



Your Congress-Your Health

March 2011

National Public Opinion Poll

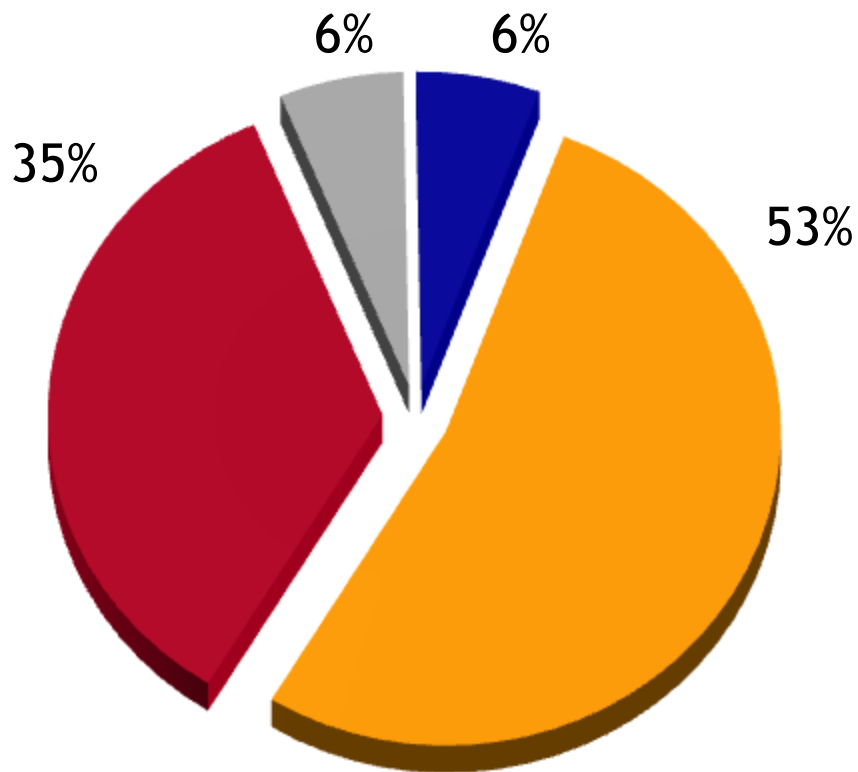
Methodology

The *Your Congress-Your Health* Poll was conducted online in March 2011 by Charlton Research Company for Research!America. The poll has a sample size of 1,000 registered voters with a theoretical sampling error of +/- 3.1%.

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Some Spending Cuts & Strategic Investment Needed for Economy

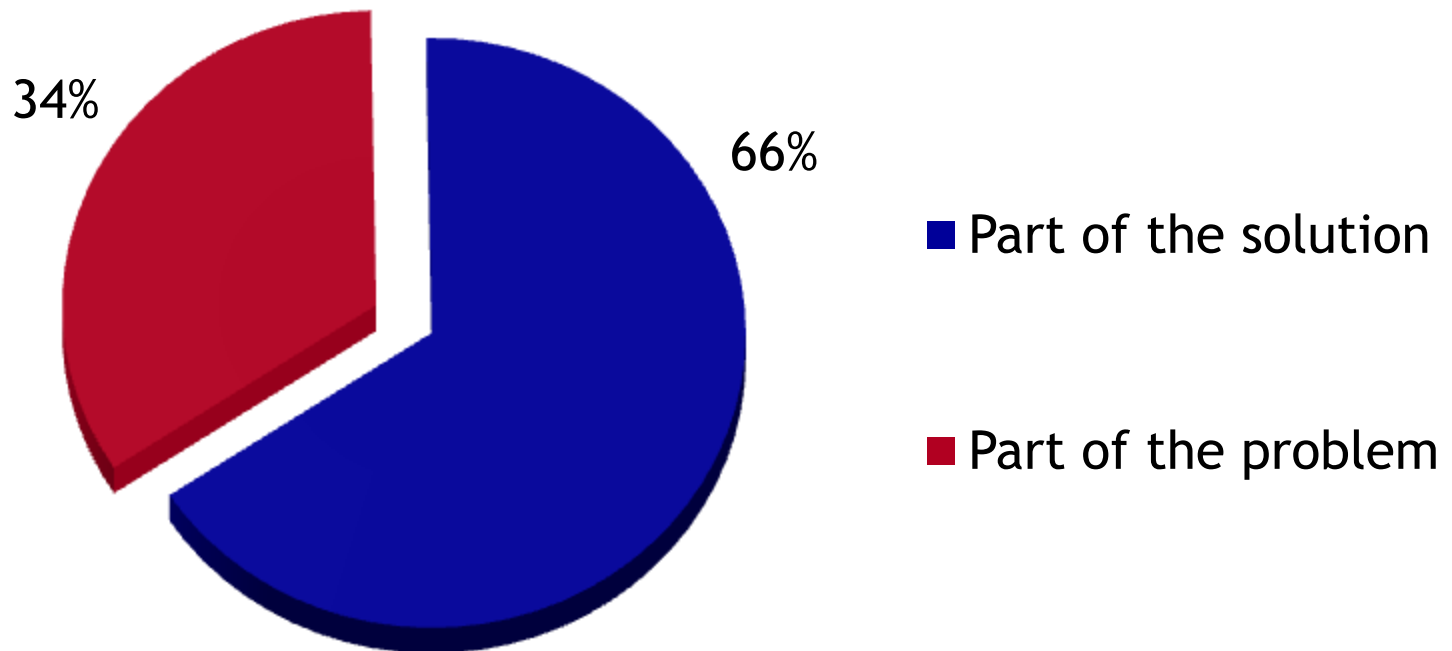
Considering the current economic situation, which statement comes closest to your view:



- Spending cuts are not a priority now, as our economy recovers from the recession
- Some spending cuts are necessary but the U.S. must invest strategically to improve the health of the economy
- Across-the-board spending cuts are necessary to reduce the federal budget deficit and improve the health of the U.S. economy
- Don't know

Research is a Solution to Rising Health Care Costs

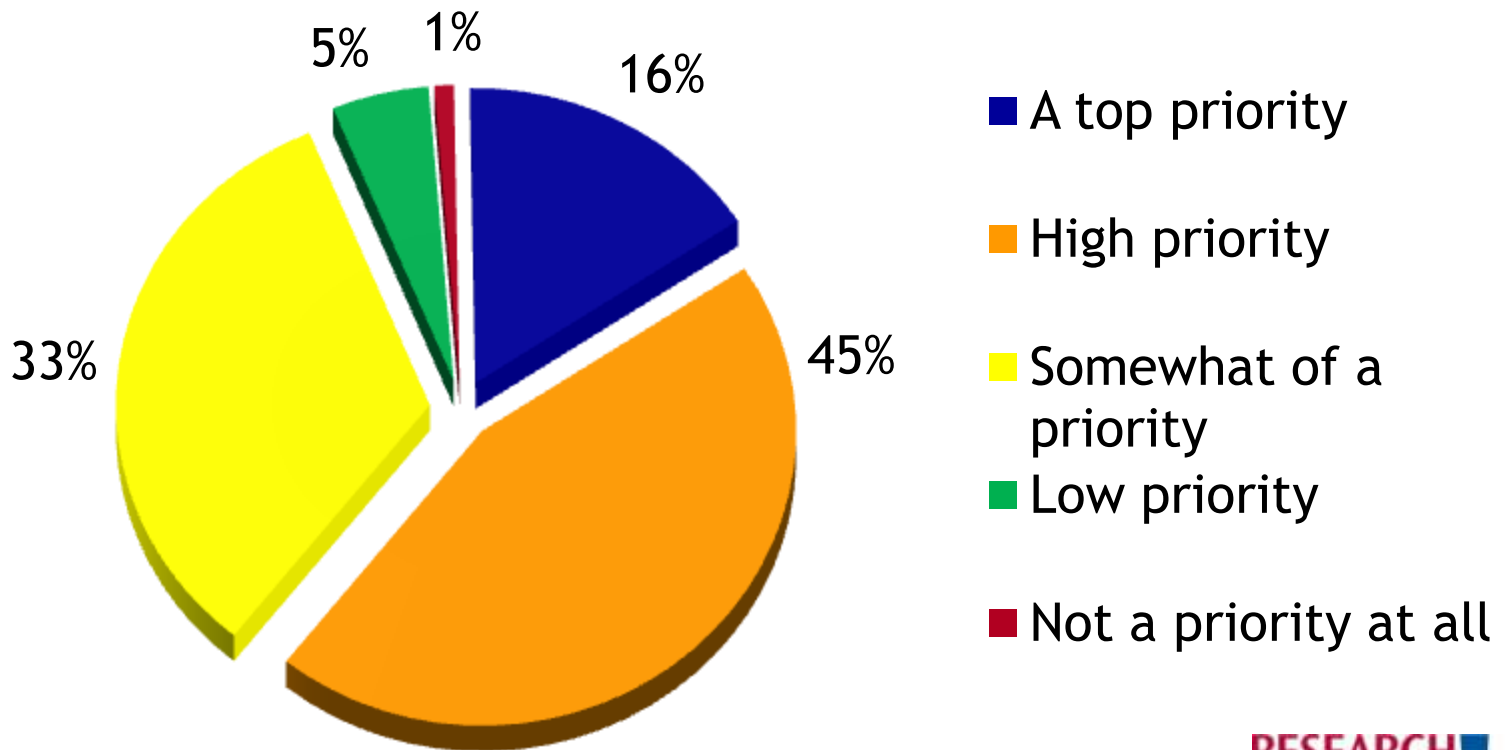
When it comes to rising health care costs, would you say research to improve health is part of the problem or part of the solution?



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Accelerating Investment in Health Research is a High Priority

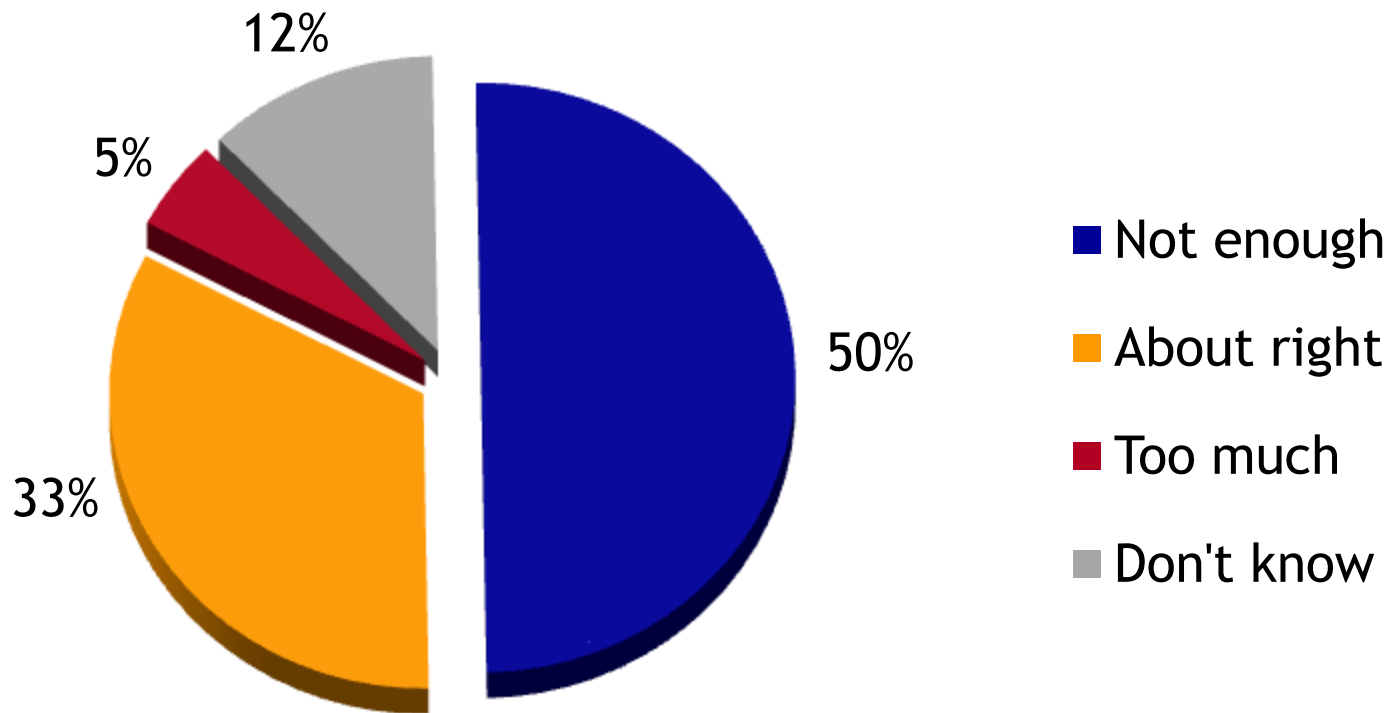
How much of a priority is it to accelerate our nation's investment in research to improve health?



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Not Enough Support for Military Health Research

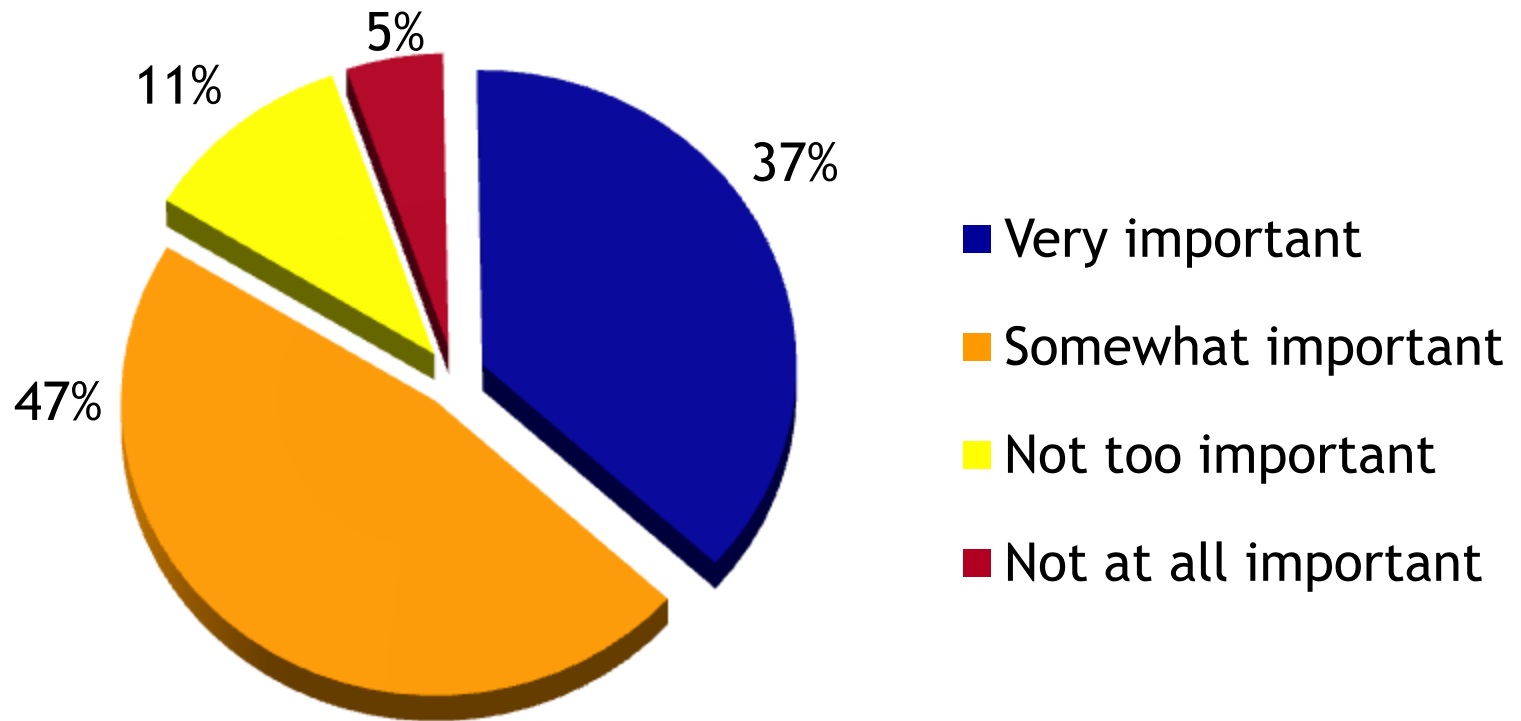
Would you say government support for health research for the benefit of military veterans and service members is...



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Government Role in Prevention & Wellness Research Important

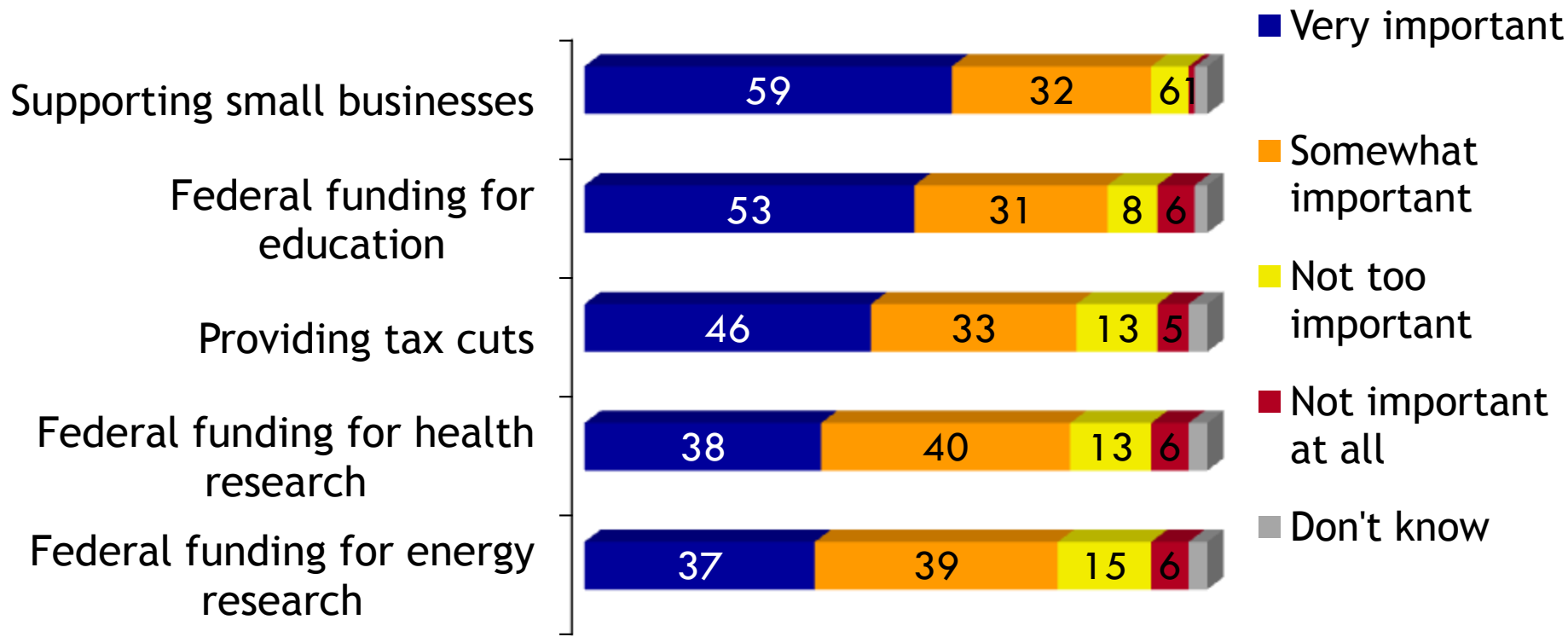
How important is it that the federal government plays a role in research for prevention and wellness?



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Federal Funding Important for Job Creation & U.S. Economy

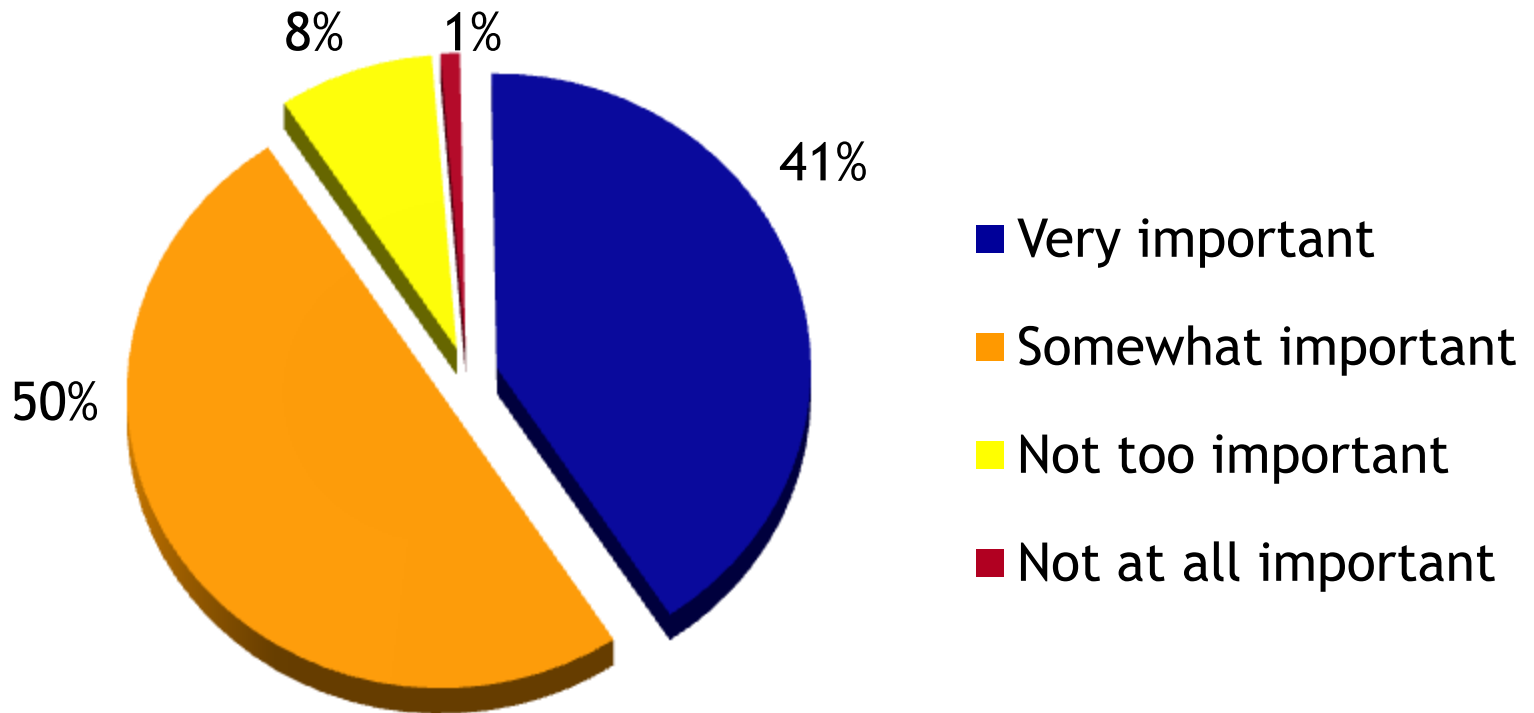
How important is each of the following to job creation and the U.S. economy?



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Most Americans Think R&D is Important to State Economies

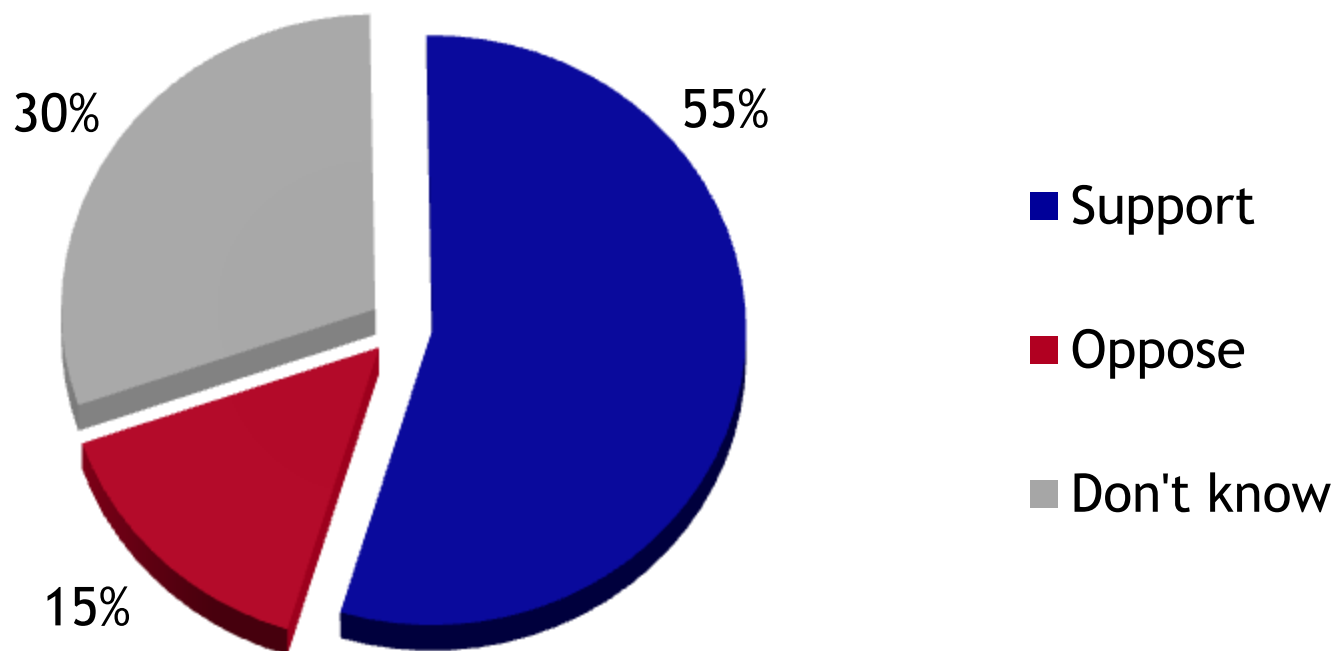
How important do you think research and development is to your state's economy?



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Many Americans Support Incentives for Companies Doing Research

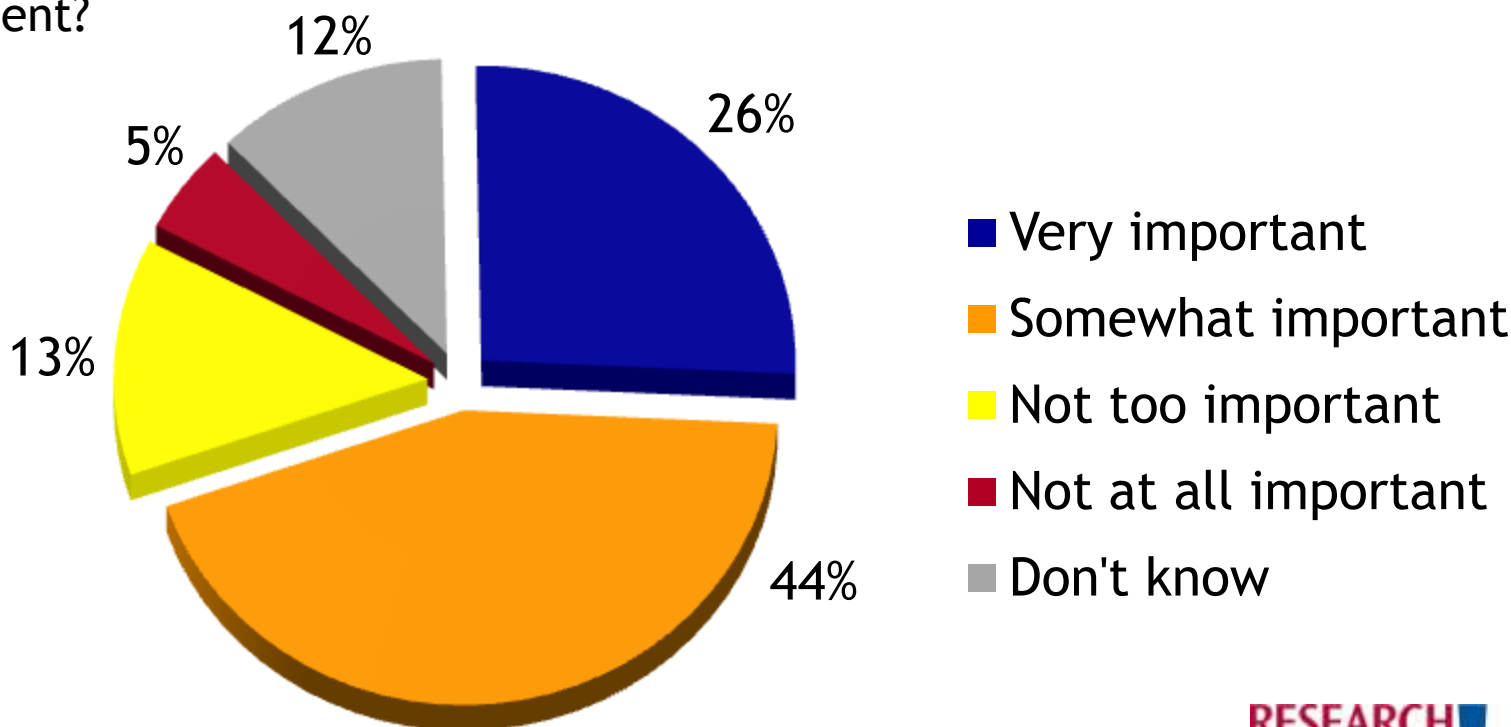
Do you support or oppose tax and regulatory incentives for industries investing in and conducting research and development to improve health?



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Important to Make R&D Tax Credit Permanent

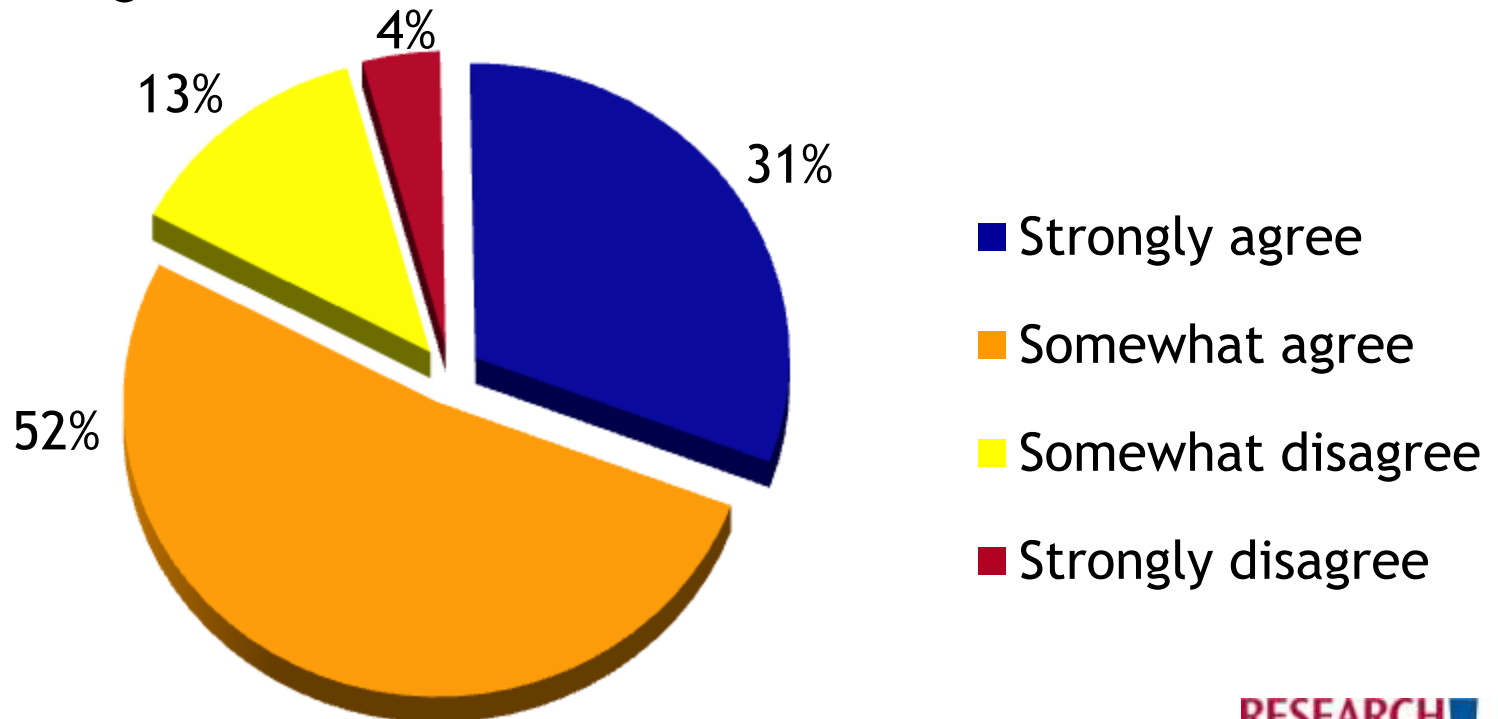
Since 1981, the federal government has offered a tax credit to businesses pursuing research and development activities. This credit is not permanent, however, and has only lasted through successive extensions. How important is it that the federal research and development tax credit is made permanent?



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Most Agree That Basic Research is Necessary

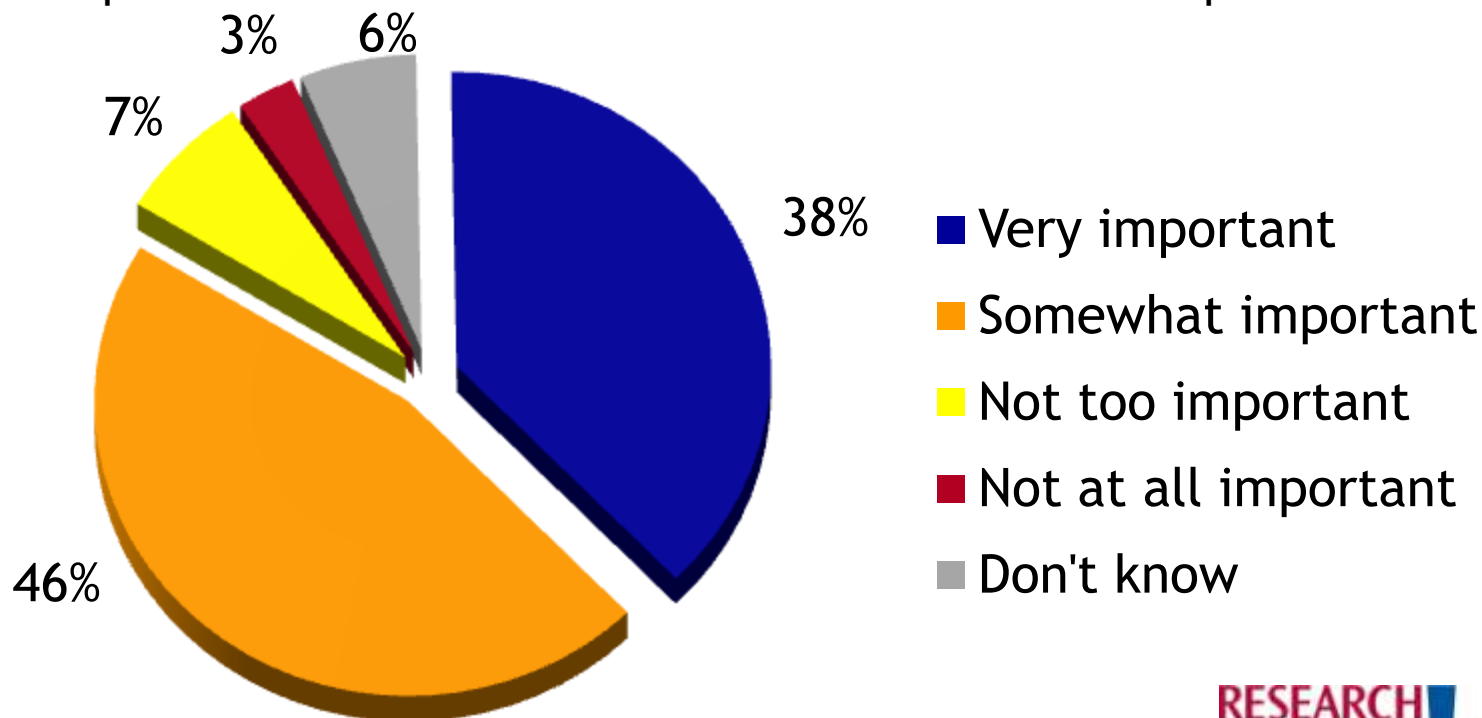
Do you agree or disagree with the following statement? “Even if it brings no immediate benefits, basic scientific research that advances the frontiers of knowledge is necessary and should be supported by the federal government.”



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Many Americans Say Investment in Regulatory Science is Important

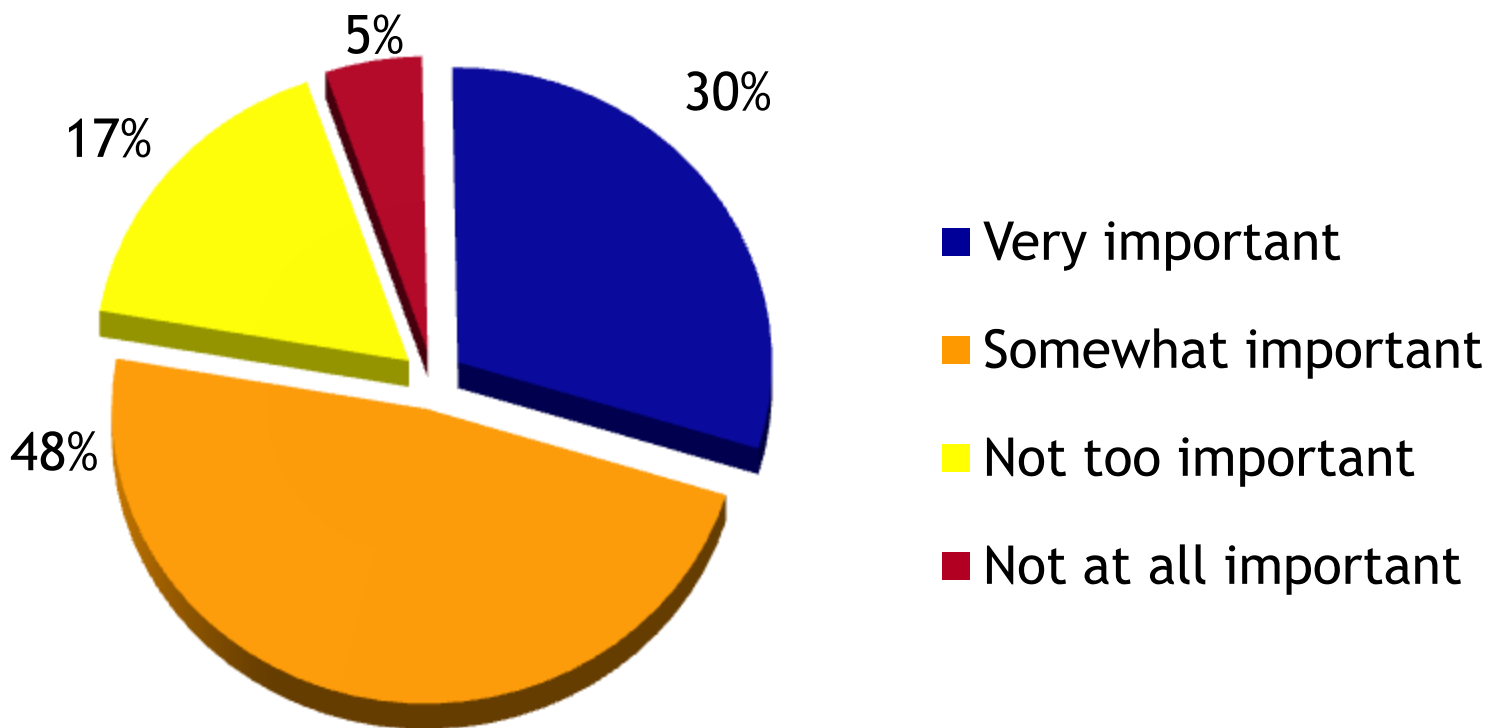
Regulatory science is a field that develops new tools, standards and approaches to assess the safety, effectiveness, quality and performance of all FDA-regulated products. How important would you say it is that the U.S. invest in advancing regulatory science to make the drug and device development process more efficient for businesses and safer for patients?



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

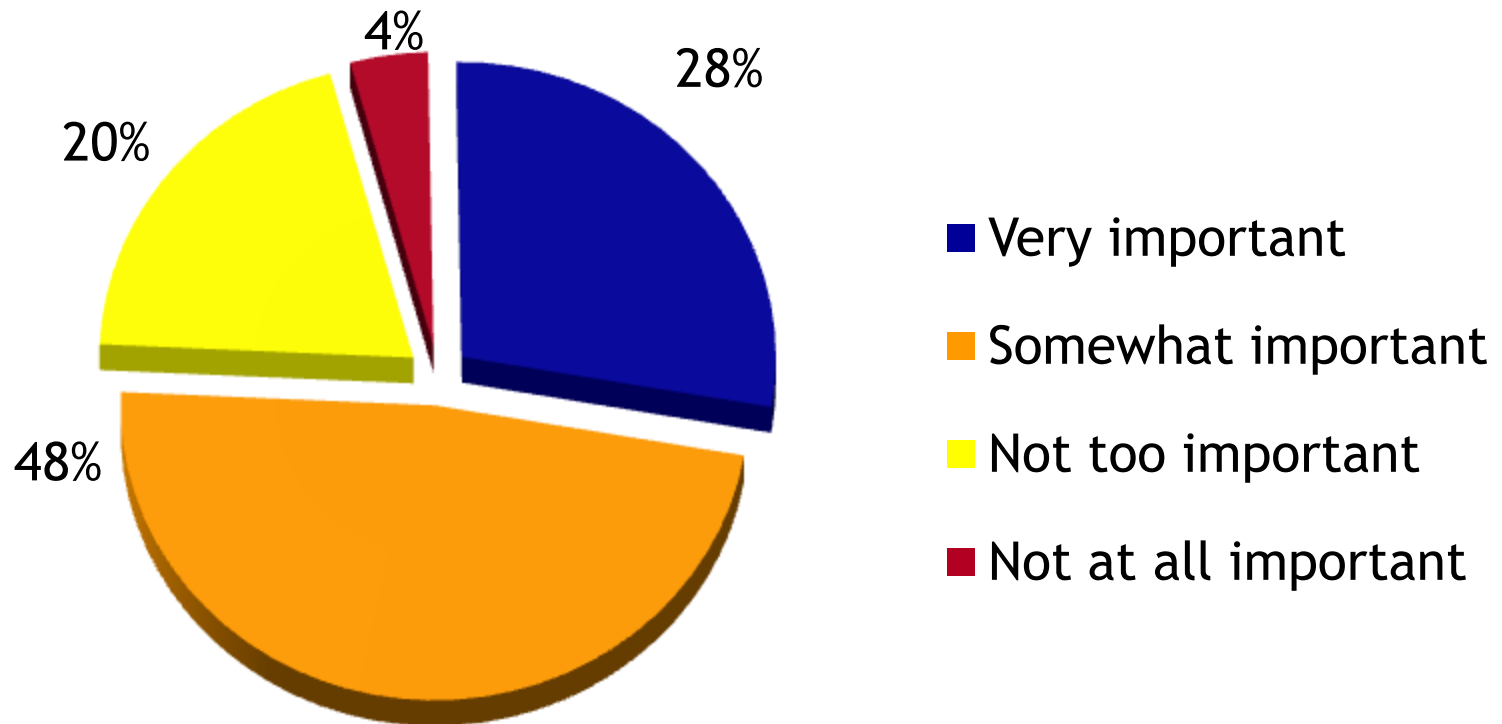
How important would you say it is that the U.S. work to improve health globally through research and development?



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Americans Think Global Health R&D is Important to U.S. Economy

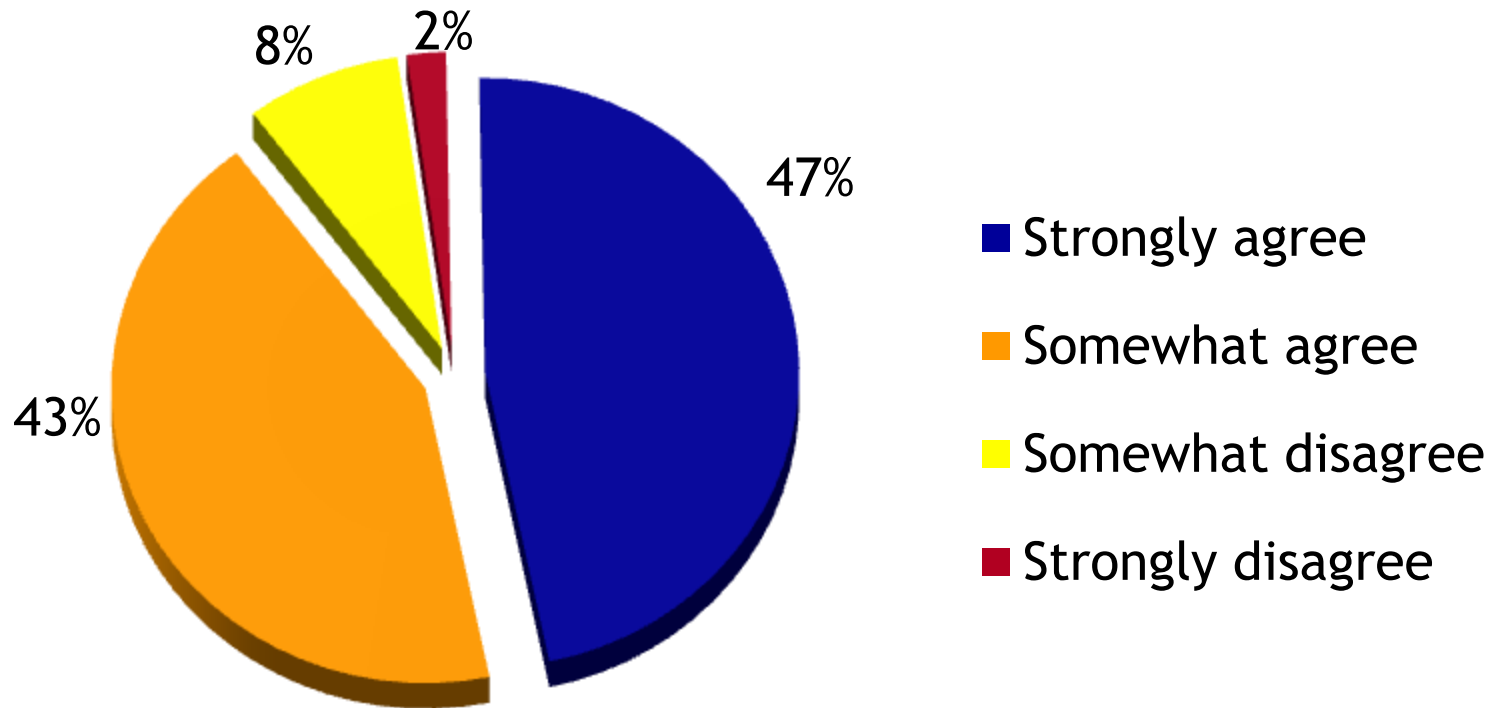
How important do you think global health research and development is to the U.S. economy?



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U.S. Competitive Edge in Innovation

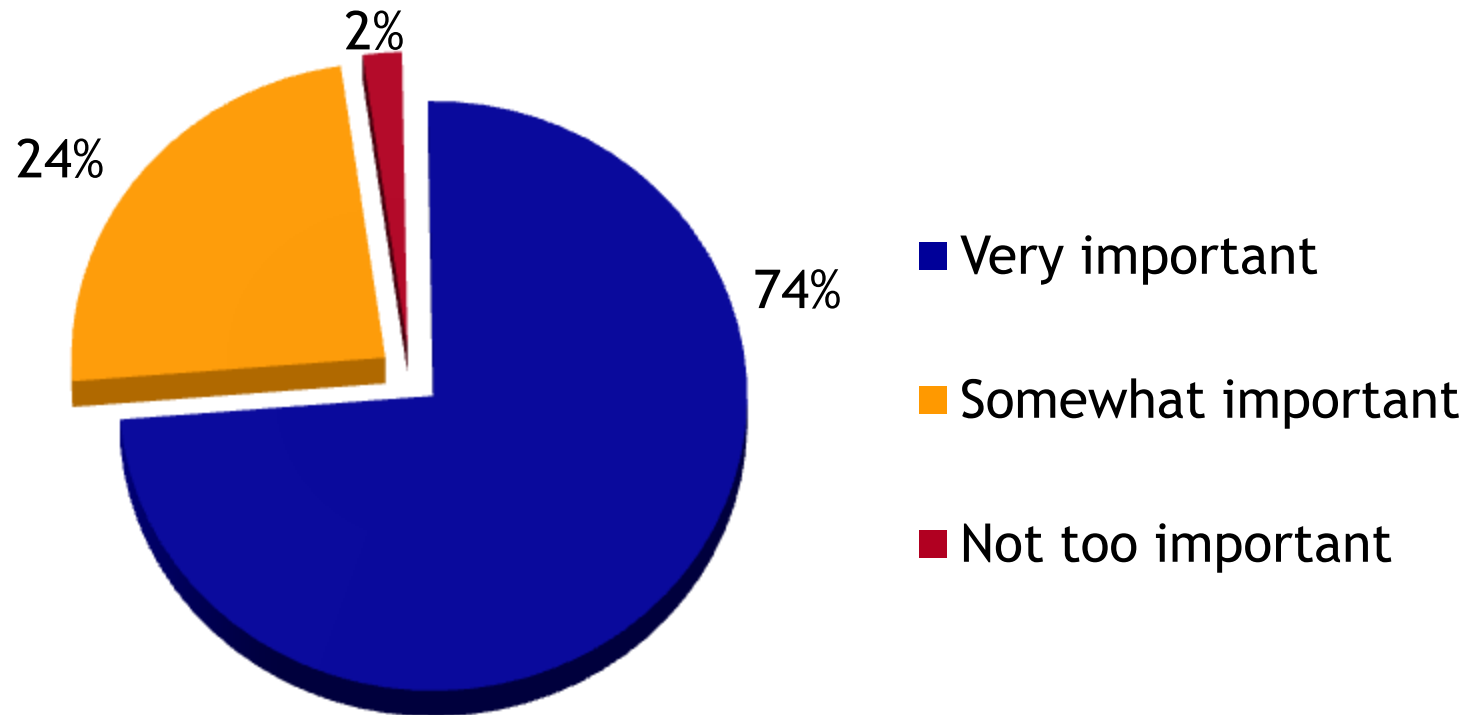
Do you agree or disagree with the following statement? "The U.S. is in danger of losing its global competitive edge in science, technology and innovation."



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STEM Education Very Important to U.S. Competitiveness

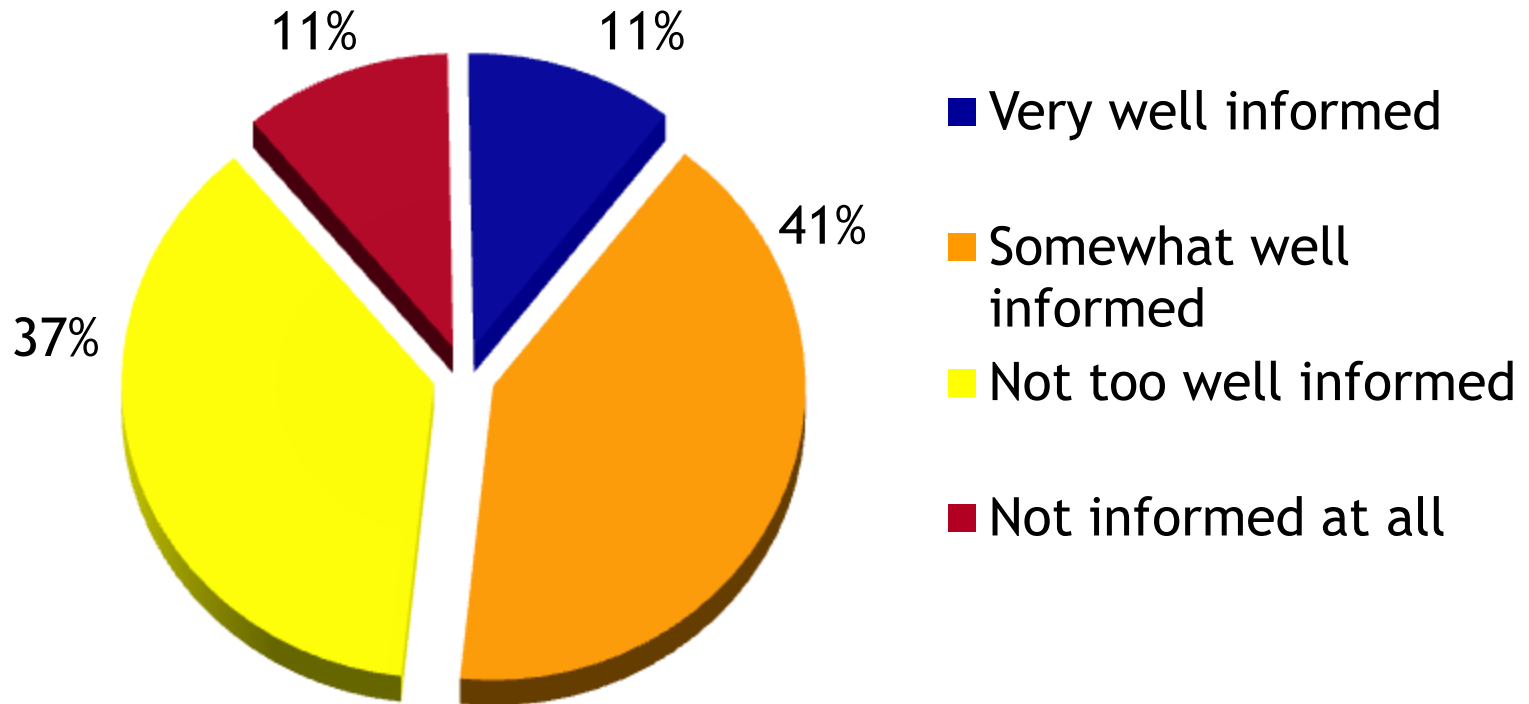
How important do you think education and training in science, technology, engineering and mathematics is to U.S. competitiveness and our future economic prosperity?



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Most 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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