

## Appendix A

**Table A.** *Study characteristics of the included meta-analyses.*

Study	k	N	Intervention	Outcome	Mean effect size (in <i>d</i> or <i>g</i> )	Uniqueness (in %)
Ahir & Chakraborty, 2021	40	195,103	Feedback	Conservation	$d = 0.10$ [0.09, 0.11]	77%
Bergquist et al., 2019	91	227,730	Social comparison	PEB	$d = 0.32$ [0.28, 0.37]	66%
Karlin et al., 2015	42	256,536	Feedback	Conservation	$d = 0.14$ [0.09, 0.19]	46%
Khanna et al., 2021	360	1,132,864	Financial incentives, education, feedback, social comparison & commitment	Conservation	$d = 0.30$ [0.24, 0.34]	58%
Maki et al., 2016	25	2971	Financial incentives	PEB	$d = 0.36$ [0.22, 0.50]	32%
Mi et al., 2021	112	13998	Financial incentives & education	Energy conservation	$d = 0.43$ [0.37, 0.48]	48%
Nisa et al., 2019	144	3,092,678	Education, social comparison, commitment, appeals & nudges	PEB	$d = 0.19$ [0.15, 0.24]	37%
Osbaldiston & Schott, 2012	253		Various	PEB	$g = 0.45$ [0.43, 0.47]	48%
Semenescu et al., 2020	41	11206	Education & feedback	Transportation behavior	$g = 0.16$ [0.11, 0.21]	58%
Varotto & Spagnoli, 2017	70		Education, feedback, commitment, financial incentives, nudging & social influence	Recycling	$g = 0.29$ [0.24, 0.33]	64%

## Appendix B

### Formulas for effect size conversion

Converting from  $r$  to  $d$  (Borenstein, 2009)

$$d = \frac{2r}{\sqrt{1-r^2}} \quad V_d = \frac{4V_r}{(1-r^2)^3}$$

Converting from Fisher's  $z$  scale to  $r$  (Borenstein, 2009)

$$r = \frac{e^{2z} - 1}{e^{2z} + 1}$$

Calculating Variance from Confidence Intervals (Schmidt & Hunter, 2015)

$$SE = \frac{(95\%CI_U - 95\%CI_L)}{2 \times 1.96}$$

$$Variance(d) = SE^2$$

$$Variance(r) = SE^2$$

### Corrected Covered Area

$$CCA = \frac{N-r}{(r \times c)-r},$$

where  $N$  is the sum of the number of all primary studies per meta-analysis,  $r$  is the number of unique primary studies across meta-analyses and  $c$  is the number of meta-analyses (Pieper et al., 2014).

## Appendix C

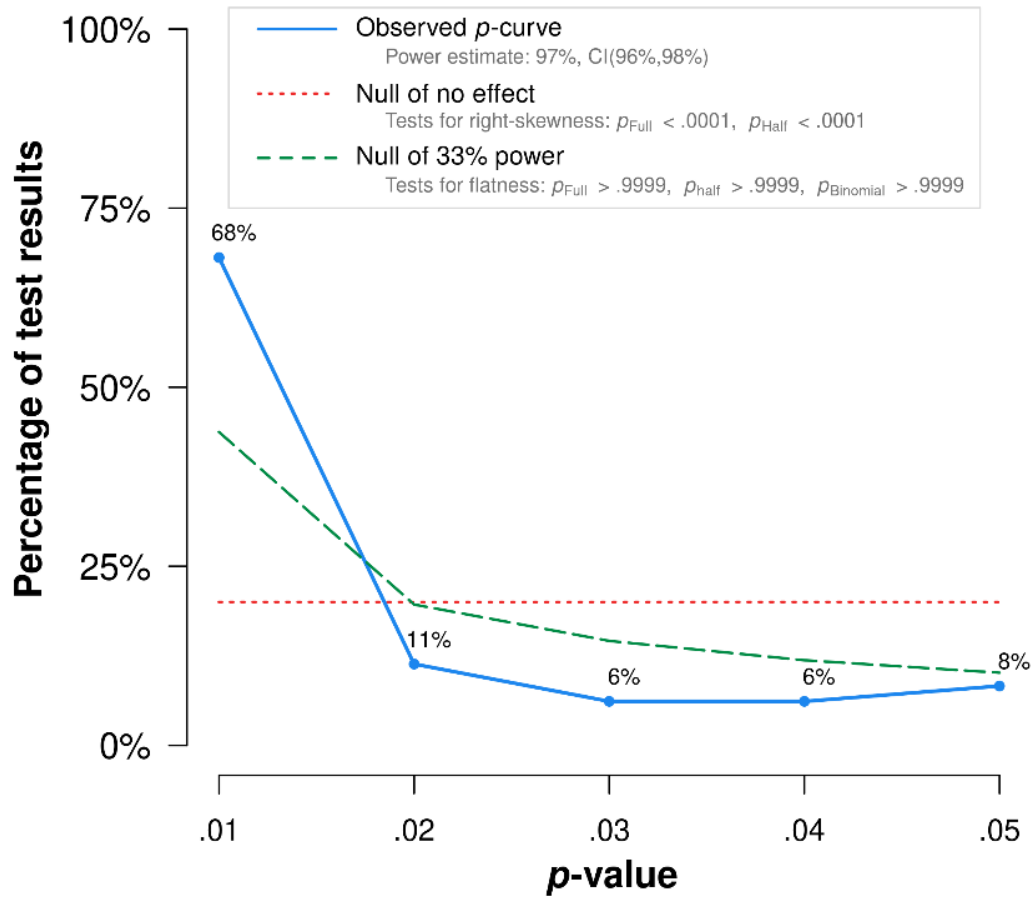
**Table B.** *Assessment of publication bias in each included meta-analysis.*

Authors and Year	K estimates	Type of assessment	Interpretation (by original authors)
Nisa et al. (2019)	144	Funnel plot, Egger's test	Small-study bias, asymmetry
Mi et al. (2021)	112	Funnel plot, fail-safe N	Low probability of publication bias
Osbaldiston & Schott (2012)	253	None	None
Maki et al. (2016)	25	Egger's test	No small-study bias present
Varotto & Spagnolli (2017)	70	Egger's test, rank correlation test, trim and fill, fail-safe N	Small-study bias, would lower the effect size ( $\Delta g = -0.2$ ), moderate publication bias
Karlin et al. (2015)	42	Moderator analysis on publication type and sample size, trim and fill	Small-study bias, moderate publication bias
Bergquist et al. (2019)	91	Funnel plot, trim and fill, fail-safe N	asymmetry, slightly lower effect size
Semenescu et al. (2020)	41	Funnel plot, trim and fill	Low asymmetry, slightly lower effect size ( $\Delta g = -0.053$ ), moderate publication bias
Khanna et al. (2021)	360	Funnel plot, Egger's test	Small-study bias, Asymmetry
Ahir & Chakraborty (2021)	40	None	None

*Note.* Asymmetry refers to the fact that the authors detected an asymmetric distribution in the funnel plot.

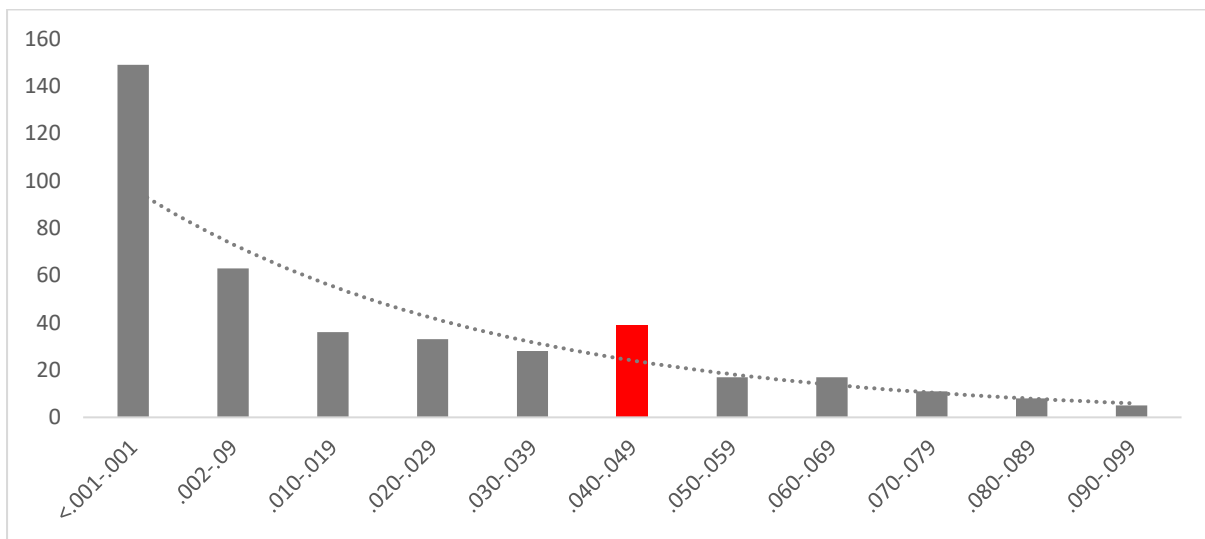
## Appendix D

**Figure A.** *P*-curve for 326 studies.



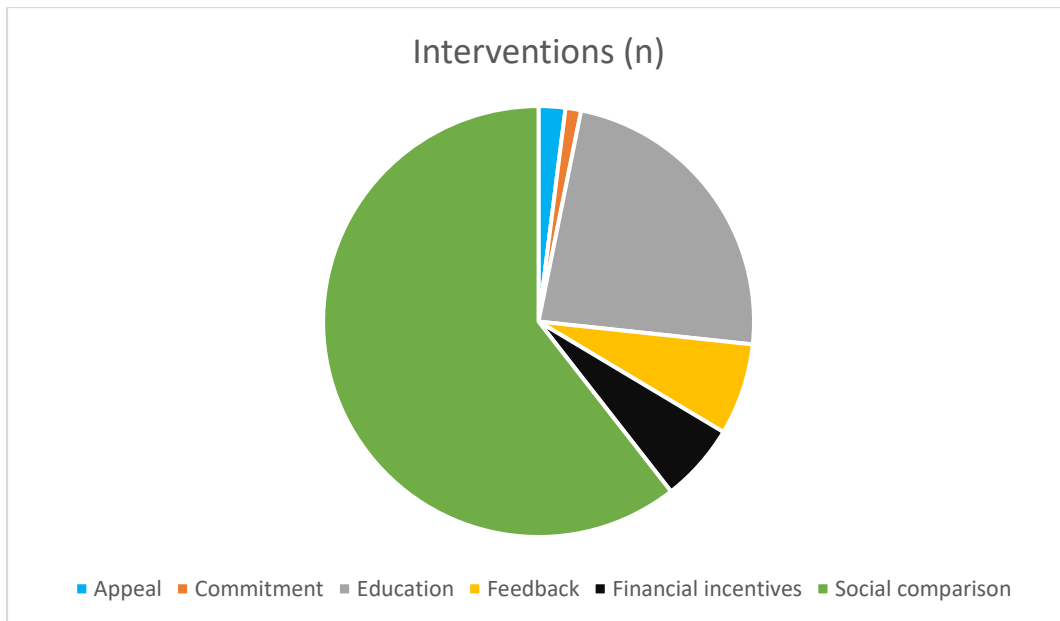
Note: The observed *p*-curve includes 326 statistically significant ( $p < .05$ ) results, of which 271 are  $p < .025$ . There were 305 additional results entered but excluded from *p*-curve because they were  $p > .05$ .

**Figure B.** *Distributional p*-curve for 326 studies.

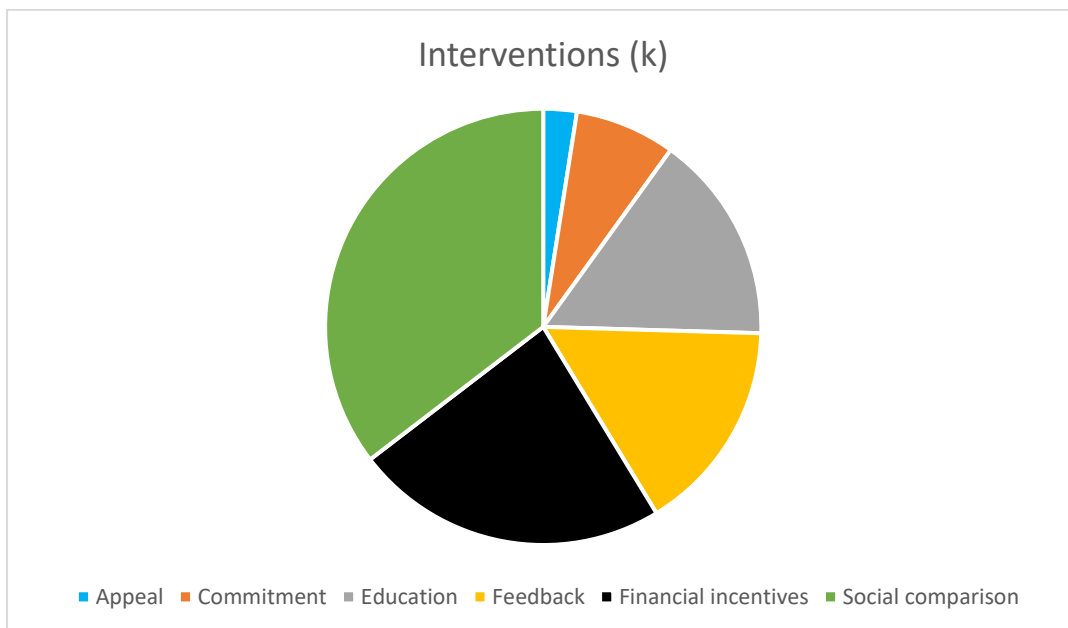


## Appendix E

**Figure D.** *Distribution of number of participants included in each type of interventions.*



**Figure E.** *Distribution of type of interventions.*



**Figure F1.** Descriptive statistics and *p*-curve from intervention type Appeal

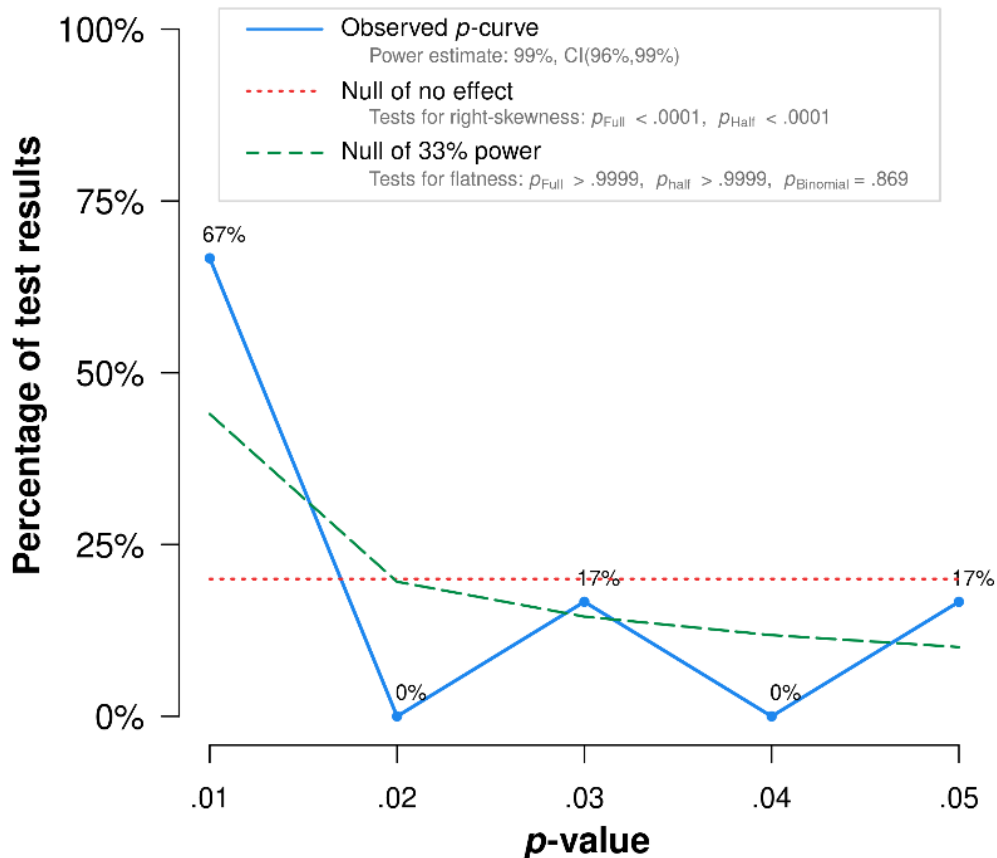
*k* = 8

*n*: min = 100, max = 13969, mean = 2494, sd = 4885, sum = 19956

WAAP: *r* = .24 (95% CI .13, .34), *k* = 6

Selection models: N/A

*p*-curve analysis:



Note: The observed *p*-curve includes 6 statistically significant ( $p < .05$ ) results, of which 5 are  $p < .025$ . There were 2 additional results entered but excluded from *p*-curve because they were  $p > .05$ .

	Binomial Test	Continuous Test	
	(Share of results $p < .025$ )	(Aggregate with Stouffer Method)	
		Full <i>p</i> -curve ( $p$ 's < .05)	Half <i>p</i> -curve ( $p$ 's < .025)
1) Studies contain evidential value. (Right skew)	$p = .1094$	$Z = -6.95, p < .0001$	$Z = -7.61, p < .0001$
2) Studies' evidential value, if any, is inadequate. (Flatter than 33% power)	$p = .869$	$Z = 4.66, p > .9999$	$Z = 6.97, p > .9999$
		Statistical Power	
Power of tests included in <i>p</i> -curve (correcting for selective reporting)		Estimate: 99%	
		90% Confidence interval: (96% , 99%)	

**Figure F2.** Descriptive statistics and *p*-curve from intervention type Commitment

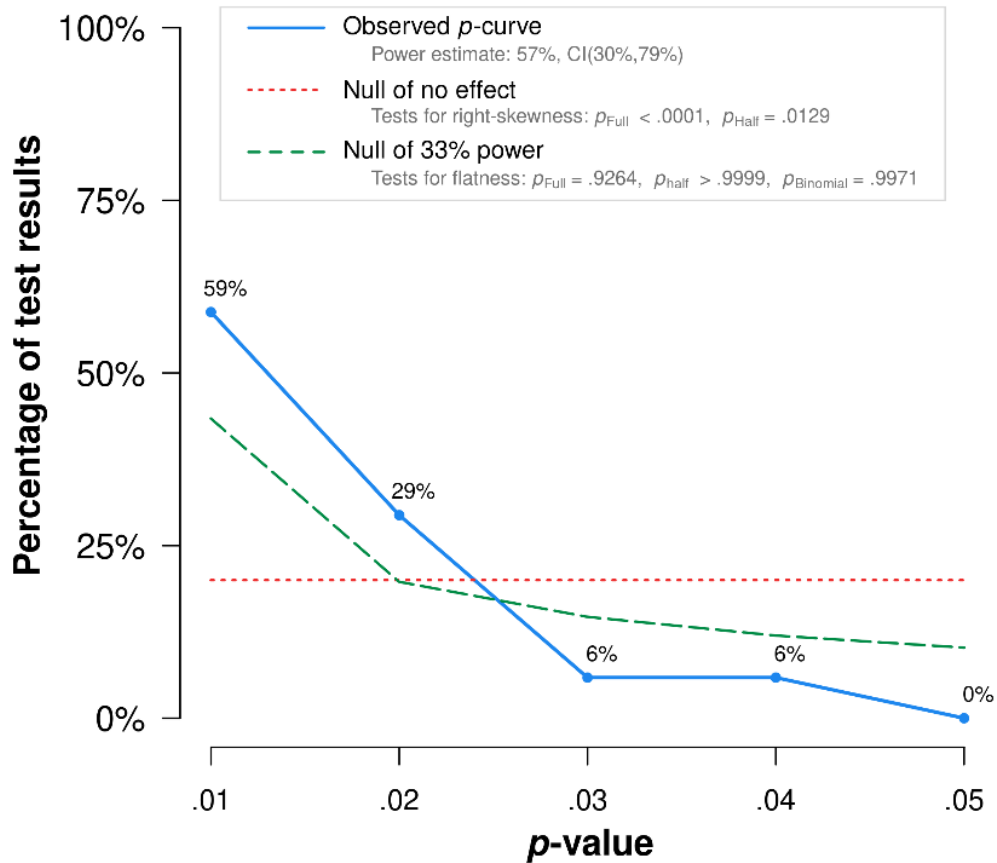
*k* = 24

*n*: min = 11, max = 1791, mean = 282, sd = 694, sum = 11620

WAAP: *r* = .065 (95% CI .06, .07), *k* = 5

Selection models: *r* = .07 (95% CI .05, .09)

*p*-curve analysis:



Note: The observed *p*-curve includes 17 statistically significant ( $p < .05$ ) results, of which 16 are  $p < .025$ . There were 7 additional results entered but excluded from *p*-curve because they were  $p > .05$ .

	Binomial Test	Continuous Test	
	(Share of results $p < .025$ )	(Aggregate with Stouffer Method)	
		Full <i>p</i> -curve ( $p$ 's < .05)	Half <i>p</i> -curve ( $p$ 's < .025)
1) Studies contain evidential value. (Right skew)	$p = .0001$	$Z = -4.31, p < .0001$	$Z = -2.23, p = .0129$
2) Studies' evidential value, if any, is inadequate. (Flatter than 33% power)	$p = .9971$	$Z = 1.45, p = .9264$	$Z = 4.18, p > .9999$
		Statistical Power	
Power of tests included in <i>p</i> -curve (correcting for selective reporting)		Estimate: 57%	
		90% Confidence interval: (30% , 79%)	

**Figure F3.** Descriptive statistics and *p*-curve from intervention type Education.

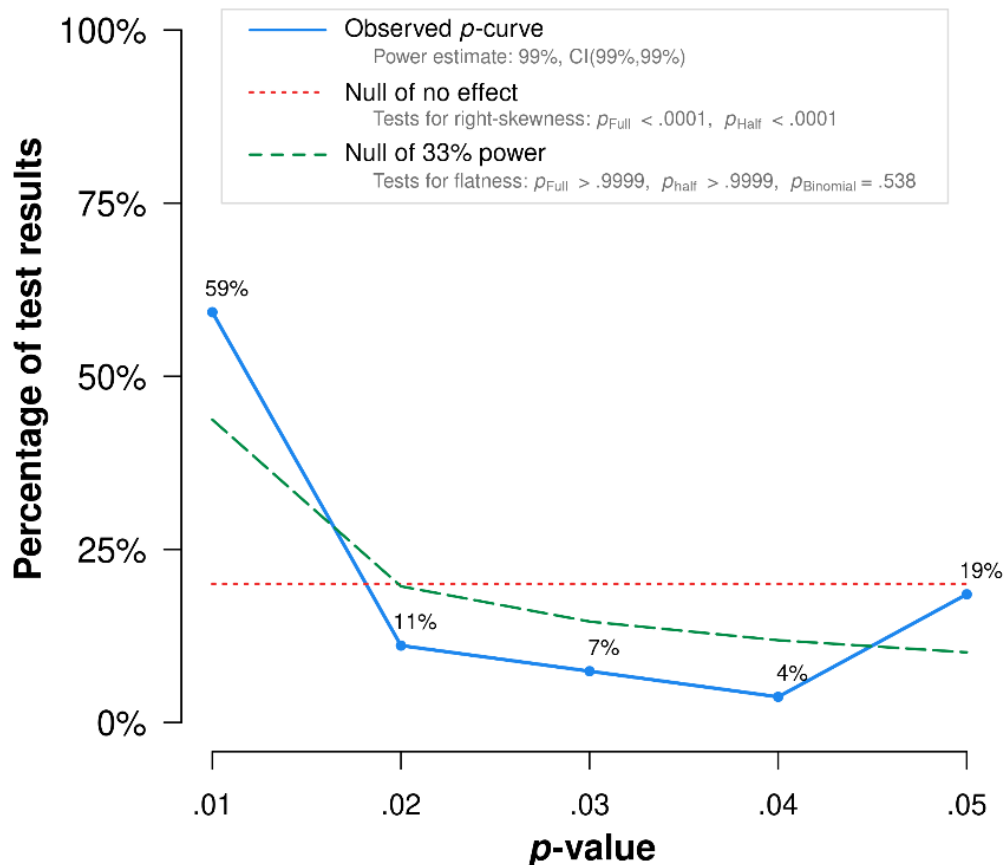
*k* = 50

*n*: min = 8, max = 78600, mean = 4679, sd = 14048, sum = 233592

WAAP: *r* = .03 (95% CI .02, .04), *k* = 13

Selection models: *r* = .21 (95% CI .04, .35)

*p*-curve analysis:



Note: The observed *p*-curve includes 27 statistically significant ( $p < .05$ ) results, of which 19 are  $p < .025$ . There were 23 additional results entered but excluded from *p*-curve because they were  $p > .05$ .

	Binomial Test	Continuous Test	
	(Share of results $p < .025$ )	(Aggregate with Stouffer Method)	
		Full <i>p</i> -curve ( $p$ 's < .05)	Half <i>p</i> -curve ( $p$ 's < .025)
1) Studies contain evidential value. (Right skew)	$p = .0261$	$Z = -14.79, p < .0001$	$Z = -18.21, p < .0001$
2) Studies' evidential value, if any, is inadequate. (Flatter than 33% power)	$p = .538$	$Z = 9.79, p > .9999$	$Z = 15.63, p > .9999$
		Statistical Power	
Power of tests included in <i>p</i> -curve (correcting for selective reporting)		Estimate: 99% 90% Confidence interval: (99% , 99%)	



**Figure F4.** Descriptive statistics and p-curve from intervention type Feedback

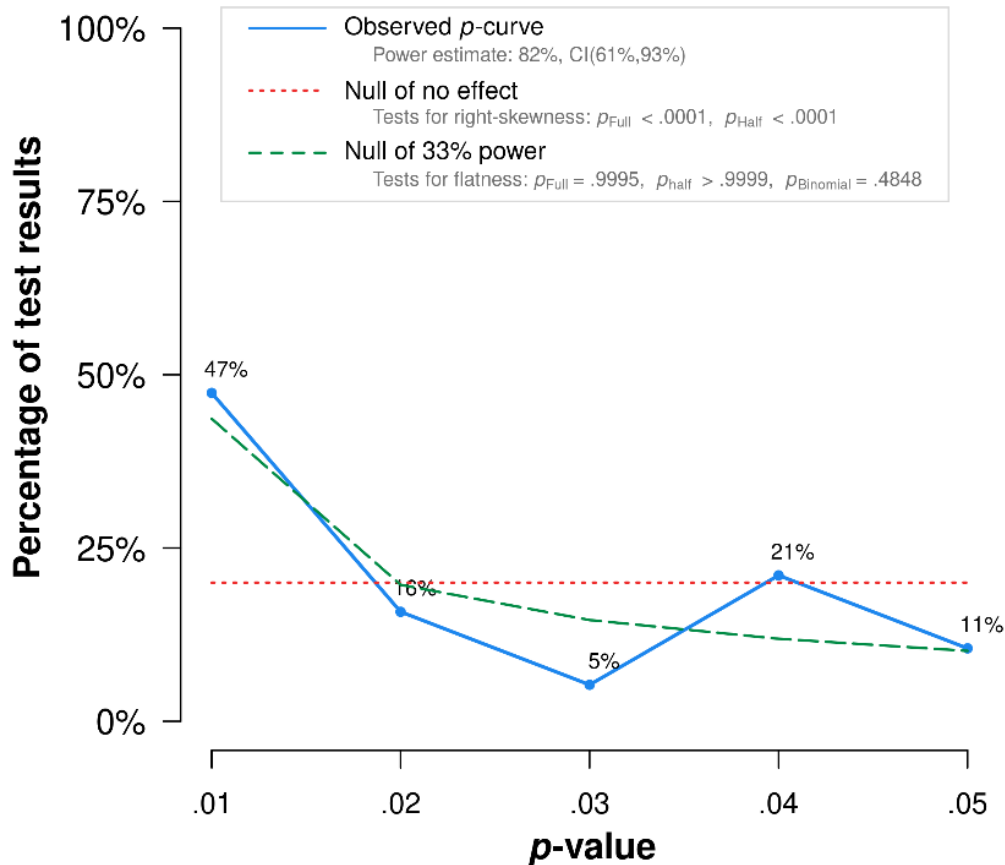
k = 51

n: min = 8, max = 15000, mean = 1341, SD = 2988, sum = 68415

WAAP: r = .03 (95% CI .02, .04), k = 5

Selection models: r = .07 (95% CI .02, .11)

p-curve analysis:



Note: The observed p-curve includes 19 statistically significant ( $p < .05$ ) results, of which 13 are  $p < .025$ . There were 32 additional results entered but excluded from p-curve because they were  $p > .05$ .

	Binomial Test	Continuous Test	
	(Share of results $p < .025$ )	(Aggregate with Stouffer Method)	
		Full p-curve ( $p$ 's $< .05$ )	Half p-curve ( $p$ 's $< .025$ )
1) Studies contain evidential value. (Right skew)	$p = .0835$	$Z = -6.52, p < .0001$	$Z = -7.7, p < .0001$
2) Studies' evidential value, if any, is inadequate. (Flatter than 33% power)	$p = .4848$	$Z = 3.28, p = .9995$	$Z = 7.93, p > .9999$
		<b>Statistical Power</b>	
Power of tests included in p-curve (correcting for selective reporting)		Estimate: 82% 90% Confidence interval: (61% , 93%)	

**Figure F5.** Descriptive statistics and *p*-curve from intervention type Financial incentives.

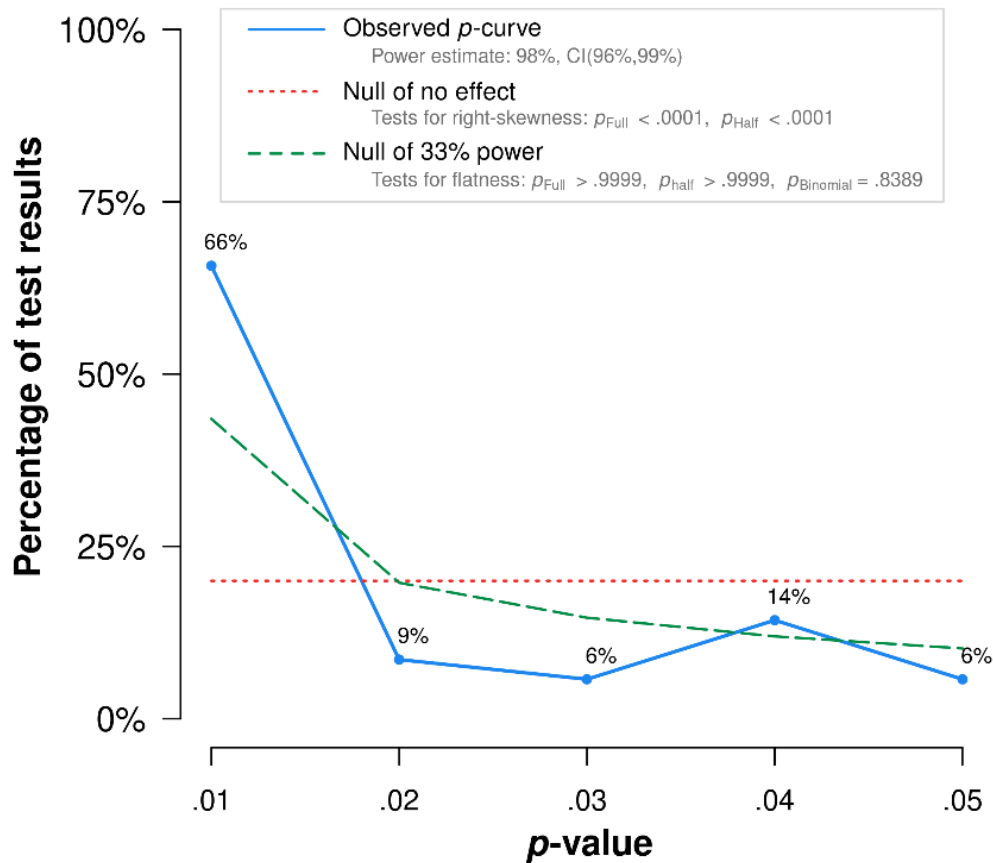
$k = 75$

$n$ : min = 8, max = 15000, mean = 780, sd = 2326, sum = 58547

WAAP:  $r = .07$  (95% CI .03, .11).  $k = 8$

Selection models:  $r = .17$  (95% CI .07, .27)

*p*-curve analysis:



Note: The observed *p*-curve includes 35 statistically significant ( $p < .05$ ) results, of which 27 are  $p < .025$ . There were 40 additional results entered but excluded from *p*-curve because they were  $p > .05$ .

	Binomial Test	Continuous Test	
	(Share of results $p < .025$ )	(Aggregate with Stouffer Method)	
		Full <i>p</i> -curve ( $p$ 's $< .05$ )	Half <i>p</i> -curve ( $p$ 's $< .025$ )
1) Studies contain evidential value. (Right skew)	$p = .0009$	$Z = -14.26, p < .0001$	$Z = -15.47, p < .0001$
2) Studies' evidential value, if any, is inadequate. (Flatter than 33% power)	$p = .8389$	$Z = 9.03, p > .9999$	$Z = 14.01, p > .9999$
		Statistical Power	
Power of tests included in <i>p</i> -curve (correcting for selective reporting)		Estimate: 98%	
		90% Confidence interval: (96%, 99%)	

**Figure F6.** Descriptive statistics and *p*-curve from intervention type Social comparison.

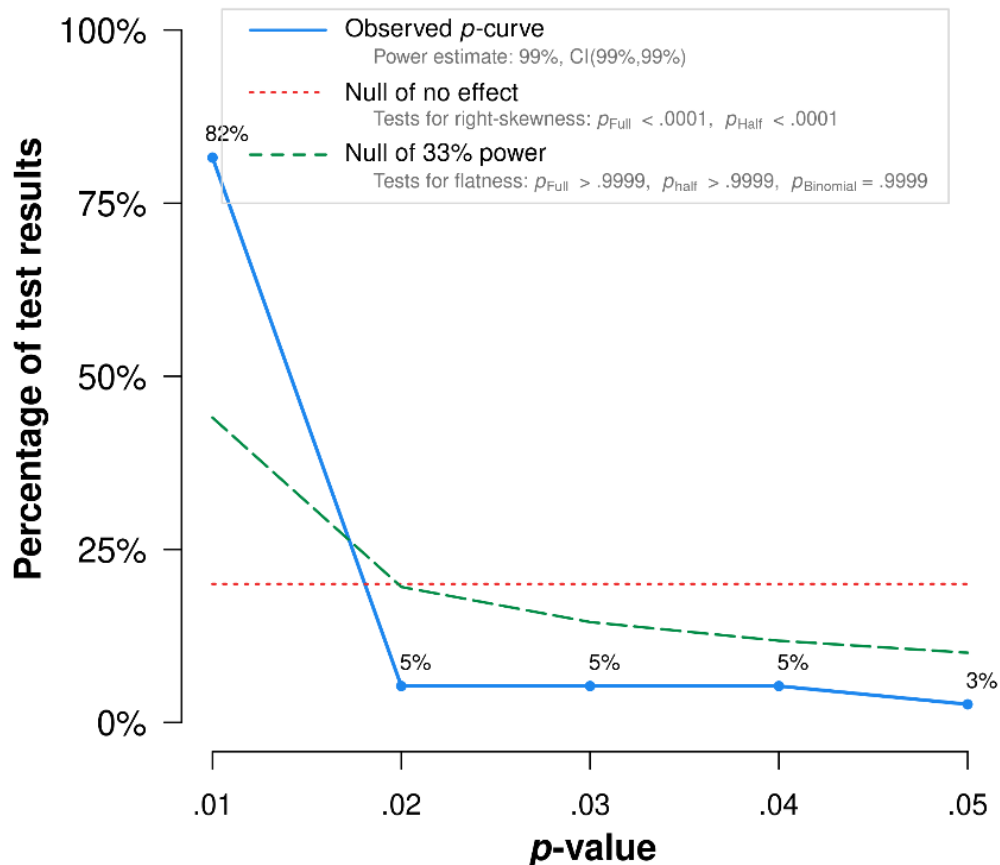
*k* = 114

*n*: min = 6, max = 106467, mean = 5282, sd = 17897, sum = 602149

WAAP: *r* = .03 (95% CI .02, .04), *k* = 13

Selection models: *r* = .06 (95% CI -.02, .15)

*p*-curve analysis:



Note: The observed *p*-curve includes 76 statistically significant ( $p < .05$ ) results, of which 67 are  $p < .025$ . There were 38 additional results entered but excluded from *p*-curve because they were  $p > .05$ .

	Binomial Test	Continuous Test	
	(Share of results $p < .025$ )	(Aggregate with Stouffer Method)	
		Full <i>p</i> -curve ( $p$ 's $< .05$ )	Half <i>p</i> -curve ( $p$ 's $< .025$ )
1) Studies contain evidential value. (Right skew)	$p < .0001$	$Z = -32.5, p < .0001$	$Z = -33.21, p < .0001$
2) Studies' evidential value, if any, is inadequate. (Flatter than 33% power)	$p = .9999$	$Z = 23.37, p > .9999$	$Z = 28.56, p > .9999$
		<b>Statistical Power</b>	
Power of tests included in <i>p</i> -curve (correcting for selective reporting)		Estimate: 99% 90% Confidence interval: (99% , 99%)	

## Appendix F

**Table C.** (1) number of meta-analyses; (2) number of meta-analytical effect sizes; (3) number of primary studies; (4) second-order, grand mean standardized difference estimate; (5) lower limit of the 95% confidence interval; (6) upper limit of the 95% confidence interval; (7) observed variance across first-order mean standardized difference estimates; (8) expected second-order sampling error variance; (9) estimated true variance across first-order mean standardized difference estimates (expected sampling error variance removed); (10) proportion of the variance across the first-order meta-analytic means that is due to second order sampling error variance.

	Meta-analyses $m$	Meta-analytic effect sizes $n$	Primary studies $k$	Overall grand mean $d$	95% CI lower limit	95% CI upper limit	$S_d^2$	$E(S_{e_{a_i}}^2)$	$\hat{\sigma}_d^2$
Overall									
Averaged over meta-analyses	10	10	1178	0.310	0.302	0.320	0.158	< 0.001	0.158
Averaged over subgroup ES	10	38	1041	0.303	0.292	0.313	0.175	< 0.001	0.175
Unique ES	10	10	663	0.310	0.280	0.340	N/A	N/A	N/A
Interventions									
Appeals	1	1	10	0.279	0.279	0.279	N/A	N/A	N/A
Commitment	3	3	67	0.272	0.261	0.284	0.002	< 0.001	0.002
Education	5	5	121	0.087	0.076	0.099	0.004	< 0.001	0.004
Feedback	4	4	120	0.159	0.149	0.169	0.003	< 0.001	0.003
Financial incentives	4	6	73	0.317	0.296	0.338	0.008	0.001	0.007
Social Comparison	5	9	199	0.370	0.351	0.389	0.019	< 0.001	0.019
Outcomes									
Conservation	6	13	404	0.254	0.239	0.270	0.026	< 0.001	0.026
Consumption	2	3	18	0.197	0.178	0.217	0.002	0.002	< 0.001
Littering	1	1	22	0.519	0.519	0.519	N/A	N/A	N/A
Recycling	4	9	103	0.273	0.236	0.309	0.035	< 0.001	0.035
Transportation	4	5	57	0.079	0.064	0.093	0.003	< 0.001	0.003