

# Chapter 10

## **Motivation**

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#### Motivation

 a need or desire that energizes and directs behavior

#### Instinct

 complex behavior that is rigidly patterned throughout a species and is unlearned

## Motivation



- Drive-Reduction Theory
  - the idea that a physiological need creates an aroused tension state (a drive) that motivates an organism to satisfy the need

Need (e.g., for food, water)



Drive (hunger, thirst)



Drive-reducing behaviors (eating, drinking)

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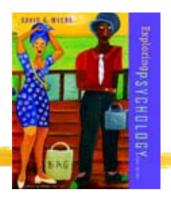
#### Homeostasis

- tendency to maintain a balanced or constant internal state
- regulation of any aspect of body chemistry around a particular level

### Incentive

 a positive or negative environmental stimulus that motivates behavior

# Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs



#### **Self-actualization needs**

Need to live up to one's fullest and unique potential

#### **Esteem needs**

Need for self-esteem, achievement, competence, and independence; need for recognition and respect from others

#### **Belongingness and love needs**

Need to love and be loved, to belong and be accepted; need to avoid loneliness and alienation

#### Safety needs

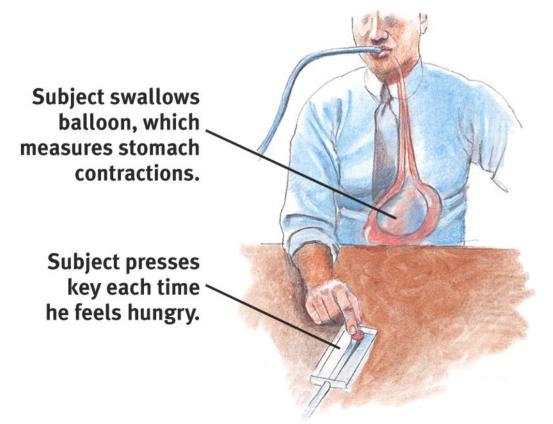
Need to feel that the world is organized and predictable; need to feel safe, secure, and stable

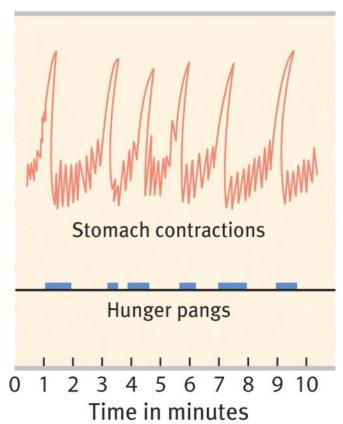
Physiological needs
Need to satisfy hunger and thirst

- begins at the base with physiological needs that must first be satisfied
- then higher-level safety needs become active
- then psychological needs become active



 Stomach contractions accompany our feelings of hunger







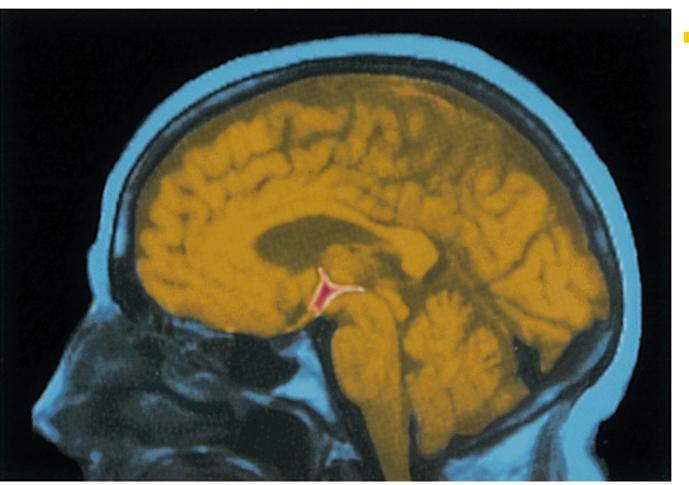
#### Glucose

- the form of sugar that circulates in the blood
- provides the major source of energy for body tissues
- when its level is low, we feel hunger



- Set Point
  - the point at which an individual's "weight thermostat" is supposedly set
  - when the body falls below this weight, an increase in hunger and a lowered metabolic rate may act to restore the lost weight
- Basal Metabolic Rate
  - body's base rate of energy expenditure





 The hypothalamus controls eating and other body maintenance functions



#### THE APPETITE HORMONES

Insulin: Hormone secreted by pancreas; controls blood glucose.

Leptin: Protein secreted by fat cells; when abundant, causes brain to increase metabolism and

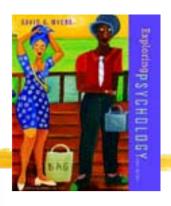
decrease hunger.

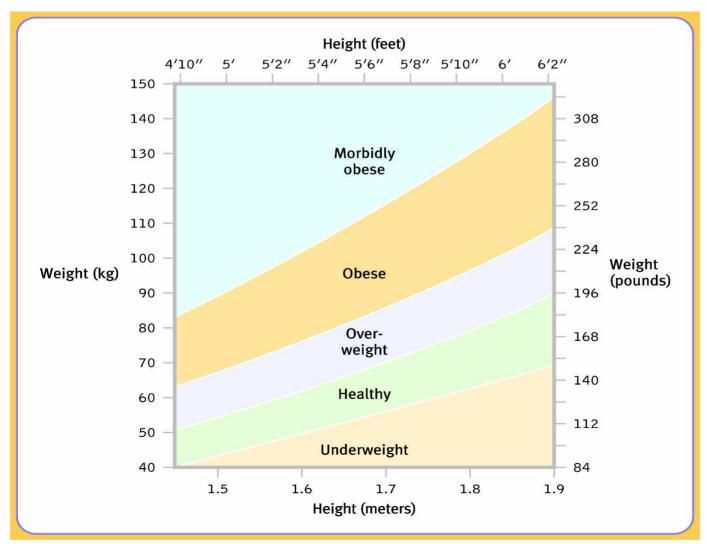
Orexin: Hunger-triggering hormone secreted by hypothalamus.

Ghrelin: Hormone secreted by empty stomach; sends "I'm hungry" signals to the brain.

*PYY*: Digestive tract hormone; sends "I'm *not* hungry" signals to the brain.

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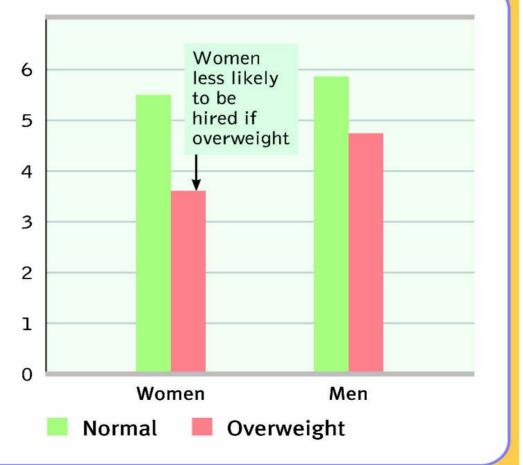




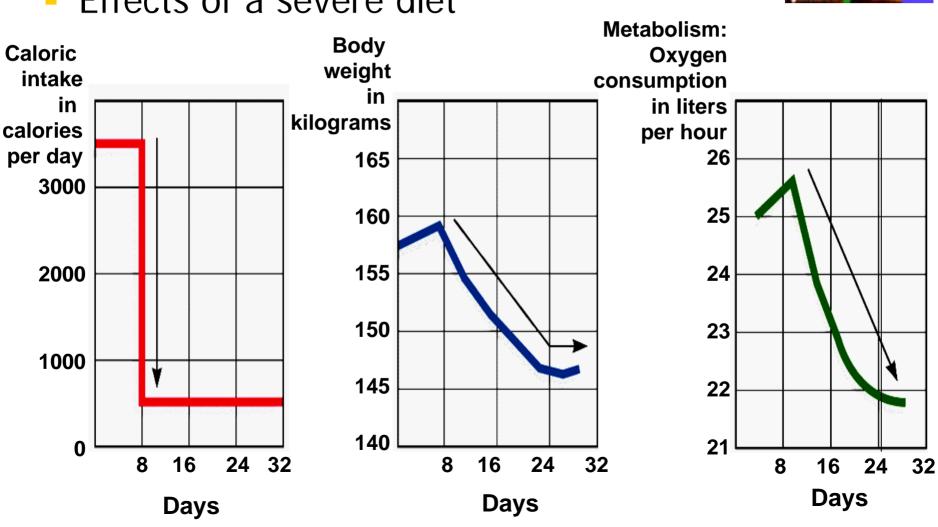
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Willingness to hire scale (from 1: definitely not hire to 7: definitely hire)

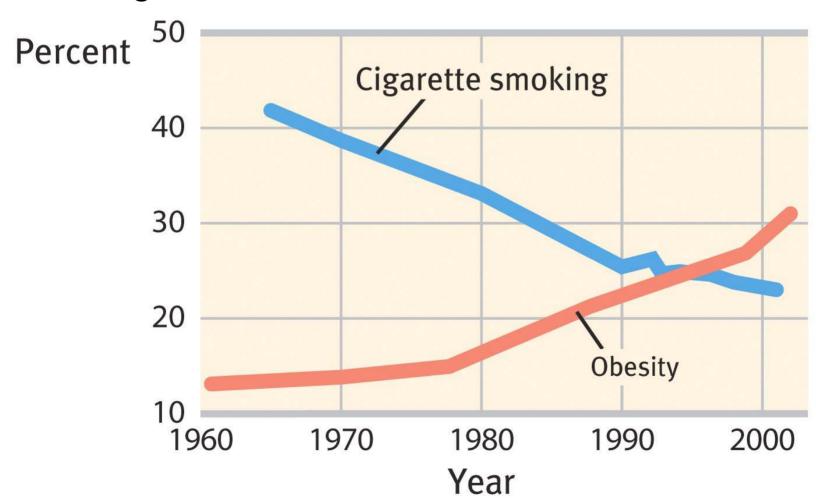


Effects of a severe diet

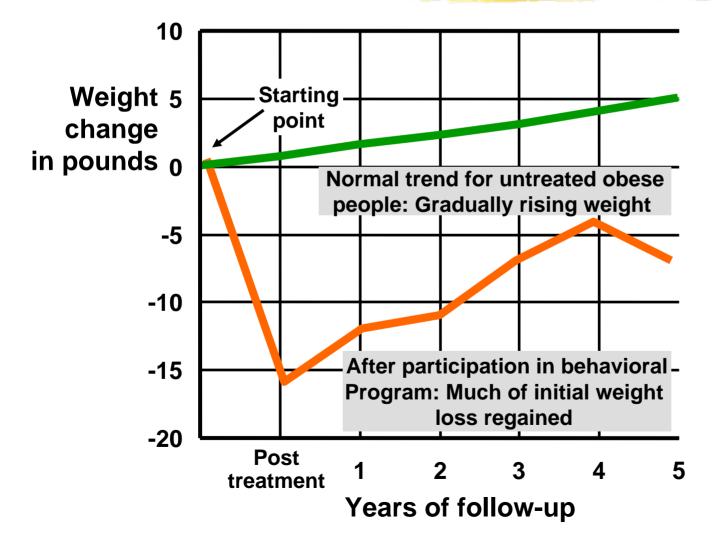


Exploring p.S.y.g.H.D.L.D.g.y.

Trading risks

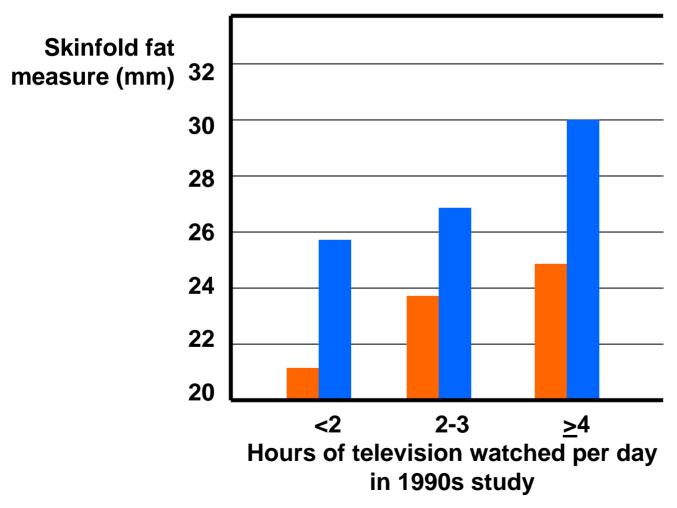






Most lost weight is regained





Obesity was more common among those who watched the most television

Boys Girls

# **Eating Disorders**



- Anorexia Nervosa
  - when a normal-weight person diets and becomes significantly (>15%) underweight, yet, still feeling fat, continues to starve
  - usually an adolescent female
- Bulimia Nervosa
  - disorder characterized by episodes of overeating, usually of high-calorie foods, followed by vomiting, laxative use, fasting, or excessive exercise



### Sexual Response Cycle

- the four stages of sexual responding described by Masters and Johnson
  - excitement
  - plateau
  - orgasm
  - resolution



- Refractory Period
  - resting period after orgasm, during which a man cannot achieve another orgasm
- Sexual Disorder
  - a problem that consistently impairs sexual arousal or functioning



### Estrogen

- a sex hormone, secreted in greater amounts by females than by males
- in nonhuman females, levels peak during ovulation, promoting sexual receptivity



### Testosterone

- most important of the male sex hormones
- both males and females have it, but the extra testosterone in males stimulates growth of sex organs in the fetus and development of the male sex characteristics during puberty

# Forces Affecting Sexual Motivation



Physiological readiness

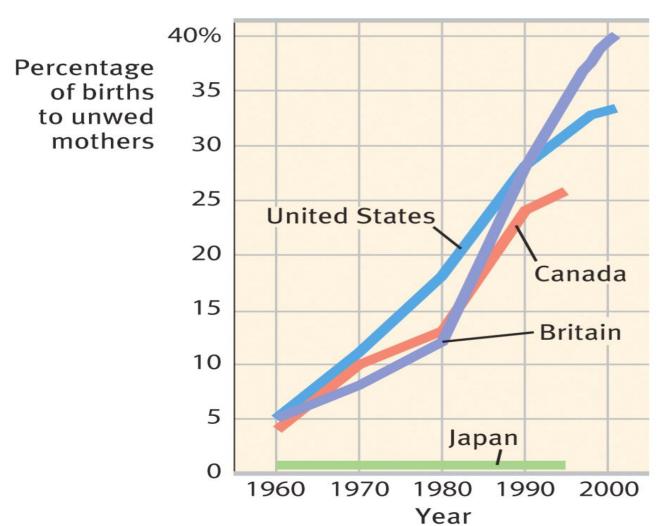
Imagined stimuli

External stimuli



Sexual motivation





Births to unwed parents



- Sexual Orientation
  - an enduring sexual attraction toward members of either one's own sex (homosexual orientation) or the other sex (heterosexual orientation)



#### **BIOLOGICAL CORRELATES OF SEXUAL ORIENTATION**

On average (the evidence is strongest for males), various biological and behavioral traits of gays and lesbians fall between those of straight men and straight women. Tentative findings—some in need of replication—include these:

#### Brain differences

- Hypothalamic cell cluster is larger in straight men than in women and gay men; same difference is found in male sheep displaying other-sex versus same-sex attraction.
- Corpus callosum is larger in gay men than in women or straight men.

#### Genetic influences

- Shared sexual orientation is higher among identical twins than among fraternals twins.
- Sexual attraction in male fruit flies can be genetically manipulated.

#### Prenatal hormonal influences

- Altered prenatal hormone exposure may lead to homosexuality in humans and other animals.
- Men with several older brothers are more likely to be gay.

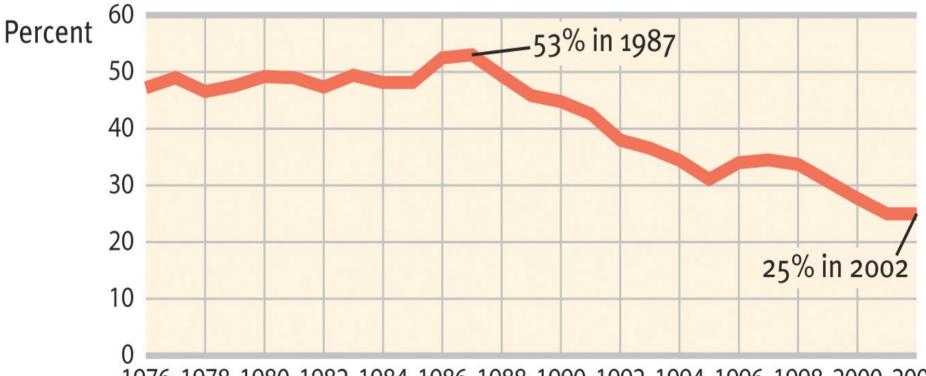
These brain differences and genetic and prenatal influences may contribute to observed gay-straight differences in

- · spatial abilities.
- fingerprint ridge counts.
- · auditory system.
- · handedness.
- · occupational preferences.

- relative finger lengths.
- · gender nonconformity.
- · age of male puberty.
- male body size.



Entering collegians agreeing that "It is important to have laws prohibiting homosexual relationships."



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## **Achievement Motivation**



- Achievement Motivation
  - a desire for significant accomplishment
    - for mastery of things, people, or ideas
    - for attaining a high standard