

# Behavior Changes During COVID-19

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## Problem Statement

The COVID-19 pandemic has changed  
people's exercise and physical activity  
behavior

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# Tools and Methods

## Python

- ▣ Data Cleanup

## Excel

- ▣ Pivot Table
- ▣ Visualizations

## R Studio

- ▣ Data Analysis


# What we are looking for:

## Physical activity before and after lockdown

- ▣ Age
- ▣ Kids
- ▣ Number of people in one home
- ▣ Marital status
- ▣ Sex



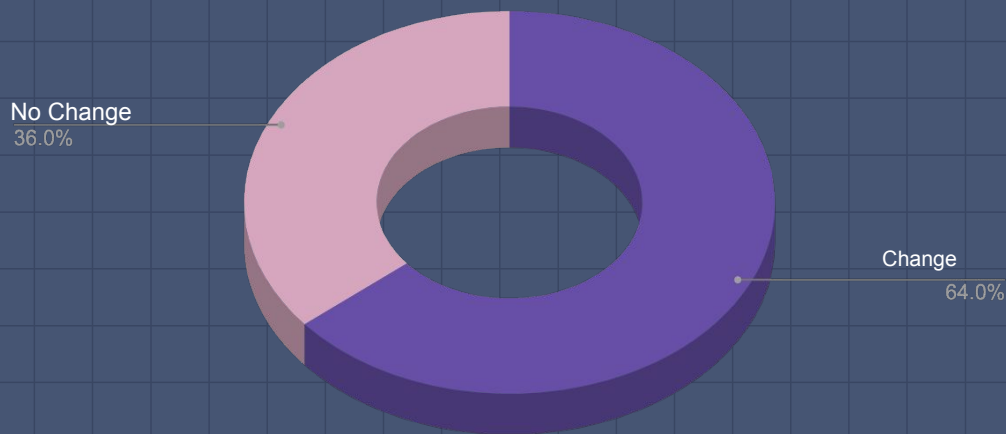
We saw an overall change in physical activity before and after COVID-19.



Let's take a look at those numbers

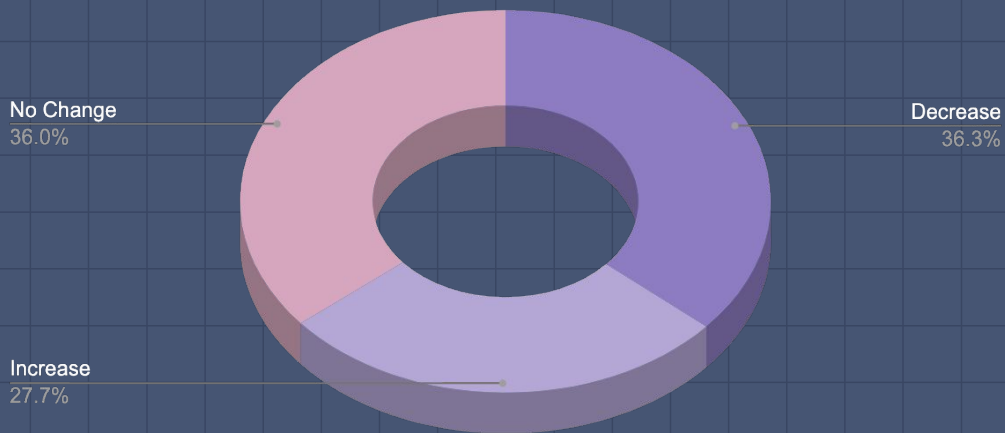
We saw that 64% of people changed their physical activity habits

Change of Physical Activity



36.3% decreased their physical activity and 27.7% increased their physical activity

Change of Physical Activity





# Here is what we investigated and found!

- ▣ the number of kids
- ▣ the type of house they live in
- ▣ marital status
- ▣ and sex and their correlation with physical activity before and after COVID-19.



# Interesting Behavior Changes

The relationship between:

- The number of people in a home and their physical activity.
- Age and physical activity



# Let's Start with the number of people in a home

## Anova test results:

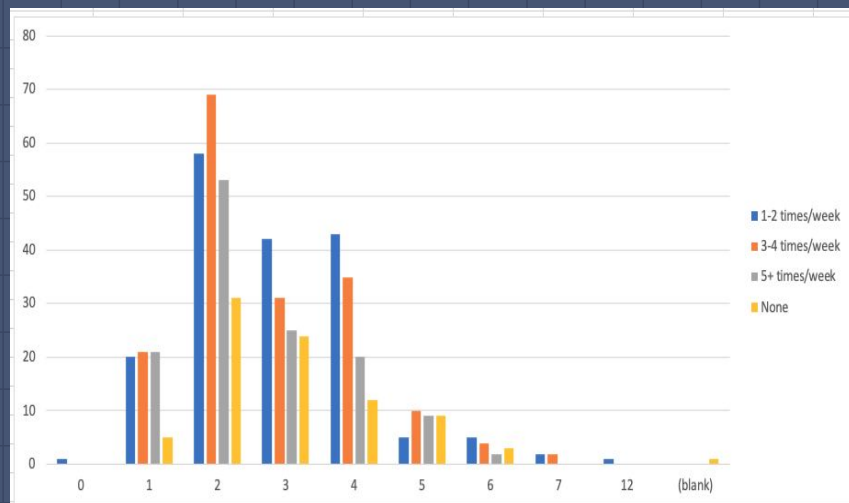
- 95% confidence interval
- Before covid: Yes (p-value = .023)
- After covid: No (p-value = .087)

## What does this mean?

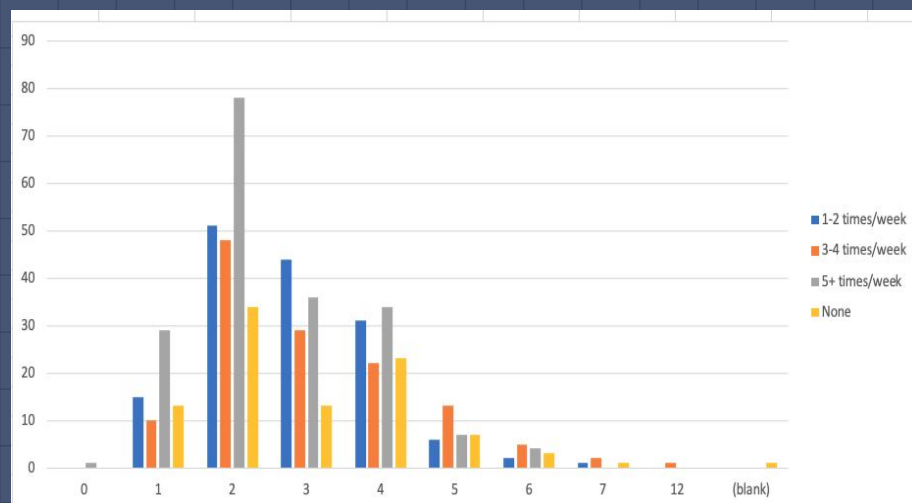
- Before covid: We have enough evidence that there is a correlation between number of people who lives in a house and their physical activity.
- After covid: We do not have enough evidence that there is a correlation between number of people who lives in a house and their physical activity.

# Physical Activity Changes

## Before Covid



## After Covid



# Why might this be the case?

One reason might be COVID-19 our confounding variable. It's known that confounding variables can have an effect on the correlation between two variables. Especially one as significant as a global pandemic.



Why might this be the case?

This could be due to people having more time because:

A lack of a commute?

A lack of employment?


Before COVID those with more people living in their house might not have had enough time to be that active while balancing a commute to work and their family.

# Is there a relationship between physical activity and age?

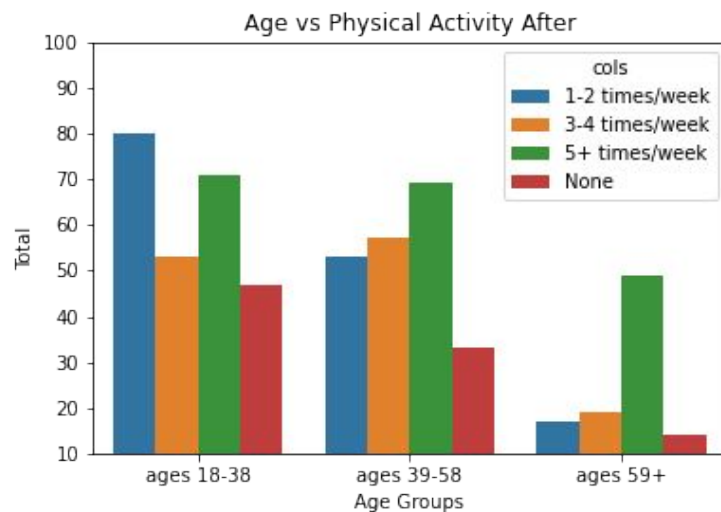
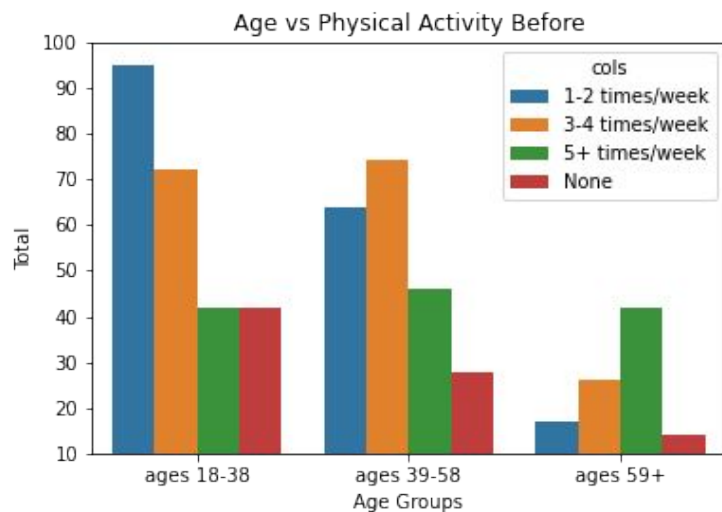
Chi - Squared test results:

- Before covid: Yes (p-value = .0025)
- After covid: No (p-value = .1792)

What does this mean?

- Before covid: We have enough evidence that there is a correlation between age and their exercise.
  - After covid: We do not have enough evidence that there is a correlation between age and their exercise.
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# Let's see the change in activity






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## Let's Recap

1. The majority of data came from Maryland
  2. We used Python, Excel, and R
  3. We noticed an overall change in people's physical activity
  4. We found a correlation between the number of people who live in a house and physical activity before covid.
  5. We found a correlation between age and physical activity before covid.
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# THANKS!

## Any questions?





# THANK YOU!

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**Thank you for the opportunity to participate in the challenge**