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23 Abstract

24 **Background.** Recent findings have shown important between-individual variations in
25 physical activity (PA) during the COVID-19 lockdown.

26 **Objective.** In order to understand why some people were physically active while others were
27 not, this study examined the psychological, sociodemographic and, environmental levers and
28 barriers to PA during the COVID-19 lockdown.

29 **Design.** In this cross-sectional study, participants living in France ($N= 386$) completed an on-
30 line survey between March 30 and April 10.

31 **Method.** Questions about physical activity before and during the lockdown, psychological
32 (e.g., intention, self-efficacy, motivation), sociodemographic (gender, age, number of
33 children) and environmental (habitat surface area, type of housing, media exposure) factors
34 were included in this survey. Multiple linear regressions were used to investigate the role of
35 psychological, sociodemographic, and environmental predictors on PA. Intention and self-
36 efficacy were examined as moderators and mediators of the association between
37 sociodemographic/environmental factors and PA.

38 **Results.** Usual physical activity before the COVID-19 lockdown, intention toward physical
39 activity, habitat surface area, and controlled motivation predicted PA during the lockdown.
40 No mediating effects of intention, and self-efficacy were found. Intention significantly
41 moderated the association between gender and PA, and part-time work and PA.

42 **Conclusions.** Psychological, sociodemographic, and environmental factors were significantly
43 associated with moderate to vigorous PA during the COVID-19 lockdown in France. Further
44 research in PA should consider investigating multiple level factors to better apprehend why
45 people engage (or not) in physical activity.

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47 **Keywords:** physical activity, COVID-19 lockdown, psychology, context

48 **Psychological, sociodemographic, and environmental factors related to physical activity**
49 **during the COVID-19 lockdown**

50 COVID-19 represents one of the most important sanitary crisis in the last decades.
51 Beyond the effects of COVID-19 on physical health, the disease may also have side effects
52 on mental health, due to the strategies most countries have adopted for restraining contagion
53 (e.g., lockdowns, closure of restaurants, schools, and public places), and other related events
54 (e.g., overload media exposure of COVID-19, Garfin et al., 2020). In France for example,
55 the government announced a national lockdown starting from 17th March to 11h May. People
56 were authorized to go out of their home only for necessity reasons (work, medical check-up,
57 purchases of necessities, or physical activity for less than one hour per day and less than one
58 kilometer from home) and with a signed certificate.

59 ***Physical Activity and COVID-19***

60 In order to limit the side effects of these restrictive measures, the WHO (2020b),
61 researchers (Chen et al., 2020), and local and national governments published a series of
62 recommendations so that people could remain sufficiently physically active (i.e., by giving
63 advices about how to maintain physical activity during the lockdown). Indeed, regular
64 physical activity is known as an important source of physical health (e.g., benefits for the
65 immune system, Nieman & Wentz, 2019) and mental well-being (e.g., reduced depression
66 and anxiety symptoms, Rebar et al., 2015).

67 Despite WHO recommendations and the potential benefits of physical activity during
68 COVID-19 lockdown, a reduction of physical activity from 7% to 38% in European countries
69 has been observed during the week of March 22 (Fitbit, 2020). More particularly, some
70 activities (e.g., walking for commuting) have decreased while other activities (e.g., working
71 out indoors) have increased (Cheval et al., 2020; Garmin, 2020). Moreover, as suggested by
72 the ONAPS (2020), the impact of lockdown on physical activity might vary depending on

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73 people (e.g., children and teenagers presenting the biggest reduction of physical activity, and
74 adults increasing it). Why did some people manage to remain sufficiently active while others
75 were mostly inactive? It is essential to identify the factors of physical activity during this
76 period in order to better adapt physical activity recommendations during physical and social
77 isolation.

78 *Psychological factors of physical activity*

79 The sociocognitive approach has been dominant to examine factors of physical
80 activity (for a review see Rhodes et al., 2019). Sociocognitive theories (e.g., Theory of
81 Planned Behavior, Ajzen, 1991; Health Belief Model, Rosenstock, 1974) consider that
82 behavior depends on reasoned cognitions: people act when they have formed the intention to
83 do so, which emerges when they believe they are capable to perform the behavior (e.g., self-
84 efficacy), and that the behavior has consequences that are more positive than negative (e.g.,
85 perceived benefits and risks). Another prominent approach is the self-determination theory
86 (Ryan & Deci, 2017), that considers behavior to depend on motivations that are either
87 internal to the individual – when behavior is the result of a personal choice and act of volition
88 (i.e., autonomous motivation) – or external to the individual – when behavior results from
89 perceived internal or external pressure (i.e., controlled motivation).

90 *Sociodemographic and environmental factors of physical activity*

91 Although psychological theories are useful to explain engagement in physical activity,
92 they have mostly focused on psychological factors and have omitted the role of external ones.
93 Yet, there is evidence that sociodemographic and environmental factors also substantially
94 predict physical activity. For example, research in different countries showed a tendency of
95 women to be less physically active than men (for a review, see Guthold et al., 2018). Other
96 research has shown an inverse association between age and physical activity, with younger
97 people being more physically active than older people (e.g., Bauman et al., 2012). Moreover,

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98 physical activity has been associated with employment status and family type, with people
99 working in full-time jobs and having children being less physically active (e.g., Borodulin et
100 al., 2016, Rhodes et al., 2014). Past research has also shown that people in higher socio-
101 economic positions might be more active during leisure-time than people in lower socio-
102 economic ones (Beenackers et al., 2012; Gidlow et al., 2006), and have more home
103 equipment for leisure-time physical activity (Cerin & Leslie, 2008). In contrast, people in
104 lower socio-economic positions seem to be more active during work (Beenackers et al.,
105 2012).

106 Other studies have identified environmental factors on physical activity, including
107 walkability, housing type, access to open spaces/recreation facilities, aesthetic variables (e.g.,
108 places evaluated as attractive), and mixed land use (coexistence of shops, residences and
109 other buildings in the same neighborhood/zone) (for a review, see Bauman et al., 2012;
110 Durand et al., 2011).

111 *The present study*

112 In sum, it is necessary to consider not only psychological factors, but also external
113 ones, to better understand physical activity participation. This integrative approach is
114 particularly relevant in the context of the COVID-19 crisis, which has caused sudden changes
115 in people's work, family, and living environment.

116 Based on the aforementioned literature, we investigated individual-level factors,
117 including psychological (i.e., intention, self-efficacy, autonomous and controlled motivation,
118 as well as factors that may be particularly relevant in this sanitary crisis situation, such as
119 perceived risks of being contaminated, perceived stress and vitality), and behavioral (i.e.,
120 usual physical activities before the lockdown) factors, as well as sociodemographic (i.e., age,
121 gender, employment, household and socioeconomic status), and environmental (i.e., type of

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122 housing, habitat surface areas, region's degree of COVID-19 contamination, access to sports
123 equipment, and the media exposure) factors.

124 In addition, on a more theoretical level, how psychological and external factors
125 articulate with each other remain an open question. Several studies suggest that external
126 variables (e.g., sociodemographic context and environment) influence behavior through the
127 mediating role of social cognitions (e.g., intention and self-efficacy) (Cerin & Leslie, 2008;
128 Hagger & Hamilton, 2020; Sniehotta et al., 2013). In contrast, other studies (e.g., Schüz et al.,
129 2019; Sniehotta et al., 2013) suggest that socio-cognitive constructs interact with
130 sociodemographic/environmental variables to predict physical activity. For instance,
131 Sniehotta et al. (2013) showed that the relationships between social cognitions and physical
132 activity were stronger for individuals with better physical health and lower levels of socio-
133 economic deprivation. Moreover, Schüz et al. (2019) observed that more educated people
134 presented a stronger relationship between intention and physical activity.

135 In order to investigate the relationships between psychological and external factors,
136 we adopted the same model comparison approach as in Sniehotta et al. (2013), by
137 investigating the three following competing hypotheses:

138 *Hypothesis 1.* Sociodemographic (i.e., age, gender, number of children, employment
139 status, educational attainment), environmental (i.e., type of housing, habitat surface area,
140 access to sports equipment, media exposure) and individual (e.g., physical activity before
141 COVID-19 lockdown, intention, self-efficacy, autonomous motivation, controlled motivation,
142 subjective vitality, stress, perceived risks of getting COVID-19) variables predict physical
143 activity independently from each other.

144 *Hypothesis 2.* The relationships between environmental/sociodemographic variables
145 and physical activity are mediated by intention and self-efficacy.

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146 *Hypothesis 3.* The relationships between environmental/sociodemographic variables
147 and physical activity are moderated by intention and self-efficacy.

148 **Method**

149 ***Participants and procedure***

150 An a priori power analysis conducted using G. Power 3.1.9.4 (Erdfelder et al., 2009;
151 Faul et al., 2007) indicated that 308 participants were needed, considering 47 predictors (21
152 single predictors and 26 interactions), an R^2 of .40 (based on similar research, Sniehotta et al.,
153 2013), and 90% power. Participants aged 18 and over and residing in France were recruited
154 to answer an online survey (about 20 minutes). Recruitment was done using social media
155 (i.e., facebook and twitter) and by word of mouth. To encourage participation, our research
156 laboratory committed to donate 0.50€ to bioclinical research on COVID-19 for each
157 completely fulfilled questionnaire. The survey was available between March 30 (two weeks
158 after the French government announced the lockdown) and April 10, 2020.

159 Three-hundred-and-eighty-six people (65.54% women; $M_{age} = 33.09$, $SD = 13.18$)
160 completed the survey, after reading and signing an online informed consent form.

161 ***Measures***

162 *Physical activity during lockdown* was assessed based on the International Physical
163 Activity Questionnaire (IPAQ, Craig et al., 2003), which was adapted to better reflect the
164 extraordinary circumstances of COVID-19 lockdown. Participants reported the time on
165 minutes in different physical activity categories. These categories were chosen based on a
166 recent opinion article about how to maintain physical activity levels during COVID-19 (Chen
167 et al., 2020). Participants were also asked to add the time spent doing any other physical
168 activities and, in this case, to define these activities. We then classified each activity into
169 moderate-to-vigorous physical activity when it was superior or equal to 3 METS using the
170 compendium of physical activities of Ainsworth et al. (2011).

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171 *Usual physical activity before lockdown* was assessed using Saltin-Grimby Physical
172 Activity Questionnaire (Grimby et al., 2015).

173 Intention to do physical activity was assessed using one item from Godin (2012) and,
174 self-efficacy related to physical activity was assessed using one item (Schwarzer et al., 2015).
175 Autonomous and controlled motivation toward physical activity was assessed using an short
176 version of the “Motivation scale towards health-oriented physical activity” (Boiché et al.,
177 2016). The eight items reflected four motivational regulations: intrinsic, identified,
178 introjected, and external regulation. Intrinsic and identified regulation were averaged to
179 obtain autonomous motivation and, introjected and external regulation were averaged to
180 obtain controlled motivation (Brunet et al., 2015). Autonomous motivation’s reliability
181 showed good reliability ($\alpha=0.89$). However, because controlled motivation did not show good
182 reliability ($\alpha=0.55$), we decided to remove one item. Reliability after removing this item was
183 acceptable ($\alpha=0.61$). Subjective vitality was assessed using the Subjective vitality scale
184 (Ryan & Frederick, 1997) showing a good reliability ($\alpha=0.90$), perceived stress was assessed
185 using a French translation of the short form of perceived stress scale (PSS-4, Warrtig et al.,
186 2013), showing a good reliability ($\alpha=0.81$). Finally, perceived risks of getting Coronavirus
187 were assessed using perceived susceptibility and perceived severity scales. Perceived
188 susceptibility of getting Coronavirus disease was adapted from a scale related to the
189 susceptibility of getting Influenza infection (Nexøe et al., 1999). This scale did not show
190 good reliability ($\alpha=0.48$). Therefore, we decided not to include it in our analyses. Perceived
191 severity of Coronavirus disease was assessed and adapted from Perceived severity scale of
192 getting Influenza infection (Nexøe et al., 1999). Reliability was good for this scale ($\alpha=0.77$).

193 *Media exposure* was assessed to gather information about the extent to which the
194 search of information has or has not increased since the start of lockdown. Four items
195 measured four different sources of information (e.g., Television, Internet, Social networks

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196 and press). Reliability was acceptable for this scale ($\alpha=0.64$) (more details of the scales in
197 Supplementary materials).

198 *Sociodemographic information* included age, gender, number of children and
199 employment status (full-time work, partial-time work, partial unemployment, no job),
200 educational attainment, type of housing (housing with access to green areas or terrace and,
201 housing without access to green areas or terrace), habitat surface area, region's degree of
202 contamination (regions most affected by coronavirus were classified in Red, regions less
203 affected in Yellow and the regions the least affected in Green), access to sports equipment at
204 home (yes, no).

205 Analytical procedures

206 Moderate-to-vigorous physical activity did not have a normal distribution, squared
207 root transformation was applied to approximate a normal curve. Once MVPA was
208 transformed, skewness and kurtosis were examined to check for normality.

209 All hypotheses were tested using multiple linear regressions in R version 3.6.0. The
210 "Lm" function was used to test the first and second hypothesis, and "olsrr" package (Hebbali,
211 2020) was used to do stepwise regression analyses (Hypothesis 3). Dummy variables were
212 created for the categorical variables (gender, employment status, type of housing, and access
213 to sports equipment at home).

214 Hypothesis 1 was tested using hierarchical regression analyses. In the first step, all
215 the sociodemographic and environmental variables were included as predictors. In the second
216 step, individual variables (intention, self-efficacy, autonomous motivation, controlled
217 motivation, subjective vitality, perceived stress, perceived severity of COVID-19, and
218 physical activity before lockdown) were additionally included following the methodology
219 used by Sniehotta et al. (2013). Finally, both models were compared using chi-square
220 difference tests to decide which model better explained behaviour.

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221 Hypothesis 2 was investigated using mediation analysis following recommendations
222 of Yzerbyt et al. (2018), which showed that the joint-significance test has a better balance of
223 Type I error and statistical power, compared to other approaches such as the bias-corrected
224 bootstrap method. In a first step, we tested whether sociodemographic, environmental, and
225 psychological variables (except intention and self-efficacy that were tested as hypothesized
226 mediators) predicted physical activity. In a second step, we tested whether sociodemographic,
227 environmental, and psychological (except the hypothesized mediators) variables predicted
228 each of the hypothesized mediators (intention and self-efficacy). In a third step, we tested
229 whether each mediator predicted physical activity when controlling for sociodemographic,
230 environmental, and individual variables. According to the joint-significance method, an
231 indirect effect is claimed when regression coefficients in the second and third steps are
232 significant.

233 Hypothesis 3 was tested using stepwise forward regression analyses. In the first step,
234 we centred all predictors using subtract mean to avoid multicollinearity problems (e.g.,
235 Iacobucci et al., 2016; Shieh, 2011). In a second step, physical activity was regressed on all
236 sociodemographic, environmental, and individual variables. In a third step, interactions
237 between sociodemographic and environmental variables on the one hand, and intention and
238 self-efficacy on the other hand, were included. Finally, significant interactions were
239 decomposed into simple slopes analyses and Johnson-Newman plots. In order to simplify
240 these analysis, all the variables were scaled using the scale function in R (this function
241 subtracts the mean and divides each value by the standard deviation).

242 After testing each hypothesis, we followed recommendations to assess the
243 independence of residuals (using Durbing-Watson test), normal distribution of residuals
244 (using bar plot and q-q plot) and non-multicollinearity (using VIF function in “car” package,
245 Fox & Weisberg, 2019).

246 **Results**247 **Descriptive statistics**

248 The sample population reported performing an average of 368 minutes of moderate-
 249 to-vigorous physical activity (MVPA) per week (SD=251.12). The means, standard
 250 deviations and the description of our variables are presented in Table 1. Correlations between
 251 variables are displayed in Supplemental Materials.

252 *Did sociodemographic / environmental and psychological factors independently predict*
 253 *physical activity (Hypothesis 1)?*

254 Hierarchical multiple linear regression analyses were performed to test Hypothesis 1
 255 (see Table 2). The first model including all sociodemographic and environmental variables
 256 was significant ($F(12, 354) = 4.27, p < .001$), with an R^2 of .13. Gender ($\beta = .11^*, p = .040$),
 257 habitat surface area ($\beta = .13^*, p = .035$) and, not having access to sports equipment at home (β
 258 $= -.24^{***}, p < .001$) were significantly associated with physical activity.

259 The second model, which included psychological variables in addition to
 260 sociodemographic/environmental ones, was significant ($F(20,330) = 10.95, p < .001$) with an
 261 R^2 of .40. Physical activity before lockdown ($\beta = .32^{***}, p < .001$), intention ($\beta = .24^{***},$
 262 $p < .001$), habitat surface area ($\beta = .11^*, p = .037$) and, controlled motivation ($\beta = -.09^*, p = .048$),
 263 were significantly associated with physical activity during COVID-19 lockdown. Durbin-
 264 Watson test (Durbin & Watson, 1971), Durbin-Watson_{Model 1} = 1.84, Durbin-Watson_{Model 2} =
 265 1.97), quantile-quantile plot (available in Supplementary Material), as well as VIF tests
 266 (Mansfield & Helms, 1982) (average VIF_{Model 1} = 1.18, average VIF_{Model 2} = 1.24) suggested
 267 that residuals were normally distributed and not autocorrelated (i.e., Durbin-Watson values
 268 should be between 1.5 and 2.5; Field, 2013, VIF values should be not be bigger than 10,
 269 Field, 2013). Finally, the chi-squared tests showed that the second model (the extended one)
 270 better explained physical activity than the first model.

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271 *Did psychological factors (intention, and self-efficacy) mediate the association between*
 272 *sociodemographic / environmental factors and physical activity (Hypothesis 2)?*

273 The first multiple regression of the mediation analysis (see Table 3, Model 3) tested
 274 whether sociodemographic/environmental and psychological variables (excluding intention
 275 and self-efficacy) predicted physical activity. This regression was significant ($F(18,332) =$
 276 $9.19, p < .001$) with an R^2 of .33. Physical activity before lockdown ($\beta = .38^{***}, p < .001$),
 277 subjective vitality ($\beta = .15^{**}, p = .003$), autonomous motivation ($\beta = .13^*, p = .015$) and,
 278 controlled motivation ($\beta = -.10^*, p = .042$) were significant predictors. Durbin-Watson_{Model 3} =
 279 1.95 and average VIF_{Model 3} = 1.18.

280 Second, in Model 3.1 (Table 3), intention was regressed on the same predictors used
 281 in model 3. The regression was significant ($F(18,334) = 5.97, p < .001$) with an R^2 of .24.
 282 Autonomous motivation ($\beta = .33^{***}, p < .001$), physical activity before lockdown ($\beta = .17^{**},$
 283 $p = .004$), subjective vitality ($\beta = .14^*, p = .011$) and, perceived stress ($\beta = -.10^*, p = .041$) were
 284 significantly associated with intention to do physical activity. . Durbin-Watson_{Model 3.1} = 2.01
 285 and average VIF_{Model 3.1} = 1.18.

286 In Model 3.2 (Table 3), self-efficacy was regressed on the same predictors. This
 287 model was significant ($F(18,334) = 9.52, p < .001$) with an R^2 of .34. Subjective vitality (β
 288 $= .30^{***}, p < .001$), autonomous motivation ($\beta = .29^{***}, p < .001$) and, physical activity before
 289 lockdown ($\beta = .18^{**}, p = .001$) were significantly related to self-efficacy to do physical
 290 activity. . Durbin-Watson_{Model 3.2} = 2.06 and average VIF_{Model 3.2} = 1.19.

291 We decided to stop the mediation analyses at this stage because there was no
 292 sociodemographic or environmental factor that was significantly associated to both physical
 293 activity and one of the potential mediators (intention or self-efficacy).

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294 *Did psychological factors (intention and self-efficacy) interact with sociodemographic /*
 295 *environmental factors in the prediction of physical activity (Hypothesis 3)?*

296 Given the high number of predictors when adding interactive terms, a step-wise
 297 forward multiple regression analysis was performed to test Hypothesis 3. The final model is
 298 detailed in Table 4. This model was significant ($F(29, 321) = 8.64, p < .001$) with an R^2 of .44.
 299 Physical activity before the lockdown ($\beta = .28^{***}, p < .001$), intention ($\beta = .20^*, p = .022$), media
 300 exposure ($\beta = .10^*, p = .031$) and, controlled motivation ($\beta = -.11^*, p = .020$) were significantly
 301 related to physical activity.

302 Concerning the moderating role of self-efficacy and intention, the interaction between
 303 gender and intention ($\beta = .12^*, p = .041$) and, the interaction between people having a part-
 304 time job and intention ($\beta = -.10^*, p = .042$) were significantly related to physical activity.

305 Durbin-Watson test (Durbin & Watson, 1971, Durbin-Watson_{Model 4} = 2.00, quantile-
 306 quantile plot (displayed in Supplementary material), as well as VIF tests (average VIF_{Model 4}
 307 = 1.35) suggested that residuals were normally distributed and not autocorrelated.

308 To simplify simple slopes analyses interpretations, all independent variables were
 309 scaled before analyses. All the Johnson Neyman plots are displayed in Supplemental
 310 Materials. We then decomposed Gender \times Intention and Partial-time job \times Intention
 311 interactions using “Interactions” package (Long, 2019) (details of the interactions are
 312 displayed in Supplemental Table S2). The interaction between gender and intention, being a
 313 man significantly and positively predicted physical activity when the intention was outside
 314 the interval [-1.90, 1.04] (*Figure 1*). The interaction between partial-time job and intention,
 315 significantly and negatively predicted physical activity when the intention was outside the
 316 interval [-1.22, 1.16] (*Figure 2*).

317 **Discussion**

318 The current research aimed to better understand the psychological, sociodemographic,
319 and environmental factors of physical activity during COVID-19 lockdown, and to better
320 understand how these factors articulate with each other to predict physical activity
321 (independent relationships with physical activity, mediating, or moderating role of
322 psychological variables).

323 ***Main findings***

324 Results provide support mostly to the hypothesis that psychological,
325 sociodemographic and environmental factors independently predict physical activity (H1).
326 More particularly, we observed a significant role of one environmental variable (habitat
327 surface area) and three individual-level variables (usual physical activity, intention and
328 controlled motivation). In other words, people were less physically active when they were
329 little physically active before the COVID-19 lockdown, when they lived in a small housing,
330 when they had low intention to be physically active, and when they had a high controlled
331 motivation.

332 In contrast, our findings do not provide support to the hypothesis that sociocognitive
333 variables mediate the association between sociodemographic/environmental factors and
334 physical activity, which contradicts previous studies (Hagger & Hamilton, 2020; Sniehotta et
335 al., 2013)

336 Finally, intention moderated the association between some sociodemographic
337 variables (i.e., gender and partial-time job) and physical activity, providing some support to
338 H3. More particularly, intention significantly and positively predicted physical activity in
339 men, and negatively predicted physical activity in people having a part-time job.

340 ***Strengths and limits***

341 The main contribution of this study is to show the importance of adopting a multi-
342 factorial approach that investigates sociodemographic and environmental factors of physical
343 activity in addition to psychological ones. This approach reveals that although the lockdown
344 has caused sudden changes in people's work, family, and living environment, past physical
345 activity remained a major predictor of physical activity during this period. This suggests the
346 importance of habits in order to maintain regular physical activity in a suddenly-changing
347 environments. Whereas one could have expected external factors to be particularly important
348 in this situation, only one environmental factor (i.e., habitat surface area) significantly
349 predicted physical activity.

350 Measuring physical activity using self-reports was the main limit of this study, as past
351 research has shown an overestimation of the amount of physical activity when using self-
352 reported physical activity (Dyrstad et al., 2014). Finally, the cross-sectional nature of our
353 study does not allow us to establish causal links. Further longitudinal research during and
354 after the lockdown might allow having more insights about the barriers and levers to physical
355 activity, as well as the mediation and moderation effects of psychological variables.

356 ***Comparison with other studies***

357 To our knowledge, few studies (e.g., Cerin & Leslie, 2008; Hagger & Hamilton,
358 2020; Schüz et al., 2019; Sniehotta et al., 2013) have included multiple-level factors (e.g.,
359 sociodemographic, environmental and psychological) while studying physical activity and
360 other health-related behaviors.

361 The effects of intention toward physical activity on physical activity was in line with
362 past research (Hagger et al., 2002) In contrast, the lack of significant association between
363 autonomous motivation and physical activity (Teixeira et al., 2012) as well as the association
364 between self-efficacy and physical activity (Hagger et al., 2002) were less expected.

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365 Furthermore, the role of habitat surface area is less studied in the physical activity
366 literature. Some research in leisure-time sitting (Saidj et al., 2015) showed that people living
367 in smaller surfaces tended to spend more hours in a leisure-time sitting. Moreover, habitat
368 surface and characteristics of housing might be an indirect measure of socio-economic status
369 (Juhn et al., 2011). If we link smaller surfaces with lower socio-economic status, and bigger
370 surfaces with higher socio-economic status, this could explain our results, as socio-economic
371 status is related with physical activity (e.g., Beenackers et al., 2012; Cerin & Leslie, 2008;
372 Ford et al., 1991; Gidlow et al., 2006).

373 Contrary to past research (Cerin & Leslie, 2008; Hagger & Hamilton, 2020; Sniehotta
374 et al., 2013) sociodemographic and environmental effects were not mediated by
375 psychological factors (intention and self-efficacy). Covid-19 has provoked negative impacts
376 on health, employment and economy in most of countries. Nevertheless, recent studies reveal
377 negative impacts are greater for those with lower socio socioeconomic status (Chung et al.,
378 2020), suggesting that social, health and economic inequalities are exacerbated due to the
379 epidemic (Dorn et al., 2020) . It seems plausible that extraordinary challenges of the covid-19
380 has revealed a direct association between sociodemographic/environmental and physical
381 activity rather than an association mediated by psychological factors.

382 Finally, previous studies have shown that intention and self-efficacy moderate
383 physical activity behaviors, therefore (Hagger & Hamilton, 2020; Schüz et al., 2019;
384 Sniehotta et al., 2013), intention toward physical activity might moderate the effects of
385 sociodemographic and environmental variables on physical activity. For instance, gender and
386 intention toward physical activity has been shown to effect physical activity behaviors in
387 previous work (for a review , see Rhodes & Dickau, 2013).

388 Practical implications

389 In terms of practical implications, the understanding of how sociodemographic,
390 environmental and psychological factors affect physical activity patterns and levels could be
391 used to benefit physical activity promotion programs. This knowledge could be integrated to
392 specific physical activity programs targeting people living in small areas, for example.
393 Moreover, these findings provide evidence for the importance of policies multi-level barriers
394 and levers to physical activity.

395 Conflict of interest

396 The authors do not have any conflict of interest to declare.

397 Data availability statement

398 The R code and the dataset for this research can be found in an open platform
399 OFSHOME https://osf.io/dva9c/?view_only=10ed1075ffd940708119cd16329a4e1a.

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578 Tables

579 Table 1

580 Means, standard deviations and description of variables

Variable	Mean (95% CI)	SD	Range/unity of measure
Dependent variable			
PA during COVID-19 lockdown	368 [342.74, 393.34]	251.12	Minutes per week
Sociodemographic and environmental Variables			
Gender	65.54% women, 34.46% men		
Age	33.09 [31.76, 34.41]	13.18	
Region classified by colour (green zones are the least affected by COVID-19, red zones are the most affected zones)	63% people living in yellow zones, 19.2% people living in green zones, 17.9% people in red zones		
Educational attainment	6.04 [5.92, 6.16]	1.20	0-7
Employment status	45.08% full-time job, 32.9% no work, 12.7% part-time job, 9.3% partial unemployment		
Type of housing	68.65% access to green spaces/balcony, 31.35 % without access to green spaces/balcony		
Habitat surface area	99.41 [94.37, 104.45]	49.88	Square meters
Number of Children	0.55 [0.46, 0.64]	0.91	
Media exposure	5.52 [5.35, 5.68]	1.65	1-10
Access to sports equipment at home	69.69% access to sports equipment, 32.9% without access to sports equipment		
Psychological and Individual Variables			
Intention	5.60 [5.43, 5.77]	1.67	1-7
Self-efficacy	5.27 [5.1, 5.45]	1.76	1-7
Autonomous motivation	5.62 [5.5, 5.74]	1.20	1-7
Controlled motivation	1.84 [1.76, 1.93]	0.87	1-7
Subjective vitality	4.31 [4.18, 4.44]	1.30	1-7
Perceived stress	3.60 [3.55, 3.66]	0.55	1-7
Perceived severity of getting COVID	2.9 [2.74, 3.04]	1.48	1-7
PA before COVID-19 lockdown	3.03 [2.94, 3,12]	0.90	1-4

581 Note: N= 387. PA= Physical activity, CI= Confidence interval, SD= Standard deviation.

582 Values between brackets represent confidence intervals.

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583 Table 2

584 *Hierarchical regression models testing the independent contribution of sociodemographic,*
 585 *environmental and individual variables to physical activity during COVID-19 lockdown*
 586 *(Hypothesis 1)*

	Step 1				Step 2			
	b	<i>SE b</i>	<i>B</i>	<i>p</i>	b	<i>SE b</i>	<i>B</i>	<i>p</i>
Constant	15.84*** [10.13, 21.54]	2.90		<.001	-5.67 [-13,27, 1,93]	3.86		0.14
Gender	1.57* [0.08, 3.06]	0.76	.11*	0.040	0.27 [-1.05, 1.59]	0.67	.02	.688
Age	-0.01 [-0.07, 0.04]	0.03	-.02	.669	-0.001 [-0.05, 0.05]	0.03	-.002	.967
Region degree of contamination	0.49 [-0.65, 1.63]	0.58	.04	.397	0.46 [-0.50, 1.41]	0.49	.04	.348
Educational attainment	0.03 [-0.67, 0.72]	0.35	0.01	.938	0.27 [-0.32, 0.86]	0.30	.05	.361
Part-time job	-0.48 [-2.80, 1.84]	1.18	-.02	.686	-0.10 [-2.09, 1.88]	1.01	-.01	.919
Partial unemployment	0.51 [-1.99, 3.02]	1.27	.02	.686	0.15 [-2.02, 2.32]	1.10	.01	.891
No job	1.33 [-0.57, 3.23]	0.97	.09	.170	1.33 [-0.28, 2.94]	0.82	.09	.105
Housing without access to green areas/terrace	-0.15 [-1.87, 1.57]	0.87	-.01	.864	1.14 [-0.34, 2.62]	0.75	.08	.130
Habitat surface area	0.02* [0.001., 0.04]	0.01	.13*	.035	0.02* [0.001, 0.03]	0.01	.11*	.037
Number of children	-0.59 [-1.40, -0.23]	0.41	-.08	.157	-0.33 [-1.03, 0.37]	0.36	-.04	.358
No access to sports equipment	-3.68*** [-5.2, -2.15]	0.78	-.24***	<.001	-0.90 [-2.30, 0.49]	0.71	-.06	.203

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Media exposure	0.02 [-0.40, 0.44]	0.21	0.01	.917	0.31^t [-0.05, 0.67]	0.18	.07^t	.092
Intention					0.99^{***} [0.47, 1.51]	0.26	.24^{***}	<.001
Self-efficacy					0.36 [-0.16, 0.86]	0.27	.09	.174
Autonomous motivation					0.17 [-0.45, 0.79]	0.31	.03	.595
Controlled motivation					-0.72[*] [-1.44, -0.01]	0.36	-.09[*]	.048
Subjective vitality					0.50^t [-0.04, 1.04]	0.27	.09^t	.068
Perceived stress					0.35 [-0.79, 1.48]	0.58	.03	.545
Perceived severity					-0.22 [-0.63, 0.20]	0.21	-.05	.299
PA before lockdown					2.49^{***} [1.66, 3.33]	0.43	.32^{***}	<.001
R²	0.13				0.40			
Adjusted R²	0.10				0.36			

587 *Note:* $N_{\text{Model 1}} = 367$, $N_{\text{Model 2}} = 351$. Dependent variable is minutes of moderate-to-vigorous
588 physical activity per week transformed in squared root. Women were used as reference
589 dummy group; results in this table are displayed for men. b = raw coefficient, $SE b$ = Standard
590 error of betas, β = Standardized betas, ^t represents $p < .10$, * $p < .05$, ** $p < .01$, *** $p < .001$.
591 Values between brackets represent confidence intervals.

592 Table 3

593 *Hierarchical regression models testing the mediating role of intention and self-efficacy, in the association between sociodemographic /*
 594 *environmental variables and physical activity during COVID-19 lockdown (Hypothesis 2).*
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	Model 3				Model 3.1				Model 3.2			
	b	SE b	B	p	b	SE b	B	p	b	SE b	B	p
Constant	-2.34	4.01		.560	2.76**	1.01		.007*	1.44	1.00		.151
	[-10.23, 5.55]				[0.78, 4.74]				[-0.53, 3.42]			
Gender	0.15	0.71	.01	.827	-0.10	0.18	-.03	.573	-0.03	0.18	-.01	.887
	[-1.23, 1.54]				[-0.45, 0.25]				[-0.37, 0.32]			
Age	-0.01	0.03	-.02	.683	-0.01	0.01	-.07	.188	-0.00	0.01	-.03	.583
	[-0.07, 0.04]				[-0.02, 0.01]				[-0.02, 0.01]			
Region degree of contamination	0.53	0.51	.05	.300	0.05	0.13	.02	.712	0.07	0.13	.03	.565
	[-0.48, 1.54]				[-0.21, 0.30]				[-0.18, 0.33]			
Educational attainment	0.30	0.31	.05	.343	0.04	0.08	.03	.658	-0.04	0.08	-.03	.619
	[-0.32, 0.92]				[-0.12, 0.19]				[-0.19, 0.12]			
Part-time job	0.11	1.06	-.01	.919	0.21	0.27	.04	.435	0.10	0.26	.02	.702
	[-1.98, 2.19]				[-0.31, 0.73]				[-0.28, 0.86]			
Partial unemployment	0.14	1.15	.01	.904	-0.12	0.29	-.02	.676	0.29	0.289	.05	.319
	[-2.13, 2.41]				[-0.69, 0.45]				[-0.28, 0.57]			
No job	1.26	0.86	.09	.142	-0.13	0.22	-.04	.539	0.15	0.22	.04	.499
	[-0.43, 2.95]				[-0.56, 0.29]				[-0.28, 0.57]			
Housing without access to green areas/terrace	1.14	0.79	.08	.148	0.03	0.20	.01	.863	-0.07	0.20	-.02	.717
	[-0.41, 2.69]				[-0.36, 0.43]				[-0.46, 0.32]			

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Habitat surface area	0.01^t [-0.002, 0.03]	0.01	.10^t	.090	-0.002 [-0.01, 0.002]	0.002	-.06	.291	0.00 [-0.00, 0.00]	0.00	-.01	.934
Number of children	-0.46 [-1.19, 0.28]	0.37	-.06	.220	-0.10 [-0.28, 0.09]	0.09	-.05	.309	-0.12 [-0.30, 0.07]	0.09	-.06	.209
No access to sports equipment	-0.99 [-2.45, 0.48]	0.74	-.07	.186	-0.07 [-0.44, 0.30]	0.19	-.02	.709	-0.04 [-0.41, 0.32]	0.19	-.01	.814
Media exposure	0.29 [-0.09, 0.67]	0.19	.07	.134	-0.02 [-0.11, 0.08]	0.05	-.02	.732	0.01 [-0.09, 0.10]	0.05	.01	.913
Autonomous motivation	0.76[*] [0.15, 1.38]	0.31	.13[*]	.015	0.45^{***} [0.29, 0.60]	0.08	.33^{***}	<.001	0.41^{***} [0.26, 0.57]	0.08	.29^{***}	<.001
Controlled motivation	-0.77[*] [-1.52, -0.03]	0.38	-.10[*]	.042	0.01 [-0.18, 0.20]	0.10	.01	.901	-0.16^t [-0.35, 0.03]	0.10	-.08^t	.095
Subjective vitality	0.82^{**} [0.28, 1.36]	0.27	.15^{**}	.003	0.18[*] [0.04, 0.31]	0.07	.14[*]	.011	0.41^{***} [0.27, 0.54]	0.07	.30^{***}	<.001
Perceived stress	-0.07 [-1.25, 1.11]	0.60	-.01	.912	-0.31[*] [-0.61, -0.01]	0.15	-.10[*]	.041	-0.27^t [-0.56, 0.03]	0.15	-.08^t	.078
Perceived severity	-0.14 [-0.57, 0.29]	0.22	-.03	.527	0.06 [-0.05, 0.17]	0.06	.05	.296	0.06 [-0.05, 0.17]	0.06	.05	.292
PA before lockdown	2.94^{***} [2.07, 3.80]	0.44	.38^{***}	<.001	0.32^{**} [0.10, 0.54]	0.11	.17^{**}	.004	0.36^{**} [0.15, 0.58]	0.11	.18^{**}	.001
R²	0.33				0.24				0.34			
Adjusted R²	0.30				0.20				0.30			

596 *Note:* $N_{\text{Model 3}} = 351$, $N_{\text{Model 3.1}} = 353$, $N_{\text{Model 3.2}} = 353$. In Model 3, dependent variable is minutes of moderate-to-vigorous physical activity per week
597 transformed in squared root. In Model 3.1, dependent variable is Intention, and in Model 3.2, dependent variable is Self-efficacy. Women were
598 used as reference dummy group; results in this table are displayed for men. b = raw coefficient, $SE B$ = Standard error of betas, β = Standardized
599 betas, ^t represents $p < .10$, * $p < .05$, ** $p < .01$, *** $p < .001$. Values between brackets represent confidence intervals.

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600 Table 4

601 *Stepwise regression model testing moderation effects between intention, self-efficacy, and*
 602 *sociodemographic / environmental variables (Hypothesis 3).*

	Model 4 Interaction Effects			
	b	SE b	β	p
Constant	17.46*** [16.21, 18.70]	0.63		<.001
PA before lockdown	2.20*** [1.36, 3.04]	0.43	.28***	<.001
Self-efficacy	0.14 [-0.48, 0.76]	0.31	.04	.652
Habit surface area	0.02^t [0.00, 0.03]	0.01	.10^t	.053
Controlled motivation	-0.85* [-1.52, -0.11]	0.36	-.11*	.020
Subjective vitality	0.47^t [-0.07, 1.01]	0.27	.09^t	.085
Part-time job	-0.19 [-1.79, 2.16]	1.00	-.01	.852
Partial unemployment	0.28 [-2.92, 2.63]	1.09	.01	.794
No job	1.26 [-0.34, 2.85]	0.81	.09	.122
Media exposure	0.40* [0.04, 0.76]	0.18	.10*	.031
Gender	0.23 [-1.07, 1.54]	0.66	.02	.725
Region degree of contamination	0.28 [-0.67, 1.24]	0.48	.03	.561
Number of children	-0.44 [-1.13, 0.26]	0.35	-.06	.215
Perceived severity	-0.36^t [-0.78, 0.06]	0.21	-.08^t	.096
No access to sports equipment	-0.97 [-2.36, 0.42]	0.71	-.06	.172
Age	0.01 [-0.04, 0.06]	0.03	.02	.762
Housing without access to green areas/terrace	0.97 [-0.50, 2.44]	0.75	.07	.194
Educational attainment	0.34	0.30	.06	.257

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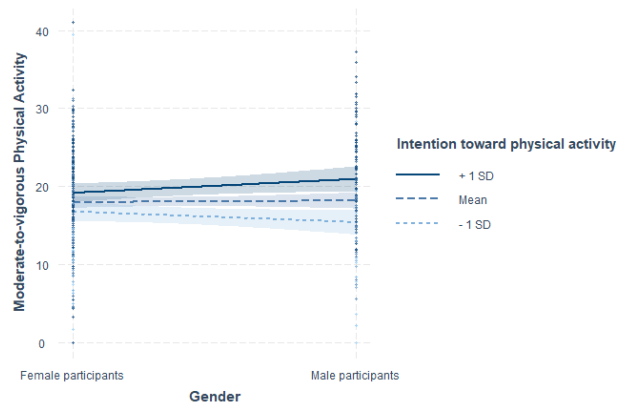
	[-0.25, 0.94]			
Perceived stress	0.46	0.58	.04	.422
	[-0.67, 1.59]			
Autonomous motivation	0.25	0.31	.04	.421
	[-0.36, 0.87]			
Intention	0.85*	0.37	.20*	.022
	[0.12, 1.58]			
Gender x Intention	0.80*	0.39	.12*	.041
	[0.03, 1.57]			
Age x Intention	-0.02	0.01	-.07	.128
	[-0.05, 0.01]			
Housing without access to green areas/terrace x Self-efficacy	0.70^t	0.38	.10^t	.067
	[-0.05, 1.45]			
Number of children x Self-efficacy	0.36^t	0.19	.09^t	.066
	[-0.02, 0.74]			
Region degree of contamination x Intention	0.52^t	0.30	.08^t	.080
	[-0.06, 1.10]			
Educational attainment x Self-efficacy	-0.25	0.15	-.08	.010
	[-0.55, 0.04]			
Part-time job x Intention	-1.34*	0.66	-.10*	.042
	[-2.63, -0.05]			
Partial unemployment x Intention	-0.51	0.64	-.04	.425
	[-1.78, 0.75]			
No job x Intention	0.14	0.43	0.02	.744
	[-0.70, 0.99]			
R²	0.44			
Adjusted R²	0.39			

603 *Note:* N= 352. In Model 4, dependent variable is minutes of moderate-to-vigorous physical
604 activity per week transformed in squared root; all predictors were mean centered. *b* = raw
605 coefficient, *SE B*= Standard error of betas, β = Standardized betas, ^t represents p <.10, * p
606 < .05, ** p < .01, *** p <.001. Values between brackets represent confidence intervals.

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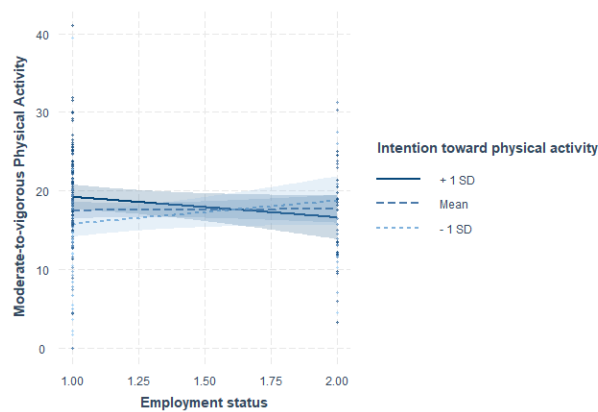
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Figures



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609 *Figure 1.* Intention x Gender on moderate-to-vigorous physical activity. Simple slopes for
 610 levels of moderator (intention) are displayed for 1 SD, 1 SD below, above the mean, and for
 611 the mean. The shaded areas reflect 95% confidence intervals and the grey circles show our
 612 observed data.



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614 *Figure 2.* Intention x Partial-Time job on moderate-to-vigorous physical activity. Simple
 615 slopes for levels of moderator (intention) are displayed for 1 SD, 1 SD below, above the
 616 mean, and for the mean. 1 = Full-time job, 2 = Part-time job. The shaded areas reflect 95%
 617 confidence intervals and the grey circles show our observed data.

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9. NuCh	-.06	.01	.17**	-.03	-.06	-.04	-.17**	.25**									
	[-.16, .04]	[-.09, .11]	[.07, .27]	[-.13, .07]	[-.16, .04]	[-.14, .06]	[-.27, -.07]	[.15, .34]									
10. SpEq	-.27**	-.02	.07	.05	.01	.13**	.14**	.17**	.03								
	[-.36, -.18]	[-.12, .08]	[-.03, .17]	[-.05, .15]	[-.09, .11]	[-.23, -.03]	[.04, .23]	[-.27, -.07]	[-.08, .13]								
11. Media	-.02	-.00	-.04	.06	.08	-.04	.03	.02	.00	.07							
	[-.12, .08]	[-.10, .10]	[-.14, .06]	[-.04, .16]	[-.02, .18]	[-.14, .06]	[-.07, .13]	[-.08, .12]	[-.10, .10]	[-.03, .17]							
12. Int	.44**	.01	-.09	-.02	-.03	.03	-.05	.03	-.10	-.20**	-.02						
	[.36, .52]	[-.09, .11]	[-.19, .01]	[-.12, .08]	[-.13, .07]	[-.07, .13]	[-.15, .05]	[-.07, .13]	[-.20, .00]	[-.29, -.10]	[-.12, .08]						
13. SEf	.47**	.07	-.04	-.06	-.12*	.14**	-.13*	.12*	-.06	-.26**	-.06	.71**					
	[.39, .55]	[-.03, .17]	[-.14, .06]	[-.16, .04]	[-.22, -.02]	[.04, .24]	[-.23, -.03]	[.02, .22]	[-.16, .04]	[-.35, -.16]	[-.16, .04]	[.65, .75]					
14. AMot	.37**	.00	-.03	-.09	-.07	.06	-.11*	.11*	-.01	-.26**	-.06	.41**	.44**				
	[.28, .45]	[-.10, .10]	[-.13, .07]	[-.19, .01]	[-.16, .04]	[-.04, .16]	[-.21, -.01]	[.01, .21]	[-.11, .09]	[-.35, -.16]	[-.16, .04]	[.32, .49]	[.36, .52]				
15. CMot	-.03	-.02	-.28**	.05	-.02	.11*	.01	.01	-.14**	.04	.10*	.04	-.04	.01			
	[-.14, .07]	[-.12, .08]	[-.37, -.18]	[-.05, .15]	[-.12, .08]	[.00, .20]	[-.09, .11]	[-.09, .12]	[-.24, -.04]	[-.06, .14]	[.00, .20]	[-.06, .14]	[-.14, .06]	[-.10, .11]			
16. SubVi	.28**	.12*	.11*	-.12*	-.04	.03	-.12*	.20**	-.05	-.27**	-.11*	.21**	.39**	.25**	-.03		
	[.19, .37]	[.02, .22]	[.01, .21]	[-.22, -.02]	[-.14, .06]	[-.07, .13]	[-.21, -.02]	[.10, .29]	[-.15, .05]	[-.36, -.18]	[-.21, -.01]	[.11, .30]	[.31, .48]	[.15, .34]	[-.13, .07]		
17. Stre	-.02	.10*	.06	.01	-.01	-.04	.04	-.05	.00	.06	-.04	-.05	-.03	.08	.07	.09	
	[-.12, .08]	[.00, .20]	[-.04, .16]	[-.09, .15]	[-.11, .08]	[-.14, .10]	[-.06, .14]	[-.15, .05]	[-.10, .00]	[-.04, .16]	[-.14, .04]	[-.15, .05]	[-.13, .05]	[-.02, .15]	[-.02, .15]	[-.02, .15]	

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	.08]	.20]	.16]	.11]	.09]	.06]	.14]	.05]	.11]	.16]	.06]	.05]	.07]	.18]	.03, .17]	.01, .19]		
18. PSe	-.10*	-.04	.17**	-.04	-.05	.04	.04	-.01	.01	-.02	.05	-.02	-.03	-.14**	-.09	-.06	.08	
	[-.20, -.00]	[-.14, .06]	[.07, .26]	[-.13, .06]	[-.15, .05]	[-.06, .14]	[-.06, .14]	[-.11, .09]	[-.09, .11]	[-.12, .08]	[-.05, .15]	[-.12, .08]	[-.13, .07]	[-.24, -.04]	[-.19, .01]	[-.16, .04]	[-.02, .18]	
19. PABe	.50**	.16**	-.16**	-.00	-.17**	.17**	-.19**	.16**	-.02	-.31**	-.07	.36**	.42**	.50**	.07	.22**	-.01	-.06
	[.42, .57]	[.07, .26]	[-.25, -.06]	[-.10, .10]	[-.27, -.08]	[.07, .26]	[-.29, -.10]	[.06, .25]	[-.12, .08]	[-.40, -.22]	[-.17, .03]	[.27, .44]	[.33, .50]	[.42, .57]	[-.03, .17]	[.12, .31]	[-.11, .09]	[-.16, .04]

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Note. Values in square brackets indicate the 95% confidence interval for each correlation. MVPA = Moderate-to-vigorous physical activity during COVID-19 lockdown, Gender= Gend (1=female, 2=male), , Reg = Region classified in colors (1=Green, least affected zones, 2=Yellow, moderately affected zones, 3=Red, strongly affected zones), Work = employment status (1= full-time job, 2= part-time job, 3 = partial unemployment, 4 =No job), HoType=Housing type (1=Housing with access to green areas/terrace, 2=Housing without access, 3=Housing without classification), Habsurf=Habitat surface area, NuCh=Number of children, SpEq = Access to sports equipment (1=No, 2=Yes), Int=Intention, Sef= Self-efficacy, Amot= Autonomous motivation, Cmot=Controlled motivation, SubVi = Subjective vitality, Stre=Perceived stress, Pse=Perceived severity, PABe=Physical activity before lockdown, Media = Media exposure. * indicates $p < .05$. ** indicates $p < .01$.

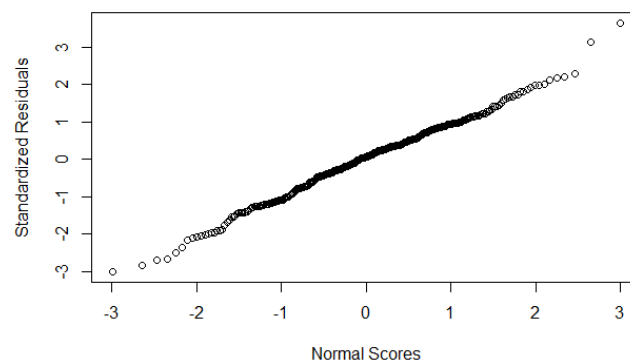
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629 Supplementary Table S2

630 *Summary of Interaction effect between Intention and Gender and, Intention and Part-time job*

Variable	Intention		
	Focal predictor	Intention	Interaction
Gender	.02	.20**	.12*
No job	.08	.20**	.01
Partial unemployment	.01	.20**	-.04
Part-time job	.01	.20**	-.10*

631 *Note:* $N = 352$. Dependent variable is minutes of moderate-to-vigorous physical activity per
 632 week transformed in squared root; all predictors were scaled. Focal predictor refers to the
 633 effects (standardized beta) of the variable mentioned in the left column on physical activity,
 634 ** represents $p < .01$, *** $p < .001$.



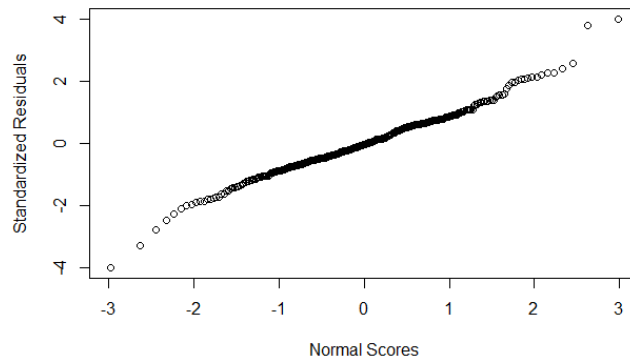
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636 *Supplement Figure 1.* Quantile-Quantile plot of standardized residuals of Regression model

637 1. In the x label, Normal score, in the y label standardized residuals. Each circle represent a

638 residual observation.

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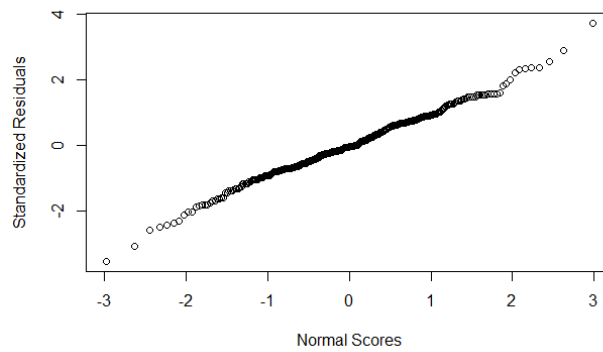


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640 *Supplement Figure 2.* Quantile-Quantile plot of standardized residuals Regression model 2.

641 In the x label, Normal score, in the y label standardized residuals. Each circle represent a

642 residual observation.



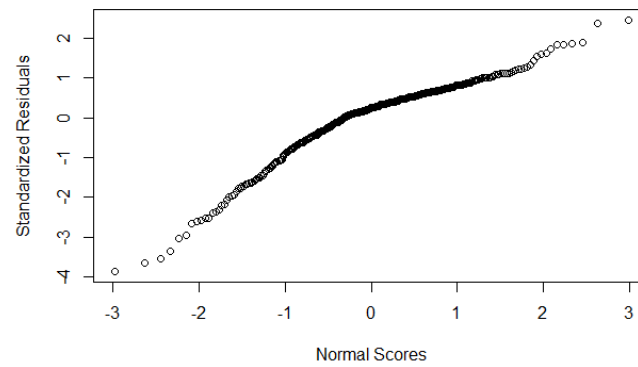
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644 *Supplement Figure 3.* Quantile-Quantile plot of standardized residuals Regression model 3.

645 In the x label, Normal score, in the y label standardized residuals. Each circle represent a

646 residual observation.

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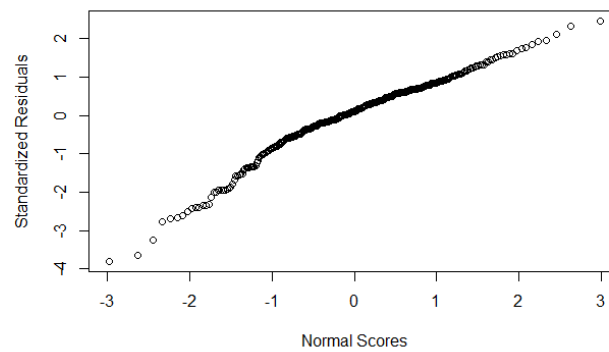


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648 *Supplement Figure 4.* Quantile-Quantile plot of standardized residuals Regression model 3.1.

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650 residual observation.



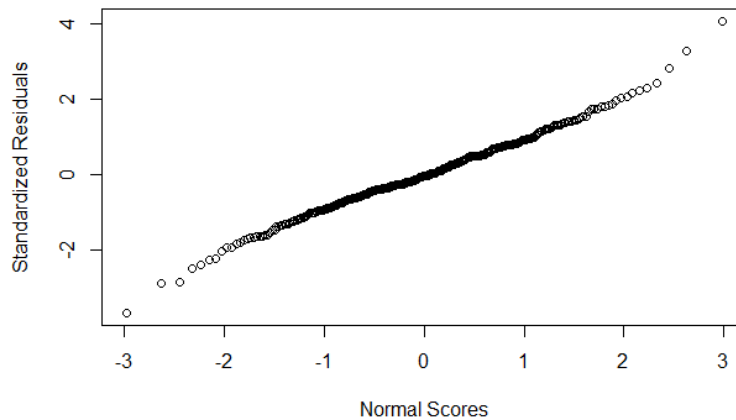
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652 *Supplement Figure 5.* Quantile-Quantile plot of standardized residuals Regression model 3.2.

653 In the x label, Normal score, in the y label standardized residuals. Each circle represent a

654 residual observation.

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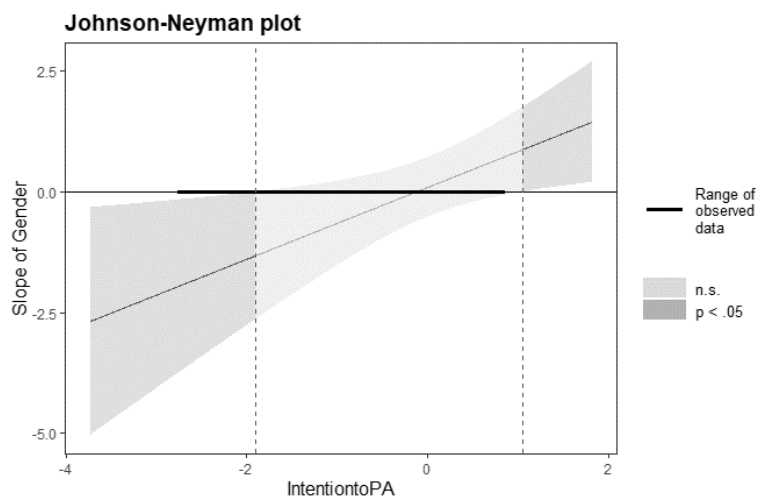


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656 *Supplement Figure 6.* Quantile-Quantile plot of standardized residuals Regression model 4.

657 In the x label, Normal score, in the y label standardized residuals. Each circle represent a
 658 residual observation.

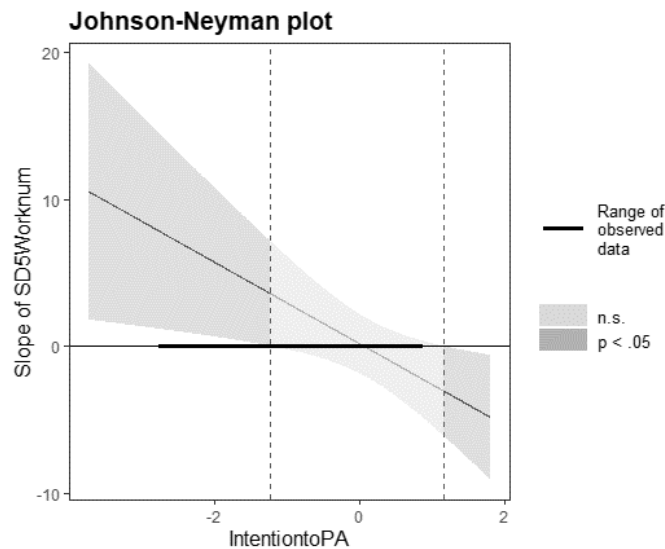
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661 *Supplement Figure 7.* Johnson-Neyman plot of the Interaction Gender X Intention. In the x
 662 label, Intention standard deviations (SD). In the y level, slope of Gender. Significant ($p < .05$)
 663 and non-significant slopes are displayed using grey (non-significant values) and darker grey
 664 for significant slopes.

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666 *Supplement Figure 7.* Johnson-Neyman plot of the Interaction Partial-time job X Intention. In

667 the x label, Intention standard deviations (SD). In the y level, slope of Partial-time job.

668 Significant ($p < .05$) and non-significant slopes are displayed using grey (non-significant

669 values) and darker grey for significant slopes.

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672 Supplemental Material Files: Full scales of physical activity, psychological factors and media
673 exposure674 *Physical Activity during lockdown*

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- **Over the past 7 days, indicate the time spent in minutes for each listed type of physical activity...**
- Walking outside
- Running outside
- Climbing the stairs of the building/house
- Doing muscle strengthening exercises (abs, push-ups, squats) or balance / stretching exercises (tai chi, yoga)
- Cycling, rowing or doing cardio activities at home
- Other physical activities (define which)

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677 *Usual physical activity before the lockdown*

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- **In general, what did your "profile" look like in terms of physical activity over the past year? If your activity varied greatly from week to week, try to estimate an average**

1	2	3	4
Sedentary. Being almost completely inactive: reading, TV watching, movies, using computers or doing other sedentary activities during leisure time.	Some physical activity during at least 4 h/week as riding a bicycle or walking to work, walking or skiing with the family, gardening, fishing, table tennis, bowling, etc.	Regular physical activity and training (moderate PA) such as heavy gardening, running, swimming, calisthenics, tennis, badminton and similar activities for at least 2–3 h/week.	Regular hard physical training for competition sports (vigorous PA): running events, orienteering, skiing, swimming, soccer, racing, European handball, etc. Several times per week.

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680 Intention

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- **Since lockdown, to what extent do you intend to do 30 minutes of moderate to vigorous physical activity at least 5 days a week, as recommended by health authorities?**

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
No intention at all						Totally the intention

682 Self-efficacy

- **Since lockdown, how confident are you in your ability to do 30 minutes of moderate to vigorous physical activity at least 5 days a week as recommended by health authorities?**

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
No confident at all						Totally confident

683 Autonomous Motivation

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- *We would like to know your motivations when you do physical activities, in other words, why you do physical activity or exercise. Indicate the extent to which each of the following statements currently corresponds to one of your reasons for being physically active.*

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
(Does not match at all						Matches very strongly

- *Because personally, I consider it as a factor of well-being.*

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- For the pleasant feelings that PA provides me.

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- Because I believe that PA is a good thing for my personal growth.

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Matches
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685 Controlled motivation

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- *We would like to know your motivations when you do physical activities, in other words, why you do physical activity or exercise. Indicate the extent to which each of the following statements currently corresponds to one of your reasons for being physically active.*

- *Because I would feel ashamed if I wasn't physically active.*

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- *Because some people around pressure me to do it*

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- In order not to hear the criticisms of certain people.

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- Because I would feel bad if I did not make this effort. (REMOVED)

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688 Subjective vitality

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- *In the last seven days...*

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- *I felt alive and vital*

	2	3	4	5	6	7
1 Completely disagree)						7 Completely agree

- *I have energy and spirit*

	2	3	4	5	6	7
1 Completely disagree)						7 Completely agree

- *I look forward to each new day*

	2	3	4	5	6	7
1 Completely disagree)						7 Completely agree

- *I nearly always feel alert and awake*

	2	3	4	5	6	7
1 Completely disagree)						7 Completely agree

- *I feel energized*

	2	3	4	5	6	7
1 Completely disagree)						7 Completely agree

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691 Perceived stress

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- ***In the last week...***

- *How often have you felt you were unable to control the important things in your life?*

	2	3	4	5	6	7
1 Never						7 Always

- *How often have you felt confident about your ability to handle your*

	2	3	4	5	6	7
1 Never						7 Always

- *How often have you felt difficulties were piling up so high that you could not overcome them?*

	2	3	4	5	6	7
1 Never						7 Always

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- How often have you felt that things were going your way?

	2	3	4	5	6		
1						7	Always
Never							

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694 Perceived risks695 Perceived susceptibility

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- I have an increased risk of falling ill with coronavirus disease

	2	3	4	5	6		
1						7	Completely agree
Completely disagree)							

- I am concerned about the risk of falling ill with coronavirus disease

	2	3	4	5	6		
1						7	Completely agree
Completely disagree)							

- I get sick more easily than other people my age

	2	3	4	5	6		
1						7	Completely agree
Completely disagree)							

697 Perceived severity

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- I have an increased risk of falling ill with coronavirus disease

	2	3	4	5	6		
1						7	Completely agree
Completely disagree)							

- I am afraid the coronavirus disease will make me very sick

	2	3	4	5	6		
1						7	Completely agree
Completely disagree)							

- I cannot stand the coronavirus disease because of my general health

	2	3	4	5	6		
1						7	Completely agree
Completely disagree)							

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700 Media Exposure

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- ***The following question is intended to help you understand your key sources of information since the beginning of the pandemic. For each source of information below, indicate whether your consultations are decreasing or increasing, on a scale from 1 to 10.***

- *Television*

	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1				Constancy					Increase of information
Decrease of informations									

- *Internet*

	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1				Constancy					Increase of information
Decrease of informations									

- *Social media*

	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1				Constancy					Increase of information
Decrease of informations									

- *Press*

	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1				Constancy					Increase of information
Decrease of informations									

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