WSRS Test-Retest – Part 2

Start of Block: Participant Information Sheet

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This study is to test whether people give similar answers to a new questionnaire over a short time period. You are being invited to take part because you completed this questionnaire two weeks ago. We are interested in whether the study is stable over time, rather than in your actual answers themselves, so that we can be confident in using the questionnaire in future research. There are only eight items on the questionnaire and it should only take a couple of minutes to complete.

**Is the survey anonymous?**

All responses will be anonymous. As part of this project, we will ask for your Prolific ID number, so that we will be able to pay you on completion of the study. As this code is unique to you, it is possible that this information can be used to identify you, for instance by employees of Prolific. During the data collection period, you will be identified only by your Prolific ID by the researchers. Note, however, that the employees of Prolific will not have access to the survey data, as this is stored on a different platform.Additionally, the Prolific ID number will be viewed by the researcher team, but they do not have access to the personal information you provide to Prolific. In sum, though we will ask for your Prolific ID number, the set-up of the study means that this cannot be used to trace your responses back to you. Your responses at the two time points will be matched up using your Prolific IDs, but the IDs will not be used during data analysis.Information about participants’ geographic location that is embedded in many online surveys will be deleted from our data before data processing.

**What are the risks?**

There is no risk involved in participating in this study.

**What are the benefits?**

You will be reimbursed £0.20 after completing the study.

**What if I do not wish to continue at any stage?**

You are free to withdraw from the study by simply closing your browser before finishing the study. You may also withdraw from the study by contacting the lead researcher within 48 hours after completion of the study. After this time, Prolific IDs will be removed from the data to protect participant anonymity. Therefore, it will no longer be possible to identify individual respondents after this time and withdrawal from the study will no longer be possible.

**What happens to the information?**

The University of Exeter processes personal data for the purposes of carrying out research in the public interest. The University will endeavour to be transparent about its processing of your personal data and this information sheet should provide a clear explanation of this.

The information that is collected as part of the research project will be stored on secure University of Exeter servers and will only be accessed by authorized personnel at the University of Exeter where it is relevant to this research. After responses from the two parts of the study have been combined, Prolific IDs or other potentially identifying data will be deleted to protect participant anonymity. No identifying information will be retained, included in data analysis, shared, or published.

The information will be processed by the University of Exeter in accordance with the provisions of the UK Data Protection Act 2018 and the General Data Protection Regulation principles. The data will be retained on secure University of Exeter servers only for the duration of the study – approximately six months. At the end of the study, anonymized data will be archived with the UK Data Service and may be shared with other researchers for use in future research projects.

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**Who has reviewed this study?**

This project has been reviewed by the Psychology Research Ethics Committee at the University of Exeter (reference number: eCLESPsy001380 v2.0).

**What if I have some questions about the study?**

Please feel free to contact the lead researcher, Dr Angela Meadows, with any questions you would like answered prior to taking part, or if you have any further questions after participating in the study. Her email address is: a.meadows@exeter.ac.uk.

If you have any ethic concerns regarding this study, please contact the Chair of the School of Psychology’s Ethics Committee Dr Nick Moberly at n.j.moberly@exeter.ac.uk or Gail Seymour, University of Exeter Research Ethics and Governance manager at g.m.seymour@exeter.ac.uk, 01392 726621.

If you have any queries about the University’s processing of your personal data that cannot be resolved by the research team, further information may be obtained from the University’s Data Protection Officer by emailing dataprotection@exeter.ac.uk or at www.exeter.ac.uk/dataprotection.

End of Block: Participant Information Sheet

Start of Block: Consent Form

Please read each of the sentences below and confirm you understand their implications. If so, you will be able to proceed with the study. If not, that means that you do not provide consent to participate and you will be directed to the end of the survey.

1. I understand that my participation in this study is completely voluntary and that I am free to withdraw during or up to 3 weeks after completing the study, without giving any reason and without my legal rights being affected.

* Yes, I understand. (1)
* No, I won't participate in the survey. (2)

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2. I understand that taking part involves anonymised questionnaire responses to be used for the purposes of scientific research. This includes allowing the research team to perform data analyses and to share the results of these analyses in public presentations and scientific publications.

* Yes, I understand. (1)
* No – I won't participate in the survey. (2)

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3. I understand that my data might be publicly shared, if that is required on a future occasion, but that if this is done I will remain completely anonymous.

* Yes, I understand. (1)
* No – I won't participate in the survey (2)

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4. I confirm that I have read the information about this project. I have had the opportunity to consider the information and freely choose to participate in this study.

* Yes, I confirm. (1)
* No – I won't participate in the survey. (2)

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End of Block: Consent Form

Start of Block: No Consent

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

End of Block: No Consent

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Thank you, you may now proceed to the survey. Please do not spend too long on any one question. Remember, there are no right or wrong answers and all responses are anonymous.

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To what extent do you agree with the following statements?

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|  | Strongly disagree (1) | Disagree (2) | Slightly disagree (3) | Neither agree nor disagree (4) | Slightly agree (5) | Agree (6) | Strongly agree (7) |
| As a result of how overweight/fat people are treated, I want to stand up for weight-related issues (1)  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Thinking about how overweight/fat people are treated makes me want to fight for fat rights (2)  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| I directly confront those responsible for treating overweight/fat people badly (3)  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| I bring the negative treatment of overweight/fat people to the attention of the appropriate authorities or people in charge (4)  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| I want to lose weight to reduce my chances of being discriminated against. (5)  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| It’s up to me to change my weight if I want to be treated better (6)  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| The way overweight/fat people are treated makes me angry (7)  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Overweight/fat people should do something about their weight to fit into society (8)  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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