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Methods

All materials and methods followed our pre-registered plan (osf.io/jfvh4). Significant deviations from the original plan are highlighted in each corresponding section, alongside the justification from the same.

Intertemporal decision measures involved mostly binary option sets between an immediate or closer-to-present option and a later or delayed option. Choice sets relied on base values using approximately 10% or 100% of the average (typically median) monthly household income for each country, using the local currency or whatever currency (often US\$) is the standard in local social research and surveying. Language and general values were used based on recent studies that had a similar many-country approach and yielded reliable findings¹. Those studies also influenced our decision to use values large enough that variability in the difference from 10% or 100% (or the alternate value) would be random between countries, constant within, and likely inconsequential to participants. They also convinced us to avoid values that appear to have some sort of implicit indications of ‘good’ or ‘bad’, hence keeping values typically in multiples of 10s, 100s, or 1000s, and timelines always built off of years rather than shifting between days, weeks, months, years, and beyond.

Definition of variables

Individual-level variables.

Age: Variable ranging from 18 to 100.

Education Completed. Variable presenting the highest level of education attained. This variable presented five groups: "Primary education or less", "Secondary education", "Technical or Vocational education"; "Bachelor studies or equivalent"; "Higher or Graduated degree".

Employment. Variable representing current employment status. Presented the following levels: "Employed full-time" (which included military service), "Employed part-time"; "Self-employed", "Not in paid employment but looking"; "Not in paid employment for personal reasons", "Full-time student" and "Retired".

Gender. Variable presenting three levels: "Male", "Female", and "Other". Other represented all individuals not categorizing themselves into strict male to female categories.

Individual income. Variable representing self-reported annual income from all sources before taxes.

Individual debt. Variable representing self-reported total debt balance as of June 30th, 2021 (including credit cards, student loans, and other credit not including housing or monthly bills, except if overdue).

Individual assets. Variable representing self-reported total assets including savings, retirement plans, investments accounts, and home equity as of June 30th, 2021.

Country-level variables

Gross domestic product (in current US\$). Data obtained from World Bank database (<https://data.worldbank.org/indicator/NY.GDP.MKTP.CD>)

GINI index. World Bank estimate. We used the latest data available retrieved from <https://data.worldbank.org/indicator/SI.POV.GINI>

Inflation: We used inflation as relative in consumer prices index (change in annual percentage) from the World Bank database (retrieved from <https://data.worldbank.org/indicator/FP.CPI.TOTL.ZG>). If available, we employed the latest estimations obtained from official sources.

The survey included several additional variables (e.g., monthly discretionary spending) not covered in our analyses but included in the dataset and codebook for future analyses.

Data transformations

Following the pre-registration plan, we centered all variables according to their level of analysis (individual responses or country-level variables). We further standardize all variables (to present a mean of 0 and a standard deviation of 1) to simplify the interpretation of our results. All economic variables (e.g., assets or debt) were transformed from local currencies to dollars using exchange market rates collected on August 22nd, 2021, on Morningstar. We converted GDP to log GDP to facilitate the simpler interpretation of results, in line with standards in the field. Alternative transformations of other predictors were considered when plotting data and inspecting results (e.g., applying an inverse hyperbolic transformation to individual income inequality) but were discarded for our main analyses.

All main variables were computed as they were pre-registered, the only exception being the delay-speedup anomaly. Delay-speedup was originally intended to be measured using two scenarios, and however, we observed that the information provided by these items was redundant. In the end, we decided to calculate delay-speedup only using the simplified indifference point to the first gain block and the “speedup” item (asking participants to choose between receiving their indifference point in 12 months reducing an amount to receive only \$500 now). This approach did not significantly impact the outcome but created a more reasonably sensitive measure for capturing the anomaly; the two similar items were notably more insensitive. We did not provide specification analyses as we observed that our main non-linear effects were invariant when specifying alternative controls.

Approach to scoring

We constructed a temporal discounting score that allows us to rank individuals by the number of immediate/earlier choices they made across all questions. We assigned individuals a score from zero to five for each question. Each question consisted of five sub-questions. Individuals saw at most three sub-questions depending on the order of their choices.

For example, in the US, participants first saw a choice between \$500 immediately or \$550 in one year. Participants who chose the immediate option were shown the same option set, but the delayed value was now \$600. If they continued to prefer the immediate option, a final option offered \$750 as the delayed reward. If participants choose the delayed option initially, subsequent choices were \$510 and \$505.

The constructed score corresponded to the ranking of the sub-question where the individual switched from choosing the delayed option towards the sooner option. An individual who always chose the later option was assigned a score of 0. An individual who always chose the sooner option was assigned a score of 5.

Adding this score across questions results in a total score of 0 for individuals always choosing the delayed amount and 19 for individuals always choosing the sooner amount. Therefore,

individuals with higher scores made more immediate choices. This scoring system allows us to compare discounting across all questions irrespective of the presence of other choice anomalies. The score also allows us to compare overall discounting across individuals as it simply encodes whether an individual made more or fewer immediate choices in the whole set of questions.

In this way, the score provides a useful means to summarize and compare the number of immediate choices made by individuals, an indicator of overall discounting behavior. It encodes this information for all questions and therefore does not depend on the presence or absence of specific choice anomalies. This suggests that it will be reliable in settings where the goal is to compare a summary measure of discounting across individuals, and where the score can be calculated from a series of choices, where the series is designed to capture a range of choice anomalies.

On a broad level, we consider the score itself to be a reliable measure ($\omega_{\text{total}} = .85$). Given that most participants answered a set of different items, our estimation is based on the average block scores and responses to anomaly questions. In other words, our design precluded us to employ alternative measures of reliability, such as split-half reliability estimates, and, therefore, reliability estimates presented here should only be considered as an initial approximation.

Part of what makes this scoring approach valid is that exceptionally high scores will indicate individuals that are more likely to discount to extremes in all conditions, and vice versa for exceptionally low scores. Even if this is less clear for more moderate scores, hence including analysis of each anomaly for better precision, a more moderate score will at least indicate a normative overall choice/discount pattern. In other words, you may find similar scores for one person with slight discounting in all conditions and another person with extreme discounting in a few conditions but none in others. Across many choices, they would still arrive at similar outcomes, unlike those with extremely high and extremely low scores. In that way, the score is indicative of discounting broadly, irrespective of specific anomalies that may or may not have been observed for an individual.

There are multiple approaches to ‘scoring’ temporal discounting, and decomposing the concept broadly into subcomponents. In our case, we favored an atheoretical, simple approach to estimate effects. However, intertemporal discount rates have could also be explicitly modeled using novel developments that go beyond estimating discount rates employing an hyperbolic model^{2,3}. Recent alternatives based on hierarchical models employing Bayesian estimation have been shown to be particularly informative^{4,5} and should be considered for future exploration with ours or other data.

Specific country issues before data analyses

Georgia

We detected a coding issue for Georgia where incorrect values were shown in the first block of gain items. Participants who chose delayed gains should have seen the options “gain \$500 now vs. \$750 in 12 months”. However, the later amount presented was incorrect. Thirty-four individuals were shown incorrect values for the third item of the first gain block (i.e., gain \$500 now vs. \$750 later). For those individuals, we imputed their responses by doing a weighted random sampling of responses from the remaining 152 individuals from Georgia. The weights ensured that the proportion of sooner and delayed responses remained unchanged before and after the imputation. We, therefore, stress some caution when using those data or given the large sample for Georgia, simply excluding those participants. These participants are indicated in the dataset.

Estonia

There was an error in Estonia's present bias and subadditivity anomalies items. Thus, those two anomalies were not computed for this country. As the responses to these two items are used to calculate the temporal discount scores, scores were calculated in Estonia's 0-17 scale and rescaled to 0-19 afterward. Estonia was accordingly removed in anomaly visuals related to these.

Japan

Japan was the only country where any participants (86.2%) received payment for participation. Based on local guidance, we used Yahoo! participant platforms. In comparing the paid and non-paid participants, we observed only small differences in average scores (Welch *t*-tests: $t(86) = 2$; $p = 0.02$), and no differences in present bias (proportion test with continuity correction: $\chi^2(1) = 2$; $p = 0.24$), absolute magnitude ($\chi^2(1) = 0.3$; $p = 0.60$), delay-speedup ($\chi^2(1) = 1 * 10^{-9}$; $p = 0.99$), gain-loss asymmetry ($\chi^2(1) = 1$; $p = 0.3$) or subadditivity ($\chi^2(1) = 1 * 10^{-13}$; $p = 1.00$). Thus, we combined data from both paid and non-paid participants for our analyses, and include a variable to identify the data sources if future analysts are interested in studying further differences. These participants are indicated in the dataset.

Deviation from the pre-registered plan

We aimed to follow our pre-registration analyses as closely as possible. On certain selected occasions, we decided to amplify the scope of analyses and present robustness checks for the results presented by employing alternative estimation and inference techniques.

There was only one substantive deviation from our pre-registered analyses aside from the delay-speedup calculation. In the original plan, we planned to explore the role of financial status. In our final analysis, we employed individual assets and debts to this end. Assets and debts were included as raw indicators instead of inequality measures as we did not find reliable national average assets or individual debt sources.

One minor adaptation from our pre-registration involved our plan to test for non-linear effects and use Bayesian estimation only as part of our exploratory analyses. However, as we identified several relevant non-linear effects, we modified our workflow to accommodate those as follows: a) we initially explored non-linear effects using hierarchical generative additive (mixed) models (GAMs); b) we included relevant non-linear effects in our main pre-registered models; c) we estimated Bayesian versions of these same models to test for whether null effects could be supported in certain cases.

Extended results

These extended results contain additional text to complement the main analyses and information on robustness checks not provided in the main text.

Further details on modeling temporal discounting

We found that a simpler model only fitting random intercept was adequate for scores and anomalies (Supplementary Table 5). As expected, models including random effects to estimate maximal models or reduced models including random effects for or main variables (inequality, GINI, assets, and debt) produced singular fit and convergence issues when using fixed linear models. Given the correspondences between GAM and mixed linear models, we used the former to study the fit of several models (null model, single random intercept model, main predictors as random intercept, and a full model including main predictors also as random slopes, Supplementary Table 5). χ^2 fREML scores test (corrected for effective degrees of freedom) favoring the random slopes model only for present bias, delay-speedup, and subadditivity. However, in all these cases, AIC indicated the simpler model should be retained. We observed no significant random slope smooth effect (at $p = 0.01$ level) in either of these anomalies, thus favoring the simpler models. In the end, we decided to retain the simpler random intercept model as expected in our pre-registered analyses,

All models show good convergence and no major deviations from assumptions. To interpret the results inspected the expected degrees of freedom (edf) and a corresponding p-value from the Wald test. The edf can be understood as an approximation to the smooth curvature, where zero values indicate a lack of association, values close to one indicate that the relationship is linear. Higher values indicate that the relationship between the variables becomes increasingly non-linear⁴¹. However, to better understand our results, we resorted to estimated conditional effects (Supplementary Figures 1-2).

Results from our initial GAM models (Supplementary Table 6) revealed that, for temporal discount scores, three effects were highly non-linear: debt (edf = 4.97, $p < 0.0001$), assets (edf = 4.96, $p < 0.0001$), and inflation (edf = 2.55, $p < 0.0001$). GINI was observed to be closer to be a linear effect (edf = 1.69, $p = 0.0028$), and it was modeled as such. Thus, we only included debt, assets, and inflation as smooth terms in our final mixed linear models. For anomalies, we observed that assets and inflation were consistently identified as relevant non-linear effects in all cases but for assets in gain-loss asymmetry (edf = 0.78, $p = 0.041$) and subadditivity (edf = 0.001, $p = 0.418$). In the end, we decided to include debt and assets as smooth terms in our final models for all anomalies for consistency's sake. Individual income inequality presented two significant effects on present bias (edf = 0.95, $p = 0.009$) and absolute magnitude (edf = 1.03, $p = 0.004$). As these terms seemed to be highly linear (edf close to 1), we included this effect as such. Nevertheless, our main results remained invariant if alternative splines were selected (e.g., thin-plate splines, Supplementary Table 7). We evaluated model convergence and model fit via residual inspection.

A noteworthy effect might be the explained variance, which could be considered as low for the anomalies. When observing individual model predictions in analogous studies (see Falk & Hermlé, 19, Supplementary Table 13), we found similar rates of explained variance.

All linear and generalized mixed models converged adequately (in both their non-Bayesian and Bayesian estimates). Some Bayesian models (for temporal scores, absolute magnitude, delay-speedup, and subadditivity) indicated that some transitions were divergent after warmup. However, as the number of divergent transitions never was higher than 10 (for temporal discount scores), and \hat{R} hat, bulk, and tail effective sample size indicated correct convergence and correct parameter estimation, we decided to interpret those models. Moreover, we observed that our results were similar in our frequentist and

Bayesian estimated versions (Supplementary Table 8-Supplementary Table 11). To facilitate the interpretation of the results, we illustrated the smooth effects of GINI, assets, and debt on temporal discount scores (Supplementary Figure 1) and for assets and debt on the anomalies (Supplementary Figure 2).

Bayesian analysis of null effects of inequality

In our main analyses, we highlighted that individual income inequality neither predicted temporal discount scores nor anomalies except for present bias (OR = 1.07, 95% CI [1.03 – 1.13], $p = 0.0006$) and absolute magnitude (OR = 0.92, 95% CI [0.87 – 0.98], $p = 0.0006$). Similarly, we found a small effect of GINI on temporal discount scores ($\beta = 0.09$, 95% CI [0.02 – 0.16], $p = 0.002$), but not in the case of anomalies. Taking advantage of our Bayesian estimation effects, we presented a more detailed understanding of these effects. Firstly, it's noteworthy that results from the Bayesian models were similar, and in both cases, 95% credible intervals did not contain the point null effect (1 and 0, respectively). However, we decided to employ log Bayes factors and the percentage of posterior samples within a range of null effects to understand the support for a range null effect (Supplementary Table 12).

For the effect of GINI on temporal discount scores, we observed that half of the posterior samples (56%) were inside of a $|0.10|$ range. This evidence indicates that in half of our posterior distribution estimation, the median effect of GINI was smaller than ± 0.10 . Given the strong support for the null effect ($BF_{01} = 48$), this effect could be considered weak. A similar conclusion was reached for the effect of GINI on the present bias (63% of the posterior samples showed effects were inside the range $|0.10|$, $BF_{01} = 59$) and for gain-loss asymmetry (68% of the posterior samples indicated effects inside the range $|0.10|$, $BF_{01} = 77$).

For the effects of individual inequality on present bias and absolute magnitude, we found that around 86% and 71% of the posterior samples indicating null effects ($BF_{01} = 250$ and $BF_{01} = 91$, respectively). Thus, it is probable that the effect of individual economic inequality on the present bias will be largely inconsequential.

Robustness checks

Smooth effects ultimately depend upon choosing an appropriate number of knots to estimate the basic function of the non-linear effect⁴⁰⁻⁴³. Choosing an appropriate number of knots is thus necessary for the model to represent the underlying function adequately. Our analyses selected the number of knots in our final models based on the knots automatically identified by our original GAM estimation (using regularized penalized cubic splines). We further explored whether our results were sensitive to the selection of knots by increasing the number of knots defined in our final models. We did not focus on the exact estimated parameters (as for smooth splines, they are seldom interpretable), but rather on the estimated smooth functional form and conditional effects estimated made by each model. Conditional plots for smooth effects (Supplementary Figure 10) revealed no major differences when we increased the knots to 9, indicating that our method to select the smooth dimensionality was effective. Results for anomalies were similar and were left unreported.

Detailed results for Figures 2-5

Figure 2. included the conditional effect of standardized GINI on individual temporal discount scores and the normalized number of engaged anomalies per person. Estimated effects were obtained as conditional effects from the corresponding GAM models and presented in Supplementary Tables 10 and 13. Overall, and as observed in our primary analyses, we observed a negative, linear relationship between GDP temporal discount scores ($\beta = 0.09$, 95% CI [0.02, 0.06], $p = 0.002$). In the case of anomalies, we found no effect ($\beta = 0.001$, 95% CI [-0.03, 0.03], $p = 0.936$).

In Figure 3. we explored whether GDP was related to each of its main components (blocks of items regarding gains, payments, and large gains, scored 0 to 5) separately. Firstly, it should be noted that scores were higher for gain items than payments in the general sample and larger gains. Still, there existed strong variability between countries in this regard (Supplementary Table 4). Secondly, we tested whether (log) GDP could explain these differences by estimating a GAM model including GDP as a predictor of the scores of each block (Supplementary Table 14). We observed that GDP was strongly, non-linearly related with larger gains ($p < 0.001$), and to an extent, with gains ($p = 0.0041$). However, the relationship between GDP and payments was not significant ($p = 0.248$). Thus, country GDP is strongly related to gains (where higher GDP countries tend to present lower scores) than to payments.

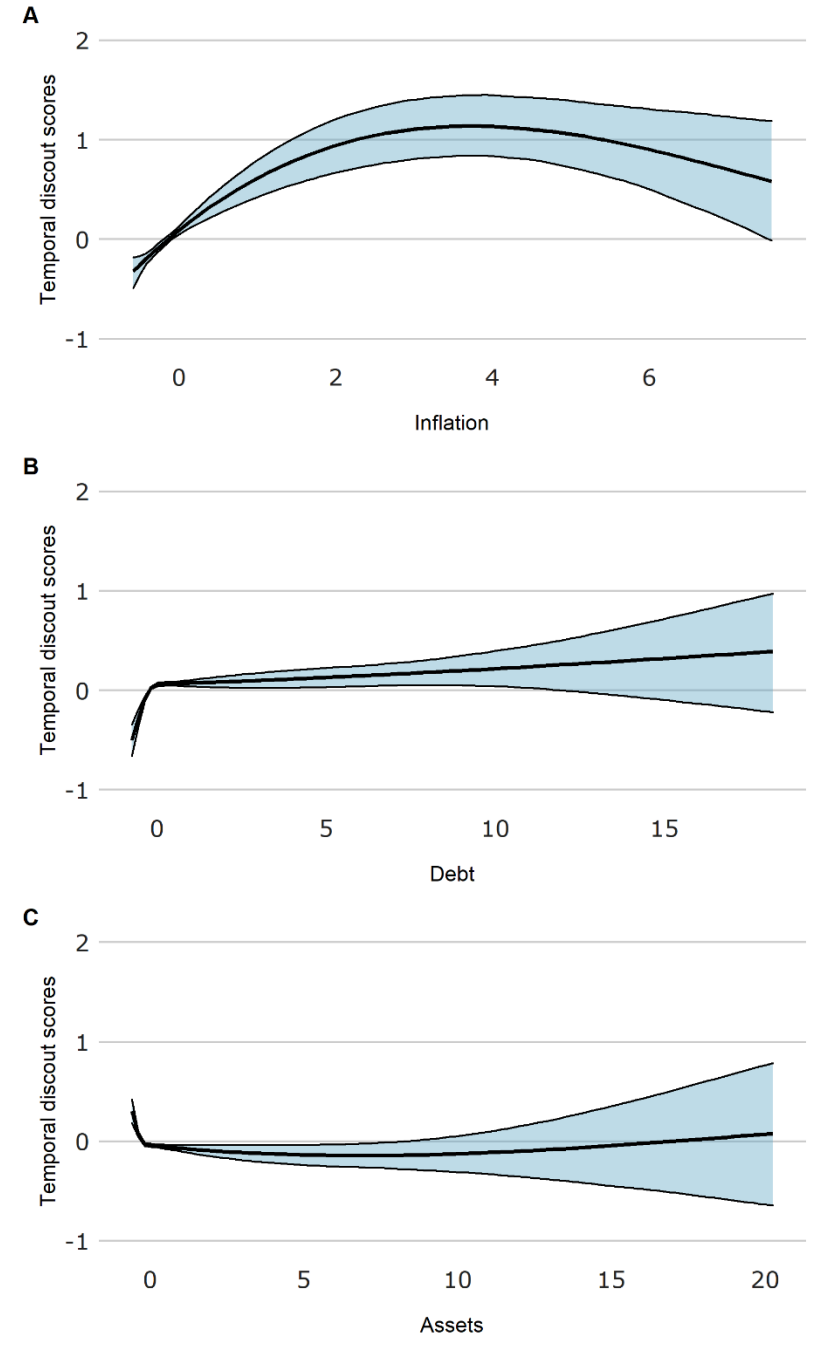
In Figure 4. we provide descriptive information for temporal discount scores and anomalies. Additional, descriptive information detailed information on the random effects meta-analysis results in Supplementary Figures 3-8, including by-country results and prediction intervals. In addition, we were interested in knowing how many anomalies participants tend to show. Fifty-four per cent of participants showed at least one anomaly, with 33% presenting multiple, yet only 2% showing four (Supplementary Table 14). However, we also observe substantial variability between countries for these rates.

Lastly, in Figure 5, we explored the effect of wealth, debt inequality on temporal discount scores at country-level. To this end, we estimated six GAM models (with similar specifications to our principal models), including each of our main predictors separately (Supplementary Table 15). Again, most of the relationships found at the individual level translated when aggregating the results by country. We observed strong non-linear effects for inflation ($\text{edf} = 2.43$; $p < 0.001$) and assets ($\text{edf} = 1.91$; $p = 0.0002$). We also observed a mild effect of GINI ($\text{edf} = 1.1456$; $p = 0.0054$) and GDP ($\text{edf} = 1.027$; $p = 0.0089$). We decided not to average debt at the country level but rather to study debt to national net average income ratio. In this case, and in contrary to what happened with individual debt levels, we observed that the debt to average income ratio did not predict scores ($\text{edf} = 0.001$; $p = 0.589$).

Given these results, we decided to employ the World Bank per-country classification in all the presented graphics to illustrate the potential effects of country economic conditions in our main results. As we plan to control GDP and individual income (via individual income inequality) in our analyses, we decided to follow our pre-registration and not include this new variable information in our main models.

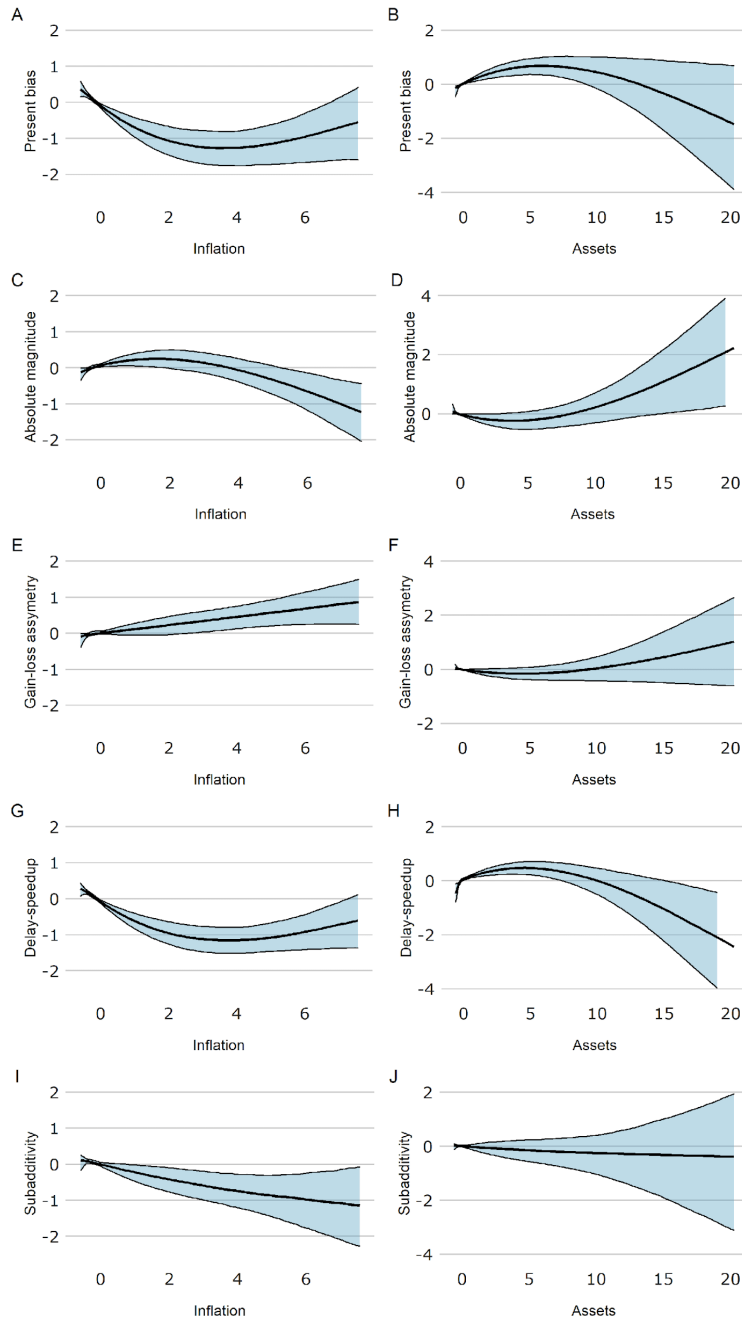
Supplementary Figure 1. Effect of inflation, debt, and assets on temporal discount scores.

Conditional smooth effect of inflation (A), debt (B), and assets (C) on temporal discount scores. Results were estimated controlling for age, education, employment, GDP, and GINI. Temporal discount scores are standardized. 95% confidence intervals are printed in blue. Positive effect indicates an increasing temporal discounting, and negative effects indicate lower temporal discount effect.



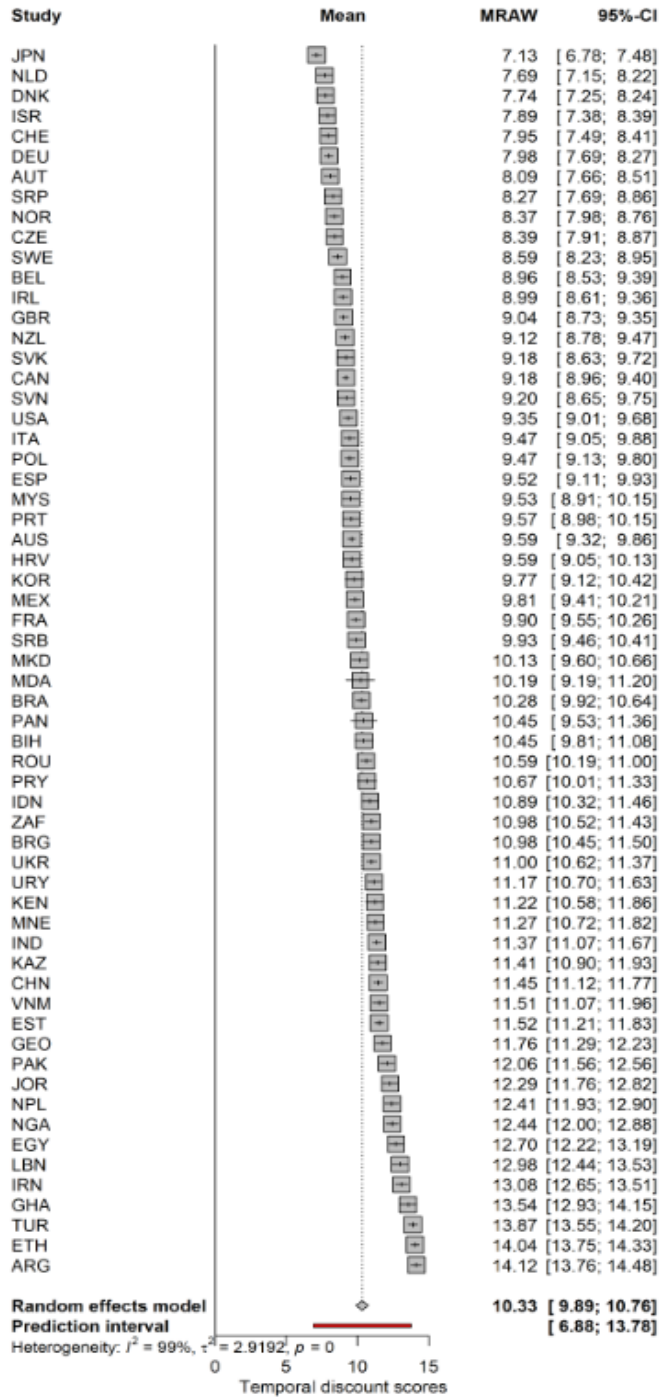
Supplementary Figure 2. Country-level effects of country-inequality on scores, scores per type of item, and anomalies per country.

Conditional smooth effect of inflation (A), debt (B), and assets (C) on temporal discount scores. Results were estimated controlling for age, education, employment, GDP, and GINI. Temporal discount scores are standardized, with inflation and assets being mean-centered per country and scaled. 95% confidence intervals are printed in blue. A positive effect indicates a higher likelihood of engaging on the anomaly, and negative effects indicate a lower likelihood of engaging.



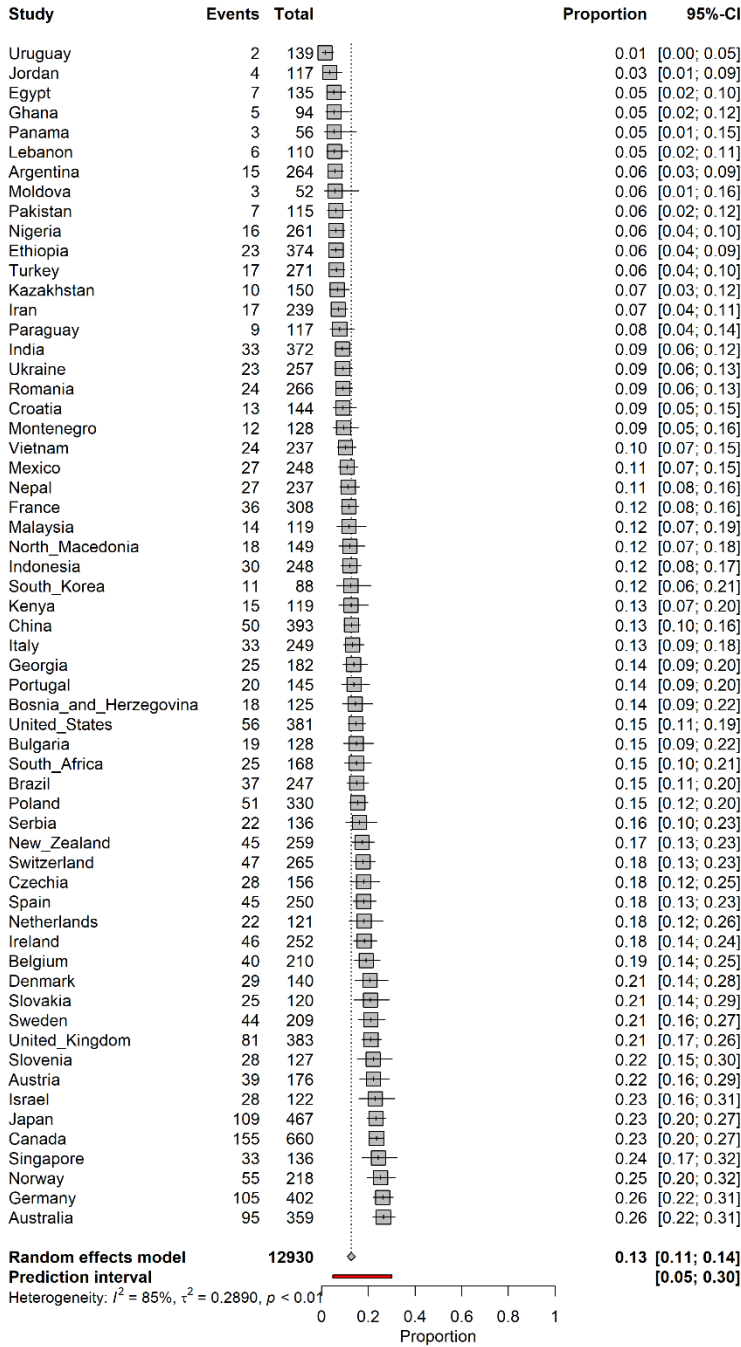
Supplementary Figure 3. Meta-analysis results for temporal discount scores.

Random effect meta-analysis on the country average temporal discount score. MRAW: sample mean. The overall random effect, prediction interval, and the I^2 heterogeneity test are presented at the bottom of the figure. The prediction interval is presented in red. Higher means indicate a higher temporal discount.



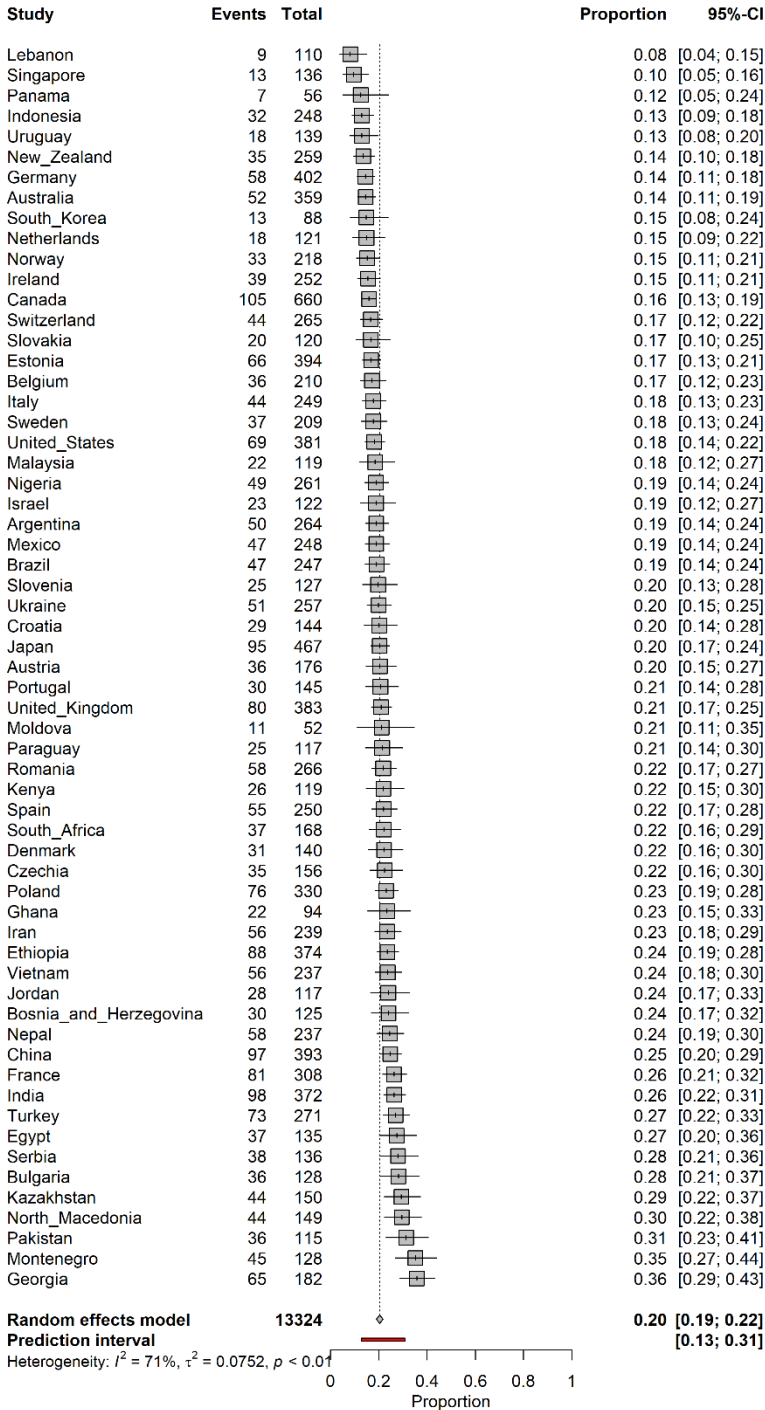
Supplementary Figure 4. Meta-analysis results for present bias.

Random effect meta-analysis on the country average temporal discount score. MRAW: sample mean. The overall random effect, prediction interval, and the I^2 Heterogeneity test are presented at the bottom of the figure. The prediction interval is presented in red. A higher proportion indicates a higher rate of engaging in the anomaly.



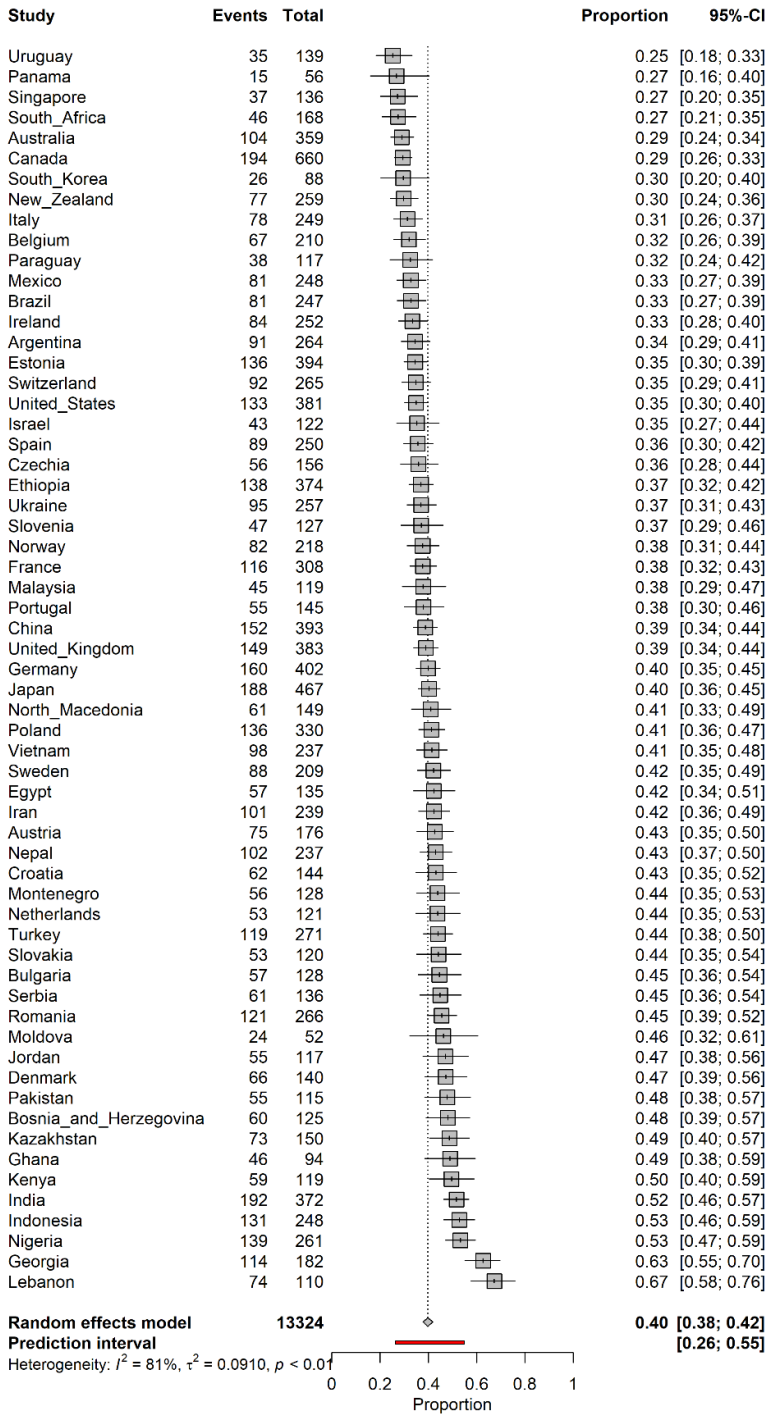
Supplementary Figure 5. Meta-analysis results for absolute magnitude

Random effect meta-analysis on the country average temporal discount score. MRAW: sample mean. The overall random effect, prediction interval, and the I^2 Heterogeneity test are presented at the bottom of the figure. The prediction interval is presented in red. A higher proportion indicates a higher rate of engaging in the anomaly.



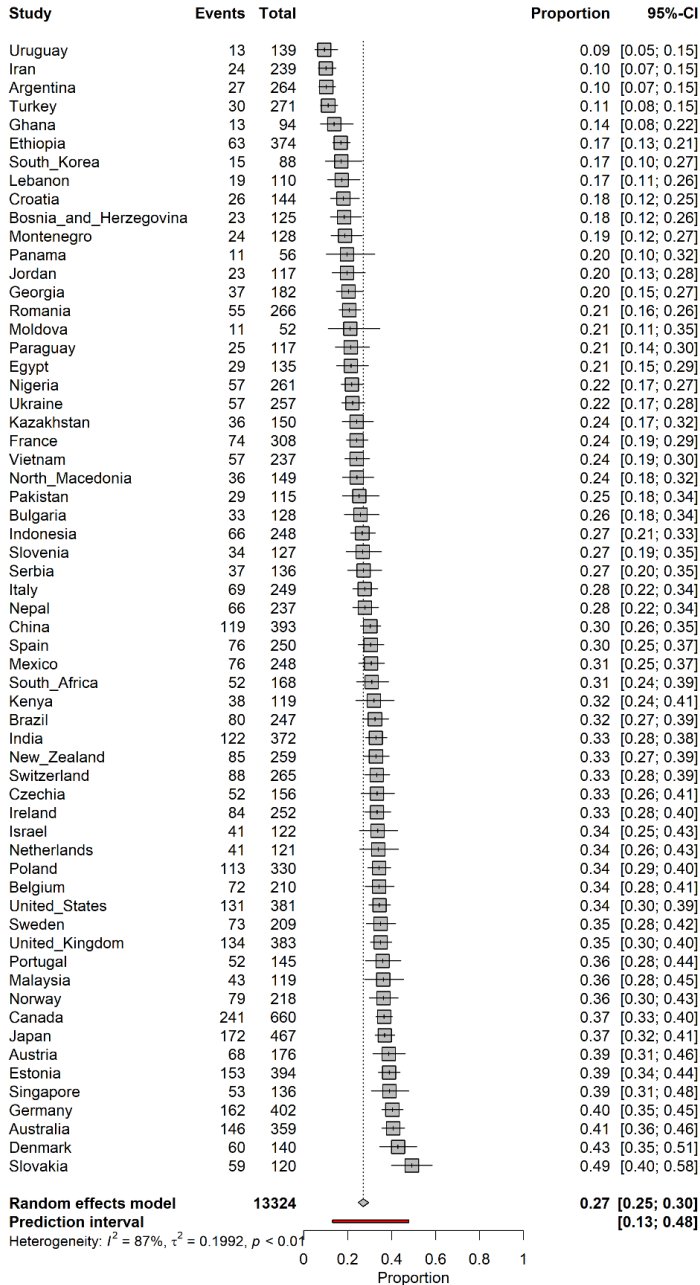
Supplementary Figure 6. Meta-analysis results for gain-loss asymmetry.

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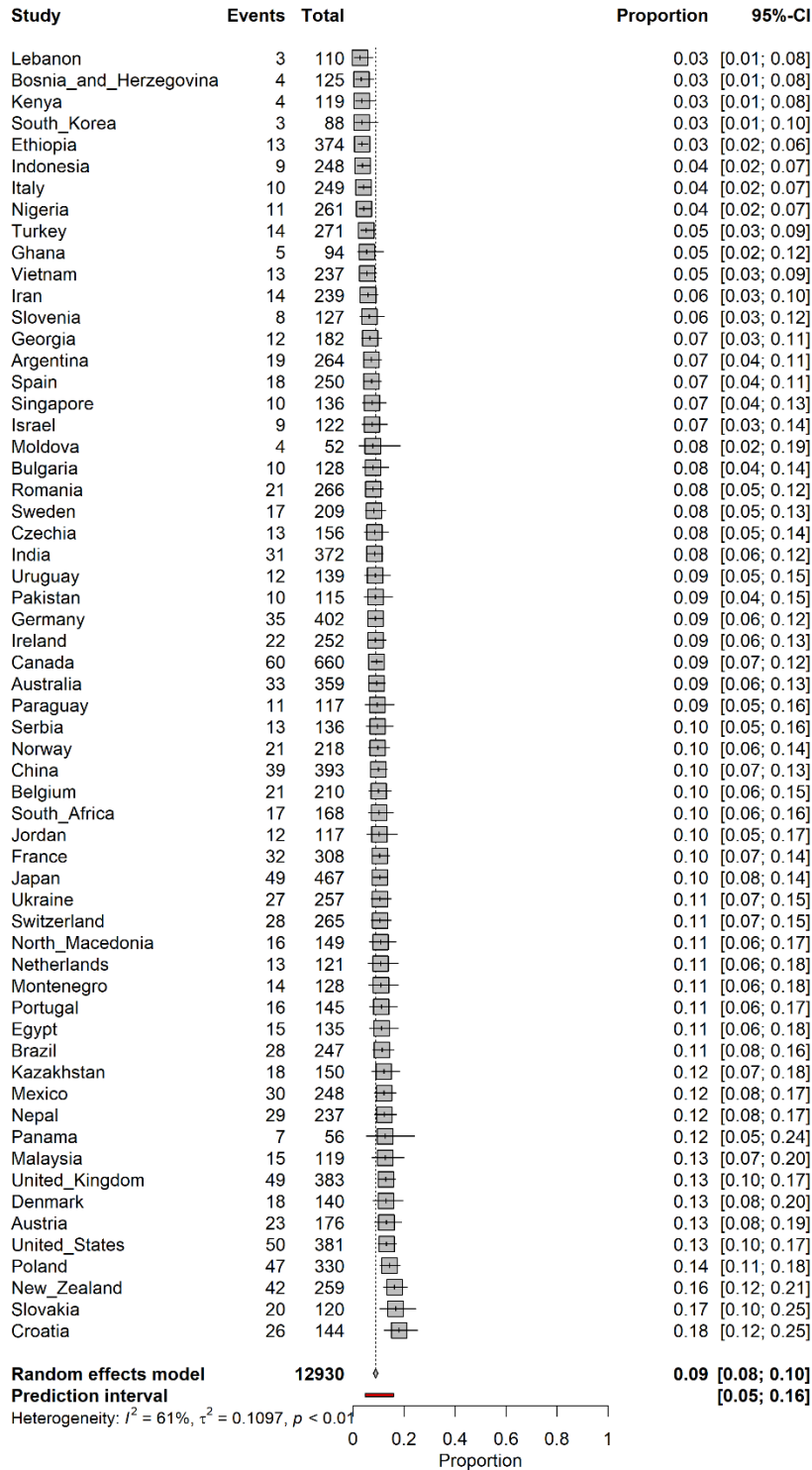
Supplementary Figure 7. Meta-analysis results for delay-speedup anomaly.

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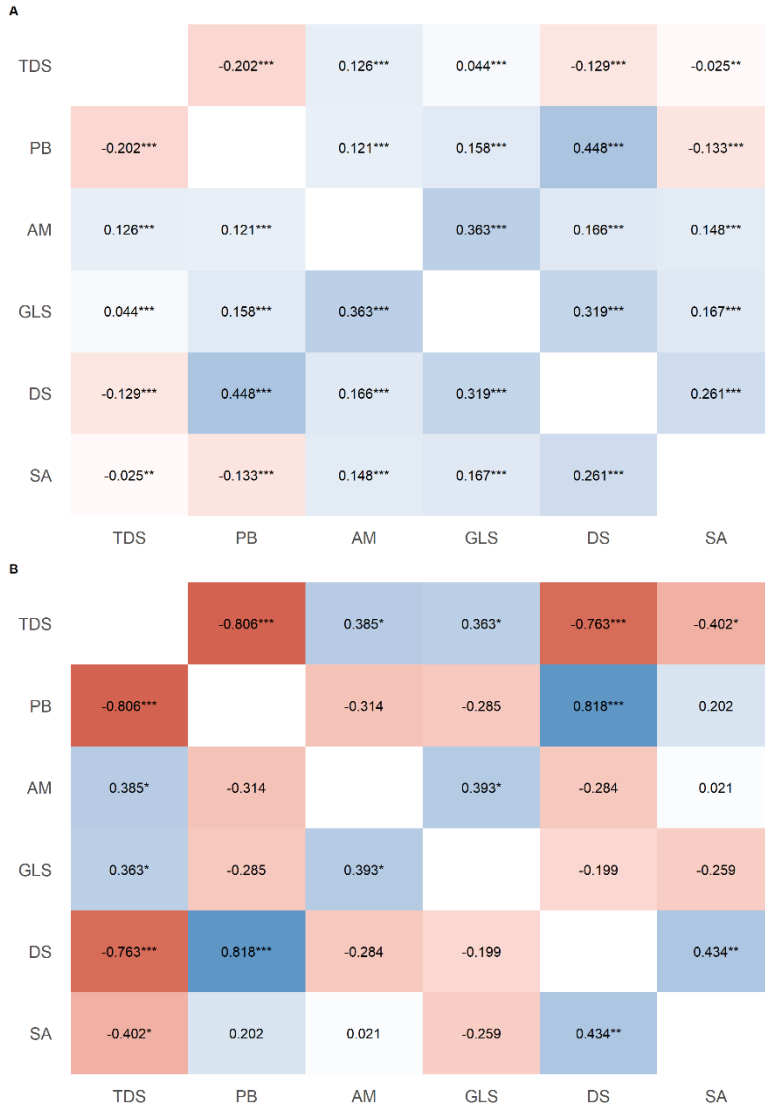
Supplementary Figure 8. Meta-analysis results for subadditivity.

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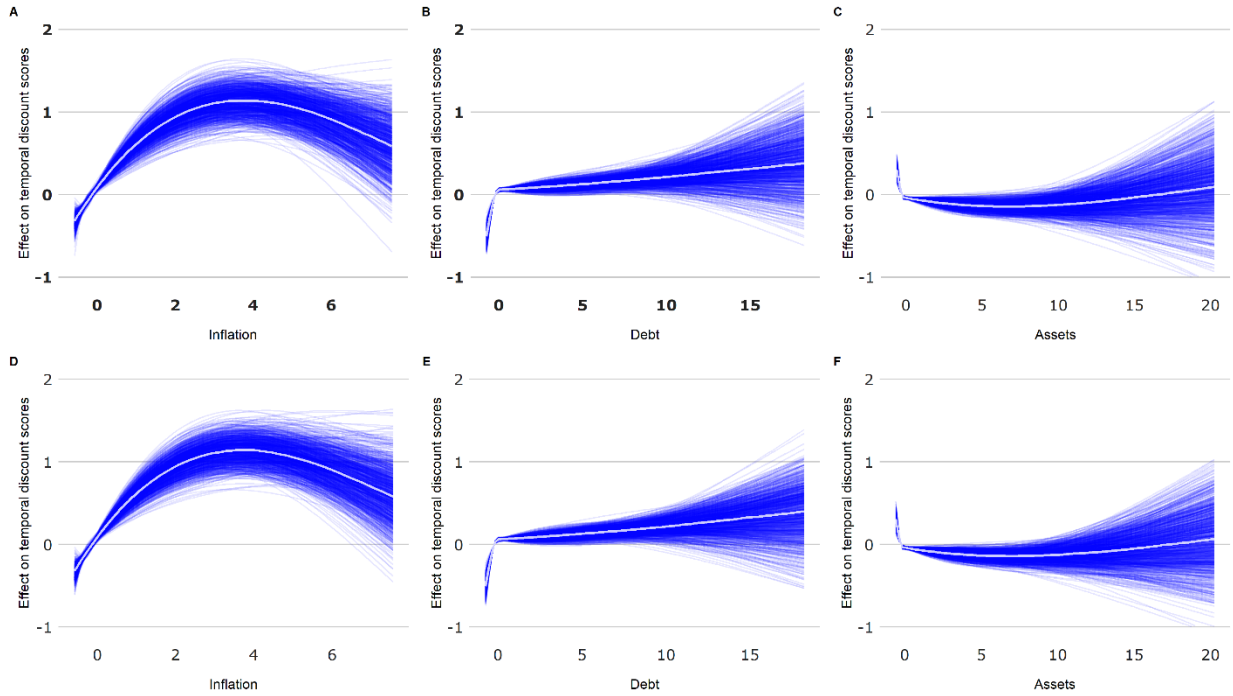
Supplementary Figure 9. Individual and country-level correlation for temporal discount scores and anomalies.

Point-biserial correlation between unstandardized temporal discount scores and anomalies at individual (Panel A) and country-levels (Panel B). P-values were adjusted using the Holm corrections. TDS: Temporal discount score. PB: Present bias. AM: Absolute magnitude. GLS: Gain-loss asymmetry. DS: Delay-speedup. SA: Subadditivity. Blue indicates positive correlations; red color indicates negative correlations. Darker colors reflect the strength of the correlation.



Supplementary Figure 10. Robustness to number of knots on smooth-term estimation

Conditional smooth-effect for inflation, assets, and debt on temporal discount scores controlling for age, education, employment, GDP, and GINI. Positive effect indicates an increasing temporal discounting, and negative effects indicate lower temporal discount effect. We observed no differences in non-linear effects for smooths defined with four knots (top row, A-C) and nine knots (lower row, D-F). Spaghetti plots were employed to assess possible deviation from individual posterior draws. We employed 1000 draws of each posterior distribution of the conditional effects. Average effect depicted in white. Temporal discount scores are standardized, with inflation, debt, and assets being mean-centered per country and scaled.



Anomaly	Type	Base value	Delayed options (starting value bold)	Timeline	Notes
Temporal discounting	Gain	500	505-510- 550 -600-750	Now vs 12 months	If immediate chosen, next option is increased
Gain-loss asymmetry	Loss	500	505-510- 550 -600-750	Now vs 12 months	If immediate chosen, next option is decreased
Absolute magnitude	Gain	5000	5050-5010- 5500 -6000-7500	Now vs 12 months	If immediate chosen, next option is increased
Present bias	Gain	500	505-510-550-600-750	12 months vs 24 months	Participants only see one delayed option matched to the largest value preferred in temporal discounting set
Subadditivity	Gain	500	510-520-600-700-1000	Now vs 24 months	Participants only see one delayed option, which doubles the difference of the largest value preferred in temporal discounting set
Delay-speedup 1	Speedup	500	505-510-550-600-750	Now vs 12 months	Single delayed option only. Immediate option framed as a reduction from the larger value for receiving earlier.
Delay-speedup 2	Delay	500	505-510-550-600-750	Now vs 12 months	Single delayed option only. Delayed option framed as a bonus value for willing to delay.

Supplementary Table 1. Choice anomaly measures format and content.

Participants responded to 10 to 13 questions, depending on their responses to the initial three sets.

Country	Final sample	Target
Argentina	268	240
Australia	360	240
Austria	178	120
Belgium	215	120
Bosnia and Herzegovina	126	120
Brazil	266	360
Bulgaria	133	120
Canada	665	360
China	398	360
Croatia	146	120
Czechia	162	120
Denmark	144	120
Egypt	139	240
Estonia	394	120
Ethiopia	383	360
France	310	240
Georgia	186	120
Germany	404	240
Ghana	96	240
India	379	360
Indonesia	255	360
Iran	258	240
Ireland	261	120
Israel	125	120
Italy	254	240
Japan	476	360
Jordan	122	120
Kazakhstan	154	240
Kenya	122	240
Lebanon	114	120
Malaysia	123	240
Mexico	258	360
Moldova	55	120
Montenegro	129	120
Nepal	242	240
Netherlands	121	120
New Zealand	264	120
Nigeria	263	360
North Macedonia	157	120
Norway	222	120
Pakistan	123	360
Panama	57	120
Paraguay	121	120
Poland	337	240
Portugal	149	120
Romania	277	240
Serbia	137	120
Singapore	138	120
Slovakia	123	120
Slovenia	128	120

South Africa	174	240
South Korea	93	240
Spain	257	240
Sweden	209	120
Switzerland	269	120
Turkey	276	240
Ukraine	268	240
United Kingdom	388	240
United States	386	360
Uruguay	139	120
Vietnam	253	240

Supplementary Table 2. Sample and target sample size per country.

Final number of participants per country after data exclusions and target data in data collection.

	Age	Gender			Education						Employment					
		Fem.	Male	Oth	Prim.	Sec.	Tech.	Bach.	Grad	Stud.	Unem Look.	Unem . P.R.	Empl. P.T.	Empl. F.T.	Self- empl.	Ret.
Overall, N = 13,629	34.0 (11.7)	0.47	0.51	0.03	0.01	0.16	0.11	0.40	0.32	0.16	0.04	0.05	0.10	0.53	0.11	0.03
Argentina, N = 268	33.5 (12.9)	0.36	0.62	0.02	0.00	0.34	0.09	0.36	0.21	0.19	0.02	0.01	0.08	0.44	0.22	0.04
Australia, N = 360	32.7 (9.1)	0.26	0.72	0.02	0.02	0.13	0.14	0.46	0.26	0.09	0.02	0.03	0.07	0.69	0.09	0.02
Austria, N = 178	29.3 (8.0)	0.25	0.70	0.05	0.05	0.33	0.15	0.23	0.24	0.21	0.02	0.03	0.16	0.49	0.08	0.01
Belgium, N = 215	32.3 (10.2)	0.36	0.57	0.07	0.01	0.18	0.04	0.29	0.48	0.11	0.01	0.02	0.07	0.67	0.10	0.02
Bosnia and Herzegovina, N = 126	40.9 (12.1)	0.87	0.10	0.03	0.01	0.06	0.48	0.07	0.38	0.04	0.19	0.20	0.03	0.49	0.00	0.05
Brazil, N = 266	34.0 (10.3)	0.54	0.46	0.00	0.00	0.15	0.05	0.24	0.55	0.15	0.06	0.02	0.08	0.46	0.21	0.02
Bulgaria, N = 133	36.6 (14.0)	0.53	0.45	0.02	0.02	0.16	0.05	0.26	0.51	0.08	0.02	0.03	0.07	0.65	0.13	0.02
Canada, N = 665	33.4 (8.8)	0.33	0.63	0.04	0.01	0.14	0.18	0.46	0.21	0.10	0.02	0.03	0.07	0.71	0.05	0.01
China, N = 398	35.2 (10.0)	0.54	0.41	0.06	0.01	0.06	0.26	0.55	0.13	0.09	0.01	0.01	0.08	0.74	0.04	0.03
Croatia, N = 146	36.9 (11.1)	0.51	0.48	0.01	0.00	0.29	0.09	0.06	0.57	0.08	0.02	0.03	0.04	0.55	0.24	0.04
Czechia, N = 162	29.3 (9.6)	0.59	0.38	0.04	0.04	0.44	0.01	0.17	0.34	0.32	0.05	0.05	0.04	0.44	0.09	0.01
Denmark, N = 144	38.1 (15.4)	0.54	0.43	0.03	0.04	0.42	0.16	0.18	0.20	0.23	0.01	0.08	0.07	0.56	0.00	0.05
Egypt, N = 139	36.7 (14.9)	0.48	0.48	0.04	0.00	0.09	0.02	0.62	0.27	0.12	0.05	0.05	0.07	0.54	0.11	0.06
Estonia, N = 394	36.3 (9.7)	0.80	0.19	0.01	0.01	0.14	0.10	0.32	0.43	0.03	0.02	0.09	0.04	0.71	0.10	0.01
Ethiopia, N = 383	29.3 (8.7)	0.29	0.70	0.02	0.05	0.11	0.13	0.57	0.14	0.12	0.19	0.03	0.14	0.38	0.14	0.01
France, N = 310	28.1 (9.6)	0.53	0.43	0.04	0.01	0.14	0.02	0.10	0.73	0.36	0.08	0.03	0.11	0.34	0.09	0.00
Georgia, N = 186	28.8 (11.6)	0.75	0.23	0.02	0.01	0.09	0.01	0.89	0.00	0.17	0.12	0.09	0.11	0.46	0.04	0.01
Germany, N = 404	30.7 (8.7)	0.32	0.62	0.06	0.02	0.29	0.13	0.21	0.34	0.25	0.01	0.03	0.16	0.50	0.04	0.01
Ghana, N = 96	31.2 (7.5)	0.24	0.73	0.03	0.00	0.05	0.05	0.78	0.12	0.13	0.12	0.03	0.15	0.45	0.12	0.02

India , N = 379	33.3 (13.7)	0.38	0.61	0.02	0.02	0.21	0.00	0.35	0.42	0.19	0.02	0.04	0.12	0.36	0.21	0.05
Indonesia , N = 255	32.5 (10.5)	0.53	0.44	0.03	0.02	0.01	0.28	0.46	0.23	0.15	0.04	0.04	0.14	0.49	0.12	0.02
Iran , N = 258	31.3 (12.4)	0.54	0.42	0.05	0.01	0.36	0.02	0.37	0.24	0.25	0.07	0.07	0.14	0.30	0.11	0.06
Ireland , N = 261	32.4 (9.1)	0.33	0.64	0.03	0.01	0.11	0.09	0.02	0.77	0.14	0.03	0.05	0.05	0.73	0.00	0.01
Israel , N = 125	35.2 (11.4)	0.60	0.38	0.02	0.02	0.19	0.03	0.38	0.37	0.23	0.03	0.02	0.11	0.49	0.10	0.02
Italy , N = 254	37.6 (13.8)	0.51	0.48	0.02	0.03	0.24	0.06	0.23	0.45	0.23	0.04	0.02	0.07	0.45	0.16	0.03
Japan , N = 476	45.0 (11.7)	0.34	0.65	0.01	0.01	0.24	0.16	0.49	0.10	0.06	0.04	0.12	0.12	0.51	0.09	0.06
Jordan , N = 122	35.3 (10.7)	0.66	0.26	0.07	0.03	0.14	0.07	0.54	0.22	0.11	0.16	0.11	0.07	0.40	0.12	0.03
Kazakhstan , N = 154	28.3 (9.1)	0.67	0.30	0.03	0.00	0.20	0.02	0.50	0.29	0.27	0.03	0.05	0.10	0.48	0.05	0.01
Kenya , N = 122	27.7 (6.3)	0.34	0.62	0.03	0.00	0.16	0.32	0.48	0.05	0.19	0.17	0.03	0.25	0.25	0.12	0.00
Lebanon , N = 114	25.4 (5.9)	0.53	0.46	0.02	0.00	0.13	0.03	0.55	0.29	0.26	0.12	0.01	0.14	0.35	0.11	0.00
Malaysia , N = 123	33.2 (13.1)	0.59	0.39	0.02	0.00	0.08	0.07	0.69	0.16	0.21	0.05	0.07	0.11	0.48	0.07	0.01
Mexico , N = 258	30.3 (9.3)	0.19	0.78	0.04	0.00	0.05	0.17	0.60	0.19	0.17	0.05	0.05	0.13	0.59	0.00	0.01
Moldova , N = 55	31.4 (12.2)	0.55	0.42	0.04	0.07	0.09	0.06	0.46	0.33	0.15	0.07	0.06	0.07	0.56	0.09	0.00
Montenegro , N = 129	41.1 (11.5)	0.66	0.33	0.01	0.00	0.33	0.08	0.28	0.31	0.05	0.06	0.05	0.08	0.54	0.17	0.05
Nepal , N = 242	30.1 (10.1)	0.44	0.52	0.04	0.02	0.03	0.23	0.51	0.22	0.28	0.00	0.29	0.14	0.27	0.00	0.01
Netherlands , N = 121	38.4 (14.2)	0.56	0.42	0.02	0.01	0.06	0.09	0.33	0.51	0.07	0.03	0.00	0.22	0.53	0.06	0.10
New Zealand , N = 264	32.5 (9.8)	0.33	0.63	0.04	0.01	0.17	0.16	0.49	0.17	0.13	0.01	0.05	0.08	0.66	0.06	0.01
Nigeria , N = 263	30.3 (7.9)	0.40	0.58	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.31	0.69	0.00	0.48	0.03	0.02	0.11	0.29	0.07	0.00
North Macedonia , N = 157	34.7 (8.1)	0.53	0.42	0.05	0.01	0.20	0.05	0.52	0.22	0.03	0.06	0.03	0.05	0.79	0.05	0.00
Norway , N = 222	32.2 (10.0)	0.32	0.67	0.01	0.02	0.19	0.08	0.25	0.45	0.24	0.01	0.05	0.05	0.58	0.06	0.00
Pakistan , N = 123	29.4 (8.5)	0.49	0.50	0.01	0.03	0.01	0.07	0.57	0.32	0.15	0.05	0.08	0.08	0.46	0.17	0.00
Panama , N = 57	40.2 (13.7)	0.54	0.40	0.05	0.00	0.11	0.11	0.35	0.44	0.05	0.04	0.02	0.12	0.54	0.19	0.04

Paraguay , N = 121	34.7 (10.5)	0.53	0.45	0.03	0.00	0.06	0.12	0.50	0.33	0.04	0.03	0.02	0.08	0.49	0.33	0.01
Poland , N = 337	30.5 (9.5)	0.55	0.44	0.02	0.01	0.26	0.02	0.24	0.47	0.11	0.02	0.02	0.16	0.53	0.14	0.01
Portugal , N = 149	36.1 (12.5)	0.54	0.46	0.00	0.01	0.16	0.10	0.42	0.31	0.15	0.07	0.03	0.04	0.66	0.05	0.00
Romania , N = 277	36.2 (10.4)	0.70	0.28	0.02	0.01	0.06	0.01	0.36	0.56	0.07	0.03	0.02	0.05	0.70	0.11	0.01
Serbia , N = 137	36.3 (10.6)	0.50	0.47	0.03	0.01	0.31	0.06	0.33	0.29	0.12	0.04	0.02	0.05	0.65	0.12	0.01
Singapore , N = 138	31.1 (8.4)	0.32	0.65	0.04	0.01	0.01	0.23	0.54	0.23	0.14	0.01	0.00	0.04	0.77	0.04	0.01
Slovakia , N = 123	33.9 (12.5)	0.26	0.71	0.03	0.01	0.34	0.04	0.15	0.46	0.20	0.02	0.03	0.03	0.50	0.18	0.04
Slovenia , N = 128	37.6 (10.4)	0.41	0.56	0.03	0.01	0.23	0.09	0.26	0.41	0.11	0.01	0.02	0.00	0.69	0.16	0.02
South Africa , N = 174	32.7 (10.1)	0.41	0.58	0.02	0.00	0.12	0.06	0.41	0.41	0.21	0.08	0.01	0.11	0.48	0.12	0.00
South Korea , N = 93	30.5 (8.9)	0.41	0.58	0.01	0.00	0.04	0.03	0.66	0.26	0.24	0.05	0.11	0.12	0.47	0.00	0.01
Spain , N = 257	38.7 (14.8)	0.55	0.42	0.03	0.00	0.03	0.19	0.41	0.38	0.09	0.05	0.05	0.13	0.48	0.09	0.11
Sweden , N = 209	37.5 (14.0)	0.59	0.39	0.01	0.05	0.17	0.07	0.30	0.41	0.13	0.02	0.02	0.09	0.61	0.08	0.04
Switzerland , N = 269	37.3 (11.0)	0.55	0.43	0.02	0.11	0.21	0.09	0.25	0.35	0.07	0.04	0.12	0.25	0.45	0.05	0.03
Turkey , N = 276	44.8 (15.0)	0.39	0.58	0.03	0.01	0.10	0.03	0.63	0.23	0.13	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.32	0.24	0.23
Ukraine , N = 268	37.1 (11.5)	0.46	0.52	0.02	0.00	0.03	0.03	0.37	0.57	0.06	0.01	0.02	0.09	0.52	0.27	0.03
United Kingdom , N = 388	32.9 (9.7)	0.43	0.54	0.03	0.01	0.09	0.20	0.39	0.32	0.14	0.02	0.06	0.10	0.63	0.06	0.01
United States , N = 386	33.3 (12.2)	0.53	0.43	0.04	0.01	0.16	0.05	0.42	0.36	0.25	0.02	0.02	0.09	0.52	0.07	0.03
Uruguay , N = 139	47.2 (16.1)	0.48	0.49	0.03	0.01	0.36	0.12	0.39	0.12	0.05	0.04	0.03	0.08	0.35	0.27	0.18
Vietnam , N = 253	28.7 (9.2)	0.63	0.33	0.05	0.00	0.30	0.08	0.48	0.14	0.22	0.06	0.03	0.13	0.40	0.17	0.00

Supplementary Table 3. Descriptive statistics for the overall and by country sample.

Descriptive statistics for main individual control variables (age, gender, education, and employment situation) for the overall sample and by country. Mean, and standard deviation was reported for age. The proportion of individuals in each category reported for gender, education, and employment situation. Fem.: Female. Oth.: Other gender. Prim.: Primary education or lower. Sec.: Secondary education. Tech.: Vocational or technical education. Bach.: Bachelor degree. Grad.: Graduate degree. Stud.: Full-time student. Unem. Look.: Unemployed but looking for a job. Unem. P. R.: Unemployed for personal reasons. Empl. P.T.: Employed part-time. Empl. F.T.: Employed full-time, including military services. Self-empl: Self-employed. Ret: Retired. For reference, Supplementary Table 18 provides the reported breakdowns of these demographic within each country.

	Temporal Discount score	Gain	Payment	Large gain	Present Bias	Absolute magnitude	Delay-speedup	Gain-loss assymetry	Subadditivity
Overall	10.3 (3.7)	3.6 (1.5)	1.5 (1.8)	2.9 (1.6)	0.15	0.20	0.29	0.39	0.09
Argentina	14.1 (3.0)	4.4 (1.0)	3.6 (1.5)	4.0 (1.2)	0.06	0.19	0.10	0.35	0.07
Australia	9.6 (2.6)	3.3 (1.2)	1.4 (1.4)	2.6 (1.1)	0.26	0.14	0.41	0.29	0.09
Austria	8.1 (2.9)	2.9 (1.5)	0.6 (1.3)	2.1 (1.4)	0.22	0.20	0.39	0.43	0.14
Belgium	8.9 (3.2)	3.2 (1.4)	1.1 (1.6)	2.3 (1.5)	0.19	0.17	0.35	0.32	0.10
Bosnia and Herzegovina	10.5 (3.6)	3.9 (1.6)	1.1 (1.7)	3.4 (1.7)	0.14	0.24	0.19	0.48	0.03
Brazil	10.4 (3.0)	3.6 (1.4)	1.7 (1.5)	2.7 (1.3)	0.15	0.19	0.31	0.31	0.11
Bulgaria	10.9 (3.0)	3.8 (1.4)	1.5 (1.7)	3.3 (1.2)	0.16	0.28	0.26	0.44	0.08
Canada	9.2 (2.9)	3.2 (1.4)	1.2 (1.4)	2.4 (1.2)	0.23	0.16	0.36	0.30	0.09
China	11.4 (3.3)	3.8 (1.4)	2.1 (1.6)	3.3 (1.3)	0.13	0.25	0.30	0.39	0.10
Croatia	9.5 (3.3)	3.6 (1.5)	0.9 (1.6)	2.9 (1.4)	0.09	0.20	0.18	0.43	0.18
Czechia	8.5 (3.1)	3.0 (1.6)	0.8 (1.3)	2.1 (1.5)	0.17	0.22	0.33	0.36	0.08
Denmark	7.8 (3.0)	2.6 (1.5)	0.7 (1.2)	2.1 (1.4)	0.20	0.22	0.43	0.47	0.14
Egypt	12.7 (2.9)	4.3 (1.1)	2.6 (1.8)	3.6 (1.4)	0.05	0.29	0.21	0.43	0.12
Estonia	11.6 (3.1)	3.3 (1.3)	1.1 (1.3)	2.5 (1.3)	/	0.17	0.39	0.35	/
Ethiopia	14.1 (2.9)	4.6 (1.0)	3.0 (2.0)	4.3 (1.2)	0.07	0.24	0.17	0.37	0.03
France	9.9 (3.2)	3.8 (1.3)	1.2 (1.6)	2.6 (1.4)	0.12	0.27	0.24	0.38	0.10
Georgia	11.8 (3.3)	4.5 (1.3)	1.4 (1.9)	3.8 (1.5)	0.14	0.35	0.20	0.62	0.07
Germany	8.0 (2.9)	2.7 (1.4)	0.8 (1.3)	2.0 (1.2)	0.26	0.15	0.40	0.40	0.09
Ghana	13.6 (3.0)	4.6 (1.0)	2.7 (2.1)	4.2 (1.3)	0.05	0.23	0.14	0.49	0.05
India	11.4 (3.0)	4.1 (1.3)	1.4 (1.5)	3.5 (1.4)	0.09	0.26	0.33	0.51	0.08
Indonesia	10.9 (4.6)	3.8 (1.9)	1.4 (2.0)	3.6 (1.9)	0.12	0.13	0.26	0.52	0.04
Iran	13.1 (3.4)	4.4 (1.3)	2.9 (2.0)	3.8 (1.5)	0.07	0.23	0.10	0.43	0.05
Ireland	9.0 (3.0)	3.2 (1.4)	0.9 (1.4)	2.4 (1.3)	0.18	0.15	0.33	0.33	0.08
Israel	7.9 (2.9)	3.0 (1.4)	0.7 (1.2)	1.8 (1.3)	0.23	0.19	0.34	0.35	0.07
Italy	9.4 (3.4)	3.1 (1.6)	1.4 (1.6)	2.4 (1.4)	0.13	0.18	0.28	0.32	0.04
Japan	7.1 (3.9)	2.6 (1.8)	0.6 (1.2)	1.6 (1.6)	0.23	0.21	0.37	0.41	0.11
Jordan	12.2 (2.9)	4.3 (1.2)	2.0 (2.0)	3.6 (1.4)	0.04	0.23	0.19	0.47	0.10
Kazakhstan	11.4 (3.2)	4.2 (1.2)	1.6 (1.9)	3.5 (1.5)	0.07	0.29	0.24	0.49	0.12
Kenya	11.2 (3.7)	4.0 (1.7)	1.7 (1.9)	3.3 (1.8)	0.13	0.22	0.31	0.50	0.04
Lebanon	13.0 (3.0)	4.8 (0.9)	1.6 (2.2)	4.5 (1.3)	0.07	0.09	0.18	0.67	0.03
Malaysia	9.5 (3.5)	3.2 (1.6)	1.3 (1.7)	2.3 (1.6)	0.11	0.20	0.37	0.38	0.14
Mexico	9.8 (3.2)	3.2 (1.5)	1.7 (1.6)	2.4 (1.5)	0.11	0.19	0.31	0.34	0.13
Moldova	10.1 (3.8)	3.8 (1.7)	0.9 (1.4)	3.2 (1.7)	0.06	0.20	0.20	0.46	0.07
Montenegro	11.2 (3.2)	4.1 (1.3)	1.7 (1.9)	3.3 (1.4)	0.10	0.36	0.19	0.44	0.11
Nepal	12.5 (3.8)	4.1 (1.5)	2.4 (2.0)	3.7 (1.6)	0.11	0.25	0.28	0.43	0.13
Netherlands	7.7 (3.0)	2.8 (1.5)	0.5 (1.2)	2.0 (1.5)	0.18	0.15	0.34	0.44	0.11

New Zealand	9.1 (2.8)	3.1 (1.3)	1.2 (1.4)	2.5 (1.3)	0.17	0.13	0.33	0.30	0.16
Nigeria	12.4 (3.6)	4.4 (1.4)	2.0 (2.1)	3.9 (1.6)	0.06	0.19	0.22	0.53	0.04
North Macedonia	10.0 (3.3)	3.7 (1.5)	1.3 (1.7)	2.9 (1.4)	0.13	0.29	0.26	0.41	0.12
Norway	8.4 (2.9)	2.9 (1.5)	0.7 (1.1)	2.4 (1.3)	0.26	0.15	0.37	0.38	0.10
Pakistan	12.0 (2.7)	4.5 (1.0)	1.7 (1.9)	3.6 (1.3)	0.07	0.31	0.25	0.48	0.09
Panama	10.5 (3.5)	3.3 (1.8)	1.8 (1.9)	3.0 (1.7)	0.05	0.12	0.19	0.26	0.12
Paraguay	10.6 (3.6)	3.5 (1.6)	2.0 (1.9)	2.8 (1.6)	0.08	0.21	0.22	0.32	0.09
Poland	9.5 (3.1)	3.4 (1.6)	1.0 (1.5)	2.6 (1.4)	0.15	0.23	0.34	0.42	0.14
Portugal	9.6 (3.6)	3.3 (1.6)	1.3 (1.7)	2.5 (1.6)	0.14	0.22	0.36	0.38	0.11
Romania	10.6 (3.3)	3.9 (1.6)	1.2 (1.7)	3.3 (1.6)	0.09	0.22	0.21	0.47	0.08
Serbia	9.9 (2.9)	3.6 (1.3)	1.1 (1.4)	2.9 (1.2)	0.17	0.28	0.27	0.45	0.10
Singapore	8.2 (3.5)	2.6 (1.4)	1.2 (1.5)	1.9 (1.3)	0.24	0.09	0.39	0.27	0.08
Slovakia	9.1 (3.0)	3.1 (1.6)	1.0 (1.5)	2.5 (1.4)	0.21	0.16	0.50	0.44	0.16
Slovenia	9.2 (3.2)	3.3 (1.4)	1.1 (1.6)	2.6 (1.4)	0.23	0.20	0.27	0.38	0.06
South Africa	10.9 (3.0)	3.8 (1.3)	1.7 (1.7)	3.1 (1.4)	0.16	0.22	0.32	0.28	0.10
South Korea	9.7 (3.1)	3.6 (1.4)	1.2 (1.5)	2.6 (1.4)	0.13	0.16	0.17	0.30	0.03
Spain	9.6 (3.3)	3.4 (1.6)	1.4 (1.7)	2.5 (1.5)	0.18	0.22	0.30	0.35	0.07
Sweden	8.6 (2.7)	3.0 (1.3)	0.6 (1.2)	2.5 (1.3)	0.21	0.18	0.35	0.42	0.08
Switzerland	7.9 (3.8)	2.6 (1.8)	1.1 (1.7)	1.9 (1.6)	0.18	0.17	0.34	0.35	0.10
Turkey	13.8 (2.8)	4.5 (0.9)	3.2 (1.6)	4.1 (1.0)	0.06	0.27	0.11	0.44	0.05
Ukraine	10.9 (3.1)	3.7 (1.4)	1.8 (1.8)	3.1 (1.3)	0.10	0.20	0.23	0.37	0.11
United Kingdom	10.3 (3.7)	3.4 (1.4)	0.9 (1.4)	2.5 (1.3)	0.21	0.21	0.35	0.39	0.13
United States	14.1 (3.0)	3.2 (1.5)	1.2 (1.5)	2.4 (1.5)	0.15	0.18	0.34	0.35	0.13
Uruguay	8.6 (2.6)	3.8 (1.2)	2.1 (1.6)	3.1 (1.2)	0.01	0.13	0.09	0.25	0.09
Vietnam	8.1 (2.9)	3.9 (1.4)	2.0 (1.9)	3.3 (1.5)	0.10	0.24	0.23	0.42	0.05

Supplementary Table 4. Descriptive information for temporal discount scores and anomalies rates per country.

Average (and standard deviation) for total temporal discount score and scores per block (gain, payment, larger gains). The proportion of individuals presenting each anomaly overall and per country. Estonia rates for present bias and subadditivity were missing due to a coding error.

	Temporal discount scores		Present bias		Absolute magnitude		Gain-loss asymmetry		Delay-speedup		Subadditivity	
	AIC dif	p-value	AIC dif	p-value	AIC dif	p-value	AIC dif	p-value	AIC dif	p-value	AIC dif	p-value
NM	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
NM vs RI	349.78	<.0001	269.74	<.0001	93.23	<.0001	78.80	<.0001	174.05	<.0001	15.80	.071
RI vs RS	7.06	.079	-4.92	<.0001	-0.01	0.990	-4.40	0.890	-3.52	.003	-1.96	<.0001

Supplementary Table 5. Model fit comparison for null, random intercept, and random slopes models.

Differences in GAM model fit null models (NM), models including all predictors (age, education, employment, GDP, GINI, individual income inequality, assets, debt, and inflation) country as random intercept (RI) and models including main variables (GINI, individual economic inequality, assets, debt, and inflation) as random slopes (RS). We compared the AIC value and reported p-values from a χ^2 test on fast restricted maximum likelihood scores using corrected degrees of freedom.

	Temporal discount scores		Present bias		Absolute magnitude		Gain-loss asymmetry		Delay-speedup		Subadditivity	
Fixed estimates	Estimate (SD)	p-value	OR	p-value	OR	p-value	OR	p-value	OR	p-value	OR	p-value
Intercept	-0.05(0.04)	0.204	0.11	< 0.0001	0.27	< 0.0001	0.67	< 0.0001	0.37	< 0.0001	0.09	< 0.0001
Smooth terms	Edf	p-value	Edf	p-value	Edf	p-value	Edf	p-value	Edf	p-value	Edf	p-value
Econom.Ineq	0.71	0.095	0.95	0.009	1.03	0.004	0.66	0.168	0.78	0.081	0.01	0.620
GINI	1.69	0.003	1.13	0.034	0.01	1.00	2.05	0.020	1.42	0.013	0.01	0.233
Debt	4.97	< 0.0001	0.91	0.049	0.21	0.273	0.15	0.277	0.73	0.115	0.01	0.720
Assets	4.96	< 0.0001	3.04	< 0.0001	2.63	0.001	0.78	0.041	3.23	< 0.0001	0.01	0.418
Inflation	2.55	< 0.0001	2.51	< 0.0001	2.26	0.001	2.88	0.0001	2.12	< 0.0001	1.50	0.0018
Residence	20.99	< 0.0001	33.98	< 0.0001	30.29	< 0.0001	37.48	< 0.0001	37.44	< 0.0001	30.01	< 0.0001
Model fit												
Adjusted R ²	0.249		0.023		0.020		0.021		0.041		0.018	

Supplementary Table 6. Effect of main variables on temporal discount scores and anomalies.

Effects estimated using GAM models including country as random intercept and age, gender, education, employment, log GDP as controls. We present standardized estimates for temporal discount scores and odd ratios for anomalies. Scores were standardized, and predictors were standardized and centered at their respective levels. Smooth terms represent non-linear effects, where the edf (effective degrees of freedom) indicate the non-linearity of the effect (being 1 a linear effect, and 0 no effect). The main results are presented bolded and shadowed in grey.

	Temporal discount scores		Present bias		Absolute magnitude		Gain-loss asymmetry		Delay-speedup		Subadditivity	
Fixed estimates	Estimate (SD)	p-value	OR	p-value	OR	p-value	OR	p-value	OR	p-value	OR	p-value
Intercept	-0.05(0.04)	0.204	0.11	< 0.0001	0.27	< 0.0001	0.67	< 0.0001	0.37	< 0.0001	0.09	< 0.0001
Smooth terms	Edf	p-value	Edf	p-value	Edf	p-value	Edf	p-value	Edf	p-value	Edf	p-value
Econom.Ineq	0.43	0.18	0.84	0.012	0.86	0.007	0.66	0.086	0.46	0.171	0.01	0.995
GINI	0.90	0.006	0.70	0.069	0.01	0.990	0.83	0.021	0.72	0.071	0.01	0.587
Debt	6.50	< 0.0001	0.81	0.023	0.01	0.950	0.55	0.133	0.74	0.050	0.01	0.551
Assets	7.18	< 0.0001	4.97	< 0.0001	4.48	< 0.0001	0.01	0.413	6.64	< 0.0001	0.01	0.473
Inflation	3.09	< 0.0001	3.10	< 0.0001	2.56	0.003	0.91	< 0.0001	2.47	< 0.0001	0.91	0.001
Residence	51.78	< 0.0001	33.39	< 0.0001	30.29	< 0.0001	42.75	< 0.0001	39.11	< 0.0001	31.26	< 0.0001
Model fit												
Adjusted R ²	0.251		0.067		0.025		0.021		0.043		0.018	

Supplementary Table 7. Robustness of main results on temporal discount scores and anomalies to change of smooth.

Effects estimated GAM model including country as random intercept and age, gender, education, employment, log GDP as controls. We employed regularized thin-plate splines to estimate non-linear terms. We present standardized estimates for temporal discount scores and odd ratios for anomalies. Scores were standardized, and predictors were standardized and centered at their respective levels. Smooth terms represent non-linear effects, where the Edf (effective degrees of freedom) indicate the non-linearity of the effect (being one a linear effect, and 0 no effect).

Fixed effects	Estimate (95%CI)	p-value
Ind. Econ. Ineq.	-0.01 (-0.03.- 0.001)	0.121
GINI	0.09 (0.02 – 0.16)	0.002
Smooth effects	Edf	p-value
Inflation	1.81	< 0.0001
Debt	2.91	< 0.0001
Assets	2.88	< 0.0001
Random effects		
ICC	0.10	
Marginal R ² / Conditional R ²	0.037/0.137	

Supplementary Table 8. Effect of main variables on temporal discount scores.

Results from the linear mixed model including country as random intercept and age, gender, education, employment, and log GDP as controls. We present standardized estimates and a 95% confidence interval for fixed effects. Scores were standardized, and predictors were standardized and centered at their respective levels. To facilitate the interpretation, we included a significance test for smooth terms representing non-linear effects from the corresponding GAM model, where the Edf (effective degrees of freedom) indicate the non-linearity of the effect (being one a linear effect, and 0 no effect). ICC represents the intraclass correlation coefficient for country effects. Results significant at 0.01 level are presented bolded and shadowed in grey.

	Present bias		Absolute magnitude		Gain-loss asymmetry		Delay-speedup		Subadditivity	
Fixed effects	OR (95%CI)	p-value	OR (95%CI)	p-value	OR (95%CI)	p-value	OR (95%CI)	p-value	OR (95%CI)	p-value
Ind. Econ. Ineq.	1.07 (1.03-1.13)	0.006	0.92 (0.87-0.98)	0.006	0.96 (0.92-1.00)	0.045	1.04 (1.00-1.08)	0.078	1.01 (0.94-1.07)	0.867
GINI	0.92 (0.84-1.01)	0.082	1.01 (0.94-1.08)	0.825	0.92 (0.85-0.99)	0.023	0.93 (0.87-1.01)	0.069	0.98 (0.90-1.07)	0.680
Debt	0.95 (0.90-1.00)	0.035	1.00 (0.96-1.05)	0.944	0.97 (0.94-1.01)	0.189	0.96 (0.92-1.00)	0.053	0.98 (0.92-1.05)	0.563
Smooth effects	Edf	p-value	Edf	p-value	Edf	P-value	Edf	p-value	Edf	p-value
Inflation	1.63	< 0.0001	1.92	< 0.0001	1.657	0.005	1.75	< 0.0001	1.37	0.003
Assets	1.01	< 0.0001	1.96	0.009	0.479	0.144	2.78	< 0.0001	0.001	0.472
Random effects										
ICC	0.03		0.01		0.02		0.02		0.02	
Marginal R ² / Conditional R ²	0.054/0.082		0.011/0.026		0.010/0.029		0.018/0.037		0.002/0.025	

Supplementary Table 9. Effect of main predictors on anomalies.

Results from generalized mixed model including country as random intercept and age, gender, education, employment, log GDP as controls. We present odds ratios and 95% confidence interval for fixed effects, and predictors were standardized and centered at their respective level. To facilitate the interpretation, we included significance test for smooth terms representing non-linear effects from the corresponding GAM model, where the Edf (effective degrees of freedom) indicate the non-linearity of the effect (being one a linear effect, and 0 no effect). ICC represents the intraclass correlation coefficient for country effects. Results significant at 0.01 level are presented bolded and shadowed in grey.

Fixed effects	Estimate (95%CI)
Ind. Econ. Ineq.	-0.01 (-0.03.- 0.001)
GINI	0.09 (0.02 – 0.17)
Random effects	
ICC	0.07
Marginal R ² / Conditional R ²	0.069/0.247

Supplementary Table 10. Effect of main predictors on temporal discount scores.

Results from Bayesian mixed model including country as random intercept and age, gender, education, employment, and log GDP as controls. Scores were standardized, and predictors were standardized and centered at their respective levels. We present standardized estimates and 95% credible intervals for fixed effects. ICC represents the intraclass correlation coefficient for country effects.

	Present bias	Absolute magnitude	Gain-loss asymmetry	Delay-speedup	Subadditivity
Fixed effects	OR (95%CI)	OR (95%CI)	OR (95%CI)	OR (95%CI)	OR (95%CI)
Ind. Econ. Ineq.	1.08 (1.02 -1.13)	0.92 (0.86 – 0.97)	0.96 (0.92 – 1.00)	1.04 (1.00 – 1.09)	1.01 (0.94-1.08)
GINI	0.92 (0.84 – 1.02)	1.01 (0.94 – 1.09)	0.92 (0.85 – 1.00)	0.93 (0.86 – 1.01)	0.98 (0.90 -1.07)
Debt	0.94 (0.89 – 1.00)	1.00 (0.95 -1.05)	0.98 (0.94 – 1.01)	0.96 (0.92 -1.00)	0.98 (0.92 – 1.05)
Random effects					
ICC	0.03	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.02
Marginal R ² / Conditional R ²	.038/0.054	0.012/0.019	0.013/0.027	0.035/0.045	0.004/0.010

Supplementary Table 11. Effect of main variables on anomalies.

Results from Bayesian generalized mixed models including country as random intercept and age, gender, education, employment, and log GDP as controls. We present odds ratios and 95% credible intervals for fixed effects, and predictors were centered at their respective levels. ICC represents the intraclass correlation coefficient for country effects.

	Temporal Discount Scores		Present bias		Absolute magnitude		Gain-loss asymmetry		Delay-speedup		Subadditivity	
	P	BF ₀₁	P	BF ₀₁	P	BF ₀₁	P	BF ₀₁	P	BF ₀₁	P	BF ₀₁
Ind. Econ. Ineq.												
(-0.10 – 0.10)	0.99	>1000	0.86	250	0.71	91	0.99	>1000	0.99	>1000	0.99	>1000
(-0.05 – 0.05)	0.98	>1000	0.19	19	0.13	11	0.62	125	0.69	200	0.81	333
(-0.01 – 0.01)	0.35	200	0.09	3	0.04	2	0.06	24	0.09	34	0.21	100
GINI												
(-0.10 – 0.10)	0.56	48	0.63	59	0.99	>1000	0.68	77	0.77	125	0.94	500
(-0.05 – 0.05)	0.11	9	0.26	26	0.80	333	0.18	16	0.29	30	0.66	143
(-0.01 – 0.01)	0.01	3	0.06	20	0.20	100	0.02	3	0.04	15	0.15	77

Supplementary Table 12. Assessment of individual economic inequality and GINI on temporal discount scores and anomalies.

Results presented the proportion of posterior distribution samples that fell within each region of practical equivalence (P) and the log Bayes Factor favoring the null hypothesis (BF₀₁) for each region of equivalence. Posterior distributions were obtained from Bayesian generalized mixed models controlling for age, education, employment, log GDP, assets, and debts. Scores were standardized, and predictors were standardized and centered at their respective levels. BF₀₁ between 0 and 0.5 as weak evidence in favor of the null hypothesis, between 0.5 and 1 as moderate evidence in favor of the null effect, and effects larger than one as strong support for the null effect. Main results in dispute (i.e., GINI on temporal discount scores, individual economic inequality on the present bias, absolute magnitude, and delay-speedup) are bolded and grey.

Fixed effects	Estimate (95%CI)	p-value
Ind. Econ. Ineq.	0.01 (0.01.- 0.05)	0.280
GINI	-0.04 (-0.07 – 0.01)	0.081
Smooth effects	Edf	p-value
Inflation	1.96	0.003
Debt	0.001	0.406
Assets	0.709	0.078
Random effects		
ICC	0.01	
Marginal R ² / Conditional R ²	0.004/0.012	

Supplementary Table 13. Effect of main variables on the sum of anomalies.

Results from the linear mixed model including country as random intercept and age, gender, education, employment, and log GDP as controls. We present standardized estimates and a 95% confidence interval for fixed effects. Scores were standardized, and predictors were standardized and centered at their respective levels. To facilitate the interpretation, we included a significance test for smooth terms representing non-linear effects from the corresponding GAM model, where the Edf (effective degrees of freedom) indicate the non-linearity of the effect (being one a linear effect, and 0 no effect). ICC represents the intraclass correlation coefficient for country effects. Results significant at 0.01 level are presented bolded and shadowed in grey.

	Gain		Payment		Larger gains	
Fixed estimates	Estimate (SD)	p-value	Estimate (SD)	p-value	Estimate (SD)	p-value
Intercept	3.59 (0.07)		2.47 (0.09)		2.92 (0.08)	
Smooth terms	Edf		Edf		Edf	
Log GDP	1.091	0.0041	0.27	0.248	1.17	< 0.001
Model fit						
Adjusted R ²	13.5%		1.08%		14.6%	

Supplementary Table 14. Country-level effects of log GDP on gain, payment, and large gains items.

Differences in GAM model We present unstandardized estimates for gain, payments, and larger gains items. Smooth terms represent non-linear effects, where the Edf (effective degrees of freedom) indicate the non-linearity of the effect (being one a linear effect, and 0 no effect).

	Number of anomalies				
	0	1	2	3	4
Overall	0.46	0.20	0.22	0.09	0.02
Argentina	0.55	0.26	0.14	0.04	0.01
Australia	0.45	0.14	0.30	0.11	0.01
Austria	0.45	0.10	0.28	0.13	0.05
Belgium	0.52	0.11	0.21	0.14	0.02
Bosnia and Herzegovina	0.44	0.23	0.18	0.12	0.02
Brazil	0.47	0.21	0.23	0.09	0.01
Bulgaria	0.41	0.20	0.23	0.14	0.01
Canada	0.49	0.11	0.28	0.10	0.02
China	0.44	0.21	0.24	0.09	0.03
Croatia	0.48	0.22	0.24	0.06	0.01
Czechia	0.49	0.12	0.22	0.12	0.04
Denmark	0.41	0.11	0.30	0.12	0.06
Egypt	0.43	0.22	0.30	0.06	0.00
Ethiopia	0.45	0.32	0.18	0.06	0.00
France	0.48	0.18	0.22	0.09	0.03
Georgia	0.27	0.32	0.27	0.11	0.03
Germany	0.48	0.09	0.23	0.17	0.04
Ghana	0.35	0.46	0.13	0.05	0.01
India	0.33	0.25	0.33	0.08	0.01
Indonesia	0.39	0.32	0.18	0.11	0.01
Iran	0.47	0.29	0.18	0.05	0.01
Ireland1	0.52	0.11	0.26	0.09	0.02
Israel	0.53	0.06	0.24	0.10	0.06
Italy	0.56	0.11	0.22	0.10	0.02
Japan	0.53	0.10	0.11	0.17	0.10
Jordan	0.43	0.28	0.21	0.07	0.00
Kazakhstan	0.40	0.27	0.20	0.12	0.01
Kenya	0.38	0.26	0.22	0.10	0.04
Lebanon	0.26	0.51	0.19	0.04	0.00
Malaysia	0.49	0.14	0.22	0.13	0.02
Mexico1	0.47	0.21	0.24	0.08	0.01
Moldova	0.49	0.20	0.22	0.09	0.00
Montenegro,	0.42	0.19	0.30	0.07	0.02
Nepal	0.43	0.22	0.23	0.10	0.03
Netherlands	0.48	0.15	0.22	0.10	0.06
New Zealand,	0.50	0.19	0.21	0.08	0.03
Nigeria	0.38	0.35	0.16	0.10	0.01
North Macedonia	0.45	0.20	0.20	0.13	0.03
Norway	0.46	0.13	0.25	0.13	0.04
Pakistan	0.42	0.20	0.23	0.14	0.01
Panama	0.56	0.30	0.09	0.05	0.00
Paraguay	0.53	0.20	0.20	0.07	0.01
Poland	0.45	0.15	0.25	0.12	0.03
Portugal	0.45	0.17	0.24	0.11	0.03
Romania	0.42	0.26	0.24	0.05	0.02

Serbia	0.43	0.15	0.26	0.15	0.02
Singapore	0.55	0.09	0.20	0.13	0.03
Slovakia	0.35	0.20	0.28	0.15	0.03
Slovenia	0.53	0.09	0.21	0.12	0.06
South Africa	0.49	0.17	0.22	0.10	0.02
South Korea	0.62	0.15	0.12	0.05	0.05
Spain	0.48	0.17	0.21	0.09	0.04
Sweden	0.49	0.12	0.18	0.17	0.04
Switzerland	0.51	0.12	0.24	0.09	0.05
Turkey	0.46	0.26	0.22	0.06	0.00
Ukraine	0.48	0.22	0.24	0.06	0.00
United Kingdom	0.48	0.11	0.21	0.15	0.05
United States	0.49	0.16	0.22	0.10	0.03
Uruguay	0.66	0.21	0.13	0.01	0.00
Vietnam	0.45	0.23	0.22	0.09	0.01

Supplementary Table 15. Descriptive information of the number of anomalies present.

The cumulative number of anomalies for the overall and per country. It is noteworthy that as subadditivity and present bias are mutually exclusive, the former was not considered. Thus, the highest number of anomalies that a participant can show is four. Estonia rates were computed without considering present bias and subadditivity due to a coding error.

	GINI		logGDP		Inflation		Individual economic ineq.		Assets		Debt r/t income	
Fixed estimates	Estimate (SD)	p-value	Estimate (SD)	p-value	Estimate (SD)	p-value	Estimate (SD)	p-value	Estimate (SD)	p-value	Estimate (SD)	p-value
Intercept	0.01 (0.05)		0.01 (0.06)		0.01 (0.04)		0.02 (0.05)		0.01 (0.05)		0.01 (0.06)	
Smooth terms	Edf	p-value	Edf	p-value	Edf	p-value	Edf	p-value	Edf	p-value	Edf	p-value
	1.456	0.0054	1.027	0.0089	2.43	<0.001	0.001	0.736	1.91	0.0002	0.001	0.589
Model fit												
Adjusted R ²	13.7%		11.2%		56.3%		0.001%		25.7%		0.001%	

Supplementary Table 16. Non-linear relationship between each variable and country-aggregated temporal discount scores.

GAM model at country level predicting standardized temporal discount scores by each relevant predictor. Smooth terms represent non-linear effects, where the Edf (effective degrees of freedom) indicate the non-linearity of the effect (being one a linear effect, and 0 no effect).

	Temporal discount scores		Present bias		Absolute magnitude		Gain-loss asymmetry		Delay-speedup		Subadditivity	
Fixed estimates	Estimate (SD)	p-value	OR	p-value	OR	p-value	OR	p-value	OR	p-value	OR	p-value
Intercept	-0.05(0.04)	0.204	0.11	< 0.0001	0.27	< 0.0001	0.67	< 0.0001	0.37	< 0.0001	0.09	< 0.0001
Smooth terms	Edf	p-value	Edf	p-value	Edf	p-value	Edf	p-value	Edf	p-value	Edf	p-value
Econom.Ineq	0.15	0.279	0.82	0.076	0.92	0.042	0.19	0.265	0.38	0.212	0.01	0.447
GINI	1.66	0.003	1.05	0.038	0.01	0.942	2.09	0.018	1.30	0.019	0.01	0.404
Debt	5.71	< 0.0001	0.98	0.038	0.34	0.222	0.11	0.290	0.55	0.145	0.01	0.995
Assets	5.31	< 0.0001	2.96	< 0.0001	2.27	0.002	0.86	0.015	3.17	< 0.0001	0.01	0.732
Inflation	2.61	< 0.0001	2.57	< 0.0001	2.67	0.002	3.02	0.001	1.99	< 0.0001	1.53	0.001
Residence	50.92	< 0.0001	33.20	< 0.0001	27.71	< 0.0001	36.03	< 0.0001	37.77	< 0.0001	30.02	< 0.0001
Model fit												
Adjusted R ²	0.252		0.066		0.019		0.021		0.041		0.018	

Supplementary Table 17. Sensitivity analysis of main variables on temporal discount scores and anomalies.

Effects estimated using GAM models including country as random intercept and age, gender, education, employment, log GDP as controls. We present standardized estimates for temporal discount scores and odd ratios for anomalies. Scores were standardized, and predictors were standardized and centered at their respective levels. Smooth terms represent non-linear effects, where the edf (effective degrees of freedom) indicate the non-linearity of the effect (being 1 a linear effect, and 0 no effect). The main results are presented bolded and shadowed in grey. Data was filtered using more conservative criteria for assets and income.

Country	% Population, age dependency ratio (2020) ¹	% Population, female (2020) ²	Unemployment rate (2020) ³	% Population, ages 25-64, with post secondary education attainment	Year	% Population Retired (based on country-level eligibility)	Year	Notes
Argentina	55.77	51.21	11.67	27.98	2020 ⁴	11.20	2019 ²⁹	29. % over 65
Australia	55.05	50.20	6.61	34.40	2020 ⁴	16.70	2021 ³⁰	
Austria	50.64	50.71	5.77	51.50	2020 ⁴	19.50	2022 ³¹	31. Percentage of people aged 65 and older; retirement age is 65 for men and 60 for women
Belgium	56.96	50.44	6.01	37.30	2020 ⁴	19.00	2019 ²⁹	29. % over 65
Bosnia_and_Herzegovina	48.01	51.03	16.85	13.70	2020 ⁴	17.20	2019 ²⁹	29. % over 65
Brazil	43.48	50.87	13.67	20.10	2020 ⁴	9.30	2019 ²⁹	29. % over 65
Bulgaria	56.61	51.44	5.71	29.20	2020 ⁴	21.30	2019 ²⁹	29. % over 65
Canada	51.24	50.37	9.48	32.50	2020 ⁴	16.90	2016 ³²	
China	42.21	48.71	5.00	9.70	2020 ⁷	11.50	2019 ²⁹	29. % over 65
Croatia	55.75	51.79	7.20	36.60	2020 ⁴	21.30	2020 ³³	33. Calculated by dividing the number of people above 65 years old by total 2021 population
Czechia	56.00	50.77	2.94	69.20	2020 ⁴	22.30	2021 ³⁴	34. Calculated by dividing the current number of pensioners by total 2021 population
Denmark	57.35	50.29	5.66	38.00	2020 ⁵	20.00	2019 ²⁹	29. % over 65
Egypt	64.62	49.48	10.45	13.00	2017 ⁵	8.03	2021 ³⁵	35. Summed up the total percentage of population with retirement age above 60 years old
Estonia	58.41	52.62	6.46	48.40	2020 ⁴	20.00	2019 ²⁹	29. % over 65
Ethiopia	76.85	49.97	2.79	10.40	2018 ⁸	3.50	2019 ²⁹	29. % over 65
France	62.36	51.60	8.62	41.80	2020 ⁴	25.90	2019 ³⁶	
Georgia	54.98	52.34	12.05	30.00	2020 ¹⁰	21.29	2021 ³⁷	
Germany	55.38	50.57	4.31	54.90	2020 ⁴	22.00	2020 ^{38, 39}	
Ghana	67.42	49.31	4.53	18.70	2020 ¹¹	3.10	2019 ²⁹	29. % over 65
India	48.66	48.04	7.11	29.00	2019 ¹²	22.70	2020 ⁴⁰	
Indonesia	47.49	49.65	4.11	28.60	2020 ⁴	6.10	2019 ²⁹	29. % over 65
Iran	45.58	49.51	10.96	16.10	2018 ¹³	11.30	2016 ⁴¹	41. Retirement age is 60 for men and 55 for women
Ireland	54.82	50.36	5.92	35.50	2020 ⁴	14.20	2019 ²⁹	29. % over 65
Israel	67.34	50.23	4.61	37.90	2020 ⁴	12.10	2020 ⁴²	
Italy	56.96	51.31	9.31	42.70	2020 ⁴	26.89	2021 ⁴³	
Japan	69.05	51.17	2.97	52.70	2020 ¹⁴	28.00	2019 ²⁹	29. % over 65
Jordan	58.25	49.37	18.50	32.60	2020 ⁴	3.90	2019 ²⁹	29. % over 65
Kazakhstan	58.85	51.47	6.05	79.00	2018 ⁵	7.70	2019 ²⁹	29. % over 65
Kenya	69.78	50.31	2.98	10.00	2019 ¹⁵	2.40	2019 ²⁹	29. % over 65
Lebanon	48.41	49.66	6.61	28.3-33.9	2019 ¹⁶	7.30	2019 ²⁹	29. National education data separates women (left) and men (right): Age% over 65
Malaysia	44.16	48.62	4.55	22.55	2019 ¹⁷	7.40	2021 ⁴⁴	
Mexico	50.27	51.08	4.71	22.20	2020 ⁴	3.20	2017 ⁴⁵	
Moldova	39.63	52.11	4.71	58.00	2020 ¹⁸	12.00	2019 ²⁹	29. % over 65
Montenegro	51.09	50.55	15.86	17.00	2011 ¹⁹	18.49	2021 ⁴⁶	
Nepal	52.99	54.19	4.44	9.30	2011 ²⁰	6.00	2020 ⁴⁷	
Netherlands	55.61	50.18	4.09	38.40	2020 ⁴	19.60	2019 ²⁹	29. % over 65
New_Zealand	55.76	50.85	4.55	40.80	2020 ⁴	16.40	2020 ⁴⁸	
Nigeria	85.96	49.32	9.01	16.80	2020 ²¹	2.70	2019 ²⁹	29. % over 65
North_Macedonia	44.48	49.98	18.40	22.00	2020 ⁴	14.10	2019 ²⁹	29. % over 65
Norway	53.34	49.46	4.62	37.20	2020 ⁴	17.20	2020 ⁴⁹	
Pakistan	64.39	48.54	4.65	12.20	2019 ²²	3.80	2020 ⁵⁰	50. Developed a custom indicator for retirement in world bank. The % of female pop above 55 yrs plus % of male population above 60 yrs. As these are the set retirement ages in Pakistan and this is as close a statistic to finding out, % of population that is retired.
Panama	53.93	49.94	10.23	47.80	2016 ²³	8.30	2019 ²⁹	29. % over 65
Paraguay	55.53	49.19	7.61	N/A	N/A	6.60	2019 ²⁹	29. % over 65
Poland	51.42	51.55	3.55	60.40	2020 ⁴	18.10	2019 ²⁹	29. % over 65
Portugal	55.83	52.69	7.20	27.20	2020 ⁴	22.40	2019 ²⁹	29. % over 65
Romania	53.26	51.38	4.84	18.40	2019 ⁵	18.80	2019 ²⁹	29. % over 65
Serbia	52.50	51.02	9.08	27.90	2011 ²⁴	24.60	2020 ⁵¹	51. Educational attainment data is quite old with no alternative
Singapore	34.50	47.66	5.19	61.80	2021 ²⁵	11.70	2021 ⁵²	52. Retirement age is 62, but population statistics only provide the percentage of those over 65 years old, i.e., 16.0%
Slovakia	47.61	51.31	6.79	65.70	2020 ⁴	25.80	2021 ⁵³	53. Retirement age eligibility varies, there were 1 407 596 eligible people in December 2021 (see the reference), population is 5 449 270 based on a census from the same year
Slovenia	55.94	50.20	5.17	54.40	2020 ⁴	29.30	2021 ⁵⁴	
South Africa	52.23	50.74	28.74	31.80	2020 ⁴	5.40	2019 ²⁹	29. % over 65
South Korea	39.54	49.94	4.07	38.60	2020 ⁴	16.50	2021 ⁵⁵	55. % over 65
Spain	52.39	50.85	15.67	23.20	2020 ⁴	19.60	2019 ²⁹	29. % over 65
Sweden	61.17	49.91	8.45	39.30	2020 ⁴	21.90	2021 ⁵⁶	
Switzerland	51.64	50.39	4.94	44.00	2020 ⁴	19.40	2020 ⁵⁷	57. Retirement age eligibility varies between men (65) and women (64)
Turkey	49.08	50.63	13.92	19.75	2020 ⁴	8.70	2019 ²⁹	29. % over 65
Ukraine	49.12	53.67	9.48	65.00	2020 ²⁶	25.68	2019 ⁵⁸	58. Gives 80%, the recent academic report gives 78%. Note that official reports do NOT have this information. Based on available raw data that we have on national demographics, the more accurate estimate is 64%. Thus, the more realistic one is 64%, the one that can be backed up by national stats is 80%.
United Kingdom	57.06	50.59	4.34	32.30	2020 ⁴	18.50	2019 ²⁹	29. % over 65
United States	53.85	50.52	8.31	41.67	2020 ⁴	19.30	2021 ⁵⁹	
Uruguay	54.85	51.68	12.67	25.10	2019 ²⁷	14.90	2019 ²⁹	29. % over 65
Vietnam	45.05	50.07	2.27	28.60	2019 ²⁸	7.60	2019 ²⁹	29. % over 65

Supplementary Table 18. Compilation of national demographic profiles for general reference. These data are compiled from a large number of varying sources, often with different definitions and methodologies. The compilation is entirely for the purpose of comparing to this study sample and we urge some caution in using this as a primary reference.

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