# Oxford Covid-19 Vaccine Hesitancy Scale (Freeman et al, 2020)

This is a seven-item measure, derived from a study with 5,114 UK adults, quota sampled to match the population for age, gender, ethnicity, income, and region. Item specific response options, coded from 1 to 5, are used. A ‘Don’t know’ option is also provided, which is excluded from scoring. Higher scores indicate a higher level of vaccine hesitancy. The Oxford COVID-19 Vaccine Hesitancy Scale scores are associated with the Vaccine Hesitancy Scale (Shapiro et al, 2018), r=0.47, p< 0.001. The Cronbach’s alpha is 0.97. Full details of the questionnaire development can be found in the supplementary materials of the paper.

*Reference*: Freeman, D., Loe, B.S., Chadwick, A., Vaccari, C., Waite, F., Rosebrock, L., Jenner, L., Petit, A., Lewandowsky, S., Vanderslott, S., Innocenti, S., Larkin, M., Giubilini, A., Yu, L-M., McShane, H., Pollard, A.J., & Lambe, S. (2020). COVID-19 vaccine hesitancy in the UK: The Oxford Coronavirus Explanations, Attitudes, and Narratives Survey (OCEAN) II. Psychological Medicine. <https://doi.org/10.1017/S0033291720005188>

| These questions ask how you would respond if there was an approved COVID-19 vaccine for the NHS. |
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| Would you take a COVID-19 vaccine (approved for use in the UK) if offered? |  | DefinitelyProbablyI may or I may not Probably notDefinitely notDon’t know |
| If there is a COVID-19 vaccine available: |  | I will want to get it as soon as possible I will take it when offeredI’m not sure what I will doI will put off (delay) getting itI will refuse to get it Don’t know |
| I would describe my attitude towards receiving a COVID-19 vaccine as: |  | Very keenPretty positiveNeutralQuite uneasyAgainst itDon’t know |
| If a COVID-19 vaccine was available at my local pharmacy, I would:  |  | Get it as soon as possibleGet it when I have timeDelay getting itAvoid getting it for as long as possibleNever get it Don’t know |
| If my family or friends were thinking of getting a COVID-19 vaccination, I would: |  | Strongly encourage themEncourage themNot say anything to them about itAsk them to delay getting the vaccinationSuggest that they do not get the vaccinationDon’t know |
| I would describe myself as: |  | Eager to get a COVID-19 vaccineWilling to get the COVID-19 vaccineNot bothered about getting the COVID-19 vaccineUnwilling to get the COVID-19 vaccineAnti-vaccination for COVID-19 Don’t know |
| Taking a COVID-19 vaccination is: |  | Really importantImportantNeither important nor unimportantUnimportantReally unimportantDon’t know |