# **AASM Sleep Prioritization Survey Start of Daylight Saving Time**



# Sleep Prioritization Survey

## Survey Methodology

The American Academy of Sleep Medicine (AASM) commissioned an online survey of 2,003 adults in the United States. The margin of error is +/- 2 percentage points with a confidence interval of 95 percent. The fieldwork was performed Sept. 17-20, 2019 by Atomik Research, an independent creative market research agency.

# Question

How tired do you typically feel after the daylight saving time change in the spring when clocks move forward and we lose one hour?

# **Results**

- More than half (55%) of those surveyed said they feel extremely or somewhat tired after the spring forward to daylight saving time.
  - This includes the 14% who answered "extremely tired" and the 41% who answered "somewhat tired."

#### **Overall Start of DST Results**

Total	2,003
Extremely tired	280 (14%)
Somewhat tired	831 (41%)
No more tired than usual	832 (42%)
Does not apply to me	60 (3%)

More than half of Americans (55%) typically feel tired after the clocks move forward an hour for DST.

Start of DST by Gender

	Male	Female
Total	1,002	1,001
Extremely tired	108 (11%)	172 (17%)
Somewhat tired	380 (38%)	451 (45%)
No more tired than usual	486 (49%)	346 (35%)
Does not apply to me	28 (3%)	32 (3%)

Women (62%) are more likely to feel extremely or somewhat tired than men (49%).



Start of DST by Age Group

	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+
Total	251	387	440	365	242	318
Extremely tired	46 (18%)	63 (16%)	89 (20%)	42 (12%)	30 (12%)	10 (3%)
Somewhat tired	125 (50%)	173 (45%)	175 (40%)	159 (44%)	92 (38%)	107 (34%)
No more tired than usual	74 (29%)	138 (36%)	166 (38%)	154 (42%)	108 (45%)	192 (60%)
Does not apply to me	6 (2%)	13 (3%)	10 (2%)	10 (3%)	12 (5%)	9 (3%)

Respondents aged 65+ (3%) are least likely to feel extremely tired after the time change.

Start of DST by Generation

	Gen Z (18-22)	Millennial (23-38)	Gen X (39-54)	Baby Boomer (55-73)	Silent Generation (74+)
Total	179	637	627	487	73
Extremely tired	33 (18%)	116 (18%)	91 (15%)	39 (8%)	1 (1%)
Somewhat tired	86 (48%)	284 (45%)	262 (42%)	177 (36%)	22 (30%)
No more tired than usual	55 (31%)	220 (35%)	257 (41%)	251 (52%)	49 (67%)
Does not apply to me	5 (3%)	17 (3%)	17 (3%)	20 (4%)	1 (1%)

Start of DST by Region

	Northeast	South	Midwest	West
Total	357	753	460	433
Extremely tired	57 (16%)	109 (14%)	62 (13%)	52 (12%)
Somewhat tired	156 (44%)	314 (42%)	185 (40%)	176 (41%)
No more tired than usual	142 (40%)	324 (43%)	208 (45%)	158 (36%)
Does not apply to me	2 (1%)	6 (1%)	5 (1%)	47 (11%)

Individuals in the West (36%) are less likely to feel tired due to the time change than those in other areas.

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