Taking steps toward better health doesn't always mean walking. Other activities can easily be converted into steps using the chart below.* Simply multiply the steps indicated by the number of minutes you were active. For example, 30 minutes of light housework equals $2,272.5$ steps ( 30 minutes $\times 75.75$ ). Activities not listed below can be calculated using the following equation: Each mile of activity equals 2,000 steps.

| Activity | Steps Per Minute | Activity | Steps Per Minute |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Aerobics, high intensity | 242 | Rock climbing, rappelling | 242.4 |
| Aerobics, low intensity | 106.05 | Rope jumping, intense | 363.65 |
| Aerobics, water | 121.2 | Rope jumping, leisurely | 242.4 |
| Badminton, recreational | 136.35 | Rowing, intense | 257.6 |
| Basketball, game | 242.4 | Rowing, moderate | 212.1 |
| Basketball, recreational | 181.8 | Rowing, leisurely | 106.05 |
| Bowling | 90.9 | Running, pushing stroller 5 mph (12 min/mile) | 242 |
| Boxing, competitive, in a ring | 363.65 | Running, $6 \mathrm{mph}(10 \mathrm{~min} / \mathrm{mile}$ ) | 303 |
| Boxing, non-competitive | 181.8 | Running, $7 \mathrm{mph}(8.5 \mathrm{~min} / \mathrm{mile})$ | 348 |
| Canoeing, leisurely | 121.2 | Running, $8 \mathrm{mph}(7.5 \mathrm{~min} / \mathrm{mile}$ ) | 409 |
| Circuit training | 242.4 | Running, $9 \mathrm{mph}(6.5 \mathrm{~min} / \mathrm{mile}$ ) | 455 |
| Cycling, $<10 \mathrm{mph}$, leisurely | 121.2 | Skating, ice, intense | 272.75 |
| Cycling, 11-13 mph, moderate | 242.4 | Skating, ice, leisurely | 166.65 |
| Cycling, 14-16 mph, intense | 303.05 | Skating, in-line | 363.65 |
| Dancing, fast | 136.35 | Skating, roller-skating | 212.1 |
| Football, recreational | 242.4 | Skating, skateboarding | 151.5 |
| Gardening, heavy | 151.5 | Skiing, cross-country, intense | 272.75 |
| Gardening, moderate | 121.2 | Skiing, cross-country, moderate | 242.4 |
| Golfing, walking, no cart | 136.35 | Skiing, cross-country, leisurely | 212.1 |
| Golfing, with a cart | 106.05 | Skiing, downhill or water | 181.8 |
| Golfing, miniature or driving range | 90.9 | Snow shoveling or snowshoeing | 181.8 |
| Gymnastics | 121.2 | Soccer, game | 303.05 |
| Handball, game | 363.65 | Soccer, recreational | 212.1 |
| Hockey, ice or field | 242.4 | Softball or baseball | 151.5 |
| Horseback riding, leisurely | 75.75 | Squash | 363.65 |
| Horseback riding, trotting | 196.95 | Stair-climbing machine | 272.75 |
| Housework, vacuuming or mopping floors | 106.05 | Swimming laps, intense | 303.05 |
| Housework, cleaning, intense | 121.2 | Swimming laps, moderate | 212.1 |
| Housework, cleaning, light | 75.75 | Tai chi | 121.2 |
| Jogging | 212 | Tennis, doubles | 151.5 |
| Mowing lawn | 166.65 | Tennis, singles | 212.1 |
| Pingpong | 121.2 | Volleyball, recreational | 90.9 |
| Racquetball, competitive | 303.05 | Washing the car | 90.9 |
| Racquetball, leisurely | 212.1 | Weightlifting | 90.9 |
| Rock climbing, ascending | 333.35 | Yoga | 75.75 |

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