

CONNECTED PEOPLE

Priority Outcome: Diverse groups work better together to shape community

Grant result: Diverse groups work together to improve community life

Metric: Groups engaged through the project

Intergroup Contact Scale

(Questionnaire for [in-group] Subjects)

In this questionnaire we want to find out what is your personal experience in terms of everyday contact with [the out-group] and what you personally think about [the out-group]. Please answer all questions with reference to the typical everyday contact situations, as you experienced it. This is not a test, there are no right or wrong answers. All we want to do is find out your personal experiences.

Please answer all the questions honestly so that we really know what is your real experience or opinion. It is important that you answer every question. All of your replies will be confidential and we will not ask for your name, so you will remain anonymous.

In using the 7 point scales that follow: your view will be indicated by where you place a CROSS (X) on the scale. For example, if we asked how warm it was today, and you thought it was very warm, then you would place your X as follows:

						X
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
None at all						A great deal

If you thought it was actually rather cold, than you would place your X nearer the other end of the scale. Place an X in the centre if you are really undecided.

Please work through the questionnaire in the order shown, do not look ahead to see what questions come next. Thank you, in advance, for your help.

SECTION -1

1. Please tell us how much contact you had in the past or do you now have with [the out-group]?

a) At college or university?

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
None at all						A great deal

b) As neighbours?

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
None at all						A great deal

c) As close friends?

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
None at all						A great deal

2. Please tell us how often have you...

a) ...engaged in informal conversations with [out-group] members?

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Not at all						Very often

b) ...visited the homes of [outgroup] members?

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Not at all						Very often

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3. To what extent did you experience the contact with [out-group] as...

a) ...equal

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Definitely not						Definitely yes

b) ...involuntary or voluntary

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Definitely involuntary						Definitely voluntary

c) ...superficial or intimate

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Very superficial						Very intimate

d) ...pleasant

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Not at all						Very

e) ...competitive or cooperative

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Very competitive						Very cooperative

4. When you come into contact with [the out-group] in daily life, how many people are usually present there? (Please select ONE)

- a) A single [the out-group] and me;
- b) Several [the out-group] and me as a sole [the in-group];
- c) A single [the out-group] and several [the in-group];
- d) Several [the in-group] and several [the out-group].

5. When you came into contact with [the out-group], in general do you feel that you met as mere individuals or as members of your respective groups (i. e., as [the out-group] and [the in-group])?

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
As individual						As group member

6. To what extent did you see [the out-group] with whom you had contact experience as typical [the out-group]?

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Not at all typical						Very much typical

7. When you come into contact with [the out-group] are you aware of similarities between them and you (as [the out-group] and [the in-group])?

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Not at all						Very much

8. When you come into contact with [the out-group] do you feel awareness of differences between them and you (as [the out-group] and [the in-group])?

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Not at all						Very much

Overall, what is your attitude towards [the out-group] in our society?

The following possible responses are presented. Place an X on appropriate number on the scale:

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Strongly negative	Moderately negative	Slightly negative	Neutral or undecided	Slightly positive	Moderately positive	Strongly positive

Neighbourhood Social Cohesion Scale

On a five point scale Strongly Disagree (1) - Strongly Agree (5)], do you agree that:

1. People around here are willing to help their neighbors
2. This is a close-knit neighborhood
3. People in this neighborhood can be trusted
4. People in this neighborhood generally don't get along with each other
5. People in this neighborhood do not share the same values