

# RANDOMIZATION ANALYSIS REPORT

## GALLUP WORLD POLL (2020) 60 COUNTRIES

As part of the Gallup World Poll a survey to a representative sample of the population for 60 countries was undertaken from September 2020 to February 2021. The child welfare part of the survey contained three parts, G, H, I, each having experiments that were randomized into the sample. This report examines if the treatment groups are similar on five sociodemographic variables. The main conclusion is that the randomization has worked well for the total sample.

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## Introduction

The child welfare part of the survey included three questions, G, H, I, which all include experiments:

#### **Question G**

Randomize: Select one of questions G1-G4 to each respondent.

**Four answer alternatives:** "Please say whether you strongly agree (1), somewhat agree (2), somewhat disagree (3), or strongly disagree (4) with this statement." (8=DK and 9=refused.

- **G-1** If the well-being of an 8-year-old child is severely compromised due to parents' behavior, the government should remove the child from the parents' care.
- **G-2** If the well-being of an 8-year-old child is severely compromised due to parents living in poverty, the government should remove the child from the parents' care.
- **G-3** If the well-being of an 8-year-old child is severely compromised due to parents' behavior, the government should provide help and services to the family.
- **G-4** If the well-being of an 8-year-old child is severely compromised due to parents living in poverty, the government should provide help and services to the family.



#### **Question H**

Randomize: Select one of questions H1-H3 for each respondent. Four answer alternatives: "Please say whether you strongly agree (1), somewhat agree (2), somewhat disagree (3), or strongly disagree (4) with this statement." (8=DK and 9=refused).

- **H-1** A 5-year-old child should have their opinion taken into account when decisions are made that are important for their well-being.
- **H-2** A 10-year-old child should have their opinion taken into account when decisions are made that are important for their well-being.
- **H-3** A 15-year-old-child should have their opinion taken into account when decisions are made that are important for their well-being.

#### Question I

Randomize: Select one of questions I1-I4 for each respondent.

**Two answer categories:** The child should be returned to the birth mother (1), The child should permanently stay with the new family (2). (8=DK and 9=refused).

#### **I-1**

Please consider the following situation: A two-month-old baby was removed from the birth mother because of neglect and inadequate care. The child has now lived with another family for two years and has little contact with the birth mother. The child has developed strong family ties with the new family. The birth mother has now turned her life around and is capable of caring for a child. What do you think should happen in such a situation?

#### **I-2**

Please consider the following situation: A two-month-old baby was removed from the birth mother because of neglect and inadequate care. The child has now lived with another family for <u>four years</u> and has little contact with the birth mother. The child has developed strong family ties with the new family. The birth mother has now turned her life around and is capable of caring for a child. What do you think should happen in such a situation?

### **I-3**

Please consider the following situation: A two-month-old baby was removed from the birth mother because of neglect and inadequate care. The child has now lived with another family for <u>six years</u> and has little contact with the birth mother. The child has developed strong family ties with the new family. The birth mother has now turned her life around and is capable of caring for a child. What do you think should happen in such a situation?

#### **I-4**

Please consider the following situation: A two-month-old baby was removed from the birth mother because of neglect and inadequate care. The child has now lived with another family for <u>eight years</u> and has little contact with the birth mother. The child has developed strong family ties with the new family. The birth mother has now turned her life around and is capable of caring for a child. What do you think should happen in such a situation?



The randomization to respondents should result in an equal distribution of respondents and respondent characteristics within each treatment group. To test the randomization of the treatments a descriptive analysis for five demographic variables is undertaken, including *Gender, Age, Education, Employment, and Presence of a Partner*. The examination is done for total sample, weighted data (N) and (%). One-way Analysis of Variance (ANOVA) test has been undertaken to examine if there are significant discrepancies between the treatment groups.

**Table 1: Total Sample** 

	G1	G2	G3	G4	H1	H2	Н3	I1	12	13	14
	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Gender											
	7980	7843	7967	8242	10704	10870	10572	7423	7513	7298	7479
Male	49.6%	49%	49.4%	50%	49.3%	50.1%	49.3%	49.4%	49.6%	49.4%	49.3%
Female	8108	8165	8159	8224	11001	10828	10867	7597	7623	7478	7678
	50.4%	51%	50.6%	50%	50.7%	49.9%	50.7%	50.6%	50.4%	50.6%	50.7%
Age											
	7272	7160	7051	7197	9613	9597	9530	6725	6782	6625	6759
Young (15-34)	45.5%	44.9%	44%	44%	44.5%	44.5%	44.7%	45%	45.1%	45%	44.9%
	6913	6948	7208	7220	9591	9484	9359	6619	6575	6403	6626
Adult (35-64)	43.3%	43.6%	45%	44.1%	44.4%	44%	43.9%	44.3%	43.7%	43.5%	44%
Old (65+)	1793	1826	1758	1955	2386	2485	2413	1598	1693	1678	1684
	11.2%	11.5%	11%	11.9%	11.1%	11.5%	11.3%	10.7%	11.2%	11.4%	11.2%

	G1	G2	G3	G4	H1	H2	Н3	l1	12	13	14
	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Education											
Lower	4498	4550	4630	4707	6126	6051	6122	4381	4369	4332	4341
	28.2%	28.6%	29%	28.9%	28.5%	28.1%	28.8%	29.4%	29.1%	29.6%	28.9%
Middle	8976	8809	8771	9038	12017	12076	11664	8243	8339	8111	8352
	56.3%	55.5%	54.9%	55.5%	55.9%	56.2%	54.9%	55.3%	55.6%	55.4%	55.6%
Higher	2477	2522	2586	2552	3361	3370	3473	2289	2301	2207	2333
	15.5%	15.9%	16.2%	15.7%	15.6%	15.7%	16.3%	15.3%	15.3%	15.1%	15.5%
Employment											
Hereards and	6914	6767	6876	7033	9350	9137	9127	6493	6341	6403	6503
Unemployed	43%	42.3%	42.6%	42.7%	43.1%	42.1%	42.6%	43.2%	41.9%	43.3%	42.9%
Frankriad	9174	9240	9248	9433	12355	12559	12312	8527	8792	8373	8654
Employed	57%	57.7%	57.4%	57.3%	56.9%	57.9%	57.4%	56.8%	58.1%	56.7%	57.1%
Presence of a Partner											
No	7400	7258	7269	7472	9891	9785	9791	6760	6830	6639	7024
	46.1%	45.5%	45.1%	45.5%	45.7%	45.2%	45.8%	45.1%	45.2%	45%	46.4%
V	8656	8710	8832	8952	11769	11872	11603	8243	8272	8107	8105
Yes	53.9%	54.5%	54.9%	54.5%	54.3%	54.8%	54.2%	54.9%	54.8%	55%	53.6%

Note: \*p≤.05; \*\*p≤.01; and \*\*\*p≤.001