Many behaviours in the human approach and novel object tests were consistent between pre- and post-weaning periods, and between heifer and cow period, but less so from pre- or post-weaning to adulthood. Latency to touch the human or object was correlated at all time periods.

Behaviours recorded in the novel environment test were consistent between heifer and cow periods, but not at other developmental periods.

Conclusion: These results suggest that personality traits in heifers are generally stable during the early and later rearing periods, but are less consistent between 3-mo and 1-yr of age.