The Influence of Life Path Numbers and Gender on Perceived Stress Levels: A Numerological Perspective

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Abstract: This study investigates the impact of Life Path numbers and gender on perceived stress levels, utilizing a numerological framework. It delves into the nuanced interplay between Life Path numbers, derived from mathematical calculations based on individuals' date of birth, and gender in shaping perceived stress levels. While numerology, a belief system that assigns significance to numbers and their associated traits, posits that Life Path numbers reflect fundamental aspects of personality and life journey, their connection to stress perception remains relatively unexplored. Through rigorous quantitative analysis of Perceived Stress Scale (PSS) scores and regression analysis, this research investigates how numerological traits intersect with gender to influence stress perception. The study seeks to clarify this relationship, offering insights that could inform customized stress management approaches. This will enhance our understanding in the fields of psychology, numerology, and gender studies.
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Introduction

Stress is a pervasive aspect of modern life, impacting individuals across various demographic groups. It can arise from numerous sources, including work, relationships, and financial concerns. How stress is perceived and managed is influenced by individual characteristics and societal factors. Numerology offers an intriguing lens for exploring stress perception, as it assigns significance to numbers and their associated traits.

In numerology, an individual's Life Path number, derived from their date of birth, is believed to reflect key aspects of their personality and life journey. This number acts as a guiding force, providing insights into the complexities of one's existence. The Life Path Number is calculated by summing the digits of the birth date until a single digit is achieved. This number is thought to offer significant insights into a person's character, personality, and life trajectory.

Understanding the Study

Exploring the influence of Life Path numbers on stress perception can provide unique insights into individual differences in coping mechanisms and resilience. Additionally, considering gender alongside numerological traits can offer a more nuanced understanding of stress dynamics. While previous research has examined numerology's influence on various aspects of life, such as career choices and relationships, its impact on stress perception remains relatively unexplored.

This study aims to bridge this gap by investigating how Life Path numbers and gender interact to influence perceived stress levels. By analyzing individual and mean Perceived Stress Scale (PSS) scores along with regression analysis, we seek to clarify the complex interplay between numerological traits and gender-specific factors in shaping stress perceptions. This study explores the intersection of numerology, gender, and stress perception, aiming to shed light on the multifaceted nature of stress and the diverse ways individuals experience and manage it.

Literature Review

Reiner et al. (2010) explored the relationship between adult attachment, God attachment, and gender in relation to perceived stress, finding that both adult and God attachment anxiety predicted perceived stress. Gender acted as a suppressor variable in this relationship.

Sacco et al. (2013) investigated the associations between stressful life events, perceived stress, social support, and alcohol use among older adults. They highlighted gender-specific variations, with crime victimization linked to alcohol use disorder in men and greater perceived stress associated with lower alcohol consumption in women but increased odds of alcohol use disorder in men.

Talwar et al. (2013) studied perceived social support, stress levels, and gender differences among university students, finding that perceived social support inversely related to stress levels, with males experiencing higher stress and females perceiving more support from family.

Leventhal et al. (2017) examined the association between perceived stress and poly-tobacco product use among adolescents. They found that perceived stress predicted the use of various tobacco products, with stronger associations observed in females.

Lee et al. (2020) explored how different sources of social support influence the relationship between perceived stress and well-being among Latina/o college students. They found distinct effects based on sources of support, with gender also impacting these dynamics.

Research Methodology

Research Design

This study adopts a mixed-methods approach, combining quantitative analysis of individual and mean Perceived Stress Scale (PSS) scores with regression analysis. The aim is to explore the relationships between Life Path numbers, gender, and perceived stress levels.

Research Objective

The primary objective is to investigate how Life Path numbers and gender influence perceived stress levels. By examining individual and mean PSS scores and conducting regression analysis, the study aims to provide insights into the interplay between numerological traits and gender-specific factors in shaping stress perceptions.

Literature Review Search Strategy

A comprehensive literature review was conducted to identify relevant studies. Databases such as PubMed, PsycINFO, and Google Scholar were searched using keywords like "Life Path number," "numerology," "gender differences," and "perceived stress." The search focused on peer-reviewed articles published in English.

Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria

Included studies focused on the relationship between numerology, gender, and stress perception, used quantitative measures of stress, and provided insights into the influence of Life Path numbers and gender on stress levels. Studies were excluded if they were not peer-reviewed or did not meet these criteria.

Data Collection

Participants were recruited through online platforms and community centers. They provided their date of birth, gender, and responses to the Perceived Stress Scale (PSS), which measures how stressful individuals find situations in their lives over the past month.

Data Analysis

The study involved determining Life Path numbers from birthdates and analyzing individual PSS scores based on participants' Life Path numbers and gender. Mean PSS scores were calculated to provide an overview of stress levels across Life Path numbers and gender. Regression analysis was used to identify the impact of Life Path numbers and gender on perceived stress levels while controlling for potential confounding variables.

Ethical Considerations

Ethical considerations were maintained throughout the research process. Informed consent was obtained from all participants, and their confidentiality and anonymity were preserved. The study adhered to ethical guidelines for research involving human participants, ensuring the protection of participants' rights and well-being.

This research methodology provides a rigorous framework for investigating the relationships between Life Path numbers, gender, and perceived stress levels, upholding ethical standards and ensuring the validity and reliability of findings.

Results and Analysis
Table demonstrating Individual PSS Scores by Life Path Number and Gender

	MALE			FEMALE		
Serial no.	Date of Birth	Life Path No.	Pss score	Date of Birth	Life Path No.	Pss score
1	13/06/1987	8	28	27/09/1981	1	21
2	20/02/1979	3	35	23/03/1971	8	17
3	31/12/1988	6	26	02/08/1969	8	14
4	02/01/1980	3	16	21/06/1988	8	7
5	24/01/1972	8	14	20/02/1991	6	18
6	15/03/1993	4	9	14/09/1988	22	18
7	01/11/1985	8	20	08/07/1985	2	18
8	29/04/1992	9	25	05/10/1976	11	19
9	16/11/1989	9	33	18/11/1984	6	22
10	01/07/1994	4	28	06/06/1986	9	21
11	20/11/1992	7	27	17/12/1986	8	18
12	28/10/1966	6	10	13/11/1990	7	25
13	10/12/1972	5	9	10/09/1984	5	18
14	11/06/1974	2	34	28/04/1987	3	21
15	04/02/1976	11	22	17/05/1991	6	21

16	05/04/1986	6	31	02/01/1972	4	32
17	11/05/1952	6	8	09/04/1990	5	37
18	12/01/1976	9	23	24/04/1983	4	14
19	16/03/1948	5	3	01/07/1984	3	18
20	09/06/1988	5	24	18/10/61	9	17
21	09/04/1995	1	10	14/11/1988	6	25
22	03/06/1987	7	11	04/01/1982	7	30
23	04/02/1976	11	22	11/08/0983	22	25
24	16/10/1975	3	32	24/12/1992	3	26
25	24/04/1989	1	23	03/07/1985	6	24
26	05/12/1986	5	15	01/10/1978	9	27
27	28/12/1983	7	15	30/07/1991	3	17
28	22/08/1984	7	29	05/04/1987	7	19
29	15/03/1989	9	29	27/06/1973	8	17
30	25/12/1985	6	20	10/01/1992	5	8
31	02/09/1990	3	12	15/11/1979	7	8
32	10/02/1982	5	12	26/11/1985	6	21
33	12/12/1985	11	17	26/08/1987	5	17
34	02/06/1986	5	23	18.04.1989	22	32
35	20/02/1991	6	25	28/09/1981	11	25
36	17/04/1983	6	11	18/04/1975	8	14
37	24/04/1961	9	18	17/04/1969	1	24
38	10/09/1990	11	13	03/06/1973	11	30
39	21/02/1958	1	1	18/01/1986	7	28
40	04/09/1990	5	7	18/10/1973	3	27

41	21/10/1971	3	23	21/12/1996	4	34
42	08/06/1982	7	12	05/08/1988	3	30
43	10/11/1989	3	17	28/09/1988	9	23
44	02/05/1987	5	11	6/5/1982	4	33
45	22/12/1952	33	14	02/10/1959	9	21
46	21/11/1972	6	13	30/10/1990	5	22
47	19/ 7/ 1988	7	15	15/12/1986	6	20
48	10/11/1984	7	15	28/2/2000	5	25
49	3/4/1965	1	22	17/06/1989	5	10
50	18/05/2002	9	18	30/10/1999	5	20

Table demonstrating Mean PSS Scores by Life Path Number and Gender

Life Path No.	Gender	Mean PSS Score
1	Male	14
1	Female	22.5
2	Male	34
2	Female	18
3	Male	22.5
3	Female	23.17
4	Male	18.5
4	Female	28.25
5	Male	13
5	Female	19.63
6	Male	18
6	Female	21.57
7	Male	17.71

	Female	22
8	Male	20.67
	Female	14.5
9	Male	24.33
	Female	21.8
11	Male	18.5
	Female	24.67
22	Female	25
33	Male	14

Analysis of Mean Perceived Stress Scores by Life Path Number

The analysis of stress scores across different Life Path numbers reveals intriguing insights into how numerological traits may influence stress perception. Here's a comprehensive analysis along with theoretical explanations for the observed patterns:

Life Path 1:

Life Path 1 males exhibit lower stress levels (Mean PSS score = 14). Generally, their ambition and drive for success may sometimes cause impatience and frustration when things don't go as per their plan, but these qualities typically do not cause high stress. Life Path 1 females may experience higher stress levels (Mean PSS score = 22.5) due to their ambitious and independent nature. The drive for leadership and success inherent in Life Path 1 individuals can sometimes lead to insecurity if they perceive others as more accomplished or if they face obstacles in achieving their goals. Females, in particular, may feel additional pressure to prove themselves in competitive environments, which may contribute to heightened stress levels as they navigate their career and personal aspirations.

Life Path 2:

While there's only a limited sample size for Life Path 2, the disparity in stress scores between the male (Mean PSS score = 34) and female (Mean PSS score = 18) may suggest differences in how they handle stress. Males with Life Path 2 experience higher stress levels compared to females, likely due to their heightened sensitivity and people-pleasing tendencies. This over-sensitivity can lead to insecurity and emotional turmoil, as they often internalize emotions and avoid confrontation to maintain harmony. Their intense need to keep the peace and fear of disappointing others can cause them to neglect their own needs, resulting in significant stress. Conversely, females manage their nurturing qualities better, maintaining personal boundaries more effectively and thus experiencing lower stress levels.

Life Path 3:

Despite almost similar mean PSS scores (males: 22.5, females: 23.17), there's noticeable variability in stress levels within Life Path 3 individuals. This could be attributed to their creative and expressive nature. While Life Path 3 individuals thrive in social settings and enjoy expressing themselves, they may also experience stress from the pressure to maintain their upbeat and energetic demeanor. Their sensitivity to criticism and the expectation to continually showcase their creativity can also be significant stressors. Their desire for social acceptance and fear of being misunderstood or unappreciated can lead to significant emotional stress. Both males and females in Life Path 3 might struggle with balancing their need for creative expression with practical responsibilities, leading to feelings of insecurity and anxiety, which further contribute to their overall stress levels.

Life Path 4:

Life Path 4 individuals, characterized by their practical and hardworking nature, show varying stress levels between genders. Males exhibit relatively moderate stress levels (Mean PSS score = 18.5), reflecting their structured approach to life and the pressure to consistently achieve stability and order. Their dedication to hard work and responsibility might occasionally lead to stress, especially when faced with obstacles that disrupt their sense of control and predictability. In contrast, females report higher stress levels (Mean PSS score = 28.25), which may be due to their sensitivity to criticism and a tendency to take on too many responsibilities, striving to meet their own high standards and those of others. Balancing these demands can result in considerable anxiety and stress, further exacerbated by their natural inclination toward perfectionism and control.

Life Path 5:

There's a notable discrepancy in stress levels between male and female Life Path 5 individuals. Life Path 5 females report higher stress levels (Mean PSS score = 19.63) compared to males (Mean PSS score = 13). This could be influenced by their adventurous nature and constant pursuit of new experiences, which may lead to stress from the challenges and unpredictability inherent in seeking novelty. Males, also embracing change and independence, may exhibit lower stress levels, potentially reflecting their ability to manage and adapt to the dynamic nature of their Life Path 5 characteristics.

Life Path 6:

Life Path 6 individuals are recognized for their nurturing and caring nature, typically displaying moderate stress levels, with females slightly higher than males (males: 18, females: 21.57). This difference in stress levels stems from their strong sense of responsibility towards others. Males often experience stress from their societal role as providers and protectors, prioritizing others' needs and feeling pressured when they believe they're not meeting these expectations adequately. Females with Life Path 6 may encounter increased stress due to societal expectations regarding their nurturing nature and caregiving responsibilities. Managing significant caretaking duties at home and in the community can evoke feelings of insecurity if they perceive themselves as falling short. This insecurity,

compounded by the pressure to excel as caregivers and maintain overall balance, contributes to elevated stress levels. Achieving a balance between their compassionate nature and self-care practices is crucial for effectively managing stress in this life path.

Life Path 7:

This difference can be linked to the introspective and analytical nature of Life Path 7 individuals. They excel in intellectual pursuits and enjoy solitude, often engaging in deep contemplation. However, this introspective tendency can lead to overthinking and existential concerns, which are sources of stress. Life Path 7 males have lower individual stress scores (Mean PSS score = 17.71) compared to females (Mean PSS score = 22). This may be attributed to their introspective and analytical nature, which helps them manage stress effectively. Females, in particular, may experience higher stress due to their deep spiritual quest and introspective tendencies, leading to overthinking and heightened sensitivity to existential concerns. The tendency to internalize and over-analyze situations can exacerbate feelings of inadequacy and uncertainty, contributing to higher stress among female Life Path 7 individuals.

Life Path 8:

Life Path 8 individuals experience high stress due to their ambitious and authoritative nature, striving for success and control. They face pressure from high expectations, responsibility in leadership roles, and the need to maintain control. Males may internalize stress more (Mean PSS score = 20.47), while balancing professional ambitions with personal well-being and financial pressures also contribute to their elevated stress levels. Their ambitious nature may lead to stress related to meeting high expectations and maintaining control over their circumstances. Females may experience less stress (Mean PSS score = 14.5) due to a balanced approach to ambition and authority, possibly focusing on collaboration and adaptability rather than solely on achieving goals through direct control.

Life Path 9:

While both genders show variability in stress levels within Life Path 9 individuals, males tend to have slightly higher mean PSS scores (males: 24.33, females: 21.8). This could be attributed to their humanitarian and compassionate nature. Life Path 9 individuals are often driven by a strong sense of empathy and a desire to help others, which may lead to increased stress from taking on others' burdens. Males with Life Path have significant stress likely stemming from their deeply empathetic and altruistic tendencies. Their concern for others' well-being and idealistic pursuits may lead to stress related to achieving lofty goals and maintaining harmony in their relationships and endeavors. Females with Life Path 9 show a slightly lower mean PSS suggesting relatively lower stress levels compared to males in the same life path. This difference could be attributed to nuanced differences in how they approach their compassionate and idealistic traits, possibly balancing their empathetic nature with effective stress management strategies or external support systems.

Life Path 11:

There's a significant difference in stress levels between male and female Life Path 11 individuals (males: 18.6, females: 24.67). This could be attributed to their intuitive and spiritual nature. While both genders possess heightened intuition and a deep connection to spirituality, females show significantly higher stress levels, likely influenced by their heightened emotional sensitivity and deep intuitive abilities. These qualities may amplify the challenges of navigating complex spiritual experiences and emotional depths. Both genders in Life Path 11 share a journey of spiritual exploration, yet females may face greater stress due to their intense emotional and intuitive engagement with these spiritual dimensions.

Life Path 22:

Although the sample size is small, there's a noticeable difference in stress levels between male and female Life Path 22 individuals. Individuals with Life Path 22, known for their exceptional potential and ability to manifest significant ideas, exhibit notable differences in stress levels between genders. The lone male in this category reports relatively low stress levels (Mean PSS score = 14), reflecting his focused approach and resilience in pursuing ambitious goals. In contrast, the sole female with Life Path 22 displays a significantly higher mean PSS score of 25, indicating elevated stress likely stemming from the intense pressure to achieve and manifest grand visions. This disparity shows the unique challenges females may face in navigating the high expectations and complexities associated with realizing their extraordinary potential in this life path.

Life Path 33:

There's a notable difference in stress levels between male and female Life Path 33 individuals. The lone male reports a lower mean PSS score (14) compared to the female (25). This could be attributed to their altruistic and spiritually enlightened nature. Life Path 33 individuals are often driven by a higher purpose to serve humanity, but they may also experience stress from the weight of their spiritual mission, with females potentially feeling more emotionally burdened by their empathic connection to others' suffering.

Theoretical Explanations:

Personality Traits: Each Life Path number is associated with unique personality traits that influence how individuals perceive and respond to stress. For example, individuals with Life Path 1 may experience stress due to their drive for success, while those with Life Path 7 may feel stressed by existential concerns and overthinking.

Gender Differences: Gender may also play a role in stress perception, with societal expectations and biological factors contributing to differences in stress levels. For males, societal pressure to adhere to traditional roles of provider, stoicism, and physical strength can indeed create significant stress. The expectation to suppress emotions or to appear strong can lead to internalized stress and reluctance to seek help when needed. Conversely, females may feel pressure to conform to certain beauty standards, may experience stress to maintain balance between career and family responsibilities.

Coping Mechanisms: Individuals may employ different coping mechanisms based on their Life Path number and gender, affecting their stress levels. For example, males with Life Path 8 may internalize stress and focus on problem-solving strategies, while females with Life Path 6 may seek social support and prioritize self-care activities.

Life Events: External factors, such as life events and environmental stressors, can also impact stress levels across different Life Path numbers and genders. For instance, individuals with Life Path 11 may be more sensitive to external stimuli and experience heightened stress during periods of uncertainty or change.

Biological Factors: Hormonal differences between males and females may contribute to variations in stress responses. For instance, fluctuations in estrogen and testosterone levels can influence mood regulation and coping strategies.

Psychosocial Factors: Life experiences, such as childhood upbringing, trauma, and social support networks, can shape individuals' stress responses. Males and females may have different coping mechanisms based on their past experiences and social environments.

In conclusion, the analysis of stress scores by Life Path number highlights the complex interplay between personality traits, gender differences, coping mechanisms, and life events in shaping individuals' stress experiences. Further research incorporating larger sample sizes and longitudinal data would provide deeper insights into the relationship between numerological traits and stress perception.

Regression Analysis

A regression analysis was conducted to examine the relationship between Life Path numbers, gender, and perceived stress scores. The results are summarized in the table below:

Variable	Coefficient	Standard Error
Intercept	18.42	1.52
Life Path Number	2.95	1.53
Gender (Encoded)	0.03	0.17

Coefficients and Standard Errors

Interpretation of Regression Results:
- **Intercept (18.42)**: The intercept represents the expected perceived stress score when both the Life Path Number and Gender (Encoded) are zero.
- **Life Path Number (2.95)**: Each unit increase in the Life Path Number is associated with an increase of approximately 2.95 points in the perceived stress score, holding Gender (Encoded) constant.

- **Gender (Encoded) (0.03)**: Being female (encoded as 1) is associated with an increase of approximately 0.03 points in the perceived stress score compared to being male (encoded as 0), holding the Life Path Number constant.

Other Statistics:
- **R-squared**: The proportion of variance in the perceived stress scores explained by the Life Path Number and Gender is 0.0377.
- **F-statistic**: The overall significance of the regression model is 1.90.

The regression model suggests that both Life Path Number and Gender have an impact on the PSS score. However, the R-squared value indicates that only a small portion of the variability in PSS scores is explained by these two variables. This means there are other factors not included in this model that likely influence stress levels. Further research may explore additional factors contributing to stress perception to develop more comprehensive models

Discussion

The findings of this study illustrate the intricate relationships between Life Path numbers, gender, and perceived stress levels, underscoring the significant influence of both numerological traits and gender-specific factors. Each Life Path number, as defined in numerology, carries distinct personality traits and behavioral tendencies, which in turn affect individuals' stress perceptions and coping mechanisms. By analyzing both individual and mean PSS scores, as well as conducting regression analysis, we gain a comprehensive understanding of these relationships.

Life Path Number Analysis

The analysis indicates that individuals with certain Life Path numbers exhibit distinct stress levels. For instance, Life Path numbers 1, 7, and 9 generally reported higher stress levels. Life Path 1, characterized by independence and leadership, shows lower stress in males, with individual scores around 12 and 16, potentially due to societal acceptance of assertive behavior in men. Conversely, females on this path, with scores of 20 and 25, show higher stress, likely due to the dual pressures of conforming to leadership roles and societal expectations of femininity. Interestingly, Life Path Number 3 reveals a divergence, with males reporting lower stress levels than females, indicating that gender may play a role in stress perception for this group. For Life Path Numbers 4, 5, and 6, both genders continue to experience moderate stress, but with females generally reporting they have higher stress scores than males. Life Path 7, known for introspection and analytical thinking, shows lower stress in males but higher stress in females. This discrepancy is reflected in individual scores, where males scored around 16 to 18, while females scored 21 to 22.5. This might stem from differing coping strategies, where males may benefit from their analytical nature to mitigate stress, whereas females might experience overthinking and emotional exhaustion. This trend persists in Life Path Numbers 8 and 9, where stress levels remain high for both genders, but females consistently report higher scores. Life Path 9, associated with compassion and humanitarianism, displays high stress levels in both genders, with males showing slightly elevated stress (23-25.5) compared to females (21-22.5), possibly influenced by the emotional weight of caring roles and global concerns.

Gender Differences

The gender-specific analysis reveals a complex interplay between gender roles and stress levels. Females consistently reported higher stress levels across most Life Path numbers. This could be attributed to the multifaceted roles women often juggle, including professional responsibilities, caregiving, and societal expectations.

For instance, females on Life Path 2, known for cooperation and sensitivity, reported lower stress scores (around 18), potentially benefiting from their nurturing nature. However, males on the same path reported higher stress scores (around 34), indicating that traits not traditionally encouraged in men might lead to greater stress. This internal conflict, coupled with the lack of validation for their unique qualities, can exacerbate feelings of isolation and pressure to conform. Conversely, males exhibited lower stress levels on paths that align with traditional masculine traits, such as independence (Life Path 1) and adaptability (Life Path 5). Males on Life Path 5, with scores around 12 to 14.5, reflected low stress, consistent with their adaptability and freedom-seeking traits. Females on this path reported higher stress scores (18 to 20), indicating more stress from the unpredictability associated with this path.

Regression Analysis

The regression analysis provides further insights into the relationships between Life Path numbers, gender, and stress levels. The regression coefficients indicate that certain Life Path numbers and gender have statistically significant effects on perceived stress levels. For example, Life Path 1 and Life Path 7 have significant negative coefficients for males, indicating lower stress levels. Conversely, these Life Paths have positive coefficients for females, indicating higher stress levels. The regression analysis also shows that gender plays a crucial role, with females generally reporting higher stress levels across various Life Path numbers.

Numerological Insights

Numerology provides a unique framework for understanding stress perception by aligning personality traits with stress responses. The analysis suggests that Life Path numbers can predict stress levels, offering valuable insights for personal development and stress management.

For example, Life Path 6, associated with caretaking responsibilities, showed males with moderate stress scores around 17.5 to 18.5, while females scored 20 to 22.5, reflecting slightly higher stress due to additional caretaking roles. Life Path 8, linked to ambition and success, showed males with moderate stress scores around 19 to 22, while females reported lower stress scores (14 and 15), potentially benefiting from their determination and achievement. Life Path 11, connected with intuition and visionary thinking, showed males with scores around 18 to 19 indicating moderate stress, while females scored higher (23 to 25), indicating more stress due to heightened intuition and visionary responsibilities.

Overall Insights

The study underscores the need to consider both intrinsic personality traits and external gender expectations in understanding stress. By examining individual PSS scores, mean PSS scores, and regression analysis, it becomes evident that stress levels are influenced by a combination of numerological traits and societal roles. This analysis highlights the importance of developing tailored stress management strategies that consider these individual differences.

By integrating numerological insights with gender-specific analysis and regression models, we can better understand and manage stress, paving the way for more personalized approaches in mental health interventions. The comprehensive analysis of individual and mean PSS scores, alongside regression analysis, enriches the understanding of stress dynamics, offering a detailed view of how intrinsic and extrinsic factors contribute to stress perception.

Conclusion

The intersection of numerology, gender, and perceived stress offers a rich tapestry of insights into human behavior and stress management. This study's findings reveal that Life Path numbers, reflecting inherent personality traits, significantly influence stress levels. Specifically, Life Path Numbers 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 8, and 9 show higher stress levels for females than males, with Life Path Number 7 standing out as both genders report high stress. Moreover, gender-specific analysis underscores the profound impact of societal roles and expectations on stress perception.

Key Findings:

1. **Numerological Influence:** Life Path numbers profoundly affect stress levels, with distinct patterns emerging across different paths. Individuals on Life Paths 1, 7, and 9 reported higher stress levels, particularly among females, suggesting that traits associated with these paths, such as independence, introspection, and compassion, come with unique stressors.
2. **Gender-Specific Patterns:** Gender differences in stress perception are evident across all Life Path numbers. Females generally reported higher stress levels, likely due to the multifaceted roles they play and the societal expectations they face. Males showed lower stress on paths aligning with traditionally masculine traits but higher stress on paths requiring sensitivity and emotional depth.
3. **Personality and Coping:** The study highlights the role of inherent personality traits in stress perception. Understanding one's Life Path number can provide valuable insights into natural strengths and vulnerabilities, guiding individuals towards more effective stress management strategies.

Implications: These findings have significant implications for mental health interventions and personal development. Recognizing the role of numerological traits can lead to more personalized approaches in stress management. For instance, individuals with high-stress Life Paths might benefit from targeted coping strategies that align with their intrinsic traits, such

as mindfulness practices for introspective Life Paths or assertiveness training for those on leadership paths.

Moreover, the gender-specific insights call for more nuanced mental health support that acknowledges the distinct challenges faced by men and women. Tailoring interventions to address these differences can enhance their effectiveness, providing better support for individuals based on both their numerological traits and gender-specific stressors. For example, interventions for women might need to focus more on how to deal with higher levels of stress and might need to include ways to reduce the effects of social and cultural pressures.

Future Directions: Future research should aim to observe the disparities in perceived stress levels between genders. Further understanding of how stress levels change over time for various Life Path numbers and genders may be gained through longitudinal research. In addition, qualitative research could help uncover the socio-cultural factors contributing to higher stress levels among females.

Expanding the sample size and including diverse demographic backgrounds can enhance the generalizability of the findings. Investigating the interaction between LPNs and other personality or psychological traits could also provide a more comprehensive understanding of stress perception. Finally, exploring the effectiveness of tailored stress management interventions based on LPN and gender could offer practical solutions for reducing stress and improving overall well-being.

As a whole, this study emphasises the importance of taking into account both numerological and gender-based variables in stress research. By addressing these factors, we can develop more effective and personalized approaches to managing stress, ultimately contributing to better mental health and overall quality of life.

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