

# Review of: "Government Communication and Behavioral Change amidst COVID-19: Role of Awareness and Fear & Panic"

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During this COVID-19 pandemic, one of the most important goals has been to control the spread of SARS-CoV-2, thus preventing that the numbers of cases and deaths could increase. To achieve this, effective government communication is key to managing the pandemic. In this interesting study, the authors show a positive effect of this government communication on the behavior change of citizens in Ghana during this COVID-19 pandemic. However, there are some questions about the design of this study, because this was designed, taking into account people who should have a minimum of secondary education and most of them have tertiary education and are employed. Therefore, it is possible that the results of this study can only represent a particular sector of the population.

The questions are these:

1. What is the percentage of the population in Ghana that has secondary or tertiary education?
2. What is the percentage of Ghana's population that has a job?
3. What is the percentage of the population in Ghana that is interested in knowing information about COVID-19?

**Specific comment:**

In the results section, some values were omitted, there are only the parentheses.