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**Interest in science, by country: 2018**

(Standard error)

Country	Tried to get information about science in the past 30 days	Tried to get information about medicine, disease, or health in the past 30 days	Would like to know more about science	Would like to know more about medicine, disease, or health
Weighted percentage among all top 16 R&D countries ( <i>n</i> = 18,688)	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.6
Norway ( <i>n</i> = 1,000)	1.9	1.9	1.7	1.7
Sweden ( <i>n</i> = 1,000)	1.9	1.8	1.7	1.7
United States ( <i>n</i> = 1,006)	2.0	1.9	2.0	1.7
Germany ( <i>n</i> = 1,000)	1.9	1.8	1.9	1.9
Finland ( <i>n</i> = 1,000)	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.7
Denmark ( <i>n</i> = 1,000)	1.7	1.6	1.7	1.6
Switzerland ( <i>n</i> = 1,000)	2.0	1.9	2.0	1.9
Belgium ( <i>n</i> = 1,004)	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.7
France ( <i>n</i> = 1,000)	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9
Austria ( <i>n</i> = 1,000)	1.8	1.7	1.8	1.8
Netherlands ( <i>n</i> = 1,001)	1.9	1.8	1.9	1.8
Israel ( <i>n</i> = 1,010)	1.8	1.8	1.7	1.6
Taiwan ( <i>n</i> = 1,000)	1.8	1.9	1.9	1.7
South Korea ( <i>n</i> = 1,014)	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.3
China ( <i>n</i> = 3,649)	0.9	1.0	0.9	0.8
Japan ( <i>n</i> = 1,004)	1.7	1.9	2.0	1.6

*n* = number of survey responses.**Note(s):**

Countries are those with top 16 gross domestic expenditures on R&D as a percentage of gross domestic product in 2017, listed in order of percentages that tried to get information about science from highest to lowest. (See *Science and Engineering Indicators 2020* "[2020] Research and Development: U.S. Trends and International Comparisons" report: Table 4-5.) Responses are to the following: *Have you, personally, tried to get any information about science in the past 30 days? Have you, personally, tried to get any information about medicine, disease, or health in the past 30 days? Would you, personally, like to know more about science? Would you, personally, like to know more about medicine, disease, or health?*

**Source(s):**

Gallup, Wellcome Global Monitor, 2019.

*Science and Engineering Indicators*