Cross-Cultural Survey Lifecycle

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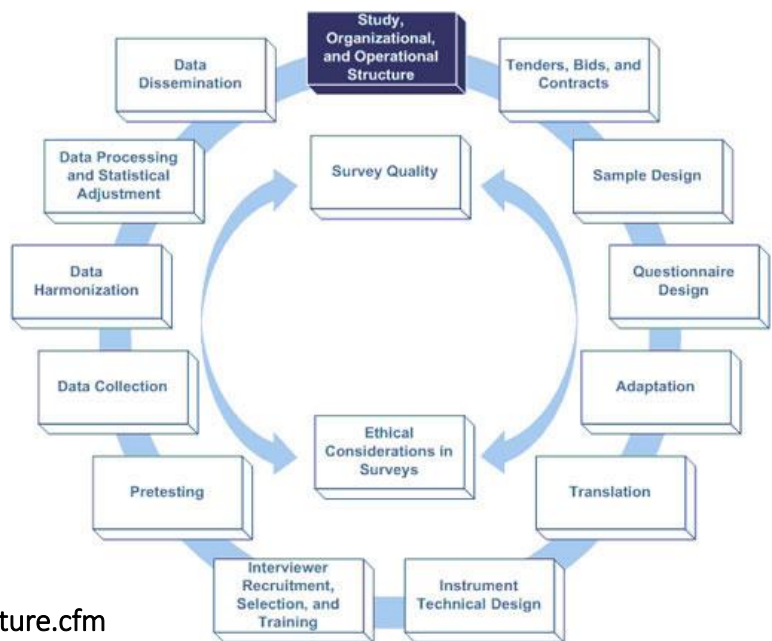
Survey of Health, Ageing and Retirement in Europe (SHARE) – Purposes

Encompassing cross-national variation in public policy, culture and history across a variety of European countries since 2004

Providing full picture of ageing process

Funded by European Commission, U.S. National Institute on Aging, and national sources

Data collected includes health variables, biomarkers, psychological variables, economic variables, and social support variables

Harmonized with sister studies
- U.S. Health and Retirement Study (HRS)
- English Longitudinal Study of Ageing (ELSA)

SHARE – Key Design Features

Target population:
    People aged 50 and older
    20 European countries (Wave 5)

Different forms of probability sampling
    Sample frames chosen in accordance with best available frame resources in country
    Most countries use registers of individuals that permit stratification by age
    Approximately 110,000 individuals

Panel study
    Wave 1: 2004/2005, Wave 2: 2006/2007, Wave 3: 2008/2009, Wave 4: 2011, Wave 5: 2013

Interviewer-administered
    Computer-assisted personal interviewing (CAPI)
    Including physical tests and collection of biomarkers
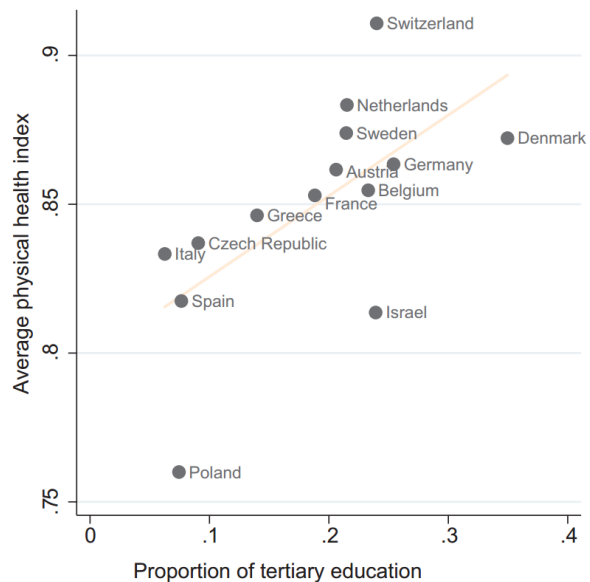

SHARE – Questionnaire

IF *EX901_TimeStampStart* = EMPTY AND *EX029_FreqPrayer* <> EMPTYENDIF

EX001_Introtxt
Now, I have questions about how likely you think various events might be. When I ask a question I'd like for you to give me a number from 0 to 100.

Let's try an example together and start with the weather. Looking at card *(SHOWCARD_ID)*, what do you think the chances are that it will be sunny tomorrow? For example, '90' would mean a 90 per cent chance of sunny weather. You can say any number from 0 to 100.
0..100

IF Sec_EP.*EP005_CurrentJobSit* = a2

EX007_GovRedPens
(Please look at card (SHOWCARD_ID).)
What are the chances that before you retire the government will reduce the pension which you are entitled to?
0..100

IF *MN808_AgeRespondent* < 61

EX025_ChWrkA65
(Please look at card (SHOWCARD_ID).) Thinking about your work generally and not just your present job, what are the chances that you will be working full-time after you reach age 63?
0..100
ENDIF

EX008_GovRaisAge
(Please look at card (SHOWCARD_ID).)
What are the chances that before you retire the government will raise your retirement age?
0..100
ENDIF
IF *MN808_AgeRespondent* < 101

EX009_LivTenYrs
(Please look at card (SHOWCARD_ID).)
What are the **chances** that you will live to be age [75/80/85/90/95/100/105/110/120] or more?
0..100
ENDIF

http://www.share-project.org/fileadmin/pdf_questionnaire_wave_5/SHARE_paperversion_5_4_10_en_GB.pdf

SHARE – Cross-national Correlation between Education and Physical Health (SHARE 2004-2006)

SHARE – Design Issues

Weighting results based on different sampling procedures in countries

Direct linkage of survey data with administrative records of the German Pension Fund

Reducing the effect of declining response rates through respondent incentives and interviewer training