AASM Sleep Prioritization Survey

Sleep Divorce

Survey Methodology

Survey The American Academy of Sleep Medicine commissioned an online survey of 2,005 adults in the U.S. The overall margin of error fell within +/- 2 percentage points with a confidence interval of 95 percent. Fieldwork took place between March 24-29, 2023. Atomik Research is an independent market research agency.

Question

Do you ever do any of the following to adjust your sleep routine to accommodate a bed partner?

Results

Nearly half (42%) of Americans do not adjust their sleep routine to accommodate a bed • partner.

Overall Results

Total	2,005
Use earplugs	303 (15%)
Use an eye mask	358 (18%)
Sleep in another room on occasion	391 (20%)
Sleep in another room consistently	309 (15%)
Go to sleep at an earlier or later time than desired	660 (33%)
Use a silent alarm	325 (16%)
None of these	840 (42%)

One-third (33%) of adults reported that they go to sleep at an earlier or later time than desired to accommodate a bed partner.

Results by Gender

	Male	Female
Total	997	997
Use earplugs	214 (21%)	89 (9%)
Use an eye mask	234 (23%)	123 (12%)
Sleep in another room on occasion	244 (24%)	147 (15%)
Sleep in another room consistently	209 (21%)	100 (10%)
Go to sleep at an earlier or later time than desired	371 (37%)	285 (29%)
Use a silent alarm	246 (25%)	79 (8%)
None of these	340 (34%)	494 (50%)

Men (25%) are three times more likely than women (8%) to use a silent alarm to accommodate a bed partner.

Results by Age Group

	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+
Total	313	456	541	367	176	152
Use earplugs	36 (12%)	93 (20%)	107 (20%)	56 (15%)	8 (5%)	3 (2%)
Use an eye mask	40 (13%)	95 (21%)	141 (26%)	69 (19%)	8 (5%)	5 (3%)
Sleep in another	44 (14%)	83 (18%)	145 (27%)	70 (19%)	30 (17%)	19 (13%)
room on occasion						
Sleep in another	41 (13%)	87 (19%)	96 (18%)	59 (16%)	12 (7%)	14 (9%)
room consistently						
Go to sleep at an	101 (32%)	167 (37%)	222 (41%)	116 (32%)	30 (17%)	24 (16%)
earlier or later						
time than desired						
Use a silent alarm	44 (14%)	76 (17%)	142 (26%)	55 (15%)	6 (3%)	2 (1%)
None of these	130 (42%)	163 (36%)	170 (31%)	169 (46%)	106(60%)	102 (67%)

Over half (60%) of Americans aged 55-64 do not adjust their sleep routine to accommodate a bed partner.



2023



Results by Generation

	Gen Z (18-26)	Millennial (27-42)	Gen X (43-58)	Baby Boomer (59-76)	Silent Generation (77+)
Total	388	845	526	230	16
Use earplugs	52 (13%)	175 (21%)	70 (13%)	6 (3%)	0 (0%)
Use an eye mask	53 (14%)	216 (26%)	81 (15%)	8 (3%)	0 (0%)
Sleep in another	55 (14%)	203 (24%)	101 (19%)	30 (13%)	2 (13%)
room on occasion					
Sleep in another	53 (14%)	162 (19%)	73 (14%)	20 (9%)	1 (6%)
room consistently					
Go to sleep at an	134 (35%)	334 (40%)	153 (29%)	38 (17%)	1 (6%)
earlier or later time					
than desired					
Use a silent alarm	57 (15%)	198 (23%)	65 (12%)	5 (2%)	0 (0%)
None of these	156 (40%)	266 (31%)	256 (49%)	150 (65%)	12 (75%)

The Silent Generation reported no use of eye masks, earplugs or silent alarms, while over one-fifth of millennials use eye masks (26%), earplugs (21% and silent alarms (23%) to accommodate a bed partner.

Results by Region

	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Total	385	481	701	438
Use earplugs	58 (15%)	56 (12%)	90 (13%)	99
				(23%)
Use an eye mask	78 (20%)	67 (14%)	99 (14%)	114
				(26%)
Sleep in another	75 (19%)	99 (21%)	122 (17%)	95
room on occasion				(22%)
Sleep in another	56 (15%)	66 (14%)	100 (14%)	87
room consistently				(20%)
Go to sleep at an	127 (33%)	160 (33%)	217 (31%)	156
earlier or later time				(36%)
than desired				
Use a silent alarm	65 (17%)	71 (15%)	94 (13%)	95
				(22%)
None of these	164 (43%)	199 (41%)	317 (45%)	160
				(37%)

Those in the West reported the highest percentage of people who use earplugs (23%) to accommodate a bed partner, while the Midwest reported the lowest percentage (12%).

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