

INSTRUCTIONS FOR Foundation_data

The survey included a question on a moral issue, from the General Social Survey. The respondent answered yes or no and was presented with a set of five randomly selected potential arguments, and was asked to check all the arguments that were the reasons for the respondent to have answered yes or no. The arguments were selected from the Moral Foundations Questionnaire relevance items, which includes three items for each of the five moral foundations. The five presented arguments included one item each from these moral foundations, and there was also a choice labelled "Other".

The dataset includes one row for each question, the number of respondents answering yes and no, the proportional share of these selecting arguments from each moral foundation, and the universal foundation asymmetry measure.

VARIABLES

+ the number of respondents answering yes

- the number of respondents answering no

the proportional share among respondents answering yes (+) or no (-) that selected the argument relating to:

H+/H- harm

F+/F- fairness

I+/I- ingroup

A+/A- authority

P+/P- purity

O+/O- other

HF+ the maximum value of H+ and F+

HF- the maximum value of H- and F-

DiffHF the universal foundation asymmetry measure: HF+ minus HF-

question the moral issue