

COSMETIC SURGERY SURVEY

Elective cosmetic surgery is performed when a person wants to change his or her physical appearance. These surgeries can be performed on the body or the face. They include operations such as liposuction, tummy tucks, face lifts, “nose jobs,” breast implants, collagen injections and laser skin resurfacing. Elective cosmetic surgery does not include plastic surgery that is done for medical purposes to restore form or function to a body part that is abnormal or disfigured due to trauma, cancer, birth defects, or surgery.

1. Which statement do you agree with more?

In principle, elective cosmetic surgery is *rarely / sometimes / almost always* an acceptable option to improving physical appearance.

Circle one

2. Do you know anyone who has ever had an elective cosmetic surgery procedure?

A. Yes. Please circle all that apply:

I have had elective cosmetic surgery
 Family member
 Friend
 Acquaintance

B. No.

3. Imagine that on the first day of class you meet a girl named Anna and you two discuss what each of you did during the summer. Anna explains that she had breast augmentation surgery. Please circle one or more words you would use to describe Anna:

Confident
 Secure
 Honest
 Vain
 Insecure
 Superficial

4. Imagine either now or some time in the future, someone close to you wants to get elective cosmetic surgery. For each of the following, would you support their getting the surgery? Please indicate your choice for each.

	Strongly Oppose	Generally Oppose	Generally Support	Strongly Support	Does not Apply
Mother	1	2	3	4	NA
Father	1	2	3	4	NA
Sister	1	2	3	4	NA
Brother	1	2	3	4	NA
Significant Other	1	2	3	4	NA
Female Best Friend	1	2	3	4	NA
Male Best Friend	1	2	3	4	NA

5. Please indicate whether you agree or disagree with the following statements. All things being equal, someone who has elective cosmetic surgery done:

Has a professional advantage over others	Agree	Disagree
Is more sociable	Agree	Disagree
Has an easier time attracting a partner	Agree	Disagree

