



Your Candidates-Your Health 2010

August 2010

Public Opinion Poll

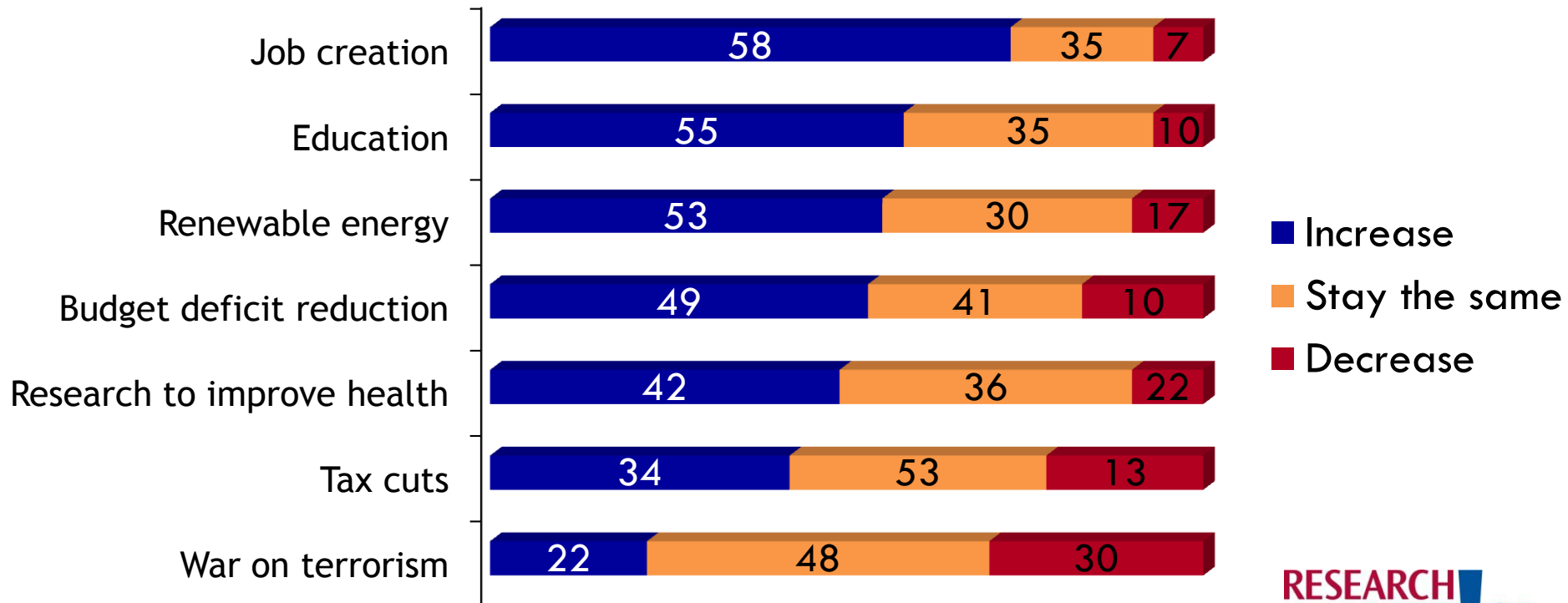
Methodology

The *Your Candidates - Your Health* Poll was conducted online in August 2010 by Charlton Research Company. The poll commissioned by Research!America has a sample size of 800 American adults for a theoretical sampling error of +/- 3.1%. Data are demographically representative of adult U.S. residents.

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Americans Vote for Candidates Supporting Job Creation

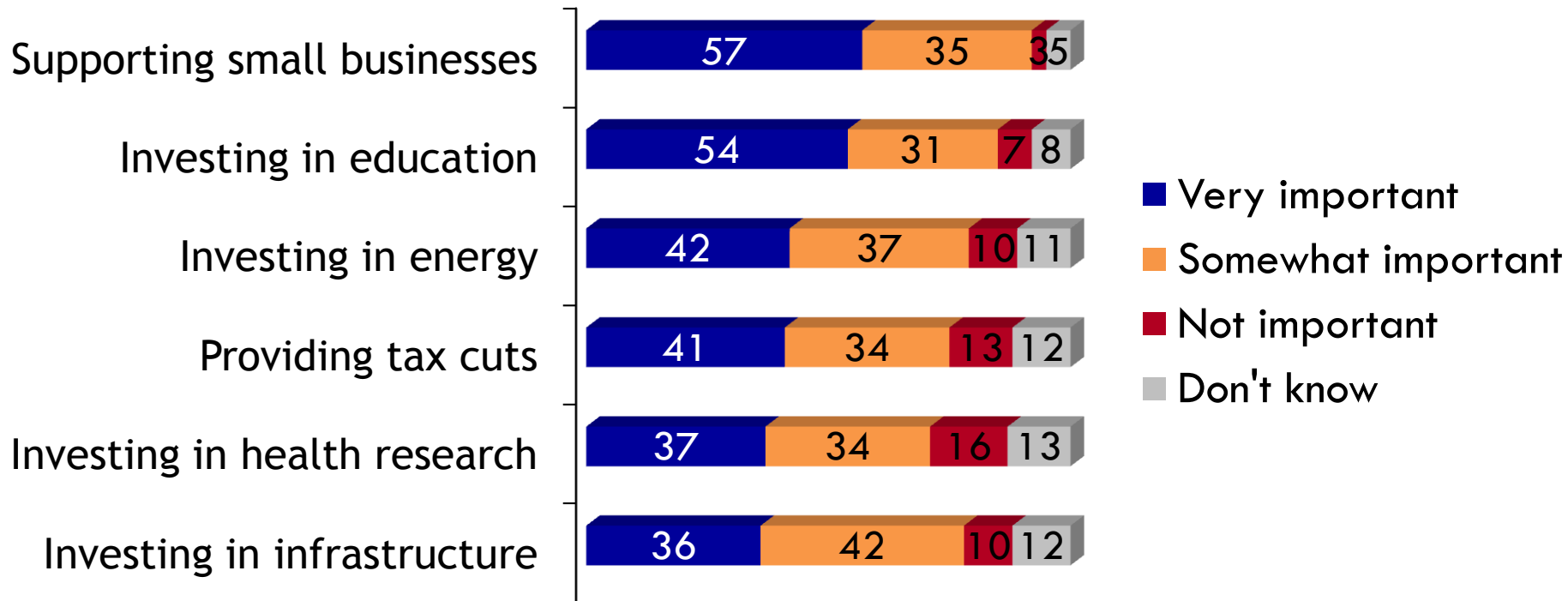
Recently there has been a lot of discussion about the federal deficit. When thinking about the November elections, would you more likely vote for a candidate who supports increasing, decreasing or maintaining the current level of federal spending on the following: (% response)



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Investment Important for Job Creation & Economic Recovery

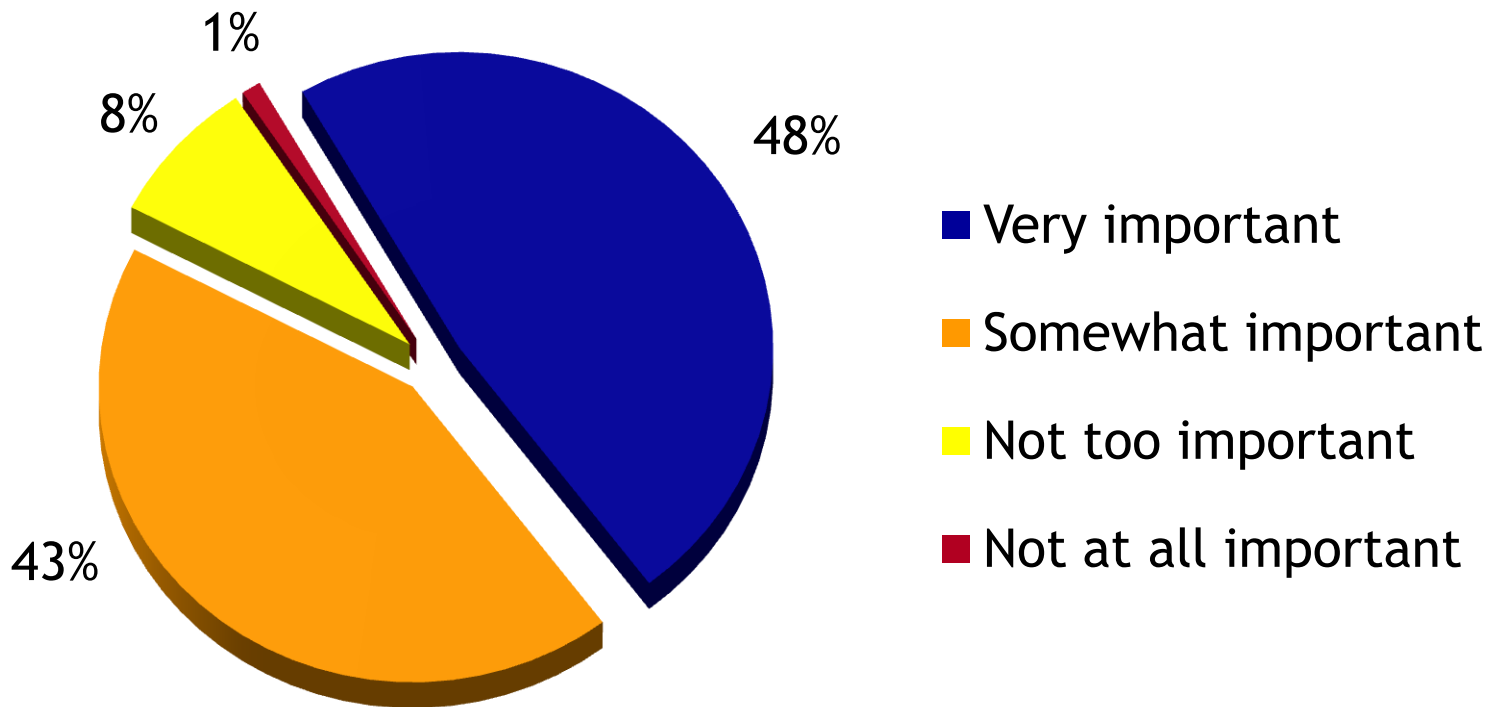
How important is each of the following to job creation and economic recovery?



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Americans Think R&D is Important to State Economies

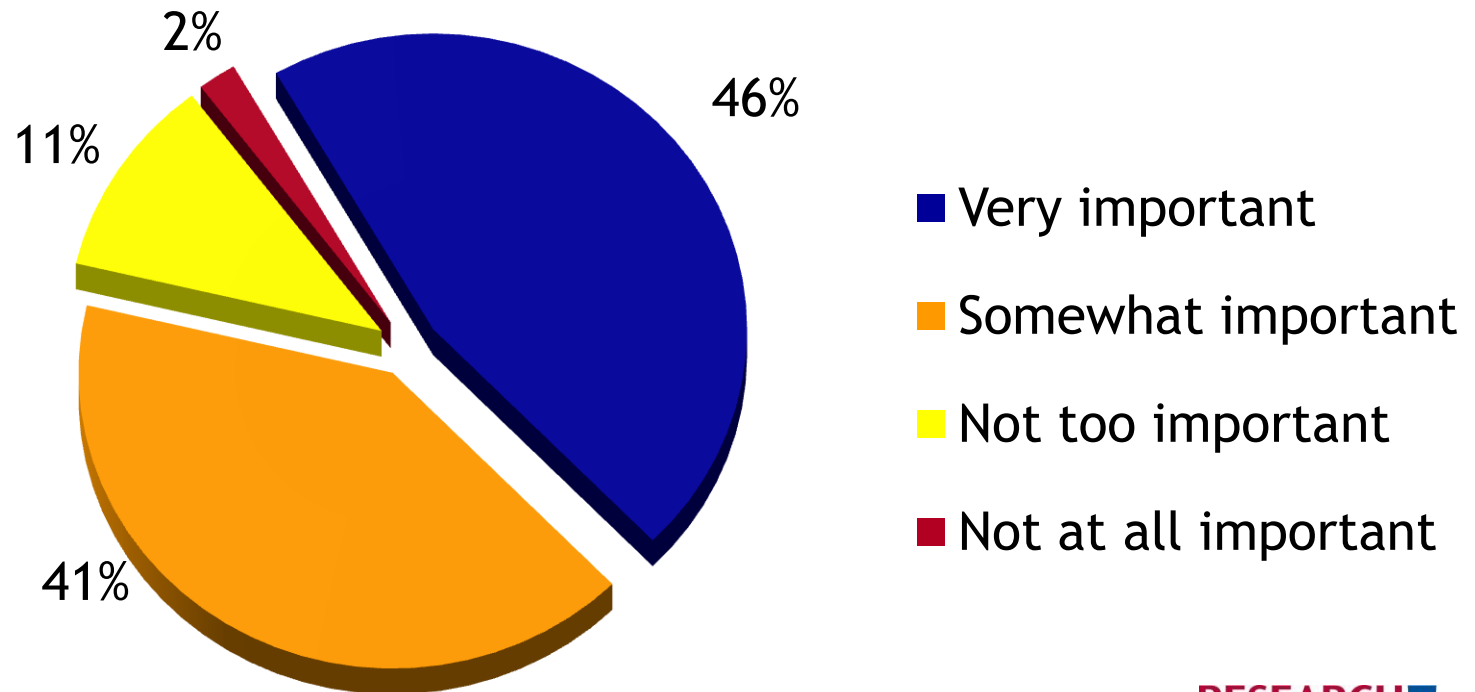
How important do you think research and development is to your state's economy?



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Americans Think Government Investment in R&D is Important

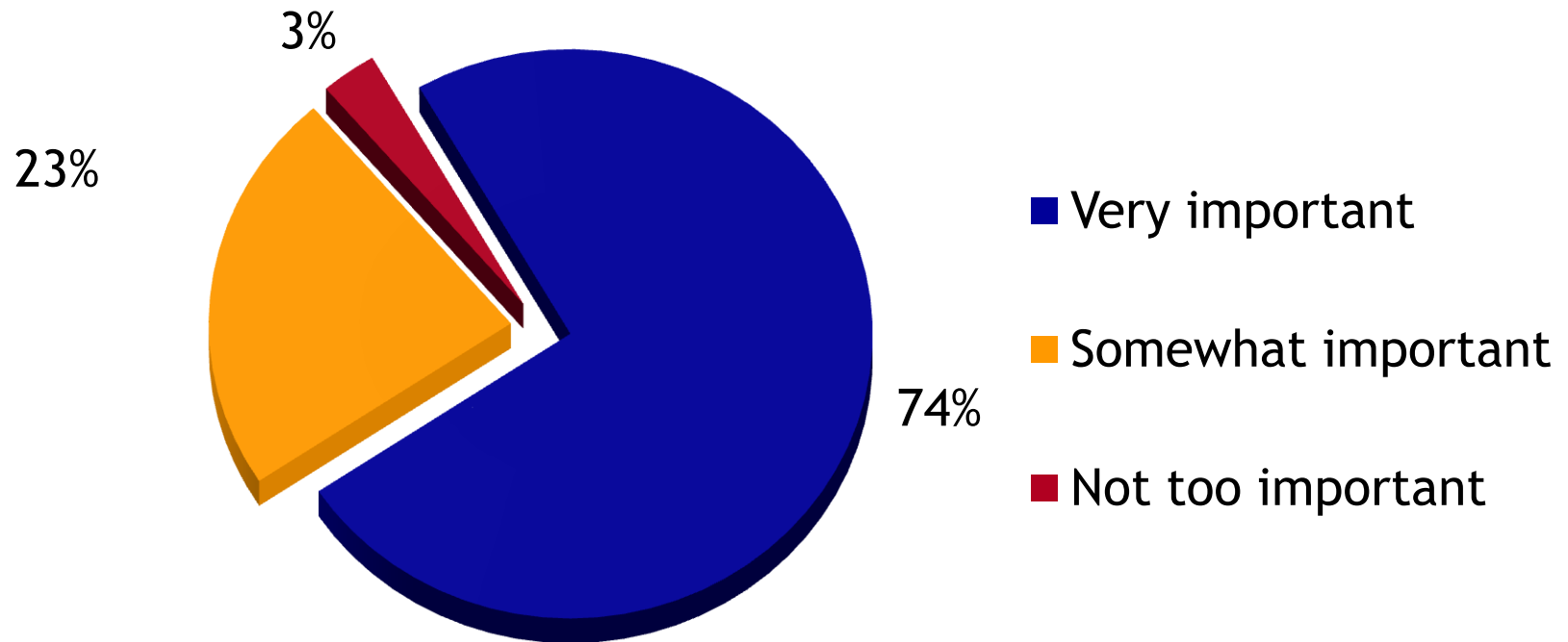
Many governments have set a goal to spend 3% of GDP (annual economic output of a country) on research and development, and some, including Japan and Korea, have already exceeded this goal. How important do you think it is for the U.S. to achieve this goal?



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STEM Education Very Important to U.S. Competitiveness

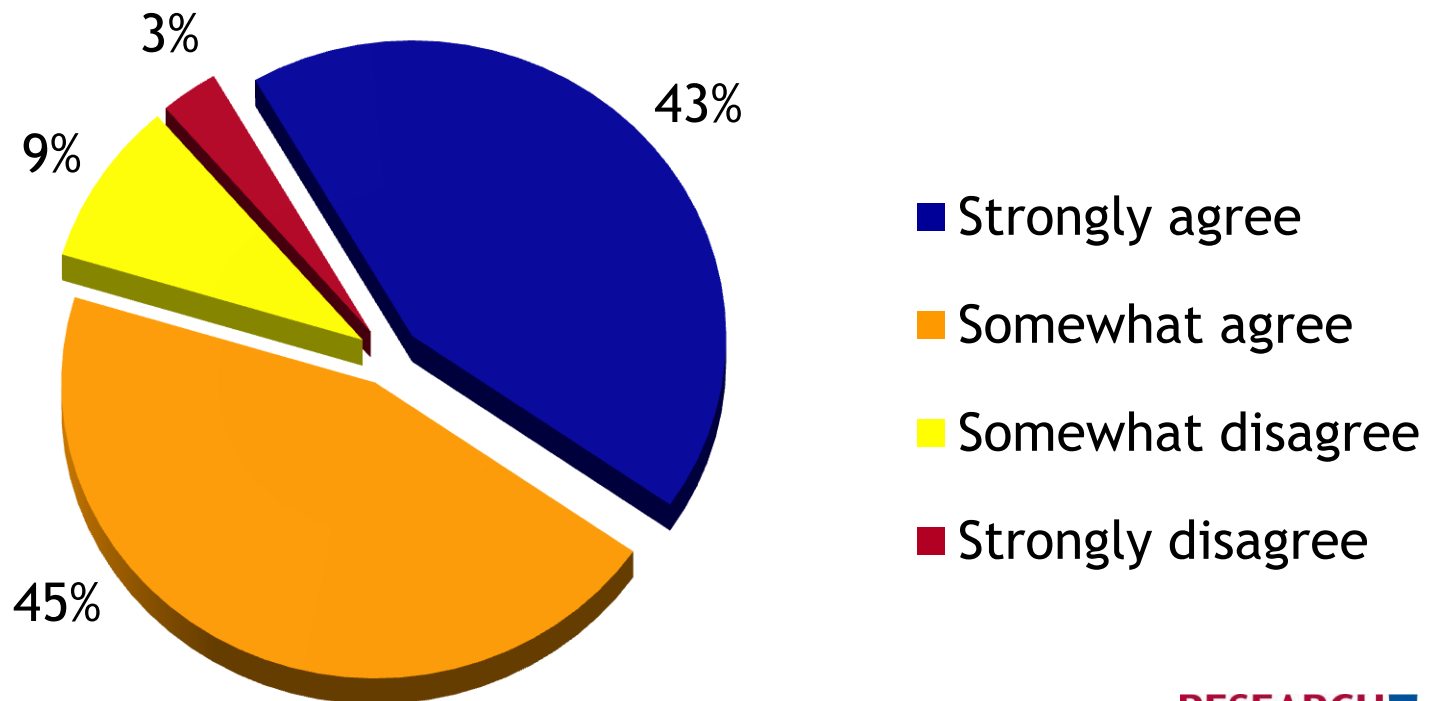
How important do you think education and training in science, technology, engineering and mathematics is to U.S. competitiveness and our future economic prosperity?



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Most Agree That Basic Research is Necessary

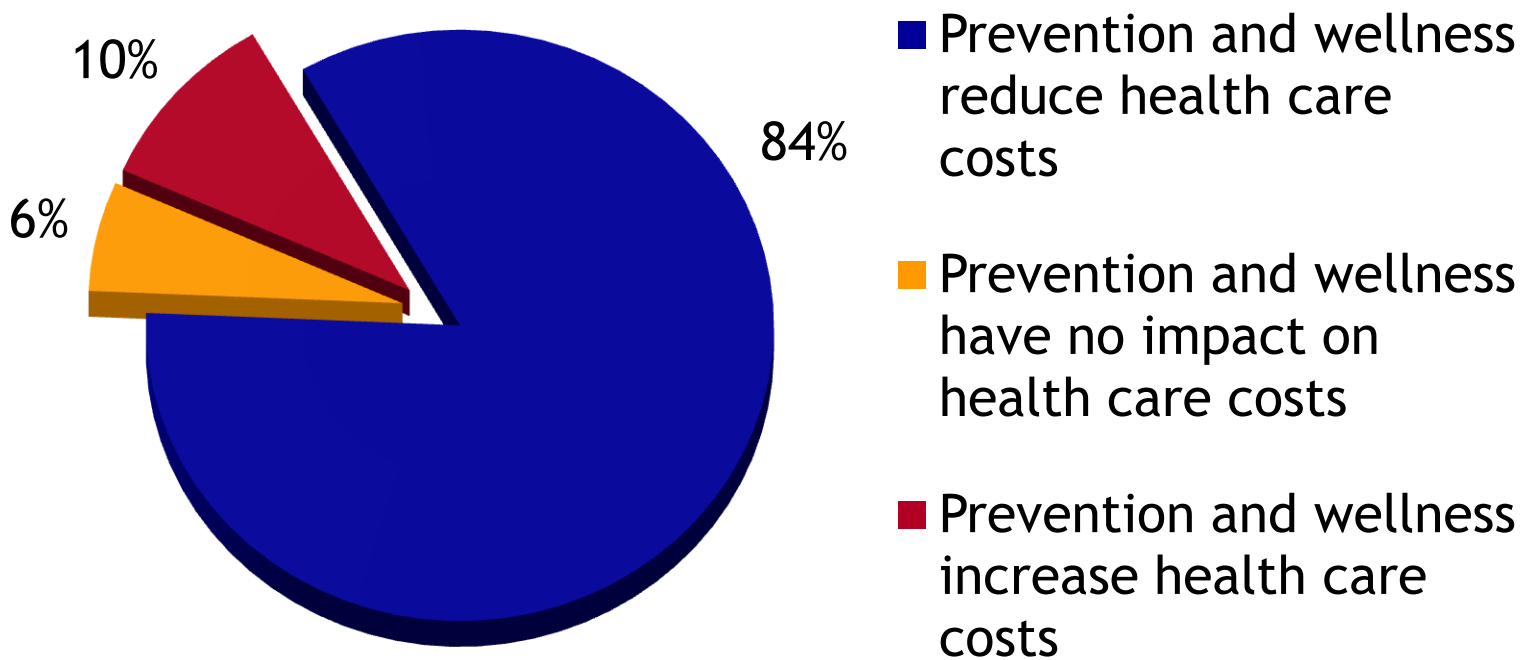
Do you agree or disagree with the following statement? “Even if it brings no immediate benefits, basic scientific research that advances the frontiers of knowledge is necessary and should be supported by the federal government.”



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Most Say Prevention & Wellness Reduce Health Care Costs

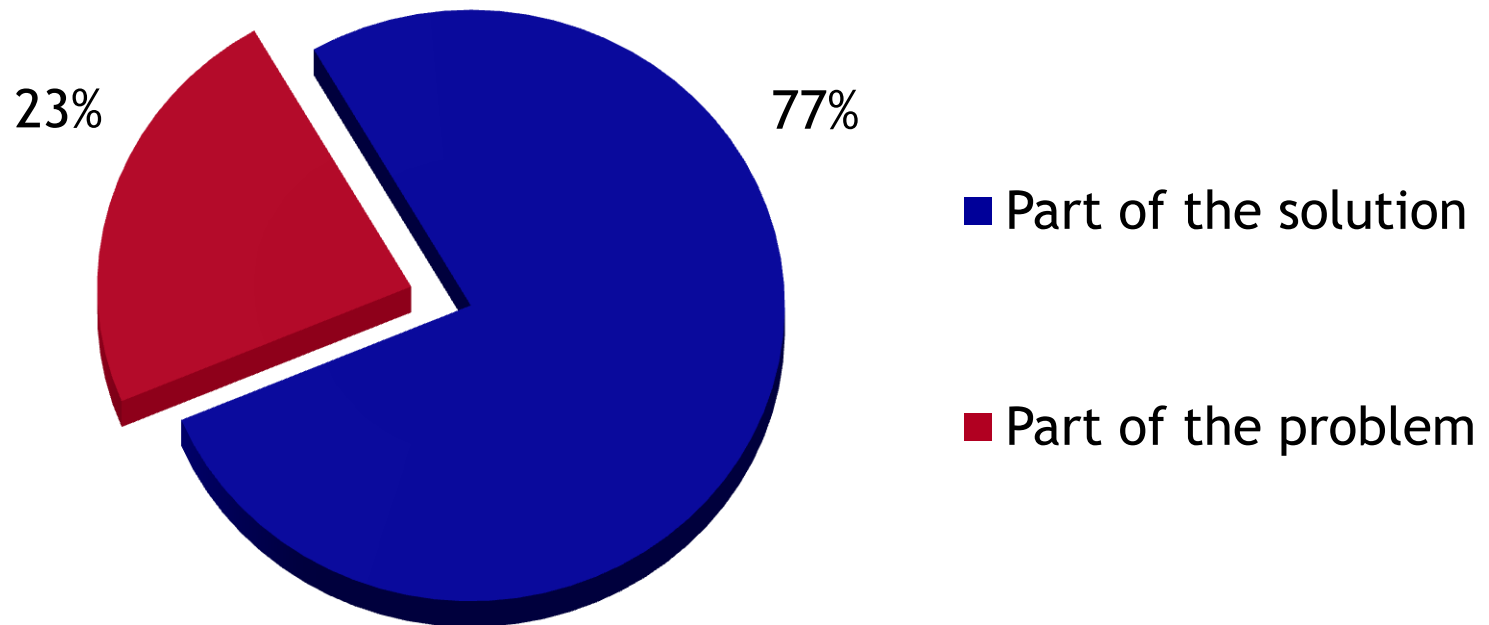
Which of the following statements most closely matches with your view of prevention and wellness?



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Research is a Solution to Rising Health Care Costs

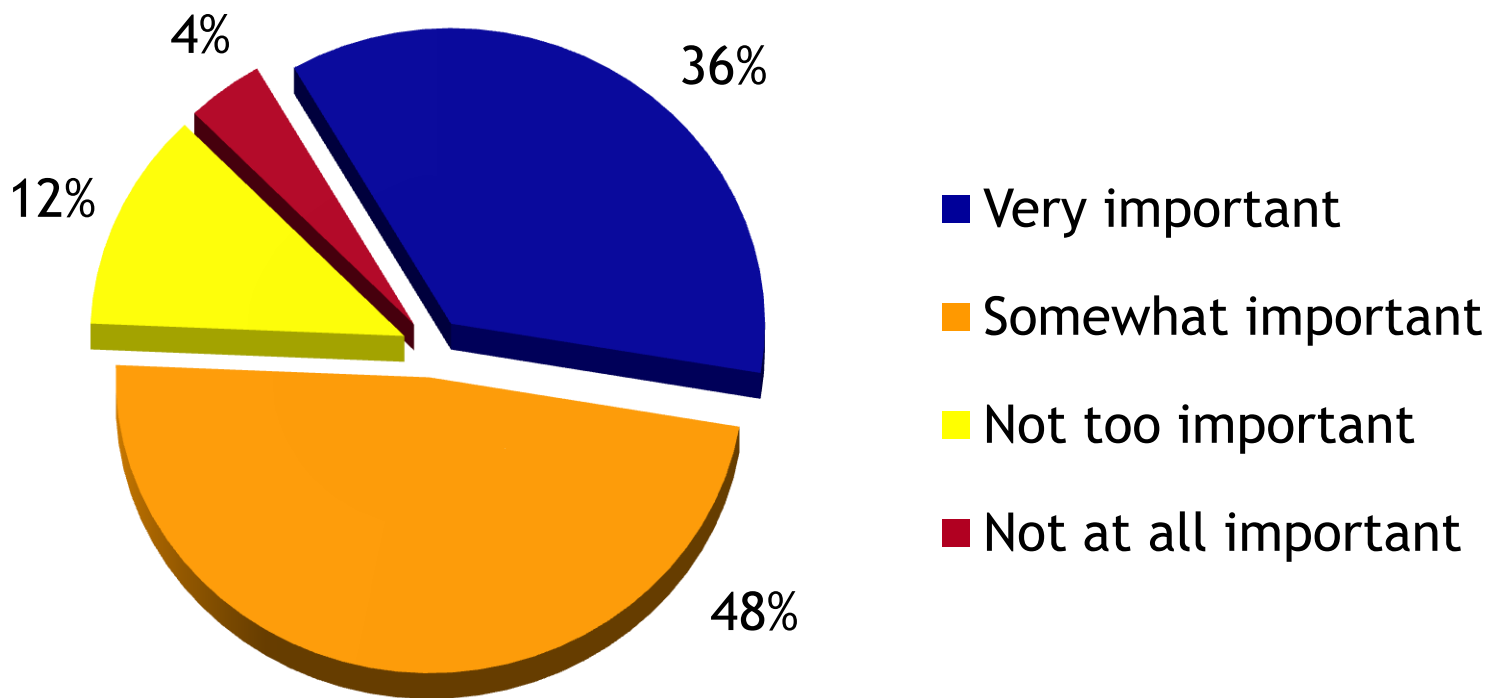
When it comes to rising health care costs, would you say research to improve health is part of the problem or part of the solution?



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Majority Say U.S. Global Health R&D is Important

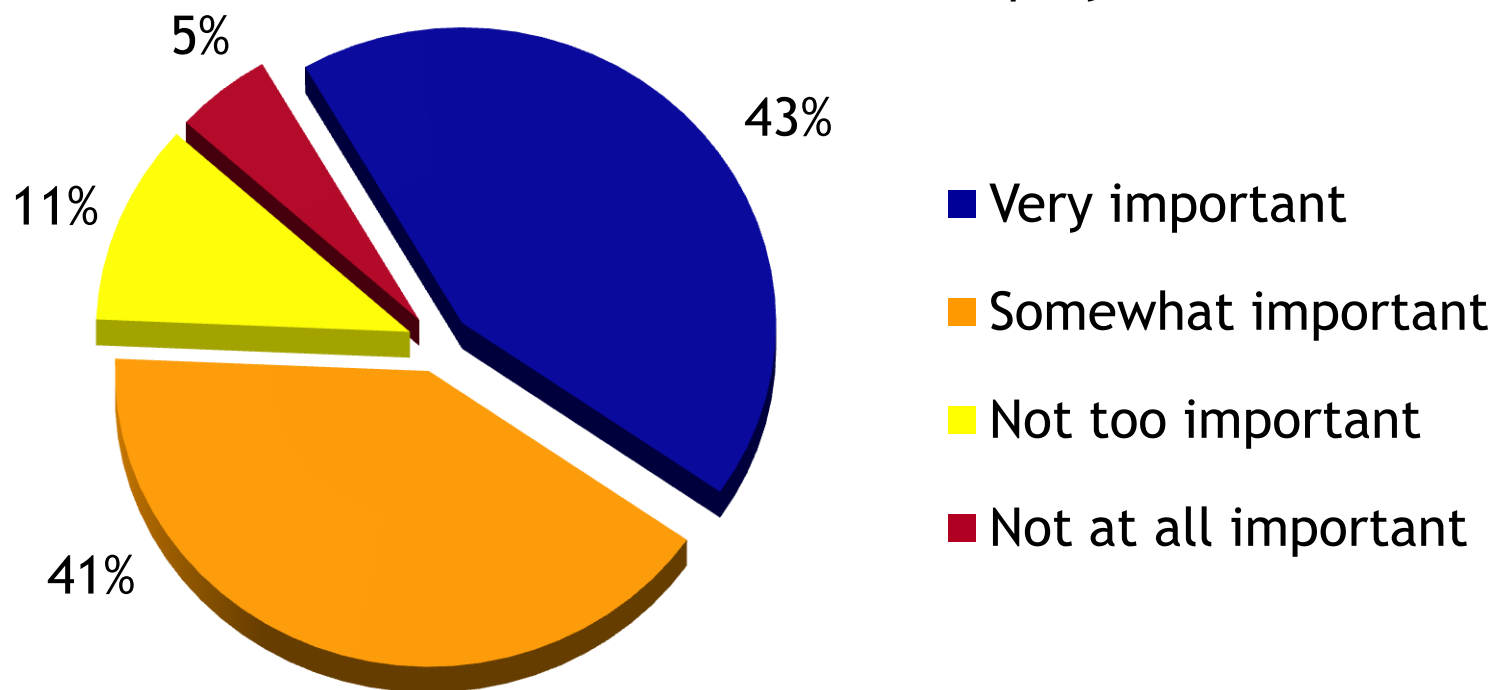
How important would you say it is that the U.S. work to improve health globally through research and development?



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Most Believe Health Equity Research is Important

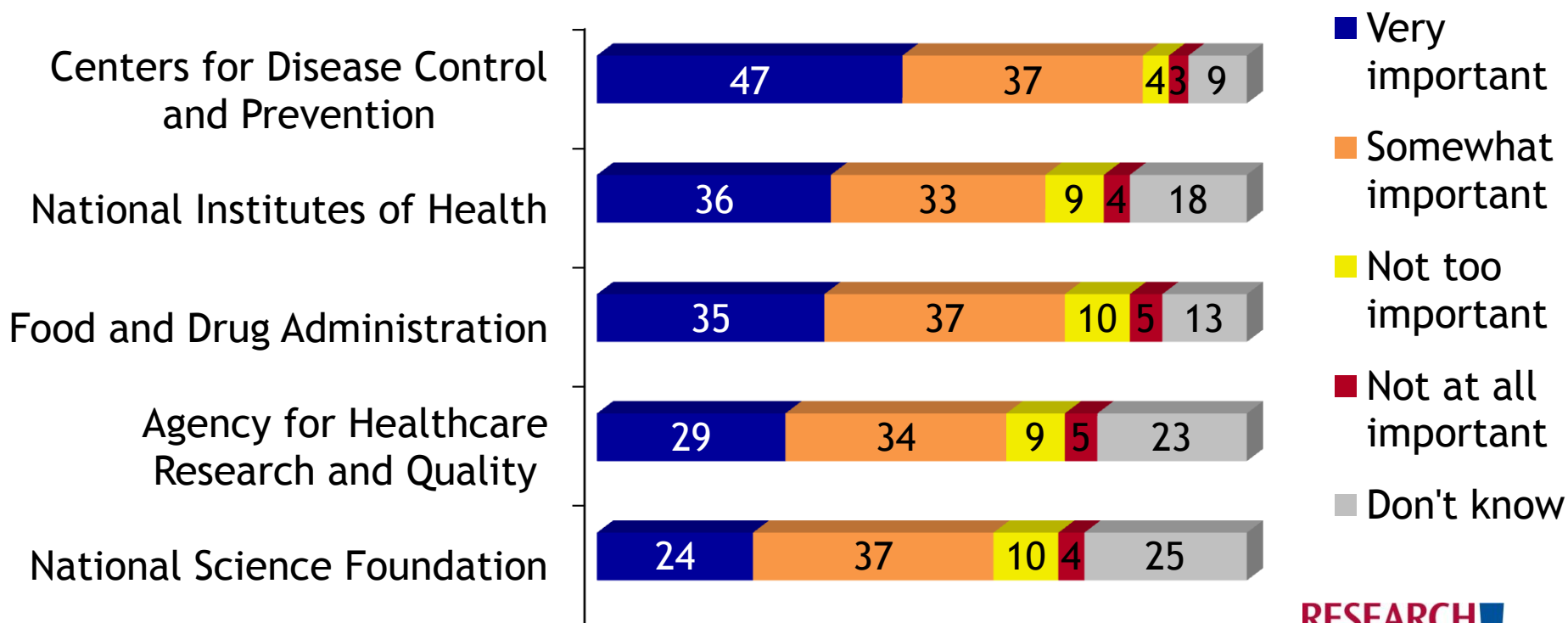
Certain health issues are more prevalent among people with lower incomes or among certain racial and ethnic populations. How important do you feel it is to conduct research to understand and eliminate these differences and achieve health equity?



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Many Believe Increased Funding for Health Agencies is Important

The following federal agencies play a role in improving the health of Americans through research and development. How important is it to increase funding for...

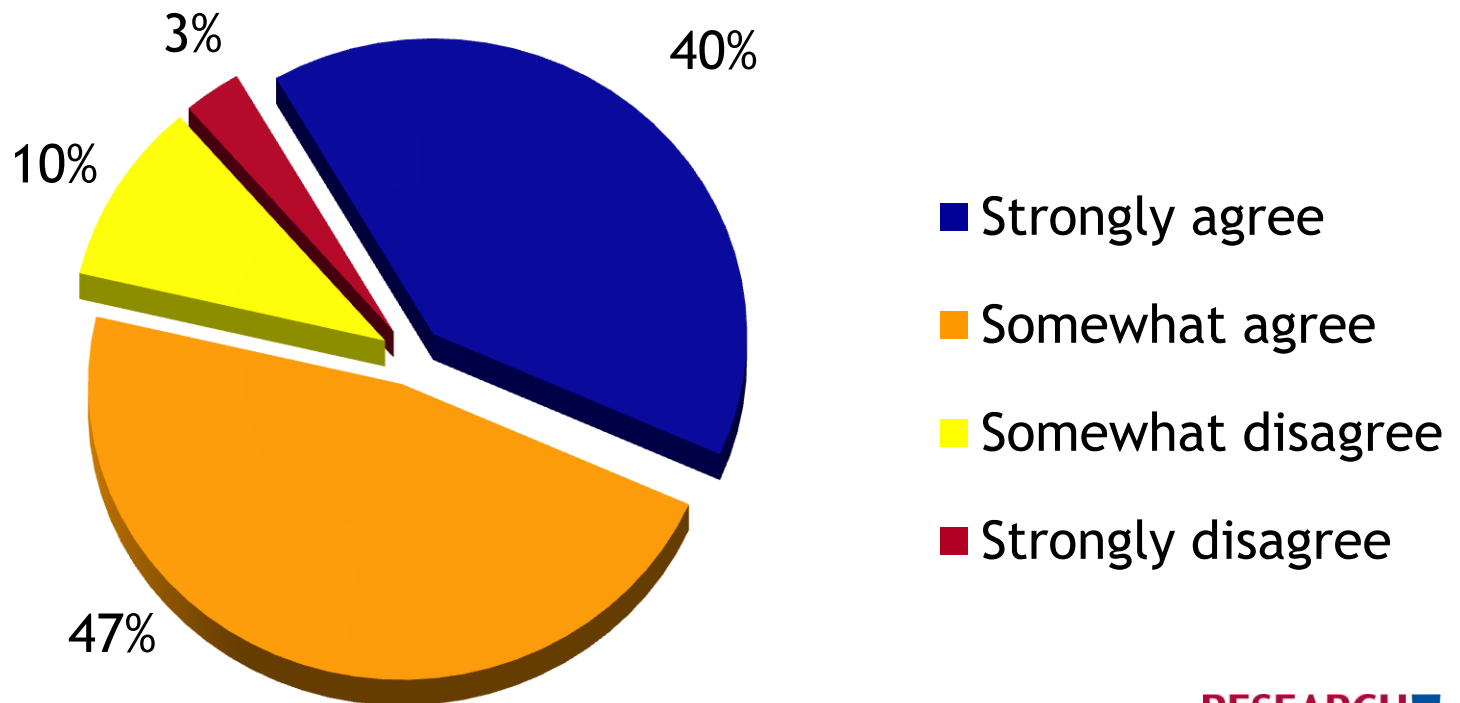


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Military Research Investment

Good Use of Tax Dollars

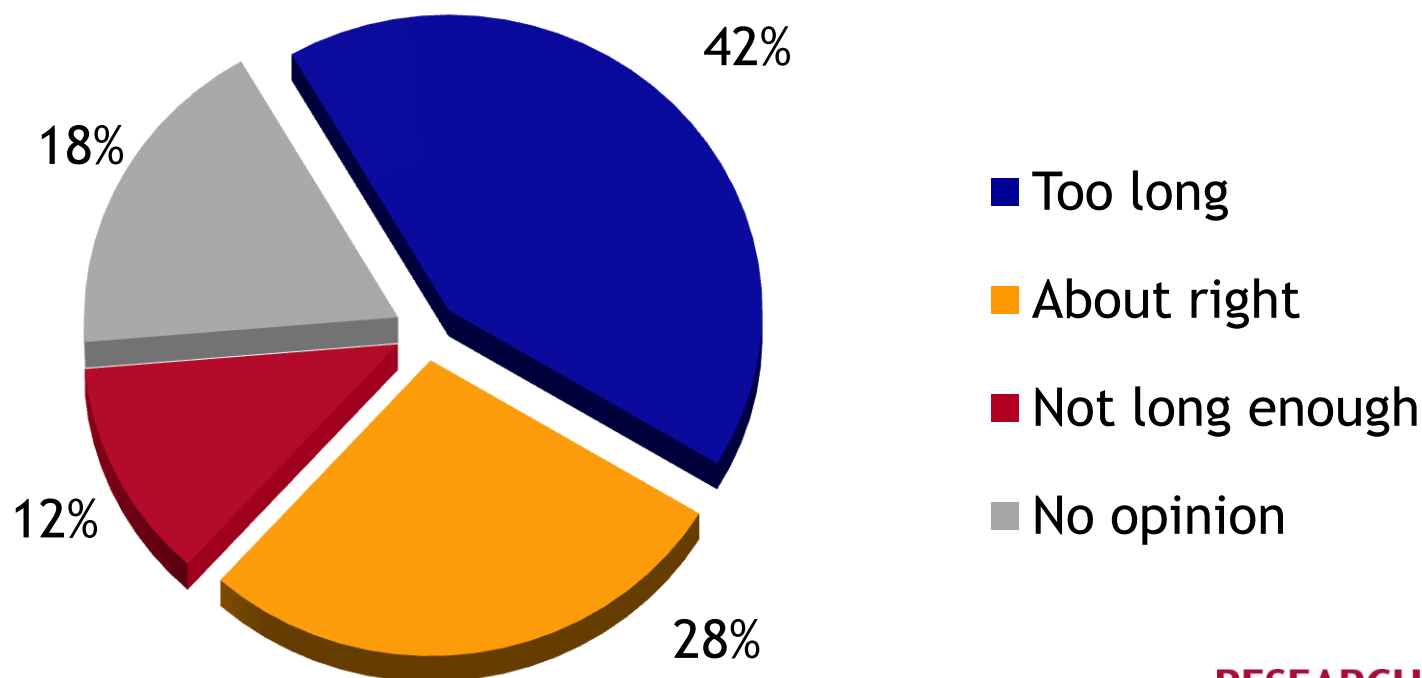
Do you agree or disagree with the following statement? “The U.S. military investment in research to improve health for service members and veterans is a good use of my tax dollars.”



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Americans Split on FDA Approval Timeline

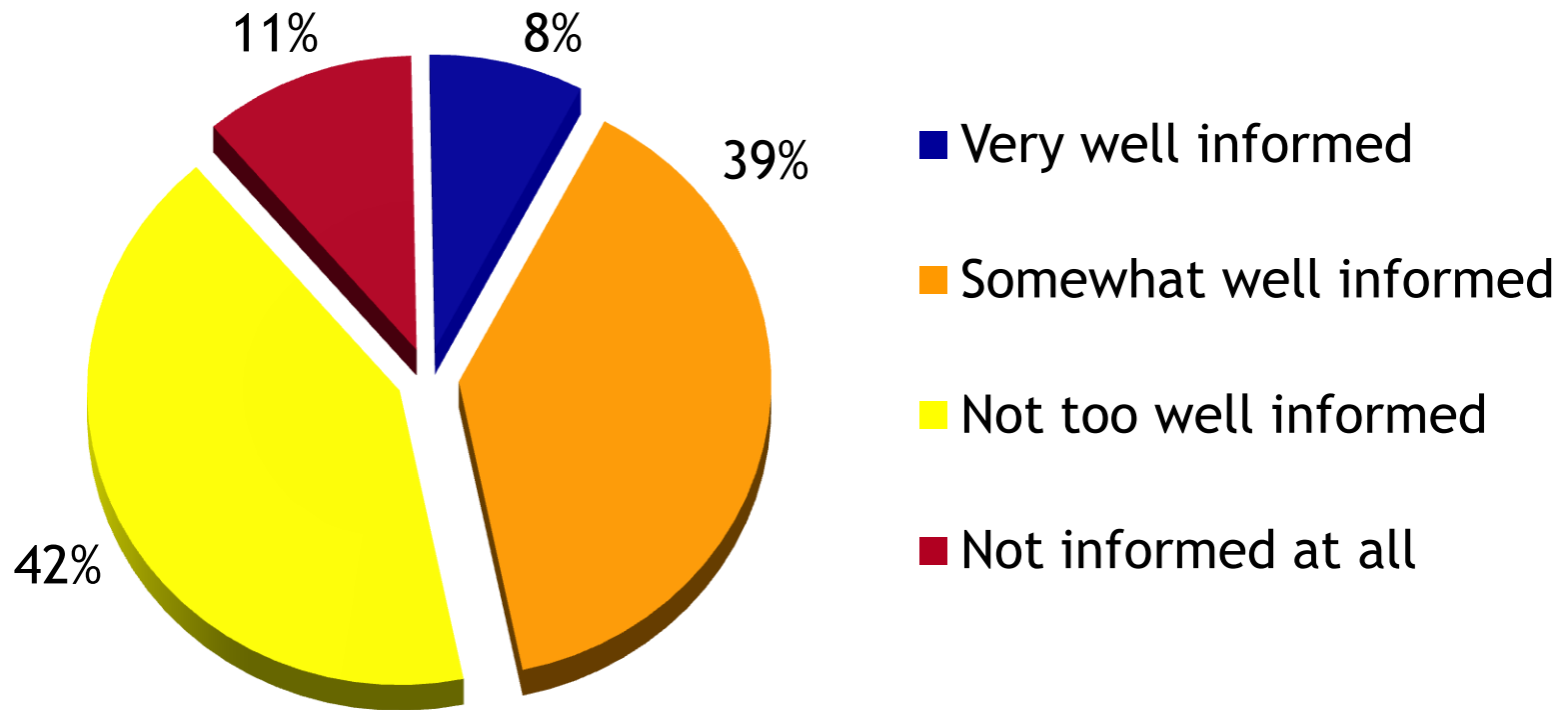
Would you say that the average amount of time it takes for the FDA to approve a drug, biological product or medical device and allow it to be sold to consumers is too long, about right, or not long enough, or do you not know enough about this to have an opinion?



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Most Not Well Informed on Elected Officials' Positions on Research

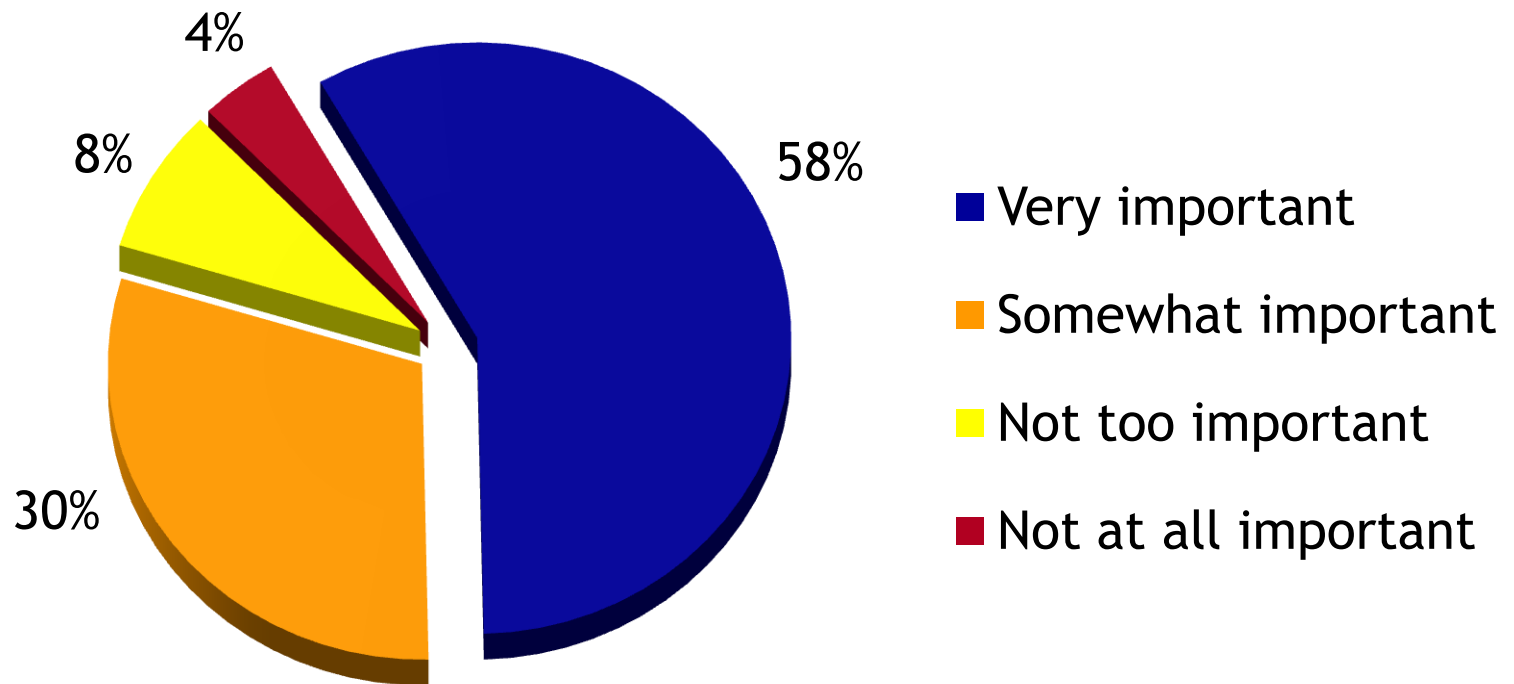
How well informed would you say you are about the positions of your Senators and Representative when it comes to their support of medical, health and scientific research?



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Important for Congress to Work Together on Research Issues

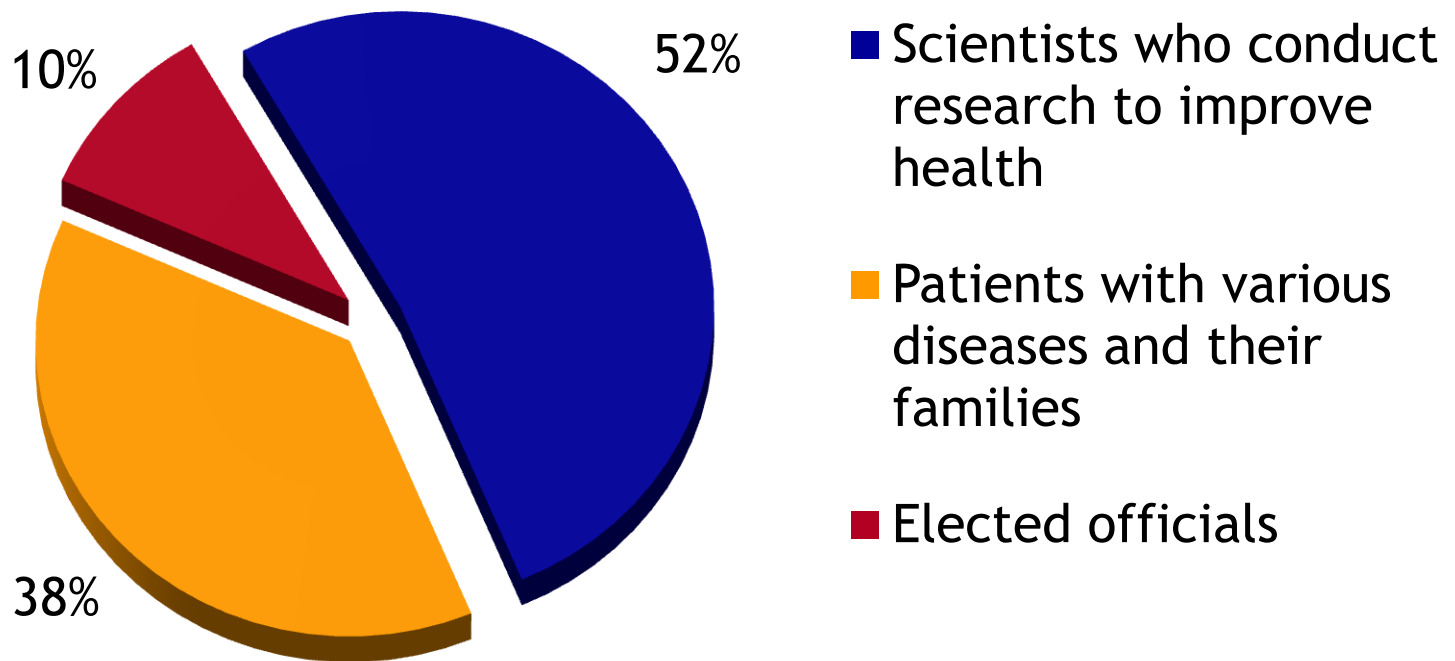
How important do you think it is for Members of Congress to work on a bipartisan basis with civility and respect for one another to make research to improve health a top national priority?



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Scientists Should Have Most Influence over Research Funding

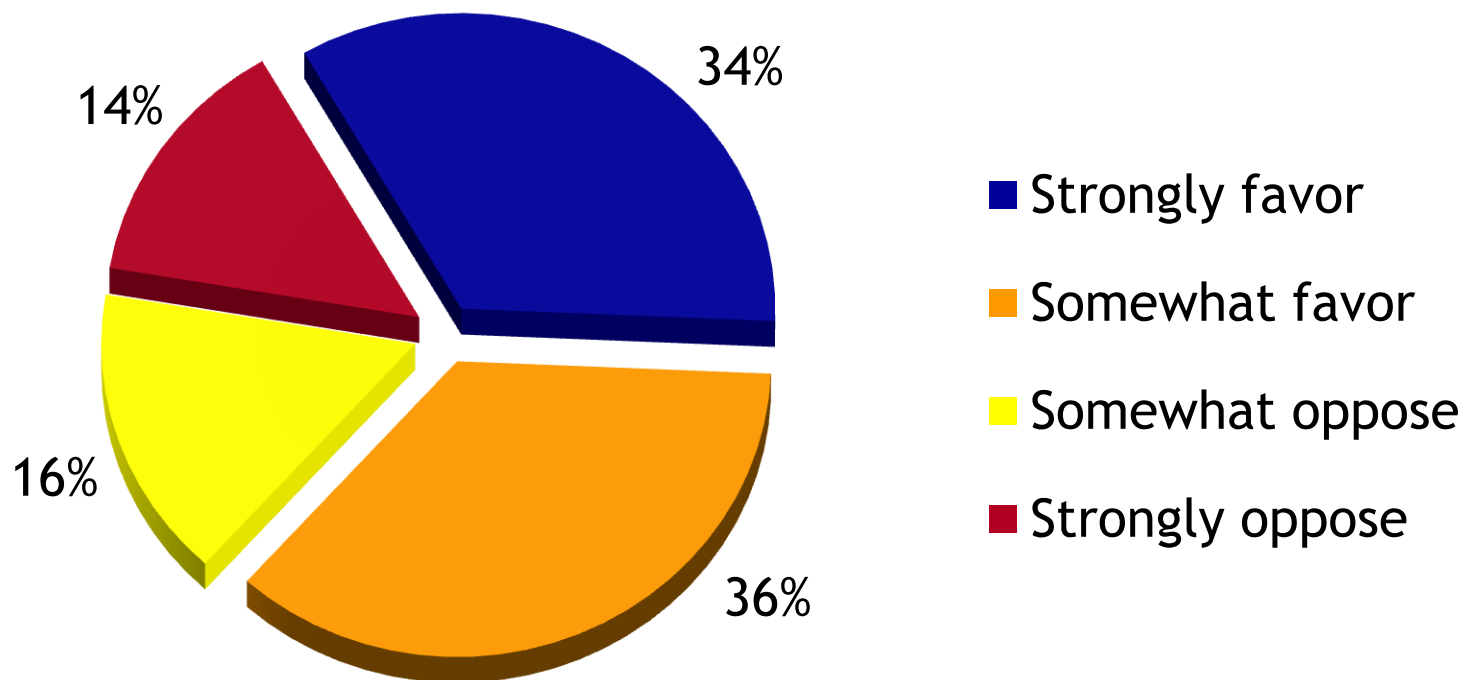
Which one of the following do you feel should have the most influence on how government funds for research to improve health are spent?



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Americans Favor Expanding Funding for ESC Research

Do you favor or oppose expanding federal funding for research using embryonic stem cells?



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