2017 Twins Days Festival (TDF) Survey
Codebook
Public Release 3

Introduction and Zygosity

zyg: Zygosity of Twin Respondent

[1] Identical, MZ
[2] Fraternal, DZ

Experimental Treatments

Prompt: Please read the news story below and respond to the following questions about the story:

Possible Ku Klux Klan Rallies Raise Campus Safety Concerns

Can university police forces prevent riots if the KKK comes to town? The Ku Klux Klan has requested permits to conduct speeches and rallies at several Ohio university campuses during the spring semester of 2018. Officials and administrators will decide whether to approve or deny the requests in December.

A member of the Ku Klux Klan holds a Confederate Flag at a rally at California State University, San Diego. Credit: Associated Press.

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Opinion about the speeches and rallies is mixed. Many students, faculty, and staff have expressed great concern about campus safety and security during a Klan rally. Clifford Strong, a professor in the Ohio State University law school, "Freedom of speech if important, but so is the safety of the campus community and the security of our campus. Considering the violence at past KKK rallies, I don't think universities have an obligation to allow this to go on. Safety must be our top priority."

Ku Klux Klan Tests Ohio Universities' Commitment to Free Speech

How far are Ohio universities prepared to go to protect freedom of speech? The Ku Klux Klan has requested permits to conduct speeches and rallies at several Ohio university campuses during the spring semester of 2018. Officials and administrators will decide whether to approve or deny the requests in December.

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Opinion about the speeches and rallies is mixed. Many students, faculty, and staff worry about the rallies, but support the group's right to speak. Clifford Strong, a professor in the Ohio State University law school, remarked, "I hate the Klan, but they have the right to speak, and people have the right to hear them if they want to. We may have some concerns about the rally, but the right to speak and hear what you want takes precedence over our fears about what could happen."

Political Tolerance Items

Please answer the following questions:

Do you support or oppose members of the Ku Klux Klan *holding rallies* on university campuses in Ohio this spring?

rally1: Twin 1's Level of Opposition or Support
rally2: Twin 2's Level of Opposition or Support
[1] Strongly Oppose
[2]
[3]
[4]
[5]
[6]
[7] Strongly Support

Do you support or oppose members of the Ku Klux Klan *making speeches* on university campuses in Ohio this spring?

speech1: Twin 1's Level of Opposition or Support
speech2: Twin 2's Level of Opposition or Support
[1] Strongly Oppose
[2]
[3]
[4]
[5]
[6]
[7] Strongly Support

Participant Demographics

sex1: Twin 1's Biological Sex
sex2: Twin 2's Biological Sex
[1] Male
[2] Female

age1: Twin 1's Age in Years
age2: Twin 2's Age in Years
_____ (open-ended)

education1: Twin 1's Level of Formal Educational Attainment
education2: Twin 2's Level of Formal Educational Attainment
[1] Grade School
[2] High School Diploma or Equivalent
[3] 2-Year Degree
[4] 4-Year Degree
[5] Postgraduate Degree