

Peruvians' Sleep Duration: Analysis of a Population-Based Survey on Adolescents and Adults

Sleep duration, either short or long, has been associated with diseases such as obesity, type-2 diabetes and cardiovascular diseases. Characterizing the prevalence and patterns of sleep duration at the population-level, especially in resource-constrained settings, will provide informative evidence on a potentially modifiable risk factor. The aim of this study was to explore the patterns of sleep duration in the Peruvian adult and adolescent population, together with its socio-demographic profile. This is a cross-sectional study, secondary analysis of the Use of Time National Survey conducted in 2010. Weighted means and proportions were used to describe sleep duration according to socio-demographic variables. Poisson regressions, taking into account the multistage sampling design of the survey, were used to calculate crude and adjusted prevalence ratios (PR) and 95% confidence intervals (95% CI). Main outcomes were short- (<6 hours) and long-sleep duration (≥ 9 hours). A total of 12,424 observations, mean age 35.8 years (SD ± 17.7), 50.6% males, were included in the analysis. On average, Peruvians slept 7.7 hours (95% CI 7.4-8.0) on weekdays and 8.0 hours (95% CI 7.8-8.1) during weekends. The proportions of short- and long-sleep, during weekdays, were 4.3% (95% CI 2.9%-6.3%) and 22.4% (95% CI 14.9%-32.1%), respectively. Regarding urban and rural areas, a much higher proportion of short-sleep was observed in the former. On the multivariable analysis, compared to regular-sleepers (≥ 6 to < 9 hours), short-sleepers were twice more likely to be older and to have higher educational status, and 50% more likely to be currently employed. Similarly, relative to regular-sleep, long-sleepers were more likely to have a lower socioeconomic status as per educational attainment. In this nationally representative sample, the sociodemographic profile of short-sleep contrasts the long-sleep. These scenarios in Peru, as depicted by sleeping duration, differ from patterns reported in other high-income settings and could serve as the basis to inform and to improve sleep habits in the population.

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18 Introduction

19 Over the last decades, sleep duration has changed leading to people sleeping less or more than they used
20 to. A recent study analyzed data from the 1970s to the 2000s of ten industrialized countries and concluded
21 that long-sleep duration, over nine hours, was more prevalent (Bin et al. 2013). However, a systematic
22 review of cross-sectional studies conducted between the 1960s and 2000s in 15 countries reported a mixed
23 trend: whilst seven countries had an increased sleep duration, six a reduced one (Bin et al. 2012).

24 Inappropriate sleep duration, either in excess or defect, has been associated with cardiovascular diseases
25 and other non-communicable diseases. A meta-analysis of prospective studies reported that both short- and
26 long-sleep duration was a risk factor for dying of coronary heart disease or stroke (Cappuccio et al. 2011);
27 whereas Guo *X et al.* reported that short-sleep duration was associated with hypertension (Guo et al.
28 2013). Of the different known risk factors for cardiovascular diseases, type-2 diabetes has been associated
29 with short- and long-sleep (Cappuccio et al. 2010a); whilst obesity shows a positive association with
30 short-sleep, long-sleep, or both (Marshall et al. 2008). In general, individuals with short- or long-sleep
31 patterns are at higher risk of all cause mortality (Cappuccio et al. 2010b; Gallicchio & Kalesan 2009); yet,
32 the evidence is not conclusive on this matter (Kurina et al. 2013).

33 Determining how much time a person sleeps is important for elucidating newer avenues for prevention as
34 it could provide a practical target of a risk factor amenable to modification. Unfortunately there is limited
35 data published on this matter in Latin American countries (LAC). Recent systematic reviews or meta-
36 analysis on sleep patterns, sleep duration and its association with socio-demographic variables have not
37 included any LAC (Bin et al. 2013; Galland et al. 2012), with the exception of one effort that included
38 Brazil with a study that targeted adolescents (Olds et al. 2010).

39 There are important reasons to determine sleep duration profiles in the Peruvian population as well as in
40 other emerging countries given their context-specific environments. First, Peru is undergoing an
41 epidemiological transition with an increasing prevalence of NCDs (Huicho et al. 2009), and this
42 phenomena, paired with economic development, will certainly impact the profile of sleeping pattern as
43 well as its relationship with other diseases. Second, another context-specific characteristic from resource-
44 constrained settings, road traffic injuries have been linked to tiredness or sleepiness (Rey de Castro &
45 Rosales-Mayor 2010), which is very common among Lima's public transportation drivers (Risco et al.
46 2013), thus, having a broader picture at the population-level of sleeping-related factors would inform the
47 potential burden of this public health problem. Third, and linked to the previous argument, home injuries
48 could be preventable events, especially among the elderly population, as some reports suggest that people
49 aged 75 years and over and who were long-sleepers had higher odds to suffer falls (Mesas et al. 2011).
50 Finally, from a different and yet related angle, maternal and child health remain as an area of public health
51 priority in the developing world and sleep duration may play a role as it may be associated with pre-term
52 delivery and post-partum depression (Chang et al. 2010). These are some examples of how approaching
53 sleeping patterns in low- and middle-income settings, where information at a general population level is
54 lacking, could well inform and close existing knowledge gaps.

55 The aim of this study was to characterize the patterns of sleep duration in the Peruvian population, and to
56 describe the socio-demographic profile of those considered short- and long-sleepers using a nationally
57 representative cross-sectional survey.

58 **Methods**

59 **Study Design and Participants**

60 This is a secondary analysis of a population-based survey. The data came from the Use of Time National
61 Survey (*Encuesta Nacional de Uso del Tiempo-ENUT* in Spanish) conducted by the Peruvian National
62 Institute of Statistics and Informatics (INEI) in the year 2010. Information about this survey is publicly
63 available online (Instituto Nacional de Estadística e Informática. ENCUESTA NACIONAL DE USO DEL
64 TIEMPO 2010 FICHA TÉCNICA [Internet]. 2010 [Cited 2013, Aug. 10]. Available from:
65 <http://www.inei.gob.pe/srienahto/Descarga/FichaTecnica/286-Ficha.pdf>).

66 The original survey had a random sample of participants, drawn using standard probabilistic two-step
67 procedures: clusters (primary sample units) and households (secondary sampling units). The final sample
68 included 4580 households grouped up in 510 clusters: 3080 houses were from urban and 1500 from rural
69 areas.

70 The study population consisted of all permanent residents and those living in the selected household at the
71 moment of the survey. Information on personal needs, including sleep duration, was recorded in
72 participant's aged 12 or above. People living in institutionalized collective residences (e.g. hospitals or
73 jails) were excluded.

74 **Questionnaire & Proceedings**

75 Details of the ENUT questionnaire, sections and contents are available elsewhere. The following
76 information was included in this secondary analysis: (a) household characteristics (type of house, main
77 wall material, main floor material, total number of rooms, total number of bedrooms, water source;
78 sewage management, and sharing bathroom), and assets (iron, blender, radio, television, washing machine,
79 dryer machine, computer, telephone, Internet, car); (b) household members' characteristics (sex, age,
80 marital status, and educational attainment); (c) activities for the household that include personal needs
81 (sleep duration); and (d) job status (employment status the week prior to the survey).

82 A trained fieldworker, who visited each of the selected households, administered the survey. The
83 interviewer contacted the participant, then explained the aim of the study and ensured the confidentiality
84 of the survey. In order to avoid comprehension bias, fieldworkers read the questions as they were written.
85 All the participants were asked about the activities they performed in a 24-hour period taking as a
86 reference the week before the interview; that is, the last Monday-Friday Saturday-Sunday period. The
87 survey was conducted between November 15th and December 30th, 2010.

88 **Variables**

89 The outcome variable for this study was the total number of hours the participant self-reported or slept
90 during the week before the survey, assessed through the question: "how many hours did you sleep from
91 Monday to Friday?" For analysis purposes, and assuming that participants had similar sleeping hours
92 every day, to calculate the average number of hours the participant slept daily we divided the total number
93 of hours the participant slept during the previous week by five. For weekends, we proceeded in the same
94 way, dividing total hours by two. Afterwards, these variables were categorized as follows: short-sleep (<6
95 hours per day), regular-sleep (from 6 to less than 9 hours per day), and long-sleep (9 and more hours). The
96 rationale for choosing these cut-off points was based on a recent critical review on sleep duration and all-
97 cause mortality that included a study that reported an elevation in mortality risk, for men and women and
98 in a U-shaped curve, using the chosen sleep categories (Kurina et al. 2013). Furthermore, according to the
99 National Sleep Foundation an adult needs 7-9 hours of sleep, while teens (10-17 years old) need 8.5-9.25
100 hours.

101 The ENUT survey inquired about several types of daily activities, with the premise that all of them should
102 add up to 24 hours. We conducted verification analysis of this sum procedures using the whole dataset and
103 the main results presented in the ENUT's final report . After adding all the activities presented in the final
104 report, the result was on average 23.95 hours (per day); though this number is most likely to be
105 overestimated, as in this calculation activities that are not performed in a daily basis nor every week (e.g.
106 buying new clothes/shoes, or buying spare parts for home appliances) were included. Furthermore, after
107 considering only activities that are more likely to be done during a regular day or week (e.g. sleep, eat, or
108 work) the result was 23.90 hours per day. In so doing, we believe the estimates on sleep duration are
109 accurate enough for the purposes of this study.

110 Additional variables considered for the socio-demographic characteristics of the participants were area
111 (rural or urban); region (Lima, rest of the Coast, Highlands, and the Amazon Region); gender (male,
112 female); age (12-19, 20-35, 36-64, ≥ 65 years); education (none/primary school, high school, higher); asset
113 index (in tertiles); job status (yes or no depending upon the participant had worked the week previous to
114 the survey), and marital status (single, cohabiting partner/married, separated/widow/divorced).

115 The indicator asset index was constructed from the module of the survey comprising household
116 characteristics and assets, according to Gordon's proposed methodology (Gordon & Pantazis 1997). The
117 variables included in the index (Cronbach's alpha > 0.80) were: type of house; main wall material; main
118 floor material; total number of rooms; total number of bedrooms; household water source; sewage service
119 at bathroom; if the bathroom was shared or not; and assets (iron, blender, radio, television, washing
120 machine, dryer machine, computer, telephone, Internet, car).

121 Statistical Methods

122 The analysis was conducted with STATA 11.0 (StataCorp, College Station, TX, USA). For all calculations
123 and estimations (results and all three tables) reported, we used the *SVY* command provided the multistage
124 design, based upon area and region variables of the ENUT. Appropriate techniques were used for
125 estimating results in subpopulations of interest, to guarantee accurate calculation of standard errors and,
126 hence, inference of our findings we used the *SUBPOP* command in the Poisson regression models. We
127 calculated means and standard deviations and percentages for continuous and categorical variables,
128 respectively. T-test and Chi-squared test were conducted to assess differences between continues and
129 categorical variables. To assess associations with the outcomes of interest, we used Poisson regression and
130 report prevalence ratios (PR) and 95% confidence intervals (95% CI). For the multivariable model we
131 utilized a stepwise backward technique (all variables were included in a model, those with a p-value $>$
132 0.05 for the Wald Test were dropped out the model) and report variables independently associated with the
133 outcomes of interest. Throughout the analysis a $p < 0.05$ was considered to be statistical significant.

134 Ethics

135 This is a secondary-data analysis of a publicly-available dataset stored at a public national repository ; so,
136 approval from an Institutional Review Board was not considered mandatory. The dataset used does not
137 provide any kind of information that might have allowed us, or any other researcher, to identify
138 participants of the study, ensuring confidentiality.

139 **Results**

140 **Sample Characteristics**

141 There were 18,412 observations in the original dataset and 5,988 (32.5%) were excluded due to missing
142 values in the outcome of interest. A detailed comparison of those participants with missing data and those
143 included in the analysis is shown in Table 1 (complete data was found for marital status); a significant
144 difference was found with the variables region and sex. The mean age was 35.8 years (SD: ± 17.7) and
145 there were almost a similar proportion of men and women. Details on the sample characteristics are also
146 shown in Table 1.

147 **Sleep Duration**

148 Peruvians reported to sleep 7.7 hours (95% CI 7.4-8.0) on average during weekdays and 8.0 hours (95%
149 CI 7.8-8.1) during weekends ($p < 0.001$). After categorizing this variable, during weekdays 4.3% (95% CI
150 2.9%-6.3%), 73.4% (95% CI 65.8%-79.8%), and 22.4% (95% CI 14.9%-32.1%) would qualify as short-,
151 regular-, and long-sleep respectively. For weekend periods these proportions were 4.1% (95% CI 3.2%-
152 5.4%), 65.4% (95% CI 59.4%-70.9%), and 30.5% (95% CI 24.3%-37.5%) for short-, regular, and long-
153 sleep, respectively. Given similar sleep duration in weekdays and weekends further analyses were
154 conducted only with the weekdays' data. Table 2 shows socio-demographic variables according to sleep
155 duration categories.

156 **Sub-National Analysis of Sleep Duration**

157 The proportion of short-sleepers among men was 4.5% (95% CI 3.4%-6.0%) and with regard to women it
158 was 4.0% (95% CI 2.3%-6.8%). However, a different trend was seen for long-sleep: 22.7% (95% CI
159 15.5%-32.0%) and 22.0 (95% CI 14.3%-32.3%) for women and men, respectively.

160 Regarding urban and rural areas, a much higher proportion of short-sleep was observed in the former:
161 5.2% (95% CI 3.8%-7.0%) for urban and 1.4 (95% CI 1.0%-2.1%) for rural areas. However, the
162 proportion of long-sleep was almost the double in rural versus urban areas: 36.2% (95% CI 30.1%-42.9%)
163 for the former and 17.9% (95% CI 11.3%-27.6%) for the latter.

164 **Sleep Duration Profile**

165 The socio-demographic profile of short- and long-sleep is presented in Table 3. All point estimates were
166 attenuated, became closer 1, in all calculations following adjustment. Variables independently associated
167 with short-sleep in the multivariable model were: age, education, and work. Higher the age the higher
168 probability of being short-sleeper and the same was found with currently being employed. However, those
169 with high school or no education had lower probability compared to those with higher education. On the
170 other hand, variables independently associated with long sleep were: sex, age, education, asset index,
171 work, and marital status.

172 The indicators of socioeconomic disadvantage used in the analysis did not yield a unified direction in the
173 relationships of interest. Different markers of socioeconomic status showed different directions of
174 association with both outcomes, i.e. worse assets index and unemployment had opposite relationships with
175 sleeping duration outcomes compared to the estimates obtained with lower education.


176 Discussion


177 **Main findings**


178 Few studies have assessed sleep duration at the population level in developing countries, and our study
179 aimed to characterize the patterns of sleep duration in the Peruvian population taking advantage of a
180 nationally representative cross-sectional survey. Our results indicate that the Peruvian population has
181 appropriate sleep patterns: sleep duration was, on average, close to 8 hours, similar during weekdays and
182 weekends. Relatively, there was five times more short-sleep and almost half long-sleep in urban areas
183 compared to rural ones. The socio-demographic profile characterizing short-sleepers differed from long-
184 sleepers providing almost a mirror patterns between these two profiles, albeit with different magnitudes of
185 association, in particular for factors such as age, education, assets and job status.

186 **Comparison with other studies**

187 Average duration of sleep calculations were similar to those reported previously in international (Santos-
188 Silva et al. 2010; Steptoe et al. 2006) and national (Calderón et al. 2010; Rey de Castro et al. 2004;
189 Rosales et al. 2009) studies. On average, sleep duration in other LAC range from 7.2 hours among
190 Colombians (Steptoe et al. 2006), 7.3 in Venezuelans (Steptoe et al. 2006), and 7.5 in Brazilians (Santos-
191 Silva et al. 2010). Previous Peruvian studies have reported sleep duration ranging from 6.8 to 7.5 hours
192 among bus drivers (Rey de Castro et al. 2004; Rosales et al. 2009). Another study applied the Pittsburgh
193 Sleep Quality Index in a small sample of people from the Andes, and reported mean sleep duration of 7
194 hours (Calderón et al. 2010). Our observations expand the estimations available to-date to a population-
195 based level.

196 When sleep duration was approached in short- and long-sleep categories, our results markedly differ from
197 findings in other developed and developing countries. The prevalence of short-sleep during weekdays in
198 the USA, despite using a lower cut-off (≤ 5 hours), was 7.8% (Krueger & Friedman 2009; Nunes et al.
199 2008). Studies from Finland (Kronholm et al. 2006) and Korea (Ryu et al. 2011) report greater proportions
200 of short-sleep, varying from 14.5% to 37.2%, respectively. Our study found a frequency of short-sleep
201 duration of 4.3% during weekdays, much lower than the reported literature. 

202 On the other hand, the prevalence of long-sleep in this study (22.4%) was much greater than equivalent
203 estimates reported in the USA (8.5%) (Krueger & Friedman 2009), Finland (13.5%) (Kronholm et al.
204 2006), and Korea (4.0%) (Ryu et al. 2011). A seasonal effect has been posited to explain some of the
205 differences observed between countries, e.g. longer sleep duration in autumn compared with summer as
206 suggested by Bin et al. (Bin et al. 2011) and by a study with children (Hjorth et al. ). However, Peru
207 is situated near the Equator and daylight variations during the year are not substantial. As such seasonality
208 would not affect our calculations of sleeping categories, and therefore it does not explain the differences
209 observed between our estimates and other studies.

210 The socio-demographic profile of short- and long-sleep characterized in our study is also different from
211 those previously reported with regards to employment status and educational attainment. Krueger et al.
212 (Krueger & Friedman 2009), also in a population-based study in the USA, found that those not working
213 had increased odds of both short- and long-sleep, whereas in our study we observed such similar pattern
214 for long-sleep only and the opposite for short-sleep. In the present study, those less educated were less
215 likely to be short-sleepers; in contrast, studies in the USA (Krueger & Friedman 2009) and Australia
216 (Magee et al. 2009) reported the opposite, those with completed high-school or higher education had
217 lower probability of being short-sleep. These observations from contexts of rapid emerging countries, such
218 as Peru, depict the complexities of addressing socioeconomic assessments (Howe et al. 2012), in relation
219 to health outcomes that would otherwise remain unobserved in studies from more developed and
220 established societies. 

221 **Strengths and Limitations**

222 The study benefits from the population-based nature and the use of data from a large sample size.
223 However, this study has limitations that must be pointed out. First, the analysis was based on data
224 collected through self-reports and prone to recall bias, a frequent limitation in large surveys. Nevertheless,
225 good correlation between subjective and objective measurements of sleep duration has been described
226 both in adults (Lauderdale et al. 2008) and adolescents (Wolfson et al. 2003). Second, the methodology
227 followed to calculate the daily sleep duration (total sleep duration in a given week divided by five) could
228 have biased the results; nonetheless, the fact that the results are comparable to previous local reports may
229 account for appropriate internal validity. Third, the cross-sectional design can show only association
230 instead of causality, a limitation shared by all surveys. Fourth, a great number of missing values might
231 bias our results and reduce possibility of inferring them at the population level; additionally there were
232 differences when comparing some variables (area, age, education and assets index) between participants
233 with complete and missing data for the outcome of interest. Finally, the ENUT did not provide
234 information about other important variables that have been reported to be associated with either short or
235 long sleep such as smoking status, alcohol consumption, ethnicity, or physical activity (Krueger &
236 Friedman 2009; Magee et al. 2009; Ryu et al. 2011; Stranges et al. 2008). Future research would benefit
237 from an intensive exploration of the sleeping patterns reported and important health-related outcomes,
238 including sleeping problems, e.g. obstructive sleep apnea. Also, given the rapid socio-demographic
239 transitions occurring in many low- and middle-income countries, variations of sleep patterns over time at
240 the national level and their relationship with health outcomes deserve further monitoring and scrutiny.

241 **Relevance for Public Health Policy**

242 Translating epidemiologic research into health policy could be tough; and this could be particularly
243 sensitive with sleep duration provided a policy could be seen as a restriction in anyone's free use of time.
244 Peru is going through an epidemiological transition, and so are other developing countries. In this vein,
245 there is a change in the population demographical distribution leading to a higher proportion of adults and
246 elderly. Both scenarios have led to a higher prevalence of non-communicable diseases. Consequently,
247 further efforts should be taken to address modifiable risk factors, including sleep duration and other sleep
248 problems.

249 Describing the sociodemographic profile of the Peruvian population with higher probability of short- or
250 long-sleep may be useful to inform and to develop potential interventions. Possible strategies might
251 include the education of people about the benefits of adequate sleep duration and of good quality, which
252 could raise their awareness about their sleep health. As people work more hours, ideally we could
253 anticipate that such shift should not occur in detriment of their sleep duration, as previously reported
254 (Basner et al. 2007; Kronholm et al. 2006). These principles have been acknowledged in the USA through
255 their National Prevention Strategy: American's Plan for Better Health and Wellness (National Prevention
256 Council, National Prevention Strategy, Washington, DC: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services,
257 Office of the Surgeon General, 2011). Sleep health has been included among the topics and objectives of
258 Healthy People 2020, a set of 10-year objectives to improve USA citizens' health, and this study sets a
259 baseline scenario to consider correspondent prevention avenues for Peru and related contexts.

260 **Conclusions**

261 Peruvian population sleeps around 8 hours during weekdays and weekends. There is a much higher
262 frequency of long-sleep in contrast to short-sleep, though the majority was regular sleepers. The socio-
263 demographic profile of short- and long-sleeping patterns is different, not only within our study but also
264 when compared to other settings. The profile description provided by this study might be useful to develop
265 strategies to protect and improve advantageous sleeping habits in people with short—e.g. older people and
266 those in the highest asset index—or long—e.g. people with no formal education or just having completed
267 high school—sleep duration.

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Participants' characteristics according to complete data for the outcome variable.

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Variable	Missing (%)	Complete (%)	p
Area	n=5,988	n=12,424	
Urban	80.0	75.8	0.50
Rural	20.0	24.2	
Region	n=5,988	n=12,424	
Highlands	20.9	31.7	<0.001
Coast (except Lima)	16.5	24.0	
Amazon	10.4	12.1	
Lima	52.2	32.2	
Sex	n=5,066	n=12,424	
Male	59.2	50.1	0.01
Female	40.9	49.9	
Age	n=873	n=12,424	
12 - 19	13.8	20.6	0.08
20 - 35	42.2	34.1	
36 - 64	33.0	37.2	
≥ 65	11.0	8.1	
Education	n=3,929	n=12,424	
None/Primary	29.4	30.9	0.13
High School	42.3	45.8	
Higher	28.3	23.3	
Assets Index	n=5,988	n=12,424	
Lowest	19.3	23.8	0.06
Middle	25.1	34.4	
Highest	55.6	41.9	

Table 2(on next page)

Distribution of self-reported sleep duration on weekdays by socio-demographic variables. ENUT Peru 2010.

*p-value for comparison between short-sleep vs. regular

**p value for comparison between long-sleep vs. regular.

Table 2: Distribution of self-reported sleep duration on weekdays by socio-demographic variables. ENUT Peru 2010.

Variable	Sleep Duration (%)			p*	p**
	Short-sleep n=470	Regular sleep 8,877	Long-sleep n=3,077		
Area					
Urban	92.0	79.4	60.8	<0.001	0.004
Rural	8.0	20.6	39.2		
Region					
Highlands	20.8	29.3	41.5	0.09	0.03
Coast (except Lima)	28.7	24.3	21.9		
Amazon	6.2	10.9	17.2		
Lima	44.3	35.5	19.4		
Sex					
Male	53.1	50.2	49.3	0.46	0.51
Female	46.9	49.8	50.7		
Age					
12 - 19	7.1	16.4	37.0	0.02	<0.001
20 - 35	32.2	36.0	28.4		
36 - 64	53.4	40.6	23.0		
≥ 65	7.3	7.0	11.6		
Education					
None/Primary	22.0	26.9	45.6	0.006	0.001
High School	38.4	46.9	43.9		
Higher	39.6	26.2	10.5		
Assets Index					
Lowest	12.9	20.3	37.0	0.04	<0.001
Middle	32.1	33.9	36.6		
Highest	55.0	45.8	26.4		
Marital Status					
Single	30.8	36.4	51.7	0.04	0.002
Married/Living together	30.1	30.8	23.6		
Separate/Divorced/Widowed	39.1	32.7	24.7		
Job status					
No	22.3	35.2	59.0	0.009	0.001
Yes	77.7	64.8	41.1		

*p-value for comparison between short-sleep vs. regular

**p value for comparison between long-sleep vs. regular.

Table 3(on next page)

Associations between socio-demographic variables and self-reported sleep duration. ENUT Peru 2010*.

* Multivariable models were created using backward elimination technique; variables for which there is no PR value in the adjusted model were dropped during the backward elimination process. Statistical significant results ($p < 0.05$) are in bold.

† The initial model included all the variables, sex, assets index and marital status were dropped because their p-value (Wald Test) was > 0.05 .

£ The initial model included all the variables and none were dropped because all were statistical significant for the Wald Test.

Table 3: Associations between socio-demographic variables and self-reported sleep duration. ENUT Peru 2010*.

Variables	Crude	Multivariable †	Crude	Multivariable ‡
	Short- vs. regular-sleep PR (95%CI)	Short- vs. regular-sleep PR (95% IC)	Long- vs. regular-sleep PR (95% IC)	Long- vs. regular-sleep PR (95% IC)
Sex				
Male	1 (Reference)		1 (Reference)	1 (Reference)
Female	0.89 (0.62 – 1.28)		1.03 (0.93 – 1.13)	0.88 (0.82 – 0.94)
Age				
12 - 19	1 (Reference)	1 (Reference)	1 (Reference)	1 (Reference)
20 - 35	2.03 (1.26 – 3.27)	1.43 (0.98 – 2.08)	0.48 (0.37 – 0.62)	0.79 (0.71 – 0.87)
36 - 64	2.92 (1.39 – 6.16)	2.18 (1.30 – 3.67)	0.36 (0.24 – 0.55)	0.60 (0.50 – 0.72)
≥ 65	2.32 (1.33 – 4.04)	2.24 (1.22 – 4.11)	0.82 (0.56 – 1.21)	0.99 (0.77 – 1.28)
Education				
Higher	1 (Reference)	1 (Reference)	1 (Reference)	1 (Reference)
High School	0.56 (0.48 – 0.66)	0.53 (0.32 – 0.86)	2.04 (1.88 – 2.22)	1.42 (1.34 – 1.51)
None/Primary	0.56 (0.39 – 0.80)	0.63 (0.57 – 0.70)	3.14 (2.27 – 4.34)	2.17(1.72 – 2.73)
Assets Index				
Lowest	1 (Reference)		1 (Reference)	1 (Reference)
Middle	1.47 (0.79 – 2.75)		0.69 (0.54 – 0.89)	0.77 (0.63 – 0.94)
Highest	1.84 (1.03 – 3.28)		0.42 (0.36 – 0.49)	0.54 (0.48 – 0.60)
Job status				
No	1 (Reference)	1 (Reference)	1 (Reference)	1 (Reference)
Yes	1.84 (1.25 – 2.69)	1.50 (1.09 – 2.06)	0.48 (0.34 – 0.67)	0.59 (0.46 – 0.75)

Marital Status

Single	1 (Reference)	1 (Reference)	1 (Reference)
Living Together/Married	1.15 (0.86 – 1.53)	0.63 (0.51 – 0.76)	0.80 (0.71 – 0.90)
Separate/Widow/Divorced	1.39 (1.02 – 1.89)	0.62 (0.46 – 0.84)	0.75 (0.66 – 0.85)

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