

**2025 PEW RESEARCH CENTER'S AMERICAN TRENDS PANEL  
W169 SCIENCE QUESTIONNAIRE  
FINAL QUESTIONNAIRE  
APRIL 28 – MAY 4, 2025**

**Note:** The questions presented below are part of a larger survey conducted on the American Trends Panel. For all questions, the 98 ("don't know" in phone mode) and 99 (refusal in phone mode and no answer in web mode) codes are combined in the data for analytical purposes.

**PN = Programming note**

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**TXT:**

**\*CODEBOOK FOR ATP SAMPLE VARIABLES TO BE USED IN SURVEY PROGRAMMING LOGIC\***

**X\_FORM**

1 Form 1

2 Form 2

Note: Flag to randomly assign panelists to one of two forms (Form 1, Form 2) and weight within form  
ATP source: Randomly assigned for each survey.

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-----**MAIN QUESTIONNAIRE BEGINS HERE**-----  
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**QUE: SATIS**  
**ASK ALL:**

**All in all, are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way things are going in this country today?**

- 1 Satisfied**  
**2 Dissatisfied**  
**98 [ PN: IF CATI: ] (DO NOT READ) Don't know**  
**99 [ PN: IF WEB: ] Web blank / [ PN: IF CATI: ] (DO NOT READ) Refused**

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**OTHER QUESTIONS PREVIOUSLY RELEASED OR HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE.**

**BAT: HLTHPROB**

**ASK ALL:**

**[ PN: RANDOMIZE ITEMS; INCLUDE RANDOMIZATION IN DATA FILE ]**

**[ PN: IF WEB: ]** How much of a problem do you think each of the following issues is for the country today?

**[ PN: IF CATI: READ FOR FIRST ITEM: ]** How much of a problem do you think each of the following issues is for the country today? First, **(INSERT ITEM)**. **(READ LIST)**

**[ PN: IF CATI: READ FOR SUBSEQUENT ITEMS: ]** What about **(INSERT ITEM)**?  
**(READ AS NECESSARY: How much of a problem do you think this is for the country today?**  
**(READ LIST IF NECESSARY))**

**BATTERY ITEMS:**

OBESITY	<b>ASK IF FORM 1 (X_FORM=1):</b> Obesity and being overweight
OPIOID	<b>ASK IF FORM 1 (X_FORM=1):</b> Opioid addiction <b>[ PN: IF CATI: (PRONO: OH-pee-oid addiction) ]</b>
MEASLES	<b>ASK IF FORM 1 (X_FORM=1):</b> Measles
ALZ	<b>ASK IF FORM 1 (X_FORM=1):</b> Alzheimer's disease <b>[ PN: IF CATI: (PRONO: alts-hye-merz disease) ]</b>
LONELY	<b>ASK IF FORM 2 (X_FORM=2):</b> Loneliness
BIRDFLU	<b>ASK IF FORM 2 (X_FORM=2):</b> Bird flu
CANCER	<b>ASK IF FORM 2 (X_FORM=2):</b> Cancer
HEART	<b>ASK IF FORM 2 (X_FORM=2):</b> Heart disease

**RESPONSE CATEGORIES:**

- 1 A major problem**  
**2 A minor problem**  
**3 Not a problem**  
**98 [ PN: IF CATI: ] (DO NOT READ) Don't know**  
**99 [ PN: IF WEB: ] Web blank / [ PN: IF CATI: ] (DO NOT READ) Refused**

**BAT: HLTHINFLU****ASK ALL:**

**[ PN: RANDOMIZE ITEMS; ROTATE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-2/2-1, HOLDING 3, 4, AND 99 LAST; INCLUDE RANDOMIZATION AND ROTATION IN DATA FILE ]**

**[ PN: IF WEB: ]** Thinking about public debates about health policy, how much influence do you think each of the following has?

**[ PN: IF CATI: READ FOR FIRST ITEM: ]** Thinking about public debates about health policy, how much influence do you think each of the following has? First, **(INSERT ITEM)? (READ LIST)**

**[ PN: IF CATI: READ FOR SUBSEQUENT ITEMS: ]** What about **(INSERT ITEM)? (READ AS NECESSARY: Thinking about public debates about health policy, how much influence do you think each of the following has? (INSERT ITEM)? (READ LIST IF NECESSARY))**

**BATTERY ITEMS:**

- a **ASK IF FORM 1 (X\_FORM=1):** Your local elected officials
- b **ASK IF FORM 1 (X\_FORM=1):** The general public
- c **ASK IF FORM 1 (X\_FORM=1):** Doctors or other healthcare providers
- d **ASK IF FORM 1 (X\_FORM=1): [ PN: IF WEB: ]** Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) **[ PN: IF CATI: ]** Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, that is the C-D-C
- e **ASK IF FORM 2 (X\_FORM=2):** Federal courts
- f **ASK IF FORM 2 (X\_FORM=2):** Health scientists
- g **ASK IF FORM 2 (X\_FORM=2):** Health insurance companies
- h **ASK IF FORM 2 (X\_FORM=2):** Congress

**RESPONSE CATEGORIES:**

- 1 Too much influence
- 2 Not enough influence
- 3 About the right amount of influence

**[ PN: INSERT A LINE OF SPACE ]**

- 4 **[ PN: IF WEB: ]** Not sure **[ PN: IF CATI: ]** Or are you not sure?
- 99 **[ PN: IF WEB: ]** Web blank / **[ PN: IF CATI: ] (DO NOT READ)** Refused

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**OTHER QUESTION PREVIOUSLY RELEASED**
**BAT: FEDHLTH****ASK ALL:**

**[ PN: RANDOMIZE ITEMS; ROTATE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-5/5-1, HOLDING 98 AND 99 LAST; INCLUDE RANDOMIZATION AND ROTATION IN DATA FILE ]**

**[ PN: IF WEB: ]** How important do you think it is for the federal government to...

**[ PN: IF CATI: [READ FOR FIRST ITEM:](#) ]** How important do you think it is for the federal government to do each of the following? First, **(INSERT ITEM)**? **([READ LIST](#))**

**[ PN: IF CATI: [READ FOR SUBSEQUENT ITEMS:](#) ]** What about **(INSERT ITEM)**? **([READ AS NECESSARY:](#) How important do you think it is for the federal government to do this? ([READ LIST IF NECESSARY](#)))**

**BATTERY ITEMS:**

DISEASE	<b>ASK IF FORM 1 (X_FORM=1):</b> Track the spread of contagious diseases around the country
LABELS	<b>ASK IF FORM 1 (X_FORM=1):</b> Make rules about listing ingredients on food packaging
DISPAIR	<b>ASK IF FORM 1 (X_FORM=1):</b> Study health issues that affect women and girls
DRUGS	<b>ASK IF FORM 2 (X_FORM=2):</b> Test drugs for safety
FRAUD	<b>ASK IF FORM 2 (X_FORM=2):</b> Investigate health insurance fraud
RURAL	<b>ASK IF FORM 2 (X_FORM=2):</b> Develop programs to place doctors and nurses in rural communities

**RESPONSE CATEGORIES:**

1	Extremely important
2	Very important
3	Somewhat important
4	Not too important
5	Not at all important
98	<b>[ PN: IF CATI: ] (<a href="#">DO NOT READ</a>)</b> Don't know
99	<b>[ PN: IF WEB: ]</b> Web blank / <b>[ PN: IF CATI: ] (<a href="#">DO NOT READ</a>)</b> Refused