

Research!Sweden Opinion poll 2024



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About the opinion poll

Subject

- Medical research

Target group

- The Swedish population, ages 18 and up

Method

- Online interviews with the public from ages 18 and up, conducted by Verian through Sifo-panelen.
- Field study: 1051 interviews conducted Mars, 2024.

Summary

Examples from the results of Research!Sweden's opinion poll 2024:



86 percent of the public think it is important that Sweden is a leading nation in medical research for health. The main reasons: to develop new diagnostics and treatments, improve the healthcare system, create better health and increase economic growth.



For every SEK spent on healthcare today, less than 2 percent goes to medical research for health. 77 percent of the public think it is a good suggestion to increase the public investments in medical research to correspond to 4 percent per SEK.



8 out of 10 respondents worry that they themselves or a close relative will suffer from an incurable disease.

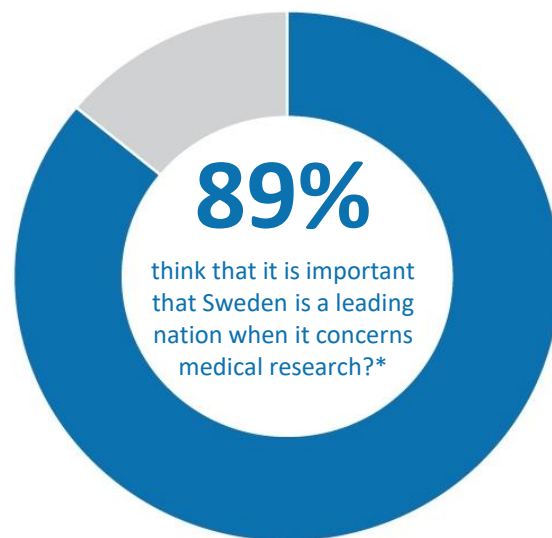


Almost 80 percent of the public is positive to sharing their healthcare data for the purpose of improving research and health, if there is an opportunity to do so in a way that protects privacy.

Value of medical research

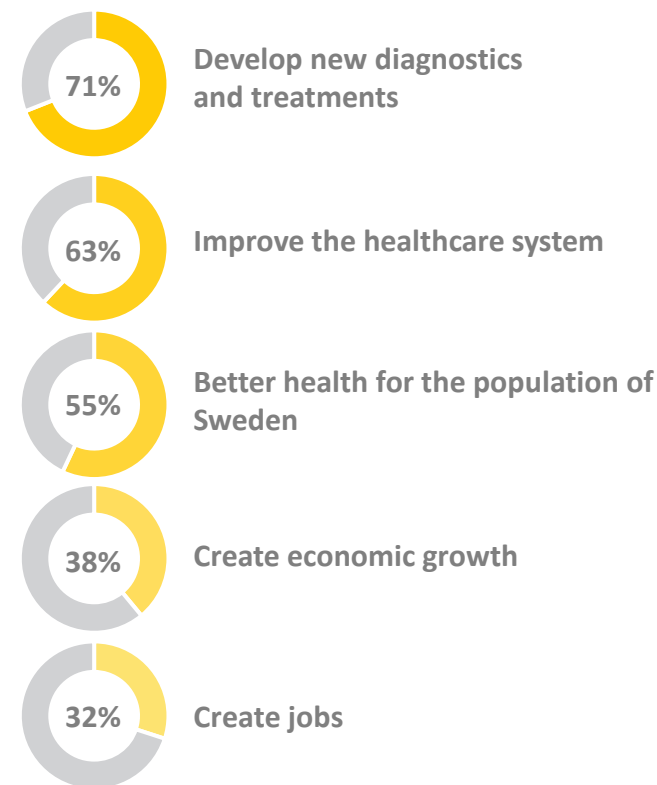
The public considers it important that Sweden is a leading nation when it comes to medical research

How important is it that Sweden is a leading nation when it concerns medical research?



Options: Very important, fairly important, not very important, not important at all, uncertain, do not know. *Total of "very important" and "fairly important".

Why is it important that Sweden is a leading nation when it concerns medical research? Maximum of three choices.



The answers are collected from those who answered "very important" and "fairly important" to the previous question: How important is it that Sweden is a leading nation when it concerns medical research.

Investments in medical research and development

For every SEK spent on health care, less than 2 percent is invested in medical research for health. 77 percent of the public think it's a good suggestion to increase the investment to 4 percent.

77%

of the public



Options: Yes (77%), No (4%), Uncertain/do not know (19%)

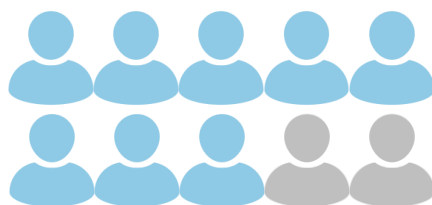
For every SEK spent on healthcare in Sweden, the government invests less than 2 percent in medical research and development.

The foundation Research!Sweden suggests an increase of the investment to 4 percent to enable the development of better prevention, diagnostics and treatments. Do you think this is a good suggestion?

Disease and the quality of healthcare

8 out of 10 respondents worry that they themselves or a close relative will suffer from an incurable disease.*

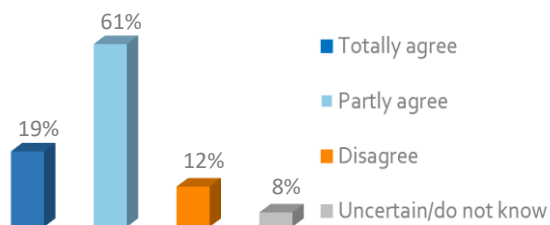
How strongly do you agree with the following statement? I am worried that I or a close relative will suffer from an incurable illness.



*The sum of *totally agree* and *partly agree* is 82 percent.

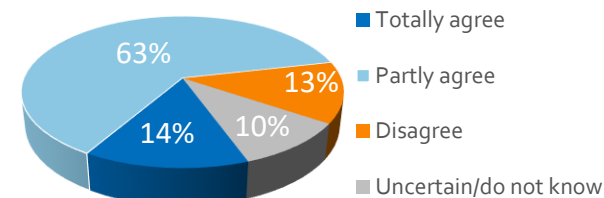
19 percent of the public completely agree that the Swedish healthcare system will take good care of them when they need it.

How strongly do you agree with the following statement? The Swedish healthcare system will take good care of me when I need it.



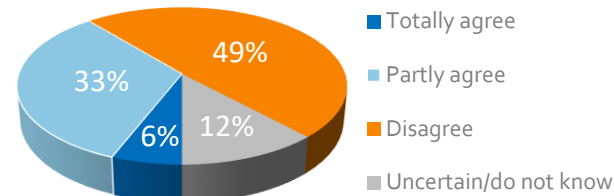
Only 14 percent of the public completely agree that patients in Swedish hospitals have access to the safest and most effective treatments.

How strongly do you agree with the following statement? Patients in Swedish hospitals have access to the safest and most effective treatments available.



Only 6 percent of the public completely agree that we have equal healthcare in Sweden.

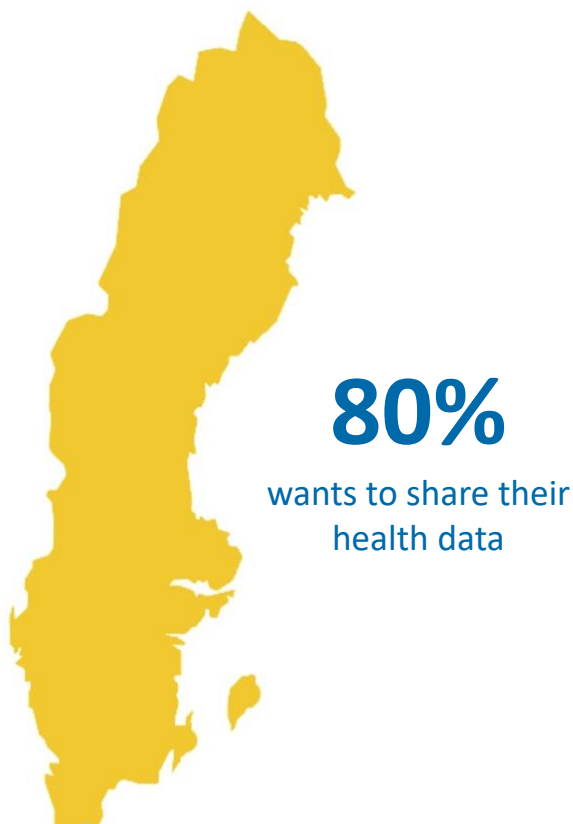
How strongly do you agree with the following statement? I think that we have equal healthcare in Sweden. This means that patients who, for example, suffer from Alzheimer, get access to treatments in the same extent, regardless of where they live.



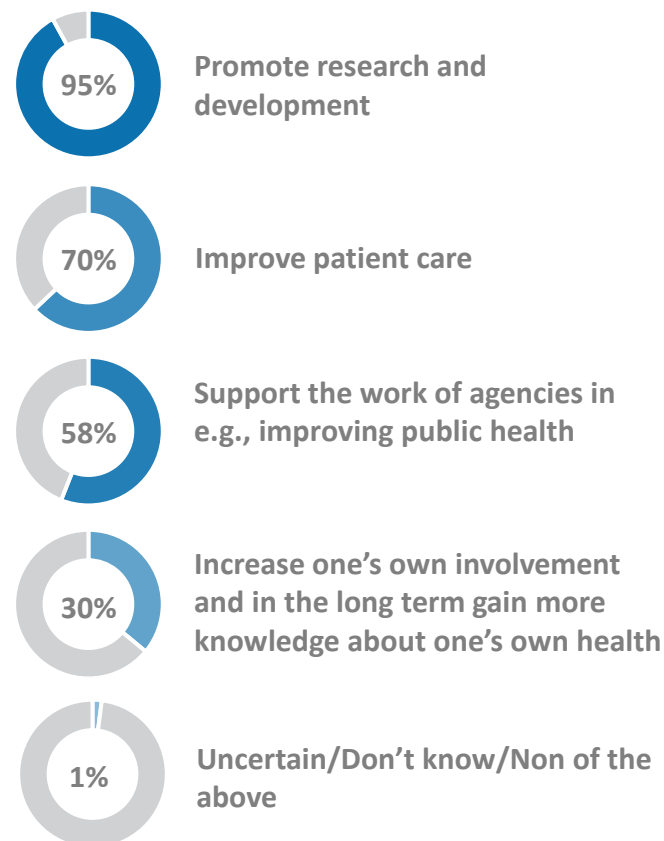
Willingness to share health data

The public is positive to share their health data for research and health purposes

Would you agree to share your health data, such as the result of a blood test or the effect of a treatment, if there was an opportunity to do so in a way that protects privacy?



For what purpose(s) would you agree to share your health data? The question was asked to those who answered "yes" to the previous question.



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