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57°   39°F	63°   41°F	70°   51°F	57°   38°F	61°   40°F	<mark>68°</mark>   51°F	74°   59°F	78°   62°F
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## Study examines connection between fruit and vegetable consumption and sleep

A new study from Finland has examined the relationship between fruit and vegetable consumption and sleep duration — and the results are mixed. Both short and longer sleepers reported consuming fewer fruits and vegetables than normal sleepers, the study shows. The study, according to the research abstract, examined the association between sleep duration and fruit and vegetable consumption among Finnish adults, considering the role of demographic, socio-economic and chronotype as confounders.

Participants in the study reported their habitual sleep duration and dietary consumption through a validated self-administered questionnaire, the abstract said. The study evaluated data from the "National FinHealth 2017 Study" involving 5,043 adults aged 18 years and above. Average dietary consumption was compared across three sleep duration categories: short, normal and long. The data revealed short sleepers consumed 37 grams (about 1.3 ounces) per day fewer fruits and vegetables than normal sleepers, while long sleepers consumed 73 grams (almost 2.6 ounces) per day fewer fruits and vegetables than normal sleepers.

"Specifically, short sleep was significantly associated with lower consumption of total fruits and vegetables, green leafy vegetables, root vegetables, and fruit vegetables, with similar patterns observed for long sleepers," the abstract said.

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