

Table B - Estimated odds ratios for extreme responses and for more positive responses among telephone respondents

Item	Estimated odds ratios		p-value [§]
	Extreme responses	More positive reporting	
<i>Medicine</i>			
Painkillers ^{*†}	0.97	0.89	0.16
Sedatives [*]	1.67	1.18	0.50
Sleeping medicine [*]	0.87	1.05	0.77
<i>Smoking habits</i>			
Smoking daily [*]	1.12	0.97	0.54
<i>Self-esteem</i>			
I can cope with most situations in life	1.97	1.92	<0.0001
No clear direction or purpose in life [*]	1.05	0.87	<0.0001
Not able to influence my future [*]	1.18	0.88	<0.0001
What I do in my daily life is meaningful	2.57	2.97	<0.0001
Things happen that I do not understand [*]	1.07	0.70	<0.0001
I have a great deal to live for	2.00	2.05	<0.0001
Know what I ought to do, but not able to [*]	1.26	0.98	<0.0001
Difficult to see how pieces in life connect [*]	0.96	0.94	0.006
Understand most of my everyday life	1.88	1.90	<0.0001
<i>Well-being</i>			
Health in general	1.76	1.39	<0.0001
Health compared to one year ago	0.93	0.99	0.90
Sick a little easier than other people ^{*†}	0.81	0.79	0.13
As healthy as anybody I know [†]	1.48	1.54	<0.0001
Expect health to get worse ^{*†}	1.55	1.63	<0.0001
Excellent health [†]	1.83	1.79	<0.0001
Not had the time to relax or enjoy myself [*]	1.13	0.75	<0.0001
Calm and peaceful	1.52	1.56	<0.0001
Having a lot of energy	1.24	1.76	<0.0001
A happy person	1.79	2.01	<0.0001
Tired [*]	2.20	1.31	<0.0001
<i>Depression</i>			
Been withdrawn [*]	1.64	1.45	<0.0001
Not able to deal with other people [*]	2.12	1.74	<0.0001
Found it difficult to be happy [*]	2.21	1.82	<0.0001
Have eaten for comfort [*]	1.57	1.52	0.002
Nothing could cheer me up [*]	1.42	1.41	0.005
Downhearted and blue [*]	1.33	1.21	0.01
<i>Stress</i>			
Have been a bit touchy [*]	1.53	1.08	<0.0001
Have lacked initiative [*]	2.18	1.82	<0.0001
Have felt harassed [*]	1.11	0.73	<0.0001
Feeling full of pep	1.31	1.72	<0.0001
A very nervous person [*]	1.66	1.53	<0.0001
Have had a tight chest or chest pains [*]	1.47	1.44	0.006
Have had palpitations [*]	1.64	1.60	0.0001

Have been short of breath [*]	2.25	2.01	<0.0001
Have been dizzy [*]	1.94	1.91	<0.0001
Have had tension in various muscles [*]	1.67	1.21	<0.0001
Have had a tendency to sweat [*]	2.44	2.27	<0.0001
Have had problems concentrating [*]	1.73	1.64	<0.0001
Have had difficulty in taking decisions [*]	1.58	1.51	<0.0001
Have had difficulty with remembering [*]	1.28	1.26	0.05
Have found it difficult to think clearly [*]	1.36	1.40	0.002

^{*} Questions were reversed (either by negation or by using negatively loaded terms)

[†] "Don't know" responses were treated as missing values

[‡] Variable partly corrupted; the middle categories "one or several times a week" and "one or several times a month" were combined in the analyses.

[§] Chi-square test for identical distributions on the complete scale