# MMPI-2 FAKE BAD SCALE (FBS)

#### **INSTRUCTIONS:**

Enter the item responses below. Then go to the "Interpretation" worksheet for help interpreting the score. *Note: This scoring form will not work correctly if there are missing items.* 

If you already have the raw score, go directly to the Interpretation page and enter the score in the yellow bo

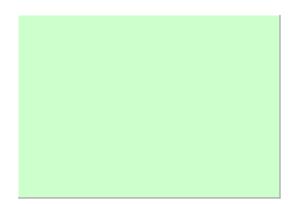
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Original citation: Lees-Haley P.R., English L.T., & Glenn W.J. (1991). A Fake Bad Scale on the MMPI-2 for personal injury claimants. Psychological Reports, 68, 203-210.

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## **FBS Total Score**



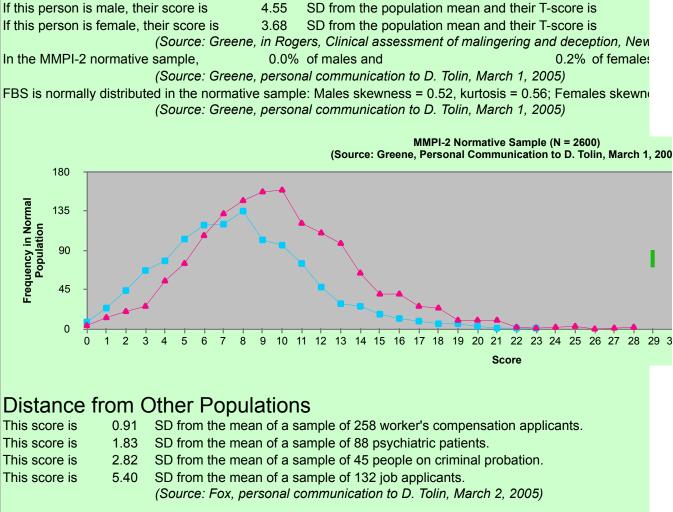
If you have calculated the total score this score is taken automatically from

#### Suggested Cutoff Scores

Suggested cutoff scores are 24 for males and 26 for females (Source: Lees-Haley et al., Psychol Reports 199 Suggested cutoff score for detecting probable TBI malingerers is 21 (Source: Ross et al., J Clin Exper Neurop Suggested cutoff score for detecting definite TBI malingerers is 21 (Source: Larrabee, The Clin Neuropsycholc Suggested cutoff score for malingering mild TBI is 20 (Source: Greiffenstein et al., J Clin Psychol 2002;58:159 Suggested cutoff score for malingering severe TBI is 24 (Source: Greiffenstein et al., J Clin Psychol 2002;58:1 Suggested cutoff scores for detecting malingered PTSD are 23 for males and 25 for females (Source: Lees-Ha Suggested cutoff scores for detecting malingered PTSD are 21 for males and 26 for females (Source: Greiffenstein et al., A Suggested cutoff score for detecting malingered neuropsychological impairment is 22 (Source: Dearth et al., A Suggested cutoff score for detecting malingered severe mental illness in male inmates is 24-26 (Source: Iverson)

### Distance from MMPI-2 Normative Sample

Note: All s



This score is	1.83	SD from the mean of a sample of 100 patients with reported cognitive impairment wl
This score is	1.00	SD from the mean of a sample of 100 patients with reported cognitive impairment wl
		(Source: Meyers et al., Arch Clin Neuropsychol 2002; 17:157.169)

This score is	5.07	SD from the mean of female custody litigants and 5.0	7
This score is	3.86	SD from the mean of female custody litigants and 4.9	
This score is	3.71	SD from the mean of female custody litigants and 5.0	
This score is	0.97	SD from the mean of female personal injury litigants and 0.9	7
		(Source: Posthuma & Harper, Prof Psychol: Res & Pract 1998;29:437-443)	
		(Note: Gender-specific N's not reported. Custody litigants/no abuse N = 80; cus	tody
This score is	1.22	SD from the mean of 492 personal injury litigants claiming impairment from phys	sical
		(Source: Lees-Haley, J Clin Psychol 1997; 53:745-755)	
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	5.57	(Source: Tsushima & Tsushima, Assessment 2001; 8:205-212)	ιοιος
		(Source: Tsushima & Tsushima, Assessment 2001, 0.205-212)	
This score is	1.80	SD from the mean of a sample of 20 male medical patients being assessed for o	orga
This score is	2.09	SD from the mean of a sample of 25 male veterans in substance abuse treatme	-
		(Source: Iverson et al., Psychol Reports 2002; 90:131-136)	
Distance f	from F	Probable Malingering and Non-Malingering Groups	
This score is	0.30	SD from the mean of a sample of 25 personal injury litigants judged to be maling	perin
This score is	3.24	SD from the mean of a sample of 20 personal injury litigants judged to be credib	-
This score is	0.45	SD from the mean of a sample of 16 medical outpatients instructed to simulate e	
This score is	0.83	SD from the mean of a sample of 15 medical outpatients instructed to simulate e	
This score is	0.25	SD from the mean of a sample of 36 medical outpatients instructed to simulate e	
This score is	0.47	SD from the total mean of 67 medical outpatients instructed to simulate emotion	
		(Source: Lees-Haley et al., Psychol Reports 1991;68:203-210)	
This score is	0.43	SD from the mean of a sample of 59 mild TBI patients who are not seeking com	
This score is	0.08	SD from the mean of a sample of 59 patients seeking compensation for mild TB	I wh
		(Source: Ross et al., J Clin Exper Neuropsychol 2004;26:115-124)	
This score is	3.72	SD from the mean of males with probable PTSD and 3.9	6
This score is		SD from the mean of 26 males who appear to malinger PTSD and -0.3	
	0.20	(Source: Greiffenstein et al., The Clin Neuropsychol 2004;18:573-590)	
This score is	2.04	SD from the mean of a sample of 64 personal injury litigants claiming non-PTSD	) psy
This score is	0.35	SD from the mean of a sample of 55 personal injury litigants appearing to maling	ger F
		(Source: Lees-Haley, J Clin Psychol 1992;48:681-689)	
This score is	0.74	SD from the mean of a a sample of 33 people claiming neuropsychological impa	airme
		(Source: Larrabee, Arch Clin Neuropsychol 2003;18:673-686)	
This score is	0.50	SD from the mean of a sample of 24 definite neuropsychological malingerers.	
This score is	0.50	SD from the mean of a sample of 24 definite neuropsychological malingerers. SD from the mean of a sample of 17 definite neuropsychological malingerers.	
This score is	2.40	SD from the mean of a sample of 54 patients with moderate/severe TBI, psychia	atric
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		additional data from this study found in Larrabee, Forensic Neuropsychology: A	Scie
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This score is	0.87	SD from the mean of a sample of 23 TBI patients instructed to malinger TBI.
This score is		SD from the mean of a sample of 23 TBI patients instructed to respond honestly.
This score is		SD from the mean of a sample of 23 healthy volunteers instructed to malinger TBI.
This score is	3.35	SD from the mean of a sample of 23 healthy volunteers instructed to respond hones
		(Source: Dearth et al., Arch Clin Neuropsychol 2005;20:95-110)
This score is	0.53	SD from the mean of a sample of 26 people claiming neuropsychological impairmen
This score is		SD from the mean of a sample of 29 known TBI patients.
	2.21	(Source: Larrabee, The Clin Neuropsychol 2003;17:54-68)
This score is	4.68	SD from the mean of a sample of 27 male minimum security prison inmates.
This score is	1.28	SD from the mean of a sample of 28 male minimum security prison inmates instructe
		(Source: Iverson et al., Psychol Assess 1995;7:118-121; reanalysis in Lees-Haley et
This score is		SD from the mean of a sample of 42 patients with chronic psychiatric problems instructed
This score is	0.73	SD from the same sample of 42 psychiatric patients instructed to malinger severe ps
		(Source: Rogers et al., Assessment 1995; 2:81-89)
This score is	0.35	SD from the mean of a sample of 61 patients with PTSD (validity of diagnosis not ch
This score is		SD from the mean of a sample of 35 college students instructed to malinger PTSD v
This score is		SD from the mean of a sample of 29 college students instructed to malinger PTSD v
This score is		SD from the mean of a sample of 30 college students instructed to malinger PTSD v
This score is	0.70	SD from the mean of a sample of 37 college students instructed to malinger PTSD v
		(Source: Bury & Bagby, Psychol Assess 2002; 14:472-484)
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This score is		SD from the mean of a sample of 159 mild TBI plaintiffs with illogical symptom histor
This score is	1.76	SD from the mean of a sample of 68 patients with documented moderate to severe (Source: Greiffenstein et al., J Clin Psychol 2002; 58:1591-1600)
This score is	1.27272	SD from the mean of a sample of 48 patients with major depressive disorder.
This score is		SD from the mean of a sample of 23 mental health professionals instructed to maling
This score is	1.59090	SD from the mean of a sample of 50 psychiatric patients with conditions other than r
		(Source: Bagby et al., Assessment 2000; 7:55-62)
Detection	of Ma	lingering vs. True Illness
Sensitivity an	d Specii	ficity
In a comparison	of mild T	BI patients and patients seeking compensation for mild TBI who scored poorly on a r
50.8%		ble malingerers obtained a score greater than or equal to 29
		(Source: Ross et al., J Clin Exper Neuropsychol 2004;26:115-124)
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-		I head injury patients and definite neuropsychological malingerers, e malingerers obtained a score greater than or equal to 29
42.3%	or definite	e malingerers obtained a score greater than or equal to 29 (Source: Larrabee, The Clin Neuropsychol 2003;17:54-68)
Positive and	Negative	e Predictive Power

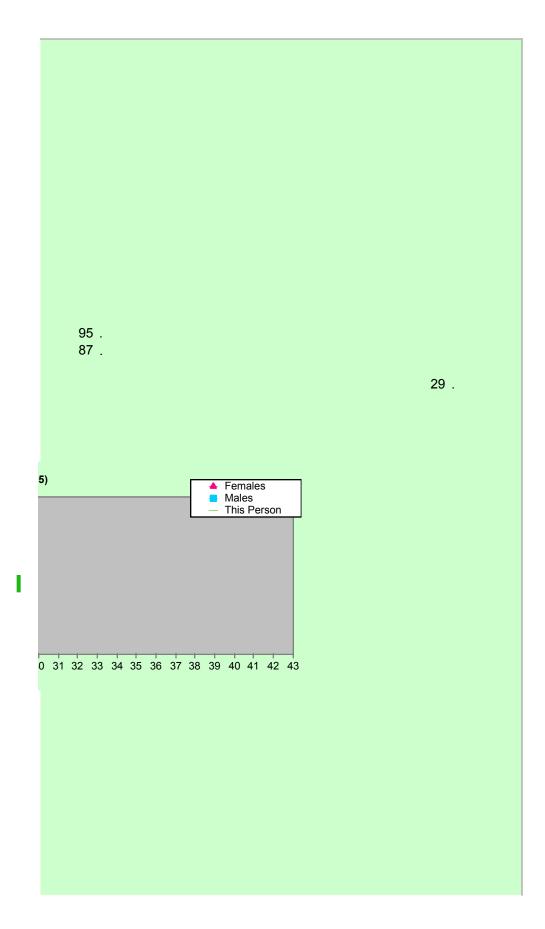
These analyses vary according to the presumed base rate of malingering in the population. The interpretation of either a 25% or 50% base rate of malingering.

In a comparison of	48 proba	able PTSD	cases and 57	probable PTSD mali	ngerers,

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a score of	29	or higher meant that the person had a	92%	chance of

a score of	29	or higher meant that the person had a	71%	chance of
a score of	29	or higher meant that the person had a	87%	chance of
a score of	29	or higher meant that the person had a	69%	chance of
a score of	29	or lower meant that the person had a	64%	chance of
a score of	29	or lower meant that the person had a	87%	chance of
a score of	29	or lower meant that the person had a	63%	chance of
a score of	29	or lower meant that the person had a	84%	chance of
		(Source: Greiffenstein et al., The Clin Neuropsy	/chol 2004;18:573-590)	

\*Notes: "Below range" means that this person scored lower than did anyone in the study sample. A 0% proba "Above range" means that this person scored higher than did anyone in the study sample. A 100% probability

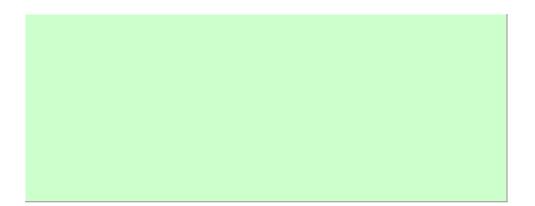


SD from the mean of male custody litigants (no alleged child abuse). SD from the mean of male custody litigants (alleged physical abuse). SD from the mean of male custody litigants (alleged sexual abuse).

SD from the mean of male personal injury litigants.

SD from the mean of 33 females with probable PTSD. SD from the mean of 31 females who appear to malinger PTSD.

, and	100.0%	of TBI patients scored below	29 .
, and	96.6%	of TBI patients scored below	29 .



Ross et al.			Greiffenste	ein et al.						
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0	1	0	Base rate	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
1	1	0	0.5	5 Below rang	Below rang	Below rang	Below rang	Below range	Below range	Below rang
2	1	0	0.2	5 Below rang	Below rang	Below rang	Below rang	Below range	Below range	Below rang
3	1	0		PPP Males	i					
4	1	0	Base rate	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
5	1	0	0.5	5 Below rang	Below rang	Below rang	Below rang	Below range	Below range	Below rang
6	1	0	0.2	5 Below rang	Below rang	Below rang	Below rang	Below range	Below range	Below rang
7	1	0		NPP Fema	les					
8	1	0.034	Base rate	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
9	1	0.051	0.5	5 Below rang	Below rang	Below rang	Below rang	Below range	Below range	Below rang
10	1	0.102	0.2	5 Below rang	Below rang	Below rang	Below rang	Below range	Below range	Below rang
11	1	0.254		NPP Males						
12	1	0.322	Base rate	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
13	1	0.356	0.5	5 Below rang	Below rang	Below rang	Below rang	Below range	Below range	Below rang
14	1	0.475	0.2	5 Below rang	Below rang	Below rang	Below rang	Below range	Below range	Below rang
15	1	0.559								
16	1	0.593								
17	1	0.61	Greene: F	requencies in	the MMPI2	Normative \$	Sample			
18	1	0.746		Males	Females	Cum male		Pct_male	Pct fem	Inv_pct_m
19	0.983	0.797	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%
20	0.949	0.547	1	0	0	0	0	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%
21	0.898	0.898	2	0	0	0	0	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%
22	0.881	0.915		3 8	3	8	3	0.70%	0.21%	99.30%
23	0.881	0.9449	4	1 8	4	16	7	1.41%	0.48%	98.59%
24	0.847	0.949		5 24	13	40	20	3.51%	1.37%	96.49%
25	0.814	0.949		6 44	20	84	40	7.38%	2.74%	92.62%
26	0.712	0.983		7 67	26	151	66	13.27%	4.51%	86.73%
27	0.661	1	8	3 78	55	229	121	20.12%	8.28%	79.88%
28	0.593	1		9 103	75	332	196	29.17%	13.41%	70.83%
29	0.508	1	1(	) 119	107	451	303	39.63%	20.73%	60.37%
30	0.424		1 <sup>-</sup>			571	435	50.18%	29.75%	49.82%
31	0.407		12	-		706	582	62.04%	39.81%	37.96%

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32	0.322	1		13	102	157	808	739	71.00%	50.55%	29.00%
33	0.203	1		14	96	159	904	898	79.44%	61.42%	20.56%
34	0.169	1		15	75	121	979	1019	86.03%	69.70%	13.97%
35	0.153	1		16	48	110	1027	1129	90.25%	77.22%	9.75%
36	0.102	1		17	29	98	1056	1227	92.79%	83.93%	7.21%
37	0.068	1		18	26	64	1082	1291	95.08%	88.30%	4.92%
38	0.034	1		19	17	40	1099	1331	96.57%	91.04%	3.43%
39	0.064	1		20	12	40	1111	1371	97.63%	93.78%	2.37%
40	0	1		21	9	26	1120	1397	98.42%	95.55%	1.58%
41	0	1		22	6	24	1126	1421	98.95%	97.20%	1.05%
42	0	1		23	6	10	1132	1431	99.47%	97.88%	0.53%
43	0	1		24	3	10	1135	1441	99.74%	98.56%	0.26%
				25	1	10	1136	1451	99.82%	99.25%	0.18%
Larrabee et	al.			26	1	2	1137	1453	99.91%	99.38%	0.09%
Score	Sensitivity	Specificity		27	1	1	1138	1454	100.00%	99.45%	0.00%
0	1	0		28		2	1138	1456	100.00%	99.59%	0.00%
1	1	0		29		3	1138	1459	100.00%	99.79%	0.00%
2	1	0		30		0	1138	1459	100.00%	99.79%	0.00%
3	1	0		31		1	1138	1460	100.00%	99.86%	0.00%
4	1	0		32		2	1138	1462	100.00%	100.00%	0.00%
5	1	0.034		33							0.00%
6	1	0.034		34							0.00%
7	1	0.034		35							0.00%
8	1	0.138		36							0.00%
9	1	0.138		37							0.00%
10	1	0.172		38							0.00%
11	1	0.207		39							0.00%
12	1	0.207		40							0.00%
13	1	0.276		41							0.00%
14	1	0.31		42							0.00%
15	1	0.448		43							0.00%
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18	0.923	0.552									

19	0.923	0.69					
20	0.923	0.793					
21	0.808	0.862					
22	0.808	0.862					
23	0.692	0.862					
24	0.615	0.862					
25	0.615	0.931					
26	0.538	0.966					
27	0.5	0.966					
28	0.5	0.966					
29	0.423	0.966					
30	0.385	0.966					
31	0.308	1					
32	0.192	1					
33	0.115	1					
34	0.115	1					
35	0.038	1					
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Delow rang	0.09	0.09	0.00	0.71	0.00						
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Below rang	Below rang	0.67	0.67	0.67	0.67	0.67	0.67	0.65	0.78	0.87	1
Below rang	Below rang	0.42	0.42	0.42	0.42	0.42	0.42	0.38	0.54	0.69	1
19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Below rang	0.82	0.78	0.72	0.64	0.61						
Below rang	0.93	0.89	0.89	0.87	0.82						
19	20	21	22	23	24	25		27	28	29	30
	Below rang	1	0.83	0.83	0.83	0.83		0.66	0.63	0.63	0.59
Below rang	Below rang	0.94	0.94	0.94	0.94	0.94	0.85	0.84	0.84	0.84	0.81



31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		Above rang	
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31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42
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