

Data erratum to “Once A Liar Always A Liar”?

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In the UK sessions 1, 2, and 4, there was a mistake in how the combined total of deductions for group members were calculated in the second half of the second stage of the experiment (the 10 rounds with positive audit rates) – they were summed over the whole session. For these sessions, we only used data from the first stage and first half of the second stage of the experiment, and did not include in our analysis the data from the second half of the second stage and the third stage (risk preferences elicitation). From the fourth stage (survey) we only used data on subject age and gender. All data are available in the archived data set.

In the Chile session 20, 8 out of 20 subjects were assigned to a single group in the first half of the second stage of the experiment. Data from these subjects were not included in any of our analysis.

In the Chile session 44, there were only 5 rounds in the second half of the second stage; the subjects were paid 5000 Pesos each for that part of the experiment. We did not include in our analysis the data from all subsequent parts of the experiment (risk preferences, die game, and survey), except for self-reported age and gender.

In the UK session 33 and Chile sessions 19 and 26, the payouts in the Dictator Game were not calculated correctly. The number of groups entered in `z-tree` was smaller than half the number of subjects. In Chile 19, subjects were paid 12,000 pesos each. In Chile 26 and UK 33 subjects were paid as calculated (profits did not differ much).

In several sessions, the raw `z-tree` files report zero payoffs for first or second half of the second stage of the experiment. This did not affect the deductions received by the subjects and the feedback that they received following each round. In each of these sessions, profits were calculated manually by the experimenters, and subjects were paid the correct amount.

For the tax experiments in Oxford and Moscow, actual profits and show-up fees do not match those reported in the raw `z-tree` files, and were calculated with a separate module, or manually. .