The conventional US taxonomic model – the Big 5 – 1950—1980

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Traits

Taxonomic analyses of items
and scales from most personality
tests showed confusing structures.

Neuroticism

Agreeableness

However analyses of structure
of lexical items yielded a similar
structure of peer and self report.

Conscientiousness

This lead to the consensual
structure known as the the "Big 5"

Extraversion

Openness