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Report Map

Data Analysis Report Rubric

Section Numbers

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Component (% of Grade)	0 = Minimal	1 = Developing	2 = Substantial	3 = Complete	Score/Comments
Research Questions and Hypotheses (7%)	 Little or no discussion of research focus/purpose of research 	Minimal discussion of research focus/purpose of research	Limited discussion of research focus/purpose of research	Clearly identifies and discusses research focus/purpose of research	III: Scientific Godis
(776)	Research focus not grounded in previous research/ theoretically relevant literature	Research focus is not well-grounded in previous research/ theoretically relevant literature	Research focus is less well-grounded in previous research/ theoretically relevant literature	Research focus is clearly grounded in previous research/ theoretically relevant literature	I: Background
	Research questions are poorly articulated or are absent altogether	Research questions are not well articulated	Research questions are described but not clearly articulated	Research questions are clearly articulated	III: Scientific Goals
Background (7%)	Discussion of previous research is absent	Discussion of previous research is minimal	Discussion of previous research is adequate but limited	Thorough discussion of previous research	I: Background
	Description of how the data were collected and data source is very confusing/not articulated sufficiently	Description of how the data were collected and data source is somewhat confusing/not clearly	Description of how the data were collected and data source is adequate but limited	Thorough description of how the data were collected and data source	II: Data set Description
	Variables not clearly defined and presented	articulated Variables stated but not clearly defined or presented	Variables defined but not clearly presented	Variable definitions clearly defined and presented	II: Data Set Description
Descriptive Statistics and Plots (15%)	Descriptive statistics incomplete, incorrect, or unclear; no or few plots and tables	Descriptive statistics somewhat incomplete or unclear	Descriptive statistics are sufficient but limited	Descriptive statistics are thoughtful and complete, including both tables and plots	II: Data Visualization
(1370)	 Exploration of data not guided by research questions 	 Exploration of data not clearly guided by research questions 	 Exploration of data mostly guided by research questions 	 Exploration of data guided by research questions 	II: GOOLS / II: Visuals
	Tables/figures not discussed in the body of the report	 Some tables/figures not discussed in the body of the report 	All tables/figures discussed in the body of the report	All tables/figures discussed in the body of the report	(see appendix) → we checked

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Methods (20%)	Plan of analysis is very confusing/not articulated sufficiently	Plan of analysis is somewhat confusing/not articulated sufficiently	Plan of analysis is explained, but not clearly	Plan of analysis clearly explained	I : Modeling	
	Statistical analyses are inappropriate methods and tests and/or do not address the research questions of interest	Some statistical analyses are inappropriate methods and tests and/or do not fully address the research questions of interest	Some statistical analyses are inappropriate methods and tests and/or do not fully address the research questions of interest	All statistical analyses are appropriate methods and tests and fully address the research questions of interest	I: Modeling II: Model. Assessments	
Results (15%)	 Results are not clearly explained, level of detail is severely insufficient, and there are serious organizational issues 	Results are not very clearly explained, level of detail is insufficient, and there are more organizational issues	Results are explained but not as clearly, level of detail is not as sufficient, and there are some organizational issues	Results are clearly and concisely explained in a comprehensive level of detail and are well- organized	VIII: Model Assessment VIIII: Discussion	
	Tables/figures are absent and/or output reported is not formatted (e.g., copied and pasted from R).	Tables/figures are not clear/concise in conveying the results and/or are not fully discussed in the body of the report.	Tables/figures are not as clear/concise in conveying the results but are discussed in the body of the report.	Tables/figures clearly and concisely convey the results and are discussed in the body of the report.	I: Modeling II: Interpretatation III: Model Assessment	

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Discussion (20%)	Incorrect/unclear interpretations of model	Some incorrect/unclear interpretations of model	Nearly all interpretations of model are clear and correct	All interpretations of model are clear and correct	VI: Interpretation	
	 Interpretations of results severely lacking in thoughtfulness and insight, are not informed by the study's results, and do not address how they supported, refuted, and/or informed the research hypotheses Limitations of data and analyses not discussed Suggestions for further research in this area are severely limited and/or absent altogether. 	Interpretations of results somewhat lacking in thoughtfulness and insight, are not entirely informed by the study's results, or do not clearly address how they supported, refuted, and/or informed the research hypotheses Limitations of data and analyses are minimally discussed Suggestions for further research in this area are very limited.	Interpretations of results are sufficient but somewhat lacking in thoughtfulness and insight, are not as clearly informed by the study's results, or do not as thoroughly address how they supported, refuted, and/or informed the research hypotheses Limitations of data and analyses are adequately discussed Suggestions for further research in this area are adequate.	Interpretations of results are thoughtful and insightful, are clearly informed by the study's results, and thoroughly address how they supported, refuted, and/or informed the research hypotheses Limitations of data and analyses are thoughtful and adequately discussed Suggestions for further research in this area are insightful and thoughtful.	VIII: Discussion VIII: Discussion VIII: Discussion VIII: Discussion	
Overall Communication (10%)	 Excessive spelling and/or grammar mistakes Difficult to understand. 	 Noticeable spelling and/or grammar mistakes Some sections of poor communication 	Minimal spelling and/or grammar mistakes A few sections of poor communication.	No spelling or grammar mistakes Good communication throughout		
Documentation of Sources (2%)	Report includes no citations for background research or data	Cites data source and/or a few background research sources Citation style	Cites data source and most background research sources Citation style mostly	Cites data source and all background research sources Citation style	Appendix - References section Forms section	
		inconsistent and/or incomplete	consistent and complete	consistent and complete	References Section	

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Report Format (4%) Additional Comments	Section headings not clearly labeled or consistent Tables and Figures missing numbers and captions Not double-spaced and at most ten pages	Some section headings clearly labeled and consistent Some Tables and Figures numbered with captions Adheres to page limit, but not double-spaced	 All section headings clearly labeled and consistent Tables and Figures numbered but unclear titles or captions Double-spaced and at most ten pages 	 Section headings clearly labeled and consistent Tables and Figures numbered with clear titles and descriptive captions Double-spaced and at most ten pages 	II: Data Visualization II: Results Appendix	N No.
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