## The 84-Hour Workweek: When Hours Stop Working

In today's fast-paced world, it's easy to get caught up in the hustle and bustle of work. We may feel like we need to work long hours in order to succeed, but there is a point where working more hours actually becomes counterproductive.

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The 84-hour workweek is a term that was coined by entrepreneur Elon Musk. Musk has said that he works 84 hours a week, and he believes that this is the key to his success.

However, there is no scientific evidence to support Musk's claim. In fact, a study by the University of California, Berkeley found that working more than 50 hours a week actually leads to a decline in productivity.

So, if working 84 hours a week is not the key to success, what is? The answer is: working smarter, not harder.

Here are some tips for working smarter, not harder:

- Set priorities. Not all tasks are created equal. Decide which tasks are most important and focus on those first.
- Delegate. If you have too much on your plate, delegate tasks to others. This will free up your time to focus on the most important tasks.
- Take breaks. It's important to take breaks throughout the day to rest your mind and body. Taking breaks will help you to stay focused and productive.
- Get enough sleep. When you're well-rested, you're better able to focus and make decisions.
- Exercise. Exercise is a great way to reduce stress and improve your overall health. Exercise will also give you more energy to work.

If you're currently working 84 hours a week, it's time to make a change. Working this many hours is not sustainable and it can lead to burnout, health problems, and relationship issues.

Start by implementing some of the tips above. You may be surprised at how much more productive you can be when you work smarter, not harder.

## The Dangers of the 84-Hour Workweek

Working 84 hours a week can have a number of negative consequences for your health, your relationships, and your overall well-being.

## Health problems

Working 84 hours a week can lead to a number of health problems, including:

- Burnout. Burnout is a state of emotional, physical, and mental exhaustion caused by prolonged or excessive stress. Symptoms of burnout include fatigue, irritability, difficulty concentrating, and loss of motivation.
- Sleep deprivation. Working 84 hours a week can make it difficult to get enough sleep. This can lead to fatigue, irritability, and difficulty concentrating.
- Weight gain. Working 84 hours a week can make it difficult to eat healthy and exercise. This can lead to weight gain.
- Heart disease. Working 84 hours a week can increase your risk of heart disease.
- Stroke. Working 84 hours a week can increase your risk of stroke.


## Relationship problems

Working 84 hours a week can also have a negative impact on your relationships.

- Less time with family and friends. Working 84 hours a week leaves you with less time to spend with family and friends. This can lead to feelings of isolation and loneliness.
- Increased stress. Working 84 hours a week can increase your stress levels. This can lead to conflict with your partner, children, and other family members.
- Relationship breakdown. Working 84 hours a week can put a strain on your relationship and even lead to relationship breakdown.


## Overall well-being

Working 84 hours a week can also have a negative impact on your overall well-being.

- Reduced happiness. Working 84 hours a week can reduce your happiness levels.
- Increased anxiety. Working 84 hours a week can increase your anxiety levels.
- Decreased life satisfaction. Working 84 hours a week can decrease your life satisfaction.

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