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**rep\_apo** *Using a scale from 1 to 7, please indicate your level of agreement*

*with the following statements:* The U.S. government should apologize for all the maltreatment and deprivation that was caused as a result of slavery.

1. Strongly agree (1)
2. 2
3. 3
4. Neutral (4)
5. 5
6. 6
7. Strongly disagree (7)

**rep\_memor** *Using a scale from 1 to 7, please indicate your level of agreement*

*with the following statements:* The US should dedicate a memorial to the victims of slavery.

1. Strongly agree
2. 2
3. 3
4. Neutral
5. 5
6. 6
7. Strongly disagree

**rep\_respon** *Using a scale from 1 to 7, please indicate your level of agreement*

*with the following statements:* Against the background of the history of slavery, today's America bears a special responsibility for Black Americans.

1. Strongly agree
2. 2
3. 3
4. Neutral
5. 5
6. 6
7. Strongly disagree

**rshort** To which racial or ethnic group(s) do you identify?

1. Asian or Pacific Islander
2. Black or African American
3. Latino or Hispanic
4. White
5. More than one of these groups

**rac\_proud** *Using a scale from 0 to 10, with 0 representing "Not at all," 10*

*representing "Completely," and 5 representing "In the middle," please respond to the following:* How proud are you to be [RSHORT]?

1. Not at all
2. 1
3. 2
4. 3
5. 4
6. In the middle
7. 6
8. 7
9. 8
10. 9
11. Completely

**racatt\_mot** *On average, Blacks have worse jobs, income, and housing than White people. Do you think these differences are:* Because most Blacks just don't have the motivation or will power to pull themselves out of poverty?

1. Not at all important
2. A little important
3. Somewhat important
4. Very important
5. Extremely important

**intlblR** *Now we have some questions about different groups in society. We are*

*asking you to use a seven point scale to rate the characteristics of people in a group.*Where would you rate Blacks on a scale of intelligence? [[1]](#footnote-1)

* + - 1. Intelligent
			2. 2
			3. 3
			4. Not closer to one or the other
			5. 5
			6. 6
			7. Unintelligent

**workblR** *Now we have some questions about different groups in society. We are*

*asking you to use a seven point scale to rate the characteristics of people in a group.*Where would you rate Blacks on a scale of work ethic? [[2]](#footnote-2)

1. Hardworking
2. 2
3. 3
4. Not closer to one or the other
5. 5
6. 6
7. Lazy

**paternal** This variable was created from two items: 1) If, during a private

conversation, someone told you that slavery in the United States was good for Black people, how would you react? 2) (if answered I would disagree with the person), Upon disagreeing, I would: [[3]](#footnote-3)

1. Be offended by it, and would be angry with the person.
2. Be offended by it.
3. Disagree, but not otherwise react.
4. I would not care one way or another.
5. I would agree with the person.

**female**  What is your gender?

1. Female
2. Male

**age** Converted to a numeric value from responses to the item: What year were you born?

**amerid\_proud** *Using a scale from 0 to 10, with 0 representing "Not at all," 10*

*representing "Completely," and 5 representing "In the middle," please respond to the following:* How proud are you to be American?

1. Not at all
2. 1
3. 2
4. 3
5. 4
6. In the middle
7. 6
8. 7
9. 8
10. 9
11. Completely

**educ**  What is your highest level of education completed?

1. Less than high school
2. High school graduate
3. Some college
4. Associates Degree
5. Bachelor's Degree
6. Some graduate work
7. Graduate or Professional Degree

**polispec** How would you identify yourself on this political spectrum?

1. Extremely Liberal
2. Liberal
3. Slightly Liberal
4. Moderate/Middle of the Road
5. Slightly Conservative
6. Conservative
7. Extremely Conservative

**south** This variable was created from a response to “what is the zip code where

you currently reside?” The respondent zip codes were paired with regional designations based on (but not identical to) Census regions. The South region designation encompasses the West South Central, East South Central, and South Atlantic divisions, which include Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Maryland, North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, Washington DC, West Virginia, Alabama, Kentucky, Mississippi, Tennessee, Arkansas, Louisiana, and Oklahoma. Texas was excluded.

1. South
2. Non-south

**percblack** This variable was created from a response to “what is the zip code where you currently reside?” The respondent zip codes were used to merge information from the United States Census Bureau American Community Survey (ACS) 2015-2019 5 Year Public Use Microdata Sample (PUMS),[[4]](#footnote-4) by ZIP Code Tabulation Areas (ZCTA). A small number of ZCTA to Zip Code crosswalk corrections were adjusted by hand. Values indicate the proportion of ZIP code residents who identified as Black in any combination.[[5]](#footnote-5)

1. Item was collected with response categories in reverse order. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. Item was collected with response categories in reverse order. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. See the published manuscript for information about the original items and how the variable was constructed. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
4. This data was accessed in January 2021. [↑](#footnote-ref-4)
5. percblack was truncated to 2 decimals in the replication dataset to protect the privacy of respondents. Therefore, the results will not exactly match those reported in the published manuscript. [↑](#footnote-ref-5)