



## National Poll

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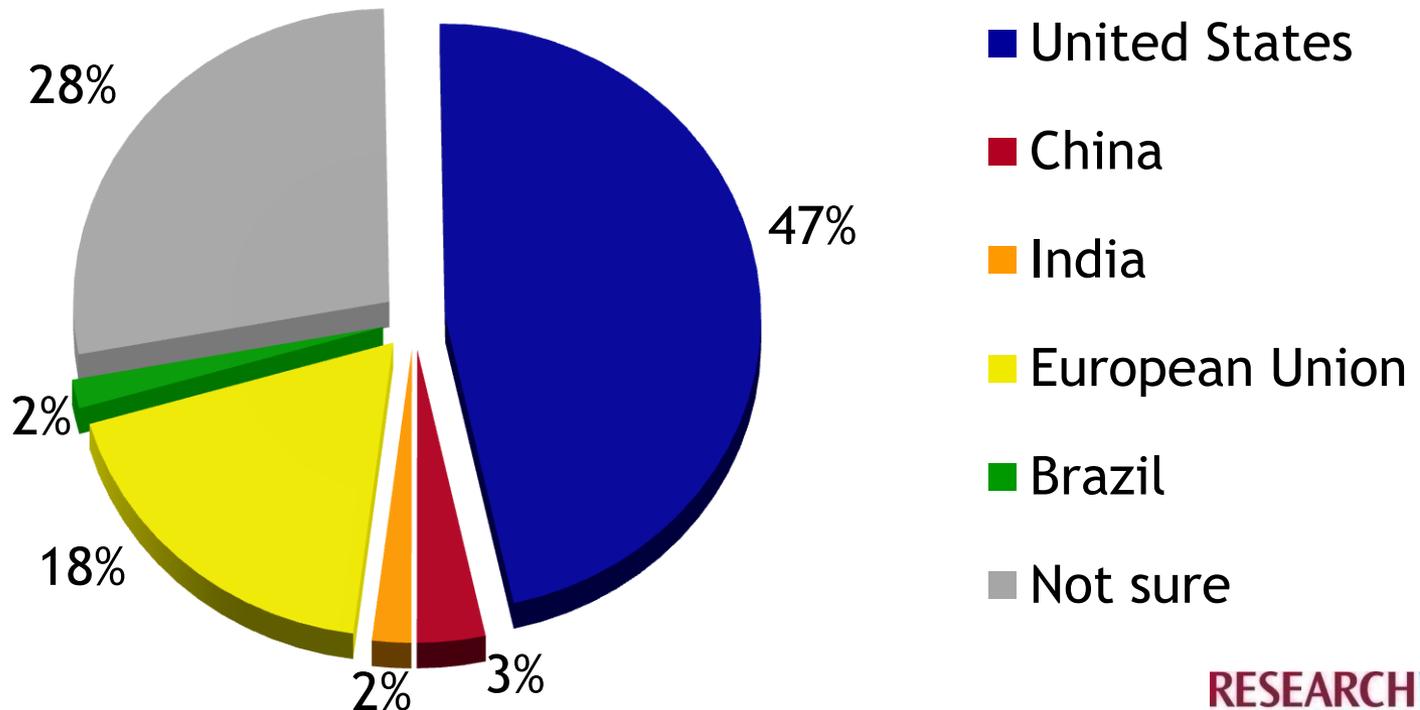
Results of a New Public Opinion Poll

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The National Public Opinion Poll was conducted online in March 2012 by JZ Analytics for Research!America. The poll has a sample size of 1,005 likely U.S. voters with a theoretical sampling error of +/- 3.2%.

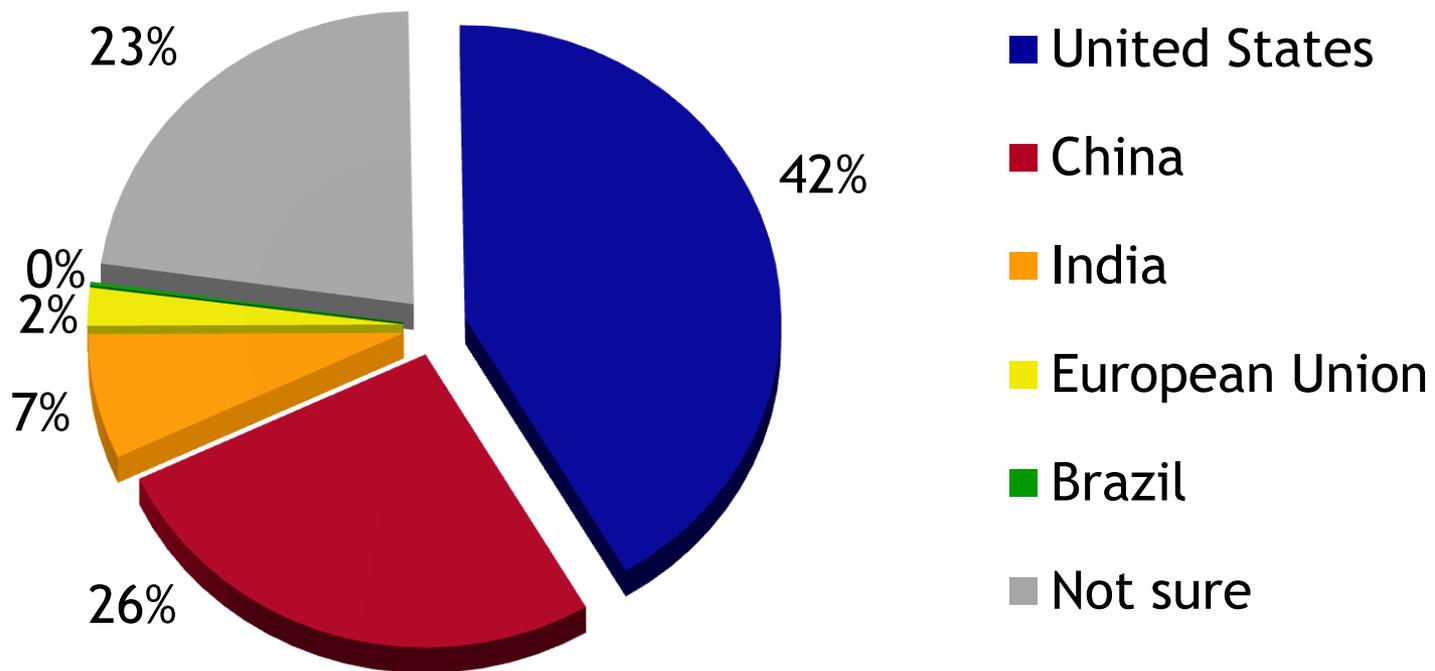
# Over Half Skeptical that U.S. Will Be a Leader in Health Care

In your view, which of the following will be considered the No. 1 world leader in health care in the year 2020?



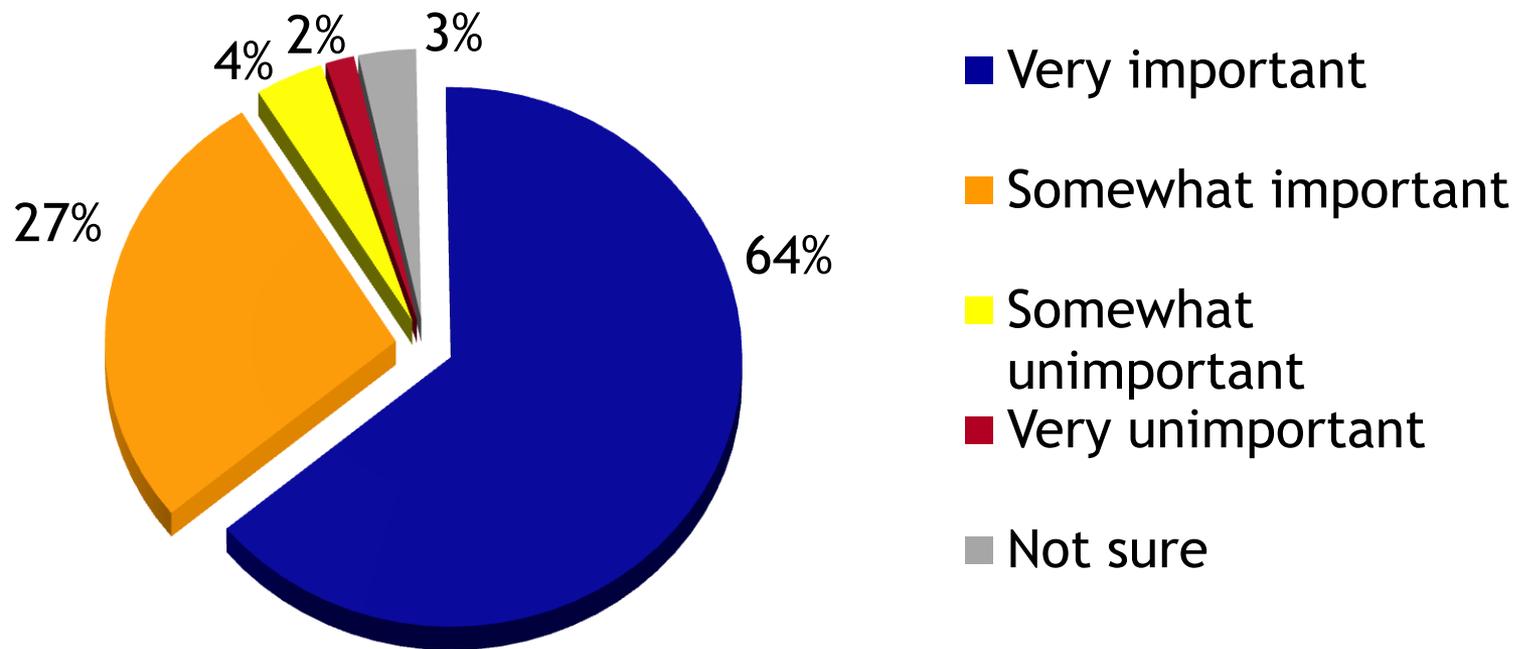
# Over Half Doubt U.S. Leadership in Science and Technology in 2020

In your view, which of the following will be considered the No. 1 world leader in science and technology in the year 2020?



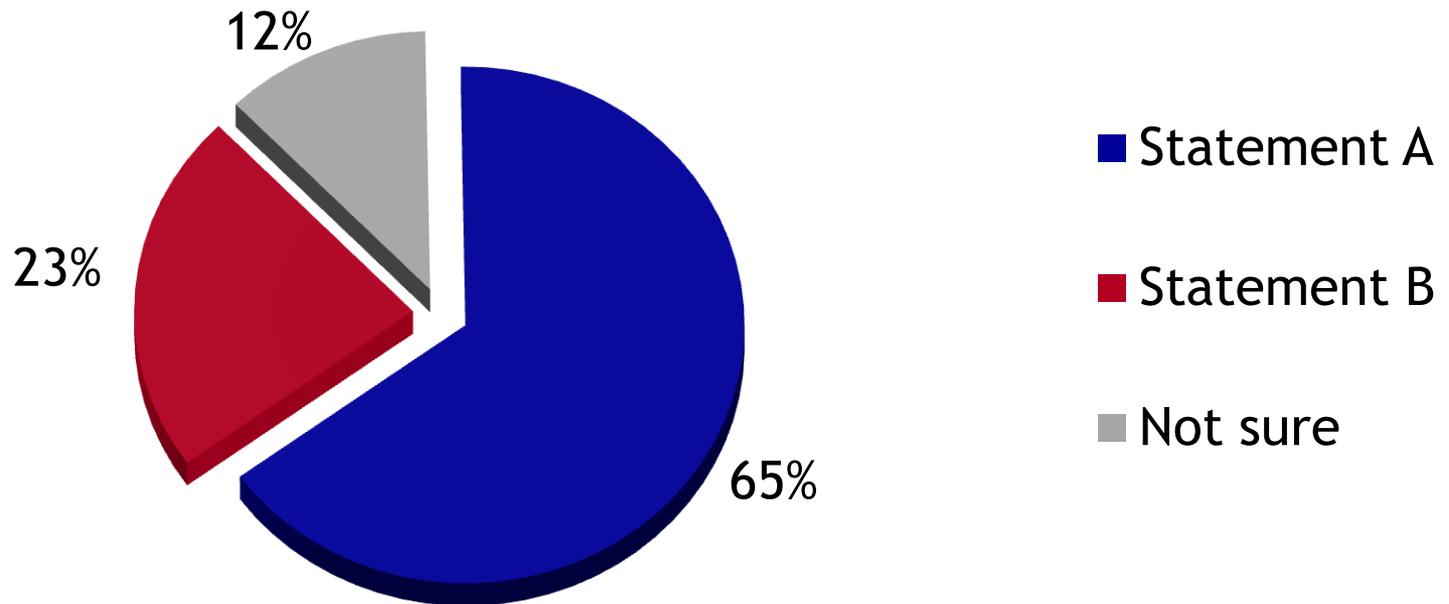
# Despite Skepticism, Americans Aspire to World Leadership

... If current trends continue, other nations will soon match U.S. investment in research and development. In your opinion, how important is it for the United States to maintain its world leadership role?



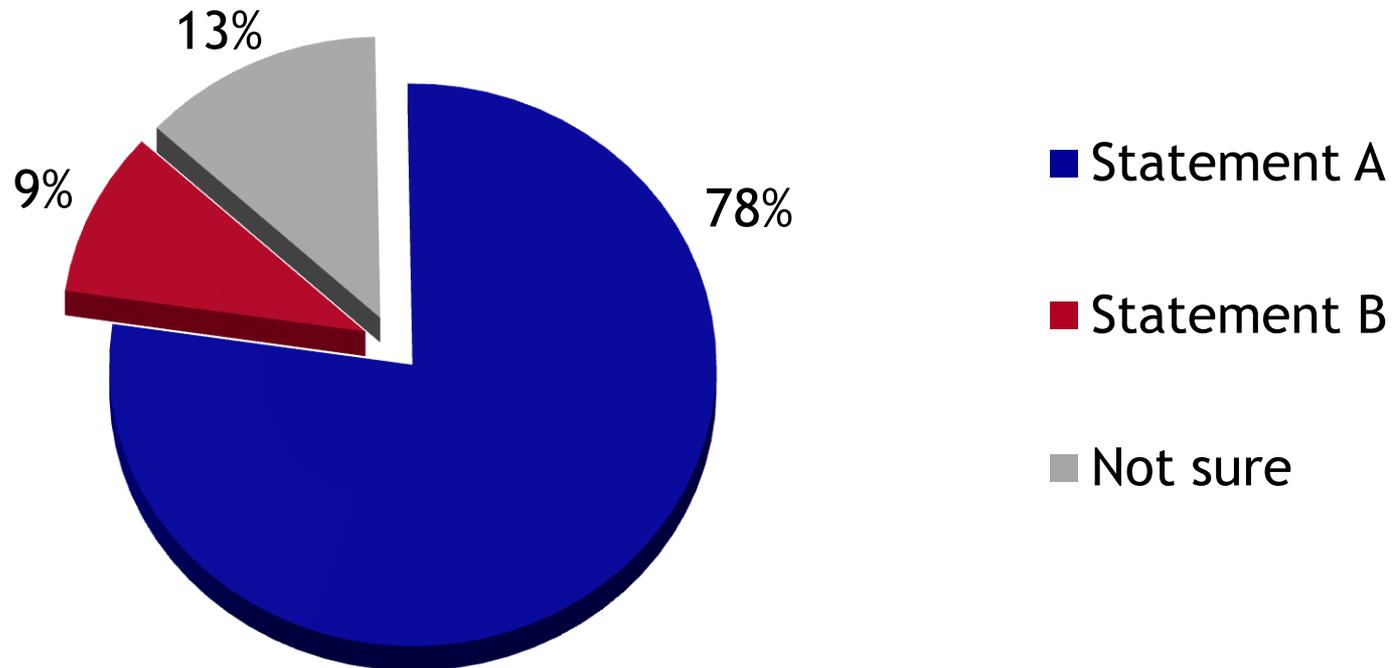
# U.S. World Leadership Matters

Which of the following statements is closer to your view? Statement A: It is important that the U.S. is a leader in medical and health research. Or Statement B: It does not matter where in the world medical and health research takes place – in today's world, U.S. consumers will benefit regardless.



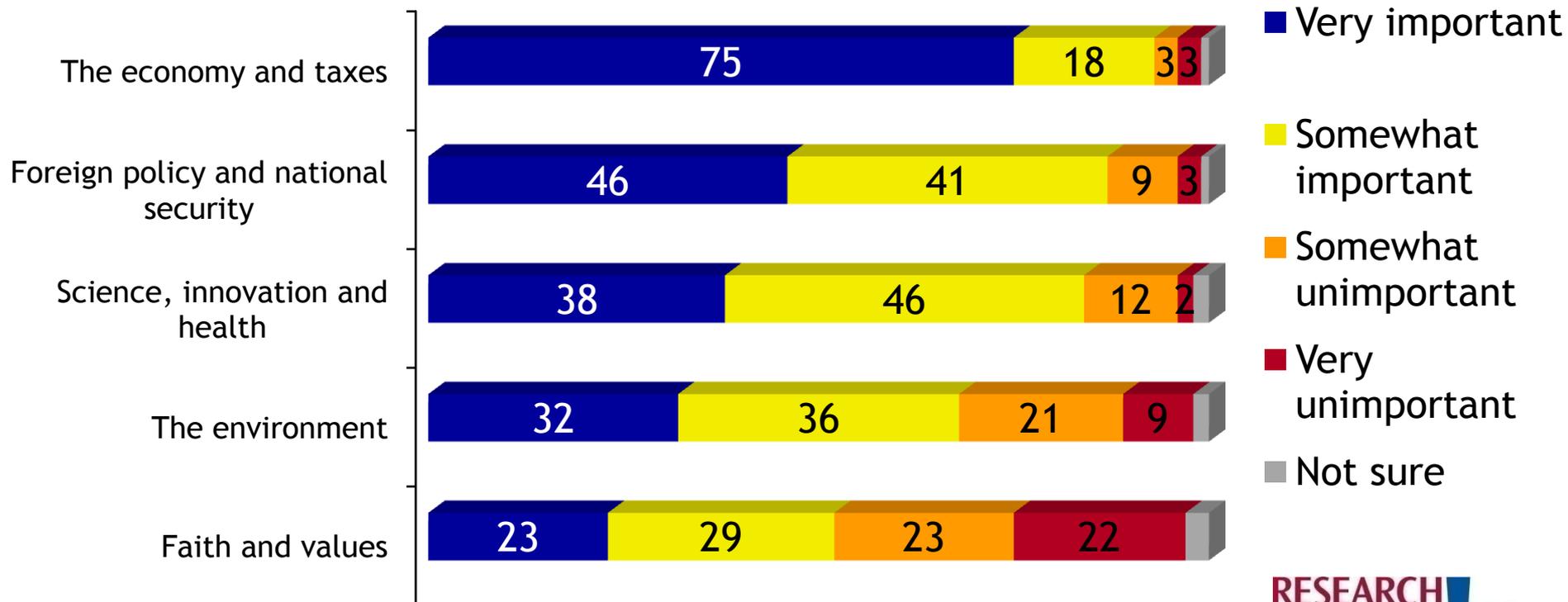
# U.S. World Leadership Matters

Which of the following statements is closer to your view? Statement A: Some people say that it is important for U.S. economic competitiveness and prosperity that our nation continues to lead in the sciences. Or Statement B: Other people say that it is now other countries' time to lead in the sciences.



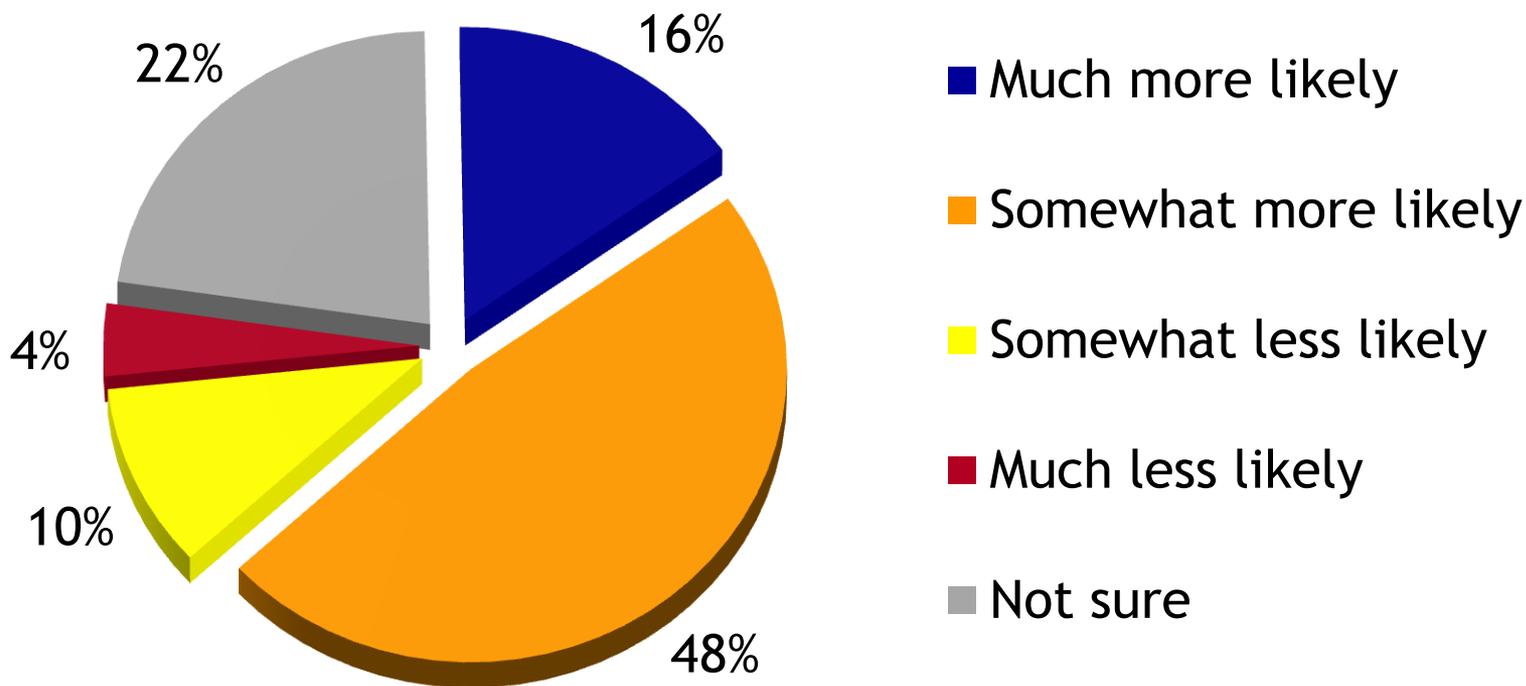
# Science and Innovation Important Theme for Presidential Debate

Presidential debates can follow themes. For each of the following themes, please indicate how important you think it is for the candidates to debate each theme.



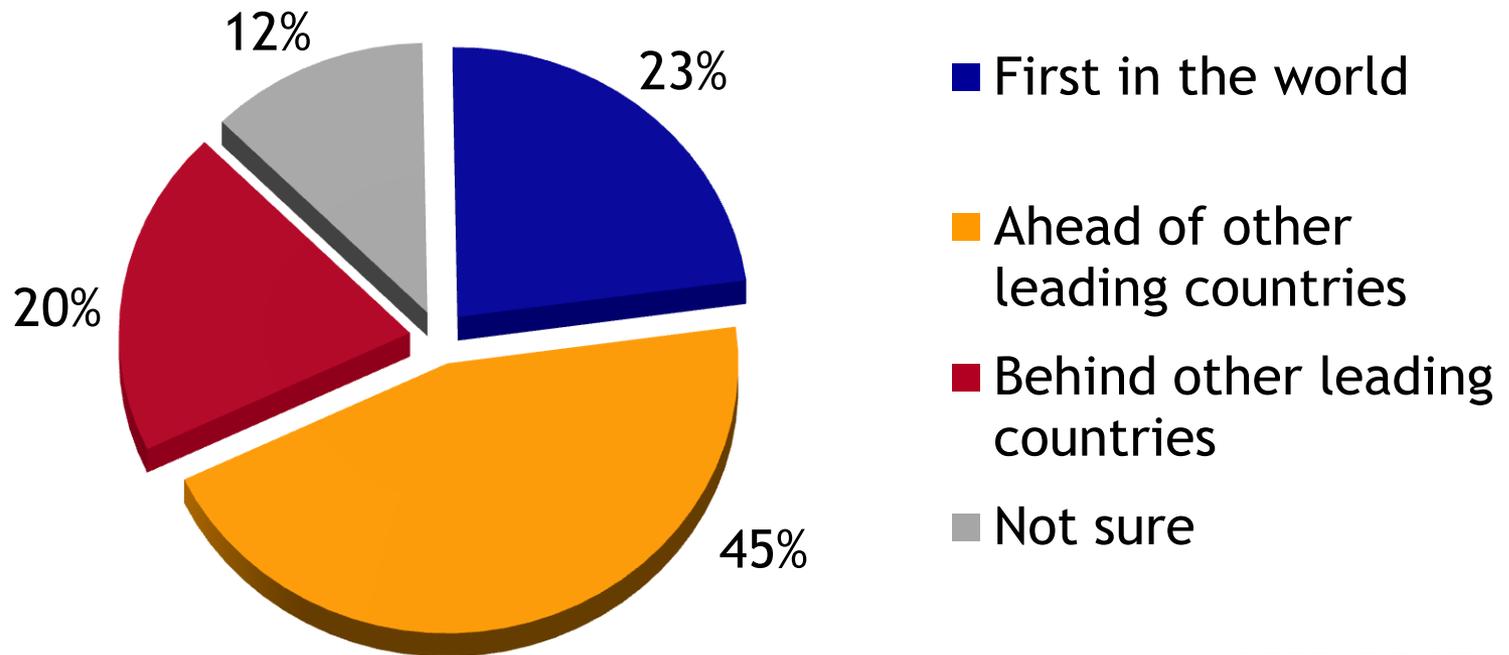
# Majority Likely to Support Candidates Who Support Research

If a candidate for president were supportive of increased government funding for medical and health research, would you be more likely to vote for the candidate or less likely to vote for the candidate?



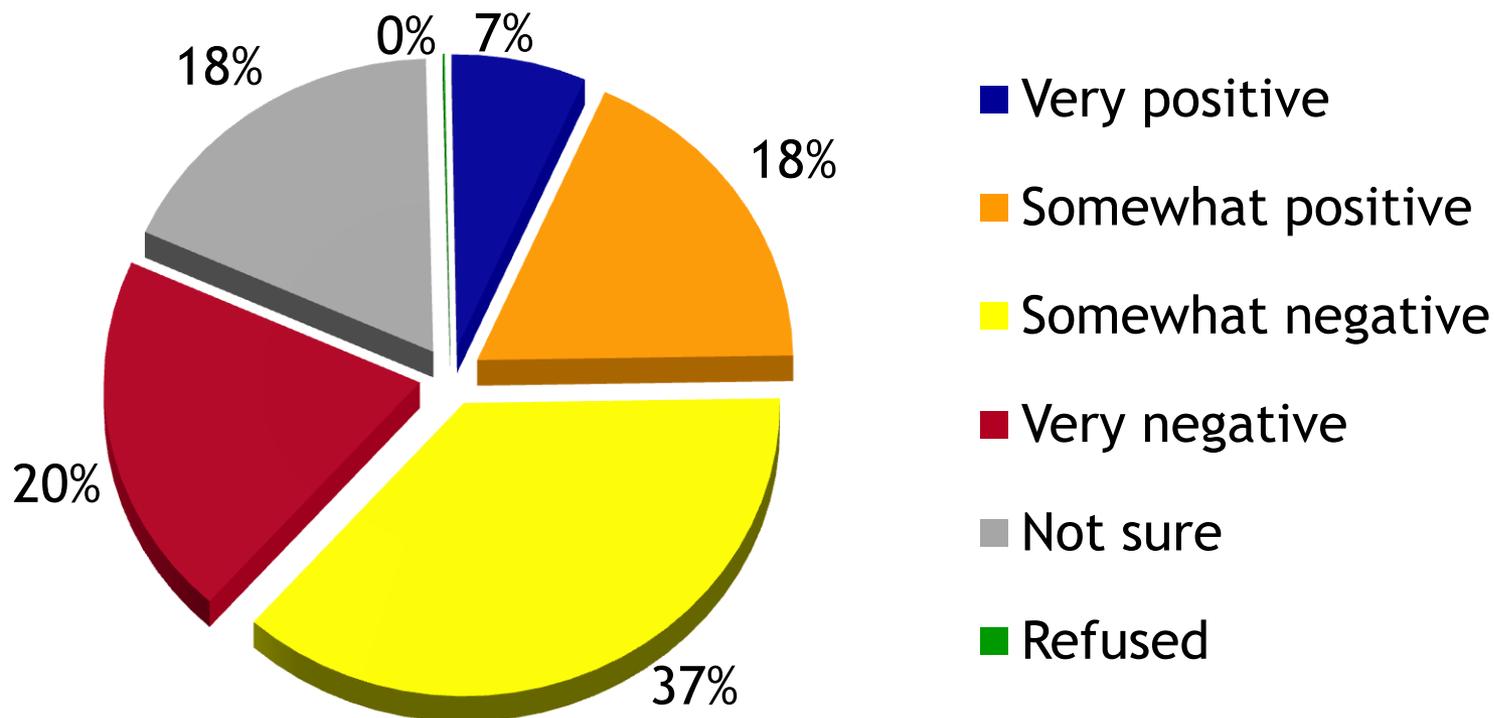
# Less Than A Quarter Believe U.S. is World Leader in Medical Research

In the area of medical and health research, compared to other countries, do you think the U.S. is first in the world, is it ahead of other leading countries, behind other leading countries or about the same as other leading countries?



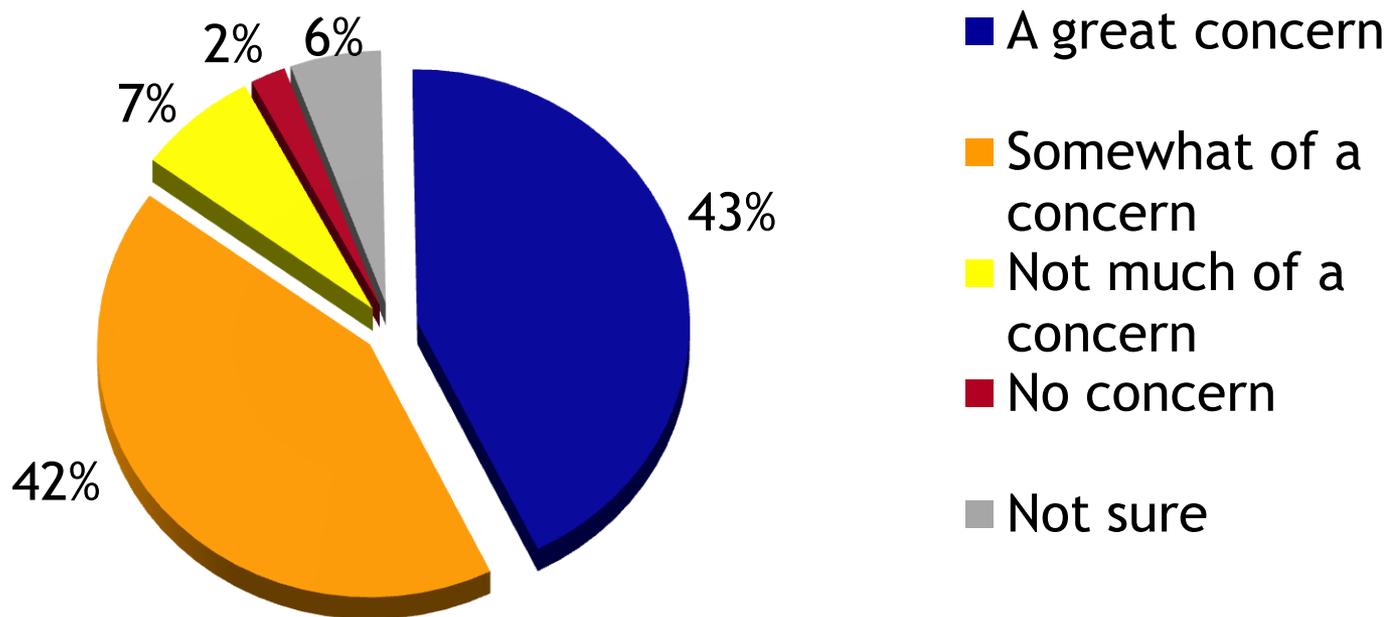
# Majority Has Negative Reaction to Decreased Medical Research Funding

After adjusting for inflation, the amount of money spent by the federal government on medical and health research has declined over the past 5 years. Hearing this, what is your reaction to the decline in spending?



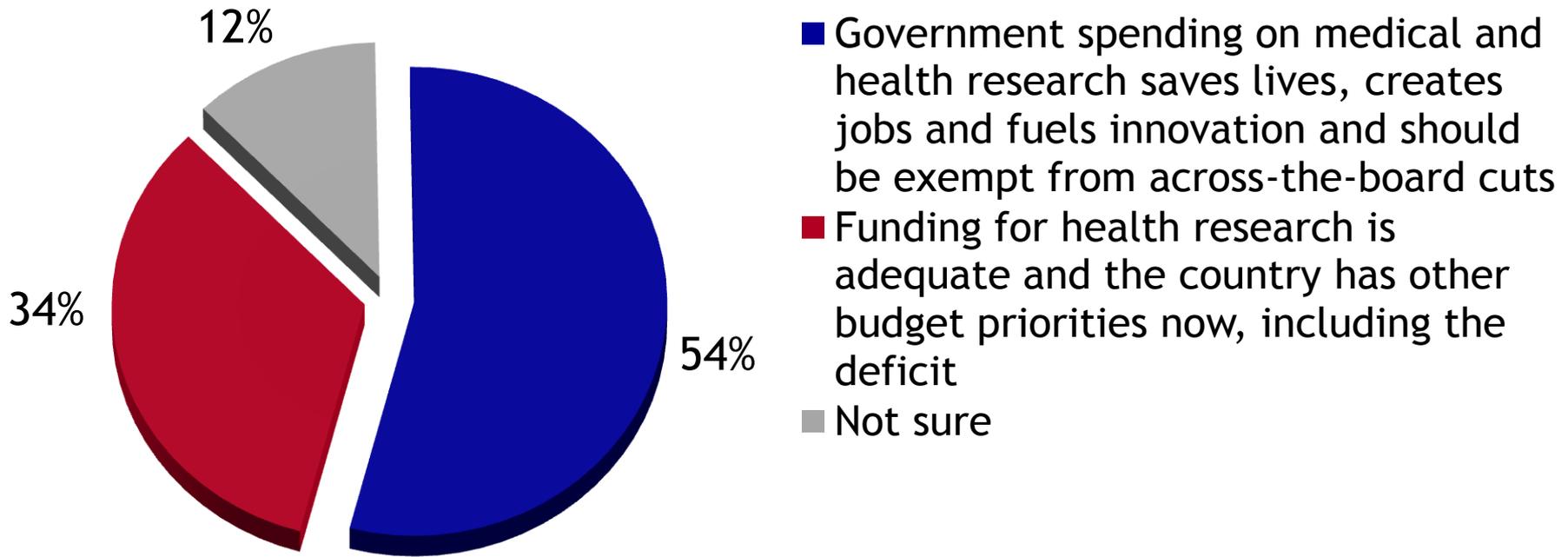
# Wide Majority Concerned About Effects of Stagnant Funding

Science and technology are responsible for about half of our economic growth since World War II. Flat and decreasing federal investment in research creates an uncertain future for scientists. As a result, scientists may leave their profession or move abroad and use their scientific training in countries with strong and stable investments in research. In your judgment, what level of concern is this to the United States?



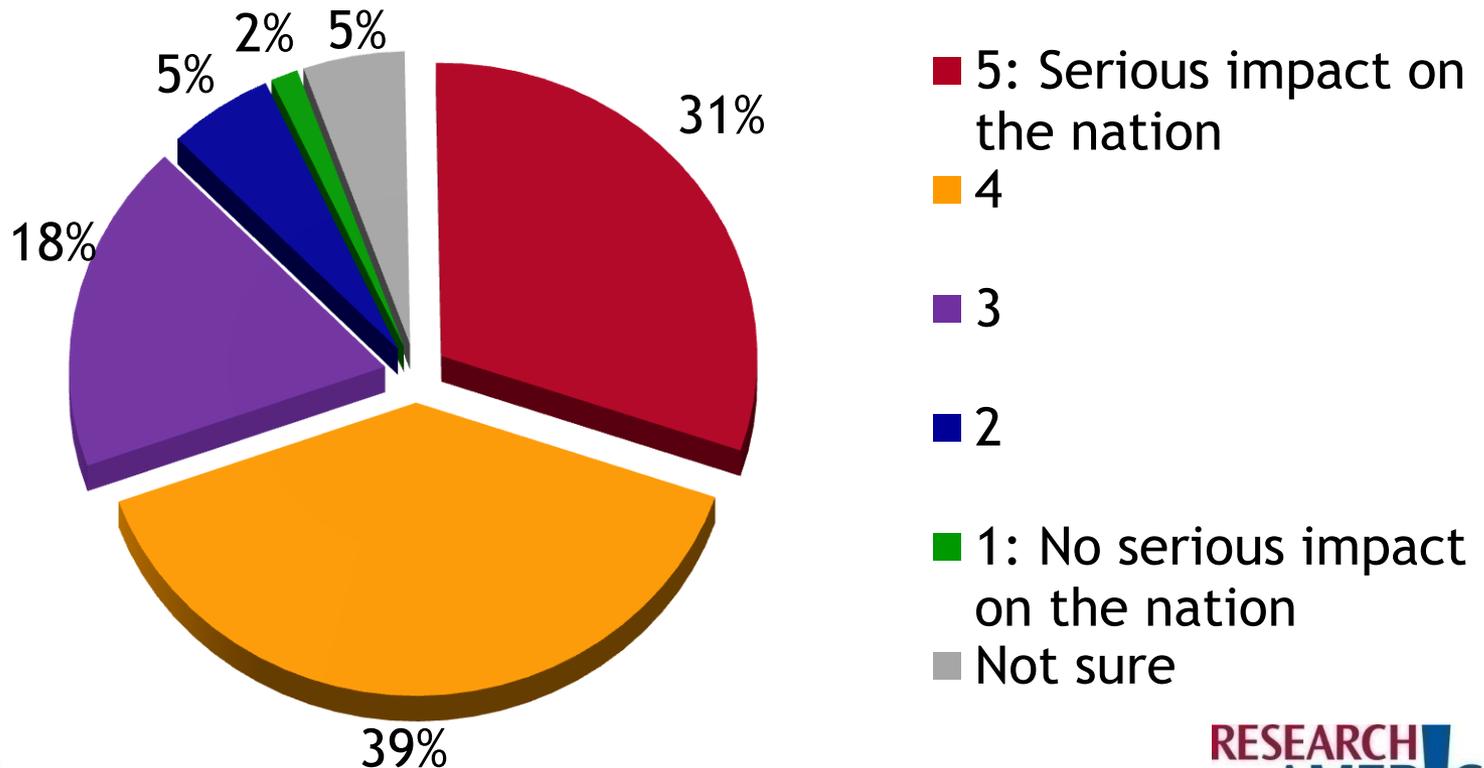
# Majority: Medical Research Should be Exempt from Across-the-Board Cuts

The Budget Control Act of 2011 includes provisions that will require an across-the-board cut of approximately 9% to discretionary spending programs — including spending on medical and health research. In consideration of this, which of the following statements is closer to your view?



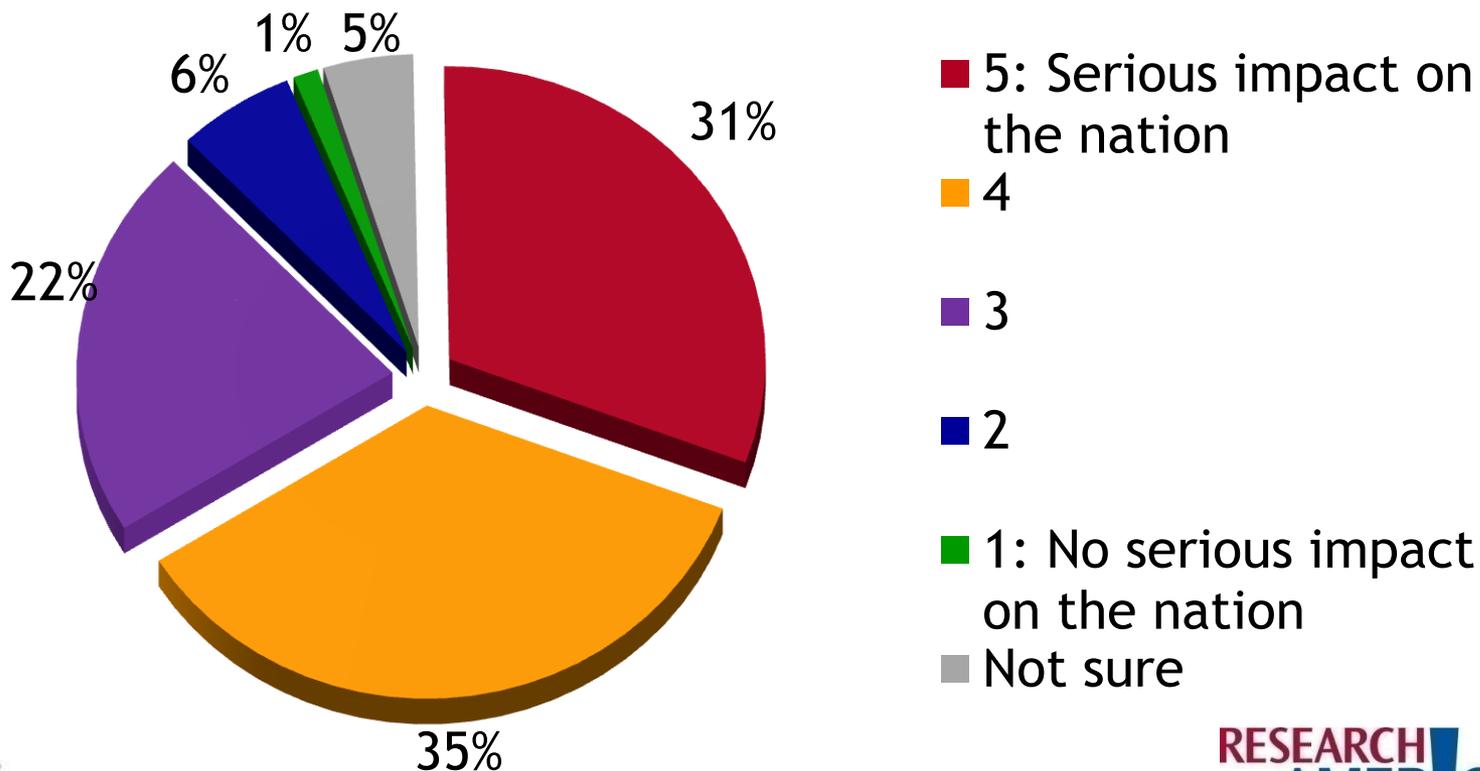
# Americans Believe Science, Math Education Will Impact Future of U.S.

On a scale from 1 to 5, please rate science and math education relative to how seriously you believe each will impact the future of the United States.



# Majority Feels Medical Research Will Impact U.S. in the Future

On a scale from 1 to 5, please rate government investment in medical and health research relative to how seriously you believe each will impact the future of the United States.



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