

Data Documentation: Many Analysts Religion Project

The number indicates the column number, the bold-faced text gives the column name. *Note that all contra-indicative items have been reverse coded, such that higher values reflect a higher score on the scale.*

General Information

1. **subject** subject number
2. **country** country in which data were collected

Religiosity

Personal religiosity was measured with 9 items. All items have been reverse-coded and transformed onto a 0-1 scale, with 0 indicating low religiosity to 1 indicating high religiosity. Values in round brackets () give the original response scale, [R] indicates that the item was originally contra-indicative and has been reverse-coded.

3. **rel_1** frequency of service attendance (1-7) [R]
4. **rel_2** frequency of prayer (1-8) [R]
5. **rel_3** self-identification (1= religious, 2= not religious, 3=atheist) [R]
6. **rel_4** belong to denomination (1=yes, 2=no) [R]
7. **rel_5** belief in God/Gods (1-7)
8. **rel_6** belief in afterlife (1-7)
9. **rel_7** spirituality (1-7)
10. **rel_8** importance of religious lifestyle (1-5)
11. **rel_9** importance of belief in God/Gods (1-5)

Cultural Norms of Religiosity

Perceived cultural norms of religiosity were measured with 2 items. Both items are transformed onto a 0-1 scale, with 0 indicating low perceived cultural importance of religiosity and 1 indicating high perceived cultural importance of religiosity. Values in round brackets () give the original response scale.

12. **cnorm_1** importance of religious lifestyle for average person in country (1-5)
13. **cnorm_2** importance of belief in God/Gods for average person in country (1-5)

Well-Being

Well-being was measured with 18 items using a 1-5 response scale, with 1 indicating low well-being and 5 indicating high well-being. The scale consists of 2 general well-being items, 7 physical well-being items, 6 psychological well-being items, and 3 social well-being items. [R] indicates that the item was originally contra-indicative and has been reverse-coded.

14. **wb_gen_1** quality of life general
15. **wb_gen_2** satisfaction with health

16. **wb_phys_1** pain [R]
17. **wb_phys_2** medical dependence [R]
18. **wb_phys_3** energy
19. **wb_phys_4** mobility
20. **wb_phys_5** sleep
21. **wb_phys_6** activities
22. **wb_phys_7** work ability
23. **wb_psych_1** enjoying life
24. **wb_psych_2** meaningfulness
25. **wb_psych_3** concentration
26. **wb_psych_4** satisfaction physical appearance
27. **wb_psych_5** self-esteem
28. **wb_psych_6** negative affect [R]
29. **wb_soc_1** personal relations
30. **wb_soc_2** social support
31. **wb_soc_3** sexual satisfaction (note: NA indicates not disclosed)
32. **wb_overall_mean** average of all 18 well-being items
33. **wb_phys_mean** average of physical well-being subscale
34. **wb_psych_mean** average of psychological well-being subscale
35. **wb_soc_mean** average of social well-being subscale

Demographics

36. **age** age in numbers
37. **gender** (1=man, 2=woman, 3=other)
38. **ses** subjective socioeconomic status as ladder (1 = bottom, 10 = top)
39. **education** education in levels (largely equivalent across samples; 1-7, 1 indicating the lowest level of education, 7 indicting the highest level of education)
40. **ethnicity** ethnicity (different per sample; 17 categories)
41. **denomination** if indicated member of religious denomination (different per sample; 20 categories)

Additional Study Details

42. **gdp** gross domestic product per capita (in US\$, data from 2017; country-level)
43. **gdp_scaled** GDP standardized across the 24 countries (country-level)
44. **sample_type** type of sample (general public, students, online panel, mixed)
45. **compensation** participant reward (course credit, money, no compensation, raffle, mixed)
46. **attention_check** attention check (1=passed)

Missing Values

The dataset contains missing values for the following variables:

- **wb_soc_3** 995 missing (did not want to disclose)
- **age** 27 missing
- **ses** 5 missing
- **ethnicity** 409 missing (in France, this question was not asked due to legal restrictions; no missing values in other countries)
- **denomination** 5676 missing (this was only asked when participants indicated to belong to a religious denomination [rel_4])

There are no missing data for the remaining variables.