

Given are bar charts, one of which compares the percentages of individuals owning these types of home appliances, namely washing machine, refrigerator, and vacuum cleaner in one country during a 100-year period from 1920 to 2019, and the other bar chart demonstrates the amount of spent time dedicated to housework per week in the same years.

It can clearly be seen that there was an almost upward trend in belonging electrical appliances in home. Accordingly, the amount of dedicated hours for doing housework has decreased each year.

In 1920, 40% of households had washing machine, and this portion rose dramatically to 70% in 1960, and after witnessing a moderate decrease to hit just about 50%, increased steadily to reach just above 70% in 2000. Vacuum cleaner, on the other hand, stood at 30% in 1920, experienced a steady growth and overtook washing machine in 1960, reached 100% in 2000. The percentage of people belonging refrigerator was roughly zero percent in 1920, while the figure soared dramatically to 90% in 1960 and outstripped two other appliances near 1940, and also, continued to 100% in 1980. All of the households had refrigerator and vacuum cleaner since 2000, meanwhile almost 25% of them lacked washing machine.

The dedicated hours for doing housework which was 50 hours per week in 1920, by contrast, saw a sharp decline in first 40 years, reached 20 hours in a week. From 1960 to 2019, it experienced a very slight downward trend and hit just over 10 hours per week in 2019 (i.e., an all-time-low).