"Voting for Disabled Candidates" by Stefanie Reher

Codebook

Variable	Variable name	Description and survey question	Coding
Respondent ID	ID		
Country	country		US; UK
Candidate	candidate	Position of candidates the experiment (1=first experiment, candidate A; 2=first experiment, candidate B; 3=second experiment, candidate A; 4=second experiment, candidate B)	1-4
Candidate attributes (see SI 1)			
Disability	c.dis	Candidate disability, 4 categories	None; Blind; Deaf; Paralysed
Disability binary	Disability	Candidate disability, binary, character variable	Not disabled; Disabled
Disability binary	c.disdummy	Candidate disability, binary, numeric variable	
Gender	c.female	Candidate gender	0=male 1=female
Minority ethnic	c.minority	Candidate ethnic minority status, indicated through non-Anglo name	0=not ethnic minority 1= ethnic minority
Age	c.age	Candidate age	35-65
Children	c.child.num	Candidate's number of children	0-3
Occupation	c.job	Candidate occupation	Small business owner; Doctor; Lawyer; Teacher; Factory worker
Experience	c.exp	Candidate political experience in years	4-17
Office	c.heldoffice	Candidate previous experience of political office	0=no 1=yes

Party	c.party	Candidate party	Conservative; Labour; Democratic; Republican
Party (3 categories)	c.party3	Candidate party (leaning, none)	Left; Right; No party
Dependent and mediating variables			
Vote	vote.n	Respondent's electoral support for candidate "Which candidate would you be more likely to vote for?" (A or B)	0=no 1=yes
Candidate ideology	lr.s	Respondent perception of candidate's left-right position "In politics people often talk of left and right. Where would you place the candidates on the following scale from left to right?" (0=Left – 10=Right)	0=left – 1= right
Candidate ability to represent under-represented groups	represent.n	Respondent perception of candidate's ability to represent under-represented groups "Candidate A/B represents people who are under-represented in politics."	0=strongly disagree 1=disagree somewhat 2=neither agree nor disagree 3=agree somewhat 4=strongly agree
Respondent characteristics			
Left-right position	lrown.s	Respondent ideological placement "In politics people often talk of left and right. Where would you place yourself on this scale from left to right?" (0=Left – 10=Right)	0=left – 1-right
Left-right categories	lrcat	Respondent ideological category Left=lrown.s<0.5 Right=lrown.s>0.5 Centre=lrown.s=0.5	Left; Right; Centre
Respondent age category	age.n	Category of respondent age "What age group do you belong to?"	1=18-24 2=25-34 3=35-44 4=45-54 5=55-64

			6=65+
Respondent gender	gender	Respondent gender "Which gender do you identify as?"	Male; Female; Other
Respondent education	edu	Age when respondent finished full-time education, categories "At what age did you finish full-time education (including college or university)?"	0=15 or under 1=16 2=17-18 3=19 4=20 or above or still at school / full-time student
Respondent employment	emp	Respondent employment status "Which of these categories best describes what you mainly personally do at the moment?" Employed = Working full time - employee (30+ hours) / Working full time - self-employed (30+ hours) / Working part time - employee (8-29 hours) / Working part time - self-employed (8-29 hours) Unemployed = Unemployed and actively seeking work Student = On a government sponsored training / A full time student or pupil Not employed = Looking after the family or home / Not working because temporarily sick or injured / Not working because long-term sick or disabled / Retired from paid work	Employed; Unemployed; Not employed; Student
Respondent disability	disown	Respondent disability "Do you have any long-term illness, mental health problem or disability which limits your daily activities or the work you can do? 'Long-term' means anything that has affected you over a period of at least 12 months, or that is likely to affect you over a period of at least 12 months."	0=non-disabled 1=disabled