

# A Cross-Sectional Analysis of Association between Sleeping Pattern \& BMI among Adults of Bangladesh 

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#### Abstract

According to the findings of this study, there is a significant but weak connection between the amount of sleep a person gets and their likelihood of becoming overweight. Participants ranged in age from middle-aged to senior citizens and came from six different countries with middleincomes. These findings provide support for earlier findings in groups with high incomes and imply that longer sleep durations are related with decreased obesity levels across cultures and in a variety of different civilizations. The correlation between longer sleep durations and lower obesity levels was found in groups with higher incomes. Therefore, increasing the amount of time spent sleeping in people who suffer from chronic sleep deprivation should be the primary focus of any future clinical research conducted with the intention of reducing the percentage of elderly people who are obese. This is because people who suffer from chronic sleep deprivation tend to have trouble falling asleep and staying asleep.


Key words: sleep duration; sleep pattern; napping; variability; bmi

## CHAPTER 01 <br> INTRODUCTION

### 1.1 Background of the Study

Given its high link with injury, chronic disease, and mortality, insufficient sleep is widely regarded as an important public health issue (SMITH, April 2014). There is growing evidence that shorter sleep duration predicts obesity (hhs author manuscript, 2014). Sleep disorders are ailments that result in altered sleeping patterns. The sleep issue can have a negative impact on your general health, safety, and quality of life. Sleep deprivation can impair your ability to drive safely, raise your chance of developing various health issues, and have an impact on your BMI (Mayo Clinic Family Health Book, 2019,). Globally, $62 \%$ of adults report they don't sleep as well as they'd like (Marissa Walsh, Mar. 25, 2021). 67\% of individuals report experiencing at least one nightly sleep disturbance (Marissa Walsh, Mar. 25, 2021)[1]. Over the previous five years, sleep quality has deteriorated for $44 \%$ of adults worldwide (Marissa Walsh, Mar. 25, 2021). It is estimated that $30 \%$ to $48 \%$ of senior citizens suffer from sleeplessness (Suni, November 12, 2021)[3]. At least a few evenings per week, the lowest rates of sleep loss owing to personal financial concerns are reported by Asians (Foundation, March 27, 2010). Sleep duration in the Bangladeshi population and the fraction of the population at increased risk for acquiring chronic diseases as a result of insufficient sleep were determined (FAKIR M. YUNUS, 2016)[4]. More than half of school-age children (55\%) slept less than recommended, whereas $28.2 \%$ of older persons slept longer (FAKIR M. YUNUS, 2016). Intriguingly, lengthy sleep duration, commonly characterized in epidemiological studies as sleeping more than 9 h per night, is also connected with detrimental health conditions and premature mortality, and may be a more pervasive problem, affecting 25 to 40 percent of adults worldwide (SMITH, April 2014)[2]. The physiological and behavioral impacts of excessive sleep as well as the underlying causes contributing to long sleep duration have, however, garnered less attention than inadequate sleep (SMITH, April 2014).

Obesity is a global public health issue connected with a variety of major health problems and early mortality (SMITH, April 2014). In 2014, the worldwide prevalence of overweight and obesity among adults ( 18 years) was $39 \%$ and $13 \%$, respectively (Body Mass Index $=$ BMI $25 \mathrm{~kg} / \mathrm{m} 2$ ) (Pengpid, 26 May 2017). In the regions of South Asia and Southeast Asia, the prevalence was
$21.2 \%$ among men and $25.4 \%$ among women (Pengpid, 26 May 2017) Overweight and obesity are characterized by an abnormal or excessive accumulation of fat that poses a threat to health. Overweight is defined as a body mass index (BMI) greater than 25, and obesity as a BMI greater than 30[5]. (WHO). The Body Mass Index (BMI) is a good indicator of overweight and obesity. It is calculated based on a person's height and weight. The body mass index (BMI) is an estimation of body fat and an excellent predictor of the risk of developing diseases that are associated with obesity. The higher your BMI, the greater your risk for ailments such as cardiovascular disease, high blood pressure, type 2 diabetes, gallstones, respiratory issues, and some malignancies (Health N. I.). According to the global burden of illness, the problem has reached epidemic proportions, with over 4 million people dying annually from being overweight or obese in 2017. (WHO)[7]. The World Health Organization (WHO) estimates that in 2016, more than 1.9 billion persons over the age of 18 were overweight and 650 million were obese, which corresponds to $39 \%$ of adults globally being overweight and $13 \%$ being obese (WHO). The Asia and Pacific area is home to the greatest number of overweight and obese individuals, approximately 1 billion or two out of every five adults (Matthias Helble, June 10, 2020). Only $4 \%$ of the $17 \%$ of overweight or obese people in Bangladesh were obese, and the rate of obesity increase in Bangladesh is slowing (SMITH, April 2014)[9].

In unadjusted analyses, lower sleep duration was related with a higher BMI, but only among those aged 18-29 and 30-49 years. The association between sleep duration and BMI was likewise shown to be linear. (2015) (HHS Author)[10].

### 1.2 Scope Of the study

The correlation between sleep time and weight may vary by age group because of the correlation between body mass and years of accumulated illness. Youth obesity, for instance, may be an indicator of more immediate health and lifestyle issues like insufficient shut-eye (HHS Author, 2015 ). A growing number of people in both industrialized and developing nations are overweight or obese, a condition defined by the World Health Organization as a body mass index (BMI) of 25 or more (Md. Hasan Al Banna, 08 Dec 2020)[12]. As populations in emerging regions like South Asia become more urban and embrace high calorie dietary habits along with an increasingly sedentary lifestyle, the prevalence of OWOB has skyrocketed over the past two decades (Md. Hasan Al Banna, 08 Dec 2020). Due to its correlation with diseases like diabetes, metabolic syndrome, cardiovascular disease, and cancer, OWOB has recently emerged as a major public health issue worldwide (Md. Hasan Al Banna, 08 Dec 2020).

This study aimed to determine the average amount of time people in Bangladesh spend sleeping and the percentage of the population at risk for developing chronic diseases due to rising BMI caused by insufficient sleep[8].

Because sleep is necessary for many physiological, mental, and emotional functions, sleep deprivation can be harmful (Diekelmann and Born, 2010; Siegel, 2009). The average adult needs between 7 and 8 hours of sleep per night, with the exception of the elderly, who sleep fewer than 7 hours per night per night, according to several studies (Horne, 2011; National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute, 2011; Siegel, 2009). Other sleep-related factors, such as sleep duration, sleep frequency, and napping during the day, are also understudied despite their potential significance. According to a recent study conducted on young adults, those who stayed up later than their peers tended to eat more, leading to increased body fat (hhs author manuscript, 2014)[14]. However, the average amount of time people spend sleeping varies greatly from one person to the next. Some people, especially adolescents and young adults, struggle to get the recommended amount of sleep due to the hectic pace of modern life (Leger et al., 2012)[15]. Adults, on average, get fewer than the advised 8 hours of sleep per night, according to studies. Another disturbing trend is the rise from $22 \%$ in 1985 to nearly $28 \%$ in 2007 of adults who report sleeping for less than 6 hours per night on a daily basis. In recent years, the prevalence of sleep problems has been rising in Bangladesh, contributing to higher body mass indexes, which in turn raise the risk of a wide range of diseases[16].

### 1.3 The rationale of the Study

Emerging adulthood, which happens between the ages of 18 and 25 , is usually when young adults go to college and get more freedom. This is also a time when obesity, unhealthy eating, and less daily physical activity can start to happen (Md. Hasan Al Banna, 08 Dec 2020). A review of many countries found that first-year college students in North America and Europe gain weight and continue to do so over the next few years (Md. Hasan Al Banna, 08 Dec 2020)[17]. Also, OWOB was found to be present in $20 \%$ of university students from Asian countries in a recent multicountry study (Md. Hasan Al Banna, 08 Dec 2020). Meta-analyses and systematic reviews have shown that the way people sleep, how long they sleep, and how well they sleep are all linked to being overweight or obese. Short sleepers were more likely to be overweight or obese than long sleepers, and the link was stronger in boys than in girls (Roberta Ferranti, 2016). Even though teenagers need about 9 to 10 hours of sleep (Roberta Ferranti, 2016)[18]. The evidence we have suggests that about 20\% of university students in Bangladesh regularly eat fast food (Md. Hasan Al Banna, 08 Dec 2020). But there haven't been many studies done on the factors that put

Bangladesh university students at risk for OWOB (Md. Hasan Al Banna, 08 Dec 2020). Previous research has only looked at the relationship between OWOB and either nutrition or fast food (Md. Hasan Al Banna, 08 Dec 2020). Because of this, it is very important to find other behavioral and sociodemographic risk factors for OWOB in Bangladesh as soon as possible[17].

Along with the rise in overweight and obese people in the US, there has also been a change in how people sleep. People in general have been studied a lot about insomnia and trouble sleeping. Adults sleep less than the recommended 8 hours a night, according to research. Also, the number of adults who sleep less than 6 hours a night rose from $22 \%$ in 1985 to almost $28 \%$ in 2007. (Perla A. Vargas PhD, 05 Nov 2014.). In a previous study of college students from mostly high-income countries, the average length of sleep was found to be 7.47 hours. Local studies of college students from low- and middle-income countries found that Ethiopian college students slept an average of 6.79 hours a night, Nigerian college students slept an average of 5.1-6.2 hours a night, and Palestinian college students slept an average of 6.4 hours a night[20]. Concerning short and long sleepers, a study of 15,465 college students found that $21 \%$ were short sleepers and $16 \%$ were long sleepers. This is compared to the reference group, which slept for $7-8$ hours, where $63 \%$ of the students fell into. Some studies have found that a lot of university students in Lebanon (around $40 \%$ ) sleep less than 8 hours per night (Pengpid K. P., 07 Jan 2015)[22]. A recent review of six studies from Bangladesh shows that 18 to $46.3 \%$ of people have problems with insomnia. The rates are $23 \%$ to $46.3 \%$ for the general population, $18.6 \%$ to $44.2 \%$ for healthcare workers, and $27.1 \%$ for students (Mahmudul Hasan, 2021 Aug 16 ).

Cross-sectional studies aren't done enough in low- and middle-income countries and in different parts of the world, but they are important for figuring out the links between sleep patterns and obesity (Pengpid, 26 May 2017). This may be especially important for young adults, such as college students, whose lifestyles change when they move from home to college. These changes include sleep patterns, eating habits, and how much they exercise (Pengpid, 26 May 2017)[22]. This could help tell the difference between biological and social/environmental causes of obesity, which is needed for culturally appropriate strategies to stop obesity. It is thought that a higher BMI and a bigger waist circumference (WC) will go along with less sleep and poor sleep quality (Pengpid, 26 May 2017).

The goal of this study was to find out how BMI is related to sleep parameters like sleep duration and sleep disturbances. Based on the fact that fragmented sleep changes metabolic functions that help control appetite, we thought that sleep disturbances, not sleep duration, would be linked to

BMI among adults in Bangladesh[17]. (Perla A. Vargas PhD, 05 Nov 2014.) Still, not much is known about how long people in Bangladesh sleep based on their age, gender, and socioeconomic status (FAKIR M. YUNUS, 2016).

### 1.4 Literature Review

In contrast to other mammals, humans sleep in blocks of 7-9 hours (Scheen AJ, 1996). During normal sleep, both the use of glucose and the production of glucose drop at the same time during the first part of the night and both go up at the same time in the early morning (Boyle PJ, 1994). But when people are kept at rest but don't get enough sleep, the pattern of glucose use changes, and glucose levels stay the same all night long (Scheen AJ, 1996). Several studies have shown that disrupting normal sleep patterns can cause changes in the body's metabolism that can lead to obesity, heart disease, insulin resistance, and diabetes (Perla A. Vargas PhD, 05 Nov 2014.). Cross-sectional research on the link between obesity and sleeping habits shows that overweight, obesity, and/or related metabolic markers are linked to shorter sleep times in children, teens, and adults (Perla A. Vargas PhD, 05 Nov 2014.)[23]. Also, studies looking at the link between adolescent sleep and BMI suggest that the link may have more than one layer (Perla A. Vargas PhD, 05 Nov 2014.). For example, in a sample of American teens, researchers found that each hour of lost sleep made the chance of being overweight go up by $80 \%$. (Perla A. Vargas PhD, 05 Nov 2014.). Even though sleep problems were not directly linked to obesity, they were linked to less physical activity. This suggests that sleep problems could indirectly affect body weight by making people less active. In a similar way, a study of European teenagers found that short sleep duration was linked to obesity, eating more, and being less active, but not to the amount of physical activity (Garaulet M, 2011 Oct) [17]. Others have found a U-shaped relationship, where the odds go up both for people who sleep less and for people who sleep more. In many studies, however, it is not possible to tell the difference between the effects of not getting enough sleep and the effects of having trouble sleeping. In more recent lab studies, this problem has been solved by measuring changes in metabolism while controlling for sleep length and sleep problems. For example, when young, healthy adults didn't get enough deep non-rapid eye movement (NREM) sleep without also getting less total sleep, their insulin sensitivity went down. This meant they couldn't handle glucose as well and were more likely to get diabetes. More evidence supports the idea that sleep fragmentation, regardless of how long you sleep, can change how your body handles glucose (Perla A. Vargas PhD, 05 Nov 2014.)[23].
The goal of this study was to find out how BMI is related to sleep parameters like sleep duration and sleep disturbances. Based on the fact that sleep fragmentation changes metabolic functions
that control appetite, we thought that sleep disturbances, not sleep length, would be linked to a BMI of 25 or more (Perla A. Vargas PhD, 05 Nov 2014.).

### 1.5 OBJECTIVES

## General Objectives:

Identification of BMI on sleeping pattern.

## Specific objectives:

- To know the social demographic status of the responds.
- To know the sleeping behaviors of the responds.
- To know anthropometric (BMI) \& lifestyle measurement.
- To know the relationship between social demographic status and sleeping behaviors.
- To know the relationship between sleeping behaviors \& anthropometric (BMI) or
- Lifestyle measurement.
- To know the relationship between anthropometric (BMI) or lifestyle measurement \& Social demographic.


## CHAPTER 02

METHODOLOGY

### 2.1 Equipment:

| No. | Equipment | Purpose |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1 | Paper | To produce Questionnaire |
| 2 | Computer | Data entry <br> Data analyze <br> Report writing |

### 2.2 Study Design \& type

It will be a cross-sectional study among adult sleep disorder patients with the problem of increasing BMI (overweight obesity) in Dhaka from October 2021 to April 2022. Study participants will be selected on the basis of defined selection criteria following the purposive sampling method with specific inclusion and exclusion criteria. Written informed consent will be obtained before the interview. A semi structured questionnaire will be developed to collect the data by using the selected variables according to objectives including some scales related to study (PSQI) and BMI analysis report.

### 2.3 Study population

The study population will be the sleep disorder patients with the problem of increasing BMI (overweight, obesity), aged more than 18 (adult) and above living in Dhaka Metropolitan City. Total participants 65, 30 participants between 18 to 34 years, 20 participants between 35-40 years and 15 participants will be above 60 , mostly females ( $73.2 \%$ ). No personal identifiers were collected and, after reading a description of the study, participantsgive passive consent by proceeding to complete the survey.

### 2.4 Sample Size Estimation

In order to address the COVID-19 issue and meet the deadline, only 176 data sets were purposefully picked.

### 2.5 Data collection tool and methods

Data were collected online bases or collected by both interviewing and self-administration depending on the patient's educational status. Participants were directed to complete the Questionnaire. A semi-structured questionnaire will be prepared which comprised of items focusing on socio-demography, self-reported height and weight (BMI), and several standardized health-related measures including the PSQI.

### 2.6 Data processing and analysis

All the collected data from interview will be rechecked and then coded for errors and entered into the database using SPSS software.

### 2.7 Ethical Consideration

- Ethical approval was taken from the ethical review committee of the Dept. o Nutrition \& Food Engineering, Daffodil International University.
- All the study participants were informed about theobjective of the study and their written consent was obtained.
- The confidentiality of theinformation was maintained.


### 2.8 Lists of Variables

Socio-demographic variables: Age, Sex, family type, family size, education level, occupation, household income.

Variables related to sleep disorder: Sleep duration, Treatment Regimen, Other Treatment Assistances.

Variables related to overweight or obesity (BMI): Understanding BMI, knowledge of overweight and obesity and Diet Plan, Understanding of Medication, Understanding on BMI, Capabilities to understand the relationship between sleep pattern and BMI (overweight \& obesity)

### 2.9 Limitation of the study

- Being a community-based cross-sectional study, the reported investigation had various limitations including small sample size, limited sampling area, and statistical analysis.
- The study had various limitations, such as the fact that it was confined to a certain tertiary level disadvantage location and that the information was insufficient owing to the respondents' lack of awareness of the subject issue.


## CHAPTER 03

## Result \& Analysis

## Socio Demographic Information

3.1 Figure: Frequency Distribution of Identify the gender


This figure represents the gender of participant where $53 \%$ which Female and $47 \%$ are male.
3.2 Figure: Frequency Distribution of Age of Participants

In this graph, the ages of the participants are distributed, where the highest number of participants are $88 \%$ which age is $18-30$ years old and $8 \%$ is $31-40$ years old and the lowest percentage is $4 \%$ which is $45+$ years old participants.

3.3 Figure: Frequency Distribution of Living Area


This graph is the living area of the participants, where the highest number of participants are $69 \%$ and they lives in the urban area. On the other hand $16 \%$ of them are living in rural area and $15 \%$ of them lives in sub-arban area.


### 3.4 Figure: Frequency Distribution of Type of Participants House

This graph shows that the participants lives in their own house or in rental flat. Survey shows that $57 \%$ lives in their own houses, $42 \%$ of them lives in rental houes and a few lives in the tin shed area.
3.5 Figure: Frequency Distribution of the Educational Qualification of Participants


This graph is about the education qualification of the participants. The height number of them is have completed their heigher education live masters and the number is like $58 \%$. Bachelors has been done by $21 \%$ and $12 \%$ have done honors. $9 \%$ of the participant have completed SSC and HSC.

### 3.6 Figure: Frequency Distribution of Marrital Status

This graph is about the Married Status of participants. $21 \%$ participant is married and $79 \%$ participant is not married.
3.7 Figure:Frequency Distribution of Monthly Household Income


This graph is about the monthly household income. About $3.98 \%$ of them is unemployeed.

29.55\% have a monthly income of 25000 tk. A good amount like $42.05 \%$ have a monthly income of 25000 to 50000 tk. About $21.02 \%$ have 50 k to 1 lak and also a very few have a monthly income of 1 lak to 2 taka.

3.8 Figure: Frequency Distribution of Occupation

This graph is about the participant's occupation. About $15 \%$ of them is student. $10 \%$ is enployed and they are working full-time. $10 \%$ is part time employee. $5 \%$ of them is housewife. $3 \%$ of them is retired person. $31 \%$ of them is searching for a opportunity and $26 \%$ of them is unemployed.
3.9 Figure: Frequency Distribution of Family member


This graph is about the participant's family members. About $65 \%$ have a family of less then 5 persons. $27 \%$ have a family of 5 to 8 person. And a few number like $8 \%$ have a fimily of more than 8 people.
3.10 Figure: Frequency Distribution of the Participants Religion


This graph is about the participant's religion. About $89 \%$ are muslim and $11 \%$ of them is hindu.

## ANTHROPOMERTIC (BMI) \& LIFESTYLE RELATED INFORMATION

Frequency distribution table of ANTHROPOMERTIC (BMI) \& LIFESTYLE RELATED INFORMATION

| Weight of the participants | Frequencies | Percentage |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $40-55 \mathrm{~kg}$ | 57 | 32.4 |
| 55-65kg | 54 | 30.7 |
| 65-75kg | 31 | 17.6 |
| $75-85 \mathrm{~kg}$ | 25 | 14.2 |
| 85-95 kg | 8 | 4.5 |
| 95-105 kg | 1 | 0.6 |
| Height of the participants |  |  |
| 4 feet 5 inches-5 feet | 32 | 18.2 |
| 5 feet -5feet 5 inches | 94 | 53.4 |
| 5 feet 5 inches -6 feet | 46 | 26.1 |
| 6 feet-6feet 5 inches | 4 | 2.3 |
| BMI |  |  |
|  | 47 | 26.7 |
|  | 92 | 52.3 |
|  | 30 | 17.0 |
| Having meal (per day) |  |  |
| More than four times | 33 | 18.8 |
| Three times | 118 | 67.0 |
| Two times | 23 | 13.1 |
| One times | 2 | 1.1 |
| Have the last meal of the day |  |  |
| Less than two hours before sleep | 80 | 45.5 |
| More than two hours before sleep | 96 | 54.5 |
| Choosing drink something other than water |  |  |
| Green tea | 24 | 13.6 |
| Coffee(without sugar) | 22 | 12.5 |
| Black tea(or other kind of tea) | 43 | 24.4 |
| Coffee with sugar | 31 | 17.6 |


| Juice (for non-carbonated drinks) | 40 | 22.7 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Activity in Physical activity | 16 | 9.1 |
| Yes | 176 | 100 |
| Type of physical activity involved in |  |  |
| Walking | 95 | 54.0 |
| House work | 55 | 31.3 |
| Work in the yard or garden | 5 | 2.8 |
| Exercise | 21 | 11.9 |
| Time that spend on physical activity (last week) |  |  |
| less than 5 hours | 36 | 20.5 |
| 5-20 hours | 91 | 51.7 |
| 20-35 hours | 15 | 8.5 |
| 35-50 hours | 14 | 8.0 |
| 50-65 hours | 9 | 5.1 |
| 65-80 hours | 11 | 6.3 |
| Type of physical activity that involved in work |  |  |
| I am not in employment | 92 | 52.3 |
| I spend most of my time at work siting | 42 | 23.9 |
| I spend most of my time at work standing or walking | 36 | 20.5 |
| My work involves definite physical effort | 5 | 2.8 |
| My work involves vigorous physical activity including handling of heavy objects | 1 | 0.6 |
| Usually avoid physical activity for |  |  |
| For illness | 28 | 15.9 |
| For shortness of time | 62 | 35.2 |
| For Laziness | 74 | 42.0 |
| I don't think it's important | 12 | 6.8 |
| Spending time on social media or television |  |  |
| 0-5 hours | 126 | 71.6 |
| 5-10 hours | 31 | 17.6 |

## SLEEP QUALITY ASSESSMENT (PSQI)RELATED INFORMATION

Frequency distribution table of sleep quality assessment related information

| Time to go to sleep |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $9 \mathrm{pm}-11 \mathrm{pm}$ | 40 | 22.7 |
| 11 pm -1 am | 98 | 55.7 |
| $1 \mathrm{am}-3 \mathrm{am}$ | 33 | 18.8 |
| 3am-5 am | 5 | 2.8 |
| Usually take time to sleep at night |  |  |
| less than 15 minutes | 66 | 37.5 |
| 15 min-1 hour | 72 | 40.9 |
| 1 hours-2 hours | 30 | 17.0 |
| 2 hours-3 hours | 8 | 4.5 |
| Time for get up in the morning |  |  |
| 5 am -6am | 50 | 28.4 |
| 6am-8am | 59 | 33.5 |
| 8am-10am | 58 | 33.0 |
| 10am-12pm | 7 | 4.0 |
| 12pm-2pm | 2 | 1.1 |
| Sleep time that get at night |  |  |
| 3-6 hours | 60 | 34.1 |
| 6-9 hours | 109 | 61.9 |
| 9-12 hours |  |  |
| Trouble to sleep because cannot get sleep with in 30 min |  |  |
| Not during the past month | 54 | 30.7 |
| Less than once a week | 36 | 20.5 |
| Once or twice a week | 45 | 25.6 |
| Three or more times a week | 41 | 23.3 |
| Trouble to sleep because of getting up to use bathroom |  |  |
| Not during the past month | 74 | 42.0 |


| Less than once a week | 42 | 23.9 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Once or twice a week | 37 | 21.0 |
| Three or more times a week | 23 | 13.1 |
| Trouble to sleep because cannot breathe comfortably |  |  |
| Not during the past month | 120 | 68.2 |
| Less than once a week | 27 | 15.3 |
| Once or twice a week | 20 | 11.4 |
| Three or more times a week | 9 | 5.1 |
| trouble to sleep because of cough or snore loudly |  |  |
| Not during the past month | 132 | 75.0 |
| Less than once a week | 21 | 11.9 |
| Once or twice a week | 15 | 8.5 |
| Three or more times a week | 8 | 4.5 |
| Trouble to sleep because of feeling too cold |  |  |
| Not during the past month | 110 | 62.5 |
| Less than once a week | 35 | 19.9 |
| Once or twice a week | 19 | 10.8 |
| Three or more times a week | 12 | 6.8 |
| Trouble to sleep because of feeling too hot |  |  |
| Not during the past month | 96 | 54.5 |
| Less than once a week | 45 | 25.6 |
| Once or twice a week | 23 | 13.1 |
| Three or more times a week | 12 | 6.8 |
| Trouble to sleep because of having bad dreams |  |  |
| Not during the past month | 97 | 55.1 |
| Less than once a week | 46 | 26.1 |
| Once or twice a week | 21 | 11.9 |
| Three or more times a week | 12 | 6.8 |
| Trouble to sleep because of having pain |  |  |
| Not during the past month | 118 | 67.0 |
| Less than once a week | 29 | 16.5 |
| Once or twice a week | 13 | 7.4 |
| Three or more times a week | 16 | 9.1 |
| Other reason |  |  |


| Not during the past month | 132 | 75.0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Less than once a week | 22 | 12.5 |
| Once or twice a week | 7 | 4.0 |
| Three or more times a week | 6 | 3.4 |
| Admission tension 2 | 1 | 0.6 |
| Because of exam 2 | 1 | 0.6 |
| Because of online job 3 | 1 | 0.6 |
| Depression 3 | 1 | 0.6 |
| Depuration 3 | 1 | 0.6 |
| Due to tension 1 | 1 | 0.6 |
| For the baby 3 | 1 | 0.6 |
| Tension 2 | 2 | 1.1 |
| Taken medicine for sleep |  |  |
| Not during the past month | 143 | 81.3 |
| Less than once a week | 19 | 10.8 |
| Once or twice a week | 11 | 6.3 |
| Three or more times a week | 3 | 1.7 |
| Trouble for staying awake while driving eating engaging social work |  |  |
| Not during the past month | 94 | 53.4 |
| Less than once a week | 34 | 19.3 |
| Once or twice a week | 24 | 13.6 |
| Three or more times a week | 24 | 13.6 |
| Problem for keeping up enthusiasm to get things done |  |  |
| Not during the past month | 87 | 49.4 |
| Less than once a week | 34 | 19.3 |
| Once or twice a week | 28 | 15.9 |
| Three or more times a week | 27 | 15.3 |
| Rating sleep quality overall |  |  |
| Very good | 51 | 29.0 |
| Fairly good | 98 | 55.7 |
| fairly bad | 17 | 9.7 |
| very bad | 10 | 5.7 |

Association table between BMI \& Socio Demographic Information

|  |  | BMI |  |  |  | Total | Percent | Person <br> Chi- <br> square |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 15-20 | 20-26 | 26-32 | 32-38 |  |  |  |
| Gender | Male | 19 | 44 | 17 | 2 | 82 | 46.59 | 0.49 |
|  | Female | 28 | 49 | 13 | 4 | 94 | 53.40 |  |
| Age | 18-30 | 45 | 82 | 23 | 5 | 155 | 88.06 | 0.27 |
|  | 31-45 | 2 | 9 | 3 | 0 | 14 | 7.95 |  |
|  | 45+ | 0 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 7 | 3.97 |  |
| Education Qualification | Secondary higher education | 10 | 19 | 4 | 1 | 34 | 19.31 | 0.39 |
|  | Bachelors degree | 19 | 41 | 14 | 4 | 78 | 44.31 |  |
|  | Honors | 16 | 24 | 6 | 0 | 46 | 26.13 |  |
|  | Masters | 2 | 9 | 6 | 1 | 18 | 10.22 |  |
| Type of House Live in | Own house/Building | 21 | 52 | 21 | 6 | 100 | 56.81 | 0.05 |
|  | Rental flat/Apartment | 25 | 41 | 8 | 0 | 74 | 42.04 |  |
|  | Rental Slums/ Tin shed house | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 1.136 |  |
| House hold income | less than 25000 | 6 | 15 | 5 | 1 | 27 | 15.34 | 0.04 |
|  | 25000-50000 | 1 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 8 | 4.54 |  |
|  | 50000-100000 | 0 | 2 | 5 | 2 | 9 | 5.11 |  |


|  | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 100000- \\ & 200000 \end{aligned}$ | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 1.13 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Un employed | 40 | 70 | 18 | 2 | 130 | 73.86 |  |
| Occupation of participant | Student | 9 | 13 | 3 | 1 | 26 | 14.77 | 0.001 |
|  | Employed(full time)/Business | 1 | 11 | 5 | 1 | 18 | 10.22 |  |
|  | Employed part Time | 6 | 9 | 3 | 0 | 18 | 10.22 |  |
|  | Housewife | 3 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 9 | 5.11 |  |
|  | Retired with pension | 0 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 5 | 2.84 |  |
|  | Looking for opportunities | 12 | 30 | 10 | 2 | 54 | 30.68 |  |
|  | Unemployed | 16 | 26 | 4 | 0 | 46 | 26.13 |  |

## Association table between type of physical activity involved in \& Socio Demographic

Information

|  |  | Physical activity involved in |  |  |  | Total | Percent | Person <br> Chi- <br> square |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Walking | House work | Work in the yard or garden | Exercis <br> e |  |  |  |
| Gender | Male | 53 | 13 | 3 | 13 | 82 |  | 0.01 |
|  | Female | 42 | 42 | 2 | 8 | 94 |  |  |
| Age | 18-30 | 84 | 46 | 4 | 21 | 155 |  | 0.37 |
|  | 31-45 | 6 | 7 | 1 | 0 | 14 |  |  |
|  | 45+ | 5 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 7 |  |  |
| Type of house live in | Own house/Buil ding | 61 | 24 | 2 | 13 | 100 |  | 0.11 |
|  | Rental flat/Apartm ent | 34 | 29 | 3 | 8 | 74 |  |  |
|  | Rental Slums/ Tin shed house | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 |  |  |
| Education Qualificati on | Secondary higher education | 22 | 6 | 2 | 4 | 34 |  | 0.01 |
|  | Bachelors degree | 40 | 32 | 0 | 6 | 78 |  |  |
|  | Honors | 24 | 9 | 3 | 10 | 46 |  |  |
| Married <br> Status | Yes | 18 | 17 | 0 | 2 | 37 |  | 0.09 |
|  | No | 77 | 38 | 5 | 19 | 139 |  |  |
|  | less then $25000$ | 19 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 27 |  | 0.31 |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & 25000- \\ & 50000 \end{aligned}$ | 5 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 8 |  |  |


|  | $50000-$ <br> 100000 | 6 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 9 |  |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | $100000-$ <br> 200000 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 |  |

Association table between having meal (per day) \& Socio Demographic Information


| Age of the <br> Participants | 18-30 | 29 | 104 | 21 | 1 | 155 | 0.04 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 31-45 | 2 | 10 | 2 | 0 | 14 |  |
|  | 45+ | 2 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 7 |  |
| Living area | Urban | 25 | 83 | 14 | 0 | 122 | 0.01 |
|  | sub- <br> urban(Divisi on/district city) | 3 | 15 | 6 | 2 | 26 |  |
|  | Rural | 5 | 20 | 3 | 0 | 28 |  |
| Type of house live in | Own house/Buildi ng | 22 | 68 | 9 | 1 | 100 | 0.40 |
|  | Rental flat/Apartme nt | 11 | 49 | 13 | 1 | 74 |  |
|  | Rental Slums/ Tin shed house | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 |  |
| Education <br> Qualification | Secondary higher education | 6 | 23 | 4 | 1 | 34 | 0.53 |
|  | Bachelors degree | 13 | 55 | 10 | 0 | 78 |  |
|  | Honors | 9 | 29 | 8 | 0 | 46 |  |
|  | Masters | 5 | 11 | 1 | 1 | 18 |  |
| Monthly household income | less then 25000 | 4 | 20 | 3 | 0 | 27 | 0.03 |
|  | 25000-50000 | 0 | 7 | 1 | 0 | 8 |  |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & 50000- \\ & 100000 \end{aligned}$ | 3 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 9 |  |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & 100000- \\ & 200000 \end{aligned}$ | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |  |


|  | Un employed | 24 | 86 | 19 | 1 | 130 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Occupation of participant | Student | 4 | 19 | 3 | 0 | 26 | 0.64 |
|  | Employed(fu 11 time)/Busine ss | 3 | 13 | 1 | 1 | 18 |  |
|  | Employed part Time | 2 | 12 | 4 | 0 | 18 |  |
|  | Housewife | 2 | 5 | 2 | 0 | 9 |  |
|  | Retired with pension | 3 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 5 |  |
|  | Looking for opportunities | 12 | 36 | 6 | 0 | 54 |  |
|  | Unemployed | 7 | 31 | 7 | 1 | 46 |  |
| Number of | 1-5 | 25 | 97 | 20 | 2 | 144 | 0.85 |
| family | 5-8 | 5 | 14 | 1 | 0 | 20 |  |
|  | more then 8 | 3 | 7 | 2 | 0 | 12 |  |

Association table between Sleep Quality Assessment \& Identifying Gender of participants

|  |  | Identifying Gender |  | Total | Percent | Person <br> chi- <br> squire |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | :--- |
|  | Male | Female |  |  | 0.27 |  |
| Time to go to <br> sleep | $9 \mathrm{pm}-11 \mathrm{pm}$ | 16 | 24 | 40 |  |  |
|  | $11 \mathrm{pm}-1 \mathrm{am}$ | 44 | 54 | 98 |  |  |
|  | $1 \mathrm{am}-3 \mathrm{am}$ | 18 | 15 | 33 |  |  |
|  | 3 3am-5 am | 4 | 1 | 5 |  |  |
| Trouble to <br> sleep because of | Not during the <br> past month | 39 | 35 | 74 |  | 0.17 |


| getting up to <br> use bathroom | Less than once a <br> week | 22 | 20 | 42 |  |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | Once or twice a <br> week | 13 | 24 | 37 |  |
|  | Three or more <br> times a week | 8 | 15 | 23 |  |


| get things done | week |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | :--- |
|  | Once or twice a <br> week | 13 | 15 | 28 |  |  |
|  | Three or more <br> times a week | 6 | 21 | 27 |  |  |
| Rating sleep <br> quality overall | Very good | 29 | 22 | 51 |  | 0.054 |
|  | Fairly good | 44 | 54 | 98 |  |  |
|  | fairly bad | 8 | 9 | 17 |  |  |
|  | very bad | 1 | 9 | 10 |  |  |

Association table between Sleep Quality Assessment \& occupation of participants

|  |  | occupation of participants |  |  |  |  |  |  | Tota 1 | Perc <br> ent | Person <br> chi- <br> squire |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\square$ | Empl oyed( full time) /Busi ness | Empl oyed part Time | Hous ewife | Reti <br> red with pens ion | Look ing for oppo rtuni ties | Une mpl oyed |  |  |  |
| Time to | $9 \mathrm{pm}-11 \mathrm{pm}$ | 6 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 16 | 6 | 40 |  | 0.156 |
|  | $11 \mathrm{pm}-1 \mathrm{am}$ | 13 | 12 | 14 | 6 | 1 | 27 | 25 | 98 |  |  |
|  | $1 \mathrm{am}-3 \mathrm{am}$ | 6 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 9 | 14 | 33 |  |  |
|  | 3am-5 am | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 5 |  |  |



|  | week |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Taken medicine for sleep | Not during the past month | 22 | 13 | 13 | 7 | 4 | 49 | 35 | 143 | 0.188 |
|  | Less than once a week | 3 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 8 | 19 |  |
|  | Once or twice a week | 0 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 11 |  |
|  | Three or more times a week | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 |  |
| Rating sleep quality overall | Very good | 6 | 6 | 6 | 1 | 2 | 15 | 15 | 51 | 0.909 |
|  | Fairly good | 15 | 8 | 8 | 7 | 2 | 30 | 28 | 98 |  |
|  | fairly bad | 3 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 1 | 17 |  |
|  | very bad | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 2 | 10 |  |

Association table between Sleep Behaviors \& Anthropometric (BMI) Measurement

|  |  | BMI |  |  |  | Total | Percen t | Person chisquire |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 15-20 | 20-26 | 26-32 | 32-38 |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Trouble to sleep because cannot get sleep with in 30 min | Not during the past month | 7 | 35 | 11 | 1 | 54 |  | 0.039 |
|  | Less than once a week | 9 | 16 | 8 | 3 | 36 |  |  |
|  | Once or twice a week | 19 | 20 | 4 | 2 | 45 |  |  |
|  | Three or more | 12 | 22 | 7 | 0 | 41 |  |  |


|  | times a week |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Trouble to sleep because cannot breathe comfortably | Not during the past month | 31 | 63 | 24 | 2 | 120 | 0.068 |
|  | Less than once a week | 10 | 12 | 3 | 2 | 27 |  |
|  | Once or twice a week | 6 | 9 | 3 | 2 | 20 |  |
|  | Three or more times a week | 0 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 9 |  |
| Trouble to sleep because of feeling too cold | Not during the past month | 23 | 60 | 24 | 3 | 110 | 0.001 |
|  | Less than once a week | 14 | 17 | 4 | 0 | 35 |  |
|  | Once or twice a week | 7 | 10 | 2 | 0 | 19 |  |
|  | Three or more times a week | 3 | 6 | 0 | 3 | 12 |  |
| Trouble to sleep because of feeling too hot | Not during the past month | 23 | 60 | 24 | 3 | 110 | 0.001 |
|  | Less than once a week | 14 | 17 | 4 | 0 | 35 |  |


|  | Once or <br> twice a <br> week |  | 10 | 2 | 0 | 19 |  |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | :--- |
|  | Three or <br> more <br> times a <br> week | 3 | 6 |  |  |  |  |


| while driving <br> eating engaging <br> social work | the past <br> month |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | :--- |
|  | Less than <br> once a <br> week | 10 | 20 | 3 | 1 | 34 |  |
|  | Once or <br> twice a <br> week | 9 | 12 | 3 | 0 | 24 |  |
|  | Three or <br> more <br> times a <br> week | 8 | 8 | 4 | 4 | 24 |  |

Association table between Type of physical activity involved in \&

## Sleep Behaviors

|  |  | physical activity involved in |  |  |  | Total | Perce nt | Person chiSquire |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | Walki ng | House work | Work in the yard or garden | Exerci <br> se |  |  |  |
| Time for get up in the morning | $5 \mathrm{am}-6 \mathrm{am}$ | 25 | 16 | 2 | 7 | 50 |  | 0.65 |
|  | 6am-8am | 32 | 18 | 2 | 7 | 59 |  |  |
|  | 8am-10am | 34 | 19 | 1 | 4 | 58 |  |  |
|  | 10am-12pm | 3 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 7 |  |  |
|  | 12pm-2pm | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 |  |  |


| Trouble to sleep because of feeling too cold | Not during the past month | 64 | 30 | 3 | 13 | 110 | 0.06 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Less than once a week | 22 | 8 | 2 | 3 | 35 |  |
|  | Once or twice a week | 6 | 9 | 0 | 4 | 19 |  |
|  | Three or more times a week | 3 | 8 | 0 | 1 | 12 |  |
| Trouble to sleep because of feeling too hot | Not during the past month | 64 | 30 | 3 | 13 | 110 | 0.06 |
|  | Less than once a week | 22 | 8 | 2 | 3 | 35 |  |
|  | Once or twice a week | 6 | 9 | 0 | 4 | 19 |  |
|  | Three or more times a week | 3 | 8 | 0 | 1 | 12 |  |
| Trouble tosleep becauseof having pain | Not during the past month | 75 | 25 | 2 | 16 | 118 | 0.004 |
|  | Less than once a week | 12 | 13 | 1 | 3 | 29 |  |
|  | Once or twice a week | 3 | 7 | 1 | 2 | 13 |  |
|  | Three or more times a week | 5 | 10 | 1 | 0 | 16 |  |
| Taken medicine for sleep | Not during the past month | 79 | 44 | 1 | 19 | 143 | 0.008 |
|  | Less than once a week | 7 | 8 | 3 | 1 | 19 |  |
|  | Once or twice a week | 8 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 11 |  |
|  | Three or more times a week | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 3 |  |
| Trouble for | Not during the | 57 | 26 | 2 | 9 | 94 | 0.032 |


| staying awake while driving eating engaging social work | past month |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Less than once a week | 19 | 8 | 2 | 5 | 34 |  |
|  | Once or twice a week | 5 | 13 | 0 | 6 | 24 |  |
|  | Three or more times a week | 14 | 8 | 1 | 1 | 24 |  |
| Rating sleep quality overall | Very good | 31 | 11 | 2 | 7 | 51 | 0.291 |
|  | Fairly good | 48 | 37 | 2 | 11 | 98 |  |
|  | fairly bad | 11 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 17 |  |
|  | very bad | 5 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 10 |  |

## CHAPTER 4

### 4.1 Discussion

Evidence from both large-scale cohort studies and more modest interventional trials suggests that insufficient sleep is an independent risk factor for obesity. The majority of this research has been on sleep time, however it is still unclear which sleep features most contribute to obesity. Independent of average nightly sleep length, we found that substantial variability in sleep duration from night to night, as well as greater time spent napping throughout the day, was strongly related with obesity. There was weaker support for a correlation between obesity and either a later sleep onset or more sleep timing variability. However, it did suggest that higher levels of obesity were linked to later sleep times in women on average.
There are numerous good points to our work. As an alternative to relying on self-report, we used actigraphy as an objective marker of sleep. We looked at an older age group, so we know that sleep is less affected by things like work and family obligations. We attempted to account for the most important medical comorbidities (depression, heart disease, diabetes, and stroke) and medications that could affect sleep. Finally, we evaluated the stability of the found relationships by verifying our hypothesis in two independent cohorts.
It would be unfair to attribute disparities in results between the two cohorts entirely to differences in gender; the cohorts are different in other ways as well. MrOS men, for instance, were, on average, 7 years younger than SOF women. Furthermore, more days were recorded in the MrOS cohort due to the differences in methods, which may have allowed for more accurate estimates of night-to-night variation. In spite of these variations, both cohorts showed a striking similarity in the connection between daytime napping and obesity, as well as between sleep duration variability and obesity.

There was also a striking similarity between the two cohorts in terms of the pattern of interaction between daytime napping and nocturnal sleep duration on obesity risk, with the impact of napping being greatest on those with average nocturnal sleep durations and least on those with short nocturnal sleep durations.

Our findings are in line with cross-sectional data from a group of adults that found that, regardless of mean sleep length, erratic sleep habits were associated with an elevated risk of obesity. It should be noted, however, that this does not inevitably indicate that those who are chronically sleep deprived should not take the opportunity to get more shut-eye when it presents itself. Humans, in contrast to most other mammals, sleep in distinct cycles of 7 to 9 hours (Scheen AJ, 1996). Both glucose consumption and production decrease simultaneously during the early stages of a normal night's sleep, and both increase simultaneously during the early stages of a typical morning (Boyle PJ, 1994). However, the pattern of glucose utilization alters, and glucose levels remain constant all night long, when people are kept at rest but not getting adequate sleep (Scheen AJ, 1996). Sleep deprivation has been linked to metabolic alterations that increase the risk of weight gain, cardiovascular disease, insulin resistance, and diabetes, according to a number of studies (Perla A. Vargas PhD, 05 Nov 2014.). Shorter sleep duration is associated with overweight, obesity, and/or related metabolic indicators in children, adolescents, and adults (Perla A. Vargas PhD, 05 Nov 2014. ). There may be more than one layer to the connection between adolescent sleep and BMI, as suggested by studies (Perla A. Vargas PhD, 05 Nov 2014.). In a study of American adolescents, for instance, sleep loss was found to increase the risk of being overweight by $80 \%$ for every hour of sleep missed. A Ph.D. Dissertation by Perla A. Vargas, 05 November 2014. Although disrupted sleep did not cause weight gain, it was associated with less exercise. This shows that inactivity brought on by sleep issues may contribute to overall body weight. Similarly, a European adolescent study indicated that low sleep duration was associated with being overweight, eating more, and being less active (Garaulet M, 2011 Oct). Some researchers have observed a U-shaped association, where the chances increase for both short- and long-sleepers. However, it is often impossible to separate the consequences of insufficient sleep from those of sleep disturbances in scientific studies. Recent laboratory investigations have addressed this issue by calculating metabolic changes while accounting for sleep duration and disturbances. For instance, insulin sensitivity was reduced in young, healthy persons who did not obtain adequate deep NREM sleep without also getting less overall sleep. This increased their risk of developing diabetes since glucose was being metabolized less efficiently in the body. No matter how long you sleep, sleep disruption can affect your body's response to glucose, according to new research.

The goal of this research was to determine if and how body mass index (BMI) affects various aspects of sleep, such as duration and quality. We hypothesized that sleep disruptions, and not total sleep time, would be associated with a BMI of 25 or greater, due to the fact that sleep deprivation disrupts metabolic systems that regulate food.

## CHAPTER 5 <br> Conclusions \& Recommendations

Although an imbalance between calorie intake and physical exercise is a significant cause of obesity environmental and behavioral factors may also be contributing. New data links body weight to sleeping disorders, including duration and quality. Studies on adolescent sleep and BMI show a complex link.

Many research combine sleep duration and disruptions to determine sleep quality, making it difficult to examine their independent impacts on BMI. We employed the PSQI global score and its 7 individual components to study the sleep patterns of college students and evaluate the association between sleep quality and overweight/obesity. Overall, college students' sleep patterns were poor. College students had low sleep duration, fragmented sleep, and poor PSQI sleep quality. Sleep length was not a significant predictor for BMI after controlling for age and sex, but sleep disruptions were. We also discovered an interaction between sleep disturbances and age, suggesting sleep disturbances may have a larger effect on BMI as students age. Sleep disturbances can affect weight regardless of how much time is spent sleeping, and age can amplify this effect. These data support the concept that sleep restriction alters circulation levels of metabolically important hormones including leptin and ghrelin, affecting glucose homeostasis and hunger regulation. Age and sleep problems interact consistent with age-related changes in sleep schedule and structure. As we age, overall sleep time, sleep efficiency, percentage of slowwave sleep, percentage of REM sleep, and REM latency decrease, while sleep latency and wake after sleep start increase.

## Recommendations

- Stick to a sleep schedule Set aside no more than eight hours for sleep.
- The recommended amount of sleep for a healthy adult is at least seven hours.
- Go to bed and get up at the same time every day, including weekends.
- Repeat as needed, but continue to maintain your sleep schedule and wake-up time.2.
- Create a restful environment Keep your room cool, dark and quiet.
- Avoid prolonged use of light-emitting screens just before bedtime.
- Include physical activity in your daily routine Regular physical activity can promote better sleep.


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