

Question in Project:

FReDA-W2a - Questions about infection with and vaccination against COVID-19 (English Version)

Question Topic:

Public health/ Health impairments

Construct:

Health impairment due to COVID-19 disease

General Information:

***Note: The item was tested in German. This is an English translation of the original German wording.**

Question Text:

To what extent are you still impaired in your daily life due to the COVID-19 disease?
[Wie stark sind Sie durch die COVID-19-Erkrankung heute noch in Ihrem Alltagsleben gesundheitlich beeinträchtigt?]

Answer Categories:

Severely impaired *[Stark beeinträchtigt]*

Slightly impaired *[Leicht beeinträchtigt]*

Not impaired *[Nicht beeinträchtigt]*

Cognitive Techniques:

Difficulty Probing

Findings for Question:

Question 3 was also asked only of respondents who had indicated in question 1 that they had (probably) been infected with the COVID-19 virus ($n = 30$). Slightly more than half of the test persons ($n = 17$) indicated that they were still "slightly" or "severely" impaired in their daily lives due to the COVID-19 disease. The aim of the cognitive pretest was

to investigate whether these respondents had difficulty deciding between the two response categories "severely impaired" and "slightly impaired" (N1_F3, see Appendix).

Two of the 17 test persons, who were still affected by the COVID-19 disease in their daily life, stated that the choice of the answer was "rather difficult" for them. However, the reasoning given when subsequently asked why they had found it rather difficult to answer did not provide any indication of the need to revise the question text or answer options.

Recommendations:

The results of the pretest do not indicate any problems with the question, so it can be left in its current form.