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ABSTRACT

The purpose of the present research is to compare the level of self esteem experienced by females who give high importance to their dressing style and females who do not. It is hypothesized that there would be a significant difference in the level of self esteem experienced by women who give high, average and low importance to their dressing style. In order to measure the level of self esteem the Rosenberg Self Esteem Scale, in order to measure the importance of dressing style the Dressing Style Questionnaire, and in order to measure the different aspects that make up one's dressing style, the Dressing Components Questionnaire was administered on a sample of 100 females. The Dressing Style and Dressing Components questionnaires were developed by the authors of the research. All these females belonged to the middle socio-economic status. The age range of the subjects was between 15 to 25 years. For statistical analysis of the data the ANOVA was used. The findings indicate that there is a significant correlation (P = 0.034) between dressing style and self esteem and people who give high importance to their dressing style tend to have high self esteem.

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