Semantic Differential Question Type

Semantic Differential questions are a form of rating scale designed to identify the connotative meaning of objects, words, and concepts.

When to use it

Similar to a Likert question, a Semantic Differential allows you to collect many opinions in one question.

Weak	0	0	0	0	\odot	Powerful
Inexpensive	0	0	0	0	0	Expensive
Bad	0	0	0	۲	0	Good
Dated	0	0	0	0	Θ	Modern
Hard to Use	0	0	0	0	0	Easy to Use

Setup

- 1. Click the **Question** link on the page where you would like to add your Semantic Differential question.
- 2. Select Semantic Differential from the Question Type dropdown and enter the question you wish to ask.
- **3.** Column headers will be added by default. These are numeric values ranging from -2 to 2 as we're specifying a range or continuum. You can edit or delete these column headers or add additional column headers. If you wish to record the numeric values but display something different you can define your own reporting values.

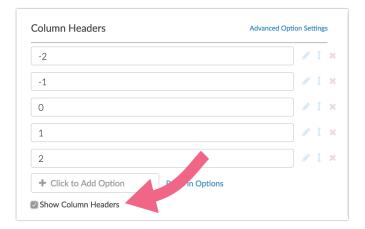
Column Headers	Advanced Option Setting		
-2		1	
-1		1	1
0		1	
1		1	
2		1	1
Click to Add Option	Paste in Options		

- **4.** By default, column headers will not display to survey respondents. If you wish to display them check the option to **Show Column Headers** just below your list of column headers.
- 5. To input your row headers which are the extreme labels of your range. Use the suggested formatting: left|right. That's the left value separated from the right value with the pipe symbol. The pipe symbol is usually found on keyboards above the Return/Enter key.

Weak Powerful	/ 1
Inexpensive Expensive	1
Bad Good	/ t
Dated Modern	/ t
Hard to Use Easy to Use	1

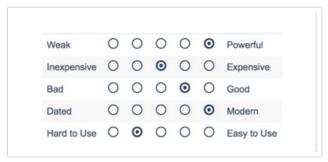
Display Column Headers

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Survey Taking

On a desktop and most laptops, the Semantic Differential question type looks like so.



When optimized for mobile devices the Semantic Differential question type displays as sliders; this makes it a easier to interact with as mobile respondents will be using their finger to select answers.

Note: Column headers are not supported in the mobile one-at-a-time interaction. You can turn off the one-at-a-time interaction if you wish.

Note that if a slider is left untouched, the row will be considered to be unanswered.



Reporting

Semantic Differential questions report as a grid, with values and percentages for each option selected. The left and right row headers are displayed for reference.

	-2	-1	0	1	2		Responses	 Layout & Options Move
Weak Count Row %	14 17.7%	13 16.5%	14 17.7%	16 20.3%	22 27.8%	Powerful	79	× Delete
Inexpensive Count Row %	25 32.1%	14 17.9%	13 16.7%	10 12.8%	16 20.5%	Expensive	78	
Bad Count Row %	16 21.1%	16 21.1%	16 21.1%	18 23.7%	10 13.2%	Good	76	
Dated Count Row %	13 16.5%	22 27.8%	15 19.0%	13 16.5%	16 20.3%	Modern	79	
Hard to Use Count Row %	17 22.7%	13 17.3%	12 16.0%	17 22.7%	16 21.3%	Easy to Use	75	
Totals						387 100.0%		

- See additional compatible chart types
- See what other report types are compatible

Exporting

CSV/ Excel Exports of Semantic Differential questions will display a column for each row header.

Strong Weak:Please rate the President on the following traits:	Decisive Indecisive:Plea se rate the President on the following traits:	Good Bad:Please rate the President on the following traits:	Active Passive:Please rate the President on the following traits:	rate the	Happy Sad:Please rate the President on the following traits:
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1	2	3	4	5	
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3	1	6	1	3	(
2	5	3	4	3	

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