motivation No. Daily time spent watching television (hours) < 0.5 48 22.4 49 21.8 97 22.1 1-2 121 56.5 119 52.9 240 54.7 3-4 29 13.6 41 18.2 70 15.9 5-7 16 7.5 16 7.1 32 7.3 Daily time spent on computer (hours) < 0.5 65 30.4 62 27.6 127 28.9 1-2 92 43.0 92 40.9 184 41.9

14.0

12.6

4.7

10.3

33.6

15.4

36.0

30

41

13

60

99

27

26

13.3

18.2

5.8

26.7

44.0

12.0

11.5

Girls (n = 225)

Total (n = 439)

60

68

23

82

171

60

103

13.7

15.5

5.1

18.7

39.0

13.7

23.5

Table 3 Daily time spent in small-screen sedentary activities and stages of motivation for adopting exercise among boys and girls

Boys (n = 214)

30

27

10

22

72

33

77

Time spent in sedentary activities/stage of

Stage of motivation for adopting exercise

3-4

5-7

Pre-contemplation

Contemplation

Preparation

Maintenance

Action