# **AASM Sleep Prioritization Survey**

Dietary Habits/Practices Impacting Sleep

## **Survey Methodology**

The American Academy of Sleep Medicine commissioned an online survey of 2,007 adults throughout the United States. The margin of error for the overall sample is +/- 2 percentage points with a confidence level of 95 percent. Fieldwork took place between June 5 and June 13, 2025, by Atomik Research, an independent market research agency.

# American Academy of SLEEP MEDICINE Sleep Prioritization Survey 2025

#### **Question**

How, if at all, do the following dietary habits/practices impact your sleep?

#### **Results**

 Most adults (59%) say eating a well-balanced diet helps them sleep slightly or significantly better.

# Eating a well-balanced diet

## Overall Results

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25%
3%
4%
34%
25%
9%

Most adults (59%) say eating a well-balanced diet helps them sleep slightly or significantly better.

#### Results by Gender

	Male	Female
Total	1,005	999
No impact	22%	29%
Sleep significantly worse	4%	2%
Sleep slightly worse	4%	4%
Sleep slightly better	34%	34%
Sleep significantly better	29%	21%
N/A I don't do this	7%	10%

Men (63%) are more likely than women (55%) to say that that eating a well-balanced diet helps them sleep slightly or significantly better.

#### Results by Age Group

	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+
Total	233	397	398	347	332	300
No impact	21%	19%	21%	25%	28%	41%
Sleep significantly worse	6%	4%	3%	2%	2%	1%
Sleep slightly worse	8%	7%	5%	3%	2%	1%
Sleep slightly better	28%	34%	34%	38%	38%	32%
Sleep significantly better	26%	30%	29%	23%	22%	16%
N/A I don't do this	10%	8%	9%	8%	8%	9%

Adults aged 25-34 (64%) are the most likely age group to say that eating a well-balanced diet helps them sleep slightly or significantly better.



# Eating a gluten-free diet

#### **Overall Results**

Total	2,007
No impact	25%
Sleep significantly worse	3%
Sleep slightly worse	5%
Sleep slightly better	14%
Sleep significantly better	10%
N/A I don't do this	43%

One-quarter of adults (25%) say eating a gluten-free diet has no impact on their sleep.

#### Results by Gender

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	Male	Female
Total	1,005	999
No impact	24%	25%
Sleep significantly worse	2%	3%
Sleep slightly worse	7%	4%
Sleep slightly better	18%	10%
Sleep significantly better	13%	7%
N/A I don't do this	37%	51%

Of adults eating a gluten-free diet, men (31%) are more likely than women (17%) to say that it helps them sleep slightly or significantly better.

## Results by Age Group

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	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+
Total	233	397	398	347	332	300
No impact	30%	25%	26%	22%	23%	24%
Sleep significantly worse	4%	4%	6%	1%	0%	0%
Sleep slightly worse	8%	10%	6%	2%	5%	1%
Sleep slightly better	16%	19%	20%	14%	7%	4%
Sleep significantly better	12%	14%	14%	11%	5%	1%
N/A I don't do this	30%	28%	28%	50%	60%	69%

Of adults eating a gluten-free diet, those 25-34 (33%) and 35-44 (34%) are the most likely age groups to say it helps them sleep slightly or significantly better.

# Eating a vegetarian diet

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Total	2,007
No impact	24%
Sleep significantly worse	3%
Sleep slightly worse	5%
Sleep slightly better	15%
Sleep significantly better	10%
N/A I don't do this	43%

One-quarter of adults (25%) say eating a vegetarian diet helps them sleep slightly or significantly better.

## Results by Gender

	Male	Female
Total	1,005	999
No impact	22%	25%
Sleep significantly worse	4%	3%
Sleep slightly worse	6%	4%
Sleep slightly better	19%	11%
Sleep significantly better	13%	7%
N/A I don't do this	36%	50%

Of adults eating a vegetarian diet, men (32%) are more likely than women (18%) to say that it helps them sleep slightly or significantly better.

**Results by Age Group** 

	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+
Total	233	397	398	347	332	300
No impact	30%	25%	24%	19%	20%	26%
Sleep significantly worse	5%	5%	4%	3%	2%	1%
Sleep slightly worse	9%	10%	6%	3%	3%	1%
Sleep slightly better	18%	20%	20%	17%	11%	6%
Sleep significantly better	8%	13%	15%	11%	7%	2%
N/A I don't do this	30%	28%	31%	48%	58%	64%

Of adults eating a vegetarian diet, those 25-34 (33%) and 35-44 (35%) are the most likely age groups to say it helps them sleep slightly or significantly better.

## **About the American Academy of Sleep Medicine**

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