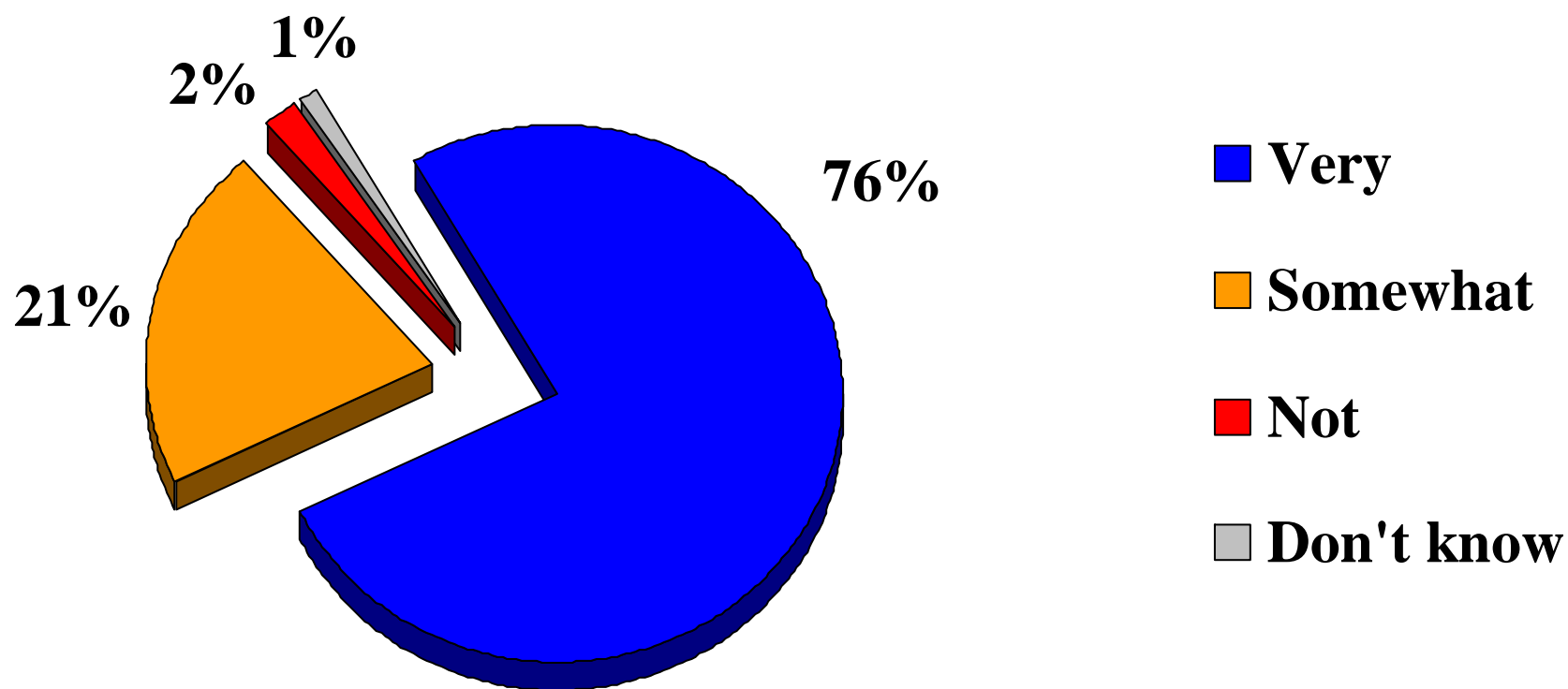


# U.S. Should Be Global Leader in Scientific Research

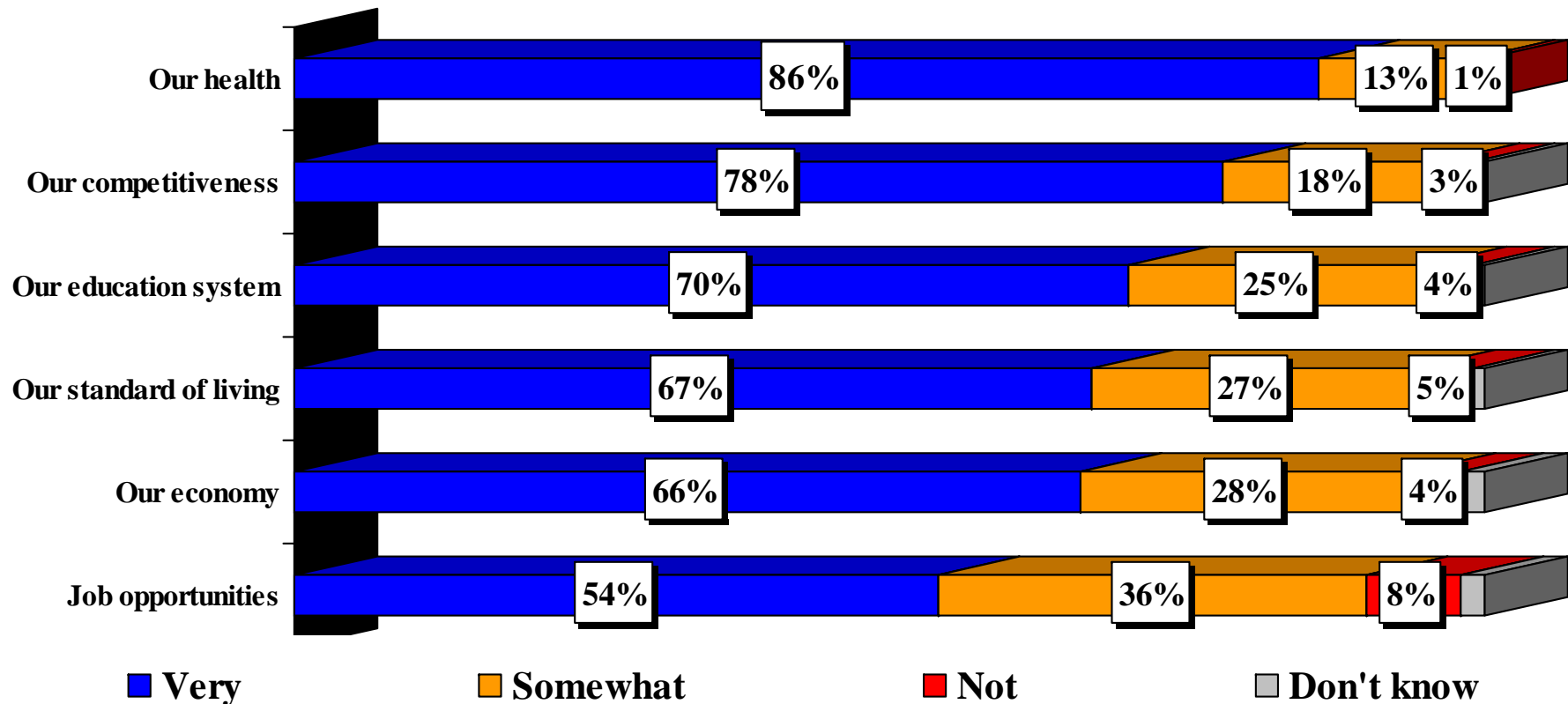
How important do you think it is that the U.S. is a global leader in scientific research?



Source: Bridging the Sciences Survey, 2006  
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# Science Important to U.S. Health and Competitiveness

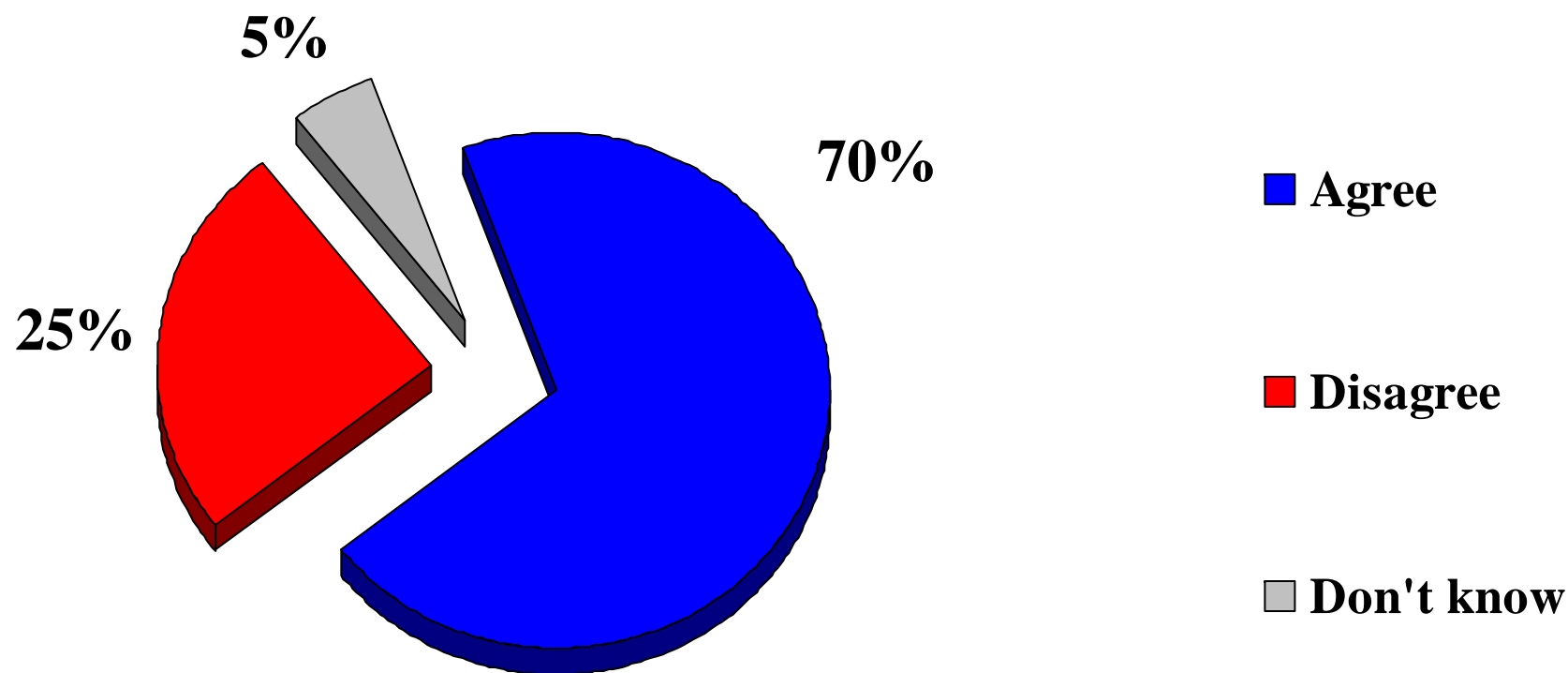
How important is the role science plays in ...?



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# U.S. Competitive Edge in Innovation

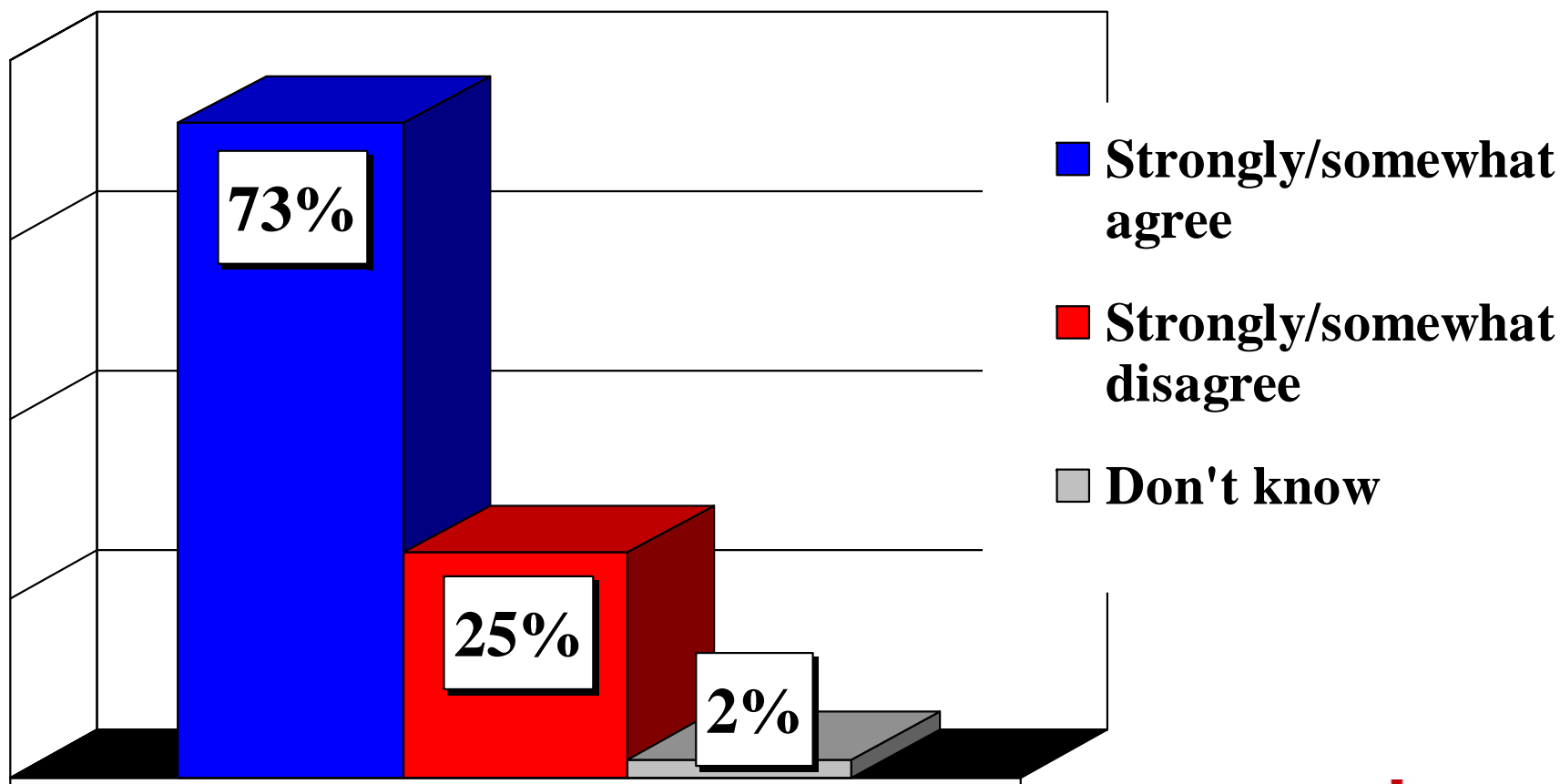
Do you agree or disagree with this statement: The U.S. is losing its global competitive edge in science, technology and innovation.



Source: Your Congress—Your Health Survey, 2007  
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# Strong Support for Science Education and Basic Research

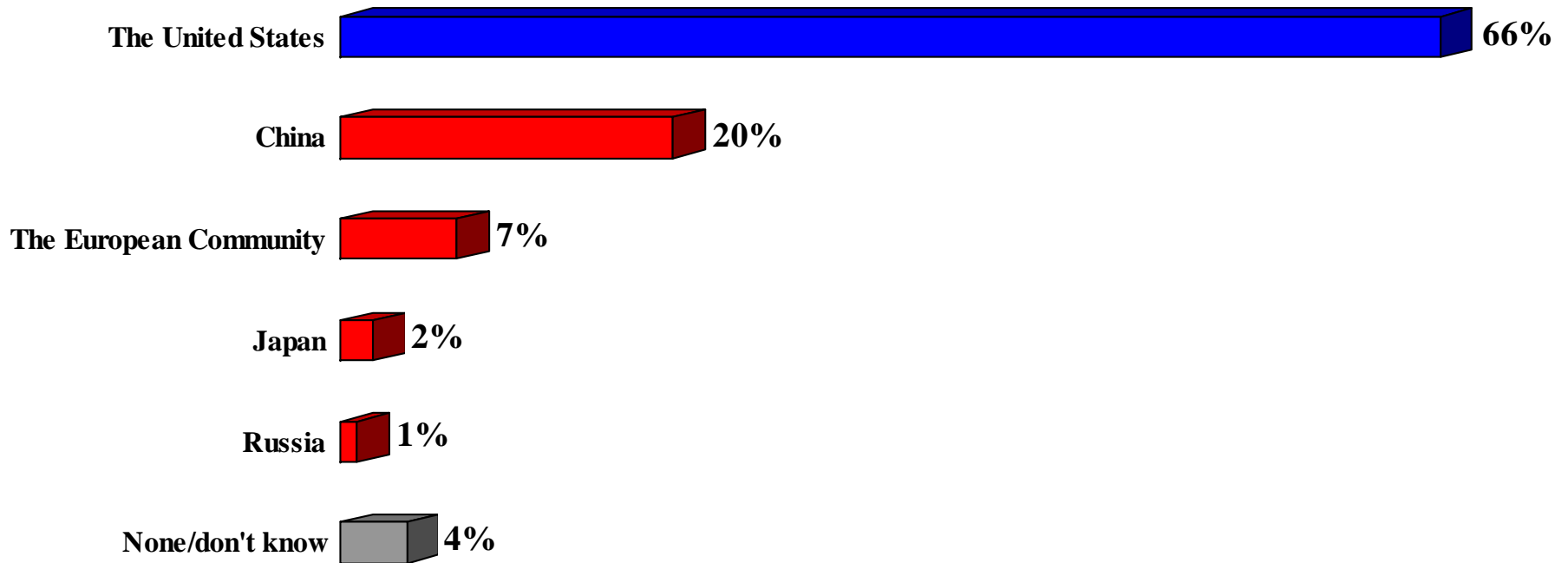
The federal government should invest much more now in science education and basic scientific research.



Source: Your Candidates—Your Health Survey, 2006  
Charlton Research Company for Research!America

# Americans Expect U.S. Will Be Greatest Power of 21<sup>st</sup> Century

The United States is generally regarded as the major world power of the 20th century. Which of the following do you think will be the greatest power of this century?



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# Some Say U.S. Will Not Be Greatest Power of 21<sup>st</sup> Century

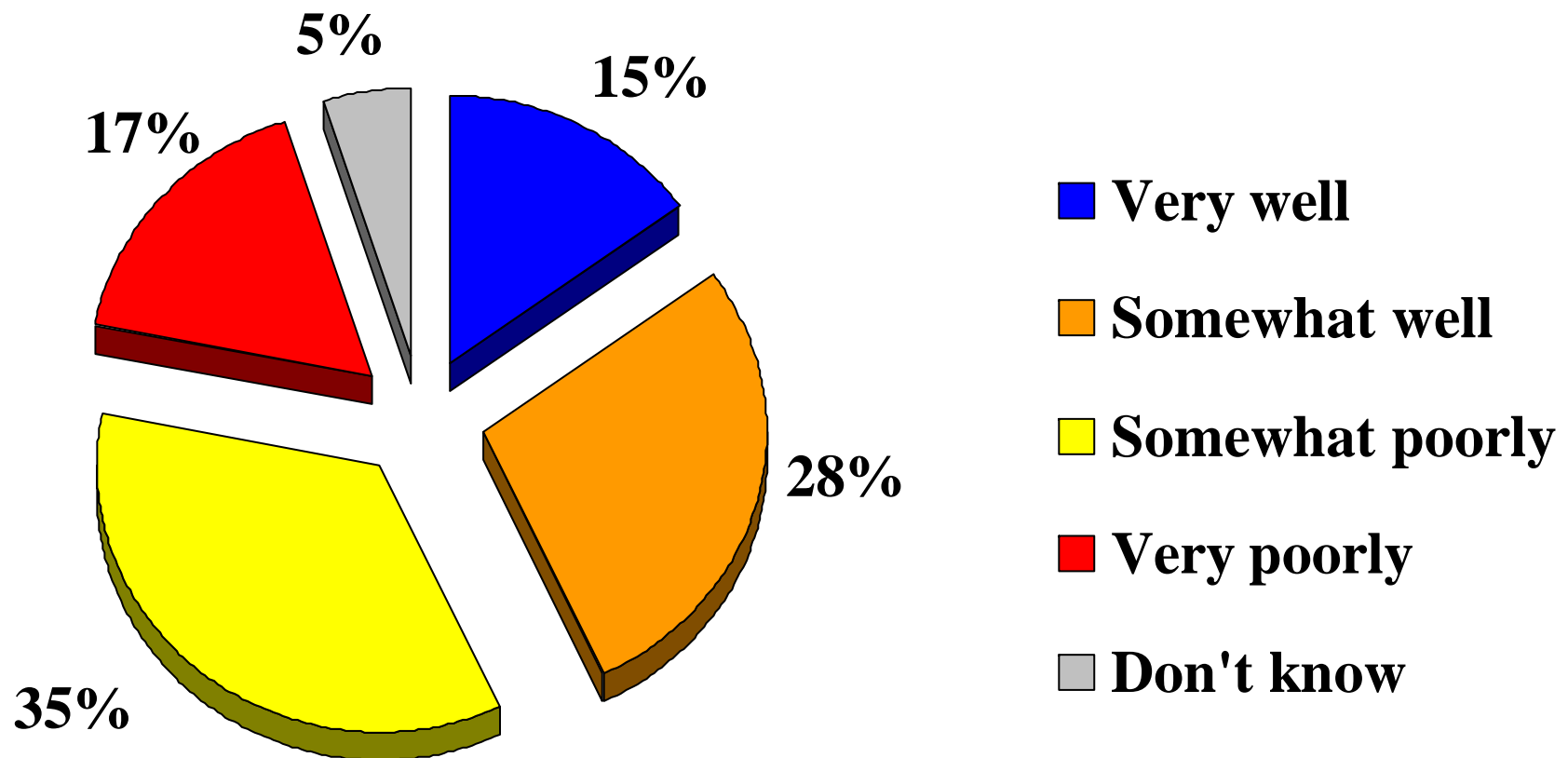
Why do you think the greatest superpower of this century will not be the U.S.? (n=272)

	<u>First mentions</u>
Economy/Cheaper labor elsewhere/national debt	23%
Bad leadership/corruption/bad morals	22
Too many internal problems/too divided	10
Not investing in education/science/technology	8
Military is poor/losing war in Iraq	7
Foreign policy is poor	6
Not liked in other countries	5
Population is decreasing	4
Other	6
Don't know/Refused	8

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# U.S. Performance in Science and Math Education Lacking

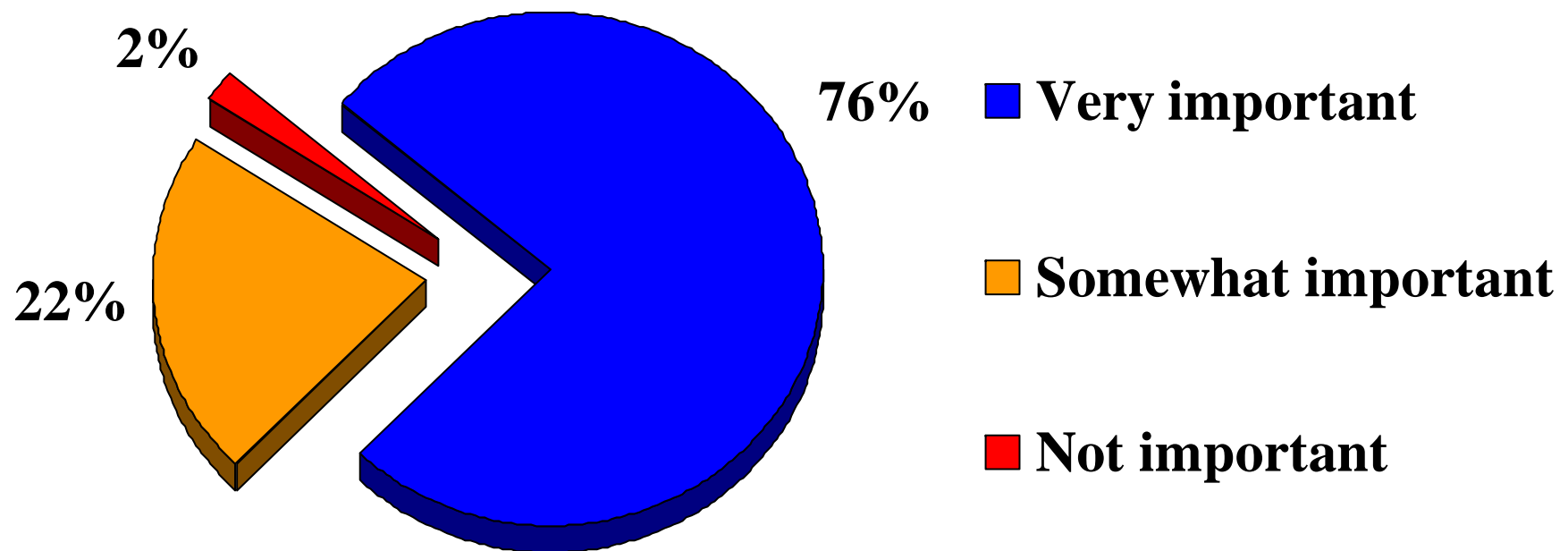
Do you think the U.S. is performing well or performing poorly compared to other nations in terms of science and math education?



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# Expanding Research Career Opportunities Important for Young Americans

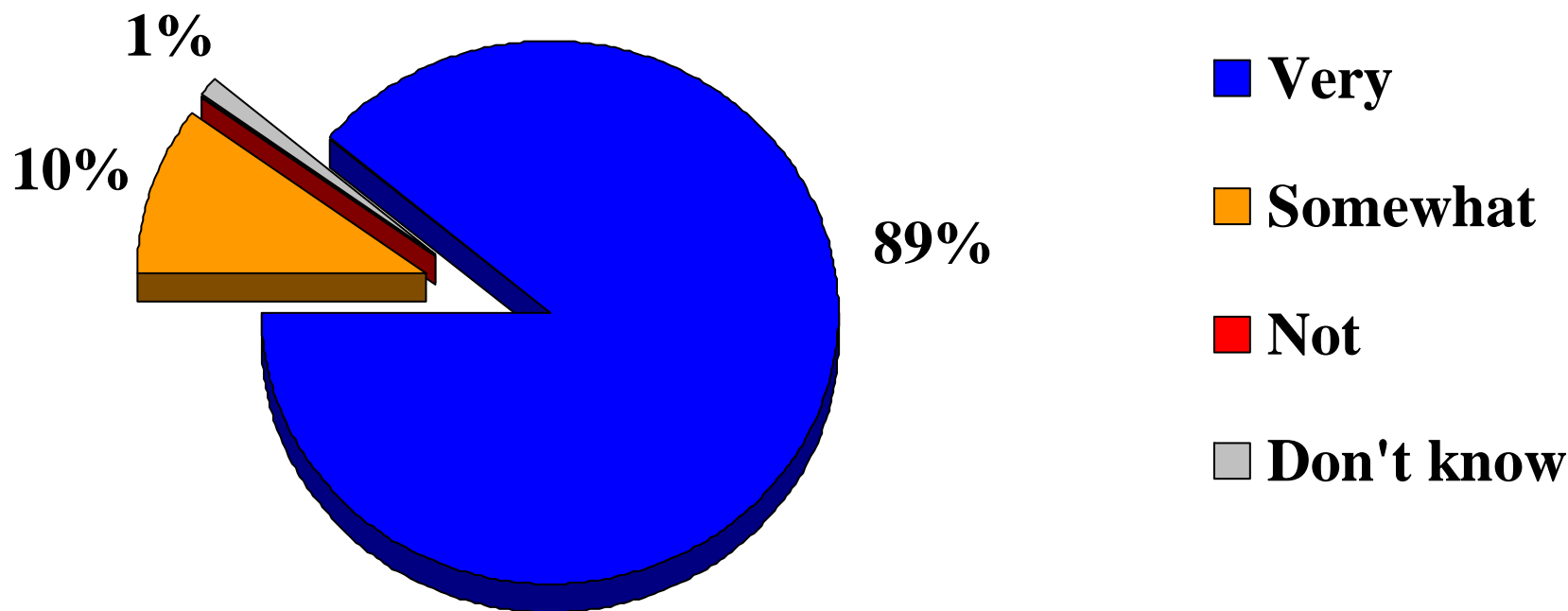
How important is it for the U.S. to create more opportunities for careers in science and research for its young people?



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# Very Important for U.S. to Educate and Train Researchers

How important is it for the U.S. to educate and train individuals qualified to conduct medical, health, and scientific research?



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