

1 **Supplementary material**

2

3 *HED snack and SSB information*

4 The HED foods and SSBs were selected because they are foods and drinks which are
5 frequently overconsumed by this age range. The HED snacks consisted of sweet and savoury
6 snacks and the SSBs consisted of soda, squash, energy drinks, and milkshake. For the snack
7 foods, photographs were taken of four portions to represent half a portion, one portion, one
8 and a half portions, and twice the recommended portion, which were weighed (in grams) and
9 then plated for photography. Snacks were presented on a white 27cm (diameter) plate with a
10 knife and fork on either side to provide size perspective. For the SSBs, photographs were
11 taken of three portions to represent a small, medium and a large portion. The drink
12 photographs were taken of the bottle/can next to a pint glass which contained the amount
13 from the bottle/ can. The portion sizes of the drinks differed according to the type of drink.
14 While the manufacturers recommended portions for SSBs are 250ml, this portion size is not
15 commonly found in supermarkets. Thus, the SSB portion sizes reflect the typical portion
16 sizes which are available for purchase. For example, a small can of a sugar-sweetened
17 carbonated beverage was 150ml, a medium can was 330ml and a large was 500ml, in
18 comparison to a small serving of full sugar squash, which was 250ml, a medium serving was
19 288ml, and a large serving was 500ml.

20

21 *Calculating desired portion size*

22 To identify participants' 'desired' portion size, participants were presented with photographs
23 on the online survey of 24 HED and LED foods, and seven SSBs and non-SSBs. For the

24 HED snacks participants were presented with four portion sizes (half a portion, one portion,
25 one and a half portions and two portions) and for the SSBs participants were presented with
26 three portion sizes (small, medium and large). The HED foods were presented first, followed
27 by the LED foods, and then the drinks. The order which the food and drinks were presented
28 in was randomised using randomizer.org to ensure that the portion sizes of the foods were
29 evenly distributed, and the same food did not appear twice in a row with a different portion
30 size. Desired portion size was calculated by identifying which portion size participants
31 selected as being 'just right' for each food and drink item. For example, if half a portion was
32 selected as being 'just right' then the desired portion size for that participant was 0.5, whereas
33 if one portion was selected as being 'just right' then the desired portion size was 1, and so on.
34 If participants rated more than one portion size as 'just right' an average of the portions
35 resulted in the 'just right' portion. If all the portions were selected as 'too little' or 'slightly
36 less than I would eat' then the largest portion size (2) was selected, and if all of the portions
37 were selected as 'too much' or 'slightly more than I would eat' then the smallest portion size
38 (0.5) was selected. Following this, a mean desired portion size was calculated for the HED
39 snacks combined and the SSBs combined as two separate variables at the two time points
40 (baseline and intervention end).

41

42 *Frequency, liking and intentions*

43 Participants were presented with the statements: 'I intend to reduce my portion sizes of high
44 calorie snack food in the near future', 'I intend to reduce my portion sizes of sugar-sweetened
45 beverages in the near future', 'I intend to keep my portions of high calorie snack food the
46 same in the near future', 'I intend to keep my portions of sugar-sweetened beverages the
47 same in the near future'. Participants rated these statements on a 5-point Likert scale from

48 completely disagree to completely agree. For frequency participants were asked ‘during the
49 past month, how often did you eat this food’ with six response options from ‘less than once
50 per month or never’ (coded as 1) to ‘every day or more than once per day’ (coded as 6). For
51 liking, participants were asked ‘how much do you like this item?’ with five response options
52 (Likert scale) from ‘strongly dislike’ (coded as 1) to ‘strongly like’ (coded as 5).

53

54

55 **Unadjusted results**

56 The results have been adjusted for age and BMI (intervention 1)/ zBMI (intervention 2). All
57 means and SDs for all supplementary analyses are reported in supplementary table 1 for
58 intervention 1, and supplementary table 2 for intervention 2.

59

60 **Intervention 1 results adjusted for age and BMI**

61 *Participants' reported portion sizes*

62 The results of the ANOVA showed no significant main effect of food type [$F(1, 16) = .15, p = .70, \eta^2 = .01$], no significant main effect of time [$F(1, 16) = 4.10, p = .06, \eta^2 = .20$], and
63 no significant food type*time interaction [$F(1, 16) = .17, p = .69, \eta^2 = .01$] on participants'
64 desired portion sizes of HED snacks and SSBs between baseline and intervention end. Thus,
65 the results indicate that exposure to the intervention did not influence participants rated
66 desired portions of HED snacks and SSBs. See supplementary Table 1 for desired portion
67 sizes at baseline and intervention end.

69

70 *Reported perceptions of their peers' portion sizes*

71 There was no significant main effect of food type [$F(1, 16) = .95, p = .34, \eta^2 = .06$]. There
72 was a significant main effect of time [$F(1, 16) = 4.95, p = .04, \eta^2 = .24$], whereby,
73 participants perceptions of their peers' portions of HED snacks and SSBs reduced following
74 the intervention compared to baseline. There was no significant food type*time interaction [$F(1, 16) = < .001, p = .99, \eta^2 = < .001$] on participants' perceptions of their peers' portion
75 sizes between baseline and intervention end. The intervention influenced participants'
76 perceptions of their peers' portion sizes of HED snacks, whereby, participants perceived their
77

78 peers to consume smaller portions of HED snacks following the intervention compared to
79 baseline.

80

81 *Reported frequency of consumption and liking*

82 For frequency of consumption, there was no significant main effect of food type [F (1, 16) =
83 .13, $p = .73$, $\eta^2 = .01$], no significant main effect of time [F (1, 16) = 1.10, $p = .31$, $\eta^2 =$
84 .06], and no significant food type*time interaction [F (1, 16) = 1.42, $p = .25$, $\eta^2 = .08$] on
85 participants' frequency of consumption of HED snacks or SSBs between baseline and
86 intervention end. For liking, there was no significant main effect of food type [F (1, 16) = .98,
87 $p = .34$, $\eta^2 = .06$], no significant main effect of time [F (1, 16) = .17, $p = .69$, $\eta^2 = .01$], and
88 no significant food type* time interaction [F (1, 16) = .60, $p = .45$, $\eta^2 = .04$]. The
89 intervention did not influence participants' reported frequency of consumption or liking of
90 either HED snacks or SSBs. The intervention did not influence participants' frequency of
91 consumption or liking of HED snacks or SSBs.

92

93 *Intentions*

94 There was no significant main effect of food type [F (1, 16) = 1.44, $p = .25$, $\eta^2 = .08$], no
95 significant main effect of time [F (1, 16) = .80, $p = .38$, $\eta^2 = .05$], and no significant
96 time*food type interaction [F (1, 16) = .15, $p = .71$, $\eta^2 = .01$] on participants' intentions
97 regarding their portion sizes of HED snacks or SSBs. Thus, the intervention did not influence
98 participants' intentions regarding their portion sizes.

99 **Table S1.** Participants' mean (SDs) desired portion sizes, perceptions of peers' desired
 100 portion sizes, frequency of consumption, liking, and intentions regarding participants' HED
 101 snack and SSB intake, adjusted for age and BMI.

	HED snacks (n=19)		SSBs (n=19)	
	Baseline	Intervention end	Baseline	Intervention end
Participants' desired portion size*	1.45 (.29)	1.29 (.27)	.87 (.21)	.79 (.26)
Perceptions of peers' desired portion size*	1.48 (.26)	1.37 (.26)	.86 (.23)	.90 (.25)
Frequency of consumption**	1.58 (.34)	1.52 (.46)	2.18 (.76)	2.00 (.82)
Liking**	4.00 (.39)	3.96 (.31)	3.77 (.65)	3.82 (.44)
Intentions ***	3.13 (.28)	3.08 (.34)	3.16 (.34)	3.13 (.50)

102 *For desired portion size, a value of 1 refers to the recommended portion size for HED snacks and the typical
 103 portion for SSBs. A number greater than 1 indicates the 'desired' portion size is greater than the recommended/
 104 typical portion, and a number smaller than 1 indicates that the 'desired' portion size is smaller than the
 105 recommended/typical portion.

106 ** Frequency of consumption was measured on a 6-point Likert style scale from once per month or never to
 107 daily. Liking was measured on a 5-point Likert scale from strongly dislike to strongly like.

108 ***Intentions were assessed on a 5-point Likert-style scale from completely disagree to completely agree.

109

110

111 **Intervention 2 results adjusted for age and zBMI**

112 *Participants' reported portion sizes*

113 There was no significant main effect of condition [$F(1, 30) = 2.62, p = .12, \eta^2 = .08$], no
 114 significant main effect of food type [$F(1, 30) = 2.31, p = .14, \eta^2 = .07$], and no significant
 115 main effect of time [$F(1, 30) = 1.46, p = .24, \eta^2 = .05$]. There were no significant
 116 interactions between condition and food type [$F(1, 30) = .18, p = .68, \eta^2 = .01$], condition
 117 and time [$F(1, 30) = .004, p = .95, \eta^2 < .001$], and no significant condition*food type*time
 118 interaction [$F(1, 30) = .62, p = .44, \eta^2 = .02$] on participants' desired portion sizes of HED
 119 snacks and SSBs between baseline and intervention end. Thus, the intervention did not

120 influence participants to reduce their desired portion sizes of HED snacks or SSBs relative to
121 the control condition.

122

123 *Reported perceptions of peers' portion sizes*

124 There was no significant main effect of condition [$F(1, 30) = .56, p = .46, \eta^2 = .02$], no
125 significant main effect of food type [$F(1, 30) = 2.59, p = .12, \eta^2 = .08$], and no significant
126 main effect of time [$F(1, 30) = .23, p = .63, \eta^2 = .01$]. There were no significant interactions
127 between condition and food type [$F(1, 30) = 1.23, p = .28, \eta^2 = .04$], condition and time [F
128 $(1, 30) = .19, p = .67, \eta^2 = .01$], food type and time [$F(1, 30) = .79, p = .38, \eta^2 = .03$], and
129 no significant condition*food type*time interaction [$F(1, 30) = 1.34, p = .26, \eta^2 = .04$] on
130 participants' perceptions of their peers' portion sizes of HED snacks and SSBs between
131 baseline and intervention end. Thus, the intervention did not significantly influence
132 participants' perceptions of their peers' desired portion sizes of HED snacks or SSBs relative
133 to the control condition.

134

135 *Reported frequency of consumption and liking*

136 There was no significant main effect of condition [$F(1, 30) = .40, p = .53, \eta^2 = .01$], no
137 significant main effect of food type [$F(1, 30) = .02, p = .89, \eta^2 = .001$], and no significant
138 main effect of time [$F(1, 30) = 1.16, p = .29, \eta^2 = .04$]. There were no significant
139 interactions between condition and food type [$F(1, 30) = .07, p = .79, \eta^2 = .001$], condition
140 and time [$F(1, 30) = .58, p = .45, \eta^2 = .02$], food type and time [$F(1, 30) = .48, p = .50, \eta^2$
141 $= .02$], and no significant condition*food type*time interaction [$F(1, 30) = .16, p = .69, \eta^2$
142 $= .01$] on participants' frequency of consumption of HED snacks and SSBs between baseline

143 and intervention end. For liking, there was no significant main effect of condition [F (1, 30) =
144 .25, $p = .62$, $\eta^2 = .01$], no significant main effect of food type [F (1, 30) = .50, $p = .49$, η^2
145 =.02], and no significant main effect of time [F (1, 30) = 1.20, $p = .28$, $\eta^2 = .04$]. There were
146 no significant interactions between condition and food type [F (1, 30) < .001, $p = .99$, $\eta^2 <$
147 .001], condition and time [F (1, 30) = .58, $p = .45$, $\eta^2 = .02$], food type and time [F (1, 30) =
148 .14, $p = .71$, $\eta^2 = .01$], and no significant food type*time*condition interaction [F (1, 30) =
149 .01, $p = .93$, $\eta^2 = < .001$]. Thus, the intervention did not influence participants' reported
150 frequency of consumption or liking.

151

152 *Intentions*

153 There was no significant main effect of condition [F (1, 29) = .04, $p = .84$, $\eta^2 = .002$], no
154 significant main effect of food type [F (1, 29) = 1.00, $p = .33$, $\eta^2 = .03$], and no significant
155 main effect of time [F (1, 29) = 1.47, $p = .24$, $\eta^2 = .05$]. There were no interactions between
156 condition and food type [F (1, 29) = 3.14, $p = .09$, $\eta^2 = .10$], condition and time [F (1, 29) =
157 .05, $p = .83$, $\eta^2 = .002$], food type and time [F (1, 29) = .46, $p = .50$, $\eta^2 = .02$], and no
158 significant condition*time*food type interaction [F (1, 29) = .32, $p = .58$, $\eta^2 = .01$]. Thus,
159 the intervention did not influence adolescents' intentions regarding their portion sizes.

160

161 **Results of Intervention 1 with the male participant removed**

162 *Participants' reported desired portion sizes*

163 There was a significant main effect of time [F (1, 18) = 12.57, $p = .002$, $\eta^2 = .41$].

164 Participants reported smaller desired portion sizes of HED snacks and SSBs at intervention

165 end than at baseline. There was no significant food type by time interaction [$F(1, 18) = 2.67$,
166 $p = .12$, $\eta p^2 = .13$].

167 **Table S2.** Mean (SDs) participants' reports of desired portion sizes, perceptions of peers' desired portion sizes, frequency of consumption,
 168 liking, and intentions regarding participants' HED snack and SSB intake adjusted for age and zBMI.

	HED snacks				SSBs			
	Intervention		Control		Intervention		Control	
	Baseline	Intervention end	Baseline	Intervention end	Baseline	Intervention end	Baseline	Intervention end
Participants' desired portion size*	1.22 (.35)	1.22 (.37)	1.38 (.33)	1.40 (.36)	.82 (.22)	.80 (.24)	.95 (.33)	.89 (.33)
Perceptions of peers' desired portion size*	1.36 (.39)	1.35 (.38)	1.44 (.35)	1.52 (.29)	.91 (.28)	.93 (.26)	.93 (.27)	.91 (.30)
Participants' frequency of consumption**	2.07 (.53)	2.07 (.61)	2.05 (.56)	1.91 (.45)	2.28 (.88)	2.24 (.73)	2.15 (.92)	2.06 (.94)
Liking**	4.14 (.49)	4.06 (.56)	4.13 (.56)	3.89 (.91)	3.91 (.81)	3.65 (.97)	3.90 (.92)	3.46 (1.16)
Intentions	3.11 (.37)	3.08 (.60)	3.13 (.58)	3.23 (.32)	3.14 (.45)	3.28 (.60)	3.03 (.23)	3.10 (.43)

169 *For desired portion size, a value of 1 refers to the recommended portion size of HED snacks and the typical portion size of SSBs. A number greater than 1 indicates the
 170 'desired' portion size is greater than the recommended/ typical portion, and a number smaller than 1 indicates that the 'desired' portion size is smaller than the
 171 recommended/typical portion.

172 ** Frequency of consumption was measured on a 6-point Likert style scale from once per month or never to daily. Liking was measured on a 5-point Likert scale from
 173 strongly dislike to strongly like.

174 ***Intentions were assessed on a 5-point Likert-style scale from completely disagree to completely agree.

175

176