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# E2 ETHNICITY

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## E 2.1 - BLACK - WHITE DIFFERENCES IN THE U.S.A.

BLACK RACE

White vs black

See remarks in excerpt (Part II)

HAPP 1.1

G'

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Gt'

National adult populations, U.S.A.

Non-probability quota samples and probability area samples  
N: 25617, date: 1946 - 1948 (5 surveys referred to as  
1946), 1956 (3 surveys), 1965 (2 surveys)

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p. 37-59

	1946	1956	1966
total population :	-.04	-.26 <sup>xx</sup>	-.37 <sup>xx</sup>
college graduate :	+.11	-.50 <sup>xx</sup>	-.64 <sup>xx</sup>
college incomplete:	-.15	-.50 <sup>xx</sup>	-.29 <sup>xx</sup>
high school grad. :	-.00	-.38 <sup>xx</sup>	-.60 <sup>xx</sup>
high sch. incompl.:	-.08	-.21 <sup>x</sup>	-.40 <sup>xx</sup>
8th grade & less :	+.11	-.04	-.09
(semi-) prof'ls :	+.03	-.38 <sup>x</sup>	-.72 <sup>xx</sup>
business ex. :	-.26	-.52 <sup>xx</sup>	-.82 <sup>xx</sup>
white collar :	-.22	-.32 <sup>xx</sup>	-.54 <sup>xx</sup>
skilled workers :	-.11	-.34 <sup>xx</sup>	-.30 <sup>x</sup>
semi- & unsk.work.:	+.22 <sup>xx</sup>	-.16 <sup>x</sup>	-.19 <sup>x</sup>
service workers :	-.03	-.26 <sup>x</sup>	-.36 <sup>xx</sup>
farmers :	-.14	+.08	-.00
non-manual :	+.17 <sup>x</sup>	+.41 <sup>xx</sup>	+.68 <sup>xx</sup>
manual :	-.04	+.22 <sup>x</sup>	+.29 <sup>xx</sup>
high income :	-.04		-.80 <sup>xx</sup>
average income :	-.08		-.43 <sup>xx</sup>
low income :	+.02		-.13 <sup>x</sup>
city size:			
500,000 + :	-.03	-.35 <sup>xx</sup>	-.03
100,000 - 499,999 :	-.08	-.24 <sup>xx</sup>	-.08
10,000 - 99,999 :	-.02	-.39 <sup>xx</sup>	-.50 <sup>xx</sup>
2500 - 9999 :	-.03	-.84 <sup>xx</sup>	(X)
rural non-farm :	+.32	-.10	-.01
farm :	-.11	+.04	-.34
non-south :	+.06	+.29 <sup>xx</sup>	+.30 <sup>xx</sup>
south :	+.07	+.14 <sup>x</sup>	+.12 <sup>x</sup>
age 70+ :	+.11	-.23	+.08
age 60 - 69 :	+.29 <sup>x</sup>	+.03	-.49 <sup>x</sup>
age 50 - 59 :	-.03	-.05	-.30
age 40 - 49 :	-.17	-.08	-.60 <sup>xx</sup>
age 30 - 39 :	-.19 <sup>x</sup>	-.46 <sup>xx</sup>	-.44 <sup>xx</sup>
age 20 - 29 :	-.03	-.46 <sup>xx</sup>	-.35 <sup>x</sup>

G' = <sup>x</sup> means: p < .05

G' = <sup>xx</sup> means: p < .01

(X) means N is too small

WHITE RACE	negro vs white		HAPP 1.1	G'	+.01	Gt'	ns	National adult population, U.S.A. Non-probability quota sample N: 2377, date: February, 1946	WESSM 56 p. 183
WHITE RACE	black vs white		HAPP 2.1	r	+.08			National adult population, U.S.A. Cantril (1965) modified probability sample N: 1406, date: 1959	BORTN 70 p. 44
			HAPP 3.1	r	+.12				
			CON 1.1	r	+.11				
WHITE RACE	black vs white	<p>Gammas based on proportions 'very happy' answers .</p> <p>age 45+ : G' = +.22 (05) age 35 - 44 : G' = +.21 (ns) age -35 : G' = +.67 (01)</p> <p>Unaffected by sex</p> <p>high education : G' = +.60 (01) medium education: G' = +.51 (01) low education : G' = -.01 (ns)</p> <p>high income : G' = +.48 (01) medium income : G' = +.38 (01) low income : G' = +.16 (ns)</p> <p>white collar : G' = +.65 (01) blue collar : G' = +.19 (ns)</p>	HAPP 1.1	G'	+.36	Gt'	01	Non-institutionalized adults, U.S.A. Type of sample construction unclear N: 1602, date: March, 1972	ALSTO 74 p. 100
WHITE RACE	black vs white	Unaffected by age	HAPP 1.1	r <sub>pm</sub>	+.12		01	Non-institutionalized adults, U.S.A. Probability samples N: 1547, date: 1972, 1973	SPREI 74 p. 457
RACE			HAPP 3.1 (1st instr.)	h <sup>2</sup>	.03			National adult population, U.S.A. Probability area sample (first sample) N: 1297, date: May, 1972	ANDRE 74 p. 20
WHITE RACE	negro vs white	<p>Gamma based on proportion 'not too happy' answers.</p> <p>Unaffected by educational level Stronger at lower income levels, especially among those of high education</p>	HAPP 1.1	G'	+.54	Gt'	01	Adults, urban areas, U.S.A. Probability area samples N: 2787, date: January, 1963 - January, 1964	BRADB 69 p. 47-49
WHITE RACE	negro vs white		HAPP 2.1	G'	-.17	Gt'	ns	Aged chronically-ill patients, U.S.A. Probability samples N: 167, date: 1959	HENLE 67 p. 69

## E 2.2 - FURTHER ETHNIC DIFFERENCES IN THE U.S.A.

ETHNICITY			HAPP 1.1				ns	Non-institutionalized adults, U.S.A. Probability multi-stage area sample N: 2460, date: spring, 1957	GURIN 60 p. 207
WHITE RACE	non-white vs white	<p>non-white: Mean = 5.3 white : Mean = 6.7</p>	HAPP 3.1	DM	+			National adult population, U.S.A. Probability sample N: 1549, date: ± 1960	CANTR 65/1 p. 375
RACE	non-white vs white	<p>See remarks in excerpt (Part II).</p> <p>non-white: Mean = 5.77 (5.84) white : Mean = 6.63 (6.96)</p>	HAPP 3.1	DM	+			Non-institutionalized adult population, U.S.A. Multi-stage probability sample stratified by size of locality N: 1588, date: January, 1971 (+ 1964)	CANTR 71 p. 66

ETHNICITY	Anglo / Black / Mexican-American	Mexican-American: males : Mean = 6.5 females: Mean = 5.9 Black : males : Mean = 6.2 females: Mean = 6.0 Anglo : males : Mean = 6.1 females: Mean = 5.9	AFF 2.3	DM	+	ns	Adults, Houston, Texas, U.S.A. Non-probability purposive quota sample stratified by age, sex, occupational skill level and ethnicity N: 1441, date: autumn, 1969	GAITZ 72 p. 63
RACE		Open ward : r = +.05 (ns) closed ward: r = +.20 (ns)	AFF 5.1	r <sub>pb</sub>	+	ns	Institutionalized mentally retarded males, U.S.A. Non-probability chunk sample N: 149, date: —	PANDE 71 p. 329
FOREIGN BORN	Native born vs foreign born	Negative relationship disappears when controlled for income	AFF 1.1		-	Chi <sup>2</sup>	Persons over 65, Metropolitan Boston, U.S.A. Probability area sample N: 1335, date: 1965	FOWLE 69 p. 733

E 2.3 - ETHNIC DIFFERENCES IN OTHER COUNTRIES

RACE	negro / mixed / white	mixed: Mean = 5.9 negro: Mean = 6.0 white : Mean = 6.5	HAPP 3.1	DM	+		National adult population, Cuba Probability area sample N: 992, date: + 1960	CANTR 65/1 p. 366
NATIONALITY	Slovenian / Serbian / Croatian / other	Slovenian: Mean = 5.3 Serbian : Mean = 5.2 Croatian : Mean = 4.8 other : Mean = 4.8	HAPP 3.1	DM	-		National adult population, Yugoslavia Probability sample N: 1523, date: + 1960	CANTR 65/1 p. 377