**Aggressive Driving (Psychology)**

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Deliberately driving aggressively has long been associated with underlying psychological factors. Although there can be other more present causes to an erratic behavior on the road, the psychological tendency for disregard of safety is still a determinant. A psychological disposition to rash and careless driving has also been extensively studied and researched upon.

The video discussed in this assignment displays a classic case of a driver with apathy and total indifference to the safety of their fellow drivers. The driver can be clearly seen as dangerously tailing vehicles and swerving between lanes to get ahead of slow vehicles. This can be attributed to low agreeability. Since the person in question here does not care for how they present themselves to other people and is rude on several occasions by tailing vehicles, low agreeability can be clearly seen. Moreover, as the driver almost runs the tanker off the road but does not stop nor slow down in learned remorse, this shows a clear case of low conscientiousness. People psychologically inclined to be irritable, rude or rash can be associated with both low agreeability and low conscientiousness. The driver also clearly displays their impatience and anxiety by not even stopping after the almost-accident with the tanker. This can be related to high neuroticism. (Donald E Miles, 2003)

The swerving of the driver between lanes that ultimately leads to their accident displays a psychological issue of dysfunctional impulsivity. This driver is making impulsive decisions in their dangerously rash driving which paid off the first few times but resulted in an accident later. Other factors that came into play here were low forgiveness for the drivers that would not move aside to let the rash driver pass. This was also a deciding factor in the anger that led to the accident. Anger here also defines the psychological issue of negative affect. (Natália Kovácsová, 2016)

Therefore, there are several psychological analyses that can be derived from this video of a rash driver who later gets into an accident because of their behavior:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vQMBvJuKjwk>

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