Name of Measure: Rosenberg’s self-esteem Scale (Rosenberg, 1965)

Purpose of Measure: To assess level of self reported self-esteem.

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Description of measure: The Rosenberg’s Self-esteem Scale (RSE) is a 10-item unidimensional scale designed to measure the self-esteem of high school students. It measures personal worth, self-confidence, self-satisfaction, self-respect, and self-deprecation. It employs a four point Likert-type format of response, from ‘strongly disagree’ to ‘strongly agree’.

Language availability: English.

Translation Comment: Not applicable

Description of Asian population: Two hundred and thirty eight undergraduate students enrolled in a large northeastern university participated in the research. They were 40.3% White/Caucasian, 38.2% Black/African American, 14.7% as Asian/Oriental, 6.7% Other.

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Norms:  
Rosenberg Self-Esteem Scale Means and Standard Deviations by Race

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Reliability: Rosenberg (1965) reported internal consistency reliability ranging from .85 to .88 for college samples. The alpha coefficient for the present combined sample was .88

Validity: See original reference

Original reference to instrument: