

Valuing Difference and Differing Values

The European Value Survey in Ireland

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EVS in Ireland

- 1012 completed interviews
- National random sample population, 18+
- Post fieldwork weighting of data by sex, age and educational level against 1997 Labour Force Survey population data
- Data generated by ESRI

Question Topics, inter alia

- Work
- Family
- Friends
- Politics
- Leisure
- Religion
- Environment
- Trust
- Poverty
- Happiness
- Citizenship
- Immigration

Who?

Age (Categorized)

| | % |
|------------------|------|
| 18 to 24 years | 15.6 |
| 25 to 34 years | 20.7 |
| 35 to 44 years | 21.0 |
| 45 to 64 years | 27.9 |
| 65 years or more | 14.8 |
| Total | |

Education (Categorized)

| | % |
|---------------------|-------|
| Third level | 19.4 |
| 2nd cycle 2nd level | 27.4 |
| 1st cycle 2nd level | 25.4 |
| None/no formal | 27.8 |
| Total | 100.0 |

SEX

| | Valid Percent |
|--------|---------------|
| Male | 49.2 |
| Female | 50.8 |
| Total | 100.0 |

Unwanted Neighbours (No)

- Drug Addicts 66%
- Emotionally Unstable 25%
- Criminal record 56%
- Aids 23%
- Itinerants 50%
- Muslims 14%
- Heavy Drinkers 36%
- Immigrants 12%
- Left Wing 33%
- Different Race 12%
- Right Wing 32%
- Jews 11%
- Homosexuals 27%
- Large Families 9%
- Gypsies 25%

Total Unwanted Neighbour Mentions

| | | Frequency | Cumulative Percent |
|-------|-------|-----------|--------------------|
| Valid | 1.00 | 123 | 13.6 |
| | 2.00 | 140 | 29.0 |
| | 3.00 | 136 | 43.9 |
| | 4.00 | 124 | 57.5 |
| | 5.00 | 82 | 66.5 |
| | 6.00 | 76 | 74.9 |
| | 7.00 | 68 | 82.4 |
| | 8.00 | 37 | 86.5 |
| | 9.00 | 34 | 90.3 |
| | 10.00 | 23 | 92.8 |
| | 11.00 | 15 | 94.4 |
| | 12.00 | 9 | 95.4 |
| | 13.00 | 12 | 96.7 |
| | 14.00 | 10 | 97.9 |
| | 15.00 | 19 | 100.0 |
| Total | | 908 | |

Unwanted Neighbour Mentions by AGE

| | Total Unwanted Neighbour Mentions | | | | |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | >5 |
| 18 to 24 years | 30 21.1% | 30 21.1% | 26 18.3% | 19 13.4% | 37 26.1% |
| 25 to 34 years | 34 18.0% | 32 16.9% | 28 14.8% | 29 15.3% | 66 34.9% |
| 35 to 44 years | 16 8.7% | 34 18.6% | 26 14.2% | 31 16.9% | 76 41.5% |
| 45 to 64 years | 28 11.1% | 25 9.9% | 37 14.7% | 32 12.7% | 130 51.6% |
| 65 years or more | 16 11.2% | 18 12.6% | 19 13.3% | 13 9.1% | 77 53.8% |
| | 124 13.6% | 139 15.3% | 136 15.0% | 124 13.6% | 386 42.5% |

Reasons for People in Need

living in need first

| | Frequency | Cumulative Percent |
|-------------------------------|------------|--------------------|
| unlucky | 227 | 23.1 |
| laziness or lack of willpower | 210 | 44.4 |
| injustice in society | 320 | 77.0 |
| part modern progress | 188 | 96.2 |
| none of these | 38 | 100.0 |
| Total | 983 | |

living in need second

| | Frequency | Cumulative Percent |
|-------------------------------|------------|--------------------|
| unlucky | 236 | 25.2 |
| laziness or lack of willpower | 182 | 44.5 |
| injustice in society | 217 | 67.6 |
| part modern progress | 271 | 96.5 |
| none of these | 33 | 100.0 |
| Total | 940 | |

First reasons by Age

| | living in need first | | | | |
|-------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---------------|
| | unlucky | laziness or lack of willpower | injustice in society | part modern progress | none of these |
| 18 to 24 years | 30 19.4% | 25 16.1% | 59 38.1% | 27 17.4% | 14 9.0% |
| 25 to 34 years | 41 20.2% | 37 18.2% | 66 32.5% | 49 24.1% | 10 4.9% |
| 35 to 44 years | 50 24.3% | 41 19.9% | 58 28.2% | 51 24.8% | 6 2.9% |
| 45 to 64 years | 68 24.7% | 56 20.4% | 100 36.4% | 46 16.7% | 5 1.8% |
| 65 years or more | 39 26.9% | 51 35.2% | 38 26.2% | 15 10.3% | 2 1.4% |
| | 228 23.2% | 210 21.3% | 321 32.6% | 188 19.1% | 37 3.8% |

Favour Irish over Immigrants by Age

| | giving Irish priority | | |
|------------------|-----------------------|--------------|------------|
| | agree | disagree | neither |
| 18 to 24 years | 103 65.2% | 44 27.8% | 11 7.0% |
| 25 to 34 years | 138 68.3% | 53 26.2% | 11 5.4% |
| 35 to 44 years | 159 75.4% | 40 19.0% | 12 5.7% |
| 45 to 64 years | 206 74.4% | 54 19.5% | 17 6.1% |
| 65 years or more | 129 87.2% | 15 10.1% | 4 2.7% |
| Total | 735 73.8% | 206 20.7% | 55 5.5% |

Absolute vs Relative Good by Age

| | good and evil | | |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------|
| | clear guidelines good and evil | no clear guidelines good and evil | disagree with both |
| 18 to 24 years | 55 36.4% | 83 55.0% | 13 8.6% |
| 25 to 34 years | 67 32.7% | 119 58.0% | 19 9.3% |
| 35 to 44 years | 87 42.2% | 101 49.0% | 18 8.7% |
| 45 to 64 years | 113 42.0% | 131 48.7% | 25 9.3% |
| 65 years or more | 73 52.1% | 53 37.9% | 14 10.0% |
| Total | 395 40.7% | 487 50.2% | 89 9.2% |

Religious Identification by Age

| | belong to religious denomination | | Formerly YES |
|-------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------|
| | yes | no | |
| 18 to 24 years | 141 89.2% | 17 10.8% | 11 |
| 25 to 34 years | 179 85.6% | 30 14.4% | 23 |
| 35 to 44 years | 193 91.0% | 19 9.0% | 7 |
| 45 to 64 years | 267 94.7% | 15 5.3% | 12 |
| 65 years or more | 145 96.7% | 5 3.3% | 3 |
| Total | 925 91.5% | 86 8.5% | 56 |

Religious Practice by Age

| | Attend Religious Services | | | | | | | |
|------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| | more than once week | once a week | once a month | christmas/ easter day | other spec holy days | once a year | less often | never, pract never |
| 18 to 24 years | 3 1.9% | 33 20.9% | 41 25.9% | 30 19.0% | 2 1.3% | 16 10.1% | 9 5.7% | 24 15.2% |
| 25 to 34 years | 8 3.8% | 71 34.1% | 28 13.5% | 32 15.4% | 7 3.4% | 20 9.6% | 15 7.2% | 27 13.0% |
| 35 to 44 years | 14 6.6% | 115 54.2% | 16 7.5% | 34 16.0% | 3 1.4% | 5 2.4% | 4 1.9% | 21 9.9% |
| 45 to 64 years | 57 20.4% | 166 59.5% | 16 5.7% | 10 3.6% | 5 1.8% | 6 2.2% | 1 .4% | 18 6.5% |
| 65 years or more | 54 36.2% | 74 49.7% | 7 4.7% | | 1 .7% | 2 1.3% | 6 4.0% | 5 3.4% |
| Total | 136 13.5% | 459 45.6% | 108 10.7% | 106 10.5% | 18 1.8% | 49 4.9% | 35 3.5% | 95 9.4% |



Importance of Religious Ritual

| | Yes | | |
|------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| | Birth | Marriage | Death |
| 18 to 24 years | 137 88.40% | 146 94.20% | 153 99.35% |
| 25 to 34 years | 180 88.20% | 181 87.40% | 195 93.30% |
| 35 to 44 years | 189 89.20% | 190 90.00% | 198 93.83% |
| 45 to 64 years | 256 93.10% | 259 94.20% | 268 96.05% |
| 65 years or more | 145 97.30% | 147 98.70% | 149 99.33% |
| Total | 907 91.20% | 923 92.60% | 963 96.01% |

View of self as religious by Age

| | Religious Person | Not religious Person | Atheist |
|-------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| 18 to 24 years | 97 63.80% | 53 34.90% | 2 1.30% |
| 25 to 34 years | 131 66.20% | 60 30.30% | 7 3.50% |
| 35 to 44 years | 146 70.50% | 54 26.10% | 7 3.40% |
| 45 to 64 years | 218 79.90% | 54 19.80% | 1 0.40% |
| 65 years or more | 129 87.80% | 18 12.20% | |
| Total | 923 91.20% | 923 92.60% | 963 96.01% |

Issue Belief by Age

| | Yes Responses for Elements of Belief | | | | | | |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------|------------------|---------------|---------------------|-------------------------|
| | belief in God | belief in life after death | belief in hell | belief in heaven | belief in sin | belief in telepathy | belief in reincarnation |
| 18 to 24 years | 146 94.80% | 99 70.70% | 63 42.60% | 123 83.10% | 119 83.20% | 64 50.40% | 37 28.20% |
| 25 to 34 years | 186 92.50% | 127 70.20% | 92 51.40% | 139 75.10% | 160 82.50% | 77 44.80% | 44 26.20% |
| 35 to 44 years | 197 93.80% | 133 80.10% | 77 44.50% | 153 83.20% | 162 86.20% | 59 36.90% | 45 24.90% |
| 45 to 64 years | 271 98.20% | 208 85.60% | 143 60.30% | 228 90.80% | 230 87.80% | 96 45.90% | 59 25.30% |
| 65 years or more | 149 99.30% | 129 90.80% | 91 68.40% | 137 95.80% | 131 90.30% | 27 23.90% | 15 10.90% |
| Total | 949 95.80% | 696 79.80% | 466 53.60% | 780 85.60% | 802 86.10% | 323 41.40% | 200 23.50% |

Importance of God in your life

| | importance of God in life | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|--------------|
| | not at all | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | very |
| 18 to 24 years | 12 7.6% | 3 1.9% | 9 5.7% | 10 6.4% | 36 23% | 27 17% | 26 17% | 7 4.5% | 11 7.0% | 16 10.2% |
| 25 to 34 years | 15 7.2% | 3 1.4% | 14 6.8% | 13 6.3% | 27 13% | 25 12% | 25 12% | 26 13% | 11 5.3% | 47 22.7% |
| 35 to 44 years | 7 3.3% | 7 3.3% | 8 3.8% | 16 7.5% | 20 9.4% | 13 6.1% | 26 12% | 29 14% | 19 8.9% | 68 31.9% |
| 45 to 64 years | 4 1.4% | 2 .7% | 5 1.8% | 8 2.8% | 15 5.3% | 19 6.8% | 27 9.6% | 42 15% | 28 10% | 131 46.6% |
| 65 years or more | 1 .7% | 1 .7% | 1 .7% | 1 .7% | 3 2.0% | 3 2.0% | 5 3.3% | 20 13% | 11 7.3% | 104 69.3% |
| Total | 39 3.9% | 16 1.6% | 37 3.7% | 48 4.8% | 101 10% | 87 8.6% | 109 11% | 124 12% | 80 7.9% | 366 36.3% |

Other Issues by Age

| | Yes Responses | | |
|-------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| | comfort and strength from religion | prayer and meditation | do you have a lucky charm |
| 18 to 24 years | 72 50.7% | 115 72.8% | 34 21.5% |
| 25 to 34 years | 123 64.4% | 157 75.8% | 22 10.6% |
| 35 to 44 years | 150 75.8% | 165 78.2% | 18 8.5% |
| 45 to 64 years | 233 86.3% | 244 87.1% | 35 12.5% |
| 65 years or more | 141 95.3% | 141 95.3% | 20 13.4% |
| Total | 719 75.8% | 822 81.9% | 129 12.8% |

Prayer Frequency by Age

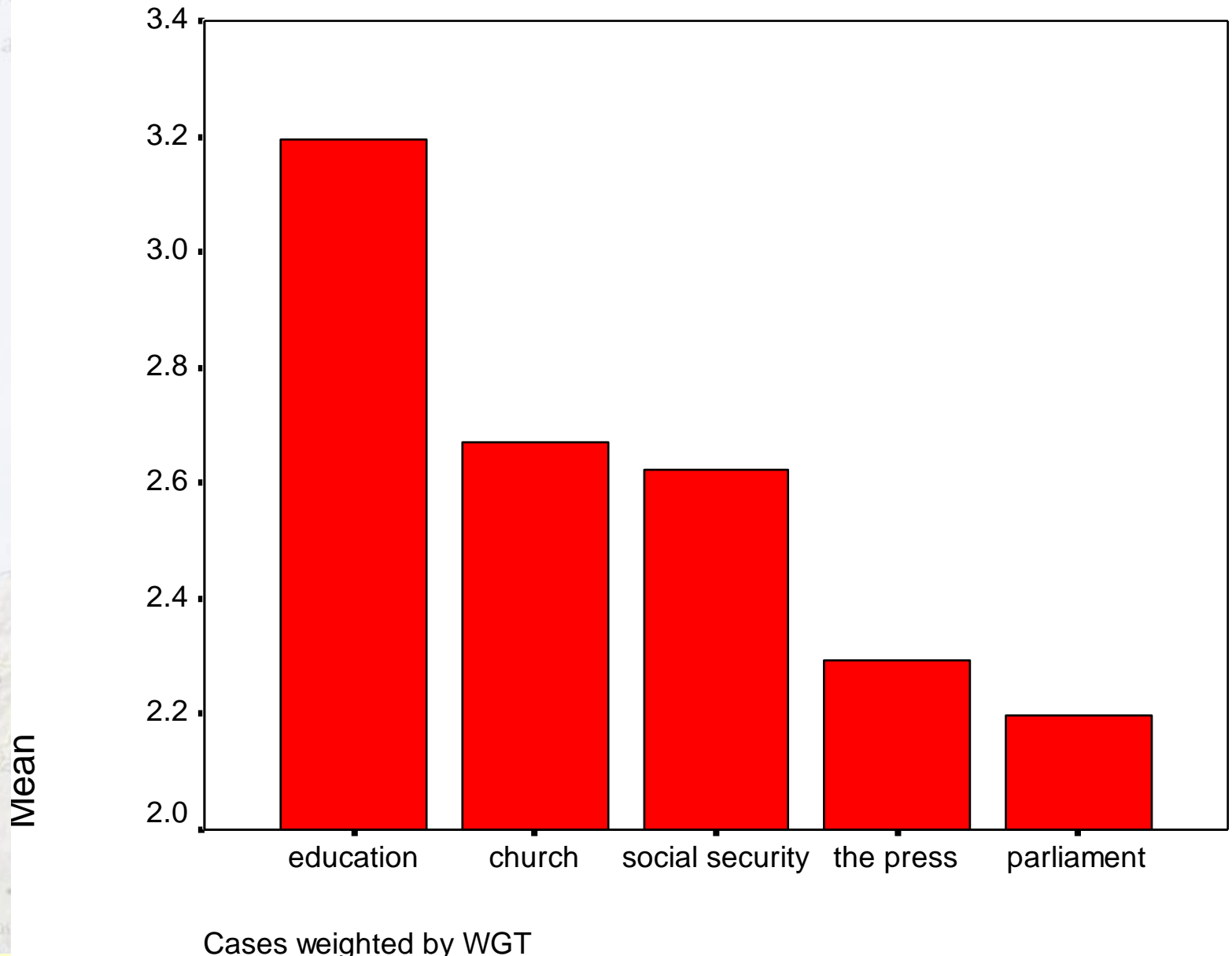
| | frequency of prayer | | | | | | |
|-------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-------------|-----------------------|----------------------|-------------|-------------|
| | every day | more than once week | once a week | at least once a month | several times a year | less often | never |
| 18 to 24 years | 33 20.8% | 24 15.1% | 20 12.6% | 20 12.6% | 7 4.4% | 28 17.6% | 25 15.7% |
| 25 to 34 years | 58 27.9% | 27 13.0% | 23 11.1% | 23 11.1% | 24 11.5% | 19 9.1% | 33 15.9% |
| 35 to 44 years | 81 38.0% | 42 19.7% | 23 10.8% | 18 8.5% | 15 7.0% | 15 7.0% | 17 8.0% |
| 45 to 64 years | 171 61.1% | 47 16.8% | 18 6.4% | 13 4.6% | 7 2.5% | 11 3.9% | 13 4.6% |
| 65 years or more | 121 80.7% | 16 10.7% | 6 4.0% | 2 1.3% | 1 .7% | 2 1.3% | 2 1.3% |
| Total | 464 45.9% | 156 15.4% | 90 8.9% | 76 7.5% | 54 5.3% | 75 7.4% | 90 8.9% |

Confidence Overall

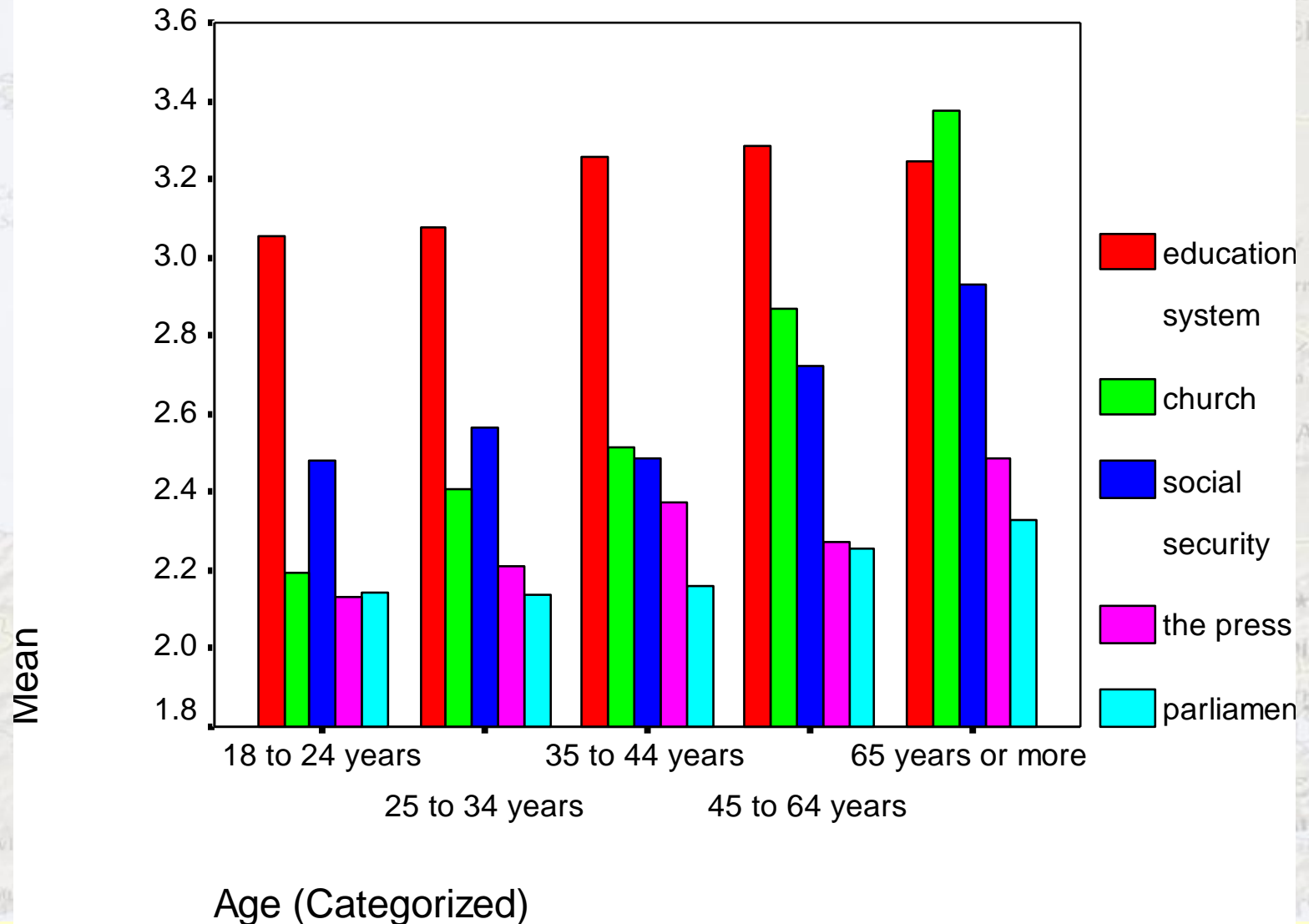
Levels of Confidence in Various Institutions

| | N | Mean | Std. Deviation |
|------------------------------------|----------|-------------|-----------------------|
| education system | 1001 | 3.20 | .69 |
| the police | 1004 | 3.14 | .79 |
| united nations organisation | 906 | 2.70 | .83 |
| armed forces | 968 | 2.70 | .84 |
| health care system | 1000 | 2.68 | .83 |
| church | 1002 | 2.67 | .91 |
| civil service | 973 | 2.67 | .80 |
| european union | 914 | 2.63 | .81 |
| social security system | 989 | 2.62 | .77 |
| justice system | 993 | 2.61 | .84 |
| trade unions | 953 | 2.45 | .82 |
| the press | 988 | 2.29 | .79 |
| parliament | 984 | 2.20 | .83 |
| political parties | 980 | 1.95 | .76 |

Confidence Chart (selection)



Confidence by Age





Morality of Acts

Respondents were asked to rate a series of actions on a scale of 1 to 10, where

1 meant

the action could never be justified and

10 meant

the action could always be justified,

with a complete range of possibilities between the two limits.

| | N | Mean | Std. Deviation |
|------------------------------------|-----|------|----------------|
| divorce | 964 | 4.76 | 2.90 |
| homosexuality | 931 | 4.27 | 3.17 |
| smoking in public places | 983 | 3.35 | 2.58 |
| euthanasia | 933 | 3.23 | 2.80 |
| paying cash | 980 | 2.90 | 2.36 |
| abortion | 976 | 2.83 | 2.43 |
| having casual sex | 966 | 2.66 | 2.35 |
| prostitution | 960 | 2.54 | 2.18 |
| cheating on tax | 991 | 2.34 | 2.09 |
| lying | 987 | 2.31 | 1.86 |
| suicide | 941 | 2.05 | 1.91 |
| manipulation food | 918 | 2.01 | 1.82 |
| taking soft drugs | 992 | 1.94 | 1.87 |
| speeding over limit | 994 | 1.90 | 1.66 |
| claim state benefits | 990 | 1.89 | 1.66 |
| experiments human embryos | 937 | 1.89 | 1.78 |
| throwing away litter | 994 | 1.83 | 1.59 |
| adultery | 980 | 1.82 | 1.63 |
| sex under legal age of consent | 984 | 1.47 | 1.37 |
| accepting a bribe | 988 | 1.46 | 1.27 |
| driving under influence of alcohol | 994 | 1.42 | 1.19 |
| joyriding | 994 | 1.12 | .74 |

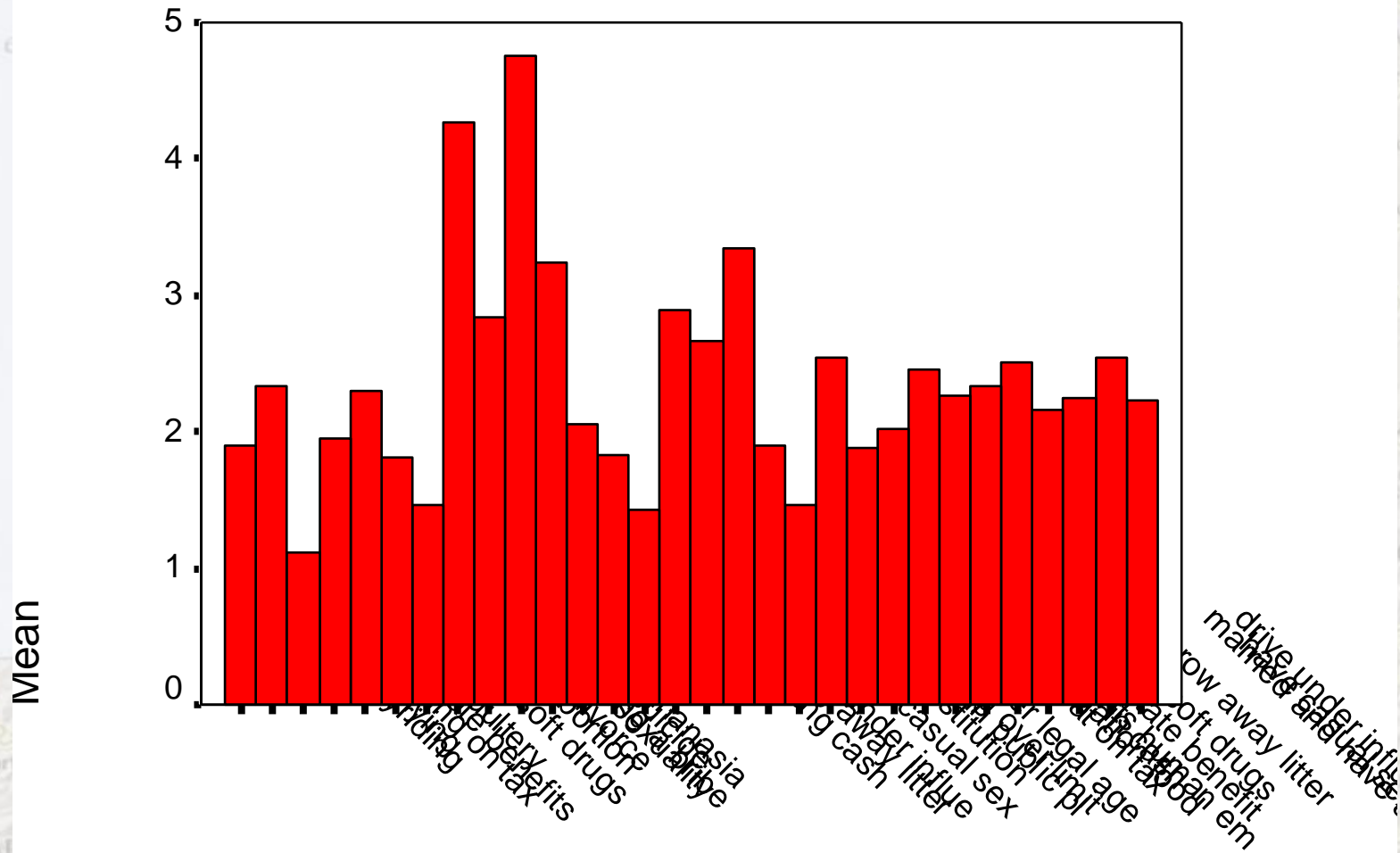


A background map of Europe showing various countries and cities. The map is light-colored with green text overlaid.

Morality of Acts

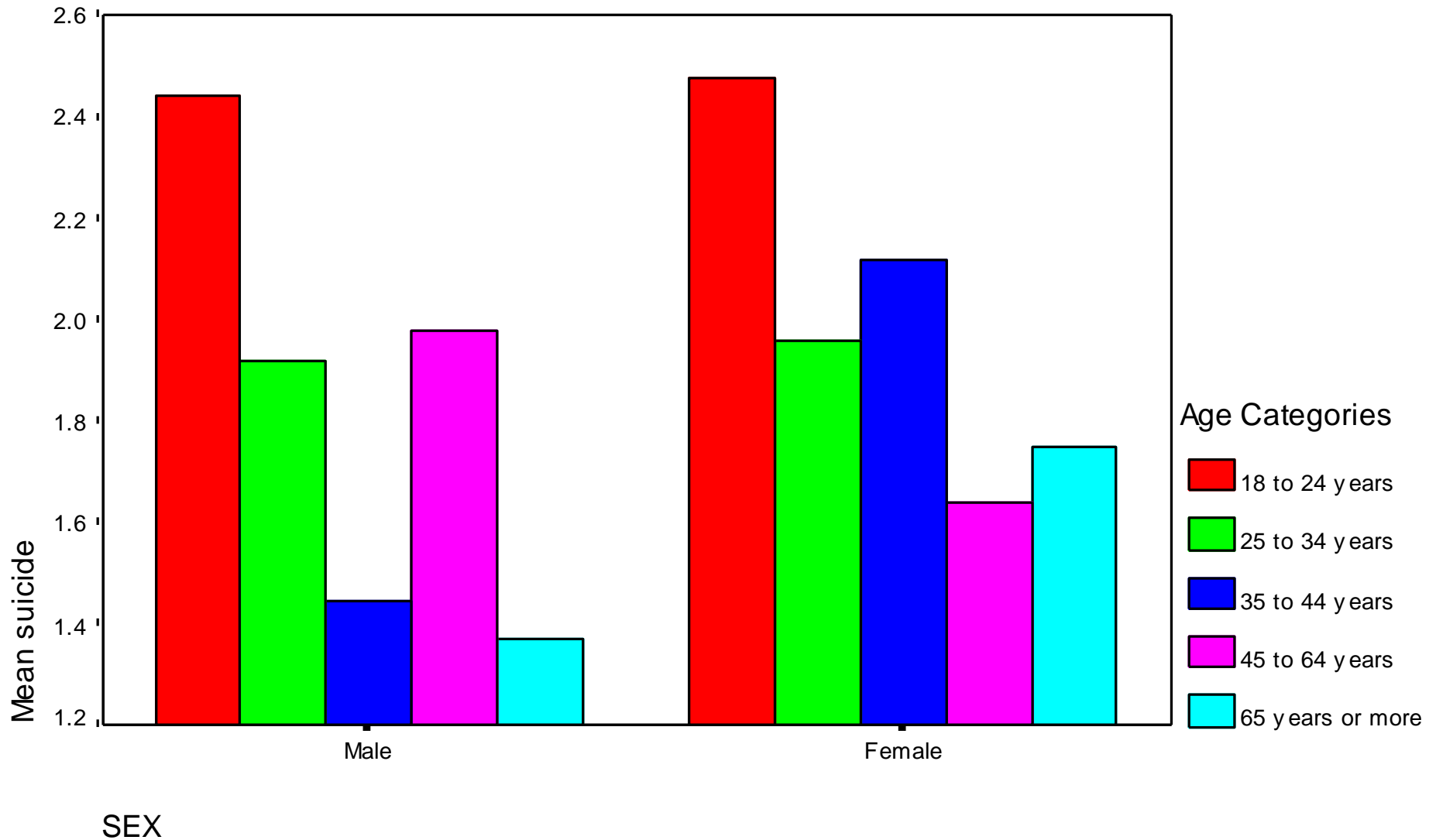
Descriptive Statistics

Mean Value for Moral Acts



Cases weighted by WGT

Suicide Attitudes by Age by Sex

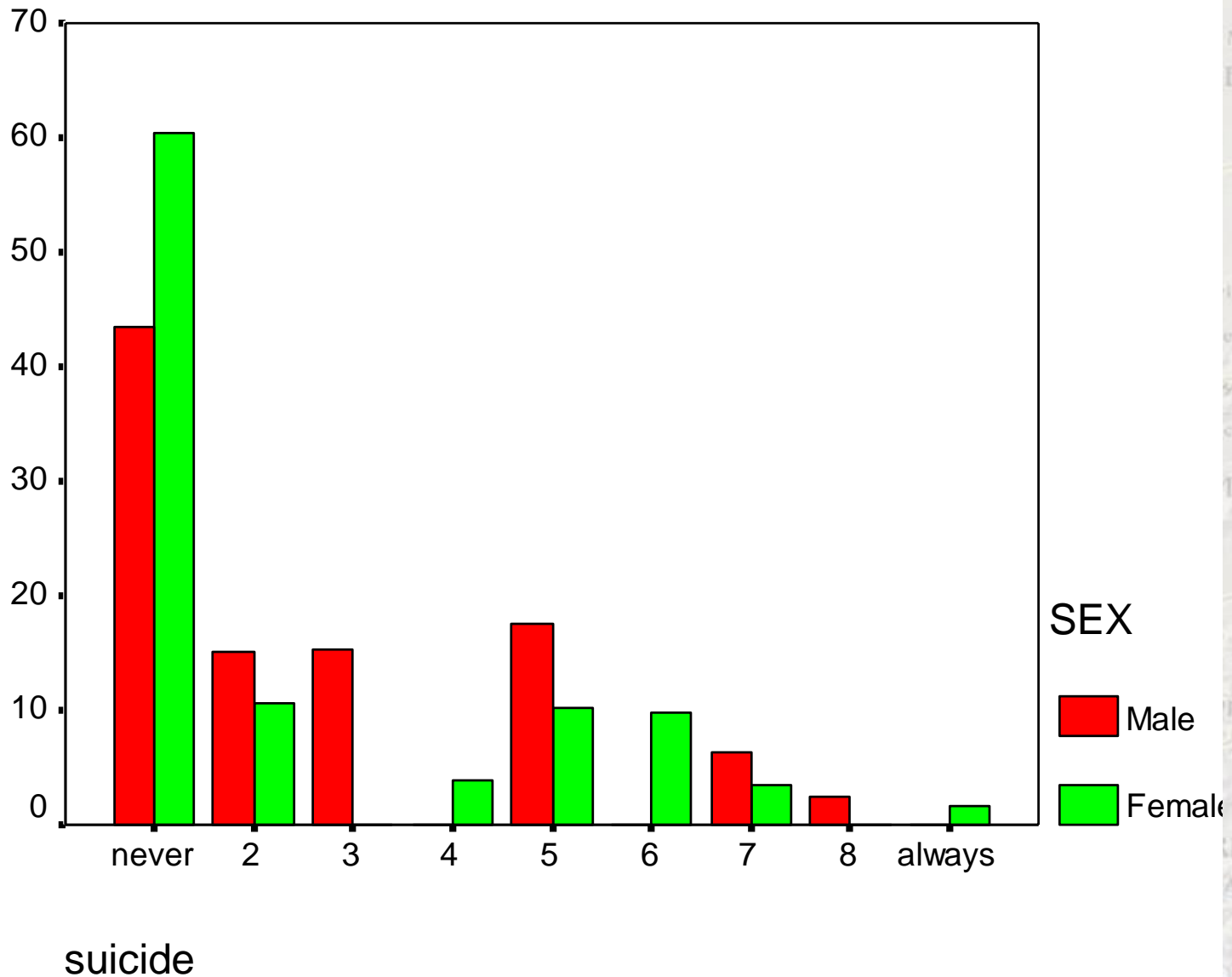


Suicide Attitudes, 18-25 by Sex

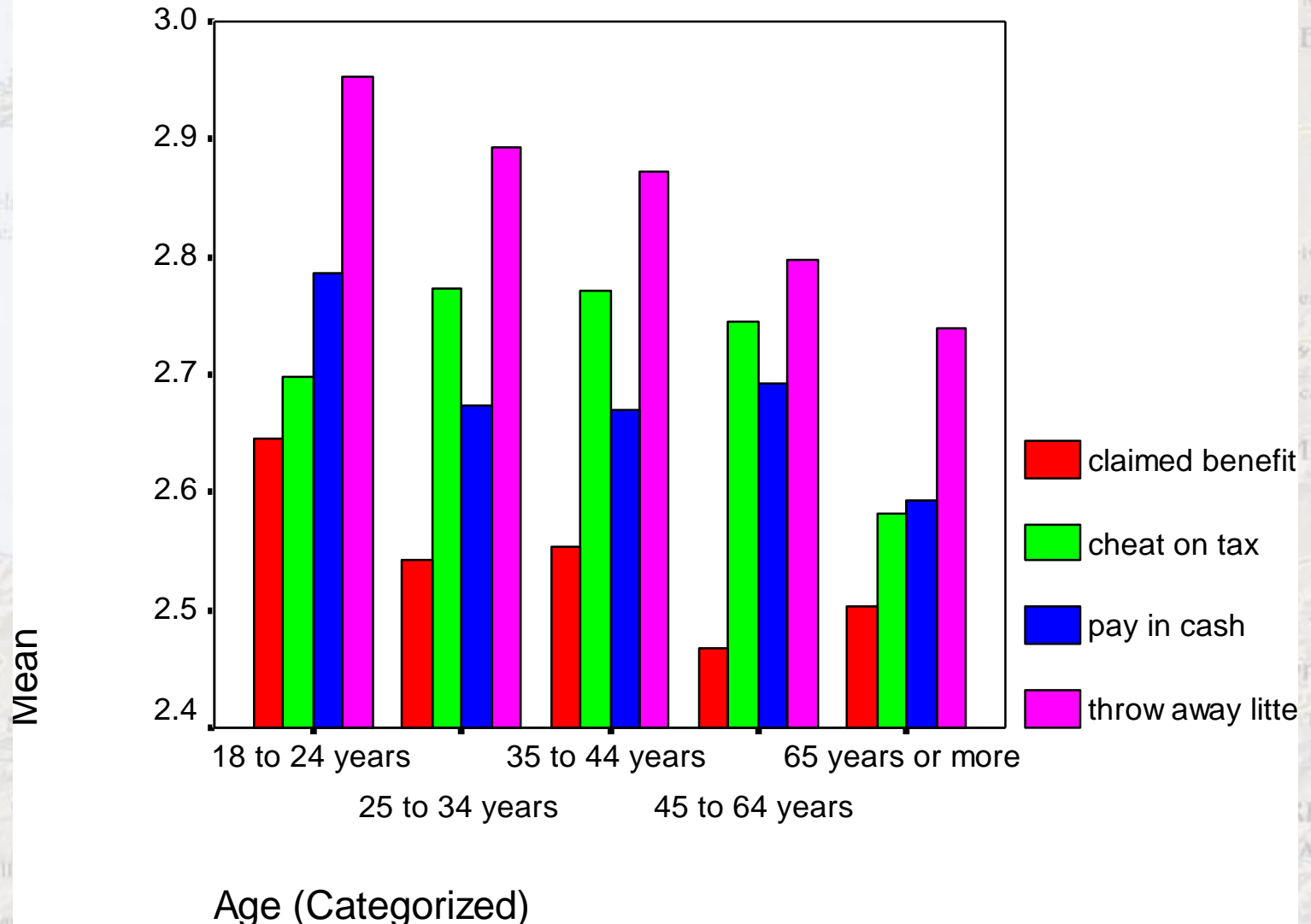
| | suicide | | | | | | | | |
|---------------|-------------|-----------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|---------|-----------|-----------|
| | never | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | always |
| Male | 32 43.2% | 11 15% | 11 15% | | 13 18% | | 5 7% | 2 2.7% | |
| Female | 42 60.9% | 7 10% | | 3 4.3% | 7 10% | 7 10% | 2 3% | | 1 1.4% |
| Total | 74 51.7% | 18 13% | 11 7.7% | 3 2.1% | 20 14% | 7 4.9% | 7 5% | 2 1.4% | 1 .7% |



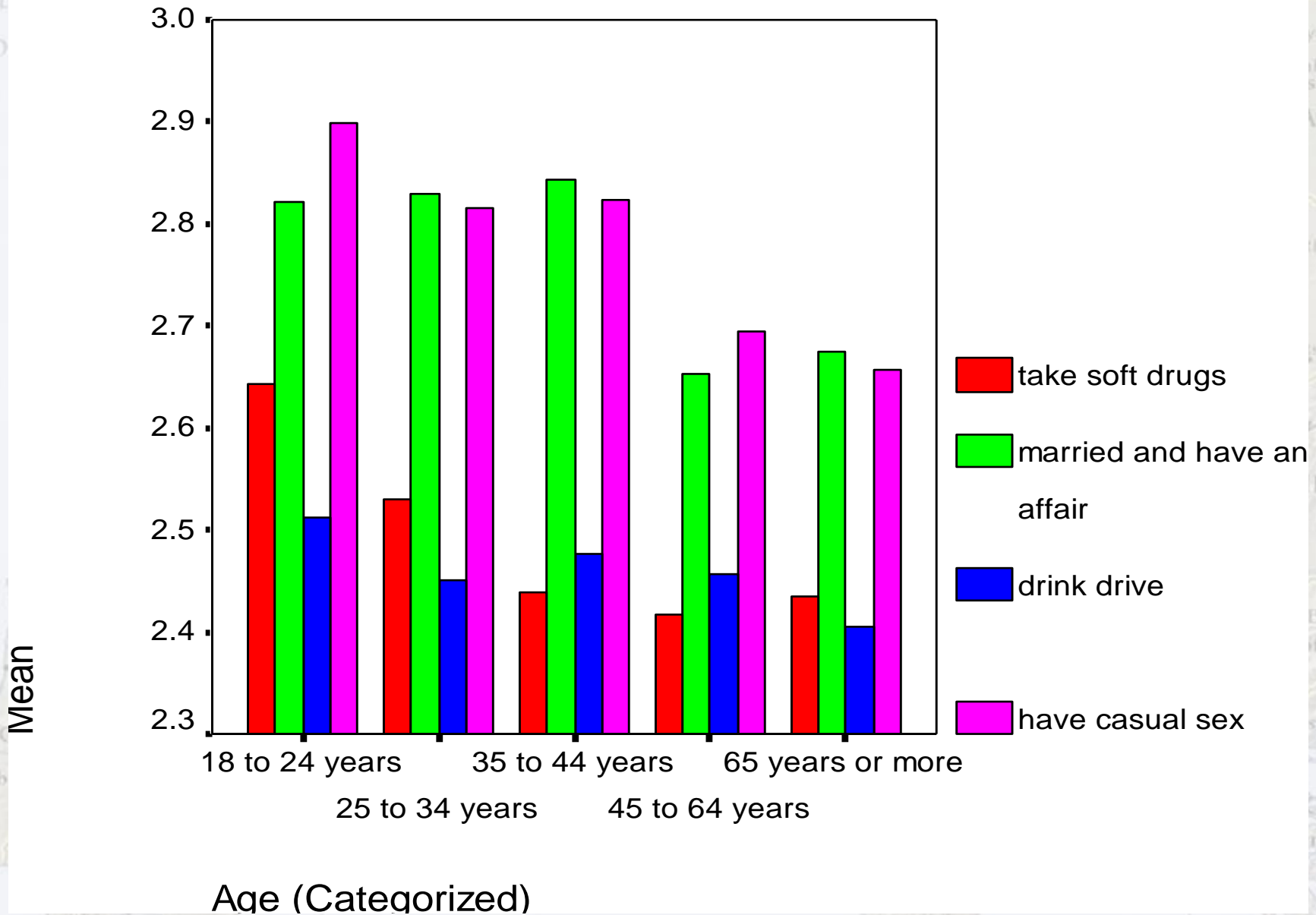
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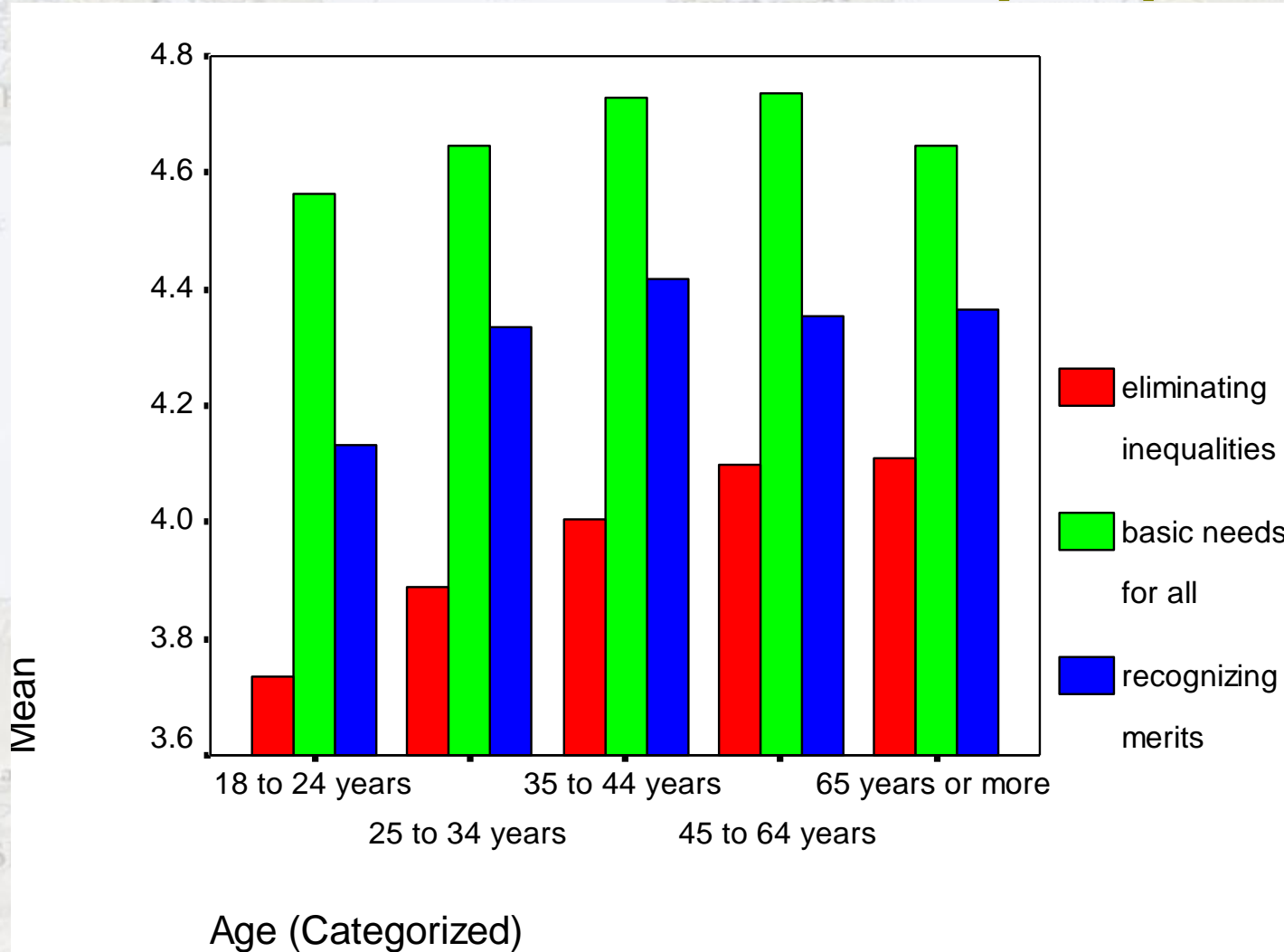
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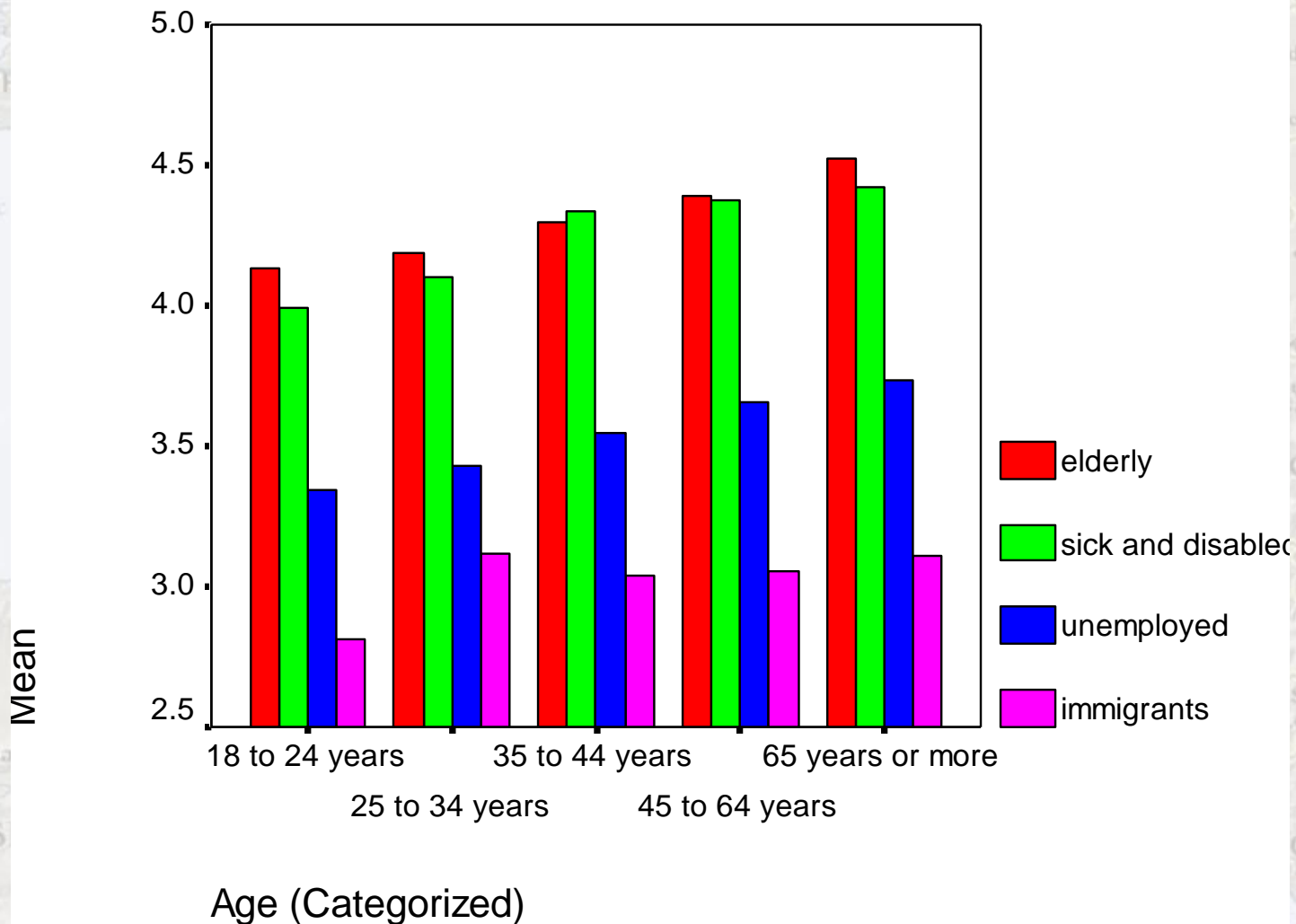
Estimation of Others' Behaviours 2



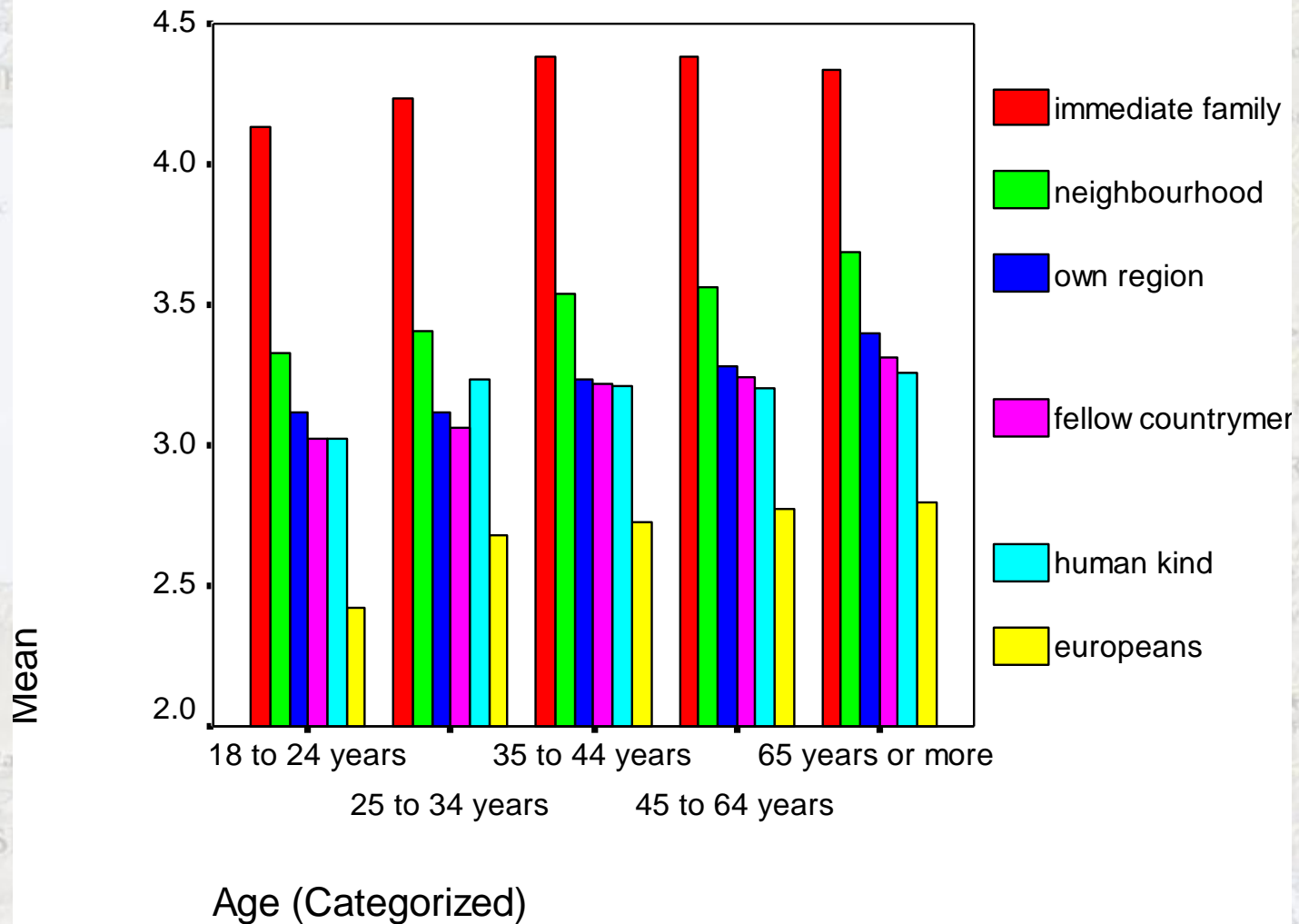
Attitudes to Just Society by Age



Extent of Concern by Age



Practical Expression by Age



Reliability of Liberal Index

- Computed by adding the 'moral act' variables together excluding 'suicide'
- N of Items = 21
- Alpha = .85
- Nature of the variables suggests a 'liberal' dimension

Reliability of Religiosity Index

- Computed by adding the 'yes/no' religious variables together
- N of Cases = 12
- Alpha = .82
- Nature of the variables suggests a 'religious' dimension

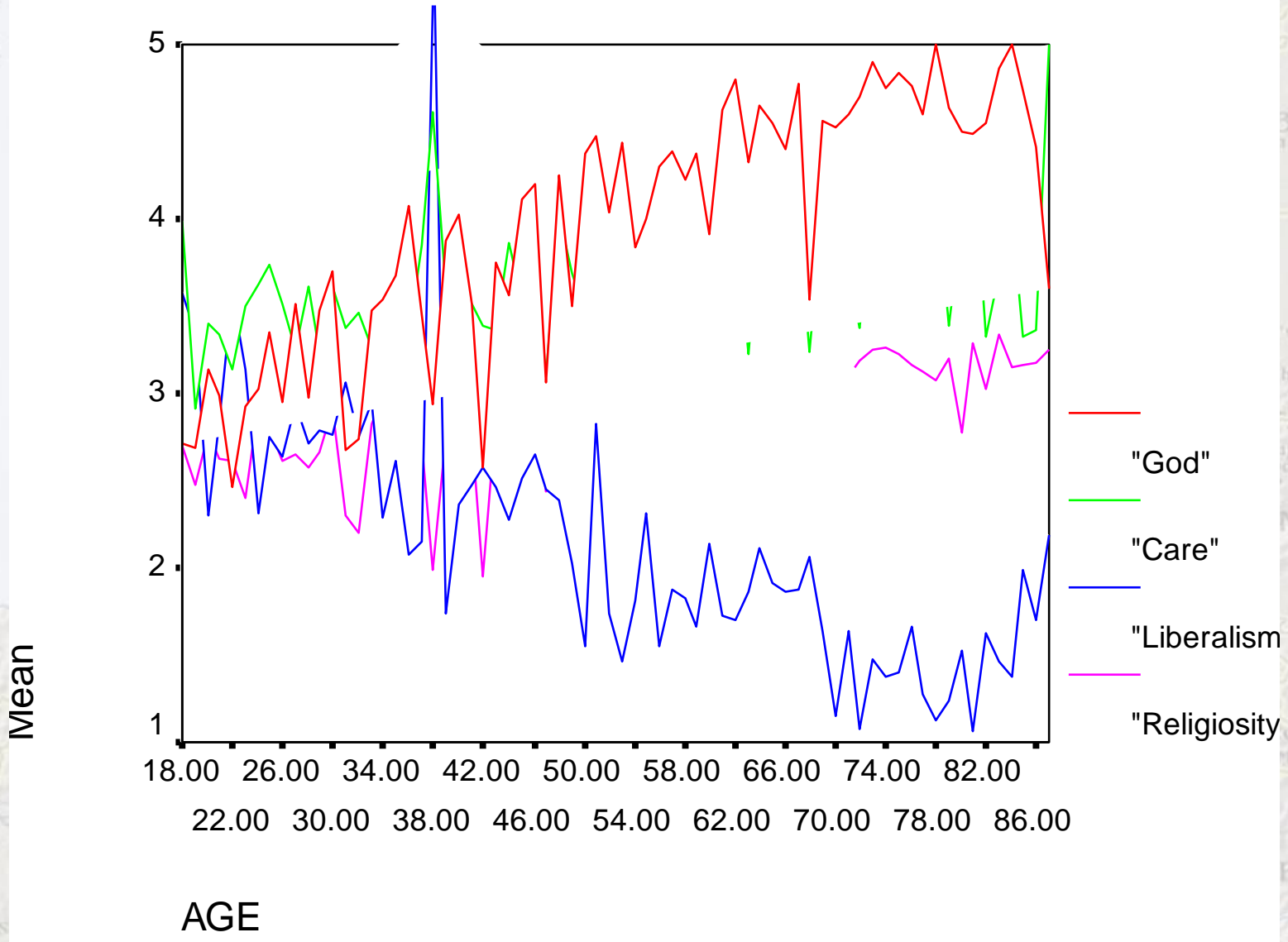
Reliability of God Index

- Computed by adding the 'frequency of practice', 'frequency of prayer' and 'sense of God' variables together
- N of Items = 3
- Alpha = .78
- Nature of the variables suggests a 'God' dimension

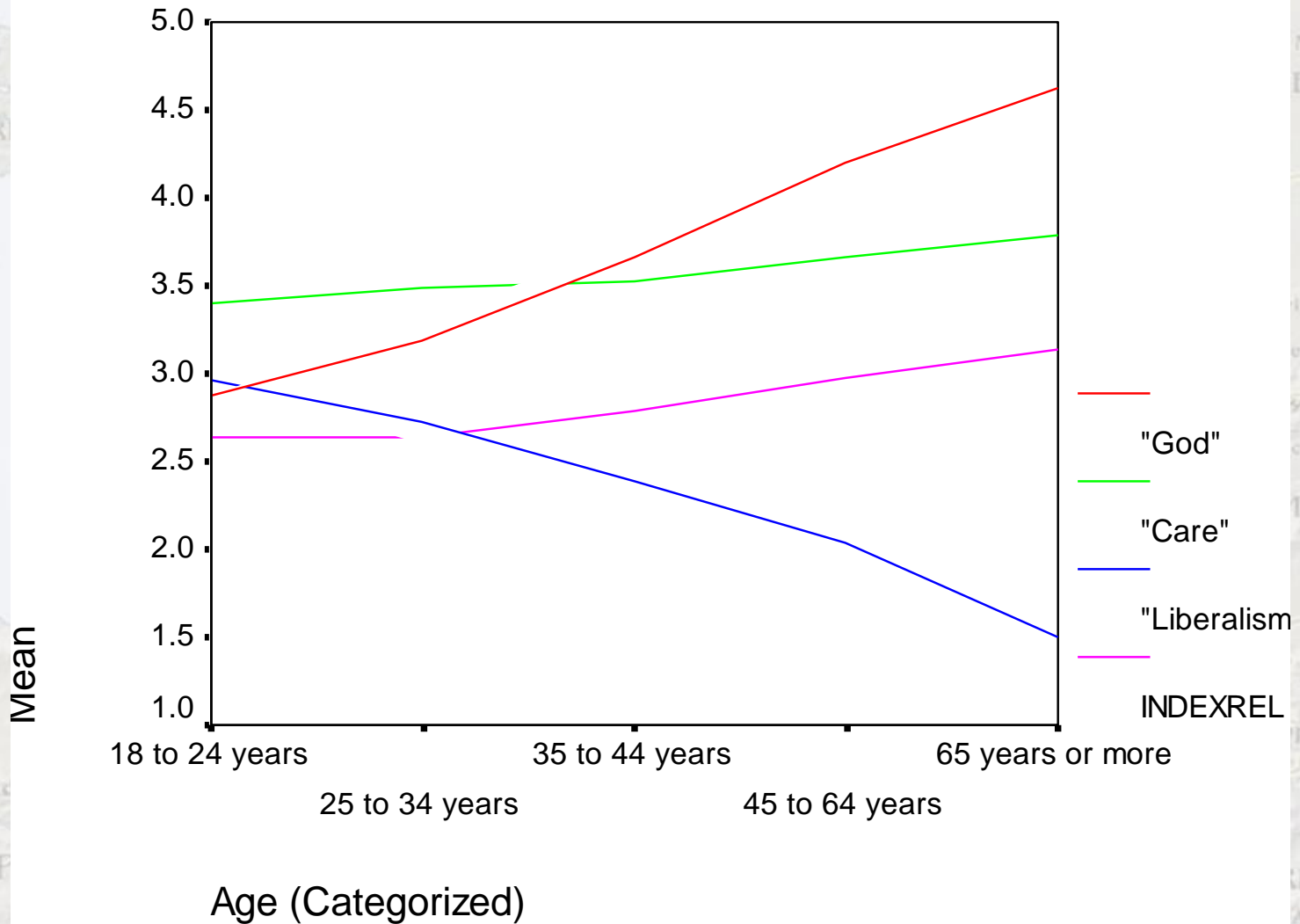
Reliability of Care Index

- Computed by adding the 'concern about' variables together
- N of Items = 10
- Alpha = .90
- Nature of the variables suggests a 'Care of Others' dimension

Indices by Age



Indices by Age (2)



Indices Correlations

| | | "God" | "Care" | "Liberalism" | "Religiosity" |
|----------------------|----------------------------|---------|---------|--------------|---------------|
| "God" | Pearson Correlation | 1.000 | .183** | -.459** | .766* |
| | Sig. (2-tailed) | . | .000 | .000 | .000 |
| | N | 1004 | 966 | 818 | 606 |
| "Care" | Pearson Correlation | .183** | 1.000 | -.152** | .176* |
| | Sig. (2-tailed) | .000 | . | .000 | .000 |
| | N | 966 | 973 | 798 | 586 |
| "Liberalism" | Pearson Correlation | -.459** | -.152** | 1.000 | -.367* |
| | Sig. (2-tailed) | .000 | .000 | . | .000 |
| | N | 818 | 798 | 822 | 543 |
| "Religiosity" | Pearson Correlation | .766** | .176** | -.367** | 1.000 |
| | Sig. (2-tailed) | .000 | .000 | .000 | . |
| | N | 606 | 586 | 543 | 607 |

** . Correlation is significant at the 0.01 level (2-tailed).

Suicide, Happiness & Indices

| | | happiness | suicide |
|----------------------|----------------------------|--------------|---------------|
| "God" | Pearson Correlation | .133* | -.183* |
| | Sig. (2-tailed) | .000 | .000 |
| | N | 998 | 934 |
| "Care" | Pearson Correlation | .094* | -.006 |
| | Sig. (2-tailed) | .003 | .865 |
| | N | 968 | 908 |
| "Liberalism" | Pearson Correlation | -.044 | .456* |
| | Sig. (2-tailed) | .205 | .000 |
| | N | 819 | 813 |
| "Religiosity" | Pearson Correlation | .043 | -.108* |
| | Sig. (2-tailed) | .295 | .009 |
| | N | 605 | 587 |
| happiness | Pearson Correlation | 1.000 | -.044 |
| | Sig. (2-tailed) | . | .177 |
| | N | 1007 | 938 |
| suicide | Pearson Correlation | -.044 | 1.000 |
| | Sig. (2-tailed) | .177 | . |
| | N | 938 | 941 |

****.** Correlation is significant at the 0.01 level (2-tailed).

Suicide, Happiness & Indices, 18-25

| | | happiness | suicide |
|----------------------|----------------------------|--------------|----------------|
| "God" | Pearson Correlation | .048 | -.211 * |
| | Sig. (2-tailed) | .546 | .011 |
| | N | 157 | 144 |
| "Care" | Pearson Correlation | .099 | -.042 |
| | Sig. (2-tailed) | .222 | .620 |
| | N | 155 | 144 |
| "Liberalism" | Pearson Correlation | -.035 | .440 * |
| | Sig. (2-tailed) | .688 | .000 |
| | N | 131 | 131 |
| "Religiosity" | Pearson Correlation | -.010 | -.025 |
| | Sig. (2-tailed) | .922 | .815 |
| | N | 93 | 87 |
| happiness | Pearson Correlation | 1.000 | .023 |
| | Sig. (2-tailed) | . | .787 |
| | N | 157 | 144 |
| suicide | Pearson Correlation | .023 | 1.000 |
| | Sig. (2-tailed) | .787 | . |
| | N | 144 | 144 |

******. Correlation is significant at the 0.01 level (2-tailed).

*****. Correlation is significant at the 0.05 level (2-tailed).