

## **Appendix 1. Questions on Personality Traits (Health and Retirement Study, 2012)**

*Q. Please indicate how well each of the following describes you.*

**Response categories:** 1=A lot, 2=Some, 3=A little, 4=Not at all

### **Neuroticism**

Q33d Moody

Q33h Worrying

Q33l Nervous

Q33q Calm

### **Conscientiousness**

Q33c Reckless

Q33e Organized

Q33i Responsible

Q33n Hardworking

Q33r Self-disciplined

Q33v Careless

Q33x Impulsive

Q33z Cautious

Q33z\_5 Thorough

Q33z\_6 Thrifty

### **Openness to Experience**

Q33m Creative

Q33o Imaginative

Q33s Intelligent

Q33t Curious

Q33w Broad-minded

Q33z\_3 Sophisticated

Q33z\_4 Adventurous

Reverse-coded all items EXCEPT Q33c, Q33q, Q33v, Q33x, and averaged the scores for items within sub-dimensions for each personality trait.