

Table 1: Sequence of tasks and questionnaires of online study 1.

Sequence	Type	Brief summary	Number of items/ trials	Included in both studies
1.	Demographic questions	Questions on age and sex (+ other demographics)	6	Both studies (questions on age and sex)
2.	Explicit decision Task	Deliberate approach avoidance of masked and unmasked faces	12	Both studies
3.	<i>Selected social anxiety questions</i>	<i>Questions from the German SASKO trait inventory (Kolbeck & Maß, 2009) (Items: 10, 12, 21, 23, 25, 27, 31, reversed 12)</i>	8	<i>Only study 1</i>
4.	Pandemic threat question (Corona 1)	Question on the subjective feeling of threat elicited by the pandemic	1	Both studies
5.	<i>Questions on subjective feelings related to the pandemic</i>	<i>Additional questions addressing personal relations and current social distancing behavior in the pandemic</i>	4	<i>Only study 1</i>
6.	<i>Questions addressing general mask-related attitudes</i>	<i>Questions related to the importance and acceptance of mask-mandates</i>	3	<i>Only study 1</i>
7.	<i>Social distance rating</i>	<i>Three questions regarding the currently preferred distance from loved ones, acquaintances or strangers</i>	3	<i>Only study 1</i>
8.	<i>Comments</i>	<i>Free comments</i>	1	<i>Only study 1</i>
9.	VAAST	Implicit approach avoidance task with masked and unmasked faces	40	Both studies
10.	<i>Emotion recognition task</i>	<i>Basic emotion recognition in masked and unmasked faces (anger, disgust, happy, neutral)</i>	48	<i>Only study 1</i>
11.	Mask-related questions (feelings during experiment)	Questions related to wearing a mask during the experiment	5	Only study 1 (but of interest for the analysis)

Tasks and questionnaires included in both studies are marked in bold font.

Table 2: Sequence of tasks and questionnaires of online study 2.

Sequence	Type	Brief summary	Number of items/ trials	Included in both studies
1.	Demographic questions	Questions on age and sex	2	Both studies
2.	<i>State-related questions</i>	<i>Questions related to current health state and stress</i>	9	<i>Only study 2</i>
3.	<i>Selected authoritarianism questions</i>	<i>Questions from the KSA-3 (Beierlein et al., 2014)</i>	4	<i>Only study 2</i>
4.	<i>DS-R Disgust trait questionnaire</i>	<i>Items from the core disgust and contamination disgust scales of the DS-R (Olatunji et al., 2007)</i>	17	<i>Only study 2</i>
5.	<i>Vulnerability of Disease trait questionnaire</i>	<i>Complete questionnaire (germ aversion and perceived infectability scales)(Duncan et al., 2009)</i>	15	<i>Only study 2</i>
6.	Pandemic threat question (Corona 1)	Question on the subjective feeling of threat elicited by the pandemic	1	Both studies
7.	<i>Video prime (Part 1)</i>	<i>Disease or control video prime</i>	1	<i>Only study 2</i>
8.	Explicit decision Task	Deliberate approach avoidance of masked and unmasked faces	12	Both studies
9.	<i>Video prime (Part 2)</i>	<i>Video prime from same category as video 1, yet showing different humans or landscape impressions (Part 2)</i>	1	<i>Only study 2</i>
10.	VAAST	Implicit approach avoidance task with masked and unmasked faces	40	Both studies
11.	<i>Selected state questions from the MDES questionnaire</i>	<i>Items from the German modified differential emotions scale (MDES) (amusement, disgust, surprise, shame) (Brandenburg & Backhaus, 2015)</i>	4	<i>Only study 2</i>
12.	<i>Relative state feelings</i>	<i>Questions on feelings relative to the time before the test (stressed, inspired, sick, uncomfortable, optimistic, amused)</i>	6	<i>Only study 2</i>
13.	<i>Attention and perceived realness questions</i>	<i>Subjective evaluation of the attention to the videos as well as the perceived realness of the video content</i>	8	<i>Only study 2</i>

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