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## Survey Methodology

* Telephone (random-digit dialing) polls are conducted with a sample size of 800-1000 adults (age 18+) and a maximum theoretical sampling error of +/- 3.5 percent. Data are demographically representative of adult U.S. residents (state or national).
* Online polls are conducted with a sample size of 1000-2000 adults and sampling error of +/-3.1 percent. The data is weighted in two stages to ensure accurate representation of the U.S. adult population.


1. Figures for age, sex, race, education, and income were weighted where necessary to bring them into line with population demographics.
2. "Propensity score" weighting was also used to adjust for respondents’ propensity to be online.

## Americans Want Increased Funding

Over the past several decades, U.S. investment in medical and health research has steadily increased. Recently, Congress voted to cut overall federal funding for this research.

Some people say: Current U.S. funding for medical and health research is sufficient and other budget items are higher priorities now.

Other people say: Increasing U.S. funding for medical and health research now is essential to our future health and economic prosperity.

Which of these statements more closely reflects your opinion?


Source: National Survey, 2006
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$\square$ Increase funding
$\square$ Current funding sufficient

Don't know

## Americans Think Commitment to Research Should Be Higher

As we look for ways to manage healthcare costs in our country, do you think that the national commitment to health-related research should be higher, lower, or about the same as it is now?


## Source: National Survey, 2006

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Higher
About the same
Lower
Don't know

## 2007 Budget for Medical and Health Research Should be Increased

President Bush will be making his next budget request in February. What do you want President Bush to recommend in his 2007 budget for medical and health research?


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$\square$ Increase funding

Keep current level
$\square$ Cut funding

Don't know

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## Confidence in US Institutions

How much confidence do you have in the following institutions in this country? \{\% responding high to complete confidence\}
MilitaryMedical CommunityScientific CommunityOrganized ReligionCorporationsCongressMedia77\%69\%
68\%58\%
35\%32\%29\%

## National Priorities

In terms of national priorities, would you say each of the following is very important, somewhat important, not very important, or not at all important? \{\% saying "very important" and "somewhat important"\}


Source: National Survey, 2006
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## Americans Want More Spent on Public Health Research

Currently, the U.S. spends about one cent of every health care dollar on prevention and public health research. How many cents of each health dollar do you think we SHOULD spend?


## Americans Willing to Pay More for Medical Research

Would you be willing to pay $\mathbf{\$ 1}$ per week more in taxes if you were certain that all the money would be spent for additional medical research, or not?


Source: National Survey, 2006
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## Americans Want More Spent on Medical and Health Research

Currently, about 6 cents out of each health dollar spent in the U.S. goes for medical and health research. How many cents out of each health dollar do you think we SHOULD spend?


Source: National Survey, 2006
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## Americans Willing to Spend More for Research

Would you be willing to pay $\mathbf{\$ 1}$ more for each prescription drug if you were certain that all the money would be spent for additional research?

$\square$ Yes

## Don't know

Source: National Survey, 2006
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## Few Participate in Clinical Research

Have you ever participated in a clinical research study?


Source: National Survey, 2006
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## Majority of Americans Would Participate in Clinical Research

How likely would you be to participate in a clinical research study?


■ Likely
$\square$ Not likely
$\square$ Would not
Don't know

## Few Doctors Suggest Participation

Has your doctor ever suggested that you participate in a clinical research study?


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## Controlling Cost Important to Americans

How important would you say each of the following health issues are in terms of national priorities?


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## Most Have Not Talked to Their Doctors About Research

Have you ever talked to your doctor about medical research?


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## Clinical Research is Valuable

How do you perceive the value of clinical research? (In clinical research, volunteers choose to participate to test the effectiveness of certain treatments, drugs or devices in improving the care of patients and understanding and preventing disease.)


Source: National Survey, 2006
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■ Great value
$\square$ Some value
$\square$ No value
Don't know

## Factors Affecting Participation in Clinical Research

How important would each of the following factors be in your decision to participate as a volunteer in a clinical research study?


- Major concern Some concern

No concern
Source: National Survey, 2006
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## Influencing How Government Medical Research Funds Are Spent

Which of the following do you feel should have the most influence on how government medical research funds are spent? Would it be...
Patients
$\square$ Scientists
Elected officials
Don't know

Source: National Survey, 2006
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## Barriers to Research

Some people believe medical research should be making more progress. Do you feel the following is a reason why we are NOT making more progress in medical research?

$\square$ Yes, it is a reason $\square$ No, it is not a reason
Source: National Survey, 2006
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## Public Concerns About Research

What concerns, if any, do you have about medical and health research?
First mentions
No concerns/don't know $36 \%$

Wasting money 9
Government involvement 6
Profit driven 5
Not enough funding 5
Finding a cure for diseases 4
Research is needed 4
Finding a cure to cancer 3
Stem cells 3
It takes too long 3
Other 22

Source: National Survey, 2006
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