# A compilation of energy costs of physical activities 

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#### Abstract

Objectives: There were two objectives: first, to review the existing data on energy costs of specified activities in the light of the recommendations made by the Joint Food and Agriculture Organization/World Health Organization/United Nations University (FAO/WHO/UNU) Expert Consultation of 1985. Second, to compile existing data on the energy costs of physical activities for an updated annexure of the current Expert Consultation on Energy and Protein Requirements. Design: Electronic and manual search of the literature (predominantly English) to obtain published data on the energy costs of physical activities. The majority of the data prior to 1955 were obtained using an earlier compilation of Passmore and Durnin. Energy costs were expressed as physical activity ratio (PAR); the energy cost of the activity divided by either the measured or predicted basal metabolic rate (BMR). Results: The compilation provides PARs for an expanded range of activities that include general personal activities, transport, domestic chores, occupational activities, sports and other recreational activities for men and women, separately, where available. The present compilation is largely in agreement with the 1985 compilation, for activities that are common to both compilations. Conclusions: The present compilation has been based on the need to provide data on adults for a wide spectrum of human activity. There are, however, lacunae in the available data for many activities, between genders, across age groups and in various physiological states.


> Keywords
> Physical activity Energy expenditure

## Background

The 1985 Joint Food and Agriculture Organization/World Health Organization/United Nations University (FAO/ WHO/UNU) Expert Consultation on Energy and Protein Requirements drew up a list of gross energy expenditure in specified activities (Annex 5, of the Technical Report Series, 724) ${ }^{1}$. Energy expenditure for each activity was expressed in terms of a 'metabolic constant', a multiple of basal metabolic rate (BMR). Separate lists were drawn up for male and female adults, for both developing and developed countries and in various categories of activity.

## Aim of the present compilation of energy costs in specified activities

The aim of the present exercise was:

1. To review the existing data on energy costs of specified activities in the light of the recommendations made by the Joint FAO/WHO/UNU Expert Consultation of $1985^{1}$.
2. To compile existing data into an annexure for the present expert consultation on energy and protein requirements.

## Methodology used

Both electronic and manual searches were employed in order to obtain published data on the energy costs of physical activities. The vast majority of data before 1955 have been obtained from the compilation of Passmore and Durnin ${ }^{2}$. Most of the subsequent literature has dealt with energy costs of activity under constrained laboratory conditions using treadmill or bicycle ergometry protocols. Another large section of literature has focused on the energy costs of sports, primarily in well-trained and elite athletes. The 1985 Expert Consultation list of the energy costs of specified activities, focused primarily on daily activities of individuals and this has also been the focus of the present compilation.
Studies that were included in the final analysis were required to have:

- Measurements of the energy costs of activities. The vast majority of studies included had measurements using the Douglas bag technique or using the Kofranyi Michaelis instrument. Some studies reported energy expenditure in terms of oxygen consumption.
- Measurements of BMR, or alternatively, have sufficient anthropometric details to allow for the prediction of BMR.
- Data presented in the accompanying tables which for the main part, are the primary sources of the compilation of energy costs, include a variety of information:
- The source of the data.
- The characteristics of the subjects.
- The nature of the activity, with details wherever available.
- The instrumentation used in the measurements.
- The duration of measurement, wherever available.
- The original data of the energy costs of the activities studied.
In addition, the following data have also been computed and added to the data of each study:
- Predicted BMR: for all studies that did not actually measure BMR, BMR was computed using the FAO/ WHO/UNU prediction equations of $1985^{1}$. The equations used were those that either had height and weight as predictor variables or weight alone, depending on the availability of the anthropometric data.
- Physical activity ratios (PARs): otherwise referred to as 'metabolic constant' in the 1985 compilation, was computed as the energy cost of the activity divided by either the predicted or measured BMR.
- Energy costs of activities: wherever data was presented in the form of oxygen consumption, this was converted into energy equivalents using a standard 1 litre $\mathrm{O}_{2}=5 \mathrm{kcal}$.
- The final collation of the energy costs of specified activities includes the data of the present compilation as well as some data of the 1985 compilation for which data was not reviewed in the present compilation. Where more than one study has contributed to the PAR of a specific activity, a 'PAR range' has been provided. This essentially indicates the highest and lowest reported PAR for a particular activity. This provides the user of the data with some idea of the betweenstudy variability in the estimation of the PAR.


## Comparison of the present compilation with the 1985 data

The present compilation is largely in agreement with the 1985 data for activities that are common to both compilations. In some situations, despite the apparently common source of information, calculated PARs differ marginally. This is likely to be due to different methods of computing the BMR. In the final compilation of the data, PARs are reported based on the calculations done during this compilation, even when the differences between the previous and the present compilation appear small. The final decision on which of the PARs to use should take into account the different methods, if any, of arriving at the PAR and of usage of BMR prediction equations. The methods
by which the original PARs in the 1985 compilation were arrived at were unavailable to the authors at the time of this compilation. One PAR that has been retained from the original compilation despite the fact that the actual PAR may be marginally lower is that of sleep, which has been retained as 1.0. This is because of the greater ease with which the total energy cost of sleep can be computed and the marginal effect that changing the PAR would have on the estimate of daily physical activity level (PAL). For some of the activities, the present compilation appears more than marginally different from the 1985 recommendations. This may be due to the addition of more studies in the present compilation and the high variability of PARs across studies.

## Limitations of the data

This compilation uses data from many sources and the studies that have been reviewed have varied in their detail and methodology. Stringent selection criteria, would have reduced the available data on PARs considerably. A decision was taken to be inclusive, rather than exclusive, with the aim of providing a wide coverage of activities. Wherever possible, the data were assessed for face validity when more common activities, the PARs of which have been better documented, were described. Nevertheless, the user of the tables should be aware of the issues that need to be taken into consideration while accepting the data. These include:

- Varied descriptions of the activities: while some studies have been explicit in the description of the activities, most have used single word or short phrase descriptors. This poses a problem while collating data on the same activity from multiple sources. In the present compilation, the descriptors used by the investigators have largely been conserved and in situations where the same activity may have been performed differently (using a different posture, for instance), the activity is listed separately with its own PAR. This does not necessarily mean that the two activities have truly different PARs, merely that one descriptor may be more applicable in a local situation than another. For instance, under 'domestic chores', PARs for 'washing clothes' have been listed under several heads: 'washing clothessquatting on the ground', 'washing clothes-standing', 'washing clothes-sitting', 'washing clothes-unspecified' and 'washing small clothes'. The advantage here for the user is that they can choose which activity is most suitable for their local circumstances, rather than have to make a decision as to whether a generic 'washing clothes' is applicable for them.
- Varied methodology used: some studies have used measurements at 'steady-state', others have used 'point' measurements. The criteria for 'steady-state' measurements also vary between studies. Details about the
calibration of instruments are variable across different studies.
- Computation of the BMR: in the present compilation, computation of BMRs was done using the anthropometry provided. While in all instances the BMR was computed using the FAO/WHO/UNU equations of 1985, anthropometric data was often available only for the entire study group, while the specified activities were measured in subsets of the whole group. This would have contributed to errors in the computation of the BMR for the subset and estimation of the PAR.
- Conditions of measurement are frequently inadequately described. Details like the climatic conditions, the time of day of the measurement, etc. are unavailable for many studies.
- Sample used: some of the present compilation is based on single study, single measurement data, while others have made multiple observations on the chosen subjects. For many of the activities data are not available for both genders.
- It is important to recognise that the PARs presented, represent data related to the actual activity and are not inclusive of the rest periods that may be associated with the normal performance of the activity.
- Inadequate coverage: there are some areas of human activity that are not represented in the final compilation because data was not accessible to the author, or because no data appears to be available. Similarly, nonEnglish data sources have not been reviewed.


## Use of the data

In order to determine the actual energy cost of an activity, it is necessary to first determine the BMR, either by actual measurement or by using prediction equations. The energy cost of the activity is then computed by multiplying the BMR of the individual with the PAR reported in the table. When this is multiplied by the duration (in minutes) of the activity, the total energy expenditure related to the activity is obtained. Thus as an example, if an individual who had a BMR of $1.0 \mathrm{kcal} \mathrm{min}^{-1}$, washes clothes while squatting on the ground ( $\mathrm{PAR}=2.8$ ) for 10 minutes, the total energy expended will be $1.0 \times 2.8 \times 10=28 \mathrm{kcal}$.

There are several important problems that will be faced by people who use the tables.

## Does a small difference in PARs between genders imply a significant gender difference in the energy cost of an activity?

It is important to recognise that the PARs presented in the final compilation are actually computed PARs from the studies that have been reviewed. A small difference in the PAR between the genders may thus be of no significance. Differences between the genders in the final compilation
could be attributed to various factors including different sources of data, the number of sources available, and different methods of performing the activity, among others.

## PARs are available for only one gender

In the present compilation, 62 activities were identified for which there were matching data for both males and females from the same study, over a wide PAR range. Male and female PARs were highly correlated ( $r=0.97$ ). Female PARs could be predicted from the male PAR using the equation $0.968 \times$ Male $\operatorname{PAR}+0.194$. Based on this analysis, it would be reasonable to use the PAR of the available gender for both genders, when data is not available for both males and females.

## The PAR for an activity is not listed

Where the PAR for an activity is not listed, it may be necessary to use the PAR of an activity that is closely related or similar in intensity. While this calls for judgement by the user, there appears to be no alternative for this, until such data are generated.

## The average PAR for an activity seems too high or too low

This is because the average PAR in the final compilation is an average of the PARs obtained from different studies. The value across studies is quite variable and may, in part, be due to the variable way in which the same activity has been performed in the different studies as well as measurement errors. In such a situation, the PAR range has been provided, which is basically the lowest and highest PAR reported across studies. The range will allow the user to make a decision about which value within the range provided is appropriate for the activity, performed under specific conditions.

## What PAR should be applied when an activity has been performed for a long duration with obvious rest periods or pauses?

Since the PARs in the present compilation, like those of the 1985 compilation, reflect values of activities during the actual performance of the activity, application of the PARs for durations when there have been rest periods/pauses will tend to overestimate the energy expenditure. One of the approaches to this problem may be to assign a correction factor that takes into account rest pauses. A case in point, where this has been attempted is James and Schofield ${ }^{3}$, based on the earlier FAO/WHO/UNU Expert Consultation, where the authors have suggested the use of Integrated Energy Indices (IEI), which are essentially PARs, corrected for pauses/rest periods. According to the
method proposed, PARs can be divided into light, moderate and heavy activities based on PAR cut-offs of $1.0-2.5,2.6-3.9$ and $4.0+$. Average estimates of the length of pauses during specified activities is estimated at $75 \%$ of the time of light activities, $25 \%$ of the time for moderate activities and $40 \%$ of the time for heavy activities. The average estimates of PAR for the rest periods/pauses are 1.54 for males and 1.68 for females.

## Conclusion

The present compilation has been based on the need to provide data on adults for a wide spectrum of human activity. There are, however, lacunae in the available data for many activities, between genders, across age groups and in various physiological states. Future work needs to target these areas, while addressing the limitations of the available data listed earlier.

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## Appendix

A compilation of the details of the individual studies used for the collation of data on energy costs of specified activities
Studies are presented according to alphabetical order of the first author.

Table 1 Almero, 1984. Energy costs of construction workers in the Philippines ${ }^{4}$

| Activities | Energy cost of activity ( $\mathrm{kcal}_{\mathrm{min}}{ }^{-1}$ ) |  | PAR |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| General labour |  |  |  |  |
| Carrying box with load of $8-12 \mathrm{~kg}$ | 4.902 |  | 4.41 |  |
| Mix cement using shovel | 5.866 |  | 5.27 |  |
| Tapping-chipping cement walls | 3.647 |  | 3.28 |  |
| Shovel sand | 7.89 |  | 7.09 |  |
| Sift sand using sieve | 4.712 |  | 4.24 |  |
| Carry H-blocks | 2.336 |  | 2.1 |  |
| Acid clean tiles | 3.894 |  | 3.5 |  |
| Carry-transfer wood | 7.684 |  | 6.91 |  |
| Masonry |  |  |  |  |
| Smooth surface of cemented walls | 4.940 |  | 4.44 |  |
| Tapping-chipping tiles | 1.804 |  | 1.62 |  |
| Grouting joints of tiles and blocks | 3.902 |  | 3.51 |  |
| Aligning blocks | 5.828 |  | 5.24 |  |
| Tapping to bore hole on cement walls/floors | 4.083 |  | 3.67 |  |
| Plastering using wood float | 3.155 |  | 2.84 |  |
| Make sandblaster | 2.703 |  | 2.43 |  |
| Sandblast | 5.046 |  | 4.54 |  |
| Steel brush wash out | 3.820 |  | 3.43 |  |
| Carpentry |  |  |  |  |
| Sawing wood | 5.596 |  | 5.03 |  |
| Planing | 6.249 |  | 5.62 |  |
| Form framework (by sawing and hammering) | 3.995 |  | 3.592 |  |
| Form parquet (put in place) | 5.793 |  | 5.21 |  |
| Make cabinet doors and hinges | 3.824 |  | 3.44 |  |
| Drilling wood | 5.855 |  | 5.26 |  |
| Electricals |  |  |  |  |
| Hook up wire for PVC | 3.844 |  | 3.46 |  |
| Tapping-splicing | 3.358 |  | 3.02 |  |
| Painting |  |  |  |  |
| Painting | 4.012 |  | 3.61 |  |
| Varnishing | 3.562 |  | 3.2 |  |
| Sandpaper balustrade | 3.180 |  | 2.86 |  |

Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio.
Subjects: 25 males, age $25 \pm 5$ years, height $161 \pm 6 \mathrm{~cm}$, weight $51 \pm 5 \mathrm{~kg}$ (all mean $\pm$ SD).
Equipment: Max Planck respirometer calibrated according to the method of Durnin. Expired $\mathrm{O}_{2}$ measured using Beckman E2 analyser.
Measurements: 8 min collections made, 1-2 determinations/activity/subject.
BMR measured in 19 subjects using the Sanborn metabolism apparatus.
PAR calculated using measured BMRs.

Table 2 Bandyopadhyay et al., 1980. Energy cost of some basic activities of college students in India ${ }^{5}$

|  | Energy cost of <br> activity (kcal min $\left.{ }^{-1}\right)$ |  | PAR |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Men | Women | Men |
| Activities | 0.93 | 1.07 |  |
| Lying resting | 1.01 | 1.16 |  |
| Sitting resting, sitting and eating, sitting on trains, buses etc. | 1.07 | 1.23 |  |
| Standing resting | 1.11 | 1.28 |  |
| Sitting studying | 1.18 | 1.36 |  |
| Sitting working; shoe polishing, washing clothes | 1.43 | 1.64 |  |
| Standing working; bathing, dressing, shaving etc. | 2.28 | 2.62 |  |
| Walking |  |  |  |

[^0]Table 3 Banerjee et al., 1972. Variety of tasks in Singapore ${ }^{6}$

| Activities | Energy cost of activity (kcal $\mathrm{min}^{-1}$ ) |  | PAR |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| Sitting | 1.03 | 0.68 | 1.06 | 1.05 |
| Sitting and reading | 1.03 | 0.70 | 1.06 | 1.08 |
| Sitting and writing | 1.11 | 0.78 | 1.14 | 1.2 |
| Standing | 1.39 | 0.89 | 1.43 | 1.37 |
| Walking (on a level ground at 4-4.8 $\mathrm{km} \mathrm{h}^{-1}$ ) | 2.98 | 2.10 | 3.07 | 3.23 |
| Running (on a level ground at $7-9 \mathrm{~km} \mathrm{~h}^{-1}$ ) | 6.15 | 4.55 | 6.34 | 7 |

Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio.
Subjects: Data are presented here only for the sedentary (untrained) subjects - Ten 18-25-year-old male medical students; height 172.5 cm , weight 65.0 kg , Lean body mass 50.4 kg and 10 females; height 157.0 cm , weight 47.5 kg , Lean body mass 36.2 kg (all mean).

Equipment: Max Planck respirometer with Lloyd's gas analysis apparatus for $\mathrm{O}_{2}$ and $\mathrm{CO}_{2}$
Measurements: for 5 minutes. With 10 minute breaks between tests.
PAR calculated using measured BMR ( $0.97 \mathrm{kcal}_{\mathrm{min}}{ }^{-1}$ for men, $0.65 \mathrm{kcal} \mathrm{min}^{-1}$ for women, mean).

Table 4 Barnes et al., 1973. Energy costs of activities during long haul cabin activities ${ }^{7}$

| Activities | Energy cost of activity (kcal min ${ }^{-1}$ ) |  | PAR |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| Galley work |  |  |  |  |
| First class | 3.67 | 2.89 | 3.02 | 3.19 |
| Economy: light meal | 3.19 | 2.5 | 2.62 | 2.76 |
| Economy: main meal | 4.12 | 3.24 | 3.69 | 3.58 |
| Serving meals |  |  |  |  |
| First class | 3.26 | 2.56 | 2.68 | 2.83 |
| Economy trays by hand, light meal | 4.2 | 3.3 | 3.46 | 3.64 |
| Economy: trays by hand, main meal | 3.78 | 2.97 | 3.11 | 3.28 |
| Mixed mobile tray box | 3.86 | 3.03 | 3.18 | 3.34 |
| Bar service |  |  |  |  |
| Dispensing | 4.11 | 3.23 | 3.38 | 3.57 |
| Serving | 2.67 | 2.1 | 2.2 | 2.32 |
| Standard walking ( $3 \mathrm{mh}^{-1}$ ) | 4.12 | 3.56 | 3.39 | 3.93 |

Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio.
Subjects: characteristics not described. Energy costs for a 70 kg man and 55 kg woman.
Equipment: Max Planck respirometer with Lloyd Haldane gas analyser.
Measurements: for 10 minutes. Details of gas collection and calibration not given.
BMR not measured. PAR based on predicted BMR assuming an age range of 18-30 years.

Table 5 Bleiberg et al., 1980. Energy expenditure of various farming activities in female Upper-Volta farmers ${ }^{8}$

| Activities | $n$ | Energy cost of activity (kcal $\mathrm{min}^{-1}$ ) |  | PAR |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| Lying | 29 |  | 1.24 |  | 1.37 |
| Sitting | 27 |  | 1.29 |  | 1.42 |
| Standing | 27 |  | 1.35 |  | 1.49 |
| Walking | 18 |  | 3.0 |  | 3.31 |
| Sowing | 4 |  | 3.9 |  | 4.31 |
| Thinning out and replanting | 5 |  | 3.6 |  | 3.97 |
| Hoeing | 11 |  | 4.3 |  | 4.75 |
| Grinding grain on a millstone | 24 |  | 4.2 |  | 4.64 |
| Pounding | 32 |  | 4.5 |  | 4.97 |
| Fetching water from a well | 21 |  | 4.1 |  | 4.53 |
| Fetching water from the swamp | 2 |  | 3.9 |  | 4.31 |
| Washing clothes | 3 |  | 3.2 |  | 3.53 |
| Stirring sorghum or millet porridge | 7 |  | 3.7 |  | 4.09 |

Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio.
Subjects: numbers variable for each activity. Age 30.6 years, height 157 cm , weight 50.6 kg , per cent fat 19.3 (all means).
Equipment: Kofranyi-Michaelis respirometer. Expired air analysed within 5 minutes of collection with Servomex $\mathrm{O}_{2}$ analyser.
Measurement: for approx 10 minutes for each activity. Energy costs were recalculated for a standard wt of 55 kg .
PAR calculated using BMR predicted for a body wt of 55 kg .

Table 6 Brun, 1979. Energy cost of Iranian agricultural workers across four seasons ${ }^{9}$

| Activities | Energy cost of activity (kcal h ${ }^{-1} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$ ) |  | PAR |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| Cotton harvest |  |  |  |  |
| Picking cotton and carrying sack | 3.6 |  | 3.21 |  |
| Loading, collecting sacks on lorry | 7.1 |  | 6.34 |  |
| Irrigation |  |  |  |  |
| Opening and closing irrigation channels | 4.5 |  | 4.01 |  |
| Digging activities |  |  |  |  |
| Channel digging | 7.0 |  | 6.25 |  |
| Digging | 6.4 |  | 5.71 |  |
| Cultivation |  |  |  |  |
| Weeding | 5.2 |  | 4.64 |  |
| Tending melons |  |  |  |  |
| Grain harvest |  |  |  |  |
| Tending threshing machine | 3.8 |  | 3.39 |  |
| Lifting grain sacks (weighing and loading) | 4.0 |  | 3.57 |  |
| Winnowing | 4.0 |  | 3.57 |  |
| Animals |  |  |  |  |
| Tending animals | 5.1 |  | 4.55 |  |
| Collecting and spreading manure | 5.5 |  | 4.91 |  |
| Loading manure | 6.8 |  | 6.07 |  |
| Transport |  |  |  |  |
| Riding donkey/tractor | 2.9 |  | 2.59 |  |
| Cycling on level dirt road | 5.6 |  | 5.0 |  |
| Railway work |  |  |  |  |
| Raking gravel | 4.7 |  | 4.2 |  |
| Using pick under the rails | 7.7 |  | 6.87 |  |
| Roof repair |  |  |  |  |
| Shovelling and carrying mud | 5.9 |  | 5.27 |  |
| Spreading mud on roof | 2.9 |  | 2.59 |  |

Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio.
Subjects: 45 males, age ?, mean 35-39 years, mean weight across seasons $56-59 \mathrm{~kg}$.
Equipment: Max Planck respirometer with a Pauling $\mathrm{O}_{2}$ analyser.
Measurements: most activities measured for $10-15 \mathrm{~min}$. No BMR
PAR calculated using predicted BMR (age range $30-60$ years and an avg wt of 57.5 kg ) and based on recomputed energy costs expressed in kcal min ${ }^{-1}$.

Table 7 Brun, 1981. Energy cost of a variety of agricultural activities in Upper-Volta farmers ${ }^{10}$

| Activities | $n$ | Energy cost of activity (kcal min ${ }^{-1}$ ) |  | PAR |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| Lying | 31 | 1.39 |  | 1.25 |  |
| Sitting | 33 | 1.38 |  | 1.24 |  |
| Standing | 29 | 1.44 |  | 1.29 |  |
| Walking | 25 | 3.6 |  | 3.23 |  |
| Walking slowly | 4 | 2.9 |  | 2.6 |  |
| Walking fast | 2 | 4.2 |  | 3.77 |  |
| Cycling | 12 | 4.4 |  | 3.94 |  |
| Sowing | 5 | 3.9 |  | 3.5 |  |
| Thinning out and replanting | 8 | 3.8 |  | 3.41 |  |
| Hoeing | 11 | 5.1 |  | 4.57 |  |
| Land clearing | 2 | 6.9 |  | 6.19 |  |
| Sorghum harvest: standing, cutting the ears with knife or hand | 6 | 2.4 |  | 2.15 |  |
| Bent forward, uprooting potatoes with a hoe | 5 | 3.9 |  | 3.5 |  |
| Plucking leaves and stems, standing | 1 | 6.8 |  | 6.1 |  |
| Kneeling and sorting, sweet potatoes | 1 | 1.8 |  | 1.61 |  |
| Cutting straw with a sickle, bent forward | 3 | 5.6 |  | 5.02 |  |
| Walking with a sheaf of straw on head ( 11.5 kg ) | 1 | 3.4 |  | 3.05 |  |
| Pulling and breaking into pieces branches from dead trees, walking and bending forward | 2 | 3.8 |  | 3.41 |  |
| Cutting wood with a machete | 1 | 4.6 |  | 4.12 |  |
| Unloading a cart of branches | 2 | 3.6 |  | 3.23 |  |
| Vine weaving | 2 | 2.4 |  | 2.15 |  |
| Hand weaving sitting on the ground | 2 | 2.6 |  | 2.33 |  |
| Hand sewing | 1 | 1.8 |  | 1.61 |  |
| Sewing with treadle sewing machine | 3 | 2.4 |  | 2.15 |  |
| Clay kneading | 1 | 3.0 |  | 2.69 |  |
| Sawing a calabash by hand, bending forward | 1 | 3.1 |  | 2.78 |  |
| Making mud bricks squatting | 3 | 3.3 |  | 2.96 |  |
| Standing, making a mud wall | 1 | 1.8 |  | 1.61 |  |
| Digging the earth with a pick-axe to make mud | 2 | 6.4 |  | 5.74 |  |
| Shovelling the mud | 2 | 4.9 |  | 4.39 |  |
| Copying verses of the Koran, sitting | 1 | 1.2 |  | 1.08 |  |

Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio.
Subjects: all males. Number per activity is variable. Age 32.2 year, height 170 cm , weight 58.5 kg , fat 10.3 (all means).
Equipment: Kofranyi-Michaelis respirometer, expired air analysed with a Servomex $\mathrm{O}_{2}$ analyser.
Measurements: no BMR, all energy costs expressed for a standard weight of 60 kg .
PAR based on predicted BMR assuming a wt of 60 kg .

Table 8 Brun, 1992. Not a primary source but reviews data of the author of agricultural activities of Chinese female farmers from Hainan ${ }^{11}$

| Activities | $n$ | Energy cost of activity (kcal min ${ }^{-1}$ ) |  | PAR |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| Sitting inactive | 11 |  | 1.08 |  | 1.32 |
| Standing resting | 4 |  | 1.43 |  | 1.74 |
| Squatting washing clothes | 4 |  | 2.09 |  | 2.55 |
| Standing hoeing | 3 |  | 3.82 |  | 4.66 |
| Bending, planting potatoes | 7 |  | 3.39 |  | 4.13 |
| Bending harvesting potatoes | 8 |  | 2.36 |  | 2.88 |
| Ploughing with buffalo | 4 |  | 2.94 |  | 3.59 |
| Standing sowing rice | 10 |  | 2.15 |  | 2.62 |
| Bending, transplanting rice | 31 |  | 2.84 |  | 3.46 |
| Bending, cutting rice | 26 |  | 3.22 |  | 3.93 |
| Squatting, bundling rice | 6 |  | 2.42 |  | 2.95 |
| Standing, threshing rice | 8 |  | 3.97 |  | 4.84 |
| Walking, carrying 30-35 kg | 5 |  | 3.75 |  | 4.57 |
| Walking, tapping rubber | 5 |  | 2.52 |  | 3.07 |

Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio.
Subjects: all women, age ?, average body weight $=47 \mathrm{~kg}$, numbers variable for each activity.
Measurements: for each activity, one or several measurements using Douglas bags or portable spirometers.
PAR calculated using predicted BMR for $18-30$ years and a wt of 47 kg .

Table 9 Cassady, 1992. Energy cost of calisthenics performed on land and in water ${ }^{12}$

| Activities | Energy cost of activity $\left(\mathrm{VO}_{2}\right.$ in $\left.\mathrm{Imin}^{-1}\right)$ |  | PAR |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| Land, upper extremity 20 rep $\mathrm{min}^{-1}$ | 0.660 | 0.481 | 2.84 | 2.65 |
| Land, lower extremity 20 rep $\mathrm{min}^{-1}$ | 1.183 | 0.905 | 5.09 | 4.99 |
| Water, upper extremity $20 \mathrm{rep} \mathrm{min}^{-1}$ | 1.092 | 0.655 | 4.7 | 3.61 |
| Water, lower extremity $20 \mathrm{rep} \mathrm{min}^{-1}$ | 1.547 | 1.078 | 6.66 | 5.95 |

Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio.
Subjects: 40 healthy subjects ( 20 men and 20 women), mean age 25 years, mean wt 69.6 kg .
Equipment: open-circuit system. Mouthpiece to Collins gasometer, with Beckman's $\mathrm{O}_{2}$ and $\mathrm{CO}_{2}$ analysers.
Measurements: $\mathrm{O}_{2}$ measurements were made in the final 30 seconds of each exercise stage ( 3 minutes). For the water exercises, the subject performed the exercises in a Hubbard tank with water adjusted to shoulder level for each subject. No BMR.
Energy costs are recalculated from the MET ( $3.5 \mathrm{ml} \mathrm{kg}^{-1} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$ ) and expressed for a standard 65 kg male and a 55 kg female.
PAR calculated using predicted BMR.

Table 10 Cole, 1987. Variety of basic activities carried out by Nigerian University students ${ }^{13}$

| Activities | $n$ | Energy cost of activity (kcal $\mathrm{min}^{-1}$ ) |  | PAR |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| Sitting | 10 | 1.74 |  | 1.18 |  |
| Walking at normal pace | 12 | 4.21 |  | 2.86 |  |
| Personal domestic necessities | 7 | 3.61 |  | 2.46 |  |
| Polishing shoes, washing clothes, cleaning the room, fetching water etc. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Climbing stairs | 5 | 7.29 |  | 4.95 |  |
| Lying down in bed awake | 6 | 1.49 |  | 1.01 |  |
| Standing | 7 | 3.61 |  | 2.46 |  |

Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio.
Subjects: 20 males, numbers different for different activities. Age 24 years, height 171 cm , weight 61.1 kg (all mean).
Equipment: Max Planck respiration-gasometer.
Measurement: for $10-15$ minutes for each activity.
PAR based on predicted BMR.

Table 11 Costa, 1989. Apple farming activities in Italy ${ }^{14}$

|  | Energy cost of <br> activity (kcal min $\left.{ }^{-1}\right)$ | PAR |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Activities | Men | Women |

[^1]Subjects: 17 males. Age 40.1 years, height 175.4 , weight 80.1 kg (all means).
Measurement: $\mathrm{VO}_{2}$ measured for short periods ( $5-10$ minutes) by Oxylog in steady state conditions ( $<2.5 \%$ incr).
PAR calculated using the predicted BMR.

Table 12 Das, 1966. Energy cost of different types of load carrying in Indians ${ }^{15}$

| Activities | Energy cost of activity (kcal $\mathrm{min}^{-1}$ ) |  | PAR |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| Carrying load with shoulder straps |  |  |  |  |
| 0 gradient | 2.51 |  | 2.27 |  |
| 10\% gradient | 5.6 |  | 5.05 |  |
| 20\% gradient | 8.5 |  | 7.67 |  |
| Carrying load with forehead strap |  |  |  |  |
| 0 gradient | 2.61 |  | 2.43 |  |
| 10\% gradient | 6.1 |  | 5.5 |  |
| 20\% gradient | 8.9 |  | 8.03 |  |
| Carrying load on head |  |  |  |  |
| 0 gradient | 2.61 |  | 2.36 |  |
| 10\% gradient | 7.4 |  | 6.68 |  |
| 20\% gradient | 10.3 |  | 9.29 |  |

Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio. Subjects: six healthy load carriers from the hills. Age 24 years, height 167.8 cm , weight 60 kg .

Equipment: Max Planck respirometer with gas analysis on a Scholander's gas analyser.
Measurements: for 5 minutes with gas collections in the last 2 minutes. Load was standard at 27 kg . Speed of treadmill was $3.22 \mathrm{~km} \mathrm{~h}^{-1}$.
PAR calculated using predicted BMR for the group.
Table 13 Datta, 1978. The energy cost of rickshaw pulling by Indian males with different loads ${ }^{16}$

| Activities | $n$ | Energy cost of activity (kcal min ${ }^{-1}$ ) |  | PAR |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| Rest | 9 | 1.26 |  |  |  |
| Pulling rickshaw with no load | 10 | 5.39 |  | 4.03 |  |
| Pulling rickshaw with 1 man $(50+80 \mathrm{~kg})$ | 10 | 7.16 |  | 5.34 |  |
| Pulling rickshaw with 2 men $(100+80 \mathrm{~kg})$ | 10 | 8.92 |  | 6.66 |  |
| Pulling rickshaw with 2 men and 50 kg load $(100+80+50)$ | 10 | 11.57 |  | 8.64 |  |

Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio.
Subjects: $n=10$. Age 33.8 years, height 162.1 cm , weight 47.8 kg (all means). Equipment: Douglas bag with Haldane gas analyser.
Measurement: each activity for 10 minutes. Gas collection from 8 minutes to 10 minutes.
PAR calculated using the predicted BMR of the group.
Table 14 Datta, 1983. Energy cost of pulling handcarts in India ${ }^{17}$

| Activities | Energy cost of activity (kcal min ${ }^{-1}$ ) |  | PAR |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| Rest (10 am 3-4 hours after morning meal) | 1.45 |  | 1.1 |  |
| No load (190 kg) | 6.34 |  | 4.82 |  |
| +185 kg load | 9.23 |  | 7.01 |  |
| +370 kg load | 12.7 |  | 9.64 |  |

Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio. Subjects: 10 male handcart-pullers. Age 29.6 years, height 165 cm , weight 50 kg (all means).
Equipment: expired air collected in a Douglas bag and analysed using a Haldane gas analyser.
Measurements: all done at a constant speed of $5 \mathrm{~km} \mathrm{~h}^{-1}$.
PAR calculated from the predicted BMR.

Table 15 Davies, 1976. Energy cost of cutting sugar cane in Sudanese ${ }^{18}$

| Activities | Energy cost of activity (kcal min ${ }^{-1}$ ) |  | PAR |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| Cutting cane (rate was $15.18 \mathrm{~kg} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$ ) | 10.96 |  | 7.92 |  |

Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio.
Subjects: 42 male cane cutters. Age 26.3 years, height 173.2 cm , weight 54.8 kg (all means).

Kofranyi-Michaelis respirometer over $20 \mathrm{~min} . \mathrm{O}_{2}$ content with a paramagnetic $\mathrm{O}_{2}$ analyser - Servomex
PAR calculated based on predicted BMR.

Table 16 de Guzman, 1974. Energy costs of 'Jeepney drivers' in the Philippines ${ }^{19}$

|  | Energy <br> cost of activity <br> $\left(\mathrm{kcal} \mathrm{kg}^{-1} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}\right)$ |  |
| :--- | :--- | ---: |
| Activities | Men | Women | | PAR |
| :---: |
| Men |

Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio Subjects: 10 males, age 32 years, height 162.2 cm , weight 54.8 kg (all means).
Equipment: Max Planck respirometer. Gas analysis with E2 Beckman $\mathrm{O}_{2}$ analyser.
Measurements: Basic activities were measured for 10 minutes, others for 8 minutes; 2-3 determinations of an activity were made on each individual. PAR calculated on the predicted BMR.

Table 17 de Guzman, 1974. Energy cost of activities in Filipino shoemakers and housewives ${ }^{20}$

| Activities | $\begin{gathered} \text { Energy cost } \\ \text { of activity } \\ \left(\mathrm{kcal} \mathrm{~kg}^{-1} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}\right) \end{gathered}$ |  | PAR |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| Shoemaker |  |  |  |  |
| Moulding top portion of shoes | 0.054 |  | 2.85 |  |
| Attaching sole | 0.054 |  | 2.85 |  |
| Trimming sole and heel | 0.63 |  | 3.33 |  |
| Uppermaking (prep of top portion of shoes) | 0.037 |  | 2.22 |  |
| Housewife |  |  |  |  |
| Bathing child (standing) |  | 0.058 |  | 3.48 |
| Carrying child (standing) |  | 0.032 |  | 1.92 |
| Washing clothes |  | 0.044 |  | 2.64 |
| Cooking |  | 0.036 |  | 2.16 |

Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio.
Subjects: eight shoemakers (? male) and 10 housewives (age 34 years, height 155 cm , weight 54 kg , all means).
Equipment: Max Planck respirometer. $\mathrm{O}_{2}$ analysed using Beckman E2 analyser.
Measurements: for each activity for 8 minutes.
PAR calculated using the predicted BMR.

Table 18 de Guzman, 1978. Energy cost of Filipino clerk-typists ${ }^{21}$

| Activities | $n$ | Energy cost of activity ( $\mathrm{kcal} \mathrm{kg}^{-1} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$ ) |  | PAR |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| Sitting |  | 0.026 |  | 1.31 |  |
| Standing |  | 0.029 |  | 1.46 |  |
| Walking |  | 0.056 |  | 2.8 |  |
| Sitting activities |  |  |  |  |  |
| Typing | 10 | 0.035 |  | 1.76 |  |
| Writing | 4 | 0.028 |  | 1.4 |  |
| Calculating - desk type electronic calculator | 2 | 0.032 |  | 1.61 |  |
| Stamping | 1 | 0.023 |  | 1.15 |  |
| Segregating reports | 1 | 0.023 |  | 1.15 |  |
| Filing | 2 | 0.026 |  | 1.3 |  |
| Sorting | 2 | 0.023 |  | 1.15 |  |
| Proof reading | 1 | 0.023 |  | 1.15 |  |
| Checking files | 1 | 0.028 |  | 1.4 |  |
| Checking purchase orders | 1 | 0.028 |  | 1.4 |  |
| Stapling papers | 1 | 0.028 |  | 1.4 |  |
| Post-checking | 1 | 0.033 |  | 1.66 |  |
| Reading | 9 | 0.026 |  | 1.3 |  |
| Sitting |  |  | 0.026 |  | 1.39 |
| Standing |  |  | 0.027 |  | 1.43 |
| Walking |  |  | 0.055 |  | 2.88 |
| Sitting activities |  |  |  |  |  |
| Typing | 10 |  | 0.035 |  | 1.84 |
| Writing | 9 |  | 0.028 |  | 1.47 |
| Filing | 6 |  | 0.028 |  | 1.47 |
| Reading | 9 |  | 0.028 |  | 1.47 |
| Tape recording | 1 |  | 0.027 |  | 1.42 |
| Recording transactions (handwriting) | 2 |  | 0.026 |  | 1.36 |
| Counting supplies in the stock room, no lifting involved | 1 |  | 0.029 |  | 1.52 |
| Classifying papers | 1 |  | 0.025 |  | 1.31 |
| Controlling vouchers |  |  | 0.025 |  | 1.31 |
| Phoning | 1 |  | 0.027 |  | 1.27 |
| Thermopherring | 1 |  | 0.031 |  | 1.63 |

Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio.
Subjects: 10 males (age 27.6 years, height 165.4 cm , weight 53.9 kg ) 10 women (age 24.7 years, height 154.8 cm , weight 46.9 kg , all means) Filipino men and women.
Equipment: energy cost using Max Planck respirometer and E2 Beckman analyser.
Measurements: each acivity for $8-10$ minutes, $2-3$ determinations done per individual.
BMR for each subject on 2 consecutive days using the Sanborn Basal Metabolator - PAR calculated using measured BMR.

Table 19 de Guzman, 1979. Male and female Filipino textile workers ${ }^{22}$


Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio.
Subjects: Males $=25$ (age 24.9 years, height 166 cm , weight 54.8 kg ), Females $=14$ (age 33.1 years, height 153.7 cm , weight 48.7 kg , all means). Variable numbers for different activities.
Equipment: Max Planck respirometer.
Measurements: 10 minutes recording for sitting, standing and walking at own pace; 8 minutes for others; 2-3 determinations per activity per person. PAR determined using predicted BMR.

Table 20 de Guzman, 1984. Agricultural activities of Filipino Laguna rice farmers ${ }^{23}$

| Activities | $n$ | Energy cost of activity ( $\mathrm{kcal} \mathrm{kg}^{-1} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$ ) |  | PAR |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| Sitting | 9 | 0.027 |  | 1.4 |  |
| Standing | 9 | 0.027 |  | 1.42 |  |
| Walking | 9 | 0.061 |  | 3.17 |  |
| Weeding by hand | 9 | 0.075 |  | 3.91 |  |
| Mechanical weeding | 4 | 0.123 |  | 6.41 |  |
| Pushing hand tractor | 9 | 0.119 |  | 6.2 |  |
| Harvesting | 8 | 0.080 |  | 4.17 |  |
| Threshing | 7 | 0.115 |  | 5.99 |  |
| Winnowing | 7 | 0.044 |  | 2.29 |  |
| Plowing | 9 | 0.126 |  | 6.56 |  |
| Harrowing | 9 | 0.126 |  | 6.56 |  |
| Spray | 4 | 0.099 |  | 5.16 |  |
| Measuring harvested 'palay' | 2 | 0.127 |  | 6.61 |  |
| Germinating 'palay' | 2 | 0.083 |  | 4.32 |  |
| Carrying and stacking 'palay' | 2 | 0.100 |  | 5.2 |  |
| Application of fertiliser | 2 | 0.060 |  | 3.13 |  |
| Planting | 1 | 0.076 |  | 3.96 |  |
| Mowing with a scythe | 8 | 0.085 |  | 4.43 |  |
| Carry 'palay' | 2 | 0.100 |  | 5.21 |  |
| Sitting | 9 |  | 0.027 |  | 1.46 |
| Standing | 9 |  | 0.029 |  | 1.59 |
| Walking | 9 |  | 0.050 |  | 2.79 |
| Weeding | 9 |  | 0.081 |  | 4.43 |
| Harvesting | 9 |  | 0.080 |  | 4.38 |
| Threshing | 7 |  | 0.098 |  | 5.36 |
| Winnowing | 8 |  | 0.053 |  | 2.9 |
| Planting | 9 |  | 0.085 |  | 4.65 |

Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio.
Subjects: 10 men (age 27 years, height 159 cm , weight 55 kg ) 10 women (age 38 years, height 148 cm , weight 47 kg , all means). Variable numbers for different activities.
Equipment: Kofranyi Michaelis respirometer - $\mathrm{O}_{2}$ measured using Beckman analyser.
Measurements: for 8-10 minutes, 2 determinations per person.
PAR calculated using predicted BMR.

Table 21 di Prampero, 1974. Swimming overhead crawl in a 60 m circum. Annular pool ${ }^{24}$

| Activities | Energy cost of activity (kcal $\mathrm{min}^{-1}$ ) |  | PAR |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| Overhead crawl at a velocity of $0.55 \mathrm{~ms}^{-1}$ | 11.0 |  | 8.45 |  |

Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio.
Subjects: 10 well-trained male college students, height 175.4 cm , weight 78.2 kg .
Measurements: collection from 4 minutes to 6 minutes of exercise in Douglas Bags. $\mathrm{O}_{2}$ and $\mathrm{CO}_{2}$ analysed by paramagnetic and infrared methods.
PAR calculated using predicted BMR.

Table 22 Dufour, 1984. Energy costs of mainly horticultural activities of indigenous women in the Amazon ${ }^{25}$

| Activities | $n$ | Energy cost of activity (kcal min ${ }^{-1}$ ) |  | PAR |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| Sitting quietly | 10 | 1.05 |  | 1.2 |  |
| Planting manioc | 6 | 3.18 |  | 3.64 |  |
| Simply pushing vegetative stocks into the ground i.e. slow walking and stooping |  |  |  |  |  |
| Harvesting manioc | 8 | 2.48 |  | 2.83 |  |
| 3 tasks: destalking, light weeding, pulling up tubers |  |  |  |  |  |
| Grating manioc | 8 | 3.35 |  | 3.83 |  |
| Sitting on a low stool: with grating board held horizontal and both hands working |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sieving manioc | 10 | 3.73 |  | 4.26 |  |
| Standing: washing and pressing the grated manioc through a circular basket supported by a tripod. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Walking |  |  |  |  |  |
| Walking $3 \mathrm{~km} \mathrm{~h}^{-1}$ | 9 | 2.24 |  | 2.56 |  |
| Walking was done on a trail near the village, in the relative cool of the morning. The trail was level and generally under canopy cover. Pace was maintained by the investigator using a stop watch to time 50 m segments of the trail. Loads were carried using a basket and trumpline. The habitual walking pace of most women was about $4 \mathrm{~km} \mathrm{~h}^{-1}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Walking $4 \mathrm{~km} \mathrm{~h}^{-1}$ | 8 | 2.82 |  | 3.22 |  |
| Walking $5 \mathrm{~km}^{-1}$ | 8 | 3.51 |  | 4.01 |  |
| Walking at $4 \mathrm{~km} \mathrm{~h}^{-1}$ and carrying loads |  |  |  |  |  |
| Carrying 15 kg | 8 | 2.97 |  | 3.39 |  |
| Carrying 20 kg | 9 | 3.09 |  | 3.53 |  |
| Carrying 25 kg | 9 | 3.29 |  | 3.76 |  |
| Carrying 30 kg | 9 | 3.55 |  | 4.06 |  |

Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio.
Subjects: Tukanoan Indians, $n=11$, Most non-pregnant and non-lactating (age 34 years, height 147.3 cm , weight 49.6 kg , per cent fat 27 , all means).
Equipment: Kofranyi-Michaelis respirometer. Gas analysis with a Lloyd-Haldane gas analyser.
Measurements: collections for 5-10 minutes following a 5-10 minute warm-up period. Variable number of subjects for different activities.
PAR calculated using predicted BMR.

Table 23 Edholm, 1955. Activities of army cadets ${ }^{26}$

| Activities | $n$ | Energy cost of activity (kcal $\mathrm{min}^{-1}$ ) |  | PAR |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| Lying | 12 | 1.48 |  | 1.21 |  |
| Sitting | 12 | 1.60 |  | 1.31 |  |
| Standing | 12 | 1.82 |  | 1.49 |  |
| Marching ( $3-4 \mathrm{mh}^{-1}$ ) | 11 | 6.03 |  | 4.94 |  |
| Running (at the double in uniform) | 9 | 11.67 |  | 9.59 |  |
| Stair-climbing (up and down 46 steps 7 inches high) | 3 | 10.3 |  | 8.8 |  |
| Dressing | 9 | 4.0 |  | 3.3 |  |
| Ironing (standing 51/2 lb iron) | 5 | 4.2 |  | 3.51 |  |
| Polishing kit (sitting) | 7 | 2.4 |  | 1.96 |  |
| Rifle cleaning | 6 | 2.7 |  | 2.27 |  |
| Archery | 2 | 5.24 |  | 4.36 |  |
| Batting (running twice between wickets every 6 balls) | 6 | 8.0 |  | 6.35 |  |
| Bowling | 4 | 8.0 |  | 6.35 |  |
| Squash | 6 | 10.18 |  | 8.52 |  |
| Tennis | 7 | 7.13 |  | 5.8 |  |
| Cycling (12-13 $\mathrm{mh}^{-1}$ ) | 8 | 7.72 |  | 6.34 |  |
| Motor cycling (heavy army) | 3 | 2.82 |  | 2.39 |  |
| Driving (army truck) | 3 | 3.38 |  | 2.87 |  |
| Obstacle course | 6 | 6.16 |  | 4.94 |  |
| Parade | 11 | 5.20 |  | 4.26 |  |
| Weapon training | 12 | 2.21 |  | 1.81 |  |

Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio.
Subjects: 12 British males (age 20 years, height 178 cm , weight 68 kg , all means).
Equipment: Douglas Bag/Max Planck Institute calorimeter with gas analysis.
PAR calculated from predicted BMR.

Table 24 Edholm, 1973. Predominantly agricultural activities of Yemenite and Kurdisk Jews in Israel ${ }^{27}$

| Activities | Energy cost of activity (kcal min ${ }^{-1}$ ) |  | PAR |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| Tractor driving | 2.2 |  | 1.9 |  |
| Truck driving | 1.9 |  | 1.64 |  |
| Horse cart driving (standing) | 2.1 |  | 1.81 |  |
| Potato picking | 6.58 |  | 5.67 |  |
| Potato, filling sacks | 3.4 |  | 2.93 |  |
| Potato, loading sacks on truck | 9.3 |  | 8.01 |  |
| Potato grading | 3.15 |  | 2.71 |  |
| Orange picking | 3.7 |  | 3.19 |  |
| Weeding | 3.0 |  | 2.58 |  |
| Picking carrots | 2.6 |  | 2.24 |  |
| Seed casting | 4.5 |  | 3.88 |  |
| Spray insecticide | 5.0 |  | 4.31 |  |
| Manure spreading | 6.3 |  | 5.43 |  |
| Prune vines | 4.05 |  | 3.49 |  |
| Scythe grass | 5.9 |  | 5.08 |  |
| Fork grass | 6.0 |  | 5.17 |  |
| Sitting | 1.32 |  | 1.14 |  |
| Walking | 4.0 |  | 3.45 |  |
| Walking in mud | 8.0 |  | 6.89 |  |
| Repair work with tractors | 4.5 |  | 3.88 |  |
| Bicycling | 7.6 |  | 6.55 |  |
| Housework |  |  |  |  |
| Wash and tidy |  | 2.5 |  | 2.75 |
| Cook |  | 2.0 |  | 2.2 |
| Scrub floor |  | 3.2 |  | 3.52 |
| Animal work |  |  |  |  |
| Feed cows |  | 3.4 |  | 3.74 |
| Feed chicken |  | 3.1 |  | 3.41 |
| Field work |  |  |  |  |
| Weeding |  | 3.32 |  | 3.66 |
| Top carrots |  | 2.14 |  | 2.36 |
| Fork grass |  | 4.5 |  | 4.96 |
| Sitting |  | 1.36 |  | 1.5 |
| Walking and shopping |  | 4.15 |  | 4.57 |

Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio. Subjects: numbers on whom energy costs were measured are not clear, ages between 20 and 30 years.
Equipment: mouth and noseclip with Max Planck respirometer or the Wright flowmeter. Gas analysis with Lloyd-Haldane apparatus.
Measurements: durations unclear.
PAR calculated using predicted BMR assuming a height of 1.72 m and weight of 65 kg for males and 1.62 m and 55 kg for females.

Table 25 Edmundson, 1989. Domestic and occupational activities in rural India ${ }^{28}$

| Activities | $n$ | Energy cost of activity (kcal kg ${ }^{-1} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$ ) |  | PAR |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| Sitting | 24 | 0.026 |  | 1.23 |  |
| Squatting | 6 | 0.027 |  | 1.27 |  |
| Standing | 20 | 0.030 |  | 1.42 |  |
| Strolling | 5 | 0.043 |  | 2.03 |  |
| Walking | 16 | 0.054 |  | 2.55 |  |
| Light work | 8 | 0.044 |  |  |  |
| Light carry | 4 | 0.092 |  | 4.34 |  |
| Heavy carry | 7 | 0.119 |  | 5.62 |  |
| Ploughing | 2 | 0.130 |  | 6.14 |  |
| Medium work | 10 | 0.063 |  |  |  |
| Hoeing | 6 | 0.076 |  | 3.59 |  |
| Heavy work | 6 | 0.110 |  |  |  |
| Cooking | 6 |  | 0.040 |  | 2.08 |
| Housework | 4 |  | 0.058 |  | 3.01 |

Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio. Subjects: Eight male (age 33.2 years, height 161.1 cm , weight 48.3 kg , per cent fat 17.0 ) and Eight females (age 28.1 years, height 148.8 cm , weight 36.9 kg , percent fat 21.2 , all means). Variable numbers for different activities.
Equipment: Kofranyi-Michaelis respirometer, with gas analysis using Micro-Scholander.
PAR calculated using predicted BMR.

Table 26 Fariduddin, 1975. Energy costs of Bangladeshi rick-shaw-pullers and cart-pullers ${ }^{29}$

| Activities | Energy cost of activity (kcal min ${ }^{-1}$ ) |  | PAR |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| Pedalling rickshaws |  |  |  |  |
| Without passengers | 6.66 |  | 6.64 |  |
| With passengers | 7.84 |  | 7.82 |  |
| Cart pulling |  |  |  |  |
| Without load | 5.5 |  | 5.68 |  |
| With load | 6.08 |  | 6.28 |  |

Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio. Subjects: 10 rickshaw-pullers (age 26 years, height 5.26 ft , weight 50 kg ) and 11 cart-pullers (age 25 years, height 5.5 ft , weight 46.8 kg , all means). Equipment: Douglas bag. Dry gas meter calibration against Tissot's. Lloyd's modification of the Haldane apparatus for $\mathrm{O}_{2}$ and $\mathrm{CO}_{2}$. PAR calculated using predicted BMR.

Table 27 Fariduddin, 1976. Energy cost of some common activities in Bangladesh ${ }^{30}$

|  | Energy cost of activity <br> $\left(\mathrm{kcal} \mathrm{min}^{-1}\right)$ |  | PAR |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Activities | Men | Women |  |
| 10 cultivators: ploughing | 5.45 |  | 5.17 |
| 12 carpenters: wood planning | 4.24 | 4.41 |  |
| 6 labourers: Earth-cutting in a brick field | 5.19 | 5.52 |  |
| 6 labourers: brick-breaking | 3.4 | 3.51 |  |

Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio.
Subjects: ? male divided into four groups; 10 cultivators (age 29.7 years, height 169.8 cm , weight 54.9 kg ), 12 carpenters (age 28.6 years, height 159.3 cm , weight 46.1 kg ), six labourers (age 25.5 years, height 163.7 cm , weight 44.3 kg ) and six labourers for brick-breaking (age 25 years, height 164 cm , weight 46.8 kg , all means).
Equipment: Douglas bag. Calibrated dry gas meter and Lloyd's modification of Haldane's gas analysis. Expired air collected at the height of activity.
PAR calculated using predicted BMR.

Table 28 Garby, 1987. Energy expenditure during sleep ${ }^{31}$

| Activities | Energy cost of activity (kcal min ${ }^{-1}$ ) |  | PAR |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| Sleep |  |  | 0.97 | 0.94 |

Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio. Subjects: 59 subjects ( 38 male, 21 female). Males (age 24 years, weight 66.6 kg , per cent fat 12.4), Females (age 26 years, weight 64.2 kg , per cent fat 27.7, all means).
Equipment: previously validated whole body direct calorimeter.
BMR measured as (Watt $\mathrm{h}^{-1}$ ) males 85.6/1.3 SE, females 71.2/1.09 SE.
Measurement: sleeping metabolic rate measured between 11:30 and 6:30 ( 7 h ), subjects went to sleep at 11:00.
PAR as computed by the authors.

Table 29 Haisman, 1972. Energy cost of pushing a variety of loaded ( 50 kg ) hand carts during a 30 minute walk ${ }^{32}$

|  | Energy cost of <br> activity (Watt) |  |  | PAR |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Men | Women |  | Men | Women |
| Activities | 478 |  | 5.22 |  |  |
| Mail cart | 493 |  | 5.42 |  |  |
| Large garden cart | 524 |  | 5.76 |  |  |
| Small garden cart | 551 |  | 6.06 |  |  |
| Golf cart | 551 |  |  |  |  |

Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio.
Subjects: 7 healthy soldiers (age 20.7 years, height 178.6 cm , weight 78.5 kg , all means).

Equipment: Max Planck respirometer. Gas analysis using Beckman E2 $\mathrm{O}_{2}$ analyser and $\mathrm{LB} 1 \mathrm{CO}_{2}$ analyser.
Measurement: data here is restricted to values obtained on an outdoor circuit. Data were also collected on a treadmill.
PAR calculated using predicted BMR.

Table 30 Igbanugo, 1978. Energy cost of aerobic dancing ${ }^{33}$

| Activities | Energy cost of activity (kcal min ${ }^{-1}$ ) |  | PAR |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| Low intensity aerobics | 4.07 | 4.04 | 3.68 | 4.45 |
|  | 4.26 | 3.87 | 3.33 | 4.03 |
| Medium intensity aerobics | 6.58 | 5.83 | 5.94 | 6.42 |
|  | 7.15 | 6.74 | 5.58 | 7.03 |
| High intensity aerobics | 9.2 | 7.73 | 8.31 | 8.54 |
|  | 9.67 | 7.74 | 7.55 | 8.07 |

Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio.
Subjects: Two men and two women, non-dancers. Individual anthropometry provided.
Equipment: Max Planck respirometer with gas analysers: Beckman for $\mathrm{O}_{2}$ and Harvard apparatus for $\mathrm{CO}_{2}$.
Measurement: three levels of aerobic dancing; seven routines at each intensity. Each routine $2-3$ minutes alternated with recovery periods of $15-90$ seconds. Metabolic values include both dance and recovery. PAR calculations based on predicted BMR.

Table 31 Jette, 1979. Energy costs of rope skipping ${ }^{34}$

| Activities | Energy cost of activity ( $\mathrm{kcalh} \mathrm{kg}^{-1}$ ) |  | PAR |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Men | Women |  | Men |
| 66 TPM, 2 ft skip, rhythm bounce | 9.13 |  | 8.68 |  |
| 102 TPM, 2 ft skip, plain bounce | 12.39 |  | 11.78 |  |

Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio. TPM - turns per minute.
Subjects: Five Canadian males, well conditioned but with minimal experience with rope skipping (age 26.6 years, height 172.5 cm , weight 68.1 kg , all means).
Equipment: Tissot gasometer, Godart-Statham paramagnetic $\mathrm{O}_{2}$ analyser and a G-S $\mathrm{CO}_{2}$ analyser.
Measurement: rope skipping at different levels of intensity: 6-132 turns per minute, each skipping bout: 5 minutes. Expired air collected for 30 second in 3rd and 5th minute.
PAR calculated based on the predicted BMR.

Table 32 Lawrence, 1985. Energy cost of a variety of common daily activities ${ }^{35}$

| Activities | $n$ | Energy cost of activity (kcal min ${ }^{-1}$ ) |  | PAR |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| Shelling ground nuts | 37 | 1.38 |  | 1.59 |  |
| Plaiting hair | 21 | 1.52 |  | 1.75 |  |
| Sorting groundnuts | 13 | 1.62 |  | 1.87 |  |
| Weeding rice | 45 | 1.98 |  | 2.28 |  |
| Harvesting rice | 19 | 2.04 |  | 2.35 |  |
| Weeding groundnuts | 25 | 2.81 |  | 3.24 |  |
| Drawing water | 89 | 2.91 |  | 3.36 |  |
| Beating groundnuts | 15 | 3.06 |  | 3.53 |  |
| Washing clothes | 29 | 3.26 |  | 3.76 |  |
| Bending digging | 21 | 4.05 |  | 4.67 |  |
| Harvesting groundnuts | 17 | 4.07 |  | 4.69 |  |
| Standing digging | 14 | 4.72 |  | 5.44 |  |
| Pounding grain | 54 | 5.02 |  | 5.79 |  |

Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio. Subjects: women, variable numbers for different activities (age: most from 18 to 35 years). Women consisted of non-pregnant, non-lactating women (average weight 49.8 kg ), Pregnant women in the first trimester (average weight 50.4 kg ) and lactating mothers (average weight 53.3 kg ).
Measurement: made using Douglas bags. Gas collections for 5 minutes after a 3 minute equilibrium period. Gas analysis with calibrated analysers. Volume with a wet gas meter.
PAR calculated using predicted BMR.

Table 33 Lemon, 1977. Energy cost of fire fighting ${ }^{36}$

| Activities | Energy cost of activity (kcal min ${ }^{-1}$ ) |  | PAR |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| Ariel LD climb | 11-12.2 |  | 8.89 |  |
| Rescue victim | 12.7 |  | 9.67 |  |
| Dragging hose | 12.7 |  | 9.79 |  |
| Ladder raise | 11.5 |  | 8.76 |  |

Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio.
Subjects: 20 male professional firefighters, anthropometric profiles for each activity provided by the authors.
Measurement: expired gas volumes collected and aliquots measured using a Gallenkamp-lloyd Gas analyser. Each activity was on ? five subjects repeated on two separate occasions.
PAR based on predicted BMR.

Table 34 Li Jing, 1991. Energy cost of 'college activities’37

| Activities | Energy cost of activity (kcal m ${ }^{2} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$ ) |  | PAR |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| Reading in bed | 0.813 | 0.801 | 1.22 | 1.22 |
| Sitting and thinking | 0.839 | 0.818 | 1.25 | 1.25 |
| Standing silently | 0.886 | 0.846 | 1.32 | 1.29 |
| Self-study | 0.906 | 0.904 | 1.35 | 1.38 |
| Watch TV | 1.100 | 1.129 | 1.64 | 1.72 |
| Listen to music | 0.970 | 0.939 | 1.45 | 1.43 |
| Painting | 0.838 | 0.835 | 1.25 | 1.27 |
| Play musical instruments | 1.346 |  | 2.01 |  |
| Play chess | 0.930 | 1.006 | 1.39 | 1.53 |
| Play cards | 1.219 | 1.315 | 1.82 | 2.0 |
| Watching a laboratory experiment | 0.890 | 0.850 | 1.33 | 1.3 |
| Carrying on animal experiment | 1.262 | 1.382 | 1.88 | 2.11 |
| Listening to lecture | 1.146 | 1.068 | 1.71 | 1.63 |
| Leisure time |  |  |  |  |
| Walking | 2.608 | 2.561 | 3.9 | 3.9 |
| Riding on bicycle | 2.542 | 2.372 | 3.62 | 3.62 |
| Exercising on horizontal bar | 3.490 | 3.426 | 5.22 | 5.22 |
| Long distance running | 3.202 | 2.666 | 4.79 | 4.06 |
| Dancing fast | 4.221 | 4.293 | 6.31 | 6.54 |
| Dancing moderate | 3.640 | 3.463 | 5.44 | 5.28 |
| Dancing slowly | 2.199 | 2.266 | 3.29 | 3.45 |
| Tennis | 3.905 | 3.884 | 5.84 | 5.92 |
| Volleyball | 4.054 | 3.977 | 6.06 | 6.06 |
| Basket ball | 4.652 | 5.078 | 6.95 | 7.74 |
| Football | 5.671 |  | 8.48 |  |
| Sprint | 5.490 | 5.433 | 8.21 | 8.28 |
| Push-up | 3.490 | 3.426 | 5.22 | 5.22 |
| Sewing |  | 1.188 |  | 1.81 |
| Skill gym |  | 3.210 |  | 4.89 |
| Middle distance running |  | 4.010 |  | 6.11 |

Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio.
Subjects: numbers for each activity not given - 606 subjects randomly selected from Shanghai Medical University (319 males, 287 females, age range 18-24 years, no anthropometry available).
Measurements: Douglas bag with volume, and gas measurements - S-3A $\mathrm{O}_{2}, \mathrm{H} \& \mathrm{BCO}_{2}$.
PAR is what has been provided in the text.

Table 35 Littell, 1969. Energy costs of flying ${ }^{38}$

| Activities | Energy cost of activity (kcal min ${ }^{-1}$ ) |  | PAR |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| Light helicopter |  |  |  |  |
| BMR $n=8$ | 1.18 |  |  |  |
| Sitting (5 min) | 1.74 |  | 1.47 |  |
| Hover/Taxi (4 min) | 2.17 |  | 1.84 |  |
| Ascend (2 min) | 2.06 |  | 1.75 |  |
| Level 1 (5 min) | 1.60 |  | 1.36 |  |
| Aerobatics (7 min) | 1.61 |  | 1.36 |  |
| Level 2 (5 min) | 1.50 |  | 1.27 |  |
| Descend (2 min) | 1.75 |  | 1.48 |  |
| Utility helicopter |  |  |  |  |
| Basal (BMR) $n=8$ | 1.19 |  |  |  |
| Sitting ( 5 min ) | 1.60 |  | 1.34 |  |
| Hover/taxi (4 min) | 1.76 |  | 1.48 |  |
| Ascend (2 min) | 1.69 |  | 1.42 |  |
| Level 1 ( 5 min ) | 1.58 |  | 1.32 |  |
| Aerobatics (7 min) | 1.54 |  | 1.29 |  |
| Level 2 (5 min) | 1.42 |  | 1.19 |  |
| Descend (2 min) | 1.52 |  | 1.28 |  |
| Medium helicopter |  |  |  |  |
| Basal (BMR) $n=7$ | 1.21 |  |  |  |
| Sitting (5 min) | 1.60 |  | 1.32 |  |
| Hover/taxi (4 min) | 2.03 |  | 1.68 |  |
| Ascend (2 min) | 2.03 |  | 1.68 |  |
| Level 1 ( 5 min ) | 1.71 |  | 1.41 |  |
| Aerobatics (7 min) | 1.73 |  | 1.43 |  |
| Level 2 ( 5 min ) | 1.67 |  | 1.38 |  |
| Descend (2 min) | 1.85 |  | 1.53 |  |
| Fixed wing utility aircraft |  |  |  |  |
| BMR $n=4$ | 1.04 |  |  |  |
| Sitting ( 5 min ) | 1.72 |  | 1.65 |  |
| Hover/taxi (4 min) | 2.69 |  | 2.58 |  |
| Ascend (2 min) | 2.78 |  | 2.67 |  |
| Level 1 ( 5 min ) | 1.87 |  | 1.8 |  |
| Aerobatics (7 min) | 1.76 |  | 1.69 |  |
| Level 2 ( 5 min ) | 1.70 |  | 1.63 |  |
| Descend (2 min) | 2.43 |  | 2.34 |  |

Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio.
Subjects: 16 experienced aviators (age 39.5 years, height 176.1 cm , weight 78.7 kg , all mean).

Equipment: expired air collected through a facemask, connected to a Mueler Franz gas meter for volume and a paramagnetic $\mathrm{O}_{2}$ analyser (Beckman model E-2).
PAR calculated using measured BMR.

Table 36 Louhevaara, 1988. Sorting of postal parcels, in a simulated work place ${ }^{39}$

|  | Energy cost of <br> activity $\left(\mathrm{VO}_{2}\right.$ litre $\left.\mathrm{min}^{-1}\right)$ | PAR |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Activities | Men | Women |

Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio.
Subjects: 21 healthy male sorters of postal parcels (age 33.3 years, height 178.4 cm , weight 78.3 kg , per cent fat 18.4).
Equipment: microprocessor controlled respiratory gas analyser (Morgan 500d), using a paramagnetic $\mathrm{O}_{2}$, and infrared $\mathrm{CO}_{2}$ analyser.
Measurement: 100 parcels of standard weight had to be sorted and placed in two trolleys based on postal code.
PAR based on predicted BMR.

Table 37 Malhotra, 1976. Energy cost of a variety of activities in Indian submariners ${ }^{40}$

|  | Energy <br> cost of activity <br> $\left(\mathrm{kJ} \mathrm{min}^{-1}\right)$ |  |
| :--- | ---: | :--- |

Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio. Subjects: numbers uncertain (age 26 years, weight 59.8 kg , height 168.8 cm ).

Equipment: Kofranyi-Michaelis respirometers with Scholander micro-gas analysers.
Measurements: done at 'steady state'.
PAR based on predicted BMR.

Table 38 Marchetti, 1980. Energy cost of sailing ${ }^{41}$

|  | Energy cost <br> of activity <br> $\left(\mathrm{VO}_{2}\right.$ in $\left.\mathrm{ml} \mathrm{min}^{-1}\right)$ |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Men | Women |  |  |  |

Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio. Subjects: Three Caucasian subjects: two male and one female (individual anthropometric details given in the paper.
Equipment: Douglas bags and Haldane-Margaria gas analyser.
Measurement: use of trapeze which allows subject to extend body outboard. Only data on the 'lake' are used here. Simulated lab conditions not used. $\mathrm{VO}_{2}$ collected for 5 minutes at steady state, 5 minutes after start of routine.
PAR calculated based on predicted BMRs.

Table 39 Montgomery, 1977. Energy costs of activities of Amazon Indian hunter-gatherer-horticulturalists ${ }^{42}$

| Activities | $n$ | Energy cost of activity (kcal min ${ }^{-1}$ ) |  | PAR |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| Walking open foot paths | 6 | 5.3 |  | 5.1 |  |
| Walking level forest paths | 6 | 6.0 |  | 5.78 |  |
| Walking up forest paths | 9 | 8.9 |  | 8.57 |  |
| Walking down forest paths | 3 | 4.1 |  | 3.95 |  |
| Clearing undergrowth | 5 | 7.3 |  | 7.03 |  |
| Felling large trees | 8 | 7.6 |  | 7.32 |  |
| Planting maize | 2 | 4.3 |  | 4.14 |  |
| Planting manioc | 7 | 5.2 |  | 5.01 |  |
| Weeding slope | 4 | 6.1 |  | 5.87 |  |
| Cutting grass | 1 | 7.0 |  | 6.74 |  |
| Harvesting maize | 5 | 5.3 |  | 5.1 |  |
| Harvesting manioc | 4 | 4.4 |  | 4.24 |  |
| Removing palmheart | 1 | 6.2 |  | 5.97 |  |
| Chopping firewood logs | 2 | 6.7 |  | 6.45 |  |
| Net bag manufacture | 9 | 2.6 |  | 2.5 |  |
| Cane box manufacture | 2 | 2.2 |  | 2.12 |  |
| Bow and arrow manufacture | 15 | 2.7 |  | 2.6 |  |
| Planting root crops | 2 |  | 2.9 |  | 3.69 |
| Harvesting root crops | 7 |  | 2.7 |  | 3.43 |
| Catching fish with hands | 4 |  | 3.1 |  | 3.94 |
| Weeding yard | 2 |  | 2.4 |  | 3.05 |
| Sweeping yard | 1 |  | 2.8 |  | 3.56 |
| Deseeding cotton | 2 |  | 1.4 |  | 1.78 |
| Beating cotton | 4 |  | 1.9 |  | 2.42 |
| Spinning cotton | 6 |  | 1.1 |  | 1.4 |
| Setting loom | 2 |  | 2.0 |  | 2.54 |
| Weaving | 8 |  | 1.8 |  | 2.29 |
| Grinding maize | 6 |  | 2.8 |  | 3.56 |
| Peeling manioc | 3 |  | 2.1 |  | 2.67 |
| Splitting manioc | 2 |  | 2.0 |  | 2.54 |
| Straining manioc | 6 |  | 1.9 |  | 2.42 |
| Washing laundry | 3 |  | 2.6 |  | 3.31 |

Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio. Subjects: Eight men (age 25 years, weight 51.8 kg ) and eight women (age 25 years, weight 44.5 kg , all means). Variable numbers for different studies.
Equipment: Max Planck respirometer with a fuel cell powered Teledyne oxygen analyser.
PAR based on predicted BMR.

Table 40 Nag, 1980. Various agricultural tasks in India ${ }^{43}$

| Activities | Energy cost of activity ( $\mathrm{kJ} \mathrm{min}^{-1}$ ) |  | PAR |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| Seeding operations |  |  |  |  |
| Sitting, resting | 4.25/0.86 |  | 1.01 |  |
| Free walking on plane surface | 11.21/1.06 |  | 2.68 |  |
| Free walking on puddle field | 13.73/0.53 |  | 3.28 |  |
| Transplanting, bending on puddle field | 13.01/0.93 |  | 3.1 |  |
| Germinating seeder | 34.42/2.34 |  | 8.21 |  |
| Germinating seeder (IRRI type) The IRRI seeder consists of eight concentric aluminium pipes running upwards | 40.2/3.64 |  | 9.59 |  |
| to a hopper, i.e. the germinating seed reservoir. The distance between the pipes at the ground level is about 20 cm . As the structure is pulled manually on a chain wheel a flap of the reservoir is opened to the pipes through which seeds come out and fall on the ground |  |  |  |  |
| Threshing operation |  |  |  |  |
| Manual threshing by beating | 19.26/1.18 |  | 4.6 |  |
| Pedal threshing | 27.56/3.25 |  | 6.58 |  |
| Pedal threshing, helper | 13.53/1.99 |  | 3.23 |  |

Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; IRRI - International Rice Research Institute; PAR - physical activity ratio.
Five male agricultural workers (age 23.4, height 164.6 cm , weight 49.9 kg , all means).
Equipment: KM respirometer linked to a Beckman paramagnetic $\mathrm{O}_{2}$ analyser.
At 'steady state' measurements were made.
PAR calculated using predicted BMR.

Table 41 Nag, 1981. Variety of household and agricultural tasks ${ }^{44}$

| Activities | Energy cost of activity ( $\mathrm{kJ} \mathrm{min}^{-1}$ ) |  | PAR |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| Squatting on floor washing utensils |  | 5.42 |  | 1.57 |
| Kneeling down and working (e.g. sweeping floor) |  | 7.89 |  | 2.29 |
| Making bed at 20 inches height |  | 11.7 |  | 3.41 |
| Spreading grains/veg on the floor |  | 15.05 |  | 4.36 |
| Winnowing (sitting) |  | 8.57 |  | 2.49 |
| Walking |  | 11.48 |  | 3.33 |
| Weeding with sickle (sitting) |  | 11.54 |  | 3.35 |
| Uprooting (sitting) |  | 11.96 |  | 3.47 |
| Harvesting paddy field (sitting) |  | 12.17 |  | 3.53 |
| Transplanting paddy seedlings |  | 12.33 |  | 3.575 |
| Harvesting (bending) |  | 12.78 |  | 3.71 |
| Weeding using sickle (bending) |  | 14.45 |  | 4.189 |
| Uprooting (bending) |  | 15.5 |  | 4.49 |
| Digging dry soil using spade |  | 19.5 |  | 5.65 |
| Pounding (single woman) |  | 21.74 |  | 6.3 |
| Pounding (two women) |  | 19.19 |  | 5.56 |

Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio.
Subjects: Indian females $n=8$, (age 30.4 years, weight 41.2 kg , height 149.4 cm , all means).
Equipment: open-circuit respirometer linked to paramagnetic $\mathrm{O}_{2}$ analyser.
PAL based on predicted BMR.

Table 42 Norgan, 1974. Large range of activities measured on 204 New Guinean adults living in two villages ${ }^{45}$

| Activities | $n$ | Energy cost of activity (kcal min ${ }^{-1}$ ) |  | PAR |  | Activities | $n$ | Energy cost of activity (kcal min ${ }^{-1}$ ) |  | PAR |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Men | Women | Men | Women |  |  | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| KAUL men |  |  |  |  |  | Peeling taro | 33 |  | 1.5 |  | 1.73 |
| Lying | 42 | 1.14 |  | 1.05 |  | Standing activities |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sitting | 41 | 1.23 |  | 1.13 |  | Collect tulip leaves | 1 |  | 1.6 |  | 1.85 |
| Standing | 40 | 1.32 |  | 1.21 |  | Put on rope | 1 |  | 2.0 |  | 2.31 |
| All sitting | 0 | . 32 |  | . 21 |  | Cut tobacco | 3 |  | 2.1 |  | 2.43 |
| Sitting weaving bamboo mat | 1 | 1.4 |  | 1.29 |  | Sweeping | 7 |  | 2.2 |  | 2.54 |
| Sitting: tie morotta | 1 | 1.5 |  | 1.38 |  | Wash clothes | 3 |  | 2.4 |  | 2.77 |
| Separating copra and shell | 1 | 1.8 |  | 1.66 |  | Disbud tobacco | 2 |  | 2.4 |  | 2.77 |
| Sew morotta | 2 | 1.9 |  | 1.75 |  | Collect cocoa | 1 |  | 2.5 |  | 2.89 |
| Carve plate, drum or comb | 3 | 2.0 |  | 1.84 |  | Cut weeds, sarif | 1 |  | 2.6 |  | 3.01 |
| Fish from canoe | 2 | 2.1 |  | 1.94 |  | Collect leaves along the path | 1 |  | 2.6 |  | 3.01 |
| Weave bamboo wall | 2 | 2.8 |  | 2.58 |  | Dig holes for planting | 2 |  | 3.7 |  | 4.28 |
| Cut copra | 1 | 3.1 |  | 2.86 |  | Catch crabs | 1 |  | 3.9 |  | 4.51 |
| Paddle canoe | 2 | 3.3 |  | 3.04 |  | Walking | 26 |  | 3.5 |  | 4.05 |
| All standing |  |  |  |  |  | Walking slowly | 10 |  | 2.6 |  | 3.01 |
| Clean gun | 1 | 1.6 |  | 1.47 |  | Walking around | 16 |  | 1.8 |  | 2.08 |
| Mend lamp | 1 | 1.9 |  | 1.75 |  | Walking with load | 19 |  | 3.4 |  | 3.93 |
| Fish with line | 1 | 2.0 |  | 1.84 |  | Weeding | 12 |  | 2.3 |  | 2.66 |
| Tie fence | 1 | 2.0 |  | 1.84 |  | Clean garden | 4 |  | 3.5 |  | 4.05 |
| Plant tobacco | 1 | 2.3 |  | 2.12 |  | Plant taro | 6 |  | 3.1 |  | 3.58 |
| Chop firewood | 1 | 2.5 |  | 2.3 |  | Dig taro | 10 |  | 2.6 |  | 3.01 |
| Fish with spear | 1 | 2.5 |  | 2.3 |  | Cut grass | 5 |  | 4.3 |  | 4.97 |
| Work in store | 1 | 2.6 |  | 2.4 |  | LUFA men |  |  |  |  |  |
| Prune cocoa | 1 | 2.6 |  | 2.4 |  | Lying | 34 | 1.28 |  | 1.18 |  |
| Cut tobacco | 1 | 2.7 |  | 2.49 |  | Sitting | 34 | 1.6 |  | 1.48 |  |
| Clear light bush | 4 | 2.8 |  | 2.58 |  | Standing | 32 | 1.47 |  | 1.36 |  |
| Disbud tobacco | 1 | 2.9 |  | 2.67 |  | Sitting activities |  |  |  |  |  |
| Weed with shovel or hoe | 2 | 3.1 |  | 2.86 |  | Make arrows | 5 | 1.8 |  | 1.66 |  |
| At 'sing-sing' | 1 | 3.1 |  | 2.86 |  | Play 'matches'/cards | 3 | 1.5 |  | 1.39 |  |
| Make fence | 1 | 3.5 |  | 3.23 |  | Weave pitpit wall | 2 | 1.9 |  | 1.75 |  |
| Collect Daka (piper) | 1 | 3.6 |  | 3.32 |  | Unload mumu stone | 1 |  |  | 1.66 |  |
| Cycling | 1 | 4.5 |  | 4.15 |  | Sharpen axe | 1 |  |  | 1.66 |  |
| Cut saplings | 3 | 4.0 |  | 3.69 |  | Prepare food (peel tubers) | 1 | 1.4 |  | 1.29 |  |
| Walking | 37 | 4.2 |  | 3.87 |  | String loom | 1 | 2.0 |  | 1.85 |  |
| Walking slowly | 17 | 3.3 |  | 3.04 |  | Standing activities |  |  |  |  |  |
| Walking around | 15 | 2.4 |  | 2.21 |  | Pick coffee | 10 | 2.6 |  | 2.4 |  |
| Weeding | 4 | 2.7 |  | 2.49 |  | Chop firewood | 7 | 5.0 |  | 4.6 |  |
| Clean garden | 2 | 3.1 |  | 2.86 |  | Collect bush rope | 1 | 4.2 |  | 3.88 |  |
| Cut grass | 17 | 5.7 |  | 5.25 |  | Play football in village | 1 | 3.3 |  | 3.05 |  |
| Collecting coconuts | 2 | 4.5 |  | 4.15 |  | Walking | 7 | 4.2 |  | 3.88 |  |
| Husking coconuts | 4 | 6.1 |  | 5.62 |  | Walking slowly | 1 | 3.1 |  | 2.86 |  |
| Bag coconuts | 3 | 3.9 |  | 3.59 |  | Walking uphill slowly | 2 | 5.0 |  | 4.62 |  |
| Bag and split coconut | 6 | 4.2 |  | 3.87 |  | Walking uphill average | 19 | 6.0 |  | 5.54 |  |
| Hunting flying fox | 2 | 3.2 |  | 2.95 |  | Walking uphill fast | 5 | 7.9 |  | 7.29 |  |
| Hunting pigs | 2 | 3.5 |  | 3.23 |  | Walking downhill slowly | 3 | 3.0 |  | 2.77 |  |
| House building |  |  |  |  |  | Walking downhill average | 18 | 3.3 |  | 3.05 |  |
| Cut bamboo | 1 | 3.1 |  | 2.86 |  | Walking downhill fast | 3 | 3.8 |  | 3.51 |  |
| Cut limbom trunks | 2 | 4.0 |  | 3.69 |  | Walking with load uphill | 3 | 7.1 |  | 6.56 |  |
| Collect bom bom | 1 | 4.0 |  | 3.69 |  | Clearing ground | 6 | 4.9 |  | 4.52 |  |
| Dig post-holes | 1 | 6.0 |  | 5.53 |  | Dig ground | 4 | 5.9 |  | 5.45 |  |
| Lay floor | 1 | 4.0 |  | 3.69 |  | Cut pitpit | 1 | 3.1 |  | 2.86 |  |
| Nailing | 1 | 3.2 |  | 2.95 |  | Cut tree | 1 | 5.8 |  | 5.36 |  |
| KAUL women |  |  |  |  |  | Split wood for posts | 5 | 4.4 |  | 4.06 |  |
| Lying | 41 |  | 1.03 |  | 1.19 | Sharpen posts | 2 | 4.2 |  | 3.88 |  |
| Sitting | 41 |  | 1.08 |  | 1.25 | Put in fence posts | 3 | 4.6 |  | 4.25 |  |
| Standing | 41 |  | 1.19 |  | 1.38 | Tie fence posts | 4 | 3.3 |  | 3.05 |  |
| Sitting or squatting activities |  |  |  |  |  | Shovelling road work | 1 | 5.0 |  | 4.62 |  |
| Sewing | 2 |  | 1.2 |  | 1.39 | Dig barat | 1 | 6.5 |  | 6.0 |  |
| Prepare tobacco | 3 |  | 1.3 |  | 1.50 | Tie sugar cane | 2 | 3.2 |  | 2.95 |  |
| Remove beans | 2 |  | 1.3 |  | 1.50 | Tie banana stem | 2 | 3.5 |  | 3.23 |  |
| Split cocoa | 1 |  | 1.7 |  | 1.97 | Clean garden | 6 | 4.9 |  | 4.52 |  |
| Break galips | 4 |  | 1.6 |  | 1.85 | Weeding | 5 | 2.6 |  | 2.4 |  |
| Squeeze coconut | 2 |  | 2.1 |  | 2.43 | Hunting birds | 1 | 3.6 |  | 3.32 |  |
| Weaving bilum | 6 |  | 1.2 |  | 1.39 | Pull kunai grass | 1 | 2.7 |  | 2.49 |  |
| Preparing rope | 6 |  | 1.3 |  | 1.5 | Roof house | 1 | 3.1 |  | 2.86 |  |

Table 42 Continued

| Activities | $n$ | Energy cost of activity (kcal min ${ }^{-1}$ ) |  | PAR |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| LUFA women |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lying | 31 |  | 1.11 |  | 1.32 |
| Sitting | 29 |  | 1.21 |  | 1.43 |
| Standing | 30 |  | 1.29 |  | 1.53 |
| Sitting or squatting activities |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sew clothes | 1 |  | 1.3 |  | 1.54 |
| Skin coffee | 3 |  | 1.4 |  | 1.66 |
| Sew pandanus mat | 2 |  | 1.4 |  | 1.66 |
| Load mumu with food | 1 |  | 2.4 |  | 2.85 |
| Preparing rope | 9 |  | 1.3 |  | 1.54 |
| Weaving bilum | 1 |  | 1.4 |  | 1.66 |
| Peeling sweet potato | 7 |  | 1.3 |  | 1.54 |
| Roasting corn | 1 |  | 1.2 |  | 1.42 |
| Walking | 3 |  | 3.3 |  | 3.91 |
| Walking around | 2 |  | 2.4 |  | 2.85 |
| Walking with load | 1 |  | 7.0 |  | 8.3 |
| Walking uphill slowly | 1 |  | 3.6 |  | 4.27 |
| Walking uphill average | 17 |  | 5.1 |  | 6.05 |
| Walking uphill fast | 2 |  | 6.0 |  | 7.12 |
| Walking downhill slowly | 4 |  | 2.1 |  | 2.49 |
| Walking downhill average | 13 |  | 2.7 |  | 3.2 |
| Walking downhill fast | 5 |  | 3.1 |  | 3.68 |
| Walking with load uphill | 10 |  | 5.5 |  | 6.52 |
| Walking with load downhill | 1 |  | 4.2 |  | 4.98 |
| Clearing ground | 6 |  | 3.3 |  | 3.91 |
| Dig ground | 9 |  | 4.2 |  | 4.98 |
| Weeding | 8 |  | 2.6 |  | 3.08 |
| Plant sweet potato | 3 |  | 4.2 |  | 4.98 |
| Collect sweet potato | 9 |  | 2.7 |  | 3.2 |
| Pick coffee | 10 |  | 3.1 |  | 3.68 |

Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio. Subjects: KAUL: 51 males (age 34 years, weight 56 kg , height 160 cm , per cent fat $10 \%$.) 69 females (age 31 years, weight 47.3 kg , height 151 cm , per cent fat 22\%). LUFA: 43 males (age 28 years, height 159 cm , weight 57.5 kg , per cent fat $10 \%$ ) Women (age 25 years, height 152 cm , weight 50.9 kg , per cent fat $22 \%$ ).

Equipment: lying down and sitting activities measured using Douglas bag and Lloyd Haldane apparatus for $\mathrm{O}_{2}$ and $\mathrm{CO}_{2}$.
For other activities - Max Planck respirometer was used.
PAR calculated from predicted BMR.

Table 43 Oberoi, 1983. Manual and machine washing of clothes ${ }^{46}$

| Activities | Energy cost of activity (kcal m${ }^{2} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$ ) |  | PAR |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| Squatting on the ground |  | 1.72 |  | 3.0 |
| Sitting on patra ( 6.5 cm stool) |  | 1.14 |  | 1.99 |
| Sitting on pihri (13cm) |  | 1.56 |  | 2.7 |
| Standing at sink |  | 1.15 |  | 2.0 |
| Machine wash (part manual) |  | 1.10 |  | 1.92 |

Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio.
Subjects: Indian female college students, $n=15$ (age 20.7 years, weight
48.5 kg , height 155.3 cm , all means).

Measurements: expired gas in Douglas bag - Orset volumetric $\mathrm{O}_{2}$. PAR based on predicted BMR.

Table 44 O'Connell, 1986. Energy cost of simulated stair case climbing for firemen (fully geared) ${ }^{47}$

| Activities | Energy cost of activity $\left(\mathrm{VO}_{2}\right.$ in litre $\left.\mathrm{min}^{-1}\right)$ |  |  | PAR |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Men |  | Women | Men | Women |
| Staircase climbing with turnouts, boots, breathing apparatus, and 50 ft , 11/2 'canvas hose with nozzle and coupling on shoulder' ( $\mathrm{wt}=86.5 \mathrm{lb}$ ) | $\begin{gathered} 3.15 \pm 0.28 \\ \text { mean } \pm \mathrm{SD} \\ \mathrm{VO}_{2} \end{gathered}$ |  |  | 12.22 |  |
| Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio. Subjects: 17 firefighters, all male (age 32.3 years, height 182.1 cm , weight 82 kg , per cent fat 15.3 ). <br> Equipment: breathing apparatus linked to Beckman $\mathrm{O}_{2}$ analyser (OM-11). PAR based on predicted BMR. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Table 45 Pal, 1994. Energy cost of mining activities in India ${ }^{48}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| Activities | $n$ | Energy cost of activity ( $\mathrm{kJ} \mathrm{min}^{-1}$ ) |  | PAR |  |
|  |  | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| Drilling with jackhammer |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tunnel face | 9 | 16.76 |  | 3.55 |  |
| Post and pillar | 10 | 14.87 |  | 3.15 |  |
| Horizontal cut and fill | 7 | 19.69 |  | 4.17 |  |
| Room and pillar | 4 | 22.84 |  | 4.84 |  |
| Timbering/grouting |  |  |  |  |  |
| Timbering/preparing face | 5 | 18.22 |  | 3.97 |  |
| Grouting operation | 7 | 19.06 |  | 4.15 |  |
| Loading operation 1 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cavo loader | 12 | 17.18 |  | 3.67 |  |
| Eimco loader | 12 | 18.65 |  | 3.99 |  |
| Loading operation 2 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Manual mining |  |  |  |  |  |
| Shovelling job | 10 | 21.37 |  | 4.59 |  |

Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio. Subjects: 54 male miners. Variable numbers for each activity. Anthropometric characteristics of each subset of subjects provided by the authors.
Equipment: Oxylog, $\mathrm{O}_{2}$ converted to energy using 21 kJ per litre.
Measurements: carried at between $28^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ and $32^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ and humidity between
$50 \%$ and $99 \%$.
PAR based on predicted BMR.

Table 46 Phillips, 1954. Energy cost of common West African agricultural activities ${ }^{49}$

| Activities | $n$ | Energy cost of activity (kcal min ${ }^{-1}$ ) |  | PAR |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| Grass cutting: cut as in a sickle with body bent at the waist and head down | 6 | 4.48 |  | 4.26 |  |
| Bush clearing: using a machete, 18 inches long and 2 inches wide | 6 | 6.2 |  | 5.89 |  |
| Hoeing: short spade - for earthing up root crops and weeding and clearing small root stumps | 6 | 4.57 |  | 4.34 |  |
| Load carrying using a shallow basin on the head (2 ft in diameter and 6 inches deep). Brick, rubble and cement is often transported like this |  |  |  |  |  |
| Head planning (20 kg) | 6 | 3.63 |  | 3.45 |  |
| Head planning ( $30 \mathrm{~kg} \mathrm{)}$ | 6 | 4.42 |  | 4.2 |  |
| Head planning ( $35 \mathrm{~kg} \mathrm{)}$ | 5 | 5.25 |  | 4.99 |  |
| Log carrying ( 20 kg ): on the head with one hand up to steady the log | 6 | 3.55 |  | 3.37 |  |
| Tree felling | 5 | 8.4 |  | 7.98 |  |
| Sawing: sawing is away from the body with the blade held in a vertical position | 5 | 6.0 |  | 5.7 |  |
| Walking | 6 | 3.06 |  | 2.91 |  |
| Sitting | 7 | 1.3 |  | 1.24 |  |
| Standing | 6 | 1.3 |  | 1.24 |  |

Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio.
Subjects: Seven Nigerian males. Variable numbers for different activities (age 28.6 years, weight 54.7 kg , height 163.4 cm , all means).
Equipment: Douglas bag of 500 I capacity linked to Haldane apparatus.
Measurements: at least two per subject per activity at intervals of $2-3$ weeks.
PAR based on predicted BMR.

Table 47 Ramana Murthy, 1966. Energy cost of agricultural activities in India ${ }^{50}$

| Activities | $n$ | Energy cost of activity (kcal min ${ }^{-1}$ ) |  | PAR |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| Ploughing | 11 | 5.48 |  | 5.79 |  |
| Puddling | 11 | 6.45 |  | 6.75 |  |
| Working push hoe | 12 | 4.66 |  | 4.87 |  |
| Trimming bunds | 10 | 6.28 |  | 6.73 |  |
| Making channels for irrigation | 6 | 3.25 |  | 3.53 |  |
| Harvesting | 10 | 3.8 |  | 4.08 |  |
| Making of bundles | 9 | 3.48 |  | 3.68 |  |
| Threshing | 9 | 5.27 |  | 5.56 |  |

[^2]Table 48 Raven, 1973. Energy cost of specific tasks of aluminium smelter workers in Tennessee ${ }^{51}$

| Activities | Energy cost of activity (kcal $\mathrm{min}^{-1}$ ) |  | PAR |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| Subject 1 |  |  |  |  |
| Sitting | 1.85 |  | 1.48 |  |
| Using automatic crowbar on 1 pot | 4.23 |  | 3.38 |  |
| Oreing pot | 3.75 |  | 3.0 |  |
| Subject 2 |  |  |  |  |
| Sitting | 1.35 |  | 1.05 |  |
| Using automatic CB on front of pot | 3.05 |  | 2.38 |  |
| Using CB at front of pot for 2 pots | 3.1 |  | 2.42 |  |
| Walking sweeping and oreing 2 pots | 3.75 |  | 2.93 |  |
| On CB for 1 pot | 3.15 |  | 2.46 |  |
| Subject 3 |  |  |  |  |
| Sitting | 2.1 |  | 1.63 |  |
| Break crust with hand jack hammer | 5.6 |  | 4.34 |  |
| Move cradle for carrying hand jackhammer next to pot and break crust | 4.2 |  | 3.26 |  |
| Subject 9 |  |  |  |  |
| Break crust with jackhammer | 6.95 |  | 5.43 |  |
| Remove cover over pots | 7.1 |  | 5.54 |  |
| Unhook and hook carbons | 3.5 |  | 2.73 |  |
| Loosen carbon with pneumatic wrench | 5.15 |  | 4.02 |  |
| Placing carbon into position | 4.55 |  | 3.55 |  |
| Set carbon and tighten clamps | 3.75 |  | 2.93 |  |
| Recovery of molten metal | 4.85 |  | 3.79 |  |
| Moving siphon | 6.25 |  | 4.88 |  |
| Subject 8 |  |  |  |  |
| Sitting | 1.75 |  | 1.4 |  |
| Walking | 2.75 |  | 2.21 |  |
| Rowelling pot | 5.4 |  | 4.33 |  |
| Subject 7 |  |  |  |  |
| Sitting | 1.35 |  | 1.07 |  |
| Using jackhammer with extension to clean crucible | 5.53 |  | 4.39 |  |
| Jackhammer mainly held overhead and at chest height | 4.43 |  | 3.52 |  |
| Using jackhammer overhead resting on crowbar support | 6.35 |  | 5.05 |  |
| Subject 10 |  |  |  |  |
| Cleaned 1-1 ${ }^{2}$ Butts using jackhammer | 6.45 |  | 4.92 |  |
| Subject 11 2 |  |  |  |  |
| Potman riding tricycle across $\frac{1}{2}$ the pot line ( $\frac{1}{2}$ a room) | 3.25 |  | 2.42 |  |

Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio.
Subjects: Eight subjects - details of age and anthropometry for each subject provided by the authors.
Measurements: 'Spot collection' of expired gases, using a light-weight gas collection system with a manually operated valve linked to Beckman $\mathrm{C} 2 \mathrm{O}_{2}$ analyser and $\mathrm{CO}_{2}$ absorber. $\mathrm{VO}_{2}$ was recomputed to provide kcal $\mathrm{min}^{-1}$.
The jobs ranged from sweeping and light raking of bauxite ore across the pot surface to the wielding of a 14 lb sledgehammer to break up the remnants of a carbon anode into pieces. Generally, hand held jackhammers were used to break the surface crust that was formed on the molten metal during the reduction process. Molten metal was siphoned under vacuum from the reduction pot into a large cylindrical cradle, which was manoeuvred from place to place by an overhead crane. Anodes (carbons) were moved into position by the crane after being hooked to the winch by the worker. Final positioning of the anode within the pot was accomplished by the worker using a crowbar. The collecting cradle was cleaned by breaking the remaining slag from the sides and bottom of the container with a hand-held jackhammer.
PAR based on predicted BMR. Data provided for each subject separately.

Table 49 Samata A, 1981. Energy cost of manual lifting of loads by Indians ${ }^{52}$

|  | Energy cost of <br> activity $\left(\mathrm{kJ} \mathrm{min}^{-1}\right)$ |  | PAR |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Activities | Men | Women |  | Men |
| Load 9 kg , rate 9 per min, ht 1.55 m | $24.78 / 3.42$ |  | 5.78 |  |
| Load 16.3 kg , rate 9 per min, ht 1.55 m | $41.37 / 4.59$ | 9.65 |  |  |

[^3]Table 50 Samanta, 1987. Load (head) carrying by physically active, healthy, Indian porters ${ }^{53}$

| Activities | Energy cost of activity ( $\mathrm{KJ} \mathrm{min}^{-1}$ ) |  | PAR |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| Load (kg) |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 9.67/0.86 |  | 2.26 |  |
| 20 | 14.61/1.47 |  | 3.42 |  |
| 30 | 17.9/1.58 |  | 4.18 |  |
| 40 | 21.6/2.15 |  | 5.05 |  |
| 50 | 26.1/2.71 |  | 6.1 |  |
| 60 | 30.0/3.83 |  | 7.01 |  |

Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio. Subjects: Five male subjects (20-29 years, weight 51.8 kg , height 160.2 cm ).

Equipment: Douglas bag with Haldane Gas analysis.
Measurements: for 10 minutes, speed of walking $=5 \mathrm{~km} \mathrm{~h}^{-1}$.
PAR based on predicted BMR.

Table 51 Schmidt, 1985. Energy cost of kendo (traditional Japanese fencing) ${ }^{54}$

| Activities | Energy cost of activity (kcal min ${ }^{-1}$ ) |  | PAR |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| 5 min Kendo bout wearing full armour | 15.64 |  | 12.97 |  |

Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio. Subjects: Eight adult trained (>5 years), male, Caucasian kendokas (age 28.4 years, height 176.8 cm , weight 69.3 kg , per cent fat $14.4 \%$ ).

Equipment: open-circuit gas analysis - Parkinson-Cowan dry gas meter and a Beckman gas analyser.
PAR calculated from predicted BMR.

Table 52 Sheldahl, 1992. The energy cost of shovelling snow ${ }^{55}$

|  | Energy cost of activity <br> $\left(\mathrm{VO}_{2}-\mathrm{ml} \mathrm{kg}^{-1} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}\right)$ |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Men | Women |  | Men | Women |
| Activities | 25.2 |  | 8.08 |  |  |
| Self-paced lift-throw | 24.4 | 7.82 |  |  |  |
| Self-paced push-throw | 24.0 |  | 7.7 |  |  |
| Paced lift-throw |  |  |  |  |  |

Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio.
Subjects: 12 younger normal men (age 40 years, weight 81 kg , all means).
Equipment and measurement: open-circuit spirometry. $\mathrm{VO}_{2}$ determined at 6 minutes and 8 minutes of each procedure.
Analysis of $\mathrm{O}_{2}$ done within 5 minutes of collection. Snow depth of $3-4$ inches
PAR calculated from predicted BMR.

Table 53 Spurr, 1975. Energy cost of cutting sugar cane ${ }^{56}$

| Activities | Energy cost of activity $\left(\mathrm{VO}_{2}\right.$ - litre $\left.\mathrm{min}^{-1}\right)$ |  | PAR |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| am |  |  |  |  |
| Rest-sitting position | 0.25 |  | 1.15 |  |
| 5-10 min after starting sugar cane cutting | 1.50 |  | 6.88 |  |
| 20-25 min after starting cutting sugar cane | 1.46 |  | 6.7 |  |
| pm |  |  |  |  |
| Rest-sitting position | 0.25 |  | 1.15 |  |
| 5-10 min after starting sugar cane cutting | 1.51 |  | 6.9 |  |
| 20-25 min after starting cutting sugar cane | 1.44 |  | 6.6 |  |

Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio.
Subjects: 61? males who were experienced sugar cane cutters (age 29.8 years, height 163.3 cm , weight 58.6 kg , per cent fat $10.3 \%$, all means).
Equipment: Kofranyi-Michaelis respirometer. Expired air analysed using gas chromatography.
PAR calculated from predicted BMR.

Table 54 Spurr, 1977. Loading sugar cane on to wagons by picking cane singly or in bundles ( $1-2 \mathrm{~kg}$ ) and throwing them onto the wagon ${ }^{57}$

|  | Energy cost <br> of activity <br> $\left(\mathrm{VO}_{2}-\right.$ litre min $\left.^{-1}\right)$ |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Men $\quad$ Women |  | Men | Women |
| Activities | 0.25 | 1.12 |  |  |
| Rest for 10 min <br> prior to loading <br> Loading | 1.25 | 5.6 |  |  |

Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio.
Subjects: 28 men employed as loaders (age 34 years, height 165 cm weight 60.3 kg , per cent fat $9.9 \%$, all mean).
Equipment/measurements: Kofranyi-Michaelis respirometer - gas concentrations in expired air using gas chromatography. Measurements made in 3 , 5 minute periods ( $10-15,25-30$ and $40-45$ minutes after starting work).
PAR from predicted BMR.

Table 55 Thornton, 1984. Energy cost of helicopter pilots flying two different types of helicopters ${ }^{58}$

| Activities | Energy cost of activity (watts) |  | PAR |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| Gazelle (light observation helicopter) |  |  |  |  |
| Hover $n=6$ | 145 |  | 1.67 |  |
| Level flight (1000 ft) | 128 |  | 1.47 |  |
| Puma (medium battlefield support helicopter) |  |  |  |  |
| Hover $n=3$ | 232 |  | 2.59 |  |
| Level flight $(1000 \mathrm{ft}) n=6$ | 197 |  | 2.19 |  |

Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio.
Subjects: 12 trained male defence pilots, under peace-time conditions, divided into two groups. Anthropometry details provided in the paper.
Equipment: Oxylog
PAR calculated using predicted BMR.

Table 56 Tin-May-Than, 1988. Energy cost of weaving and domestic chores in Burmese ${ }^{59}$

| Activities | $n$ | Energy cost of activity (kcal min ${ }^{-1}$ ) |  | PAR |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| Weaving | 19 |  | 2.59 |  | 3.19 |
| Spinning (sitting) | 2 |  | 1.91 |  | 2.29 |
| Spinning (standing) | 1 |  | 1.52 |  | 1.89 |
| Picking thread (sitting) | 3 |  | 1.32 |  | 1.662 |
| 'Making paste' Burmese makeup | 6 |  | 2.35 |  | 2.94 |
| Washing clothes | 2 |  | 2.2 |  | 2.5 |
| Sitting (leisure) | 15 |  | 1.14 |  | 1.4 |
| Walking | 18 |  | 2.22 |  | 2.75 |

Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio. Subjects: $n=22$. Variable numbers for different activities (age 19-43 years, height 150.8 cm , weight 45.9 kg , per cent fat 25.8 , all means).
Measurements: Douglas bag collections, volume and expired gas analysis. PAR based on predicted BMR.

Table 57 Torun, 1982. Energy costs of agricultural and domestic chores ${ }^{60}$

| Activities | $n$ | Energy cost of activity (kcal min ${ }^{-1}$ ) |  | PAR |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| Lying down | 23 |  | 1.14 |  | 1.3 |
| Standing | 8 |  | 1.15 |  | 1.31 |
| Sitting/sewing | 20 |  | 1.2 |  | 1.36 |
| Ironing clothes | 1 |  | 1.44 |  | 1.66 |
| Picking coffee | 6 |  | 1.5 |  | 1.7 |
| Winnowing or dekernelising corn | 15 |  | 1.63 |  | 1.85 |
| Washing dishes | 1 |  | 1.68 |  | 1.91 |
| Cooking | 19 |  | 1.75 |  | 1.99 |
| Making Tortillas | 48 |  | 2.08 |  | 2.36 |
| House cleaning | 16 |  | 2.2 |  | 2.5 |
| Child care | 4 |  | 2.22 |  | 2.52 |
| Washing clothes | 16 |  | 2.69 |  | 3.06 |
| Walking on a flat terrain without a load | 31 |  | 2.73 |  | 3.1 |
| Walking on a flat terrain carrying 5 kg |  |  | 2.98 |  | 3.39 |
| Walking on a flat terrain carrying 10 kg |  |  | 3.22 |  | 3.65 |
| Sweeping | 33 |  | 3.12 |  | 3.55 |
| Cutting fruit with a pole | 1 |  | 3.34 |  | 3.8 |
| Gleaning | 5 |  | 3.95 |  | 4.49 |
| Lifting and moving objects | 4 |  | 4.04 |  | 4.59 |
| Walking uphill | 18 |  | 4.25 |  | 4.83 |
| Chopping wood |  |  | 4.32 |  | 4.91 |
| Carrying a 10 kg load uphill | 24 |  | 5.77 |  | 6.56 |

Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio.
Subjects: $n=58$, Guatamelan rural women, 12 in 2nd or 3rd trimester, 30 lactating (age 27 years, weight 49.1 kg , height 150 cm , all means).
Equipment: Kofranyi-Michaelis initially, but most with Douglas bag and subsequent calibrated analysis.
Measurements: collections were for $2-5$ minutes, starting after 2 minutes
for light tasks and 3-5 minutes for heavy tasks.
PAR calculated using predicted BMR.

Table 58 Town, 1980. Energy cost of rope skipping in both men and women ${ }^{61}$

| Activities | Energy cost of activity (kcal min ${ }^{-1}$ ) |  | PAR |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| 125 skips per min | 15.7 | 10.9 | 12.5 | 12.27 |
| 135 skips per min | 16.0 | 11.1 | 12.75 | 12.49 |
| 145 skips per min | 16.5 | 10.9 | 13.15 | 12.26 |
| Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio. Subjects: 11 females (age 21.8 years, weight 53.3 kg ) and 19 males (24.7 years, weight 73.7 kg ). |  |  |  |  |
| Equipment: modified gas collecting system to allow skipping. Gas collected via tubing into meteorological balloons and analysed using Beckman E2 and LB1 analysers. |  |  |  |  |
| Measurement: gas collection for 5 minute after start. |  |  |  |  |

Table 59 Viteri, 1971. Energy cost of common agricultural activities in Central America ${ }^{62}$

| Activities | $n$ | Energy cost of activity ( $\mathrm{kcal} \mathrm{min}^{-1}$ ) |  | PAR |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| Sitting | 19 | 1.21 |  | 1.08 |  |
| Standing | 18 | 1.28 |  | 1.14 |  |
| Office work, wash stable with water hose | 5 | 1.73 |  | 1.54 |  |
| Wire fence, sharpen tools, tie iron rods in construction work, drive truck or tractor, wash buckets | 21 | 2.59 |  | 2.31 |  |
| Hackle barn floors, Open holes with a straight hoe, milk cows | 19 | 3.44 |  | 3.07 |  |
| Walk with or without moderate load, drive cattle, shovel hay with a trident, ride horse, hand mix cattle feed | 31 | 4.47 |  | 3.99 |  |
| Walk with a heavy load, Push a wheel barrow, Open ditch with a hoe, shovel sand, Mow with machete (standing), Cut wood with machete, cut wood with hand saw | 40 | 5.6 |  | 5.0 |  |
| Distribute gravel with hoe, hand gather cut weeds, mow with scythe, mow with machete (leaning), open deep furrow with hoe or pick, hoe in water ditch | 46 | 6.33 |  | 5.65 |  |
| Mow with sickle, shovel heavy material, harvest forages with machete | 12 | 7.18 |  | 5.65 |  |
| Ride bicycle on farm roads | 6 | 10.0 |  | 6.41 |  |

Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio.
Subjects: 18 men (age 29.7 years, height 160.9 cm , weight 60.1 kg ).
Equipment: KM respirometer calib at 2-week intervals. Air analysed using the Scholander.
Measurements: expired air collected for last 10 minutes of $15-20$ minute activity period. Each activity measured in duplicate and the mean taken.
BMR measured in 15 subjects.

Table 60 Wilke, 1995. Variety of household tasks ${ }^{63}$

|  | Energy cost <br> of activity <br> $\left(\mathrm{VO}_{2}-\mathrm{ml} \mathrm{kg}^{-1} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}\right)$ |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Men | Women |  | PAR |
| Activities | $10.7 / 0.9 \mathrm{SE}$ |  | Women |  |
| Vacuum carpet | $12.2 / 0.7 \mathrm{SE}$ |  | 3.88 |  |
| Mop floor | $12.7 / 0.6 \mathrm{SE}$ |  | 4.43 |  |
| Change bed | $13.7 / 0.8 \mathrm{SE}$ |  | 4.61 |  |
| Wash floor |  |  | 4.96 |  |

Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio. Subjects: data presented here only for the normal controls, 10 Caucasian women (age 62 years, weight 64 kg ).
Measurements: min-max $\mathrm{VO}_{2}$ measured by open-circuit spirometry. Each task 6-8 minute steady state expected to be achieved by 6 minutes PAR based on predicted BMR.

Table 61 Wilmore, 1978. Energy cost of circuit-training (three sets through a 10 station circuit ${ }^{64}$

| Activities | Energy cost of activity (kcal min ${ }^{-1}$ ) |  | PAR |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| Energy cost of circuit training | 9.0 | 6.1 | 6.96 | 6.29 |

Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio. Subjects: 20 men (age 23.7 years, height 180.6 cm , weight 77.5 kg , per cent fat 14.3) and 20 women (age 20.3 years, height 165.4 cm , weight 61.0 kg , per cent fat 26.4). All subjects were familiar with the concept and most had been participating in a training programme.
Equipment/measurement: Beckman metabolic measurement cart. Measurements at 45 second intervals for each station through three complete circuits.
PAR calculated using predicted BMR.

Table 62 Zhuo, 1984. Energy cost of Tai-Chi Chuan exercise ${ }^{65}$

| Activities | Energy cost of activity $\left(\mathrm{VO}_{2}\right.$-litre $\left.\mathrm{min}^{-1}\right)$ |  | PAR |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| The long form of Yang's style with 108 successive movements in a set routine. Time req $=17.5-25 \mathrm{~min}$ (average 22 min ) | 1.03 |  | 4.19 |  |

Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio.
Subjects: 11 healthy males who had been practising Tai Chi regularly for $3-8$ years (age 28.4 years, height 176.9 cm , weight 71.5 kg , per cent fat 13.9).
Equipment: automated respiratory gas collection system (Jaeger Ergo-Oxyscreen) with paramagnetic and infrared analysers.
PAR calculated using predicted BMR.

Table 63 Energy costs of a variety of activities abstracted from Passmore and Durnin, $1955^{2}$. Different rows with similar activity identifiers indicate different studies

| Activities | $n$ | Energy cost (kcal min ${ }^{-1}$ ) | PAR |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Personal necessities |  |  |  |
| Males |  |  |  |
| Washing hands and face and brushing hair | 1 | 2.5 | 2.3 |
| Washing and dressing | 1 | 2.6 | 2.18 |
| Dressing, washing and shaving | 5 | 3.8 | 3.04 |
| Dressing | 9 | 4.0 | 3.32 |
| Washing and shaving | 4 | 2.6 | 2.3 |
| Dressing | 6 | 3.0 | 2.65 |
| Females |  |  |  |
| Washing, dressing and undressing | 3 | 3.3 | 3.3 |
| Light indoor recreation |  |  |  |
| Males |  |  |  |
| Sitting, listening to the radio | 1 | 2.0 | 1.51 |
| Sitting, listening to the radio | 1 | 2.5 | 1.86 |
| Sitting, writing | 1 | 1.9 | 1.65 |
| Sitting, writing | 1 | 2.2 | 1.64 |
| Sitting playing cards | 1 | 1.9 | 1.44 |
| Sitting playing cards | 1 | 2.1 | 1.64 |
| Sitting, playing accordion | 1 | 2.2 | 1.84 |
| Sitting, playing piano | 1 | 2.5 | 2.25 |
| Sitting, playing cello | 1 | 2.6 | 2.28 |
| Sitting, playing drums | 1 | 4.0 | 3.71 |
| Standing, drawing | 1 | 2.3 | 2.0 |
| Standing, conducting orchestra | 1 | 2.5 | 2.22 |
| Standing playing trumpet | 1 | 2.1 | 1.77 |
| Standing, playing double bass | 1 | 2.5 | 2.49 |
| Playing with children | 3 | 3.5 | 3.11 |
| Females |  |  |  |
| Sitting, eating | 1 | 1.5 | 1.55 |
| Recreations involving moderate exercise (only males) |  |  |  |
| Driving a car | 3 | 2.8 | 2.43 |
| Driving a motorcycle | 3 | 3.4 | 2.95 |
| Cycling (own pace) | 10 | 8.2 | 6.8 |
| Cycling (own pace) | 1 | 5.9 | 5.48 |
| Cycling (own pace) | 1 | 6.6 | 5.62 |
| Cycling (own pace) | 1 | 10.3 | 8.63 |
| Dancing, petronella | 1 | 4.7 | 3.9 |
| Dancing, foxtrot | 1 | 5.2 | 3.93 |
| Dancing, waltz | 1 | 5.7 | 4.46 |
| Dancing, rumba | 1 | 7.0 | 5.81 |
| Dancing, eightsome reel | 3 | 7.7 | 5.97 |
| Gardening, weeding | 1 | 4.4 | 5.32 |
| Gardening, weeding | 1 | 5.6 | 4.94 |
| Gardening, digging | 1 | 8.6 | 7.69 |
| Gymnastics-balancing exercises |  | 2.5 | 2.09 |
| Abdominal exercises |  | 3.0 | 2.51 |
| Trunk bending |  | 3.5 | 2.93 |
| Arms swinging, hopping |  | 6.5 | 5.44 |
| Bowls | 1 | 4.4 | 3.74 |
| Golf | 1 | 5.0 | 4.38 |
| Archery | 2 | 5.2 | 4.69 |
| Cricket, fielding | 6 | 3.9 | 3.15 |
| Cricket, bowling | 6 | 5.2 | 4.21 |
| Cricket, batting | 6 | 6.0 | 4.85 |
| Tennis | 7 | 7.1 | 5.84 |
| Recreations involving hard exercise |  |  |  |
| Football, association |  | 8.9 | 7.45 |
| Sculling at $51 \mathrm{mmin}^{-1}$ |  | 4.1 | 3.5 |
| Sculling at $69 \mathrm{mmin}^{-1}$ |  | 6.4 | 5.46 |
| Sculling at $97 \mathrm{mmin}^{-1}$ |  | 11.2 | 9.55 |
| Sculling at 61 per min |  | 4.8 | 4.36 |
| Sculling at $87 \mathrm{mmin}^{-1}$ |  | 7.0 | 6.35 |
| Sculling at $93 \mathrm{mmin}^{-1}$ |  | 9.2 | 9.08 |
| Sculling at $68 \mathrm{~m} \mathrm{~min}{ }^{-1}$ |  | 5.5 | 5.34 |
| Swimming, breast stroke |  | 11.0 | 9.21 |
| Swimming, back crawl |  | 11.5 | 9.63 |
| Playing squash racquets |  | 10.2 | 8.62 |
| Cross country running |  | 10.6 | 9.12 |

Table 63 Continued

| Activities | $n$ | Energy cost (kcal min ${ }^{-1}$ ) | PAR |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Domestic work |  |  |  |
| Females |  |  |  |
| Sewing, 30 stiches a min | 2 | 1.14 | 1.33 |
| Knitting, 23 stiches a min | 2 | 1.17 | 1.37 |
| Sweeping floors | 4 | 1.7 | 1.99 |
| Simple work, sitting |  | 1.7 | 1.57 |
| Washing small clothes |  | 2.3 | 2.12 |
| Stirring |  | 3.0 | 2.77 |
| Bringing in the wash |  | 3.3 | 3.05 |
| Polishing floor |  | 4.8 | 4.43 |
| Taking and hanging out the washing |  | 5.0 | 4.62 |
| Clearing floor, kneeling and bending |  | 5.9 | 5.4 |
| Scrubbing |  | 7.0 | 6.46 |
| Putting washing through mangle |  | 8.0 | 7.39 |
| Scrubbing, standing | 3 | 2.9 | 3.35 |
| Washing small clothes |  | 3.0 | 3.1 |
| Kneading dough |  | 3.3 | 3.41 |
| Wringing the wash by hand |  | 4.4 | 4.54 |
| Beating carpets and mats |  | 4.9 | 5.06 |
| Putting washing through a mangle (all) | 1 | 6.0 | 6.2 |
| Scrubbing, kneeling | 3 | 3.4 |  |
| Scrubbing floors |  | 3.6 | 3.4 |
| Mopping |  | 4.2 | 4.0 |
| Taking out and hanging the wash |  | 4.5 | 4.25 |
| Bed making and bed stripping |  | 5.4 | 5.1 |
| Beating and brushing carpets (all) | 1 | 7.8 | 7.37 |
| Males |  |  |  |
| Brushing boots |  | 2.2 | 2.02 |
| Cleaning windows (all) | 1 | 3.0 | 2.76 |
| Polishing | 5 | 2.4 | 2.21 |
| Peeling potatoes | 1 | 2.9 | 2.4 |
| Getting in coals |  | 3.5 | 2.93 |
| Breaking firewood (all) | 1 | 4.9 | 4.1 |
| Cleaning windows |  | 3.7 | 3.3 |
| Tidying beds (all) | 10 | 3.9 | 3.48 |
| Ironing | 5 | 4.2 | 3.55 |
| Energy cost of light occupational activities |  |  |  |
| Shoemaker: fixing soles |  | 2.4, 2.1 | 2.37 |
| Filling soles |  | 2.3 | 2.42 |
| Polishing shoes (all) | 1 | 1.8 | 1.9 |
| Locksmith: filing with large file |  | 3.3, 3.7 | 3.38 |
| Five other processes (all) | 1 | 2.1-2.9 | 2.42 |
| Tailor: cutting |  | 2.4 | 2.11 |
| Machine sewing |  | 2.8, 2.9 | 2.51 |
| Hand sewing |  | 1.9 | 1.67 |
| Pressing (all) | 1 | 3.5 | 3.08 |
| Tailor: cutting |  | 2.7 | 2.4 |
| Machine sewing |  | 2.6, 2.7 | 2.36 |
| Hand sewing |  | 2.0 | 1.78 |
| Pressing |  | 4.3 | 3.82 |
| Energy cost of postmen climbing stairs at usual pace |  |  |  |
| Load 11 kg |  | 9.8 | 7.71 |
| Load 16 kg |  | 11.5 | 8.88 |
| Load 16 kg |  | 9.8 | 8.21 |
| Load 16 kg (all) | 1 | 13.8 | 10.7 |
| Energy expenditure in the building industry |  |  |  |
| Measuring wood |  | 2.4 | 2.16 |
| Machine sawing |  | 2.4 | 2.16 |
| Measuring and sawing |  | 3.5 | 3.15 |
| Joining floor boards |  | 4.4 | 3.96 |
| Miscellaneous work |  | 4.5 | 4.05 |
| Drilling hardwood |  | 7.0 | 6.31 |
| Chiselling |  | 5.7 | 5.02 |
| Sawing softwood |  | 6.3 | 5.56 |
| Sawing hardwood |  | 7.5 | 6.61 |
| Planing softwood |  | 8.1 | 7.14 |
| Planing hardwood |  | 9.1 | 8.02 |

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| Activities | $n$ | Energy cost (kcal min ${ }^{-1}$ ) | PAR |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Marching (3 m ${ }^{-1}$ ) with 27 kg load |  | 5.3 | 4.44 |
| Quick march |  | 5.6 | 4.69 |
| Field operation |  | 5.9 | 4.58 |
| Digging trenches |  | 6.0 | 4.61 |
| Obstacle course |  | 6.2 | 4.97 |
| Assault course |  | 6.9 | 5.22 |
| Marching ( $4 \mathrm{mh}^{-1}$ ) with a 27 kg load |  | 8.2 | 6.87 |
| Rapid marching |  | 9.7 | 8.12 |
| Energy expenditure of British soldiers in India |  |  |  |
| Standing at ease | 10 | 1.3 | 1.16 |
| Standing at attention |  | 1.4 | 1.25 |
| Cleaning equipment |  | 2.9 | 2.59 |
| Signalling with morse, semaphore and lamp |  | 3.0 | 2.68 |
| Musketry training |  | 3.2 | 2.86 |
| Musketry-firing on range |  | 3.8 | 3.39 |
| Sentry duty |  | 3.5 | 3.13 |
| Squad drill-without arms |  | 4.7 | 4.2 |
| Squad drill with arms |  | 4.8 | 4.29 |
| Throwing grenades |  | 4.7 | 4.2 |
| Marching in drill order (load 13 kg , speed $3.4 \mathrm{mh}^{-1}$ ) |  | 6.3 | 5.63 |
| Bayonet exercises |  | 6.7 | 5.98 |
| Field exercises in extended order |  | 7.8 | 7.0 |
| Digging trenches |  | 8.8 | 7.86 |
| Horse clipping |  | 4.2 | 3.61 |
| Cleaning harness |  | 4.8 | 4.13 |
| Cleaning guns |  | 5.1 | 4.39 |
| Trotting on horseback |  | 5.6 | 4.82 |
| Cantering on horseback |  | 6.4 | 5.51 |
| Jumping on horseback |  | 7.6 | 6.54 |
| Harnessing and unharnessing |  | 6.9 | 5.94 |
| Grooming horses |  | 8.3 | 7.14 |
| Energy expenditure of US soldiers |  |  |  |
| Inspection |  | 2.4 | 2.34 |
| Fatigue duties |  | 2.4 | 2.34 |
| Drill |  | 3.8 | 3.7 |
| Digging foxholes (mixed with marching and short rest periods) |  | 4.6 | 4.48 |
| Mass games |  | 5.2 | 5.06 |
| Field march |  | 5.5 | 5.35 |
| Field march with rifle |  | 6.5 | 6.33 |
| Obstacle course with pack and rifle |  | 6.6 | 6.43 |
| Creeping and crawling with full equipment |  | 7.9 | 7.69 |
| Field march with rifle and 27-lb pack at $3 \mathrm{mh}^{-1}$ |  | 8.0 | 7.79 |
| Field march with heavy pack |  | 8.9 | 8.66 |
| Energy expenditure of Yugoslav soldiers |  |  |  |
| Dressing and undressing |  | 2.5 | 2.11 |
| Driving a tank |  | 2.4 | 2.03 |
| Adjusting caterpillar tracks |  | 2.4 | 2.03 |
| Cleaning a tank |  | 2.8 | 2.37 |
| Rifle exercises, lying down |  | 2.8 | 2.37 |
| Rifle exercises, kneeling |  | 3.2 | 2.7 |
| Taking off and putting on car tyres |  | 3.3 | 2.78 |
| Cleaning equipment |  | 3.6 | 3.04 |
| Cleaning gun |  | 3.7 | 3.13 |
| Rifle exercises, standing |  | 3.8 | 3.21 |
| Horse riding, slow |  | 4.3 | 3.63 |
| Cleaning horse |  | 4.5 | 3.8 |
| Lifting car by jack |  | 4.5 | 3.8 |
| Carrying boxes of ammunition |  | 6.3 | 5.32 |
| Horse riding, trotting |  | 6.5 | 5.49 |
| Digging a trench |  | 8.0 | 6.76 |
| Horse riding, galloping |  | 8.1 | 6.84 |

[^4]
[^0]:    Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio.
    Subjects: all male, 9 athletes and 11 non-athletes. Data collation restricted to non-athletes. Age $19 \pm 2.4$ years, height $167.5 \pm 7.4 \mathrm{~cm}$, weight $51.1 \pm 6.7 \mathrm{~kg}$, per cent fat $10.1 \pm 2.2$ (all mean $\pm$ SD).
    Equipment: Douglas bag, with $\mathrm{O}_{2}$ estimation from Scholander micrometer.
    Measurements: duration of activities not given. BMR for the group $0.87 \pm 0.032 \mathrm{kcal} \mathrm{min}^{-1}$.
    PAR calculated using measured BMRs.

[^1]:    Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio.

[^2]:    Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio.
    Subjects: 30 male labourers who had worked for at least 5 years, variable numbers for each activity. Authors provide anthropometry of each data subset.
    Equipment: Kofranyi-Michaelis calorimeter. Gas analysis using a portable Haldane gas analysis apparatus.
    PAR calculated using predicted BMR.

[^3]:    Abbreviations: BMR - basal metabolic rate; PAR - physical activity ratio.
    Subjects: $n=21$ ? males (age 29.3 years, weight 52.1 kg , height 166 cm , all means).
    Equipment: Douglas bag with Haldane Gas analysis apparatus.
    Measurements: collection of expired air 10 minutes after start of task.
    PAR based on predicted BMR.

[^4]:    Abbreviation: PAR - physical activity ratio.

