

# Understanding Society User Support - Support #1321

## Self-efficacy module - wave 2

03/15/2020 07:32 PM - Lewis Anderson

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<b>Description</b>			
Hello,			
The long-term content plan states that the 'Self-Efficacy (self-completion)' module was included in the adult questionnaire in waves 2 and 5. However it appears to be absent from both the main survey online documentation for wave 2 and the data file b_indresp. Also the Waves 1-8 User Guide (November 2018) says in regard to wave 5 that 'The adult self-completion included <b>new</b> sets of questions asking about delayed self-gratification, identity and self-efficacy' [my emphasis] (p.55).			
On balance I take this to mean that the self-efficacy questions were never asked in wave 2 and the long-term content plan document is mistaken (or there was a <b>plan</b> to include it but the module was dropped between planning and fieldwork).			
But - I thought I'd ask just in case: were these questions in fact asked? If so, is the data somehow available, or could it be made available?			
Many thanks, Lewis Anderson			

### History

#### #1 - 03/18/2020 12:50 PM - Rebecca Parsons

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Hi Lewis,

This one is a little more complicated.

Self-efficacy questions were asked in Wave 2, but this used a paper-based questionnaire and the questions asked were slightly different to the ones asked in Wave 5. You can find the paper questionnaire here:

[https://www.understandingsociety.ac.uk/sites/default/files/downloads/documentation/mainstage/questionnaire/wave-2/Wave\\_2\\_Adult\\_self-completion\\_with\\_variable\\_names\\_UPDATED\\_FOR\\_FULL\\_W2\\_RELEASE.pdf](https://www.understandingsociety.ac.uk/sites/default/files/downloads/documentation/mainstage/questionnaire/wave-2/Wave_2_Adult_self-completion_with_variable_names_UPDATED_FOR_FULL_W2_RELEASE.pdf)

Our data team have looked at b\_selfcomp.dta and it's merged into b\_indesrep.dta. Could you let us know if there's a specific question that you're interested in, the data team can trace it through the system and (hopefully) find it for you.

Best wishes,  
Becky

User Support Team

#### #2 - 03/18/2020 01:22 PM - Lewis Anderson

Thanks for that Becky.

It seems that the first two items from question 32 on that self-completion questionnaire represent the self-efficacy module for wave 2, and the remaining three represent the time use module.

I have found these in the available data, as you said:

b\_schmcont ('At home, I feel I have control over what happens in most situations');  
b\_scloutcont ('I feel that what happens in life is often determined by factors beyond my control').

(One might argue that some of the time use items tap self-efficacy to some degree too:  
b\_scdem2many, 'In general, I have different demands on me that are hard to combine';

b\_sctimemnuf, 'In general, I have enough time to do everything'.)

Unless you would add anything further, that resolves the issue, thanks again.

**#3 - 03/18/2020 01:49 PM - Rebecca Parsons**

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