

Gender Identity Speculations Survey

This is a followup to the previous survey I've done. What I've found is that compared to other men, you have an unusually "womanly" gender identity; while you probably don't consider yourself transgender, you probably feel like it would be appealing to be a woman. In this survey, you will be asked to provide speculations for what ways you differ from other men in order to make you flexible in this way. (Minimum 300 characters.)

I'm studying the nature of gender identity, and for my current research project I recruited two groups:

~ Men who have an unusually womanly gender identity, feeling like they could just as well have been female as male, or even feeling like they would prefer to be women over being men

~ Men who are unusually strongly affirmative about themselves being male, feeling like it would be very bad or incoherent for them to be female.

You are a member of the first group. My goal is to try to figure out why these groups of men differ. Of course I don't expect you to necessarily have the correct answer; it's an open research question. But it would be helpful for my research if you could provide any information about factors where you're unusual that seem relevant to your gender identity.

* Indicates required question

1. Prolific ID *

What is your Prolific ID?

Gay version

I have previously run this survey with straight men, but I thought it likely that gay men could have a different set of experiences than gay men, and therefore for this new survey, I've specifically recruited gay men. So it's not a coincidence that you as a gay man are receiving this survey.

I would be interested in both how you feel you differ from men in general/straight men and how you feel you differ from gay men in ways that might be relevant to your gender identity.

2. Gender Identity Speculations *

You seem to have unusually high gender identity flexibility. Can you think of any traits, experiences or other ways in which you differ from straight or gay men, which might make you unusually open to the thought of being a woman? (Minimum 300 characters.) You do not necessarily have to give the objectively correct response; I will try to learn from the responses to this survey, and later test empirically whether any of them could explain it. So this is more of a "brainstorming" thing.

3. Optional: Comments

Do you have any comments you would like to add?

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