

# Social attitudes and behaviour in abstract tasks 4

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Start of Block: Consent



InformedConsent

## Participant Information Sheet

**Project name:** Social attitudes and behaviour in abstract tasks

**Primary researcher:** [redacted]

**Student researcher:** [redacted]

### Researcher introduction

Hello, we are researchers based in the [redacted] at the [redacted].

### Project description and procedures

We are interested in understanding your thoughts about community and social values. We will ask you to think about things people do which might be good or bad for the community.

If you decide to take part, as a thank-you, we will reimburse you \$2.50 (USD). The entire study should take approximately 15 minutes. Please make sure that you have that time at your disposal.

Please be assured that your identity will be kept confidential, so we will not share any identifying information with any other people.

We want to thank the Royal Society of New Zealand for funding our research through a Marsden Fund grant awarded to [redacted].

### Agreement

If you click the button underneath which says "I consent, start the survey", you will be telling us that: "I agree to take part in your research." "I am 18 years or older." "I understand the questions here will take around 15 minutes." "All of my answers will be mine alone, and they will not be the answers of another person." "If I want to stop, I can stop. I have a right to stop answering the questions at any time and for any reason. Withdrawing will not have any consequences for me." "I understand that I can remove my information until four weeks after I have completed the study." "I know my identity will be fully confidential. The

researchers will not share my identity with anyone." "I understand that my research data can be used by other researchers, and other researchers will be able to see my data. But my identity and name will not be shared."

### Contacting us

If you have any questions or concerns you can contact the researchers or the University of Auckland with the details below. If you do not receive payment for taking part in this study, please contact one of the following people and let them know – we will then make sure the payment reaches you.

**[contact information redacted]**

*Approved by the [redacted] on 15 November 2021 for three years. Reference Number: [redacted].*

- ☐ I consent, start the survey (1)
- ☐ I do not consent, I do not wish to participate (2)

End of Block: Consent

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Start of Block: Does Not Consent



NoConsent As you do not consent to participate in this study, please return your submission on Prolific by selecting the 'Stop without completing' button.

End of Block: Does Not Consent

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Start of Block: Record Prolific ID



ProlificID Please confirm your Prolific ID:

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End of Block: Record Prolific ID

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Start of Block: Introduction

Intro1 Before beginning the study, please enter some details about yourself.



Age What is your age?

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Sex What is your gender?

- ☐ Man (1)
- ☐ Woman (2)
- ☐ I have a different answer. Please say: (3)
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Ethnicity Choose one or more ethnicities that you consider yourself to be:

- ☐ White (1)
- ☐ Black or African American (2)
- ☐ American Indian or Alaska Native (3)
- ☐ Asian (4)
- ☐ Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander (5)
- ☐ Hispanic or Latino (6)
- ☐ Other ethnicity, please specify: (7)
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Education What is the highest level of school you have completed or the highest degree you have received?

- ☐ Less than high school degree (1)
  - ☐ High school graduate (high school diploma or equivalent including GED) (2)
  - ☐ Some college but no degree (3)
  - ☐ Associate degree in college (2-year) (4)
  - ☐ Bachelor's degree in college (4-year) (5)
  - ☐ Master's degree (6)
  - ☐ Doctoral degree (7)
  - ☐ Professional degree (JD, MD) (8)
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Income Information about income is very important to understand. Please give your best guess. Please indicate the answer that includes your entire **household income** in the previous year before taxes.

- ☐ Less than \$10,000 (1)
  - ☐ \$10,000 to \$19,999 (2)
  - ☐ \$20,000 to \$29,999 (3)
  - ☐ \$30,000 to \$39,999 (4)
  - ☐ \$40,000 to \$49,999 (5)
  - ☐ \$50,000 to \$59,999 (6)
  - ☐ \$60,000 to \$69,999 (7)
  - ☐ \$70,000 to \$79,999 (8)
  - ☐ \$80,000 to \$89,999 (9)
  - ☐ \$90,000 to \$99,999 (10)
  - ☐ \$100,000 to \$149,999 (11)
  - ☐ \$150,000 to \$199,999 (12)
  - ☐ \$200,000 or more (13)
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Religion Do you identify with a religion and/or spiritual group?

- ☐ Yes (1)
  - ☐ No (2)
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Page Break

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Intro2 In this study, you will be required to answer some questions about community and social values. We will present these to you in a random order.

Please click the **Next button** when you are ready to begin.

### End of Block: Introduction

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### Start of Block: DFS US Nation

JS

DFSN\_Intro In this part of the study, please read the following statements about the United States of America. You have to say the extent to which you think the statements are good or bad.

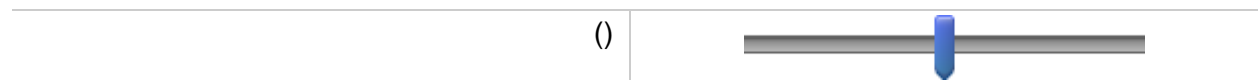
You will see a series of scales with slider buttons. Please slide the button along the scale to indicate your preference for each statement.

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JS

DFSN\_1InePro When some Americans get a lot of resources, they do **not** share any of their resources with other Americans. Is this:

Very bad      Neither good  
                         nor bad      Very good

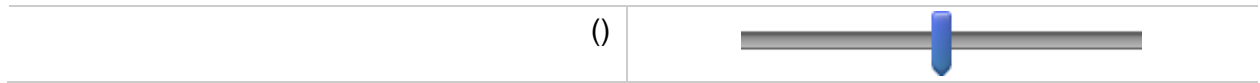


JS

DFSN\_2IneCon

When some Americans get a lot of resources, they share all of these resources with other Americans. Is this:

Very bad      Neither good  
                         nor bad      Very good



JS

DFSN\_3InePro      Some Americans do **not** get the resources that other Americans have, which means that some Americans have less than others. Is this:

Very bad      Neither good  
nor bad      Very good



JS

DFSN\_4IneCon      Some Americans try to make sure that **no** Americans get fewer resources than other Americans. Is this:

Very bad      Neither good  
nor bad      Very good



JS

DFSN\_5SocPro

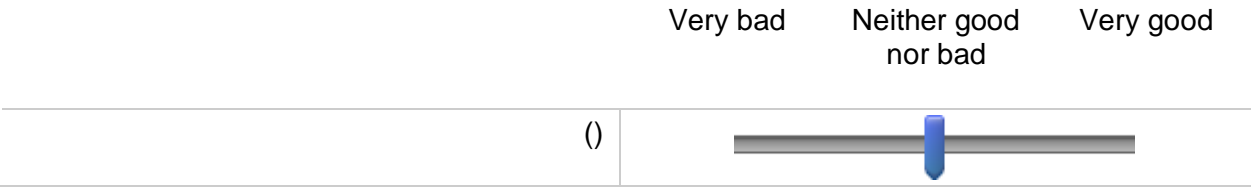
All Americans have to follow all of the USA's rules all of the time. Is this:

Very bad      Neither good  
nor bad      Very good



JS

DFSN\_6SocCon      An American does **not** follow some of the USA's rules because they do **not** agree with them. Is this:



JS

DFSN\_7SocPro

The USA punishes an American very harshly, because they have repeatedly broken the USA's rules. Is this:



JS

DFSN\_8SocCon      The USA does **not** punish an American after they have broken a US rule which you **don't** think is important. Is this:



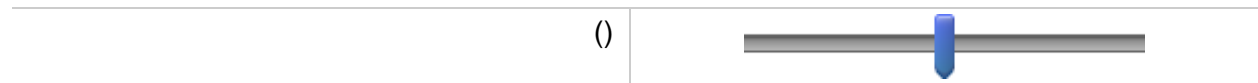
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DFSN\_9SocPro



Some Americans don't agree with a decision made by the USA's leaders, but they have to follow the leaders' decision anyway. Is this:

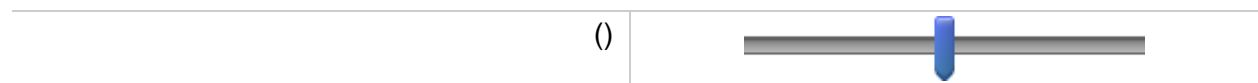
Very bad      Neither good  
                         nor bad      Very good



JS

DFSN\_10SocCon      An American does **not** follow the decision of the USA's leaders, because they don't agree with the leaders' decision. Is this:

Very bad      Neither good  
                         nor bad      Very good



JS

Attention\_check\_1

It is important to check that you are paying attention. Please place the slider button underneath 'Neither good nor bad'.

Very bad      Neither good  
                         nor bad      Very good



End of Block: DFS US Nation

Start of Block: US Issues

JS

Issues\_Intro In this part of the study, please state the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following statements.

You will see a slider scale for each statement. Please slide the button along the scale to indicate your preference.

JS

Issue1\_TaxHelpPoor

The government should help the poor and needy using tax dollars from the rich.

Strongly disagree      Neither agree nor disagree      Strongly agree



JS

Issue2\_TaxAdresInqty

Higher taxes (primarily for the wealthy) are necessary to address inequity/injustice in society.

Strongly disagree      Neither agree nor disagree      Strongly agree



JS

### Issue3\_TaxHealthcare

I dislike the idea of tax dollars funding other people's health care.

Strongly disagree      Neither agree nor disagree      Strongly agree



JS

### Issue4\_GovDependence

Government programs encourage people to become dependent and lazy, rather than encouraging work and independence.

Strongly disagree      Neither agree nor disagree      Strongly agree

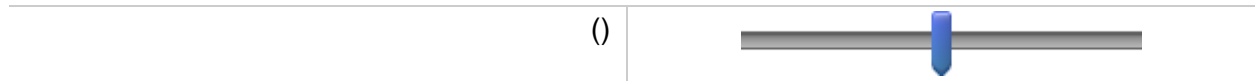


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### Issue5\_GovControl

Gas and electric companies should be under governmental control.

Strongly disagree      Neither agree nor disagree      Strongly agree

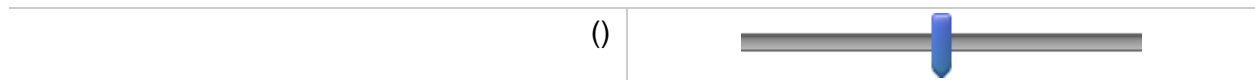


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Issue6\_LimitedGov

A smaller government with limited power would improve the standard of living for all.

Strongly disagree      Neither agree nor disagree      Strongly agree

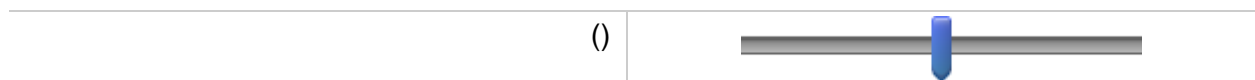


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Issue7\_CompetCaptlsm

Competitive capitalism produces economic growth, more jobs and the highest standards of living.

Strongly disagree      Neither agree nor disagree      Strongly agree



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Issue8\_HomelessRespo

The homeless are responsible for their own problems.

Strongly disagree      Neither agree nor disagree      Strongly agree

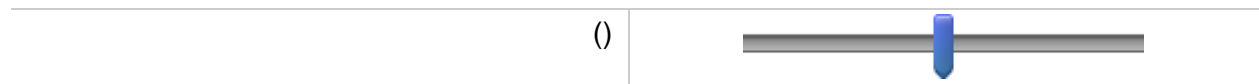


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Issue9\_GlobeWarm

Global warming presents a threat to the future of humans.

Strongly disagree      Neither agree nor disagree      Strongly agree



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Issue10\_AffirmActn

I support “affirmative action” policies in workplaces and schools.

Strongly disagree      Neither agree nor disagree      Strongly agree

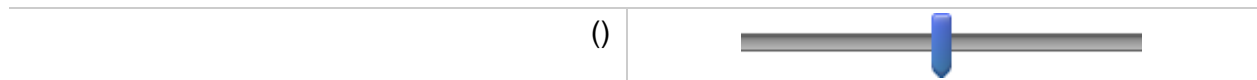


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Issue11\_MarriageHetr

Marriage is meant to be the union of one man and one woman only.

Strongly disagree      Neither agree nor disagree      Strongly agree



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Issue12\_GayAdoption

I fear that homosexual people adopting children will result in there being more homosexual people in America over time.

Strongly disagree      Neither agree nor disagree      Strongly agree



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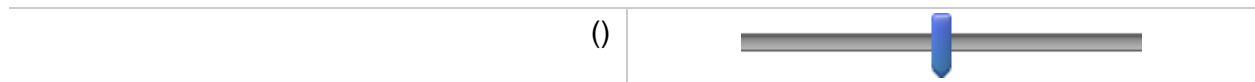
### Issue13\_Euthanasia

Euthanasia of a human is wrong under all circumstances.

Strongly  
disagree

Neither agree  
nor disagree

Strongly agree



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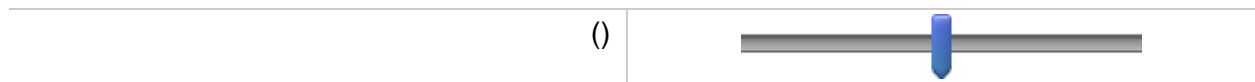
### Issue14\_AbrtnBetter

It is better for a woman to have an abortion than to raise a child she does not want.

Strongly  
disagree

Neither agree  
nor disagree

Strongly agree



JS

### Issue15\_NoReligTrust

I find it hard to trust people who are **not** religious.

Strongly  
disagree

Neither agree  
nor disagree

Strongly agree



JS

Issue16\_RelignInGov

Religious expression has **no** place in government.

Strongly disagree      Neither agree nor disagree      Strongly agree



JS

Issue17\_MascClothing

Men should wear masculine clothing.

Strongly disagree      Neither agree nor disagree      Strongly agree



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Issue18\_WomensPlace



Women should stay at home and parent children, and men should work to support their families.

Strongly disagree      Neither agree nor disagree      Strongly agree

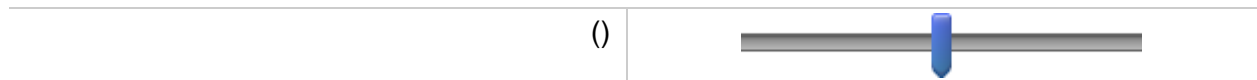


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Issue19\_CrckdwnDrugs

The government must crack down on people who produce or distribute illegal drugs.

Strongly disagree      Neither agree nor disagree      Strongly agree

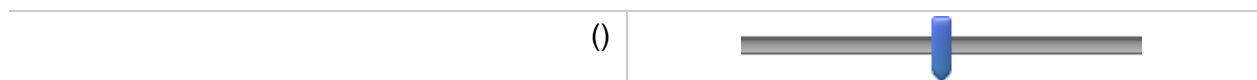


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Issue20\_IntgrtLifsty

People who immigrate to America from other countries should adopt an American way of life, rather than living as they did in the countries they came from.

Strongly disagree      Neither agree nor disagree      Strongly agree



## End of Block: US Issues

### Start of Block: RWA SDO

JS

IntroQs In this part of the study, please state the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following statements.

You will see a slider scale for each statement. Please slide the button along the scale to indicate your preference.

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RWA01r

It's great that many young people today are prepared to defy authority.

Strongly disagree      Neither agree nor disagree      Strongly agree

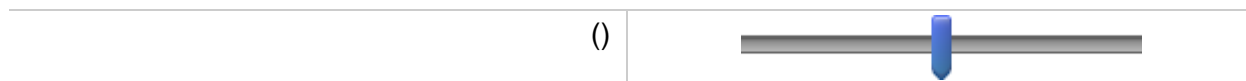


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RWA02

What our country needs most is discipline, with everyone following our leaders in unity.

Strongly disagree      Neither agree nor disagree      Strongly agree

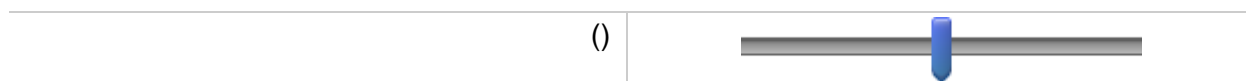


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RWA03r

Students at high schools and at university must be encouraged to challenge, criticize, and confront established authorities.

Strongly disagree      Neither agree nor disagree      Strongly agree

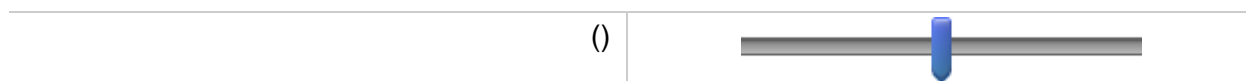


JS

RWA04

Obedience and respect for authority are the most important virtues children should learn.

Strongly disagree      Neither agree nor disagree      Strongly agree

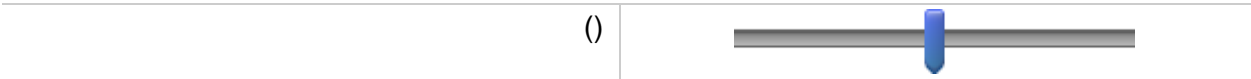


JS

RWA05

Our country will be great if we show respect for authority and obey our leaders.

Strongly disagree      Neither agree nor disagree      Strongly agree



JS

RWA06r

People should be ready to protest against and challenge laws they don't agree with.

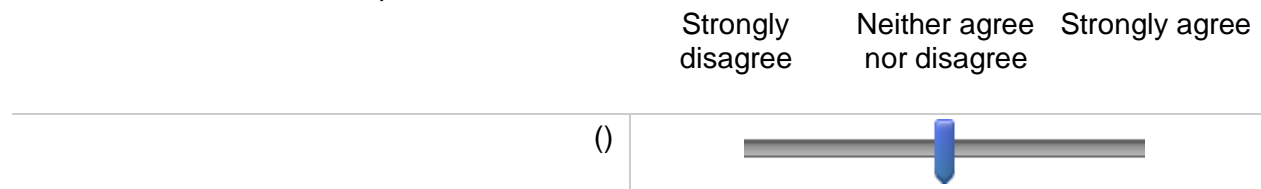
Strongly disagree      Neither agree nor disagree      Strongly agree



JS

RWA07r

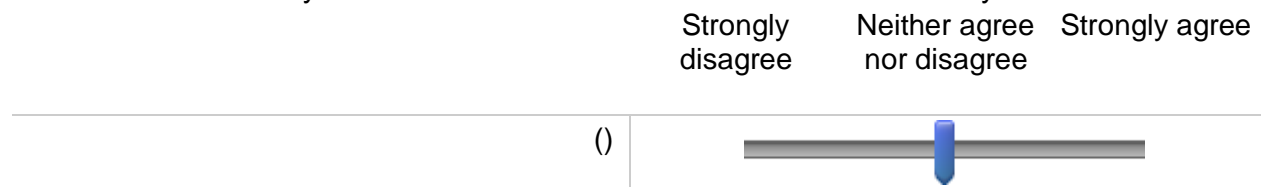
Nobody should stick to the “straight and narrow.” Instead people should break loose and try out lots of different ideas and experiences.



JS

RWA08

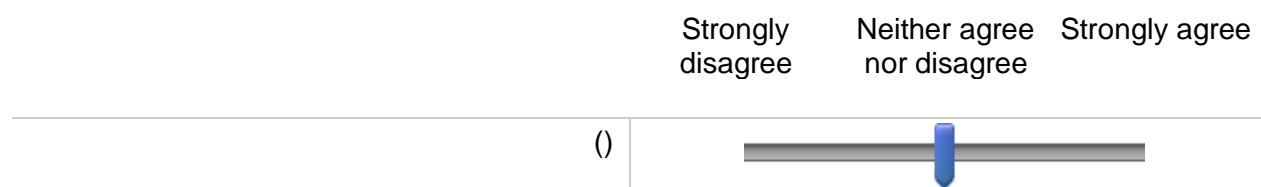
The “old-fashioned ways” and “old-fashioned values” still show the best way to live.



JS

RWA09

God’s laws about abortion, pornography, and marriage must be strictly followed before it is too late.



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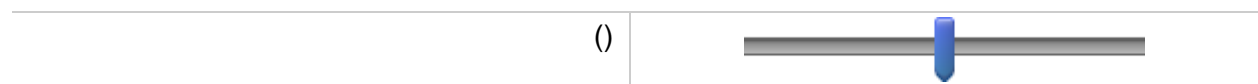
RWA10r

There is absolutely nothing wrong with nudist camps.

Strongly  
disagree

Neither agree  
nor disagree

Strongly agree



JS

RWA11

This country will flourish if young people stop experimenting with drugs, alcohol, and sex, and pay more attention to family values.

Strongly  
disagree

Neither agree  
nor disagree

Strongly agree



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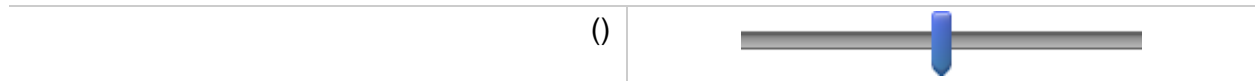
RWA12r

There is nothing wrong with premarital sexual intercourse.

Strongly  
disagree

Neither agree  
nor disagree

Strongly agree



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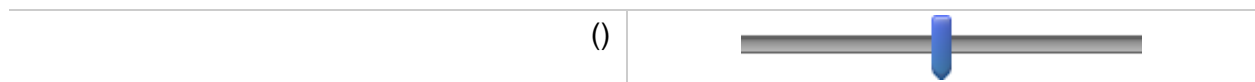
RWA13r

Strong, tough government will harm not help our country.

Strongly  
disagree

Neither agree  
nor disagree

Strongly agree



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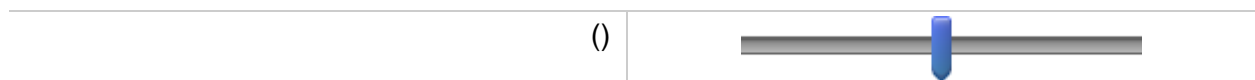
RWA14

Being kind to loafers or criminals will only encourage them to take advantage of your weakness, so it's best to use a firm, tough hand when dealing with them.

Strongly  
disagree

Neither agree  
nor disagree

Strongly agree

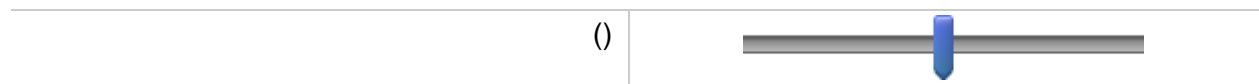


JS

RWA15r

Our society does NOT need tougher government and stricter laws.

Strongly disagree      Neither agree nor disagree      Strongly agree



JS

RWA16

The facts on crime and the recent public disorders show we have to crack down harder on troublemakers, if we are going preserve law and order.

Strongly disagree      Neither agree nor disagree      Strongly agree

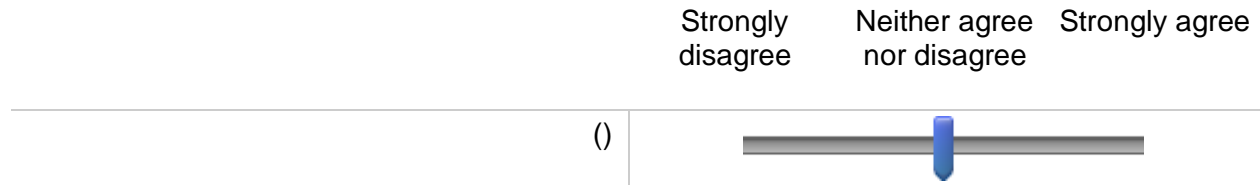


JS

RWA17r



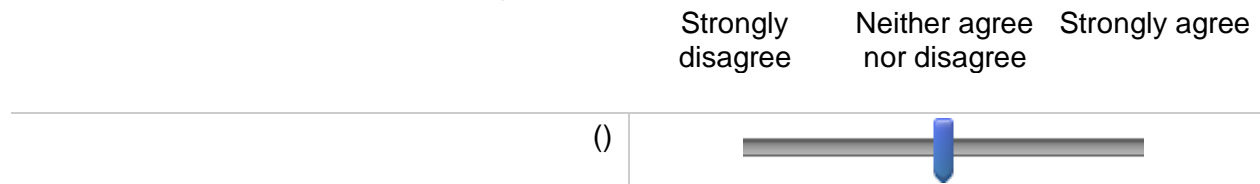
Our prisons are a shocking disgrace. Criminals are unfortunate people who deserve much better care, instead of so much punishment.



JS

RWA18

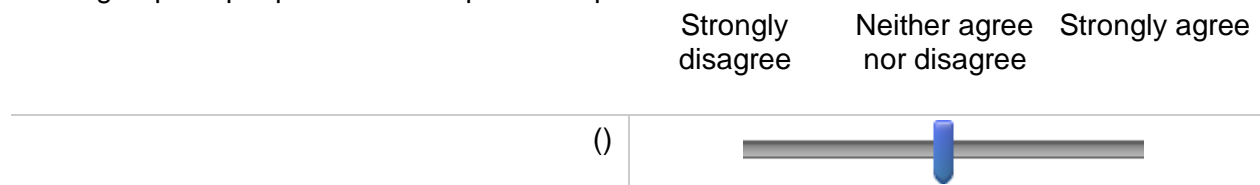
The way things are going in this country, it's going to take a lot of "strong medicine" to straighten out the troublemakers, criminals, and perverts.



JS

SDO01

Some groups of people must be kept in their place.

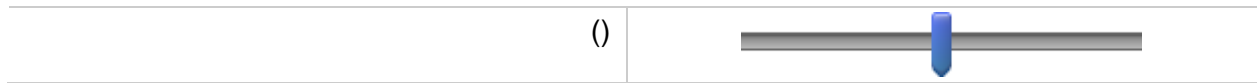


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SDO02

It's probably a good thing that certain groups are at the top and other groups are at the bottom.

Strongly disagree      Neither agree nor disagree      Strongly agree



JS

SDO03

An ideal society requires some groups to be on top and others to be on the bottom.

Strongly disagree      Neither agree nor disagree      Strongly agree



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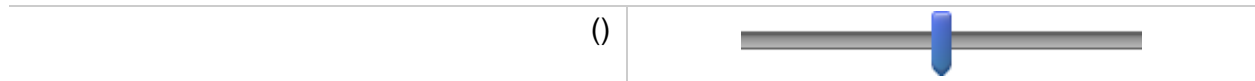
SDO04

Some groups of people are simply inferior to other groups.

Strongly  
disagree

Neither agree  
nor disagree

Strongly agree



JS

SDO05r

Groups at the bottom are just as deserving as groups at the top.

Strongly  
disagree

Neither agree  
nor disagree

Strongly agree



JS

SDO06r

No one group should dominate in society.

Strongly  
disagree

Neither agree  
nor disagree

Strongly agree



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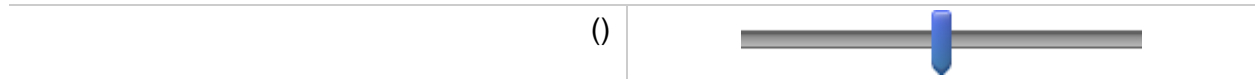
SDO07r

Groups at the bottom should **not** have to stay in their place.

Strongly  
disagree

Neither agree  
nor disagree

Strongly agree



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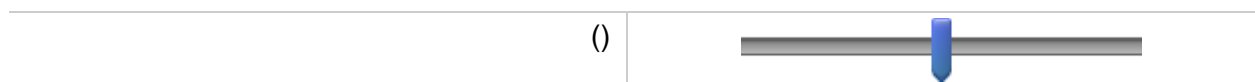
SDO08r

Group dominance is a poor principle.

Strongly  
disagree

Neither agree  
nor disagree

Strongly agree



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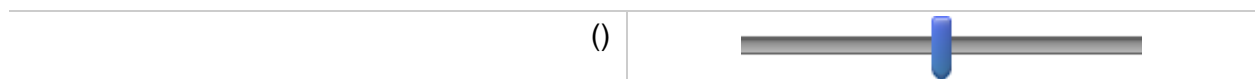
SDO09

We should **not** push for group equality.

Strongly  
disagree

Neither agree  
nor disagree

Strongly agree

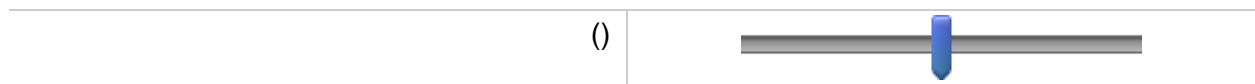


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SDO10

We shouldn't try to guarantee that every group has the same quality of life.

Strongly disagree      Neither agree nor disagree      Strongly agree

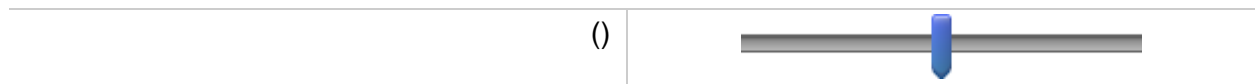


JS

SDO11

It is unjust to try to make groups equal.

Strongly disagree      Neither agree nor disagree      Strongly agree



JS

SDO12

Group equality should **not** be our primary goal.

Strongly disagree      Neither agree nor disagree      Strongly agree



JS

SDO13r

We should work to give all groups an equal chance to succeed.

Strongly disagree      Neither agree nor disagree      Strongly agree



JS

SDO14r

We should do what we can to equalize conditions for different groups.

Strongly disagree      Neither agree nor disagree      Strongly agree



JS

SDO15r

No matter how much effort it takes, we ought to strive to ensure that all groups have the same chance in life.

Strongly disagree

Neither agree nor disagree

Strongly agree

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JS

SDO16r

Group equality should be our ideal.

Strongly disagree

Neither agree nor disagree

Strongly agree

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JS

Attention\_check\_2

It is important to check you are still paying attention. Please place the slider button underneath 'Neither agree nor disagree'.

Strongly disagree

Neither agree nor disagree

Strongly agree

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End of Block: RWA SDO

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Start of Block: Goodbye

Q81 You have reached the end of our survey.

You can click 'Next' to return to Prolific.

Many thanks for participating and best wishes.

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End of Block: Goodbye