

Americans' Views on Funding for Science, Medical, and Health Research

National public opinion survey commissioned by Research! America

Survey Methodology

This online survey was conducted by Zogby Analytics on behalf of Research! America in January 2020, among 1,003 adults. The survey has a theoretical sampling error of +/- 3.1 percentage points.*

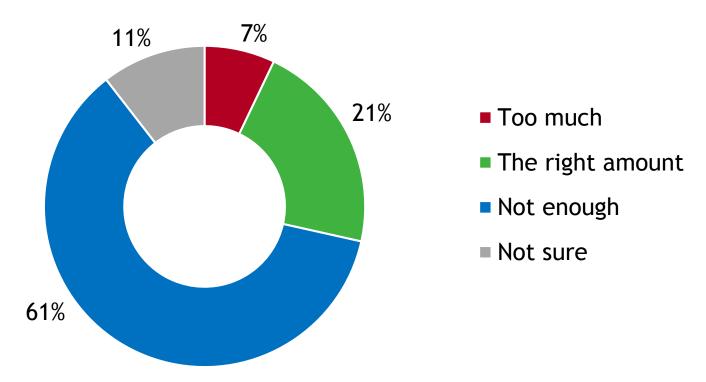
*Due to rounding, the total may not add up to 100 on some slides





Majority Say Current Spending on Research to Prevent, Cure, and Treat Disease Is Not Enough

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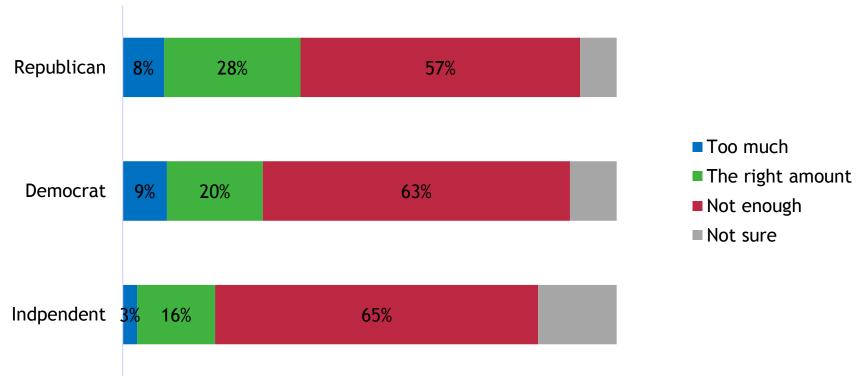






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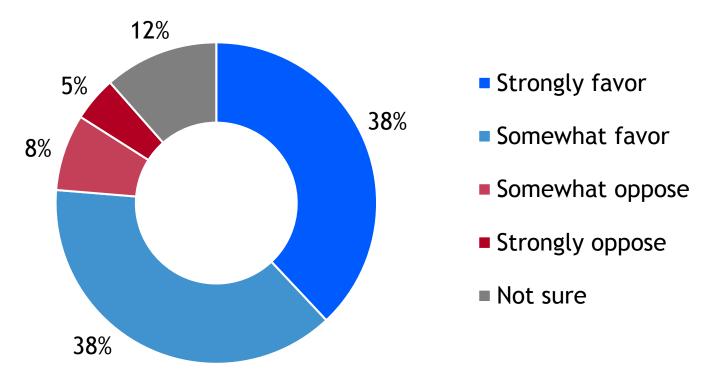






Nearly 8 out of 10 Americans Favor Doubling Federal Funding for Medical Research over the Next Five Years

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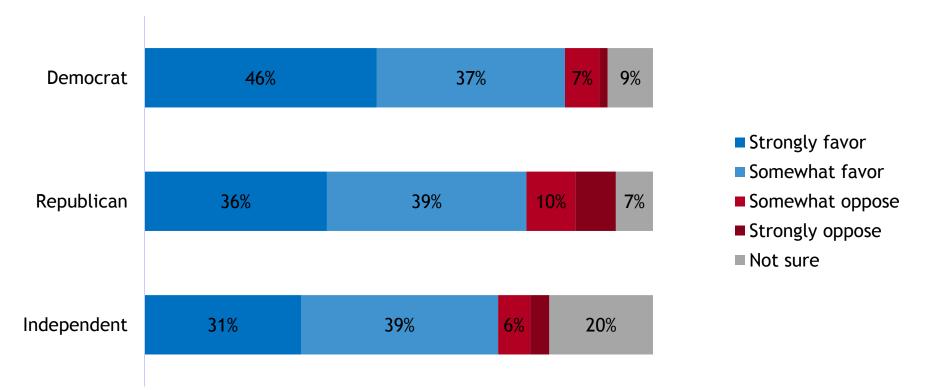






Support Across Parties For Doubling Funding for Medical Research over the Next Five Years

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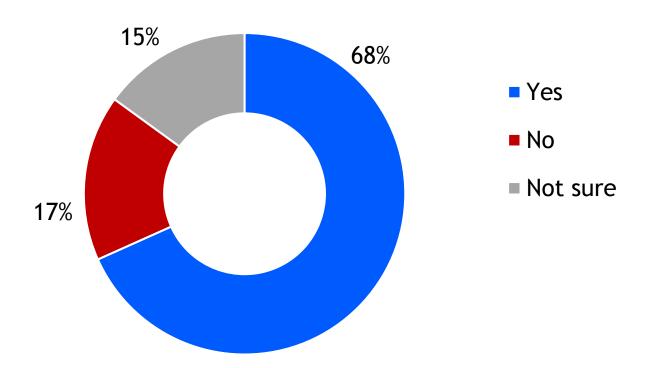






More than Two-Thirds Would Pay More in Taxes to Fund Medical Research

Would you be willing to pay \$1 per week more in taxes if you were certain that all of the money would be spent on additional medical research?

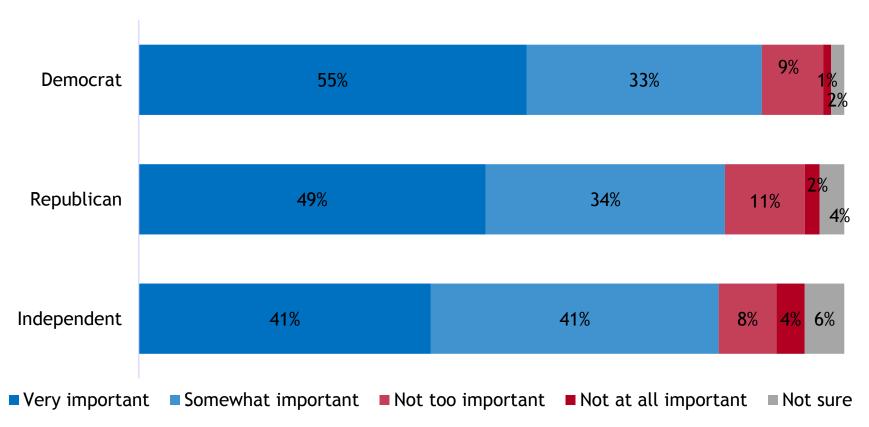






Parties Agree that Investing in Research is Important to Job Creation

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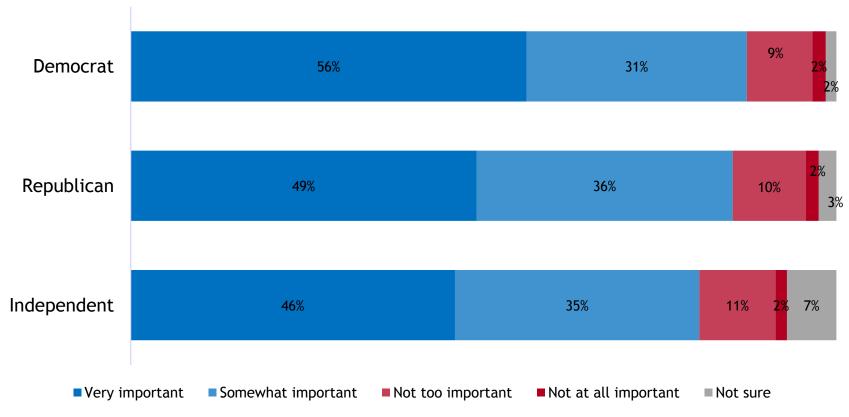






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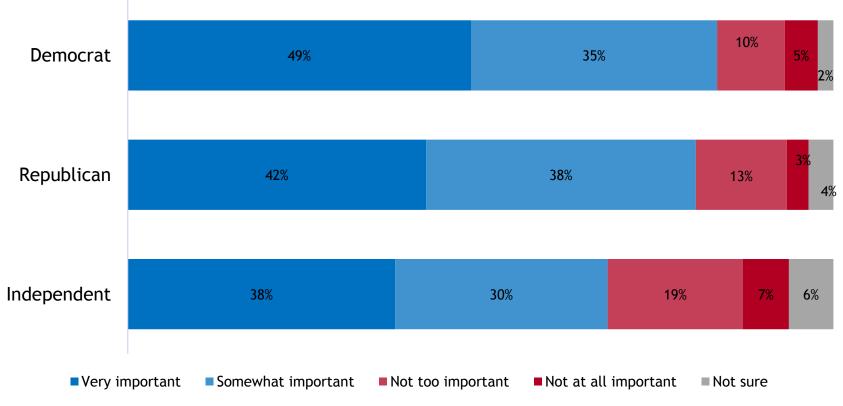






Parties Agree that Investing in Research is Important to Maintaining U.S. Global Competitiveness

How important is investing in research to maintaining U.S. standing in global competitiveness?

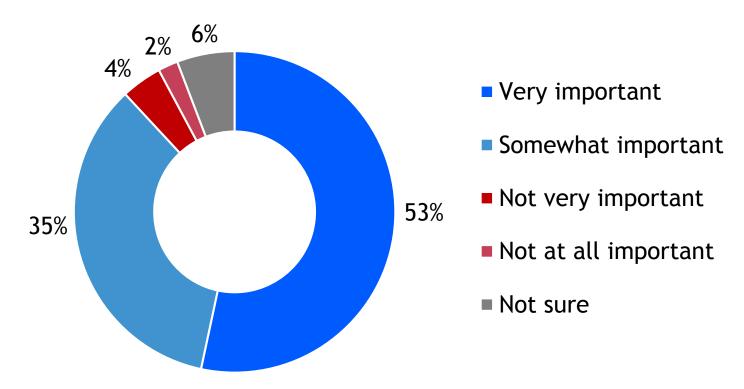






9 out of 10 Americans Believe it is Important to Prioritize Faster Medical Progress

How important is it for the President and Congress to assign a high priority to ensuring faster medical progress?

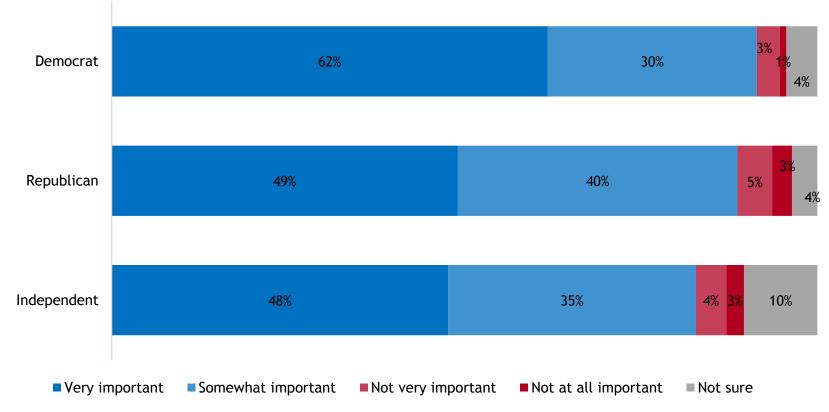






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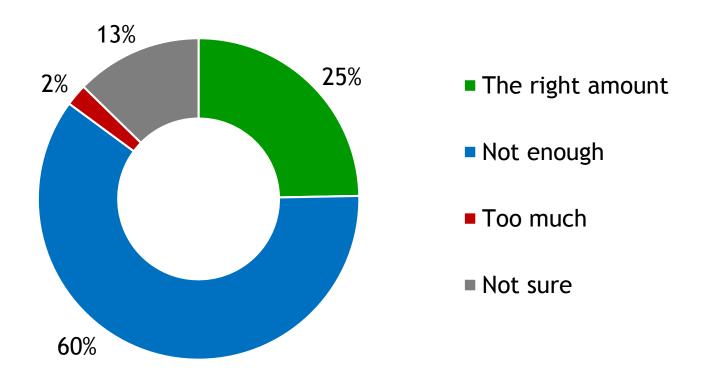






Majority of Americans Think Public Investment in Mental Health Research Is Not Enough

Do you think public investment in mental health research is the right amount, not enough, or about right?

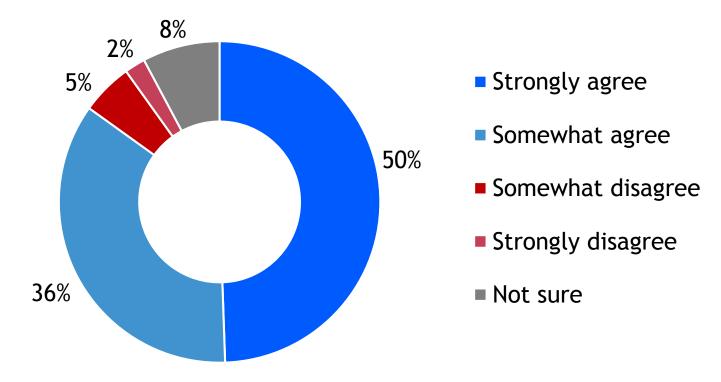






Most Americans Think Basic Research is Necessary and Should be Supported by the Federal Government

Do you agree or disagree with the following statement? Even if it brings no immediate benefits, basic scientific research that advances the frontiers of knowledge is necessary and should be supported by the federal government.







Strengthening of Support for Federally Funded Basic Research

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