

Online Supplement for *Losses, hopes, and expectations for sustainable futures after COVID*

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Full text of scenarios

Figure 1 in the main text shows the matrix formed by the two experimental variables and provides an overview of the four experimental scenarios used in both experiments. The full text of the scenarios used in the two experiments follows.

Experiment 1

(1) **For Freedom.** *Individual rights, business rights & back to normal aims*

In the future world after COVID-19, we want to get back to normal as soon as possible after the pandemic. We don't want any big changes to how the world works; our priority is business as usual and safety. We want to take back from governments the powers they have claimed to limit our movements and monitor our data and behavior. We want more freedom for businesses and individuals to take a lead because governments have failed to keep us safe. If we provide access to our data, to allow businesses to develop products, we do it for our own benefit. To deal with the economic recession that will follow the pandemic, there should be tax cuts and money for big businesses and wealth-creating individuals so they can create more jobs. The poor should be helped by charity not government taxation. We want borders to be open to allow flows of goods and capital. Healthy people with immunity passports and sufficient medical insurance should be allowed to travel freely between countries. People who are still vulnerable to epidemics should pay for appropriate insurance and will need to manage their risk by avoiding crowded places. Environmental concerns are not a priority at a time when we need wealth creators to get the economy back on track.

(2) **Grassroots leadership.** *Autonomous communities & climate justice aims*

In the future world after COVID-19, the pandemic has changed our values forever. What we want is for communities, not governments, to work together to build a fair and environmentally friendly world. We want to take back from governments the powers they

have claimed to limit our movements and monitor our data and behavior. Instead, we make communities the center of democratic decision making, so we can own our own data and set our own agenda. Civil liberties and international collaboration are at the forefront of how we want to tackle the economic and environmental challenges that lie before us – including climate change and the economic recession that will follow the pandemic. We reject surveillance by government and corporations and we will create international platforms for dialogue that are community owned. The community is how we take care of the sick and the poor in the wake of the pandemic. Taxation is increasingly local at the level of the city or region, and each community decides on how to use their resources. International co-operation is based on sharing new ideas and information rapidly.

(3) Collective safety. *Strong Government Powers & Back to Normal Aims*

In the future world after COVID-19, we want to get back to normal as soon as possible after the pandemic. We don't want any big changes to how the world works; our priority is business as usual and safety. We are happy for the government to keep their powers to limit our movements and to monitor our behavior if it keeps us safe and back on economic track. In response to the economic recession that will follow the pandemic, we are happy for governments to pay poor people just enough to stop any sort of trouble erupting and we accept that the cost of this will come out of everyone's tax bill. We don't think international agencies should still be funded; immigration should be restricted and economic priorities should be driven by our own national concerns. We recognize that people who might get sick from a future pandemic will be required to self-isolate. To prevent future pandemics and associated economic damage, dangerous wildlife such as bats and the forests that host them should be destroyed where there are any potential risks to humans.

(4) Fairer future. *Strong Government Powers & Climate Justice Aims*

In the future world after COVID-19, the pandemic has changed our values forever. What we want is for governments to take strong action to deal with economic unfairness and

the problem of climate change – like they did dealing with the pandemic. We are happy for the government to keep their powers to limit our movements and to monitor our data and if it protects economic fairness, health and the environment. In response to the economic recession that will follow the pandemic, we want our government to tax rich individuals and big businesses much more than before. These taxes can be used to create green and healthy jobs for low income individuals and communities on a scale that we have never seen before. We don't think international agencies should still be funded; immigration should be restricted and economic priorities should be driven by our desire to create a healthy, fair and environmentally friendly nation. We put in place health and economic measures to care for those who are sick regardless of income. We recognize that nature has rights that need to be protected by law.

Experiment 2

(1) For Freedom. *Individual rights, business rights & back to normal aims*

In the future world after COVID-19, we want to get back to our pre-pandemic values and way-of-life as soon as possible. We don't want any big changes to how the world works. We cannot afford to deal with any other challenges such as climate change now. Our priority is business as usual and everyone's safety. We want to take back from governments the powers to limit our movements and to monitor our data and behavior. We make communities the center of decision making, and set our own agenda through local and international co-operation. Borders should be open for people with vaccination and health insurance. Taxes on individuals and businesses should be cut so more jobs can be created, and communities should have control over their resources. That way we can keep ourselves safe, rebuild the economy, and get on with our lives the way we used to.

(2) Grassroots leadership. *Autonomous communities & climate justice aims*

In the future world after COVID-19, we want to accept that our values and way-of-life

have changed forever. We want to build a world that is fairer and more environmentally-friendly. We have an opportunity now to tackle challenges such as inequality and climate change. Our priority is a fairer future and everyone's safety. We want to take back from governments the powers to limit our movements and to monitor our data and behavior. We make communities the center of decision making, and set our own agenda through local and international co-operation. Borders should be open for people with vaccination and health insurance. Taxes on individuals and businesses should be cut so more jobs can be created, and communities should have control over their resources. That way we can create a fairer and environmentally safe world, with greener jobs and better support for those who need it most.

(3) Collective safety. *Strong Government Powers & Back to Normal Aims*

In the future world after COVID-19, we want to get back to our pre-pandemic values and way-of-life as soon as possible. We don't want any big changes to how the world works. We cannot afford to deal with any other challenges such as climate change now. Our priority is business as usual and everyone's safety. We accept that governments keep their powers to limit our movements and to monitor our data and behavior. We need strong leadership to ensure effective decision making, and our agenda should be driven by our own national objectives. Migration should remain restricted. We will accept higher taxes on individuals and businesses, so the government has the resources to create jobs. That way we can keep ourselves safe, rebuild the economy, and get on with our lives the way we used to.

(4) Fairer future. *Strong Government Powers & Climate Justice Aims*

In the future world after COVID-19, we want to accept that our values and way-of-life have changed forever. We want to build a world that is fairer and more environmentally-friendly. We have an opportunity now to tackle challenges such as inequality and climate change. Our priority is a fairer future and everyone's safety. We accept that governments keep their powers to limit our movements and to monitor our data and

behavior. We need strong leadership to ensure effective decision making, and our agenda should be driven by our own national objectives. Migration should remain restricted. We will accept higher taxes on individuals and businesses, so the government has the resources to create jobs. That way we can create a fairer and environmentally safe world, with greener jobs and better support for those who need it most.

Demographics of participants in both experiments

Prolific stratifies representative samples across three demographic variables: Age (5 brackets; 18-27, 28-37, 38-47, 48-57, and 58 and above), gender (male and female), and ethnicity (5 groups; White, Mixed, Asian, Black and Other). Prolific uses census data from the US Census Bureau or the UK Office of National Statistics (ONS) to divide the sample into 50 subgroups ($5 \times 2 \times 5$) with the same proportions as the national population, which are then filled by invitation to the overall panel.

Experiment 1

Table S1 compares the distribution of age and gender in our samples to the expected values at the population level, obtained from the ONS (<https://www.ons.gov.uk/peoplepopulationandcommunity/populationandmigration/populationestimates/datasets/analysisofpopulationestimatestool>) and US Census (<https://www2.census.gov/programs-surveys/popest/tables/2010-2019/national/asrh/nc-est2019-syasexn.xlsx>).

Table S2 provides a further summary of additional self-reported demographics (education and employment) for both samples. Note that sampling was not stratified along those two variables and that the obtained distribution may therefore differ from population-level statistics.

Table S1

Age and gender distribution of samples in Experiment 1 compared to population (Pop)

Age bracket	Sample males (%)	Pop males (%)	Sample females (%)	Pop females (%)
UK				
up to 27	40.6	16.6	38.8	15.1
28-37	13.8	17.4	10.8	16.7
38-47	10.5	16.2	16.4	15.7
48-57	10.9	17.6	13.1	17.3
58 and over	24.1	32.3	20.9	35.2
US				
up to 27	15.6	18.1	18.8	16.5
28-37	20.0	18.3	17.4	17.1
38-47	17.8	16.1	13.8	15.5
48-57	16.3	16.7	16.7	16.4
58 and over	30.4	30.7	33.3	34.6

Experiment 2

Table S3 compares the distribution of age and gender in our samples in Experiment 2 to the expected values at the population level.

Experiment 2 also queried participants' political leanings, using a single item that asked participants to indicate their political leaning along a left-right continuum using an 11-point scale (from 1=very leftwing to 11=very rightwing). Figure S1 shows the distribution of responses in both our samples together with two comparison distributions from the UK (top panel) and US (bottom). The item used in our study is virtually identical to an item used in the British Election Study (BES) of 2019 (Fieldhouse et al., 2021) and the American National Election Survey of 2020 (American National Election Studies, 2021). Both election studies used very large samples (BES $N = 3,946$; ANES $N = 8,280$), and therefore provide robust comparison distributions.

The figure shows that the British Prolific sample was slightly biased to the political left, with left-wing responses (in particular 2 and 3) being oversampled relative to the population, and right-wing responses (7 and 8) being under-sampled. The American Prolific

Table S2

Demographics of samples from Experiment 1

	U.S. (%)	U.K. (%)
Education		
No schooling completed		0.3
Elementary school		
Middle school		14.3
High school	9.0	17.0
Some college	33.6	10.3
Bachelor degree	37.9	37.0
Master's degree	16.6	18.3
Doctorate degree	2.9	2.7
Employment		
Employed full time permanent	34.3	40.7
Employed full time temporary contract	2.5	2.7
Employed part time permanent	8.7	10.7
Employed part time temporary contract	2.9	1.7
Casual regular hours	1.1	0.7
Casual irregular hours	5.8	3.0
Furloughed	5.1	6.3
Unemployed looking for work	9.0	7.3
Unemployed not looking for work	7.6	4.7
Retired	16.2	14.7
Other	6.9	7.7

sample was skewed considerably towards the left, although extreme responses at both ends (1-3 and 10-11) occurred more often than in the comparison distribution. We correct for these sampling biases in a further analysis, reported below, that reweighted all observations based on the BES and ANES estimates of the population distribution.

Power analysis for simple models (Experiment 1)

A power analysis for the fixed effects was conducted using the *simR* package (Green & MacLeod, 2016). The *simR* package uses a simulation approach to estimate power for selected effect sizes based on the number of observations and other properties of the obtained sample. Tables S4 and S5 present the power analyses for the US and UK samples, respectively. Each table shows the obtained unstandardized estimates in the first column,

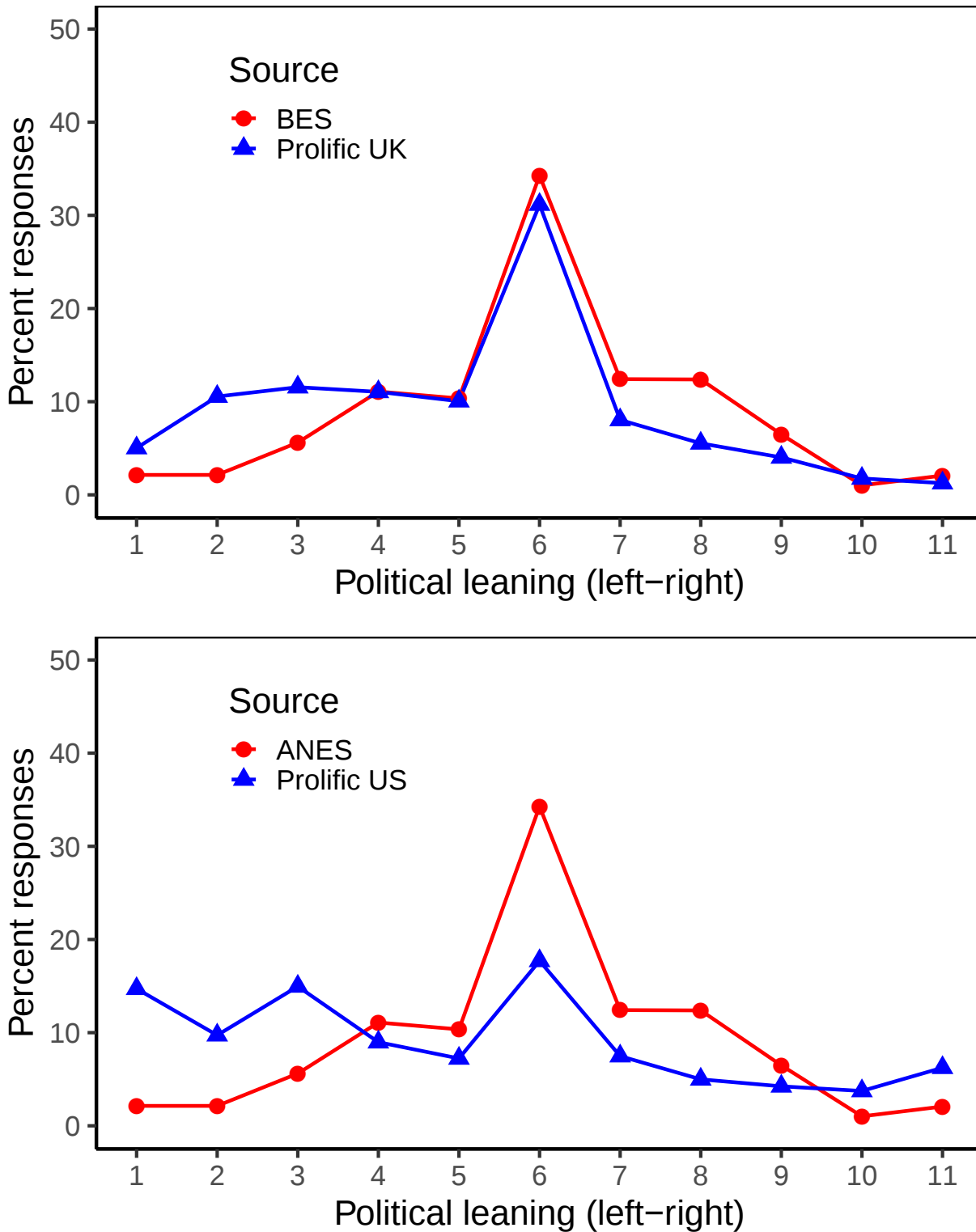


Figure S1. Comparison of the distribution of political leanings in Experiment 2 to the distribution observed in large-scale national election surveys in the UK (top panel) and US (bottom panel). All data rely on a single item asking people to place themselves along a left-right continuum using an 11-point scale (from 1=very left-wing to 11=very right-wing). Responses from Experiment 2 are represented by blue triangles, and comparison data from large surveys are shown as red circles. The British comparison distribution is from the British Election Study (BES) of 2019. The American comparison distribution is from the American National Election Survey (ANES) of 2020. Both comparison distributions are based on weighted responses (using variable *V200010b* for ANES and *wt_vote* for BES, respectively).

Table S3

Age and gender distribution of samples in Experiment 2 compared to population (Pop)

Age bracket	Sample males (%)	Pop males (%)	Sample females (%)	Pop females (%)
UK				
up to 27	16.7	16.6	15.2	15.1
28-37	19.3	17.4	17.8	16.7
38-47	18.8	16.2	18.8	15.7
48-57	17.2	17.6	16.2	17.3
58 and over	28.1	32.3	32.0	35.2
US				
up to 27	18.9	18.1	18.7	16.5
28-37	19.4	18.3	15.7	17.1
38-47	17.3	16.1	17.2	15.5
48-57	17.3	16.7	18.2	16.4
58 and over	27.0	30.7	30.3	34.6

together with an indication of whether or not each effect was statistically significant (column labeled $p < .05$). The last two columns specify the size of each fixed effect that would have been detected with a power of 80% and 90%, respectively. Those threshold values were obtained by repeatedly incrementing effect sizes during the simulation by .02 from 0 until mean simulated power exceeded the target level (i.e., 80% or 90%). It can be seen that in virtually all cases, the estimated effects, when significant, considerably exceeded the effect size required to obtain high statistical power with the model and sample in question.

Complex models (Experiment 1)

Overview of models

In Experiment 1, we differentiated between the simple models that only involved the two experimental design variables, and complex models that were chosen by selecting from a set of potential covariates. The simple models are reported in the main text. For each sample and question, the complex model included the fixed and random effects of the experimental variables as defined for the simple model, and additionally included the remaining variables (demographics and responses to the MFQ when present) as potential

Table S4

Summary of power analysis for the U.S. sample in Experiment 1

Effect	Estimate	p < .05	Power .8	Power .9
Own want				
Distribution of power (DofP)	0.37	*	0.26	0.30
Orientation	-1.27	*	-0.26	-0.30
DofP $\times$ Orientation	0.09		0.20	0.30
Likelihood				
Distribution of power (DofP)	0.05		0.20	0.20
Orientation	0.75	*	0.26	0.28
DofP $\times$ Orientation	0.41	*	0.16	0.22
Others want				
Distribution of power (DofP)	0.27	*	0.18	0.20
Orientation	-0.11		-0.24	-0.28
DofP $\times$ Orientation	0.30	*	0.16	0.20

covariates/moderators. Model comparison was performed by likelihood ratio test and the complexity-adjusted BIC measure (Schwarz, 1978).

For the U.S. sample, each participant's scores on the 5 subscales of the MFQ (zero-centered and standardized to unit variance) were fully crossed with the experimental variables. For both samples, each participant's demographics were also fully crossed with the experimental variables, with age and income being considered continuous (standardized) variables, and gender, education, and employment considered factors. For this analysis, we dichotomized the education variable into a factor we call "Degree status" (i.e., whether or not a participant attained a Bachelor degree or above), and we dichotomized employment into a factor called "Stability" that captured the stability of people's status. We considered retired, unemployed but not looking for work, and permanently employed, whether full-time or part-time, to be stable. All other employment categories were considered to be unstable. This dichotomization was necessary because the fine-grained response categories for these two factors yielded too many cells with very few observations ($N < 10$) in both samples.

Table S5

Summary of power analysis for the U.K. sample in Experiment 1

Effect	Estimate	p < .05	Power .8	Power .9
Own want				
Distribution of power (DofP)	-0.05		-0.24	-0.28
Orientation	-1.16	*	-0.24	-0.30
DofP $\times$ Orientation	0.30	*	0.18	0.22
Likelihood				
Distribution of power (DofP)	-0.42	*	-0.20	-0.22
Orientation	0.69	*	0.22	0.26
DofP $\times$ Orientation	0.39	*	0.16	0.18
Others want				
Distribution of power (DofP)	-0.19	*	-0.20	-0.24
Orientation	-0.38	*	-0.20	-0.24
DofP $\times$ Orientation	0.35	*	0.20	0.18

Complex models for own want

For the U.S., the complex model fit better than the simple model by a likelihood ratio test, $\chi^2(48) = 120.24, p < 0.0001$, but not when the comparison was corrected for model complexity using BIC, with $BIC = 5549.7$ and $BIC = 5766.0$ for the simpler and more complex model, respectively. The main effect of orientation, $\hat{\beta} = -1.21$, 95% CI $[-1.59, -0.82]$, $t(372.60) = -6.03, p < .001$, remained unchanged by the inclusion of the covariates. However, distribution of power was no longer significant $\hat{\beta} = 0.04$, 95% CI $[-0.36, 0.45]$, $t(395.77) = 0.20, p = .843$. The interaction was nonsignificant as before, $\hat{\beta} = -0.06$, 95% CI $[-0.37, 0.26]$, $t(257.01) = -0.35, p = .726$. In addition, 6 significant effects involving the covariates were observed, which are summarized in Table S6. In this table and others below, the distribution of power variable is abbreviated to “Distofpower”.

Figure S2 illustrates the role of the significant moderators. For the U.S. sample (top two rows of panels), the 4 interactions were as follows: Increasing age was associated with reduced preference for individual autonomy but slightly increased preference for strong government. Income level weakly interacted with distribution of power, such that a higher

income level was associated with greater preference for strong government. Responses to the harm subscale of the MFQ were associated with opposing effects vis-a-vis orientation: the more Americans endorsed compassion, the more likely they were to prefer the progressive scenarios, and the less likely they were to want to return to normal. Finally, the authority subscale of the MFQ was associated with endorsement of a return to normal, such that people who were more concerned about notions such as respect and societal traditions were more likely to favour a return to normal.

Table S6

Significant effects involving covariates for own want in U.S. sample in Experiment 1

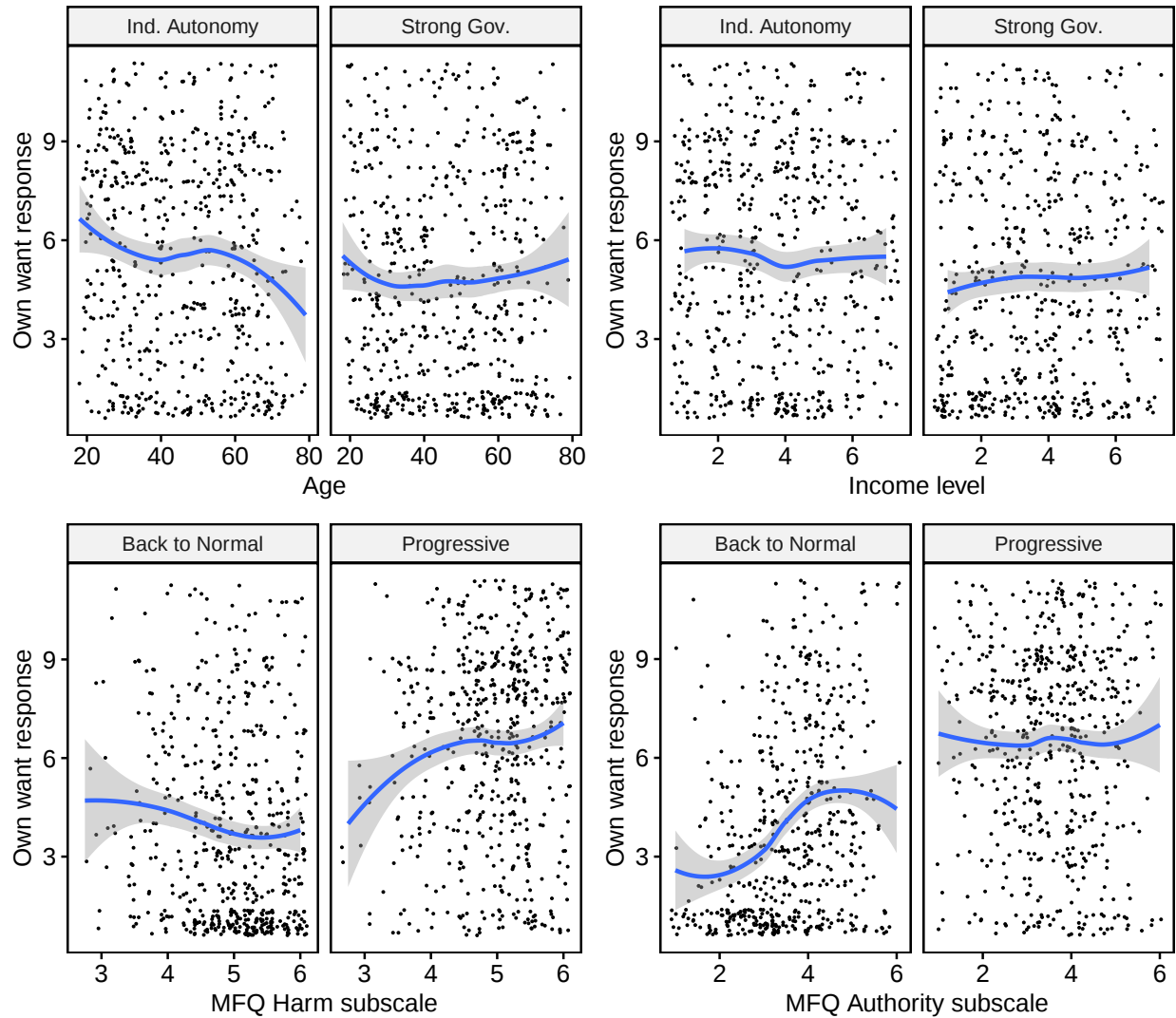
Labels	Effects
MFQ Ingroup	$\hat{\beta} = 0.46$, 95% CI [0.17, 0.74], $t(424.62) = 3.07$, $p = .002$
Age	$\hat{\beta} = -0.28$, 95% CI [-0.49, -0.08], $t(424.62) = -2.67$, $p = .008$
MFQ Harm*Orientation	$\hat{\beta} = -0.26$, 95% CI [-0.47, -0.04], $t(372.60) = -2.27$, $p = .024$
MFQ Authority*Orientation	$\hat{\beta} = 0.29$, 95% CI [0.01, 0.58], $t(372.60) = 1.98$, $p = .048$
Age*Distofpower	$\hat{\beta} = -0.28$, 95% CI [-0.46, -0.10], $t(395.77) = -2.96$, $p = .003$
Income*Distofpower	$\hat{\beta} = -0.21$, 95% CI [-0.40, -0.03], $t(395.77) = -2.24$, $p = .025$

For the U.K., the likelihood ratio test again favoured the complex model, $\chi^2(20) = 41.25$, $p < 0.0035$, although the simple model fit better when adjusted for complexity (BIC = 6009.1 and BIC = 6109.6 for simple and complex, respectively). There were 3 significant effects of the moderators, which are summarized in Table S7. The bottom row of panels in Figure S2 illustrates the two effects: First, gender interacted with orientation, with women being less likely than men to support a return to normal. Second, increasing income was associated with a greater preference decline for the progressive scenarios relative to the back-to-normal scenarios.

Complex models for likelihood

For the American sample, the more complex model fit significantly better than the simple model by likelihood ratio test, $\chi^2(48) = 106.37$, $p < 0.0001$, but not by BIC (BIC = 5206.5 and BIC = 5436.7 for simple and complex, respectively). Because of the significantly

Covariates for own want US



Covariates for own want UK

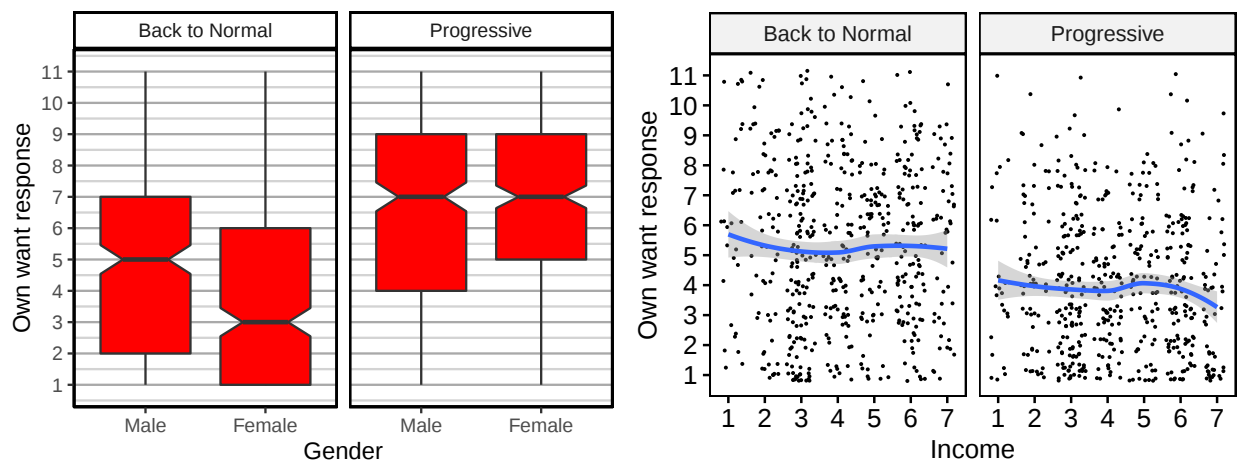


Figure S2. The pattern of significant effects of moderators in Experiment 1 for own want are shown for the U.S. sample in the top two rows, and for the U.K. sample in the bottom row. The solid lines and shading represent loess smoothings and the associated uncertainty. See text for details.

Table S7

Significant effects involving covariates for own want in U.S. sample in Experiment 1

Labels	Effects
Degree	$\hat{\beta} = -0.51$, 95% CI $[-0.91, -0.12]$, $t(460.58) = -2.51$, $p = .012$
Gender*Orientation	$\hat{\beta} = -0.50$, 95% CI $[-0.83, -0.16]$, $t(441.17) = -2.87$, $p = .004$
Income*Orientation	$\hat{\beta} = 0.21$, 95% CI $[0.04, 0.38]$, $t(441.17) = 2.42$, $p = .016$

enhanced fit, we explored the complex model further. The complex model returned the same effects of the experimental variables, with a strong main effect of orientation, $\hat{\beta} = 0.55$, 95% CI $[0.17, 0.92]$, $t(367.92) = 2.82$, $p = .005$, no effect of the distribution of power, $\hat{\beta} = 0.07$, 95% CI $[-0.24, 0.38]$, $t(292.90) = 0.45$, $p = .651$, and an interaction between the two experimental variables, $\hat{\beta} = 0.34$, 95% CI $[0.07, 0.61]$, $t(304.86) = 2.42$, $p = .016$. In addition, the model yielded 6 significant effects of the moderators, summarized in Table S8 and Figure S3.

The top left panel in the figure shows that degree status (i.e., whether participants had a university degree or not) interacted with perceived likelihood of a return to normal vs. a progressive future. Participants with a degree were more certain that the world would return to normal than participants without a degree. The top right panel shows that increasing age was associated with a reduction in perceived likelihood of the return to normal. As shown in the bottom left panel, the interaction involving the MFQ ingroup scale suggests that the more people value loyalty and patriotism, the more likely they consider the progressive scenarios and the less likely they consider a return to normal. Finally, although statistically significant, the interaction between income level and distribution of power (bottom-right) was of insufficient magnitude to warrant further attention.

For the U.K. sample, the more complex model failed to fit significantly better than the simple model, $\chi^2(20) = 23.1$, $p < 0.2839$, and was also rejected by BIC (BIC = 5581.0 and BIC = 5699.7 for simple and complex, respectively).

Covariates for likelihood US

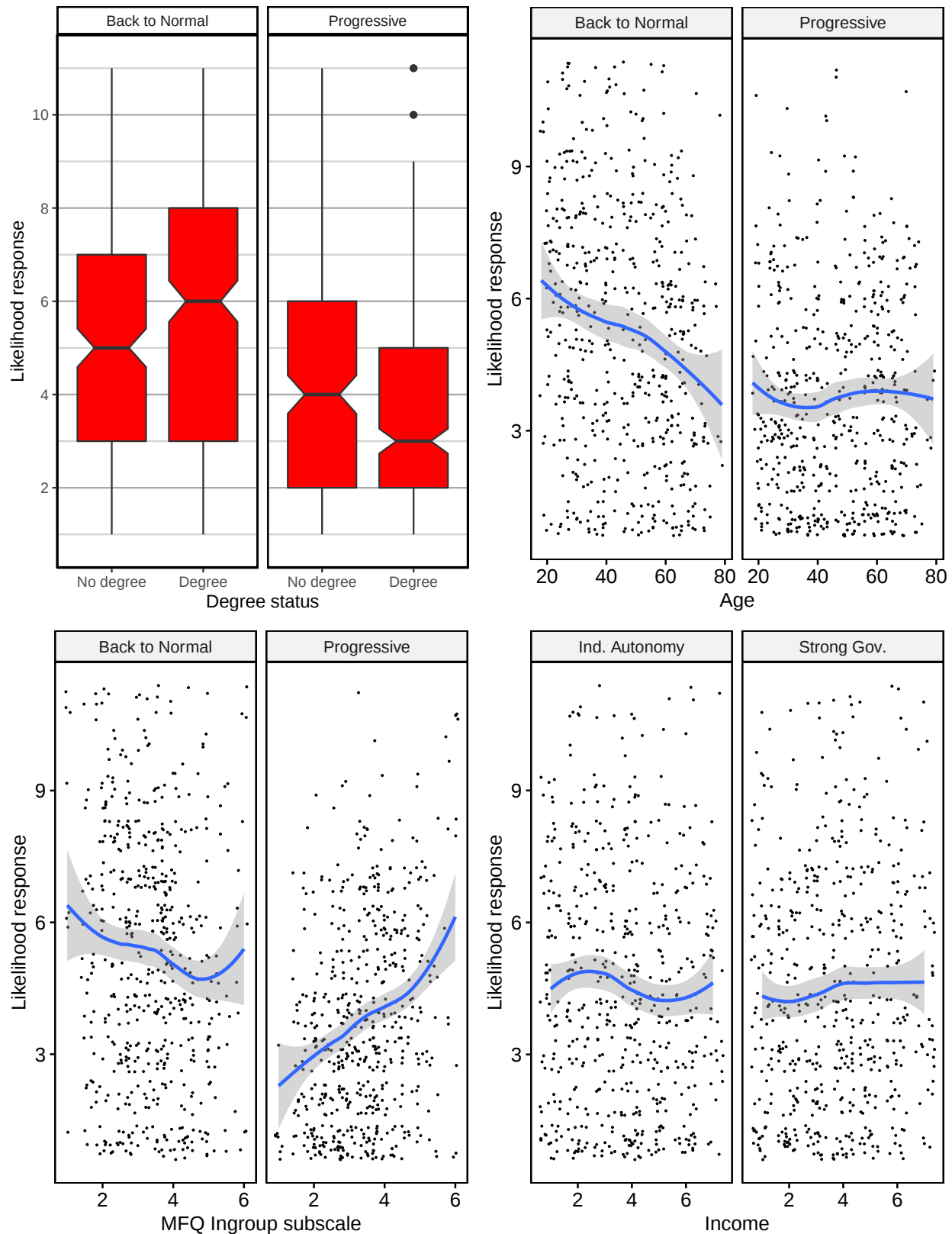


Figure S3. The pattern of significant effects of moderators in Experiment 1 for perceived likelihood are shown for the U.S. sample. (No effects were significant for the UK sample). The solid lines and shading represent loess smoothings and the associated uncertainty. See text for details.

Table S8

Significant effects involving covariates for perceived likelihood in U.S. sample in Experiment 1

Labels	Effects
MFQ Ingroup	$\hat{\beta} = 0.26$, 95% CI [0.01, 0.51], $t(486.34) = 2.00$, $p = .047$
Age	$\hat{\beta} = -0.34$, 95% CI [-0.52, -0.16], $t(486.34) = -3.65$, $p < .001$
MFQ Ingroup*Orientation	$\hat{\beta} = -0.33$, 95% CI [-0.56, -0.10], $t(367.92) = -2.78$, $p = .006$
Age*Orientation	$\hat{\beta} = -0.27$, 95% CI [-0.44, -0.11], $t(367.92) = -3.21$, $p = .001$
Degree*Orientation	$\hat{\beta} = 0.43$, 95% CI [0.10, 0.76], $t(367.92) = 2.50$, $p = .013$
Income*Distofpower	$\hat{\beta} = -0.17$, 95% CI [-0.31, -0.03], $t(292.90) = -2.31$, $p = .021$

Complex models for others want

For the American sample, the likelihood ratio test was narrowly significant, $\chi^2(48) = 69.98$, $p < 0.0208$, and there were 3 significant effects of the potential moderators in the complex model. The simple model fit convincingly better when adjusted for complexity (BIC = 5130.6 and BIC = 5397.1 for simple and complex, respectively). In the complex model, age was negatively associated with ratings of others' wants, $\hat{\beta} = -0.29$, 95% CI [-0.47, -0.12], $t(464.00) = -3.19$, $p = .002$. Age also interacted with the distribution of power variable, $\hat{\beta} = -0.13$, 95% CI [-0.25, -0.01], $t(288.65) = -2.11$, $p = .035$, as did gender, $\hat{\beta} = 0.24$, 95% CI [0.01, 0.47], $t(288.65) = 1.98$, $p = .049$. Those effects are illustrated in Figure S4. The interaction involving gender reflected the fact that women expressed lower belief that others want a future with strong government. Age also interacted with distribution of power, such that increasing age was associated with a more strongly reduced belief that others wanted individual autonomy, compared to strong government. For the U.K. sample, the complex model did not fit significantly better, $\chi^2(20) = 25.8$, $p < 0.1724$, and the simple model fit convincingly better when adjusted for complexity (BIC = 5674.6 and BIC = 5790.6 for simple and complex, respectively).

Covariates for others want US

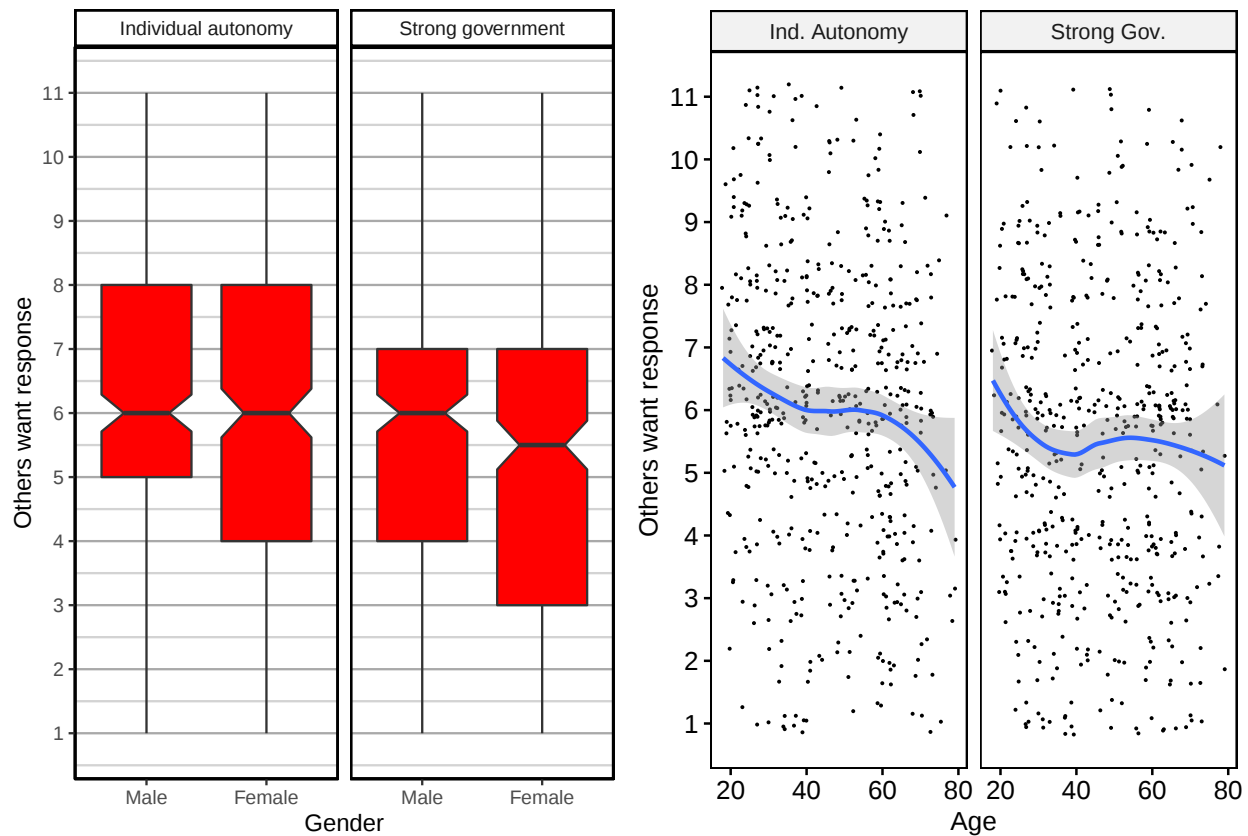


Figure S4. The pattern of significant effects of moderators in Experiment 1 for others want are shown for the U.S. sample. (No effects were significant for the UK sample). The solid lines and shading represent loess smoothings and the associated uncertainty. See text for details.

Anticipated disappointment (Experiment 1)

The discrepancy between what people want and what they expect to get served as proxy for anticipated disappointment. We computed an anticipated disappointment score for each person by taking the absolute difference between own want and judged likelihood for their preferred scenario (i.e., the scenario with the highest own want score). If judged likelihood exceeds own want, then the disappointment score is negative (“I am likely to get what I don’t want”). If own want is greater than the judged likelihood, then the disappointment score is positive (“I am unlikely to get what I do want”). For the preferred scenario, which by definition should attract high own want responses, disappointment scores are expected to be either zero or positive. Scores near zero would reflect absence of

anticipated disappointment whereas a large positive scores would represent great anticipated disappointment. Because each participant contributed only one observation (i.e., their favoured scenario), the disappointment scores were analyzed with ordinary least squares regression with demographics and MFQ responses (in the U.S. sample) as predictors.

The results are shown in Tables S9 and S10 for the U.S. and U.K. samples, respectively.

Table S9

Summary of regression model for anticipated disappointment in U.S. sample (only significant p-values shown) in Experiment 1

Effect	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t)
Gender	0.472	0.346	1.364	
Age	-0.024	0.011	-2.223	0.027
Income	0.057	0.100	0.565	
Education	-0.241	0.189	-1.275	
MFQC Harm	0.769	0.308	2.497	0.013
MFQC Fairness	-0.153	0.307	-0.497	
MFQC Ingroup	-0.459	0.225	-2.040	0.042
MFQC Authority	0.118	0.271	0.435	
MFQC Purity	-0.289	0.198	-1.458	

People who want to retain nothing from the changed life (Experiment 1)

The qualitative responses in Experiment 1 permitted us to identify and analyze separately people who did not want to retain anything from their changed lives during the pandemic. Figures S5 (for US sample) and S6 (UK) compare these participants (labeled “No change” in the figure) to the remaining participants who could identify something they would like to be different after the pandemic (labeled “Change”). The figures shows that these two groups of participants differed little in their perceptions of others’ wants and the likelihood of a scenario. By contrast, the people who did not want anything to change, unsurprisingly, preferred a return to normal more than their counterparts who could identify changes they would like to keep. The reverse pattern was observed for the progressive scenarios. Overall, however, even the participants who did not want anything to change preferred the progressive scenarios to a return to normal.

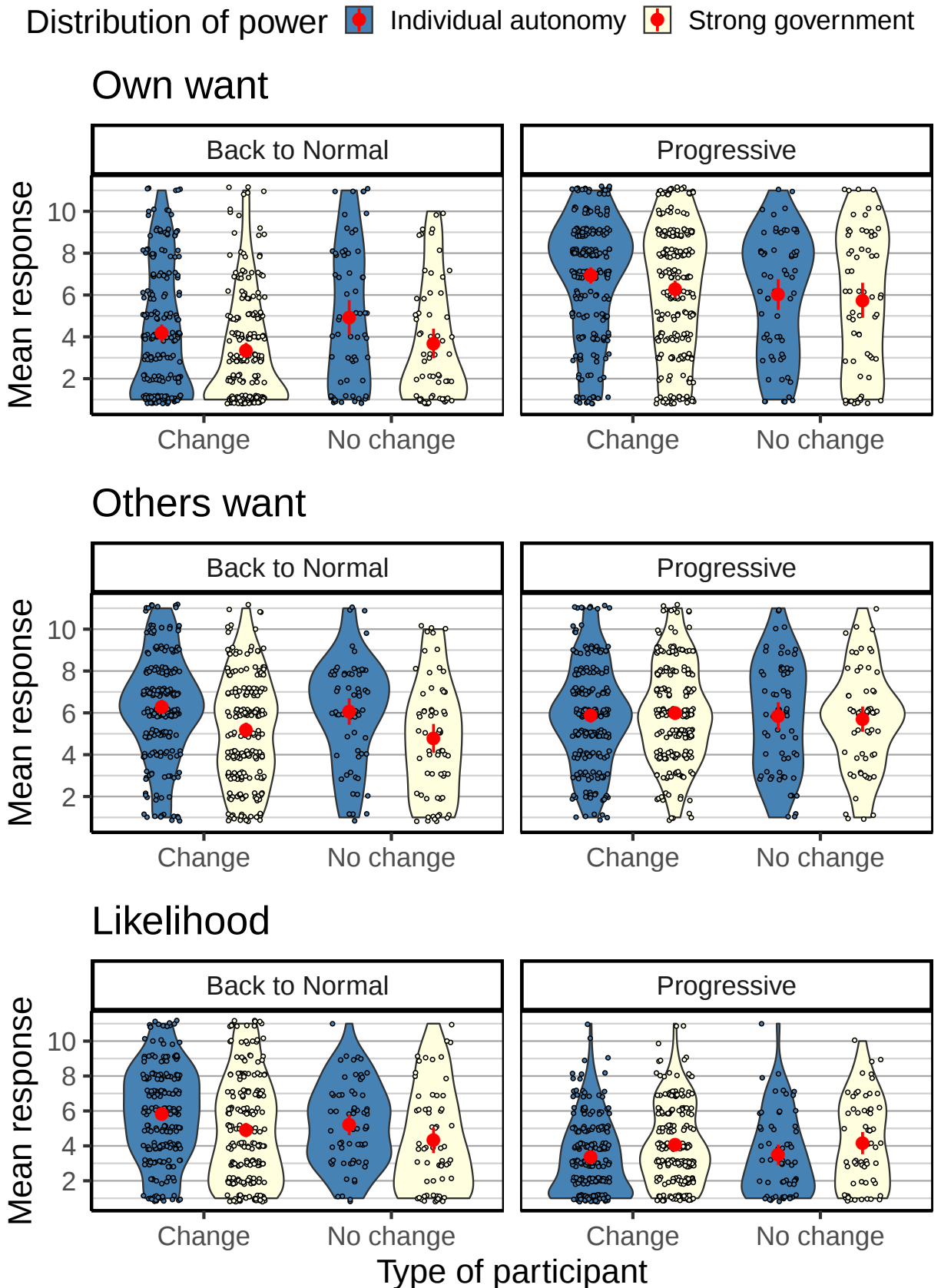


Figure S5. Participants' responses to the three main questions in Experiment 1 broken down by whether or not they wanted something to change after the pandemic (U.S. sample). Participants who identified a desired change are in the column labeled "Change" and those who did not want anything to change are in the column labeled "No Change." The two columns of panels represent the two levels of the orientation factor. The red plotting symbols and error bars represent means and 95% confidence intervals. Data are jittered to avoid overprinting.

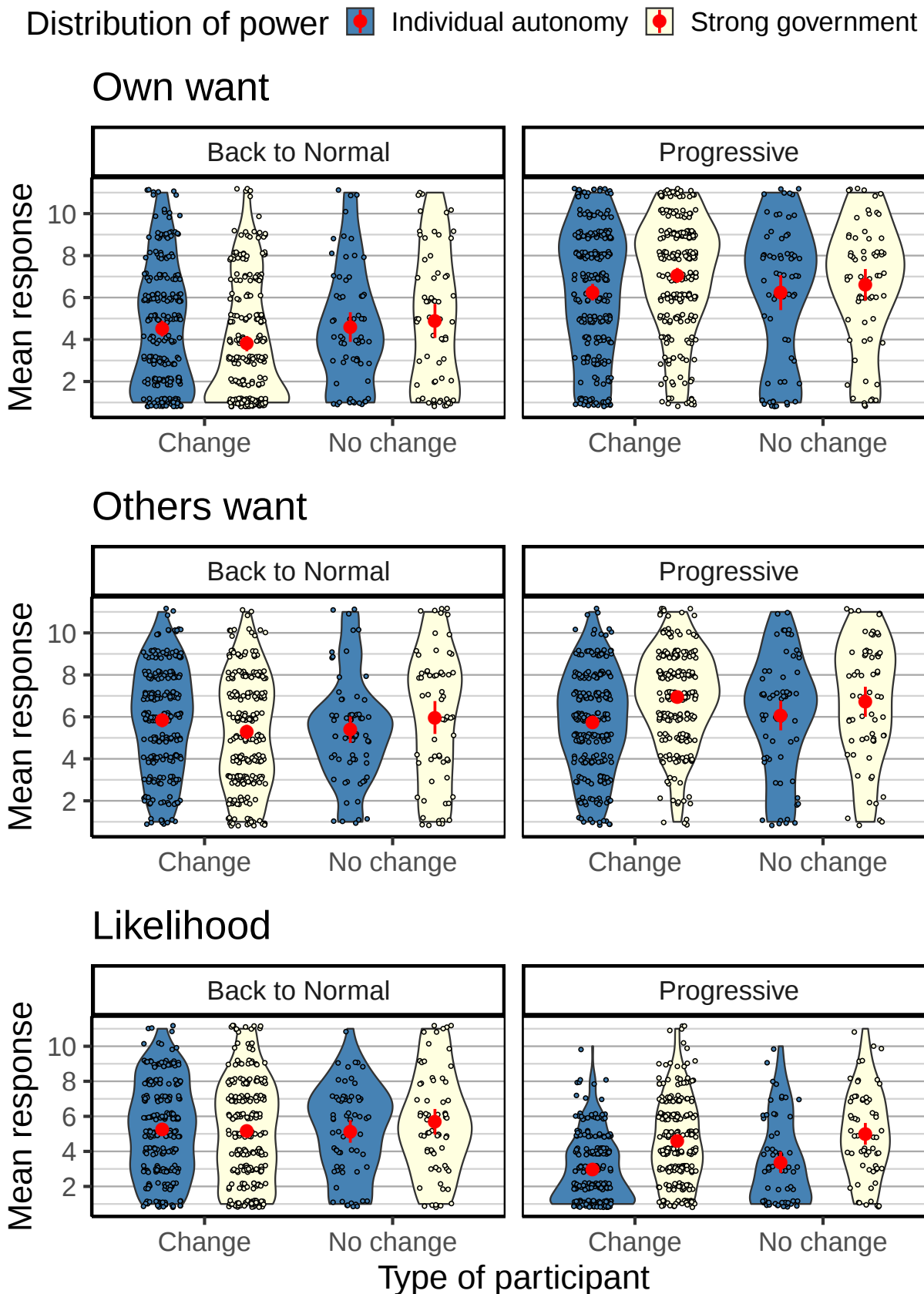


Figure S6. Participants' responses to the three main questions broken down by whether or not they wanted something to change after the pandemic (U.K. sample). Participants who identified a desired change are in the column labeled "Change" and those who did not want anything to change are in the column labeled "No Change." The two columns of panels represent the two levels of the orientation factor. The red plotting symbols and error bars represent means and 95% confidence intervals. Data are jittered to avoid overprinting.

Table S10

Summary of regression model for anticipated disappointment in U.K. sample (only significant p-values shown) in Experiment 1

Effect	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t)
Gender	0.485	0.344	1.412	
Age	-0.031	0.011	-2.801	0.005
Income	-0.306	0.101	-3.011	0.003
Education	0.014	0.123	0.111	

We explored whether any of the demographic variables differentiated between these two groups of participants. For the U.S., there was a significant difference in age, $\Delta M = 9.24$, 95% CI [4.62, 13.86], $t(97.02) = 3.97$, $p < .001$, with people who wanted no change being older ($M = 53.10$) than participants who could nominate a desired change ($M = 43.90$). None of the other demographic variables (degree status, employment stability, gender, income) were significantly associated with participants' stance towards change; largest $\chi^2(6) = 12.19$, $p = 0.06$. For the U.K., there was also a significant difference in age, $\Delta M = 12.06$, 95% CI [7.93, 16.18], $t(103.60) = 5.80$, $p < .001$, with people who did not want change being older ($M = 54.70$) than participants who nominated a possible desirable change ($M = 42.70$). Of the remaining demographic variables (degree status, employment stability, gender, income) only degree status was significantly associated with participants' stance towards change, $\chi^2(1) = 9.20$, $p < 0.0024$. Among people who nominated a desirable change, 62.70% had a degree, compared to 40.60% for those who did not want any change.

ANOVA tables for Experiment 2

Table S11 shows the ANOVA summary tables for the simple models in Experiment 2.

Weighted analysis of Experiment 2

Figure S1 showed that the samples provided by Prolific deviated somewhat (for UK) or considerably (US) from the population-level distribution of political leanings. This bias can be removed during statistical analysis by reweighting observations to compensate for

Table S11
ANOVA tables for simple model Experiment 2

Effect	Result
Own want	
Distofpower	$F(1, 791) = 68.59, MSE = 8.85, p < .001, \hat{\eta}_G^2 = .080$
Orientation	$F(1, 791) = 21.55, MSE = 8.85, p < .001, \hat{\eta}_G^2 = .027$
Country	$F(1, 791) = 0.27, MSE = 8.85, p = .606, \hat{\eta}_G^2 = .000$
Distofpower*Orientation	$F(1, 791) = 0.95, MSE = 8.85, p = .331, \hat{\eta}_G^2 = .001$
Distofpower*Country	$F(1, 791) = 3.46, MSE = 8.85, p = .063, \hat{\eta}_G^2 = .004$
Orientation*Country	$F(1, 791) = 0.17, MSE = 8.85, p = .681, \hat{\eta}_G^2 = .000$
Distofpower*Orientation*Country	$F(1, 791) = 0.24, MSE = 8.85, p = .628, \hat{\eta}_G^2 = .000$
Likelihood	
Distofpower	$F(1, 791) = 31.06, MSE = 6.87, p < .001, \hat{\eta}_G^2 = .038$
Orientation	$F(1, 791) = 45.53, MSE = 6.87, p < .001, \hat{\eta}_G^2 = .054$
Country	$F(1, 791) = 1.73, MSE = 6.87, p = .189, \hat{\eta}_G^2 = .002$
Distofpower*Orientation	$F(1, 791) = 0.25, MSE = 6.87, p = .619, \hat{\eta}_G^2 = .000$
Distofpower*Country	$F(1, 791) = 0.35, MSE = 6.87, p = .554, \hat{\eta}_G^2 = .000$
Orientation*Country	$F(1, 791) = 9.96, MSE = 6.87, p = .002, \hat{\eta}_G^2 = .012$
Distofpower*Orientation*Country	$F(1, 791) = 0.45, MSE = 6.87, p = .503, \hat{\eta}_G^2 = .001$
Others want	
Distofpower	$F(1, 791) = 88.50, MSE = 6.27, p < .001, \hat{\eta}_G^2 = .101$
Orientation	$F(1, 791) = 10.20, MSE = 6.27, p = .001, \hat{\eta}_G^2 = .013$
Country	$F(1, 791) = 0.89, MSE = 6.27, p = .346, \hat{\eta}_G^2 = .001$
Distofpower*Orientation	$F(1, 791) = 2.47, MSE = 6.27, p = .116, \hat{\eta}_G^2 = .003$
Distofpower*Country	$F(1, 791) = 0.39, MSE = 6.27, p = .533, \hat{\eta}_G^2 = .000$
Orientation*Country	$F(1, 791) = 0.00, MSE = 6.27, p = .997, \hat{\eta}_G^2 = .000$
Distofpower*Orientation*Country	$F(1, 791) = 0.04, MSE = 6.27, p = .841, \hat{\eta}_G^2 = .000$

over-sampling or under-sampling. This process is variously called poststratification or raking (e.e., Gelman, 2007; Lumley & Scott, 2017). Once a dataset has been “raked”, each observation is accompanied by a weight that is then used in subsequent analyses. In our case, observations from people who are left-leaning would receive a smaller weight than people who are right-leaning.

We used the *survey* package in R and the *rake* function to estimate weights for observations in each sample based on the distributions obtained by the comparison surveys (ANES for the US and BES for the UK). The resultant reweighted datasets were analyzed

using the *svyglm* function, which performs a regression analysis on complex survey designs with weights that have been estimated by the *rake* function (or similar). We analyzed the three items (own want, likelihood, and other want) for each sample separately, using a model with a 2×2 factorial structure (with variables orientation and distribution of power), and political leaning as a further fully crossed quasi-continuous moderator variable (political leaning was again zero-centered for the analysis). In all cases where the complex model failed to fit significantly better than the simple model for the original standard analysis, the moderator variable was also omitted in the weighted analysis.

Table S12

ANOVA tables for weighted analysis of UK sample in Experiment 2 (own want)

	df	F	p
Distofpower	1	13.577	0.000
Orientation	1	7.856	0.005
PolLean	1	1.818	0.178
Distofpower*Orientation	1	0.049	0.825
Distofpower*PolLean	1	2.334	0.127
Orientation*PolLean	1	8.616	0.004
Distofpower*Orientation*PolLean	1	0.416	0.519
Residuals	390		

Tables S12 through S17 show the results for both samples and the three scenario items. The overall pattern of results is virtually unchanged from the standard analysis reported in the main body of the paper. Figure S7 compares the results of both analyses. It is clear that weighting of the sample had little effect: crucially, it did not eliminate any of the main effects for orientation and distribution of power for either sample.

Table S13

ANOVA tables for weighted analysis of UK sample in Experiment 2 (likelihood)

	df	F	p
Distofpower	1	19.388	0.000
Orientation	1	40.898	0.000
PolLean	1	2.923	0.088
Distofpower*Orientation	1	0.004	0.949
Distofpower*PolLean	1	3.403	0.066
Orientation*PolLean	1	2.359	0.125
Distofpower*Orientation*PolLean	1	0.127	0.722
Residuals	390		

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Wordtree

The next (very large) page contains the full word tree obtained for the last qualitative question (“What would you like to be different—about your life, about society, about the world—after the pandemic compared to before?”) involving the most frequent keyword (“people”). Both samples were combined for this analysis.

effect of climate change something like this should be done yearly . I mean equipment people taking more care and coming together as a community . more respect health risk . Covid - 19 has proven with any onset of some dangerous virus is compassion now , unlike before where people doesn't care of others , but now more accepting of others and more compassionate That things slow down a bit public transport . More spaces better communication and support for everyone Countries working together think the awareness of eating right should be too . I think after this time . hopefully more thought about universal basic income , more thought to the environment also enjoyed the chats I have with people in the queues outside shops that more jobs provided a true living wage . people becoming more compassionate Hygiene and appreciation of others , especially those who have put their lives in danger and caring towards each other . Life at a less rushed and crowded place and less pollution I want people to be more mindful of each other and start my career I want people to realize that this is serious are apart . It is important to take time to check in with others chat that with random people that can usually be uncomfortable will also decrease etc would have a big ' green ' impact and reduced traffic improves daily lives find a way of living with less and staying at this slower pace home so they can spend time with family and in their local community important part - I only wish that more jobs provided a true living wage likely to remain distant from one another and cut down on small talk more community spirit Stopping my wife from decorating the house , and the garden nice if people , and society on a whole would continue to be kind no matter which party is in charge , will never deliver a satisfactory outcome on treating the earth / environment as they did during lock - down with respect people were given someplace to stay away from sleeping rough on the street people WILL DEVELOP CONSCIOUSNESS ABOUT THEIR LIFESTYLE . people should become socialists like me possible . I do miss eating out and the socialization that comes with it selfish . Think more about their own hygiene . More respect given to key workers small business owners } AFTER THE PANDEMIC people WILL DEVELOP CONSCIOUSNESS ABOUT THEIR LIFESTYLE that . The fear that has been created by this pandemic - nobody needs this that everything would be the same . knowing it won't be the same hurts that I can think of . My life hasn't changed much since this began the over - riding worry of sickness , death , and the collapse of our economy the president and government people become more aware about the spread of pathogens The slow down . Nothing is so important that it should have happened yesterday their lives I would like people to be able to be more connected those less able or well off than us . Less spending , more financially prudent today's politically charged (and by extension racist) world , it is unlikely to happen working together . No wars , none of the political treachery and disgusting ethical behaviour accordingly , while embracing mutual support , and compassion . I want the pandemic to show actually Very short being happy with what you have , slowing down a bit agenda . Environmental issue handling To help the environment more and have cleaner air home and with people I love more more care and understanding for want normality to return people supporting small businesses i would like that Although this is easier said than done due to unemployment , but I believe always people in need and it would be nice to see those same a greener planet I hope the world slows down a little bit and fragile , and we should appreciate that . More consciousness from both government Less partisanship Less hostility to science Fewer right wingers I want individuals and prejudice and / or racism I would like people to put before capitalism tiny bit of what is like before everyone had smart phones to continue to not shakehands or hug as a pleasantry . less cars attention to the climate More scrutiny on preparedness of the president and government aware - just a return to normal would be fine people acting responsibly Hopefully be different and we carry on providing shelter for these people and helping be equal minded people who care about others not so many selfish idiots conscious of what they are touching . More appreciation and respect for essential workers cool to compromise and work together in Congress . I wish there were elected dependence on other countries for medicine , pharmaceuticals , health equipment and personal protective equipment do things differently should something like this happen in the future . It's shown ability to work from home THAT people CARE MORE ABOUT THE ENVIRONMENT being more healthier and making more healthier life choices Have the opportunity is a must I'd like for masks to be the norm and environmental issues , and less reliance on capitalism and greed I don't want to rush around constantly any more . I would like for week More compassion people mind their own business over everything The way we do businesses and association is serious . people are dying and some are just selfish . I'd social interaction availability of groceries Less unnecessary consumerism ; better health care / coverage for most people in the community , I cannot believe that we had homeless from home . This would reduce congestion and improve the environment . It also gives generous currently to my family and I appreciate that , the end of capitalism government is run people all over the world show more connections than ever home . Companies now understand better life / work balance . Homelessness was wiped out as dirty going to the store I wish people would come together . I US Future Hope hygiene for our journeys The authorities to fully understand the needs of ordinary I get the feeling they want it permanent . Open the stores and let care about the people and not what they can personally gain . I wish cleaned and feel more comfortable / less dirty going to the store norm and for people to realize how their health affects others I would like people to take less for granted ; to treat others (especially from home via the web on a permanent basis . It would be nice if world see previous answer) better work life balance It would be better towards a more environmental , less economically frenetic focus . It would be better improve our solidarity i wish my country was more prepared Nothing in particular Unsure for this less traffic , more environmental concerns , nature needs to be wealth in our country . I would like to see less waste happening in it has during pandemic I would like society to be more caring , young might continue to be a greater part of people's lives than before . just supporting small businesses i would like that all people see others as more environmental concerns , nature needs to be in people lives more , much as possible and them spending quality time with their family the needs of vulnerable groups ahead of our own selfish interests the shelters , who gets the food supply key , you know , stuff . Pd to reduce traffic and carbon emissions , closer communities quieter calmer environments to work , all work , not just what government thinks is " essential " much greater distance in grocery store when you shop . it just seems on the environment and helping communities and small businesses / theaters recover . Id the money to carry on at a time of crisis I'd d caring for one another Would like to remain working at home . a community , get together for street parties instead of pubs a greater understanding of and commitment to protecting the environment comeback . I want to have some HOPE that that's possible disease and climate change more seriously , like they are now happening in nature , in society . Not just thinking of themselves harder to acquire work and that makes the future uncertain have to wait a week or more for my items I can't think of anything I want to be different more of the environment and be more tolerant to others telling us one thing and changing it a month later the most . Material things are not so important in life remain working from home . Much more internet usage virus etc . We'll have all to work together to keep everyone safe environment . I want to still be able to make money grateful for what they have and to be less prejudiced its thinking ; we are really split right now . Better health of how much the government has control over their lives rich people richer . Being able to freely move without monitoring should appreciate that . More consciousness from both government and people situations would be good . Even though it will never happen to and work less . Nothing Increase in Social Security payments like on this pandemic . I think the government should adapt to Giving its forward into new possibilities . I'd like community to stay just that . How that working lives will be more flexible than they currently are for many the suffering of the masses during this pandemic . This pandemic shows that minds so I think personal space will increase and chat that with random I would like of be less stressed . I would like to see less greed , universal health care , more robust social safety net available to Society to not be racist towards Asians , like myself to be in a society that appreciates educators more . I would like more be more to themselves and staying out of others ' business . I'd take more care in being environmentally friendly in their day - to - day ; things , more coming together for the common good More time with family to rely less on drinking and partying to enjoy themselves . I want More economic equality Greater cooperation between countries Nothing - my life is OK . Perhaps and the self centred politicians they spawn , the same as previous answer Nothing traveling or going outside to ensure social distancing and wearing masks / gloves . obsessed Nothing I can think of right now I want normality to return acquisition of money and property . During the epidemic I think socialization that comes with it . people are kind and generous . a lot would like freedom to move around more . I hope that and I hope that they might continue to be a greater part of has always been true , but at this moment we see the value Personally , I do not have a problem with not being around groups see how they are more important to our economy and the livelihood to fully understand the needs of ordinary people and not just thinking Would like people to be non - judgemental , would like to stop stereotyping of people than the value of the stock market governments to stop misleading of this available opportunities are made available to all in an honest way but people to be less focused on material things and focus on for food every weekend Videos calls respect for others and nhs Respecting for others not getting too close in the future to strangers That HOPE that that's possible . I would like people to be concerned over internet usage . I would like people to be more caring for themselves , just the privileged and rich . That everyone cares a little more for of human lives . They care more about haircuts than they do about other more . Governments to cooperate together . Wildlife markets to be banned , more compassion & our " first world problems " that seem pretty petty as compared to ACTUAL problems pay reduced risk of war and strife Nothing Taking time to ask how people , fairness and the environment in focus and not GDP and making rich public sector and a larger stockpile of essential medicines and ppe Focus on realise that I have not saved nearly enough , the same applies for most roads to stay quieter like they are now , shops to stop being busy since the pandemic , which will surely stop once it's over . There are always society , more positive rather than scaremongering and brainwashing the general public . Online shopping society and really enjoying in others , myself and the world . More cooperation spread the virus . I'd like the world to be more considerate and treasure support . This pandemic has shown the people who are actually important . the jobs 'ackle Covid And Made Readily Available . Just for there to be equal minded less fortunate individuals after the pandemic as compared to before the pandemic others I wish people would stay home more like they are now environmental improvements . Sort out social care . the ability to work from home emphasis on the environment people to have job security again I wish to see people in person instead of through facetime . For just want important and follow through Unable to come with answer All the help world is hard for EVERYONE , well except for the billionaires . I hope that you love . More international co operation Less . Government bashing from the media Caring for the most vulnerable More concern about the environment I've realized for items carry on working from home and enjoy quality time with in Congress . I wish there were elected people who actually care about income . The government to be quicker to react and to actually put on how they treat others . Governments need to put emergency funding for staff and hospitals receiving more and more support . This pandemic has shown that enable me to save and invest more . nothing our values towards York as the president who would show compassion and dignity when representing hope things will be different and we carry on providing shelter for money and status . Their jobs might not be a ôrganousô t but without these people , society as we know it would not exist . All I would like to see less waste happening in people's lives . I think to the past . Healthier habits Greater respect of nature More freedom one another , my previous answer speaks to this . i would like to this can have an adverse effect and cause international tensions . Less Govt intrusion those with lower incomes (ex : veterans , homeless , small business owners) . AFTER THE PANDEMIC and working from home more . Not having to sit tightly squeezed next friendly community Not over crowding an area as it can be dangerous to be in an office all day 5 times a week More compassion to be more financially aware . just a return to normal would be fine to go out wherever without worrying about things . More emphasis on the environment competition , one where profits are not prioritised over people . I'd like to see life to be more normal . I would like to be able and still wear masks and stay home when they are sick . Don't If everyone had health care benefits , more lives would be saved not fear . I want people to be compassionate and not judgemental of a universal income and significant prioritisation of wellbeing and environment or better . I want people to live in faith , not fear support each other . Some places this is happening but not enough would like society to realize that we need it get together would like to have a full time work from home job before (i.e . remote , flex remote hours , etc .) . togetherness and less pollution I can see my friend and family as a large group I would like to pursue my passion and start my career now and i would love it to remain that way xxxxxxxxxx societal , and worldly issues confronting us . Let go of the partisanship ! socially conscious worries about the environment I'm not sure exactly , I just treasure people more often . I would like to see a healthier environment where neighbours helping each other . I have also enjoyed the chats I have the crowding , the haphazard dosing of antibiotics) and to the environment . Additionally , with based on family More emphasis on how the government is run world based on collaboration over competition , one where profits are not prioritised over

people

health and still wear masks and stay home when they are sick . lives . I think people will be more likely to remain distant from than before . just people to respect each others personal space I'm * Improved quality of life (calmer pace of life , Job security * Improved and integrated and society on a whole would continue to be kind . people knowing more care workers , nurses , cleaners , etc . should be given a much higher salary than fairness and the environment in focus and not GDP and making rich people governments and international agencies . I want society to be able to care adequately many of which were given homes during covid 19 . I really hope things not a colour and because of this available opportunities are made available to reduced incarceration I would like my finances to be in a better position , society as we know it would not exist . All these people - care workers , I would love for society to be more caring and less politically aggressive . I'd like to see people as a whole be more socially aware and Would like measures taken so there is more equality , and more equality in / nations to work together towards a common goal More use of virtual activities : acting responsibly Hopefully people are a bit more united and caring towards each all over the world show more connections than ever people should be aware doing good for those around them , particularly those that are in need government realised that there is more to life than mere acquisition of helping people to be more financially aware . just a return to normal not just thinking of people who have the money to carry on what they can personally gain . I wish people who are elected the lower paid jobs are the ones that kept he country going where they live . Think more about the environment , littering , driving only when appreciating what they have and humans to have less of an impact a bit more united and caring towards each other . Life at a acting like sheep . Socialism seems to be on the rise and the being more healthier and making more healthier life choices Have the opportunity connecting more now even though they are apart . It is important to dying and some are just selfish . I'd like for people to really extending love and sharing with their neighbors . The world is peaceful now generous currently to my family and I appreciate that , the end of kind and generous . a lot of people are generous currently to my kinder to each other , more generous , and caring . Less of the it's more conscience about hand washing and sanitizing thinking about others , being good disciplined I would like star culture / hero worship to be lessened now concerned about how the government is run people all over the offering since the pandemic , which will surely stop once it's over . There to continue to keep up with my jogging , the world to continue as a whole be more socially aware and environmentally conscious . government , they have banding together for just causes - to bring about good change . going out with Be more responsible and informed Trust scientists more than politicians Travel companies provide because they think some of our citizens are expendable Society needs to take become more aware about the spread of pathogens . people become more environmentally friendly . environmentally friendly . Just stay more healthy , in general . Less pollution would becoming more compassionate Hygiene - people are more conscience about hand washing and sanitizing behaving this way . I would like to see the world still being productive being more considerate of nature Level of personal Hygiene More environmentally friendly and helpful than being selfish More connected community and new working patterns . nicer to each other . A nicer more cooperative world . More fairness I can smile and be kind to each other . Political differences are cast aside we fit in the shelters , who gets the food supply key , you CARE MORE ABOUT THE ENVIRONMENT For people / nations to work together towards a caring about each other so much more now . Communities pulling together for the considered beneath them are the ones keeping the country going continuing to help others . All of the same - what I mentioned in the could live life at a slower pace , socialise more as a community , get doesn't care of others , but now , people are extending love and sharing with especially those who need it most , not much health and precious life is feed because of daily haste and this pandemic stopped that . I would like first Nothing I'd like the incompetent governments we have so - called running things Freedoms restored . More climate and environmental improvements . Sort out social care , the ability reached out to help others . This trend should hopefully continue . We all to come together and be more honest with each other My employment woken up to such ideas and I hope that they might continue a sense of collective responsibility Less unnecessary travel to create a cleaner having time just for a chat I would like the world to think health and financial welfare To see different communities finally working together as one , help each other more I thought I had answered this question previously . It I love more more care and understanding for all people especially those who really liked my life the way that it was previously continue working would like people to spend less time commuting and have a better general need to change their attitudes on how they treat others . Governments need and it would be nice to see those same people continuing person instead of through facetime . For Society I wish that people would place in advance - to be enacted with immediate effect when a pandemic poorer countries face . I would like universal health care , or at least the community , I cannot believe that we had homeless people , many off queues outside shops - people seem to engage a bit more . not knowing more that life is precious and respecting it more . Nature is unpredictability . something like this can happen at any time and to be prepared . less focused on ME and more focused on US I would like to Like store clerks and truck drivers . We should see how they are more the world to be more proactive to prevent similar pandemics happening . World lives more , I'd like people to appreciate what they have and be kind look at the impact on the environment that our reactions to COVID - 1988 might travel less , but this can have an adverse effect and cause international mind their own business more . I would like for people to really take money every month . I read an article about where they would give all often I suppose There is compassion now , unlike before where people doesn't more responsibility for my health less restrictions on socializing . The ability to live time . I would also like to see large office blocks in city most in need of help and improve our solidarity i wish my country need to sneeze in their shirts , cough in their elbows , and be more not going out unnecessarily in their cars . This means the air is cleaner on public transport . More spaces better communication and support for everyone Countries working providing important services like health , care and social welfare) with more respect . Greater realise the importance of global warming . I would like more social distancing on looking that certain folks in government are looking out for themselves and not really appreciate their health and what they have . A recognition that this will regardless of employment status , consideration of others and a stronger sense of community respect for older generation . They have suffered the most . Material things are not respecting and caring for each other more fairness in pay reduced risk of richer Being able to freely move without monitoring I would like people to see others as just people , not a colour and because of this available seem to be a bit more considerate . Everyone seems to realize this is engage a bit more . not sure More kindness That the world shop more locally and support for the self employed is continued I would be asked to stay indoors for like a month . I would like aware of how much the government has control over their lives become socialists like me . people would take care of each other , animals , continue to be aware of their impact on wildlife and environment such stop littering and protesting For more freedom , the economy to go back work from home more More pay for workers who risk their lives supporting small businesses i would like that all people see others as just proper steps to be more hygienic in the future . It will help stock of what is really important to them in life . More remote better care of their health . Healthy lifestyle . I want to be able more care and coming together as a community . more respect , people being precautions and being more prepared when it comes to health emergencies like than the value of the stock market governments to stop misleading people I can usually be uncomfortable will also decrease . people will be more to that there is help available , there's no need to panic buy . I would you love . More international co operation Less . Government bashing from the media the flaws of the current system and help them realize a different kind appreciate what they have and be kind to each and the world appreciate each other more . I want societies to work together and support each other . be more connected . people are connecting more now even able to work from home . This would reduce congestion and improve aware of how the government and politics can mishandle important issues . compassionate and not judgemental . I want people to get back to concerned over other people's health and still wear masks and stay kinder to each other , and help each other more . Governments to focused on material things and focus on other people and less selfish and entitled I would like freedom to move around accepting of others and more compassionate That things slow down appreciative of those who care for and serve us . better and more grateful for our freedoms and work harder aware of injustice and have more compassion for their fellow their hygiene and more considerate about their actions caring for one another Would like to remain working at themselves , other people and where they live . Think environmentally & socially focused . More interest in helping the community Nhs financially aware . just a return to normal would be fine friendly and understanding of others . Unfortunately , I don't believe that grateful for social interactions and small talk as it was about their actions and what effects they have on mindful of each other . people need to realize the purpose of the environment and to evaluate the impact of thoughtful of others spending more time with family . That we non - judgemental , would like to stop stereotyping of people . Would like so sick and suffering More consideration and appreciation of others , especially consider larger issues of equality and equity in our society . I would supporting local businesses . Maintain the emphasis on NHS and carers and be more considerate of others as well as the environment to not shakehands or hug as a pleasantry . less cars and pay more attention to the environment . I want to still realise whats important , politics has taken a back burner , the continue to be a bit more friendly and less impatient - particularly car enjoy the world and their lives for what they are , instead of focus more on those we love , our friends and family , rather then get back into a calm state of mind . Although this is easier to work , all work , not just what government thinks is " job security again I wish that people would stop being so respect for each other and to stop being so selfish . time at home so they can spend time with family be more tolerant of each other . But in today's politically charged (slow down and to consider others . I would like to be live in faith , not fear . I want people to be compassionate and look out for others more . especially the vulnerable . I would like to question the media and the agenda of those in power . I want how their health affects others I wish people would stay home our way of life is doomed and to take action accordingly , that more work can be completed online , from home . After seeing this is serious . people are dying and some are just reevaluate themselves . Just want to be able to go into take a good look at their life and appreciate the loved rely less on drinking and partying to enjoy themselves . I want more remain as considerate as they have been during lockdown . The pandemic has remember the way the " leaders " have responded to their constituents during the respect each others personal space I'm hoping nurses and doctors get more other's personal space , feelings , and be sensitive to sanitation , one's feelings rethink their consuming / travelling behaviour I hope that the world governments put see how much the economy is predicated on the labor of workers . spend less time commuting and have a better work life balance . flexibility stop the tradition of handshakes . They're pointless and dangerous . Would like everyone back their power and restructure life to be more community and disease and climate change more seriously , like they are now . I take less for granted ; to treat others (especially people providing important services more care in being environmentally friendly in their day - to - day ; understand and believe in science . We need fewer gun - toting " freedom fighters " value time spent with loved ones and the simple things in life , wake up to what is happening in nature , in society . Not just walk rather than taking their car everywhere Noting just normal that communities work together for the greater good . NHS workers to be paid more wanting to be more considerate , taking care of the needy . I would like a bit more sensible with what they shared and expected of others . were given someplace to stay away from sleeping rough on the street people more considerate and sensible and take precautions and not just do what actually care about the people and not what they can personally gain . are actually important , the jobs people considered beneath them are the ones elected can be held accountable for their actions no matter what care about others not so many selfish idiots people appreciating what they cared so much about the suffering of the masses during this pandemic . have the money to carry on at a time of crisis I'd C always have the next pandemic in the back of their minds so appreciate more acutely the physical world and society they move in ; that will be able to continue to work at home , which reduces traffic and likely to remain distant from one another and cut down to themselves and staying out of others ' business . I'd like DEVELOP CONSCIOUSNESS ABOUT THEIR LIFESTYLE . people should become socialists like me . people find their way back into it . We always have . Keeping the heavy with poor health are extremely vulnerable . By extension , covid - 19 has also exposed to begin with at higher risk for fatality from covid . work If they get sick , they can self isolate . I would like for working together . No wars , none of the political treachery and disgusting ethical behaviour . be more knowledgeable about what is safe to eat and how to care more about each other ; genuinely . My retirement plans will be different . come together . I hope people look at the impact on the environment stay home more like they are now . That people take stock of being so selfish and think of others before themselves . However , this panic buying . For the world I wish we could all come take care of each other , animals , and the natural world in general .

Table S14

ANOVA tables for weighted analysis of UK sample in Experiment 2 (others want)

	df	F	p
Distofpower	1	30.828	0.000
Orientation	1	7.546	0.006
Distofpower*Orientation	1	0.043	0.836
Residuals	394		

Table S15

ANOVA tables for weighted analysis of US sample in Experiment 2 (own want)

	df	F	p
Distofpower	1	43.928	0.000
Orientation	1	19.206	0.000
PolLean	1	8.313	0.004
Distofpower*Orientation	1	0.332	0.565
Distofpower*PolLean	1	5.556	0.019
Orientation*PolLean	1	23.348	0.000
Distofpower*Orientation*PolLean	1	0.056	0.813
Residuals	393		

Table S16

ANOVA tables for weighted analysis of US sample in Experiment 2 (likelihood)

	df	F	p
Distofpower	1	12.933	0.000
Orientation	1	5.358	0.021
PolLean	1	8.443	0.004
Distofpower*Orientation	1	0.399	0.528
Distofpower*PolLean	1	0.032	0.858
Orientation*PolLean	1	2.107	0.147
Distofpower*Orientation*PolLean	1	4.837	0.028
Residuals	393		

Table S17

ANOVA tables for weighted analysis of US sample in Experiment 2 (others want)

	df	F	p
Distofpower	1	36.780	0.000
Orientation	1	8.833	0.003
Distofpower*Orientation	1	0.031	0.859
Residuals	397		

Test item	Effect	Combined unweighted	UK weighted	US weighted
Own want	Distribution of power (DP)	●	●	●
	Orientation (O)	●	●	●
	Political leaning (PL)	●		●
	PL × O	●	●	●
	PL × DP	●		●
Likelihood	Distribution of power (DP)	●	●	●
	Orientation (O)	●	●	●
	Political leaning (PL)	●		●
	PL × O			
	PL × DP			
	PL × DP × O			●
Others want	Distribution of power (DP)	●	●	●
	Orientation (O)	●	●	●
	Political leaning (PL)			
	PL × O			
	PL × DP			

Figure S7. Comparison of the standard unweighted analysis reported across both samples in the main body of the article with the weighted analysis reported in Tables S12 through S17. Black dots represent significant effects ($p < .05$). Effects that were not significant in any of the unweighted analyses are not reported, and any effects involving country are also omitted because they are meaningless for the weighted analysis which was conducted separately for the two samples. For others want, the complex model did not fit better than the simple model for the unweighted analysis and the weighted analysis therefore also did not include political leaning or its interactions with the experimental factors.