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Abstract

This study was designed to explore the link between eating attitudes emotional regulation and psychological distress among young women. In this study, the sample consisted of 300 young adult women selected through a convenient sampling technique from different universities in Lahore. The mean age of the sample (*n*=300) was 21.90 years, and the standard deviation was 2.67. The study's total sample comprised 300 young adults. Self-report measures including the demographic questionnaire, eating attitude test, emotional regulation, and psychological distress scale were used to assess the study variables. The results of the current study revealed that eating attitude has a significant correlation with depression, anxiety, and stress. There was a positive and significant correlation between preferred junk food and stress. The overall results showed that eating attitude was a significant predictor of depression, anxiety, and stress. *Keywords:* eating attitude, emotional regulation, psychological distress, preferred junk food, preferred frizzy food, preferred healthy food, number of meals.