

Review of: "American Institutional Stereotypes: A Pilot Investigation of Factor Structure"

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Dear Brandon and David,

I have read your study entitled "American Institutional Stereotypes: A Pilot Investigation of Factor Structure" with the utmost interest. Truly, your study has its merit. But some issues need to be taken care of.

First, America has 331,9 million inhabitants according to the latest census. For a population of this size, I am afraid that the two samples (study 1: $n = 201$; study: $n = 600$) are representative of the American population to generalize on American Institutional Stereotypes. Thus, this limitation needs to be acknowledged. Second, people commonly refer to the USA as a melting pot: White, Asian American, African American, and Hispanic. This makes your study questionably ethnically biased if we implicitly assume the ratings for American Institutional Stereotypes would be equally the same for different ethnic groups. Consequently, this limitation needs to be acknowledged also.

Based on these limitations, I suggest that you propose a venue for future studies. For example, exploring the differences in gender, ethnicity, and other socio-demographic variables concerning "American Institutional Stereotypes" could be a potential research project.

I hope you will find these comments meaningful.

Regards