# Variable tables

# Survey 1

| Variable Name                         | Variable Label               | Description  | Variable Type | Definition | Response Options   |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|--|---------------|------------|--|
| CRED Exposure                         | cred                         | CRED exposure score                                | numeric       | CREDs      | sum of cred_caregiver + cred_group + cred_hometown + cred_highschool*  |
| CRED (Caregiver)<br>Exposure          | credCaregiver                | Caregiver CRED exposure score                      | numeric       | CREDs      | sum of cred_01:<br>cred_06*  |
| CRED (Group<br>Leader) Exposure       | credGroupLeader              | Group leader CRED exposure score                   | numeric       | CREDs      | $\mathrm{cred}\_11 + \mathrm{cred}\_20^*$  |
| CRED (Group<br>Member) Exposure       | ${\rm cred} Group Member \\$ | Group member CRED exposure score                   | numeric       | CREDs      | sum of cred_13, 14, 15,<br>16, 22, 23, 24, 25)*  |
| CRED (Group)<br>Exposure              | credGroup                    | Group CRED exposure score                          | numeric       | CREDs      | $\begin{array}{c} \mathrm{sum} \ \mathrm{of} \ \mathrm{cred\_group\_ldr} \ + \\ \mathrm{cred\_group\_mbr}^* \end{array}$ |
| CRED (Hometown)<br>Exposure           | ${\it credHometown}$         | Hometown CRED exposure score                       | ordinal       | CREDs      | $\operatorname{cred}\_28$  |
| CRED (High<br>School) Exposure        | credHighschool               | Highschool CRED exposure score                     | ordinal       | CREDs      | cred_30  |
| Sincerity (Group<br>Leader)           | sincerity Group Leader       | Sincerity of group leader question response        | ordinal       | CREDs      | mean of cred_10:<br>cred_19*   |
| Sincerity (Group<br>Members)          | sincerity Group Member       | Sincerity of group<br>members question<br>response | ordinal       | CREDs      | mean of cred_12:<br>cred_21*   |
| Sincerity<br>(Caregiver)              | sincerityCaregiver           | Sincerity of parents question response             | ordinal       | CREDs      | cred_32  |
| Sincerity<br>(Hometown)               | since rity Hometown          | Sincerity of hometown question response            | ordinal       | CREDs      | $\operatorname{cred}\_28$  |
| Sincerity (High school)               | sincerityHighschool          | Sincerity of highschool question response          | ordinal       | CREDs      | cred_31  |
| Percentage<br>Believers<br>(Hometown) | believersHometown            | Percentage of hometown believers response          | numeric       | CREDs      | cred_26  |

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|   |                                  |  |               |                                 |                             |
| Percentage<br>Believers<br>(Hometown)     | believersHometown                | Percentage of hometown<br>believers response   | numeric       | CREDs                           | cred_26                     |
| Percentage<br>Believers (High<br>School)  | believersHighschool              | Percentage of highschool<br>believers response | numeric       | CREDs                           | cred_29                     |
| Non-Theistic<br>Socialisation             | nontheisticSocialisation         | Non-theistic socialisation score               | numeric       | Non Theistic<br>Socialisation   | mean of nts_01: nts_08      |
| Normativity of<br>Religion (all)          | normativity                      | Normativity of religion score                  | numeric       | Normativity of<br>Religion      | mean of norm_01: norm_12    |
| Normativity of<br>Religion (Nation)       | ${\bf nomrativity Nation}$       | Nation normativity of religion score           | ordinal       | Normativity of<br>Religion      | mean of norm_01:<br>norm_03 |
| Normativity of<br>Religion<br>(Ethnicity) | ${\bf normativityEthnicity}$     | Ethnicity normativity of religion score        | ordinal       | Normativity of<br>Religion      | mean of norm_04:<br>norm_06 |
| Normativity of<br>Religion (Peers)        | normativityPeers                 | Peer normativity of religion score             | ordinal       | Normativity of<br>Religion      | mean of norm_07:<br>norm_09 |
| Normativity of<br>Religion (Group)        | normativityGroup                 | Group normativity of religion score            | ordinal       | Normativity of<br>Religion      | mean of norm_10:<br>norm_12 |
| Religious Emphasis                        | religiousEmphasis                | Religious emphasis score                       | numeric       | Religious Emphasis              | mean of re_01: re_09        |
| Collectivism                              | collectivism                     | Individualism score                            | numeric       | Individualism &<br>Collectivism | The mean of ic_01 : ic_16   |
| Rebelliousness (trolling)                 | ${\it rebellious ness Trolling}$ | Rebelliousness trolling score                  | numeric       | Rebelliousness                  | The mean of rb_01 : $rb_04$ |
| Existential<br>Insecurity<br>(upbringing) | existentialInsecurity            | Upbringing existential security score          | numeric       | Existential<br>Security         | mean es_15: es_21           |
| Meaning in Life                           | meaningLife                      | Meaning in life score                          | numeric       | Need for Meaning                | mean mlq_01: mlq_10         |
| Social Desirability                       | socialDesirability               | Social Desirability score                      | numeric       | Social Desirability             | mean sd_01: sd_08           |

## Belief Measures

#### Belief in God

| Variable Name                  | Variable Label    | Description         |   | Variable Type   | Definition   | Response Options  |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|---|---|--|---|
| Belief in God<br>(categorical) | beliefInGod_cat   | Categorical         |   | Categorical Response to belief in god options                           | issp_01 default  | 1. I don't believe in God 2. I don't know whether there is a God, and I don't believe there is any way to find out 3. I don't believe in a personal God, but I do believe in a Higher Power of some kind 4. I find myself believing in God some of the time, but not at others 5. While I have doubts, I feel that I do believe in God. 6. I know God really exists and I have no doubt about it. 7. Don't know |
| Non-Belief Identity            | nonBeliefIdentity | Categorical         |   | Categorical<br>response to<br>non-believers<br>identity options         | issp_02 default  | 1. Spiritual but not religious 2. Seeker 3. Non-religious 4. Atheist 5. Agnostic 6. Humanist 7. Sceptic 8. Free thinker 9. Rationalist 10. Secular 11. Christian 12. Muslim 13. Jewish 14. Buddhist 15. Hindu 16. Daoist 17. Shinto 18. Confucian 19. Other (please specify)  |
| Belief in God<br>(binary)      | beliefInGod_bin   | binary (dummy)      |   | Categorisation of<br>"believers" and<br>"non-believers"<br>from issp_01 | dummy variable for<br>yes responses to<br>either 5 & 6 in<br>issp_01 | 0,1   |
| Belief in God<br>(ordinal)     | beliefInGod_ord   | continuous/ ordinal | 4 | Likert measure of agreement with belief in god statement.               | belief_01  | 1 to 7  |

| Variable Name              | Variable Label                 | Description         | Variable Type   | Definition  | Response Options |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|---|---|------------------|
| Agnosticism (ordinal)      | agnosticism_ord                | continuous/ ordinal | Likert scale measure of agreement with agnosticism statement. | agn_01  | 1 to 7           |
| Agnostic Identity (binary) | ${\it agnostic Identity\_bin}$ | binary              | Categorisation of<br>"agnostics" from<br>issp_02              | dummy/index<br>variable for<br>response 5 in<br>issp_02 | 0,1              |

#### Atheism

| Variable Name         | Variable Label      | Description                                | Variable Type | Definition                                     | Response Options |
|-----------------------|---------------------|--|---------------|--|------------------|
|                       |                     |  |               |  |                  |
| Atheist<br>Membership | athe ist Membership | Yes/no to membership of an atheist org.    | binary        | am_01 response                                 | 0,1              |
| Atheist Identity      | atheistID           | Categorisation of "athetists" from issp_02 | binary        | dummy variable<br>from option 4 for<br>issp_02 | 0,1              |

## Religiosity

| Variable Name               | Variable Label               | Description         | Variable Type   | Definition     | Response Options  |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------|---|----------------|---|
| Religious<br>Identification | religID_1                    | binary              | Yes/no belong to a religion                             | rid_01 default | 0,1   |
| Religious Identity          | religID_2                    | categorical         | Which religion category                                 | rid_02 default | 1. Protestant 2. Catholic 3. Orthodox (e.g. Greek Orthodox, Russian Orthodox) 4. Sunni 5. Shiite 6.Buddhist 7. Confucian 8. Daoist 9. Hindu 10. Jewish 11. Shinto 12. Other (please specify)    |
| Religious<br>Attendance     | ${\it religious Attendance}$ | continuous/ ordinal | Frequency of<br>religious<br>attendence likert<br>scale | rp_01 default  | <ol> <li>More than once a week</li> <li>Once a week 3. Once a month 4. Only on special holy days 5. Once a year</li> <li>Less often 7. Never, practically never</li> </ol>                      |
| Prayer Frequency            | prayerFrequency              | continuous/ ordinal | Frequency of prayer likert scale                        | rp_02 default  | 1. Several times a day 2. Once a day 3. Several times each week 4. Only when attending religious services 5. Only on special holy days 6. Once a year 7. Less often 8. Never, practically never |
| Religious Objects           | religiousObjects             | categorical         | Presence of religious objects                           | rp_03 default  | 1. Yes, for religious reasons 2. Yes, for non-religious reasons 3.  |
| Anti-religiosity            | antiReligiosity              | continuous/ ordinal | Agreement with anti-religiosity statement               | ar_01 default  | 1 to 7  |

| Variable Name                                   | Variable Label                  | Description | Variable Type               | Definition     | Response Options   |
|---|---------------------------------|-------------|-----------------------------|----------------|--|
|   |                                 |             |                             |                |  |
| Primary Caregiver<br>Religiosity                | caregiverReligiosity            | binary      | Yes/no belong to a religion | rid_03 default | 0,1  |
| Primary Caregiver<br>Religios Identity          | caregiverReligiousID            | categorical | Which religion<br>category  | rid_04 default | 1. Protestant 2. Catholic<br>3. Orthodox (e.g. Greek<br>Orthodox, Russian<br>Orthodox) 4. Sunni 5.<br>Shiite 6.Buddhist 7.<br>Confucian 8. Daoist 9.<br>Hindu 10. Jewish 11.<br>Shinto 12. Other (please<br>specify) |
| Additional<br>Caregiver<br>Religiousity         | ${\it caregiver} Religiosity 2$ | binary      | Yes/no belong to a religion | rid_05 default | 0,1  |
| Additional<br>Caregiver<br>Religiosity Identity | caregiverReligiousID2           | categorical | Which religion<br>category  | rid_06 default | 1. Protestant 2. Catholic 3. Orthodox (e.g. Greek Orthodox, Russian Orthodox) 4. Sunni 5. Shiite 6.Buddhist 7. Confucian 8. Daoist 9. Hindu 10. Jewish 11. Shinto 12. Other (please specify)                         |

#### Meta-Belief

| Variable Name                   | Variable Label        | Description         | Variable Type  | Definition   | Response Options |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|--|--|------------------|
| Possibility of<br>Knowing (God) | godKnowingPossibility | continuous/ ordinal | Agreement with: "It is not possible to know if God exists"   | belief_02 default  | 1 to 7           |
| Confidence in<br>Belief         | beliefConfidence      | continuous/ ordinal | Agreement with: "I am confident that my beliefs about God's existence are the right ones"                          | conf_01 default  | 1 to 7           |
| Apatheism (God)                 | apatheismGod          | continuous/ ordinal | Agreement with: "Whether or not God exists is a question that doesn't interest me much"                            | apth_01 default  | 1 to 7           |
| Apatheism (life purpose)        | apatheismPurpose      | continuous/ ordinal | Agreement with: "Whether or not there is an ultimate purpose to life is a question that doesn't interest me much." | apth_02 default  | 1 to 7           |
| Apatheism (combined)            | apatheism             | continuous/         | Mean of apatheism_god + apathe- ism_purpose  | mean of apth_01 and apth_02  | 1 to 7           |
| Possibility of Truth            | truthPossibility      | continuous/ ordinal | Agreement with: "For most things in the world, we will never be able to discover the real objective truth."        | mean_01 default  | 1 to 7           |
| Naturalism                      | naturalism            | binary              | Lack of agreement<br>for any<br>supernatural belief<br>items   | dummy variable = 0 for cases where any of snb items (except 16, 17) are > 4 (agreement or neither) | 0, 1             |
| Supernaturalism                 | supernaturalism       | ordinal             | agreement across<br>all snb items  | Response across all snb items  | 1 to 7           |

## Supernatural Belief

Supernatural Belief measures use a 1-7 agreement scale

After life

| Variable Name           | Variable Label       | Description  | Variable Type       | Definition     | Response Options |
|-------------------------|----------------------|--|---------------------|----------------|------------------|
|                         |                      |  |                     |                |                  |
| Afterlife Existence     | after life Existence | Agreement with: "There is some sort of life after death"       | continuous/ ordinal | snb_01 default | 1 to 7           |
| Afterlife<br>Punishment | afterlifePunishment  | Agreement with: "Some people will be punished after they die." | continuous/ ordinal | snb_13 default | 1 to 7           |
| Afterlife Reward        | afterlifeReward      | Agreement with: "Some people will be rewarded after they die"  | continuous/ ordinal | snb_14 default | 1 to 7           |

#### Reincarnation

| Variable Name | Variable Label | Description                                      | Variable Type       | Definition     | Response Options |
|---------------|----------------|--|---------------------|----------------|------------------|
| Reincarnation | reincarnation  | Agreement with: "Sometime after I die, I         | continuous/ ordinal | snb_02 default | 1 to 7           |
|               |                | expect that I'll be born again in another body." |                     |                |                  |

## Astrology

| Variable Name | Variable Label | Description  | Variable Type       | Definition     | Response Options |
|---------------|----------------|--|---------------------|----------------|------------------|
|               |                |  |                     |                |                  |
| Astrology     | astrology      | Agreement with: "The positions of the stars and planets affect people's lives" | continuous/ ordinal | snb_03 default | 1 to 7           |

## Mystical Powers

| Variable Name    | Variable Label  | Description  | Variable Type       | Definition     | Response Options |
|------------------|-----------------|--|---------------------|----------------|------------------|
|                  |                 |  |                     |                |                  |
| Mystical People  | mysticalPeople  | Agreement with: "Some people have mystical powers (e.g. to heal, harm, or bring good luck)"  | continuous/ ordinal | snb_04 default | 1 to 7           |
| Mystical Objects | mysticalObjects | Agreement with: "Some objects have mystical powers (e.g. to heal, harm, or bring good luck)" | continuous/ ordinal | snb_05 default | 1 to 7           |

#### Underlying Forces

| Variable Name                  | Variable Label            | Description  | Variable Type       | Definition     | Response Options |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------|--|---------------------|----------------|------------------|
|                                |                           |  |                     |                |                  |
| Good and Evil                  | $\operatorname{goodEvil}$ | Agreement with: "There are underlying forces of good and evil in this world."  | continuous/ ordinal | snb_06 default | 1 to 7           |
| Universal spirit or life force | universalLifeforce        | Agreement with: "There exists a universal spirit or life force."   | continuous/ ordinal | snb_07 default | 1 to 7           |
| Karma                          | karma                     | Agreement with: "There is a power in the universe that causes good things to happen to people who behave morally and bad things to happen to people who behave immorally." | continuous/ ordinal | snb_08 default | 1 to 7           |
| Fate                           | fate                      | Agreement with: "Most significant life events are meant to be and happen for a reason."  | continuous/ ordinal | snb_09 default | 1 to 7           |

## $Supernatural\ Beings$

| Variable Name                     | Variable Label                   | Description  | Variable Type       | Definition     | Response Options |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|--|---------------------|----------------|------------------|
|                                   |                                  |  |                     |                |                  |
| Supernatural Being<br>Existence   | supernaturalBeings               | Agreement with: "Supernatural beings of some kind exist"                                     | continuous/ ordinal | snb_10 default | 1 to 7           |
| Good Supernatural<br>Beings       | ${\it good Supernatural Beings}$ | Agreement with: "There exist supernatural beings that are good/kind (e.g. COUNTRY SPECIFIC)" | continuous/ ordinal | snb_11 default | 1 to 7           |
| Harmful<br>Supernatural<br>Beings | harmfulSupernaturalBeings        | Agreement with: "There exist supernatural beings that are harmful. (e.g COUNTRY SPECIFIC)"   | continuous/ ordinal | snb_12 default | 1 to 7           |

#### $Evil\ Eye$

| Variable Name | Variable Label | Description   | Variable Type       | Definition     | Response Options |
|---------------|----------------|---|---------------------|----------------|------------------|
| Evil Eye      | evilEye        | Agreement with: "Making other people envious of you can cause | continuous/ ordinal | snb_15 default | 1 to 7           |
|               |                | illness or misfortune."                                       |                     |                |                  |

## Spiritual Experience

| Variable Name                         | Variable Label | Description  | Variable Type       | Definition     | Response Options  |
|---------------------------------------|----------------|--|---------------------|----------------|---|
|                                       |                |  |                     |                |   |
| Spiritual<br>Experience<br>(personal) | spiritualForce | Category response to: "Have you ever felt as though you were connected to a powerful spiritual force?" | continuous/ ordinal | snb_16 default | 1. Yes, I've had an experience like this. 2. I've had an experience like this, but I didn't associate it with a spiritual force. 3. No, I've never had an experience like this. |

## Lucky Objects

| Variable Name | Variable Label | Description   | Variable Type | Definition     | Response Options |
|---------------|----------------|---|---------------|----------------|------------------|
| Lucky Object  | luckyObjects   | Yes/No to: "Do you carry<br>any objects for luck or<br>protection?" | binary        | snb_17 default | 0, 1             |

Demographic Variables

| Variable Name                           | Variable Label | Description   | Variable Type        | Definition                | Response Options  |
|---|----------------|---|----------------------|---------------------------|---|
| Income                                  | inc_01         | Response to: "What was your household income last year, including casual and part-time income?" | ordinal/ categorical | inc_01 default            | country specific brackets<br>(see full codebook)  |
| Years in Education                      | ed_01          | Response to: "For how many years were you in formal education (e.g. Schools, University)?"      | Continuous           | ed_01 default             | open response   |
| Ethnicity                               | eth_01         | Response to: "What is your ethnicity?"  | Categorical          | eth_01 default            | country specific brackets (see full codebook)   |
| Sexual Orientation                      | sexor_01       | Response to: "Which of<br>the following best<br>describes your sexual<br>orientation?"          | Categorical          | sexor_01 default          | Heterosexual (1)<br>Homosexual (2) Bisexual<br>(3) Other sexual<br>orientation (4) (please<br>specify)  |
| Martital Status                         | mar_01         | Response to: "What is your marital status?"   | Categorical          | mar_01 default            | Single, not in a committed relationship (1) Single, in a committed relationship (2) Living with a partner (3) Married or civil union (4) Divorced (5) Separated (6) Widowed (7) |
| Homeshooling (primary)                  | homeschool_p   | Response to "Between<br>the ages of 5- 10 were you<br>homeschooled?"                            | Binary               | homeschool_p<br>default   | yes/no  |
| Religious<br>Homeshooling<br>(primary)  | relig_hs_p     | Response to "Was this schooling religious?"   | Binary               | relig_hs_p default        | yes/no  |
| Religious Primary<br>School             | relig_school_p | Response to: "Was your school(s) affiliated with a religion/faith?"                             | Binary               | relig_school_p<br>default | yes/no  |
| Homeshooling (secondary)                | homeschool_s   | Response to "Between<br>the ages of 11-16 were<br>you homeschooled?"                            | Binary               | homeschool_s<br>default   | yes/no  |
| Religious<br>Homeshooling<br>(seconday) | relig_hs_s     | Response to "Was this schooling religious?"   | Binary               | relig_hs_s default        | yes/no  |
| Religious<br>Secondary School           | relig_school_s | Response to: "Was your school(s) affiliated with a  | Binary               | relig_school_s<br>default | yes/no  |