S.1 EI, HRV, and HR

Neither ability EI nor mixed EI were significant predictors of baseline HRV or HR (Figure 2, Panels C-F). See Table S2 for HRV model coefficients, sums of squares, and partial eta-squared and Table S3 for HR model coefficients, sums of squares, and partial eta-squared.

Physiological Response to Serial Subtraction

A linear mixed model established that participants did not have significant changes in HRV during the stress reactivity assessment, F(2, 300) = 2.45, p = .09. An additional linear mixed model indicated that participants did have significant increases in HR in response to the stress induction and no change relative to baseline levels during recovery, F(2, 300) = 81.59, p < .0001. See Table S4 for model coefficients, standard errors, and beta values.

EI Predicting Change Across Conditions

No interactions or main effects for EI and HRV across conditions were observed for any EI measures of interest. See Table S6 for HRV model coefficients, standard errors, and beta values. There were also no interactions or main effects for EI and HR across conditions. See Table S7 for HR model coefficients, standard errors, and beta values.

S.2 Investigating the Potential Influence of Covariates

The combination of gender and caffeine was not favored over the simpler model main effect model only including RMSSD and EI, *L.Ratio* = 0.46, p = .79. The addition of gender independently, *L.Ratio* = 0.03, p = .86, or caffeine used, *L.Ratio* = 0.42, p = .52, were also not

favored over the simpler main effects models when interrogated on their inclusion. The combination of both covariates was also not favored over the simpler model main effect model only including HRV and EI, *L.Ratio* = 1.65, p = .44. The addition of gender independently, *L.Ratio* = 0.76, p = .38, or caffeine used, *L.Ratio* = 0.80, p = .37, were also not favored over the simpler main effects models when interrogated on their inclusion. The combination of both covariates was not favored over the simpler model main effect model only including HR and EI, *L.Ratio* = 1.42, p = .49. The addition of gender independently, *L.Ratio* = 1.34, p = .25, or caffeine used, *L.Ratio* = 0.11, p = .74, were also not favored over the simpler main effects models when interrogated on their inclusion.

S.3 Exploring Individual Differences in CVC in Response to Stress and Recovery Zero-Order Subscale Correlation Analysis

Bivariate correlations assessing relationships among RMSSD, HRV, and HR at baseline resting levels, change from the prior level during stress induction and during resting recovery, MSCEIT subscale scores, and EQi subscale scores across the total sample. The MSCEIT understanding branch showed positive associations with baseline RMSSD and negative associations with change in RMSSD from baseline to stress induction. The MSCEIT managing branch showed positive associations with change in RMSSD from stress induction to resting recovery. The EQi decision-making branch and self-expression branch showed negative associations with change in RMSSD from baseline to stress induction. The EQi decision-making branch and self-perception branch showed positive associations with change in RMSSD from stress induction to resting recovery. The EQi decision-making branch and self-expression branch showed negative associations with change in RMSSD from baseline to stress induction. The EQi decision-making branch and self-perception branch showed positive associations with change in RMSSD from stress induction to resting recovery. None of the observed associations remained significant after Bonferroni correction for multiple comparisons. See Figure S.1 for Spearman correlation coefficients with HRV and with HR.

Baseline RMSSD During Rest							
SS	df	F	р	Partial η^2			
0.08	1	0.26	0.61	0.003			
1.37	1	4.60	0.03	0.044			
29.41	99						
1.16	1	3.89	0.05	0.037			
29.70	100						
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Table S1. EI Scores Predicting RMSSD at Rest Linear Models

RMSSD: root mean square of successive differences; EQI: Bar-On EQ-I; MS Caruso Emotional Intelligence Test II

Baseline HRV During Rest								
Predictors	SS	df	F	р	Partial η^2			
EQI Total	0.00	1	0.05	0.82	0.001			
MSCEIT Total	0.49	1	2.71	0.10	0.027			
Residuals	1.80	99						

Table S2. EI Scores Predicting HRV at Rest Linear Models

HRV: Heart Rate Variability; EQI: Bar-On EQ-I; MSCEIT: Mayer-Salovey-Caruso Emotional Intelligence Test II

Baseline HR During Rest								
Predictors	SS	df	F	р	Partial η^2			
EQI Total	0.03	1	1.87	0.17	0.019			
MSCEIT Total	0.01	1	0.79	0.38	0.008			
Residuals	1.69	99						

Table S3. EI Scores Predicting HR at Rest Linear Models

RMSSD: root mean square of successive differences; EQI: Bar-On EQ-I; MSCEIT: Mayer-Salovey-Caruso Emotional Intelligence Test II

Predictors	Estimates	std. Error	Statistic	р
(Intercept)	28.07	0.05	60.83	<0.001
Stress Induction	-0.84	0.06	-3.05	0.002
Stress Recovery	1.04	0.02	2.03	0.043
		HR	V	
Predictors	Estimates	std. Error	Statistic	р
(Intercept)	7.19	0.01	154.14	<0.001
Stress Induction	1.03	0.01	2.21	0.028
Stress Recovery	1.01	0.01	1.22	0.223
		H	R	
Predictors	Estimates	std. Error	Statistic	р
(Intercept)	83.91	0.01	324.29	<0.001
Stress Induction	1.12	0.01	10.2	<0.001
Stress Recovery	0.98	0	-3.98	<0.001
Observations	306			

Table S4. Physiological Response to Serial Subtraction

Predictors	Estimates	std. Error	r Statistic	р	Estimates	std. Errol	r Statistic	р
(Intercept)	28.07	0.05	61.08	<0.001	28.03	0.05	60.78	<0.001
RMSSD Stress Induction:	0.84	0.06	-3.05	0.003	0.84	0.06	-2.94	0.004
RMSSD Recovery After Stress:	1.04	0.02	2.03	0.044	1.04	0.02	1.91	0.057
EQi Total	0.8	0.37	-0.61	0.541	1.24	0.44	0.48	0.63
MSCEIT Total	2.03	0.41	1.74	0.082	2.68	0.48	2.05	0.041
RMSSD Stress Induction: EQi Total					0.43	0.47	-1.79	0.075
RMSSD Recovery After Stress: EQi Total					0.93	0.17	-0.44	0.66
RMSSD Stress Induction: MSCEIT Total					0.57	0.51	-1.11	0.267
RMSSD Recovery After Stress: MSCEIT Total					0.94	0.18	-0.35	0.727

Table S5. EI Predicting Change in RMSSD Across Conditions

Observations

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Predictors	Estimates	std. Error	Statistic	p	Estimates	std. Error	Statistic	р
(Intercept)	7.19	0.01	154.17	<0.001	7.19	0.01	152.53	<0.001
HRV Stress Induction:	1.03	0.01	2.21	0.028	1.03	0.01	2.25	0.025
HRV Recovery After Stress:	1.01	0.01	1.22	0.223	1.01	0.01	1.14	0.253
EQi Total	0.96	0.08	-0.47	0.638	1.03	0.1	0.25	0.802
MSCEIT Total	1.14	0.09	1.39	0.164	1.21	0.11	1.66	0.098
HRV Stress Induction: EQi Total					0.89	0.12	-0.98	0.328
HRV Recovery After Stress: EQi Total					0.97	0.05	-0.67	0.506
HRV Stress Induction: MSCEIT Total					0.88	0.13	-0.94	0.346
HRV Recovery After Stress: MSCEIT Total					0.99	0.06	-0.26	0.794

Table S6. EI Predicting Change in HRV Across Conditions

Observations

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Predictors	Estimates	std. Error	· Statistic	р	Estimates	std. Error	Statistic	р
(Intercept)	83.91	0.01	322.15	<0.001	83.93	0.01	319.14	<0.001
HR Stress Induction:	1.12	0.01	10.2	<0.001	1.12	0.01	10.22	<0.001
HR Recovery After Stress:	0.98	0	-3.98	<0.001	0.98	0	-3.81	<0.001
EQi Total	0.95	0.1	-0.54	0.587	0.87	0.11	-1.26	0.208
MSCEIT Total	0.97	0.11	-0.24	0.809	0.92	0.12	-0.66	0.508
HR Stress Induction: EQi Total					1.19	0.09	1.88	0.061
HR Recovery After Stress: EQi Total					1.04	0.03	1	0.318
HR Stress Induction: MSCEIT Total					1.12	0.1	1.11	0.269
HR Recovery After Stress: MSCEIT Total					1	0.04	-0.04	0.97

Table S7. EI Predicting Change in HR Across Conditions

Observations

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Predictors	W	р	Mean	SD
EQI Total	1105.5	.259		
Non-CVC-Responders			101.21	13.30
CVC-Responders			104.88	11.58
MSCEIT Total	891	.010		
Non-CVC-Responders			104.81	11.59
CVC-Responders			111.24	12.81
MSCEIT Understanding	997	.062		
Non-CVC-Responders			108.42	18.42
CVC-Responders			115.37	19.10
MSCEIT Managing	1097	.235		
Non-CVC-Responders			99.55	12.27
CVC-Responders			102.40	11.25
MSCEIT Perceiving	945	.026		
Non-CVC-Responders			107.28	8.47
CVC-Responders			113.49	15.86
MSCEIT Using	1042	.119		
Non-CVC-Responders			104.72	13.25
CVC-Responders			109.12	13.52

Table S8.	CVC Respon	siveness Pre	dicting EI	Mann-Wh	itnev U T	'est Models
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Figure S1. Bivariate Spearman correlations performed across all subjects with correlation coefficients in the upper portion of the matrix and significant correlations identified in the lower portion of the matrix. * p<.05, ** p<.01, *** p<.001 RMSSD: root mean square of successive differences; HRV: heart rate variability; EQi: Bar-On EQ-I 2; MSCEIT: Mayer-Salovey-Caruso Emotional Intelligence Test II