

The line graphs demonstrate the changes in using electric devices and how much time people spent doing housework in a country from 1920 to 2019.

Overall, it is obvious that the proportion of households who were using electrical appliances increased over the period shown. Consequently, it can be seen that the amount of time which was required for doing housework decreased.

In 1920, 40% of households used washing machines which was higher than the figure for refrigerator and vacuum cleaner. However, in the following years up to 1980, the figures for washing machine, refrigerators and vacuum cleaner rose to 100% and 90% and approximately 62%. It is reported that, as a result of this increase in using electrical appliances, the amount of time used for doing housework decreased from 50 to 15 hours per week from 1920 to 1980.

In the rest of the period, the percentage of households using vacuum cleaners peaked at 100%, while that of washing machine increased slightly, to 72%. During these years the number of hours allocated to housework declined to the lowest amount in the whole period, 10%.