

Transition to Marriage Study - Follow-Up Survey #4

Please complete the survey on your own.

Do not discuss the survey with your partner until both of you have already completed it
(if you discuss it at all).

When you are ready to begin, please click on the arrow below.

CouplD What is your Couple ID number?

This is a randomly assigned number that you received in an e-mail from us.

PartID What is your Partner ID?

- ☐ X - I am the male partner (1)
- ☐ Y - I am the female partner (2)

RRStat What is your current romantic relationship status (check all that apply)?

- ☐ Dating casually (2)
- ☐ Dating seriously (3)
- ☐ Cohabiting (living with an unmarried partner) (4)
- ☐ Engaged (5)
- ☐ Married (or civil union) (6)
- ☐ Separated (7)
- ☐ Divorced (8)
- ☐ Other, please specify: (9) _____

PANAS (Watson, Lee, & Tellegen, 1988)

PANAS The following scale consists of a number of words that describe different feelings and emotions. Please indicate to what extent you feel this way right now, that is, at the present moment.

	Very slightly or not at all (1)	A little (2)	Moderately (3)	Quite a bit (4)	Extremely (5)
Interested (1)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Distressed (2)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Excited (3)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Upset (4)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Strong (5)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Guilty (6)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Scared (7)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Hostile (8)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Enthusiastic (9)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Proud (10)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Irritable (11)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Alert (12)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Ashamed (13)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Inspired (14)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
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Determined (16)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Attentive (17)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Jittery (18)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Active (19)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Afraid (20)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Instruction Probe

Follow Several months ago, you received instructions from us on how to manage your finances for the duration of the study. Thus far, have you been able to follow the instructions we provided? Please be honest, as your payment is not contingent upon whether you've been able to follow our instructions.

- ☐ Yes (1)
☐ No (2)

Display This Question:

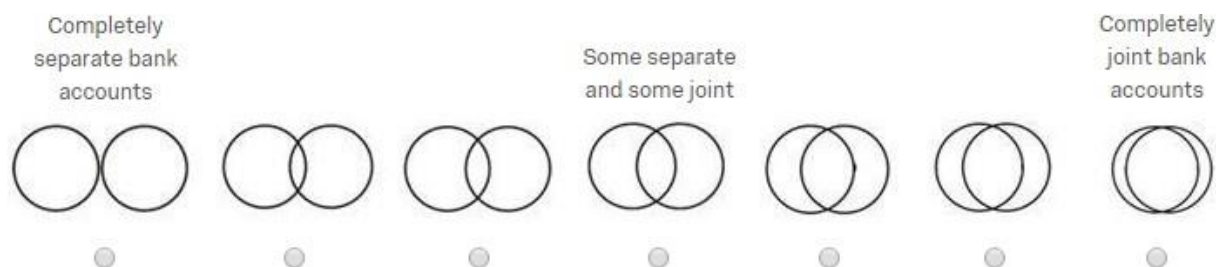
If A few months ago, you received instructions from us on how to manage your finances for the duration of the study; Thus far, have you been able to follow the instructions we provided? Please ... No Is Selected

Q158 Can you tell us more about why you have not been able to follow the instructions we provided? Is there anything we can do to help you follow those instructions?

CAccount Which of the following statements best describe how you and your partner CURRENTLY manage your money?

- ☐ We have merged our cash finances. Any checking and savings accounts we use are joint accounts. (1)
- ☐ We have partially merged our cash finances. We use at least one joint checking or savings account, but at least one of us uses our own personal checking and/or savings account. (2)
- ☐ We have not merged our cash finances. We have no joint checking or savings accounts. (3)

CAccount2 Stated differently, what type of money management system(s) do you and your partner CURRENTLY use?



AcctSatis How satisfied are you with the money management system you and your spouse CURRENTLY use?

- ☐ Very Dissatisfied (1)
- ☐ Dissatisfied (2)
- ☐ Somewhat Dissatisfied (3)
- ☐ Neutral (4)
- ☐ Somewhat Satisfied (5)
- ☐ Satisfied (6)
- ☐ Very Satisfied (7)

SubFin Relative to where you were three months ago, would you say the state of your finances is worse, about the same, or better?

- ☐ Our finances are worse-3 (1)
- ☐ -2 (2)
- ☐ -1 (3)
- ☐ Our finances are about the same0 (4)
- ☐ 1 (5)
- ☐ 2 (6)
- ☐ Our finances are better3 (7)

SaveSpend In the past three months, did you and your partner together spend too much money or save too much money?

- ☐ Spent WAY too much (1)
- ☐ Spent too much (2)
- ☐ Spent a tiny bit too much (3)
- ☐ Spent and saved an ideal amount (4)
- ☐ Saved a tiny bit too much (5)
- ☐ Saved too much (6)
- ☐ Saved WAY too much (7)

HappySave Are you happy with the amount of money that you and your partner together are saving for the future?

- ☐ Very unhappy (1)
- ☐ Unhappy (2)
- ☐ Somewhat unhappy (3)
- ☐ Neither happy nor unhappy (4)
- ☐ Somewhat happy (5)
- ☐ Happy (6)
- ☐ Very happy (7)

HappySpend Are you happy with the amount of money that you and your partner together are routinely spending?

- ☐ Very unhappy (1)
- ☐ Unhappy (2)
- ☐ Somewhat unhappy (3)
- ☐ Neither happy nor unhappy (4)
- ☐ Somewhat happy (5)
- ☐ Happy (6)
- ☐ Very happy (7)

FeelDebt To what extent do you currently feel "in debt"?

- ☐ Not at all in debt0 (1)
- ☐ 1 (2)
- ☐ 2 (3)
- ☐ 3 (4)
- ☐ 4 (5)
- ☐ 5 (6)
- ☐ 6 (7)
- ☐ 7 (8)
- ☐ 8 (9)
- ☐ 9 (10)
- ☐ Completely drowning in debt10 (11)

WorryDebt How worried are you about your debt?

- ☐ Not at all in worried0 (1)
- ☐ 1 (2)
- ☐ 2 (3)
- ☐ 3 (4)
- ☐ 4 (5)
- ☐ 5 (6)
- ☐ 6 (7)
- ☐ 7 (8)
- ☐ 8 (9)
- ☐ 9 (10)
- ☐ Extremely worried10 (11)

Household Practices and Financial Variables

We'll now ask you some questions about your household practices and finances.

We realize that some of the questions may feel repetitive, but each item is important, as they help us to better understand you and and your relationship. Thank you for your cooperation and patience!

When you are ready to continue, please click the arrow below.

Bills Who is primarily in charge of managing and paying household bills? Note = 0 (my spouse is completely responsible) to 100 (I am completely responsible)

_____Percent that I am responsible for (1)

HHShop Who is primarily responsible for household shopping (for example, groceries, furniture)? Note = 0 (my spouse is completely responsible) to 100 (I am completely responsible)

_____Percent that I am responsible for (1)

HHBudget Who is primarily responsible for household budgeting decisions (for example, how much to spend on rent/mortgage, vacations; how much to save)? Note = 0 (my spouse is completely responsible) to 100 (I am completely responsible)

_____Percent that I am responsible for (1)

HHMeals Who is primarily in charge of performing non-financial household tasks, such as preparing meals, performing home repairs, or, if applicable, caring for children? Note = 0 (my spouse is completely responsible) to 100 (I am completely responsible)

_____Percent that I am responsible for (1)

PurchAmt When buying something for myself (for example, new clothes), I would want to talk with my partner before making a purchase of \$ ____ or more.
_____Dollar Amount (1)

Q182 If more than \$500, please indicate a dollar amount here:

PPurchAmt My partner would probably prefer that I consult with him or her before making a personal purchase (something only I would use) of \$ ____ or more.
_____Dollar Amount (1)

Q186 If more than \$500, please indicate a dollar amount here:

HHAmt When buying something for the household (for example, a piece of furniture), I would want to talk with my partner before making a purchase of \$ ____ or more.
_____Dollar Amount (1)

Q190 If more than \$500, please indicate a dollar amount here:

PHHAmt My partner would probably prefer that I consult with him or her before making a household purchase of \$ ____ or more. Enter a dollar amount here:
_____Dollar Amount (1)

Q194 If more than \$500, please indicate a dollar amount here:

WorkStat What is your current employment situation? Please check all that apply.

- ☐ Working full-time (1)
- ☐ Working part-time (2)
- ☐ Unemployed and looking for work (3)
- ☐ Temporarily laid off (4)
- ☐ On sick leave or other leave (5)
- ☐ Disabled (6)
- ☐ Student (7)
- ☐ Homemaker (8)
- ☐ Retired (9)
- ☐ Other, please specify: (10) _____

OwnIncome What is your approximate individual annual income, before taxes?

HHIncome What is your approximate household annual income, before taxes?

CCDebt What is the approximate total balance on all credit cards that you and your partner carried over from last month to this month?

VRetire Do you and/or your partner hold any tax-advantaged retirement accounts (for example, 401(k) plans, 403(b) plans)? If so, what is the approximate total value of all the financial assets you and your partner hold in these accounts?

VAssets What is the approximate total value of all the financial assets you and your partner hold outside of tax-advantaged retirement accounts? These could include checking and savings accounts, money market funds, cash, CDs, bonds, stocks, mutual funds, or other types of financial assets.

ShareRes Do you and your partner share a primary residence?

- ☐ Yes (1)
- ☐ No (2)

Display This Question:

If Do you and your partner share a primary residence? No Is Selected

LDistance Are you and your romantic partner in a long distance relationship?

- ☐ Yes (1)
- ☐ No (2)

Display This Question:

If Are you and your romantic partner in a long distance relationship? Yes Is Selected

LDistance2 Please explain the nature of your long-distance relationship (for example, how far apart do you live? Is it a temporary arrangement?).

OwnRes Do you and/or your partner own your primary residence?

- ☐ Yes (1)
- ☐ No (2)

VHomeWorth If you own your primary residence, what would it be worth if sold today (approximately)? (please skip if not applicable)

VMortgage What is the approximate total balance owed on any mortgages or home equity lines of credit you have on your primary residence, if applicable? (please skip if not applicable)

Debt Aside from mortgages, other home equity lines of credit, and credit card balances, do you and your partner have other debts, including vehicle loans, student loans, overdue taxes, or debt for medical expenses?

- ☐ Yes (1)
- ☐ No (2)

Display This Question:

If Aside from mortgages, other home equity lines of credit, and credit card balances, do you and your p... Yes Is Selected

DebtAmt What is the total outstanding balance on all of these loans or debts?

CreditRate How do you think banks or credit card companies would rate your credit?

- ☐ Very poor1 (1)
- ☐ 2 (2)
- ☐ 3 (3)
- ☐ 4 (4)
- ☐ 5 (5)
- ☐ 6 (6)
- ☐ 7 (7)
- ☐ 8 (8)
- ☐ 9 (9)
- ☐ Excellent10 (10)

PCredRate How do you think banks or credit card companies would rate your partner's credit?

- ☐ Very poor1 (1)
- ☐ 2 (2)
- ☐ 3 (3)
- ☐ 4 (4)
- ☐ 5 (5)
- ☐ 6 (6)
- ☐ 7 (7)
- ☐ 8 (8)
- ☐ 9 (9)
- ☐ Excellent10 (10)

SelfMoney In terms of money habits, how would you describe yourself?

- ☐ Definitely a spender1 (1)
- ☐ 2 (2)
- ☐ 3 (3)
- ☐ 4 (4)
- ☐ 5 (5)
- ☐ 6 (6)
- ☐ Definitely a saver7 (7)

PartnerMon In terms of money habits, how would you describe your partner?

- ☐ Definitely a spender1 (1)
- ☐ 2 (2)
- ☐ 3 (3)
- ☐ 4 (4)
- ☐ 5 (5)
- ☐ 6 (6)
- ☐ Definitely a saver7 (7)

Personality and Relationship Variables (19 blocks were randomized)

We'll now ask you some questions about your relationship and personality qualities.

This next section is (necessarily) long, but it's important to the research that we capture different facets of your relationship.

Thank you for your cooperation and patience!
When you are ready to continue, please click the arrow below.

(1) TWST for self and partner (Rick, Cryder, & Loewenstein, 2008)

TWST1 Some people have trouble limiting their spending: they often spend money -- for example on clothes, meals, vacations -- when they would do better not to. Other people have trouble spending money. Perhaps because spending money makes them anxious, they often don't spend money on things they should spend it on. How well does the first description fit you? That is, do you have trouble limiting your spending?

- ☐ Never (1)
- ☐ Rarely (2)
- ☐ Sometimes (3)
- ☐ Often (4)
- ☐ Always (5)

TWST2 How well does the second description fit you? That is, do you have trouble spending money?

- ☐ Never (1)
- ☐ Rarely (2)
- ☐ Sometimes (3)
- ☐ Often (4)
- ☐ Always (5)

TWST3 Following is a scenario describing the behavior of two shoppers. After reading about each shopper, please answer the question that follows. Mr. A is accompanying a good friend who is on a shopping spree at a local mall. When they enter a large department store, Mr. A sees that the store has a "one-day-only-sale" where everything is priced 10-60% off. He realizes he doesn't need anything, yet can't resist and ends up spending almost \$100 on stuff. Mr. B is accompanying a good friend who is on a shopping spree at a local mall. When they enter a large department store, Mr. B sees that the store has a "one-day-only-sale" where everything is priced 10-60% off. He figures he can get great deals on many items that he needs, yet the thought of spending the money keeps him from buying the stuff. In terms of your own behavior, who are you more similar to, Mr. A or Mr. B?

- ☐ Mr. A1 (1)
- ☐ 2 (2)
- ☐ About the same or neither3 (3)
- ☐ 4 (4)
- ☐ Mr. B5 (5)

TWST4 Now we'd like to know whether you consider yourself more of a tightwad, more of a spendthrift, or neither. Which of the following descriptions fits you better?

- ☐ Tightwad (difficulty spending money)1 (1)
- ☐ 2 (2)
- ☐ 3 (3)
- ☐ 4 (4)
- ☐ 5 (5)
- ☐ About the same or neither6 (6)
- ☐ 7 (7)
- ☐ 8 (8)
- ☐ 9 (9)
- ☐ 10 (10)
- ☐ Spendthrift (difficulty controlling spending)11 (11)

We now ask that you answer the same set of questions as you think your partner would.

PTWST1 Some people have trouble limiting their spending: they often spend money -- for example on clothes, meals, vacations -- when they would do better not to. Other people have trouble spending money. Perhaps because spending money makes them anxious, they often don't spend money on things they should spend it on. How well does the first description fit your partner? That is, does your partner have trouble limiting his or her spending?

- ☐ Never (1)
- ☐ Rarely (2)
- ☐ Sometimes (3)
- ☐ Often (4)
- ☐ Always (5)

PTWST2 How well does the second description fit your partner? That is, does your partner have trouble spending money?

- ☐ Never (1)
- ☐ Rarely (2)
- ☐ Sometimes (3)
- ☐ Often (4)
- ☐ Always (5)

PTWST3 Following is a scenario describing the behavior of two shoppers. After reading about each shopper, please answer the question that follows. Mr. A is accompanying a good friend who is on a shopping spree at a local mall. When they enter a large department store, Mr. A sees that the store has a "one-day-only-sale" where everything is priced 10-60% off. He realizes he doesn't need anything, yet can't resist and ends up spending almost \$100 on stuff. Mr. B is accompanying a good friend who is on a shopping spree at a local mall. When they enter a large department store, Mr. B sees that the store has a "one-day-only-sale" where everything is priced 10-60% off. He figures he can get great deals on many items that he needs, yet the thought of spending the money keeps him from buying the stuff. In terms of your partner's own behavior, who is your partner more similar to, Mr. A or Mr. B?

- ☐ Mr. A1 (1)
- ☐ 2 (2)
- ☐ About the same or neither3 (3)
- ☐ 4 (4)
- ☐ Mr. B5 (5)

PTWST4 Next, we'd like to know whether you consider your partner more of a tightwad, more of a spendthrift, or neither. Which of the following descriptions fits your partner better?

- ☐ Tightwad (difficulty spending money)1 (1)
- ☐ 2 (2)
- ☐ 3 (3)
- ☐ 4 (4)
- ☐ 5 (5)
- ☐ About the same or neither6 (6)
- ☐ 7 (7)
- ☐ 8 (8)
- ☐ 9 (9)
- ☐ 10 (10)
- ☐ Spendthrift (difficulty controlling spending)11 (11)

(2) Frugality (Lastovicka, Bettencourt, Hughner, & Kuntze, 1999)

Frugal This set of questions asks about your feelings toward money. Please rate your level of dis/agreement with the following statements:

	Definitely disagree1 (1)	2 (2)	3 (3)	4 (4)	5 (5)	Definitely agree6 (6)
If you take good care of your possessions, you will definitely save money in the long run. (1)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
There are many things that are normally thrown away that are still quite useful. (2)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Making better use of my resources makes me feel good. (3)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
If you can re-use an item you already have, there's no sense in buying something new. (4)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I believe in being careful in how I spend my money. (5)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I discipline myself to get the most from my money. (6)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I am willing to wait on a purchase I want so that I can save money. (7)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
There are things I resist buying today so I can save for tomorrow. (8)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

[CCI is a new scale, as is Debt Account Aversion]

(3) Consumer Confidence in Investing (Fernandes, Netemeyer, & Lynch, 2014); Debt Account Aversion (Amar et al. 2011)

CCI Rate the extent to which each of the following statements is characteristic of you:

	Extremely uncharacteristic1 (1)	Somewhat uncharacteristic2 (2)	Uncertain3 (3)	Somewhat characteristic4 (4)	Extremely characteristic5 (5)
I am confident in my ability to recognize a good financial investment. (1)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I know what investments to look for to get the most return on my money. (2)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I know the right questions to ask when making financial investment decisions. (3)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I have the skills required to make sound financial investments. (4)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I know the right sources to consult to make wise financial decisions. (5)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

PCCI We're now going to ask you the same questions, but this time about your partner.

	Extremely uncharacteristic1 (1)	Somewhat uncharacteristic2 (2)	Uncertain3 (3)	Somewhat characteristic4 (4)	Extremely characteristic5 (5)
My partner is confident in his/her ability to recognize a good financial investment. (1)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My partner knows what investments to look for to get the most return on his/her money. (2)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My partner knows the right questions to ask when making financial investment decisions. (3)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My partner has the skills required to make sound financial investments. (4)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My partner knows the right sources to consult to make wise financial decisions. (5)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

DAAScenari Imagine that you have been carrying balances on two credit cards:

- 1) MasterCard (MC) Balance = \$100 Interest Rate (APR) = 10%
 2) Visa Balance = \$1,000 Interest Rate (APR) = 15%

Now imagine that the government recently passed a new stimulus package, and as a result you received a \$100 tax rebate check. You decide to use the entire \$100 to pay down one or more of your credit card balances.

DAAPayment If you were facing this decision, how much would you pay on each account?

- ☐ \$100 to MC and \$0 to Visa (1)
- ☐ \$90 to MC and \$10 to Visa (2)
- ☐ \$80 to MC and \$20 to Visa (3)
- ☐ \$70 to MC and \$30 to Visa (4)
- ☐ \$60 to MC and \$40 to Visa (5)
- ☐ \$50 to MC and \$50 to Visa (6)
- ☐ \$40 to MC and \$60 to Visa (7)
- ☐ \$30 to MC and \$70 to Visa (8)
- ☐ \$20 to MC and \$80 to Visa (9)
- ☐ \$10 to MC and \$90 to Visa (10)
- ☐ \$0 to MC and \$100 to Visa (11)

(4) Relationship Satisfaction and Partner's Perceived Satisfaction (Rusbult, Martz, & Agnew, 1998)

FSatis Please indicate the degree to which you agree or disagree with each of the following statements regarding your current relationship:

	Don't agree at all1 (1)	Agree slightly2 (2)	Agree moderately3 (3)	Agree completely4 (4)
My partner fulfills my needs for intimacy (sharing personal thoughts, secrets, etc.). (1)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My partner fulfills my needs for companionship (doing things together, enjoying each other's company, etc.). (2)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My partner fulfills my sexual needs (holding hands, kissing, etc.). (3)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My partner fulfills my needs for security (feeling trusting, comfortable in a stable relationship, etc.). (4)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My partner fulfills my needs for emotional involvement (feeling emotionally attached, feeling good when another feels good, etc.). (5)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Satis1 I feel satisfied with our relationship.

- ☐ Do not agree at all0 (1)
- ☐ 1 (2)
- ☐ 2 (3)
- ☐ 3 (4)
- ☐ Agree somewhat4 (5)
- ☐ 5 (6)
- ☐ 6 (7)
- ☐ 7 (8)
- ☐ Agree completely8 (9)

Satis2 My relationship is much better than others' relationships.

- ☐ Do not agree at all0 (1)
- ☐ 1 (2)
- ☐ 2 (3)
- ☐ 3 (4)
- ☐ Agree somewhat4 (5)
- ☐ 5 (6)
- ☐ 6 (7)
- ☐ 7 (8)
- ☐ Agree completely8 (9)

Satis3 My relationship is close to ideal.

- ☐ Do not agree at all0 (1)
- ☐ 1 (2)
- ☐ 2 (3)
- ☐ 3 (4)
- ☐ Agree somewhat4 (5)
- ☐ 5 (6)
- ☐ 6 (7)
- ☐ 7 (8)
- ☐ Agree completely8 (9)

Satis4 Our relationship makes me very happy.

- ☐ Do not agree at all0 (1)
- ☐ 1 (2)
- ☐ 2 (3)
- ☐ 3 (4)
- ☐ Agree somewhat4 (5)
- ☐ 5 (6)
- ☐ 6 (7)
- ☐ 7 (8)
- ☐ Agree completely8 (9)

Satis5 Our relationship does a good job of fulfilling my needs for intimacy, companionship, etc.

- ☐ Do not agree at all0 (1)
- ☐ 1 (2)
- ☐ 2 (3)
- ☐ 3 (4)
- ☐ Agree somewhat4 (5)
- ☐ 5 (6)
- ☐ 6 (7)
- ☐ 7 (8)
- ☐ Agree completely8 (9)

Now, we are going to ask you about your current romantic partner:

PSatis1 My partner feels satisfied with our relationship.

- ☐ Do not agree at all0 (1)
- ☐ 1 (2)
- ☐ 2 (3)
- ☐ 3 (4)
- ☐ Agree somewhat4 (5)
- ☐ 5 (6)
- ☐ 6 (7)
- ☐ 7 (8)
- ☐ Agree completely8 (9)

PSatis2 My partner thinks our relationship is much better than others' relationships.

- ☐ Do not agree at all0 (1)
- ☐ 1 (2)
- ☐ 2 (3)
- ☐ 3 (4)
- ☐ Agree somewhat4 (5)
- ☐ 5 (6)
- ☐ 6 (7)
- ☐ 7 (8)
- ☐ Agree completely8 (9)

PSatis3 My partner thinks our relationship is close to ideal.

- ☐ Do not agree at all0 (1)
- ☐ 1 (2)
- ☐ 2 (3)
- ☐ 3 (4)
- ☐ Agree somewhat4 (5)
- ☐ 5 (6)
- ☐ 6 (7)
- ☐ 7 (8)
- ☐ Agree completely8 (9)

PSatis4 Our relationship makes my partner very happy.

- ☐ Do not agree at all0 (1)
- ☐ 1 (2)
- ☐ 2 (3)
- ☐ 3 (4)
- ☐ Agree somewhat4 (5)
- ☐ 5 (6)
- ☐ 6 (7)
- ☐ 7 (8)
- ☐ Agree completely8 (9)

PSatis5 Our relationship does a good job of fulfilling my partner's needs for intimacy, companionship, etc.

- ☐ Do not agree at all0 (1)
- ☐ 1 (2)
- ☐ 2 (3)
- ☐ 3 (4)
- ☐ Agree somewhat4 (5)
- ☐ 5 (6)
- ☐ 6 (7)
- ☐ 7 (8)
- ☐ Agree completely8 (9)

(5) Quality of Alternatives (Rusbult, Martz, & Agnew, 1998)

FAltern Please indicate the degree to which you agree or disagree with each statement regarding the fulfillment of each need in alternative relationships (e.g., by another dating partner, friends, family)

	Don't agree at all1 (1)	Agree slightly2 (2)	Agree moderately3 (3)	Agree completely4 (4)
My needs for intimacy (sharing personal thoughts, secrets, etc.) could be fulfilled in alternative relationships. (1)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My needs for companionship (doing things together, enjoying each other's company, etc.) could be fulfilled in alternative relationships. (2)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My sexual needs (holding hands, kissing, etc.) could be fulfilled in alternative relationships. (3)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My needs for security (feeling trusting, comfortable in a stable relationship, etc.) could be fulfilled in alternative relationships. (4)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My needs for emotional involvement (feeling emotionally attached, feeling good when another feels good, etc.) could be fulfilled in alternative relationships. (5)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Altern1 The people other than my partner with whom I might become involved are very appealing.

- ☐ Do not agree at all0 (1)
- ☐ 1 (2)
- ☐ 2 (3)
- ☐ 3 (4)
- ☐ Agree somewhat4 (5)
- ☐ 5 (6)
- ☐ 6 (7)
- ☐ 7 (8)
- ☐ Agree completely8 (9)

Altern2 My alternatives to our relationship are close to ideal (dating another, spending time with friends or on my own, etc.).

- ☐ Do not agree at all0 (1)
- ☐ 1 (2)
- ☐ 2 (3)
- ☐ 3 (4)
- ☐ Agree somewhat4 (5)
- ☐ 5 (6)
- ☐ 6 (7)
- ☐ 7 (8)
- ☐ Agree completely8 (9)

Altern3 If I weren't dating my partner, I would do fine - I would find another appealing person to date.

- ☐ Do not agree at all0 (1)
- ☐ 1 (2)
- ☐ 2 (3)
- ☐ 3 (4)
- ☐ Agree somewhat4 (5)
- ☐ 5 (6)
- ☐ 6 (7)
- ☐ 7 (8)
- ☐ Agree completely8 (9)

Altern4 My alternatives are attractive to me (dating another, spending time with friends or on my own, etc.).

- ☐ Do not agree at all0 (1)
- ☐ 1 (2)
- ☐ 2 (3)
- ☐ 3 (4)
- ☐ Agree somewhat4 (5)
- ☐ 5 (6)
- ☐ 6 (7)
- ☐ 7 (8)
- ☐ Agree completely8 (9)

Altern5 My needs for intimacy, companionship, etc., could easily be fulfilled in an alternative relationship.

- ☐ Do not agree at all0 (1)
- ☐ 1 (2)
- ☐ 2 (3)
- ☐ 3 (4)
- ☐ Agree somewhat4 (5)
- ☐ 5 (6)
- ☐ 6 (7)
- ☐ 7 (8)
- ☐ Agree completely8 (9)

(6) Investment (Rusbult, Martz, & Agnew, 1998)

Invest Please indicate the degree to which you agree or disagree with each of the following statements regarding your current relationship.

	Don't agree at all1 (1)	Agree slightly2 (2)	Agree moderately3 (3)	Agree completely4 (4)
I have invested a great deal of time in our relationship. (1)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I have told my partner many private things about myself (I disclose secrets to him/her). (2)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My partner and I have an intellectual life together that would be difficult to replace. (3)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My sense of personal identity (who I am) is linked to my partner and our relationship. (4)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My partner and I share many memories. (5)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Invest1 I have put a great deal into our relationship that I would lose if the relationship were to end.

- ☐ Do not agree at all0 (1)
- ☐ 1 (2)
- ☐ 2 (3)
- ☐ 3 (4)
- ☐ Agree somewhat4 (5)
- ☐ 5 (6)
- ☐ 6 (7)
- ☐ 7 (8)
- ☐ Agree completely8 (9)

Invest2 Many aspects of my life have become linked to my partner (recreational activities, etc.), and I would lose all of this if we were to break up.

- ☐ Do not agree at all0 (1)
- ☐ 1 (2)
- ☐ 2 (3)
- ☐ 3 (4)
- ☐ Agree somewhat4 (5)
- ☐ 5 (6)
- ☐ 6 (7)
- ☐ 7 (8)
- ☐ Agree completely8 (9)

Invest3 I feel very involved in our relationship - like I have put a great deal into it.

- ☐ Do not agree at all0 (1)
- ☐ 1 (2)
- ☐ 2 (3)
- ☐ 3 (4)
- ☐ Agree somewhat4 (5)
- ☐ 5 (6)
- ☐ 6 (7)
- ☐ 7 (8)
- ☐ Agree completely8 (9)

Invest4 My relationships with friends and family members would be complicated if my partner and I were to break up (e.g., partner is friends with people I care about).

- ☐ Do not agree at all0 (1)
- ☐ 1 (2)
- ☐ 2 (3)
- ☐ 3 (4)
- ☐ Agree somewhat4 (5)
- ☐ 5 (6)
- ☐ 6 (7)
- ☐ 7 (8)
- ☐ Agree completely8 (9)

Invest5 Compared to other people I know, I have invested a great deal in my relationship with my partner.

- ☐ Do not agree at all0 (1)
- ☐ 1 (2)
- ☐ 2 (3)
- ☐ 3 (4)
- ☐ Agree somewhat4 (5)
- ☐ 5 (6)
- ☐ 6 (7)
- ☐ 7 (8)
- ☐ Agree completely8 (9)

(7) Commitment and Partner's Perceived Commitment (Rusbult, Martz, & Agnew, 1998)

Commit1 In thinking about your current relationship: I want our relationship to last for a very long time.

- ☐ Do not agree at all0 (1)
- ☐ 1 (2)
- ☐ 2 (3)
- ☐ 3 (4)
- ☐ Agree somewhat4 (5)
- ☐ 5 (6)
- ☐ 6 (7)
- ☐ 7 (8)
- ☐ Agree completely8 (9)

Commit2 I am committed to maintaining my relationship with my partner.

- ☐ Do not agree at all0 (1)
- ☐ 1 (2)
- ☐ 2 (3)
- ☐ 3 (4)
- ☐ Agree somewhat4 (5)
- ☐ 5 (6)
- ☐ 6 (7)
- ☐ 7 (8)
- ☐ Agree completely8 (9)

Commit3 I would not feel very upset if our relationship were to end in the near future.

- ☐ Do not agree at all0 (1)
- ☐ 1 (2)
- ☐ 2 (3)
- ☐ 3 (4)
- ☐ Agree somewhat4 (5)
- ☐ 5 (6)
- ☐ 6 (7)
- ☐ 7 (8)
- ☐ Agree completely8 (9)

Commit4 It is likely that I will date someone other than my partner within the next year.

- ☐ Do not agree at all0 (1)
- ☐ 1 (2)
- ☐ 2 (3)
- ☐ 3 (4)
- ☐ Agree somewhat4 (5)
- ☐ 5 (6)
- ☐ 6 (7)
- ☐ 7 (8)
- ☐ Agree completely8 (9)

Commit5 I feel very attached to our relationship - very strongly linked to my partner.

- ☐ Do not agree at all0 (1)
- ☐ 1 (2)
- ☐ 2 (3)
- ☐ 3 (4)
- ☐ Agree somewhat4 (5)
- ☐ 5 (6)
- ☐ 6 (7)
- ☐ 7 (8)
- ☐ Agree completely8 (9)

Commit6 I want our relationship to last forever.

- ☐ Do not agree at all0 (1)
- ☐ 1 (2)
- ☐ 2 (3)
- ☐ 3 (4)
- ☐ Agree somewhat4 (5)
- ☐ 5 (6)
- ☐ 6 (7)
- ☐ 7 (8)
- ☐ Agree completely8 (9)

Commit7 I am oriented toward the long-term future of my relationship (for example, I imagine being with my partner several years from now).

- ☐ Do not agree at all0 (1)
- ☐ 1 (2)
- ☐ 2 (3)
- ☐ 3 (4)
- ☐ Agree somewhat4 (5)
- ☐ 5 (6)
- ☐ 6 (7)
- ☐ 7 (8)
- ☐ Agree completely8 (9)

Now, we are going to ask you about your current romantic partner:

PCommit1 My partner wants our relationship to last for a very long time.

- ☐ Do not agree at all0 (1)
- ☐ 1 (2)
- ☐ 2 (3)
- ☐ 3 (4)
- ☐ Agree somewhat4 (5)
- ☐ 5 (6)
- ☐ 6 (7)
- ☐ 7 (8)
- ☐ Agree completely8 (9)

PCommit2 My partner is committed to maintaining his/her relationship with me.

- ☐ Do not agree at all0 (1)
- ☐ 1 (2)
- ☐ 2 (3)
- ☐ 3 (4)
- ☐ Agree somewhat4 (5)
- ☐ 5 (6)
- ☐ 6 (7)
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- ☐ Agree completely8 (9)

PCommit3 My partner would not feel very upset if our relationship were to end in the near future.

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- ☐ 1 (2)
- ☐ 2 (3)
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- ☐ Agree somewhat4 (5)
- ☐ 5 (6)
- ☐ 6 (7)
- ☐ 7 (8)
- ☐ Agree completely8 (9)

PCommit4 It is likely that my partner will date someone other than me within the next year.

- ☐ Do not agree at all0 (1)
- ☐ 1 (2)
- ☐ 2 (3)
- ☐ 3 (4)
- ☐ Agree somewhat4 (5)
- ☐ 5 (6)
- ☐ 6 (7)
- ☐ 7 (8)
- ☐ Agree completely8 (9)

PCommit5 My partner feels very attached to our relationship - very strongly linked to me.

- ☐ Do not agree at all0 (1)
- ☐ 1 (2)
- ☐ 2 (3)
- ☐ 3 (4)
- ☐ Agree somewhat4 (5)
- ☐ 5 (6)
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- ☐ 2 (3)
- ☐ 3 (4)
- ☐ Agree somewhat 4 (5)
- ☐ 5 (6)
- ☐ 6 (7)
- ☐ 7 (8)
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- ☐ Do not agree at all0 (1)
- ☐ 1 (2)
- ☐ 2 (3)
- ☐ 3 (4)
- ☐ Agree somewhat4 (5)
- ☐ 5 (6)
- ☐ 6 (7)
- ☐ 7 (8)
- ☐ Agree completely8 (9)

8) Perceived Relationship Quality (Fletcher, Simpson, & Thomas, 2000)

PRQ Instructions: Please answer the following questions regarding your current partner and relationship.

[illegible]

How dependable is your partner? (12)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
How passionate is your relationship? (13)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
How lustful is your relationship? (14)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
How sexually intense is your relationship? (15)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
How much do you love your partner? (16)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
How much do you adore your partner? (17)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
How much do you cherish your partner? (18)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

(9) Communal Orientation (Clark, Oullette, Powell, & Milberg, 1987)

CommOrien Please read each statement and rate how characteristic the item is of you, in general.

	Extremely uncharacteristic of me1 (1)	2 (2)	3 (3)	4 (4)	Extremely characteristic of me5 (5)
It bothers me when other people neglect my needs. (1)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
When making a decision, I take other people's needs and feelings into account. (2)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I'm not especially sensitive to other people's feelings. (3)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I don't consider myself to be a particularly helpful person. (4)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I believe people should go out of their way to be helpful. (5)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I don't especially enjoy giving others aid. (6)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I expect people I know to be responsive to my needs and feelings. (7)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I often go out of my way to help another person. (8)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I believe it's best not to get involved taking care of other people's personal needs. (9)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I'm not the sort of person who often comes to the aid of others. (10)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
When I have a need, I turn to others I know for help. (11)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
When people get emotionally upset, I tend to avoid them. (12)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
People should keep their troubles to themselves. (13)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
When I have a need that others ignore, I'm hurt. (14)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

(10) Self-esteem (Rosenberg, 1965)

Rosenberg Instructions: Below is a list of statements dealing with your general feelings about yourself. Please select the answer that best reflects your agreement with each statement.

	Strongly disagree1 (1)	Disagree2 (2)	Agree3 (3)	Strongly agree4 (4)
On the whole, I am satisfied with myself. (1)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
At times, I think I am no good at all. (2)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I feel that I have a number of good qualities. (3)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I am able to do things as well as most other people. (4)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I feel I do not have much to be proud of. (5)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I certainly feel useless at times. (6)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I feel that I'm a person of worth, at least on an equal plane with others. (7)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I wish I could have more respect for myself. (8)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
All in all, I am inclined to feel that I am a failure. (9)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I take a positive attitude toward myself. (10)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

(11) Power in the Relationship (Felmlee, 1994; Sprecher, 1985; Sprecher and Felmlee 1997)

Power In your relationship, who has more power?

- ☐ I have much more power than my partner1 (1)
- ☐ 2 (2)
- ☐ 3 (3)
- ☐ We have equal power4 (4)
- ☐ 5 (5)
- ☐ 6 (6)
- ☐ My partner has much more power than I do7 (7)

DMPower In your relationship, who makes more of the decisions about what the two of you do together?

- ☐ I make most of the decisions1 (1)
- ☐ 2 (2)
- ☐ 3 (3)
- ☐ We make decisions equally4 (4)
- ☐ 5 (5)
- ☐ 6 (6)
- ☐ My partner makes most of the decisions7 (7)

EMPower Who would you say is more emotionally involved in the relationship?

- ☐ I am much more emotionally involved1 (1)
- ☐ 2 (2)
- ☐ 3 (3)
- ☐ We are equally involved4 (4)
- ☐ 5 (5)
- ☐ 6 (6)
- ☐ My partner is much more emotionally involved7 (7)

Equity Considering what you put into your relationship, compared to what you get out of it...and what your partner puts in compared to what he or she gets out of it, how does your relationship "stack up"?

- ☐ I am getting a much better deal than my partner1 (1)
- ☐ 2 (2)
- ☐ 3 (3)
- ☐ We are both getting an equally good...or bad...deal4 (4)
- ☐ 5 (5)
- ☐ 6 (6)
- ☐ My partner is getting a much better deal than I7 (7)

(12) Benevolent and Hostile Sexism - (Glick & Fiske, 1996)

Sexism RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN MEN AND WOMEN Below are a series of statements concerning men and women and their relationships in contemporary society. Please indicate the degree to which you agree or disagree with each statement using the scale below:

[illegible]

men. (21)							
Women, as compared to men, tend to have a more refined sense of culture and good taste. (22)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Thank you for continuing to read. Please select "1" for this item. (23)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

(13) Couples Satisfaction Index (Funk & Rogge, 2007)

CSIOverall Please indicate the degree of happiness, all things considered, of your relationship.

- ☐ Extremely unhappy0 (1)
- ☐ Fairly unhappy1 (2)
- ☐ A little unhappy2 (3)
- ☐ Happy3 (4)
- ☐ Very happy4 (5)
- ☐ Extremely happy5 (6)
- ☐ Perfect6 (7)

CSIDisagre Most people have disagreements in their relationships. Please indicate below the approximate extent of agreement or disagreement between you and your partner for each item on the following list.

	Always disagree0 (1)	Almost always disagree1 (2)	Frequently disagree2 (3)	Occasionally disagree3 (4)	Almost always agree4 (5)	Always agree5 (6)
Amount of time spent together (1)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Making major decisions (2)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Demonstrations of affection (3)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

CSIWell In general, how often do you think that things between you and your partner are going well?

- ☐ Never0 (1)
- ☐ Rarely1 (2)
- ☐ Occasionally2 (3)
- ☐ More often than not3 (4)
- ☐ Most of the time4 (5)
- ☐ All the time5 (6)

CSIWish How often do you wish you hadn't gotten into this relationship?

- ☐ Never0 (1)
- ☐ Rarely1 (2)
- ☐ Occasionally2 (3)
- ☐ More often than not3 (4)
- ☐ Most of the time4 (5)
- ☐ All the time5 (6)

CS1a Please rate the following statements:

[illegible]

CS1b Please respond to the following questions:

	Not at all0 (1)	A little1 (2)	Somewh at2 (3)	Mostly 3 (4)	Almost completely4 (5)	Completely5 (6)
How rewarding is your relationship with your partner? (1)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
How well does your partner meet your needs? (2)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
To what extent has your relationship met your original expectations? (3)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
In general, how satisfied are you with your relationship? (4)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

GSICompare How good is your relationship compared to most?

- ☐ Worse than all others (Extremely bad)0 (1)
- ☐ 1 (2)
- ☐ 2 (3)
- ☐ 3 (4)
- ☐ 4 (5)
- ☐ Better than all others (Extremely good)5 (6)

CS1Comp Do you enjoy your partner's company?

- ☐ Never0 (1)
- ☐ Less than once a month1 (2)
- ☐ Once or twice a month2 (3)
- ☐ Once or twice a week3 (4)
- ☐ Once a day4 (5)
- ☐ More often5 (6)

CSIFun How often do you and your partner have fun together?

- ☐ Never0 (1)
- ☐ Less than once a month1 (2)
- ☐ Once or twice a month2 (3)
- ☐ Once or twice a week3 (4)
- ☐ Once a day4 (5)
- ☐ More often5 (6)

CSIWords For each of the following items, select the answer that best describes how you feel about your relationship. Base your responses on your first impressions and immediate feelings about the item.

	1 (1)	2 (2)	3 (3)	4 (4)	5 (5)	6 (6)
Interesting:Boring (1)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Bad:Good (2)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Full:Empty (3)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Lonely:Friendly (4)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Sturdy:Fragile (5)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Discouraging:Hopeful (6)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Enjoyable:Miserable (7)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

(14) Financial Harmony (Rick, Small, & Finkel 2011)

FinHarmony Please rate your agreement with the following statements:

[illegible]

(15) Satisfaction with Life (Diener, Emmons, Larsen, & Griffin 1985)

SWLS Instructions: Below are five statements with which you may agree or disagree. Using the 1-7 scale below, indicate your agreement with each item by selecting the appropriate number. Please be open and honest in your responding.

[illegible]

(16) Sexual Satisfaction (Meston & Trapnell, 2005)

SexSat This questionnaire is designed to measure the degree of satisfaction you have in the sexual relationship with your partner. It is not a test, so there are no right or wrong answers. Answer each item as carefully and accurately as you can.

[illegible]

SexSatO Overall, how satisfactory or unsatisfactory is your present sex life?

- ☐ Not at all satisfactory1 (1)
- ☐ 2 (2)
- ☐ 3 (3)
- ☐ 4 (4)
- ☐ 5 (5)
- ☐ 6 (6)
- ☐ Completely satisfactory7 (7)

(17) Perceived Stress (Cohen, Kamarck, and Mermelstein 1983)

Q97 The questions in this scale ask you about your feelings and thoughts during the last three months. In each case, you will be asked to indicate how often you felt or thought a certain way. The best approach is to answer each question fairly quickly. That is, don't try to count up the number of times you felt a particular way, but rather indicate the alternative that seems like a reasonable estimate.

Stress1 In the last three months, how often have you felt that you were unable to control the important things in your life?

- ☐ Never0 (1)
- ☐ Almost never1 (2)
- ☐ Sometimes2 (3)
- ☐ Fairly often3 (4)
- ☐ Very Often4 (5)

Stress2 In the last three months, how often have you felt confident about your ability to handle your personal problems?

- ☐ Never0 (1)
- ☐ Almost never1 (2)
- ☐ Sometimes2 (3)
- ☐ Fairly often3 (4)
- ☐ Very Often4 (5)

Stress3 In the last three months, how often have you felt that things were going your way?

- ☐ Never0 (1)
- ☐ Almost never1 (2)
- ☐ Sometimes2 (3)
- ☐ Fairly often3 (4)
- ☐ Very Often4 (5)

Stress4 In the last three months, how often have you felt difficulties were piling up so high that you could not overcome them?

- ☐ Never0 (1)
- ☐ Almost never1 (2)
- ☐ Sometimes2 (3)
- ☐ Fairly often3 (4)
- ☐ Very Often4 (5)

(18) High Maintenance Interactions (Finkel, Campbell, Brunell, Dalton, Scarbeck, and Chartrand, 2006)

HMI In thinking about interactions you've had with your partner over the past month, please rate your level of agreement or disagreement with each statement:

	Strongly disagree1 (1)	2 (2)	3 (3)	4 (4)	5 (5)	6 (6)	Strongly agree7 (7)
Maintaining efficient, well-coordinated interaction with my partner requires a lot of energy. (1)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Interactions with my partner generally go smoothly. (2)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
For some reason, interacting with my partner always seems to be more complicated than it should be. (3)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I feel like I have to work hard to communicate and coordinate with my partner. (4)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

(19) Conflict Scales (Straus, Hamby, Boney-McCoy, and Sugarman 1996).

Conflict RELATIONSHIP BEHAVIORS No matter how well a couple gets along, there are times when they disagree, get annoyed with the other person, want different things from each other, or just have spats or fights because they are in a bad mood, are tired, or for some other reason. Couples also have many different ways of trying to settle their differences. This is a list of things that might happen when you have differences. Please indicate how many times you did these things in the past three months, and how many times your partner did them in the past three months. *Please note, your responses will remain completely confidential.*

How often did this happen?

	This never happened (1)	Not in the past three months, but it has happened before (2)	Once (3)	Twice (4)	3-5 times (5)	6-10 times (6)	11-20 times (7)	More than 20 times (8)
I insulted or swore at my partner. (1)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I shouted or yelled at my partner. (2)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I stomped out of the room or house or yard during a disagreement. (3)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I said something to spite my partner. (4)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I purposely lied to my partner. (5)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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My partner shouted or yelled at me. (2)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My partner stomped out of the room or house or yard during a disagreement. (3)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My partner said something to spite me. (4)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My partner purposely lied to me. (5)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Other Items – including Demographics

Thank you for your continued attention - we're almost done with today's questions!

Health Over the past three months, how would you rate your overall physical health?

- ☐ Poor1 (1)
- ☐ 2 (2)
- ☐ 3 (3)
- ☐ 4 (4)
- ☐ 5 (5)
- ☐ 6 (6)
- ☐ Excellent7 (7)

Mental Over the past three months, how would you rate your overall mental health?

- ☐ Poor1 (1)
- ☐ 2 (2)
- ☐ 3 (3)
- ☐ 4 (4)
- ☐ 5 (5)
- ☐ 6 (6)
- ☐ Excellent7 (7)

Current How would you describe the state of your relationship at this point?

MajorEv Have you (and/or your partner) experienced any major life events in the past three months (for example, bought a new home, started a new job, pregnancy, vacation, had a death in the family)? These can be either positive or negative. If "yes," please write about it here:

ChildYN Do you and your partner have any children together?

- ☐ Yes (1)
- ☐ No (2)

Display This Question:

If Do you and your partner have any children together? No Is Selected

PlanChild Do you plan to have children?

- ☐ Yes, we are currently expecting. (1)
- ☐ Yes, we are currently trying to have children. (2)
- ☐ Yes, we plan to have children some day. (3)
- ☐ No, we do not plan to have children. (4)

Display This Question:

If Do you and your partner have any children together? Yes Is Selected

NumChild How many children do you have with your partner?

Display This Question:

If Do you and your partner have any children together? Yes Is Selected

ChildInfo What are your children(s)' genders and ages? For example, "a 3-year-old boy" or a "9-month-old girl."

ChildPRE Are there any other children from previous relationships? If so, please explain:

Educate What is the highest level of education that you have completed?

- ☐ Some high school or less (1)
- ☐ High school (2)
- ☐ Some college – not currently enrolled (3)
- ☐ Some college – currently enrolled (4)
- ☐ 2-year Associate's Degree (5)
- ☐ 4-year Bachelor's Degree (6)
- ☐ Master's Degree (7)
- ☐ Advanced Professional Degree (MD/JD) or Doctoral Degree (PhD) (8)

Religion What is your religious affiliation?

- ☐ Buddhist (1)
- ☐ Christian - Catholic (2)
- ☐ Christian - Protestant (3)
- ☐ Hindu (4)
- ☐ Jewish (5)
- ☐ Muslim (6)
- ☐ Not religious (7)
- ☐ Other, please specify: (8) _____

RelInvolve How would you describe your religious involvement?

- ☐ Not at all involved1 (1)
- ☐ 2 (2)
- ☐ 3 (3)
- ☐ 4 (4)
- ☐ 5 (5)
- ☐ 6 (6)
- ☐ Extremely involved7 (7)

PoliAffili What is your political affiliation?

- ☐ Democrat (1)
- ☐ Republican (2)
- ☐ Independent (3)
- ☐ Other, please specify: (4) _____

PoliViews How would you describe your political views?

- ☐ Extremely conservative1 (1)
- ☐ 2 (2)
- ☐ 3 (3)
- ☐ 4 (4)
- ☐ 5 (5)
- ☐ 6 (6)
- ☐ Extremely liberal7 (7)

Height What is your height (in feet and inches)?

Feet (1)

Inches (2)

Weight What is your weight (in pounds)?

ResSatis How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with your participation in our research thus far?

- ☐ Very Dissatisfied (1)
- ☐ Dissatisfied (2)
- ☐ Somewhat Dissatisfied (3)
- ☐ Neutral (4)
- ☐ Somewhat Satisfied (5)
- ☐ Satisfied (6)
- ☐ Very Satisfied (7)

Comments Any comments or thoughts about this research?

Email To verify that we have the correct information on file, please provide your e-mail address here:

Address You next check will be on its way soon! What is your current mailing address? Please note that this will be kept completely confidential, separated from your questionnaire responses, and used only as a way for you to receive payment.

Name (1)

Address (2)

Address 2 (3)

City (4)

State (5)

Postal Code (6)

Country (7)

Thanks so much - your time is greatly appreciated!

Coming up:

1) You will be receiving your next check in the mail in the upcoming weeks. If you and your partner have completed all aspects of the study through Follow-Up Survey #4 (the survey you just completed), your checks will total \$100 together (= \$20 follow-up #2 + \$20 follow-up #3 + \$20 follow-up #4 + \$40

bonus). **If you did not complete one or more of the surveys, you will receive payment for the portions you completed.**

2) You will receive the Final Follow-Up Survey in one year. We will be in touch with you via e-mail, so please keep us posted of any changes. If you complete the Final Follow-Up Survey (along with all previous surveys), you and your partner will receive checks totaling another \$100 (individual checks will be \$50).

As always, feel free to email us at [study e-mail redacted]. Cheers!