on phone to gas company representative  
talking on phone to an architect  
talking on phone to a decorator  
talking on phone to electric company representative

**07 Telephone calls to/from paid child or adult care providers**

talking on phone to day care provider  
talking on phone to a babysitter  
talking on phone to a tutor

**08 Telephone calls to/from government officials**

talking on phone to police or firefighters

talking on phone to a court employee

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talking on phone to a public librarian  
talking on phone to a U.S. postal employee  
talking on phone to a county council member

talking on phone to a politician  
talking on phone to a congressperson

- 99 Telephone calls (to or from), n.e.c.\*
  - talking on phone, unspecified

**02 Waiting Associated with Telephone Calls**

- 01 Waiting associated with telephone calls
  - waiting to use a pay phone
  - waiting for a phone call

- 99 Waiting associated with telephone calls, n.e.c.\*

**99 Telephone Calls, n.e.c.\***

- 99 Telephone calls, n.e.c.\*

**18 Traveling**

**01 Travel Related to Personal Care**

- 01 Travel related to personal care
- 99 Travel related to personal care, n.e.c.\*

**02 Travel Related to Household Activities**

- 01 Travel related to housework
- 02 Travel related to food & drink prep., clean-up, & presentation
- 03 Travel related to interior maintenance, repair, & decoration
- 04 Travel related to exterior maintenance, repair, & decoration
- 05 Travel related to lawn, garden, and houseplant care
- 06 Travel related to care for animals and pets (not vet care)
- 07 Travel related to vehicle care & maintenance (by self)
- 08 Travel related to appliance, tool, and toy set-up, repair, & maintenance (by self)
- 09 Travel related to household management
- 99 Travel related to household activities, n.e.c.\*

**03 Travel Related to Caring For & Helping HH Members**

- 01 Travel related to caring for & helping hh children

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- 02 Travel related to hh children's education
- 03 Travel related to hh children's health
- 04 Travel related to caring for hh adults
- 05 Travel related to helping hh adults
- 99 Travel rel. to caring for & helping hh members, n.e.c.\*
- 04 Travel Related to Caring For & Helping Nonhh Members**
  - 01 Travel related to caring for and helping nonhh children
  - 02 Travel related to nonhh children's education
  - 03 Travel related to nonhh children's health
  - 04 Travel related to caring for nonhh adults
  - 05 Travel related to helping nonhh adults
  - 99 Travel rel. to caring for & helping nonhh members, n.e.c.\*
- 05 Travel Related to Work**
  - 01 Travel related to working
  - 02 Travel related to work-related activities
  - 03 Travel related to income-generating activities
  - 04 Travel related to job search & interviewing
  - 99 Travel related to work, n.e.c.\*
- 06 Travel Related to Education**
  - 01 Travel related to taking class
  - 02 Travel related to extracurricular activities (ex. Sports)
  - 03 Travel related to research/homework
  - 04 Travel related to registration/administrative activities
  - 99 Travel related to education, n.e.c.\*
- 07 Travel Related to Consumer Purchases**
  - 01 Travel related to grocery shopping
  - 02 Travel related to purchasing gas

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- 03 Travel related to purchasing food (not groceries)
- 04 Travel related to shopping, ex groceries, food, and gas
- 99 Travel related to consumer purchases, n.e.c.\*
- 08 Travel Related to Using Professional and Personal Care Services**
  - 01 Travel related to using childcare services
  - 02 Travel related to using financial services and banking
  - 03 Travel related to using legal services
  - 04 Travel related to using medical services
  - 05 Travel related to using personal care services
  - 06 Travel related to using real estate services
  - 07 Travel related to using veterinary services
  - 99 Travel rel. to using prof. & personal care services, n.e.c.\*
- 09 Travel Related to Using Household Services**
  - 01 Travel related to using household services
  - 02 Travel related to using home main./repair/décor./construction svcs
  - 03 Travel related to using pet services (not vet)
  - 04 Travel related to using lawn and garden services
  - 05 Travel related to using vehicle maintenance & repair services
  - 99 Travel related to using household services, n.e.c.\*
- 10 Travel Related to Using Govt Services & Civic Obligations**
  - 01 Travel related to using government services
  - 02 Travel related to civic obligations & participation
  - 99 Travel rel. to govt svcs & civic obligations, n.e.c.\*
- 11 Travel Related to Eating and Drinking**
  - 01 Travel related to eating and drinking
  - 99 Travel related to eating and drinking, n.e.c.\*
- 12 Travel Related to Socializing, Relaxing, and Leisure**

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- 01 Travel related to socializing and communicating
- 02 Travel related to attending or hosting social events
- 03 Travel related to relaxing and leisure
- 04 Travel related to arts and entertainment
- 05 Travel as a form of entertainment
  - driving, no purpose (pleasure driving)
  - sightseeing on a tour bus
- 99 Travel rel. to socializing, relaxing, & leisure, n.e.c.\*
- 13 Travel Related to Sports, Exercise, & Recreation
  - 01 Travel related to participating in sports/exercise/recreation
  - 02 Travel related to attending sporting/recreational events
  - 99 Travel related to sports, exercise, & recreation, n.e.c.\*
- 14 Travel Related to Religious/Spiritual Activities
  - 01 Travel related to religious/spiritual practices
  - 99 Travel rel. to religious/spiritual activities, n.e.c.\*
- 15 Travel Related to Volunteer Activities
  - 01 Travel related to volunteering
  - 99 Travel related to volunteer activities, n.e.c.\*
- 16 Travel Related to Telephone Calls
  - 01 Travel related to phone calls
  - 99 Travel rel. to phone calls, n.e.c.\*
- 18 Security Procedures Related to Traveling
  - 01 Security procedures related to traveling
  - 99 Security procedures related to traveling, n.e.c.\*
    - opening bags for security search (traveling)
    - being searched at security checkpoint (traveling)
- 99 Traveling, n.e.c.\*

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**99 Traveling, n.e.c.\***

exchanging insurance info after accident	travel emergency
hailing help after accident/emergency	car accident
walking to get help after travel accident	changing a flat tire
riding in a tow truck after accident	driving, no purpose (DP changed mind)
travel accident	

**50 Data Codes**

**01 Unable to Code**

- 01 Insufficient detail in verbatim
- 03 Missing travel or destination
- 04 Recorded simultaneous activities incorrectly
- 05 Respondent refused to provide information/"none of your business"
- 06 Gap/can't remember
- 07 Unable to code activity at 1st tier

**99 Data codes, n.e.c.\***

- 99 Data codes, n.e.c.\*

\*Not elsewhere classified