The conventional US taxonomic model – the Big 5 – 1950—1980

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Taxonomic analyses of items and scales from most personality tests showed confusing structures.

However analyses of structure of lexical items yielded a similar structure of peer and self report.

This lead to the consensual structure known as the “Big 5”

**Traits**

- Neuroticism
- Agreeableness
- Conscientiousness
- Extraversion
- Openness