SURVIVORSHIP SURVEY

2025 Study Findings

CANCER NATION

Research Objectives and Questions

Build on previous studies, exploring patient experiences, attitudes, and needs.

New This Year

- Chronic conditions and their impact on cancer treatment
- Confidence moving into post treatment care
- Deeper dive on Survivorship Care Plans
- Medicare Prescription Payment Plan
- Comfort with the implementation of AI in cancer care
- More questions on emotional and mental health

Continue to delve into the cancer patient and survivor journey, to better understand how Cancer Nation can support its mission to advocate for quality cancer care for all

Methodology

Nationwide Survey of

Adult Cancer Patients and Survivors

- Nationwide sample of n=1305, fielded August 27 – September 22, 2025
- Quotas set to make sure the sample was representative by age, gender, race/ethnicity, and region (using ACS and NCI data)
- Surveys were recruited through an online non-probability sample with quotas set to ensure demographically representative audiences, following AAPOR best practices

Nationwide Survey of

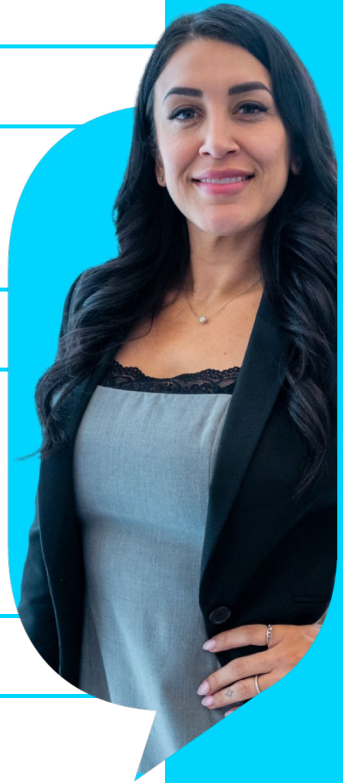
"Cancer Nation Connected" Patients and Survivors

- Nationwide sample of n=703, fielded August 27 – September 29, 2025
- Emailed survey invitations and reminders to all Cancer Nation email contacts
- Survey link also posted to website, social media pages, and promoted via partners and influencers
    - Email list n=376
    - Website n=207
    - Social media n=82
    - Partners/Influencer n=38

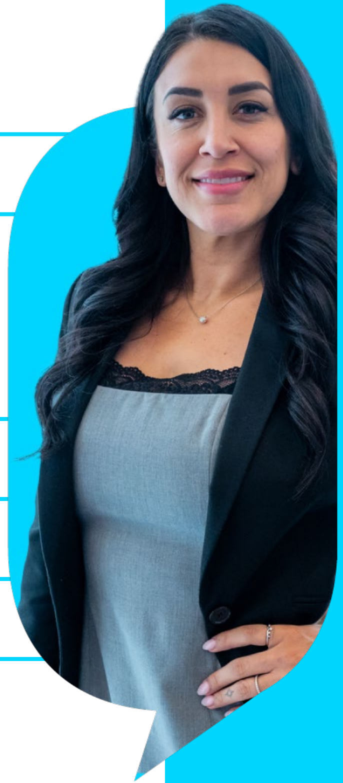
Blue/**red** = statistically **higher**/**lower** by audience

▲ ▼ = change from 2024 survey

Full text of survey questions is in the notes section of slides



	National Patients	Cancer Nation Connected Patients
Gender	**49%** Male 51% Female	26% Male **74%** Female
Age	8% Age 18-39 43% Age 40-64 **48%** Age 65+	**24%** Age 18-39 47% Age 40-64 27% Age 65+
Education	**18%** Less than college **35%** Some college/ 2-year degree 23% Bachelor's degree 24% Postgraduate degree	7% Less than college 24% Some college/ 2-year degree **28%** Bachelor's degree **40%** Postgraduate degree
Income	**15%** Less than $25k **20%** $25k-$50k 19% $50k-$75k 15% $75k-$100k 30% More than $100k	9% Less than $25k 10% $25k-$50k 20% $50k-$75k 13% $75k-$100k **38%** More than $100k



	National Patients	Cancer Nation Connected Patients
Insurance	**30%** Medicare	24% Medicare
	23% Medicare Advantage	8% Medicare Advantage
	13% Medicaid	6% Medicaid
	31% Private/employer	**45%** Private/employer
	6% Private/spouse or parents	**17%** Private/spouse or parents
Race/Ethnicity	78% White	75% White
	9% AA/Black	**15%** AA/Black
	9% Hispanic	6% Hispanic
	5% Other	7% Other
Parents During Treatment	35% Yes	**43%** Yes
Region	19% Northeast	20% Northeast
	21% Midwest	16% Midwest
	39% South	40% South
	21% West	23% West
LGBTQ+	5% Yes	**9%** Yes

SECTION 1

TREATMENT DECISION-MAKING

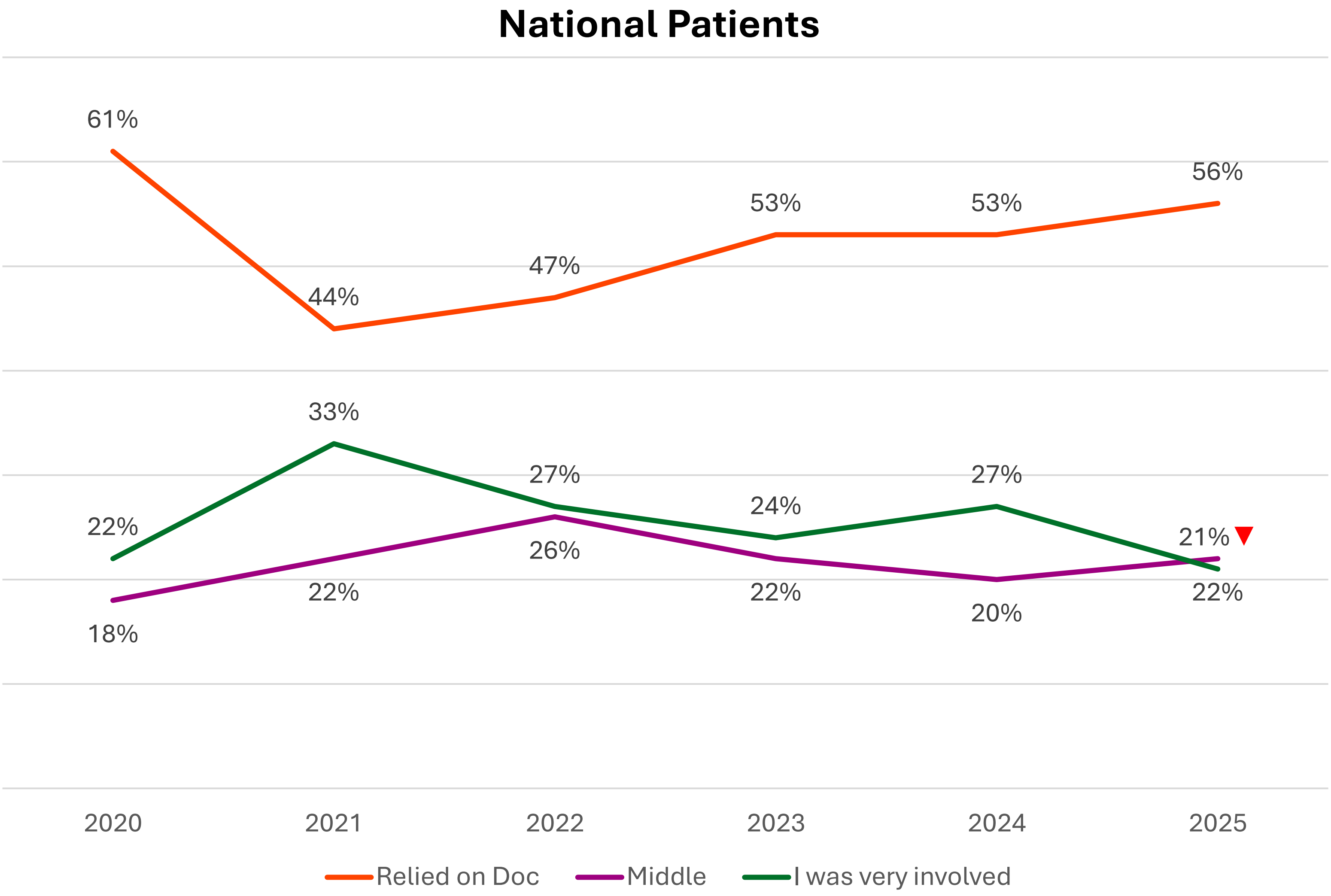
Treatment Decisions

"Doctor knows best" mindset continues to trend back to pre-pandemic levels.

I rely/relied on **the doctor** to decide on treatment options and chose the best course of action.

I am/was very involved in researching and deciding on the best treatment options.

Somewhere in **the middle.**



Source= National Patients (n=1305)

Treatment Decisions

Reliance on doctors is highest among patients with advanced disease and notably lower among Cancer Nation Connected and younger patients.

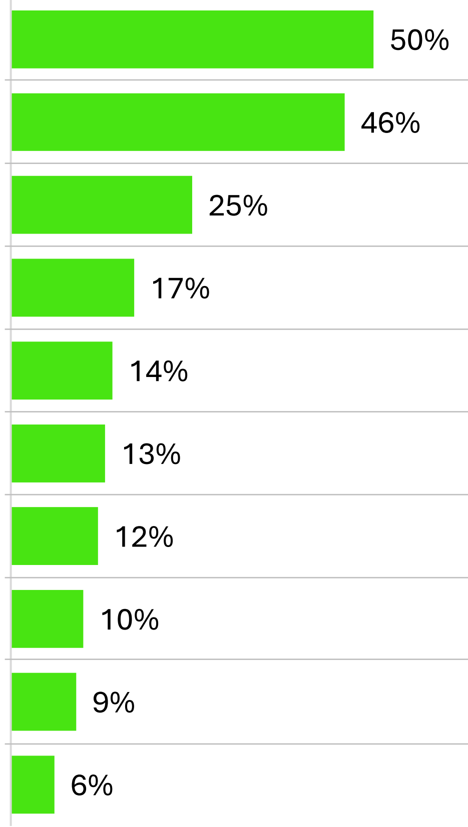
	National Patients	**Cancer Nation Connected**	**Comor-bidities**	**In-Treatment**	**Stage IV/ Metastatic**	**Younger Patients (18-39)**	**Black**	**Hispanic**	**Private Insurance**	**Medicare**	**Parents**
I rely/relied on **the doctor** to decide on treatment options and chose the best course of action.	56%	**39%**	56%	**50%**	**78%**	**43%**	57% ▲	51%	53%	57%	**49%**
Somewhere in **the middle.**	22%	**32%**	23%	23%	**11%**	21%	23%	15%	22%	23%	21%
I am/was very involved in researching and deciding on the best treatment options.	21%	**29%**	21%	**27%**	**12%**	**36%**	20%	**33%**	25%	21%	**30%**

Source= National Patients (n=1305); Cancer Nation Connected Patients (n=703)

Treatment Decision-making Priorities

"Doctor's recommendations" remains the top decision-making factor.
A quarter say insurance coverage was important.

How important each was in making decisions about treatment: 1st + 2nd most



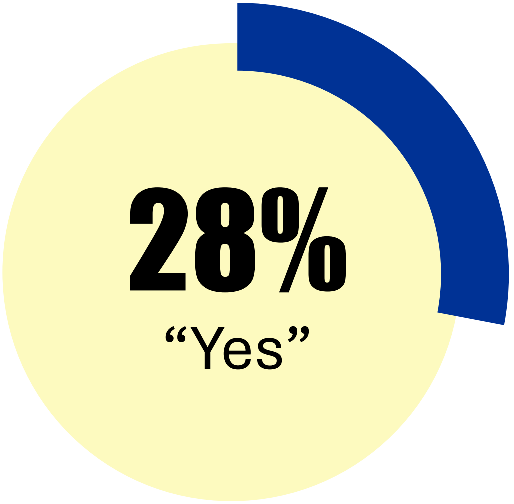
		18-39	Black	Hispanic	In-Treatment	Completed
Doctor's recommendations	50%	**30%**	**30%**	46%	47%	52%
Likelihood that the treatment will work	46%	**32%**	**35%**	**31%**	42%	48%
NEW Insurance coverage	25%	25%	26%	22%	25%	25%
How I will feel during treatment	17%	17%	19%	17%	18%	17%
[NEW] How the treatment would impact my other health condition(s)	14%	20%	**26%**	**21%**	14%	15%
Whether I will be able to continue daily activities	13%	15%	16%	18%	14%	13%
Cost of treatment options	12%	**23%**	14%	13%	**15%**	10%
Impact on ability to care for children/family	10%	**17%**	**14%**	**17%**	12%	9%
Whether I will be able to continue working/attending school during treatment	9%	**14%**	**16%**	8%	8%	9%
Impact on social/emotional life	6%	**14%**	**12%**	**12%**	8%	6%

Source= National Patients (n=1305)

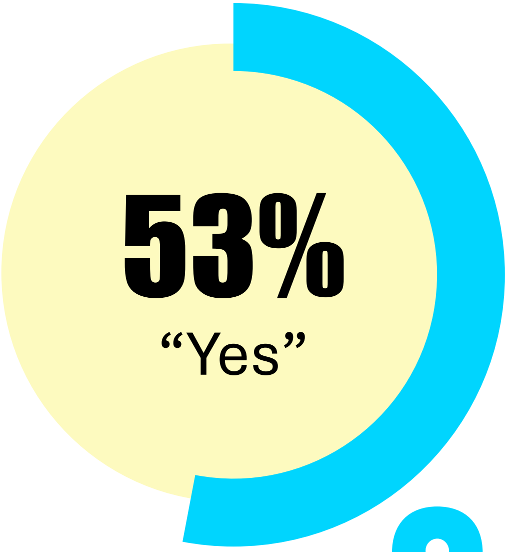
Second Opinions

Just over a quarter of patients sought a second opinion.
Those who did not say they trust in their health care provider.

Did you seek a second opinion?



National Patients



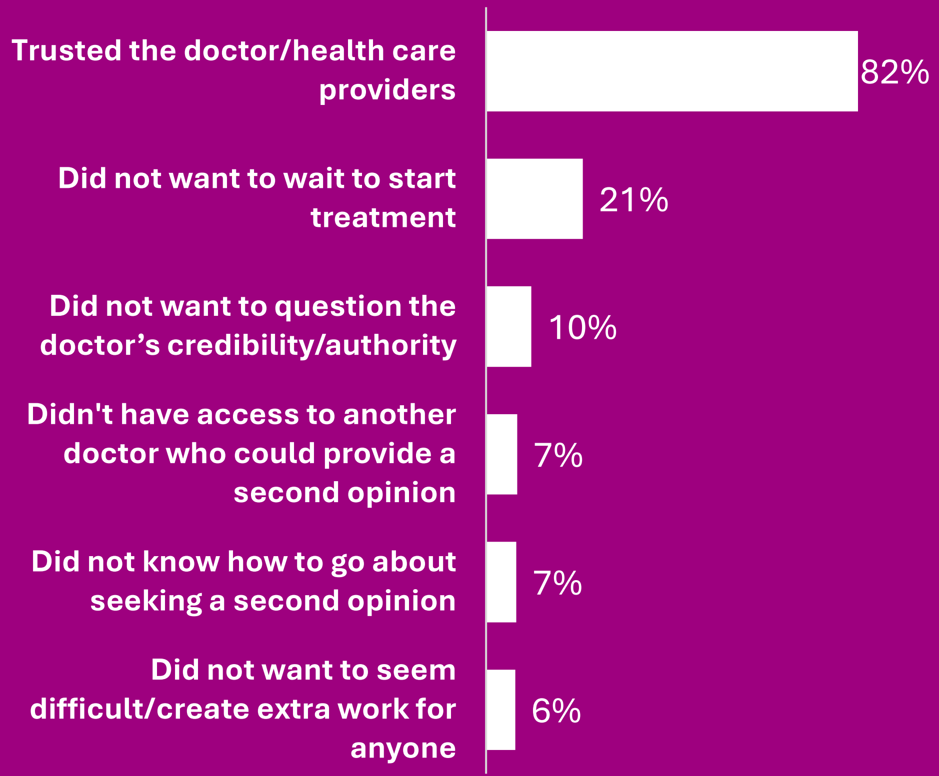
Cancer Nation Connected

Higher among

- **46%** Younger (18-39)
- **36%** Hispanic Patients
- **36%** In-Treatment
- **34%** Parents
- **33%** No chronic condition
- **32%** Private Insurance

Source= National Patients (n=1305); Cancer Nation Connected Patients (n=703)

Which of the following describes why you DID NOT seek a second opinion? Select all that apply. *(Only asked if did not seek second opinion)*



Second Opinions via Telehealth

The option of telehealth could boost second opinions, especially among younger and Hispanic patients, as well as parents.

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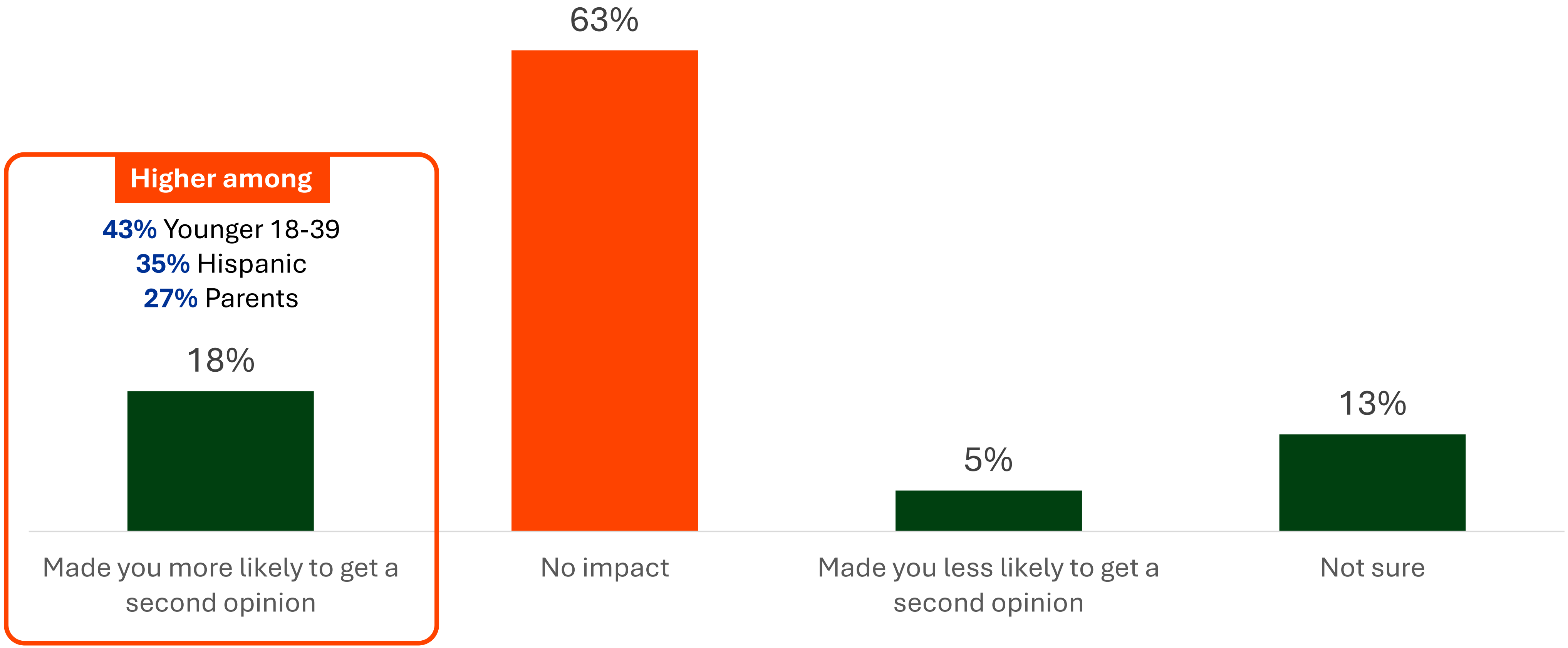
If you had been given the option of a telehealth visit for a second opinion, would it have …

Among those that did not seek second opinion



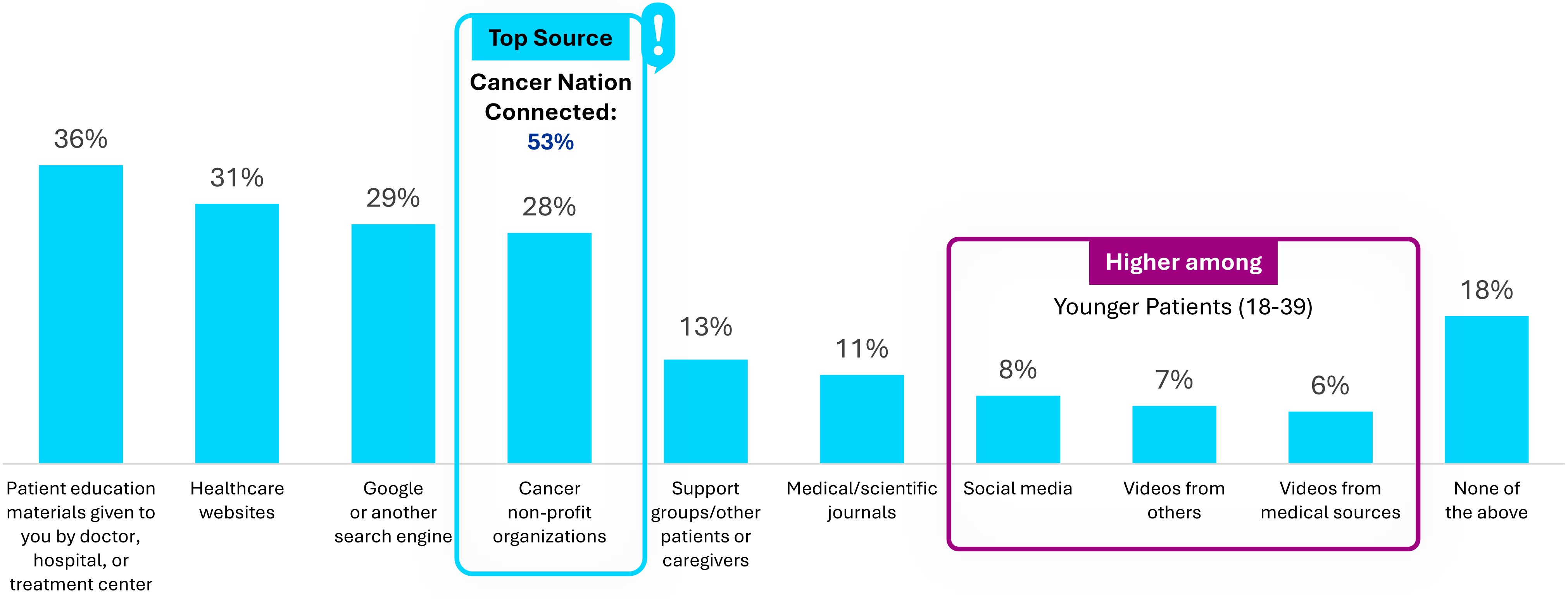
Source= DID NOT SEEK SECOND OPINION National Patients (n=942)

Resources for Cancer Information

Patients rely most on materials provided by their care team or those they can access digitally, while peer support and scientific sources are least utilized.

What resources, if any, do you use for up-to-date information on cancer? Please select up to 3.

Sources under 5%: Broadcast news, commercials/ads for cancer treatment, cable news, online newsletters, podcasts, radio, other



Top Source

Cancer Nation Connected: **53%**

Higher among

Younger Patients (18-39)

Source= National Patients (n=1305); Cancer Nation Connected Patients (n=703)

Cancer Nation Connected

more likely to select cancer non-profit organizations, support groups, medical/scientific publications, social media, and video content from others and medical sources, online newsletters.

Trusted Information

Patients trust their doctors for medical advice, but after that, trust diminishes, as well as confidence in finding and being able to tell good info from bad. Younger patients are more confident generally.

How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements when it comes to information related to your cancer treatment and care?

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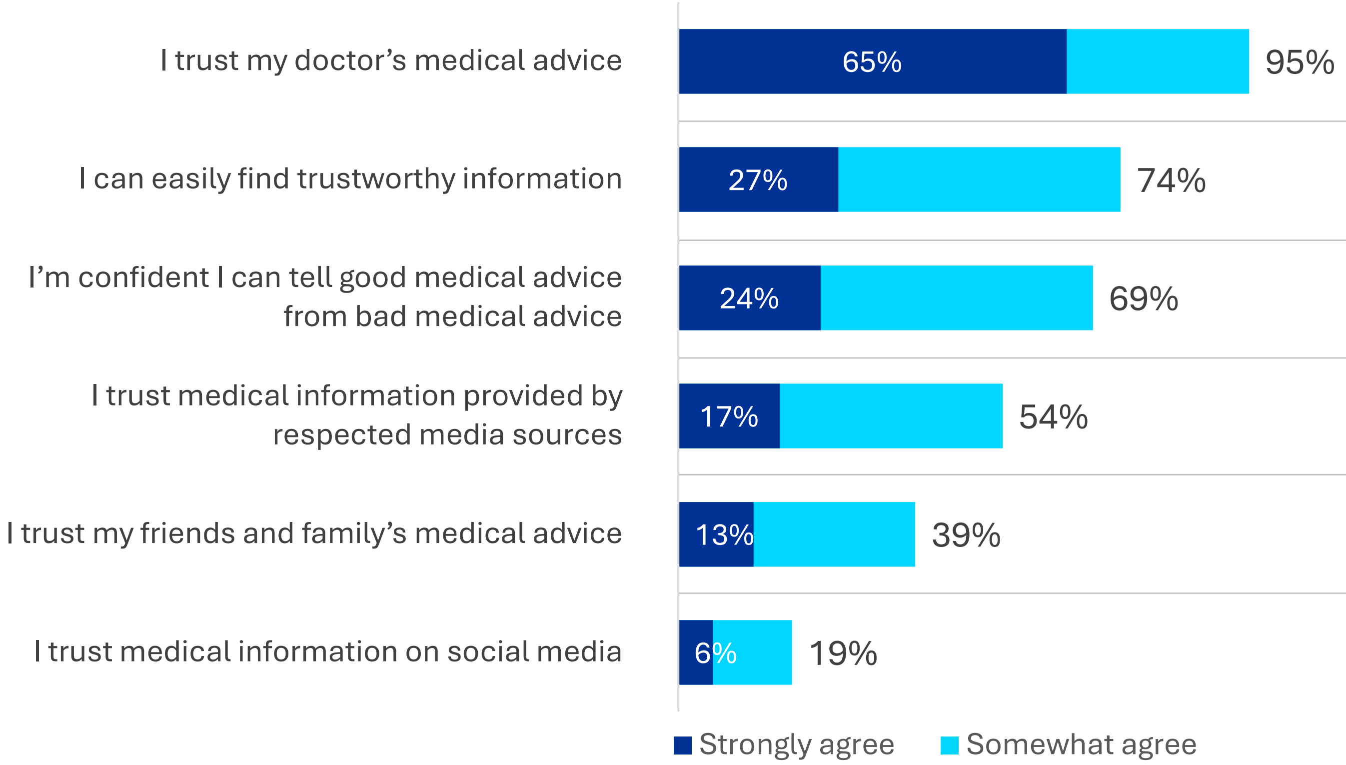


% Strongly Agree

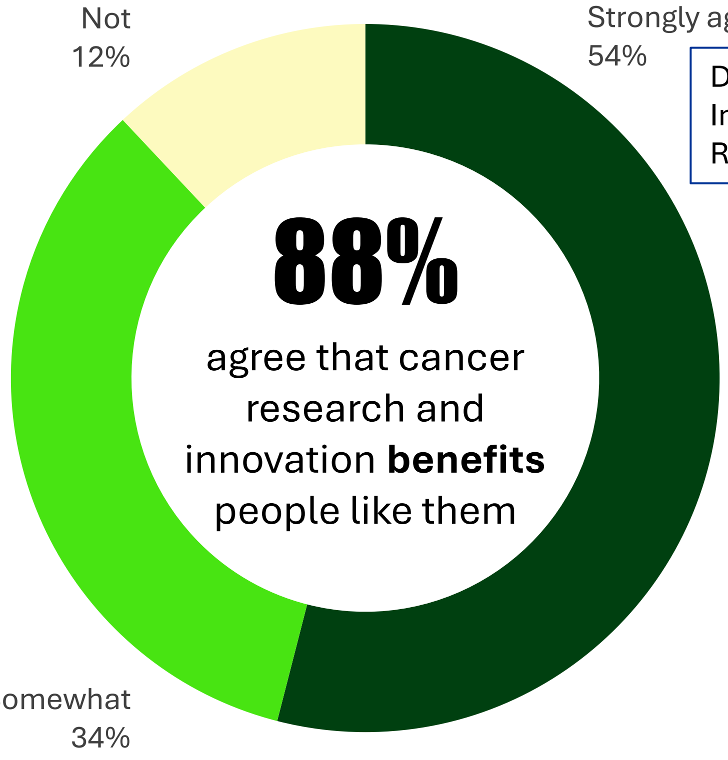
	18-39	40-64	65+
I trust my doctor's medical advice	53%	61%	**70%**
I can easily find trustworthy information	**37%**	25%	26%
I'm confident I can tell good medical advice from bad medical advice	**37%**	26%	20%
I trust medical information provided by respected media sources	**34%**	17%	14%
I trust my friends and family's medical advice	**28%**	14%	8%
I trust medical information on social media	**20%**	8%	2%

Source= National Patients (n=1305)

Perceptions of Cancer Research

Most patients see cancer research and innovation as benefiting them.
Half believe research and innovation are influenced by politics.

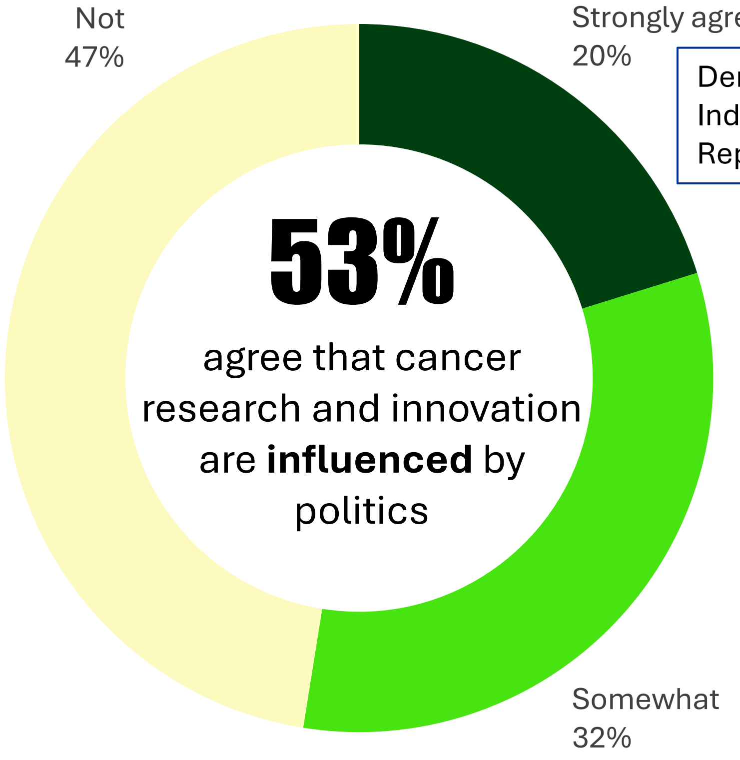
How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements when it comes to information related to your cancer treatment and care?



Democrat: **62%**
Independent: 53%
Republican: 49%

88%

agree that cancer research and innovation **benefits** people like them



Democrat: 24%
Independent: 17%
Republican: 20%

53%

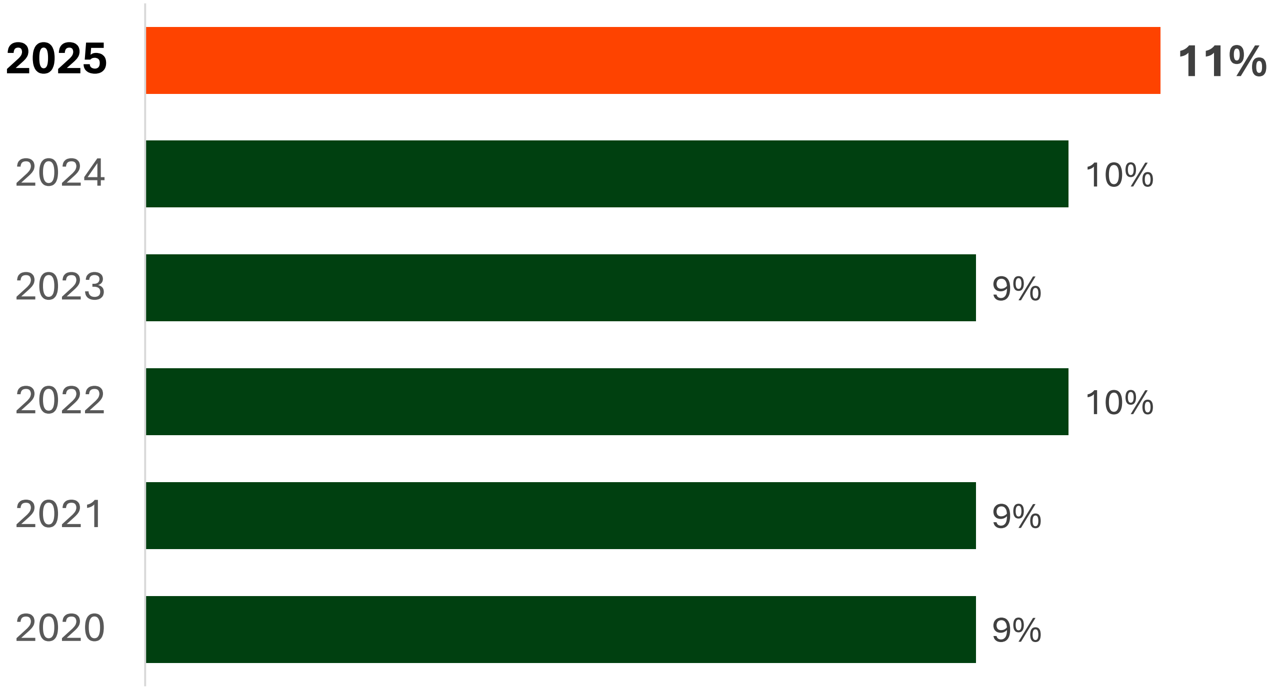
agree that cancer research and innovation are **influenced** by politics

Source= National Patients (n=1305)

Clinical Trial Participation

Participation remains consistent with previous years.

Did you participate in a clinical trial related to your cancer diagnosis?



Higher among

- **34%** Younger (18-39)
- **23%** Hispanic Patients
- **17%** In-Treatment
- **17%** Stage IV/Metastatic
- **17%** Parents
- **17%** Sought 2nd Opinion
- **16%** No chronic condition
- **16%** HHI $100k+
- **14%** College+
- **14%** Impacted Financially

Source= National Patients (n=1305)

Clinical Trial Participation

Top motivating factors for clinical trials continue to be the doctor's recommendation and contributing to research. Those in treatment are more likely to cite the benefits: improved care, new treatments, and reduced cost.

What influenced your decision to participate in a clinical trial? Select all that apply.

(Only asked if did participate)

		In Treatment	Completed
The doctor's recommendation	51%	58%	46%
Wanted to contribute to science/help others	44%	36%	52%
It was the best treatment option	33%	42%	29%
Improved or extra level of care	32%	**51%**	21%
Prospect of access to new treatments	30%	**41%**	24%
Wanted to be proactive/have a sense of control	30%	**43%**	22%
Looked into it/researched being in a clinical trial	18%	**28%**	11%
Reduced cost of treatment/receive financial reimbursement	17%	**29%**	7%
Was out of treatment options	13%	**21%**	6%
Other	1%	2%	-

Source= Clinical Trial Participants (n=145)

Clinical Trial Barriers

The leading barrier to participation remains not being asked, though some groups also cite concerns about side effects, treatment type, feeling like a test subject, financial impacts, and logistics.

What influenced your decision NOT to participate in a clinical trial?

(Only asked if did not participate)

		Cancer Nation Connected	**Younger Patients (18-39)**	**Black**	**Hispanic**	**In-Treatment**	**Chronic condition**
Was not asked to participate in a clinical trial	**72%**	**59%**	**41%**	**62%**	**48%**	**60%**	**74%**
Was not eligible/did not qualify to participate in a clinical trial	13%	**22%**	12%	9%	13%	12%	12%
Concerned about possible side-effects	8%	8%	**32%**	**16%**	**15%**	**16%**	**7%**
Concerned about type of treatment that would be received	7%	8%	**20%**	**14%**	**20%**	**13%**	**6%**
Feeling like a test subject or guinea pig	5%	**7%**	**18%**	**18%**	**9%**	**10%**	5%
Possibility of receiving a placebo	5%	**9%**	11%	7%	**10%**	**11%**	5%
Concerned insurance might not cover all medical costs	5%	6%	**16%**	8%	**16%**	**11%**	5%
Location of clinical trial(s) was too far away	5%	6%	17%	**10%**	8%	**9%**	5%
My overall health did not allow participating in a clinical trial	5%	6%	11%	**10%**	5%	**9%**	4%
Out-of-pocket costs (e.g. travel, lodging)	5%	5%	**18%**	6%	8%	**9%**	5%
Non-medical factors such as work/school interruption or childcare	2%	**6%**	5%	2%	5%	3%	2%
Did not trust the health care provider(s) suggesting a clinical trial had my best interests at heart	2%	7%	4%	**6%**	1%	3%	1%
Other	3%	**6%**	-	-	5%	3%	3%

Source= Clinical Trial Non-participants (n=1108)

SECTION 2

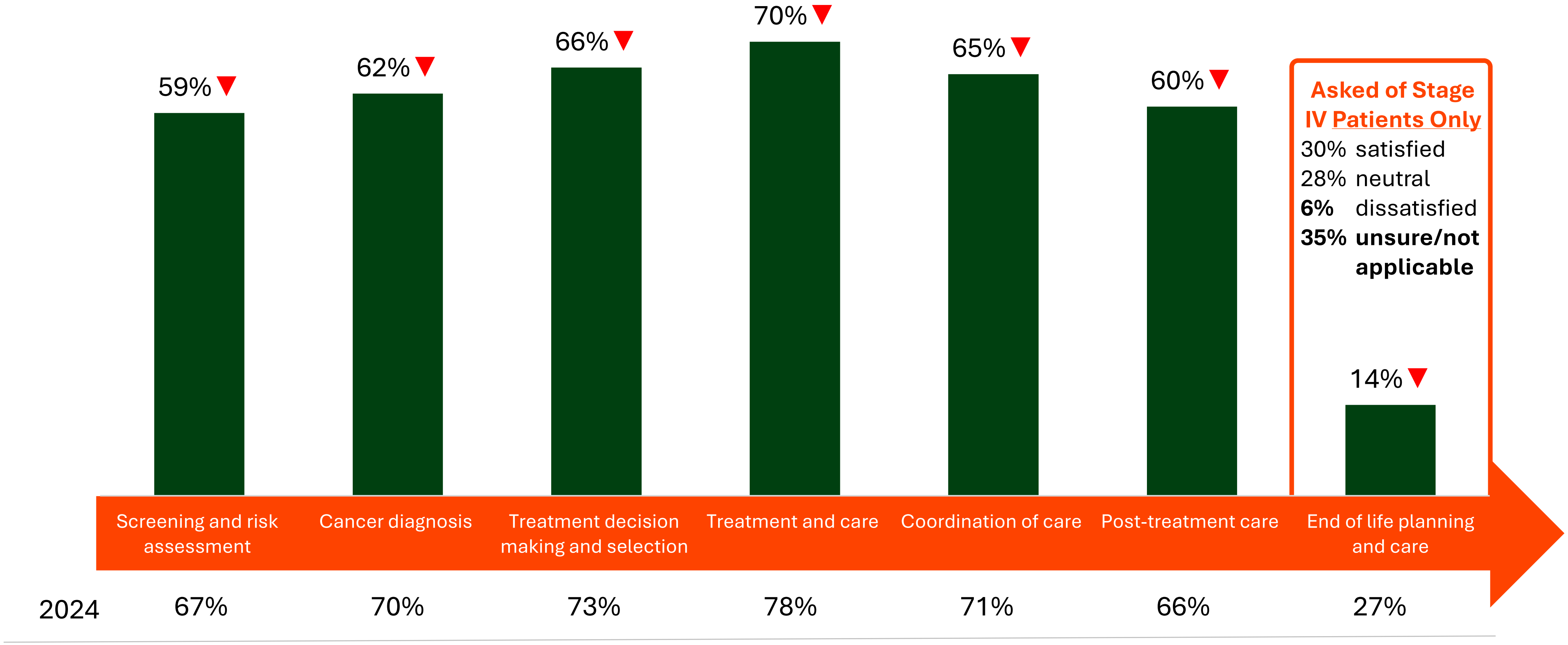
CANCER CARE EXPERIENCES

Patient Satisfaction With Care

While majorities are satisfied with most stages of their cancer journey, satisfaction is down this year across the board.

How satisfied are/were you with your/their care during each phase?

% Very satisfied



Asked of Stage IV Patients Only
30% satisfied
28% neutral
6% dissatisfied
35% unsure/not applicable

Source= National Patients (n=1305)

2 items driving the

decrease

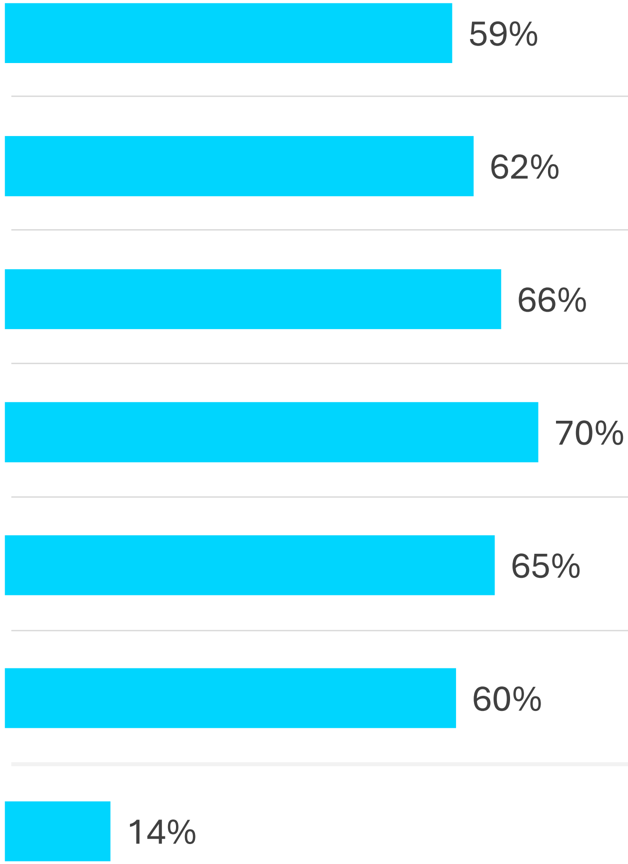
the most are:

- More patients with financial challenges
- More patients who say their emotional health is not great

Patient Satisfaction With Care

Underserved audiences and those who struggled financially through treatment were less satisfied across the phases.

Very Satisfied With Phase of Cancer Journey



		In-Treatment	Women	Black	Hispanic	18-39	Impacted Financially
Screening and risk assessment	59%	**51%**	**56%**	61%	**44%**	**42%**	**48%**
Cancer diagnosis	62%	**54%**	61%	**53%**	**47%**	**43%**	**55%**
Treatment decision making and selection	66%	**58%**	**63%**	62%	**52%**	**47%**	**57%**
Treatment and care	70%	**63%**	**68%**	66%	**54%**	**57%**	**62%**
Coordination of care	65%	**60%**	**64%**	60%	**54%**	**46%**	**55%**
Post-treatment care	60%	-	**56%**	59%	49%	50%	**49%**
End-of-life planning and care	14%	20%	20%	9%	29%	16%	14%

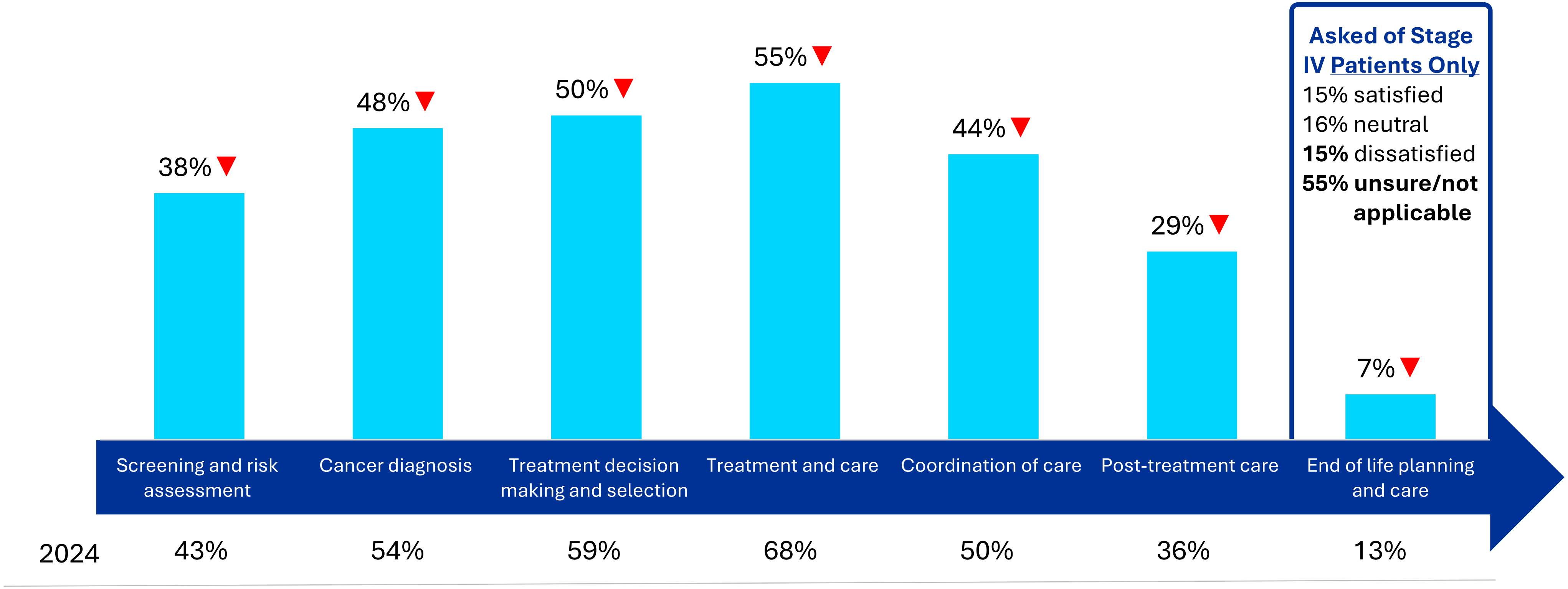
Source= National Patients (n=1305)

Patient Satisfaction With Care

Already significantly lower than the national sample, satisfaction is also down among Cancer Nation connected patients.

How satisfied are/were you with your/their care during each phase?

% Very satisfied



Asked of Stage IV Patients Only
15% satisfied
16% neutral
15% dissatisfied
55% unsure/not applicable

Source= Cancer Nation Connected (n=703)

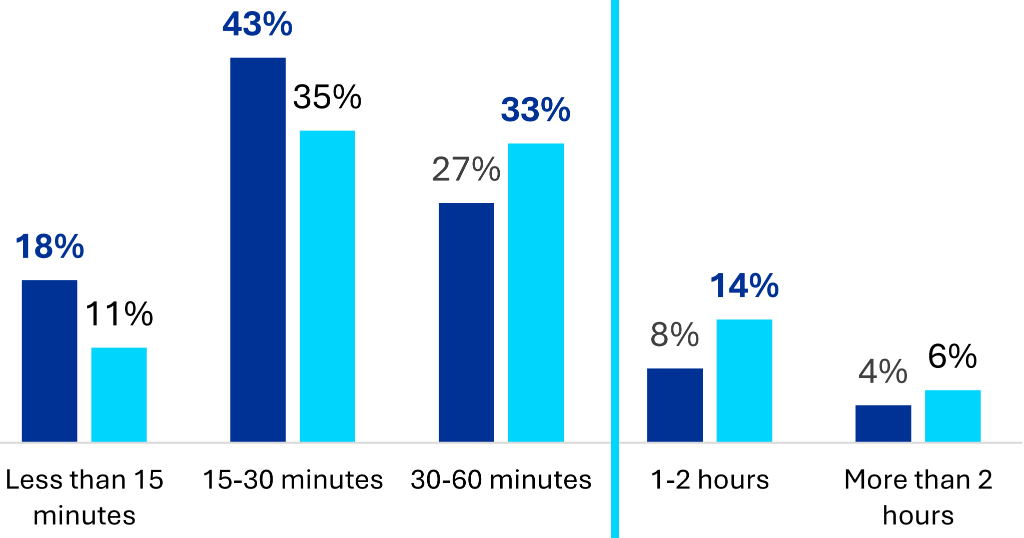
Treatment Settings & Time Spent Traveling

Over half of national patients receive treatment at community hospitals. Cancer Nation connected patients are more likely to receive treatment at academic centers. A majority of patients spend less than hour traveling for treatment one way, but Cancer Nation Connected patients are more likely to travel longer.

Treatment Location	National Patients	Cancer Nation Connected
Community hospital and/or cancer center	**57%**	47%
Doctor’s office	**24%**	18%
Academic medical center/teaching hospital (affiliated with a medical school at a university)	16%	**40%**
Outpatient clinic	16%	16%
Private cancer center (not affiliated with a hospital)	15%	15%
Home infusion/home health	3%	**6%**
Other	4%	2%

How much time does it/did it typically take you to travel ONE WAY to where you receive/received cancer treatment?

61% National patients,
46% Cancer Nation Connected
traveled less than an hour



Rural patients are more likely to have traveled over an hour for treatment

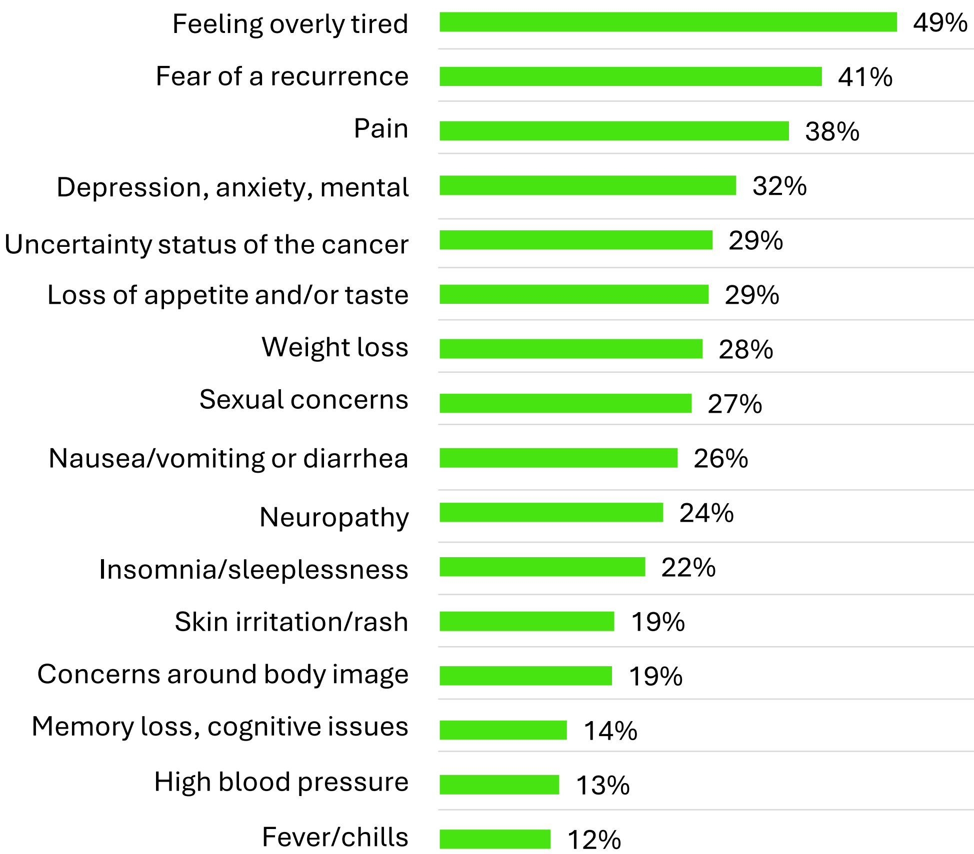
21%

Source= National Patients (n=1305); Cancer Nation Connected Patients (n=703)

Side Effects Experienced

Feeling overly tired, fear of recurrence, and pain remain at the top of most frequent side effects. PTSD, a new addition in 2025, is not as common, but women and Hispanic patients are most impacted.

Symptoms experienced *(top 16 out of 33 shown)*



Symptom	Overall	Women	Men	Black	Hispanic	18-39	Impacted Most
Feeling overly tired	49%	**58%**	40%	45%	54%	55%	19%
Fear of a recurrence	41%	**47%**	35%	39%	33%	34%	18%
Pain	38%	**42%**	34%	43%	**54%**	56%	14%
Depression, anxiety, mental	32%	**40%**	24%	38%	**42%**	38%	15%
Uncertainty status of the cancer	29%	31%	28%	34%	23%	23%	10%
Loss of appetite and/or taste	29%	**34%**	24%	**38%**	**41%**	41%	8%
Weight loss	28%	29%	28%	**37%**	**39%**	**54%**	6%
Sexual concerns	27%	21%	**33%**	32%	25%	22%	8%
Nausea/vomiting or diarrhea	26%	**32%**	20%	**36%**	30%	43%	8%
Neuropathy	24%	**28%**	20%	26%	22%	22%	11%
Insomnia/sleeplessness	22%	**30%**	14%	27%	**30%**	32%	6%
Skin irritation/rash	19%	**24%**	14%	12%	**23%**	15%	5%
Concerns around body image	19%	**27%**	10%	23%	22%	25%	5%
Memory loss, cognitive issues	14%	**20%**	7%	12%	17%	20%	4%
High blood pressure	13%	12%	13%	**18%**	**20%**	21%	3%
Fever/chills	12%	13%	11%	**20%**	15%	**28%**	2%

NEW **PTSD, 7%, #21 out of 33**

Higher among: Women 11%, Hispanic 12%

Source= National Patients (n=1305)

93%

+ 1 pts.

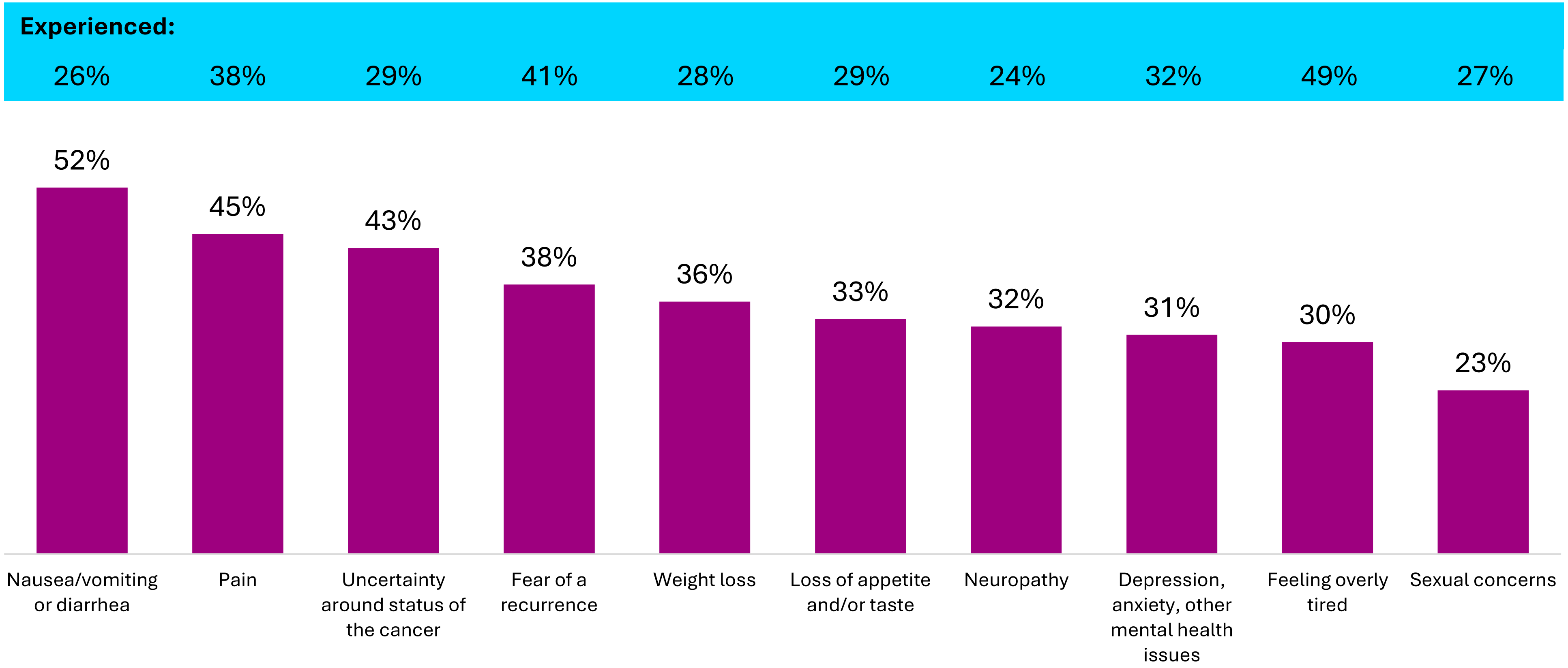
of patients experienced at least one issue symptom during treatment

Health Care Team Helpfulness with Side Effects

Among those who experienced the top side effects, only about a third found their health care teams to be 'very helpful'.

Health Care Team Very Helpful

(among those who experienced that side effect, top 10 experienced)



	Nausea/vomiting or diarrhea	Pain	Uncertainty around status of the cancer	Fear of a recurrence	Weight loss	Loss of appetite and/or taste	Neuropathy	Depression, anxiety, other mental health issues	Feeling overly tired	Sexual concerns
Experienced:	26%	38%	29%	41%	28%	29%	24%	32%	49%	27%
Health Care Team Very Helpful	52%	45%	43%	38%	36%	33%	32%	31%	30%	23%

Source= National Patients (n=1305); Cancer Nation Connected Patients (n=703)

Cancer Nation Connected

more likely

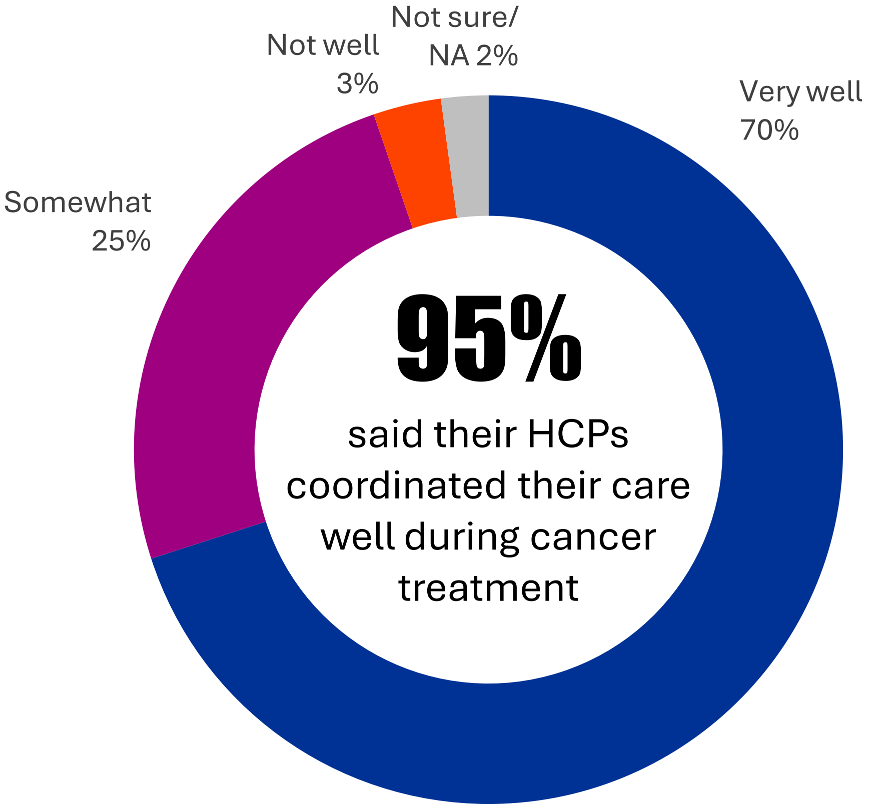
experience nearly all side effects and report

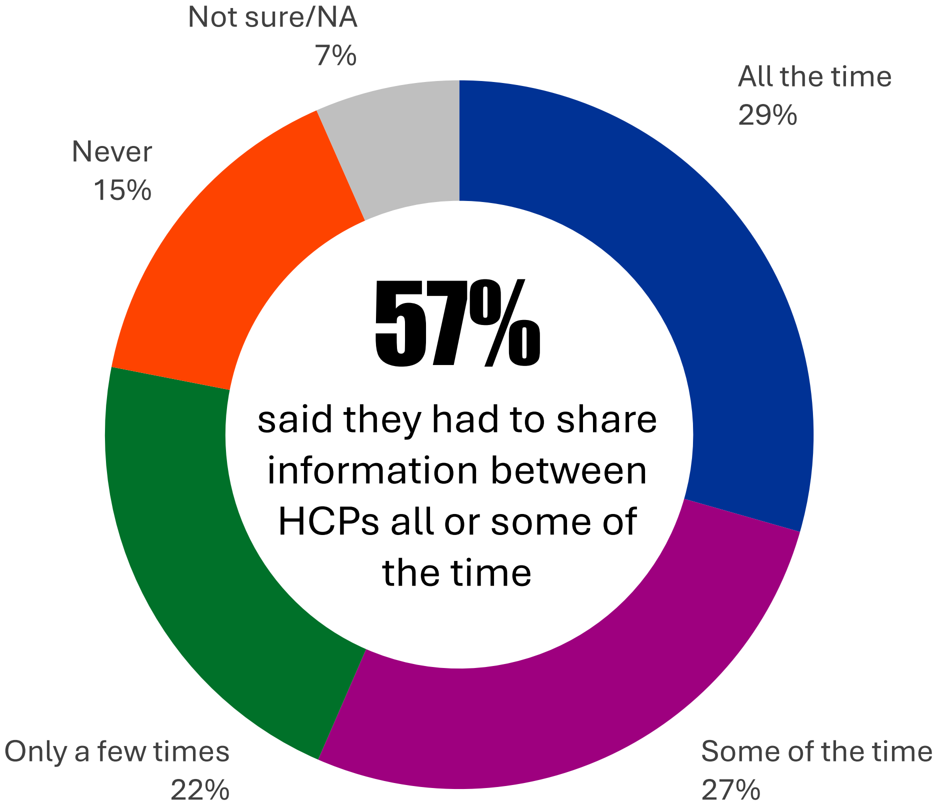
lower scores

on health care team helpfulness for nearly all side effects experienced.

Coordination of Care

Majorities say their health care providers coordinated well, YET half of patients share information with their providers all or some of the time.





Source= National Patients (n=1305)

Trust of Health Care Team

Although majorities of patients still trust their health care teams to act in their best interests, trust has eroded this year.

Trust in Health Care Team to Act in Best Interests

Complete trust in health care team is

lower among

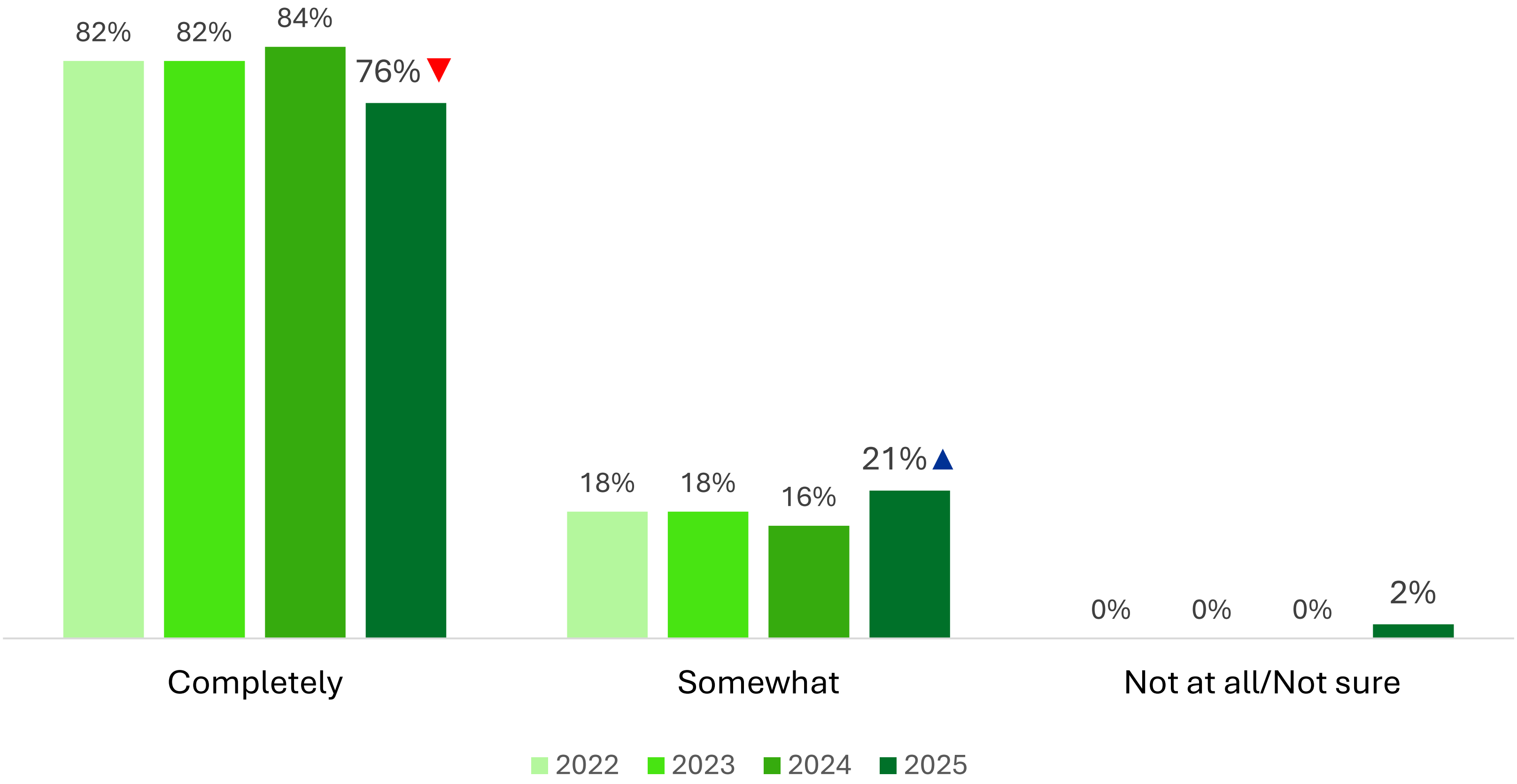
73% Women

71% No chronic condition

70% Younger 18-39

67% Hispanic

60%▼ Cancer Nation Connected

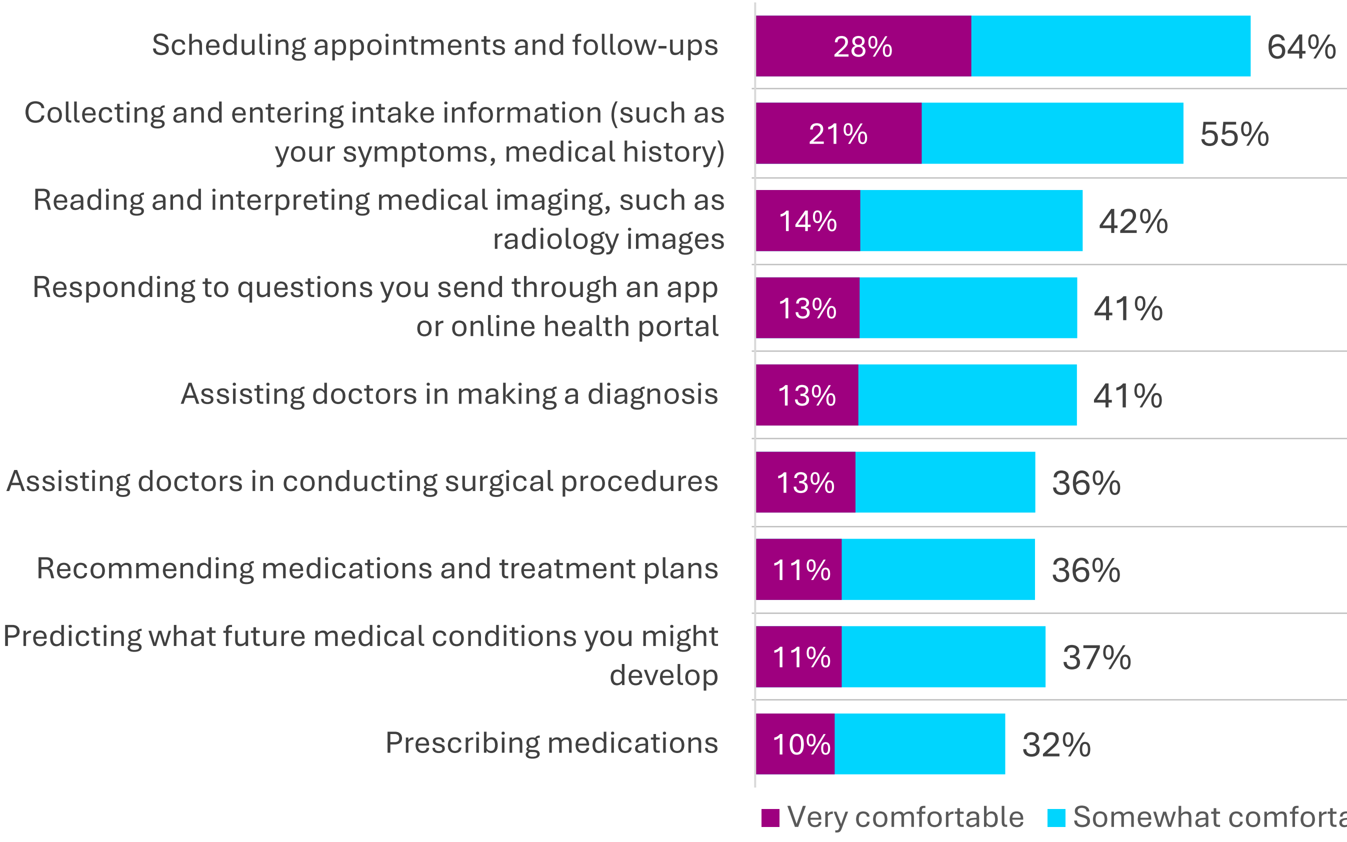


Source= National Patients (n=1305)

Cancer Treatment and AI

Patients are most comfortable with AI doing administrative tasks, less comfortable with clinical tasks. Younger patients are more comfortable with all AI use cases.

When it comes to your cancer treatment and care, how comfortable would you be if AI were used for each of the following tasks/purposes ...



% Very Comfortable

	18-39	40-64	65+
Scheduling appointments and follow-ups	**45%**	31%	22%
Collecting and entering intake information (such as your symptoms, medical history)	**38%**	23%	17%
Reading and interpreting medical imaging, such as radiology images	**29%**	15%	10%
Responding to questions you send through an app or online health portal	**29%**	17%	7%
Assisting doctors in making a diagnosis	**26%**	16%	9%
Assisting doctors in conducting surgical procedures	**25%**	15%	9%
Recommending medications and treatment plans	**30%**	14%	6%
Predicting what future medical conditions you might develop	**31%**	12%	7%
Prescribing medications	**23%**	14%	5%

"Uncomfortable"

Higher among

- Completed Treatment
- Women
- White Patients
- Rural

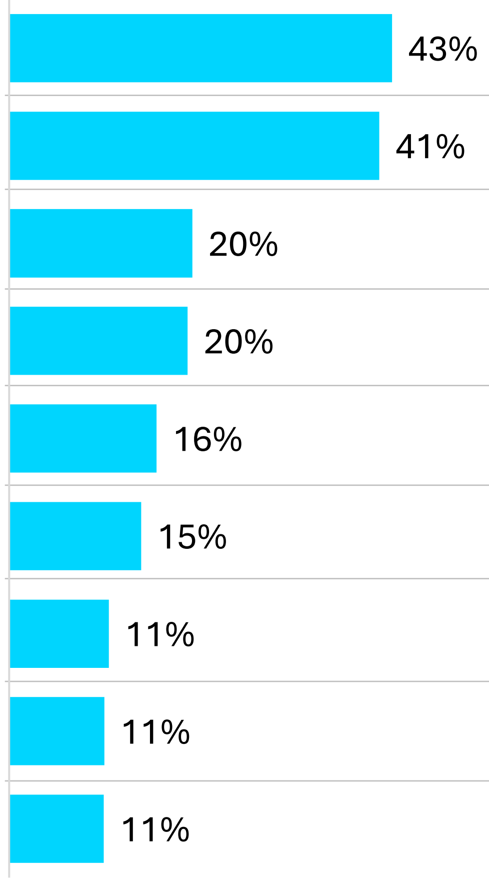
SECTION 3

CANCER AND CHRONIC CONDITIONS

Chronic Conditions

Eight-in-10 patients have another disease diagnosis, with high blood pressure and high cholesterol the most common. Most say these conditions were diagnosed prior to their cancer diagnosis.

Diagnosed Chronic Conditions



		Before Cancer Diagnosis	During Treatment	After Treatment
Hypertension/high blood pressure	43%	75%	6%	16%
High cholesterol	41%	74%	5%	17%
Diabetes	20%	68%	8%	22%
Obesity	20%	73%	5%	18%
Mental health condition	16%	70%	11%	19%
Asthma	15%	82%	2%	12%
COPD	11%	62%	6%	**31%**
Heart disease	11%	67%	10%	23%
Other chronic condition	11%	61%	3%	34%

Less than 10%:
Kidney disease 8%
Substance abuse 5%
Liver disease 3%
Low cholesterol 1%

Source= National Patients (n=1305)

79%

of cancer patients diagnosed with at least one chronic condition

Cancer's Impact on Caring for Other Health Conditions

Half of those with a mental health condition found it harder to manage during their cancer treatment, but few had issues managing other conditions nor needed to stop treatment for that condition.

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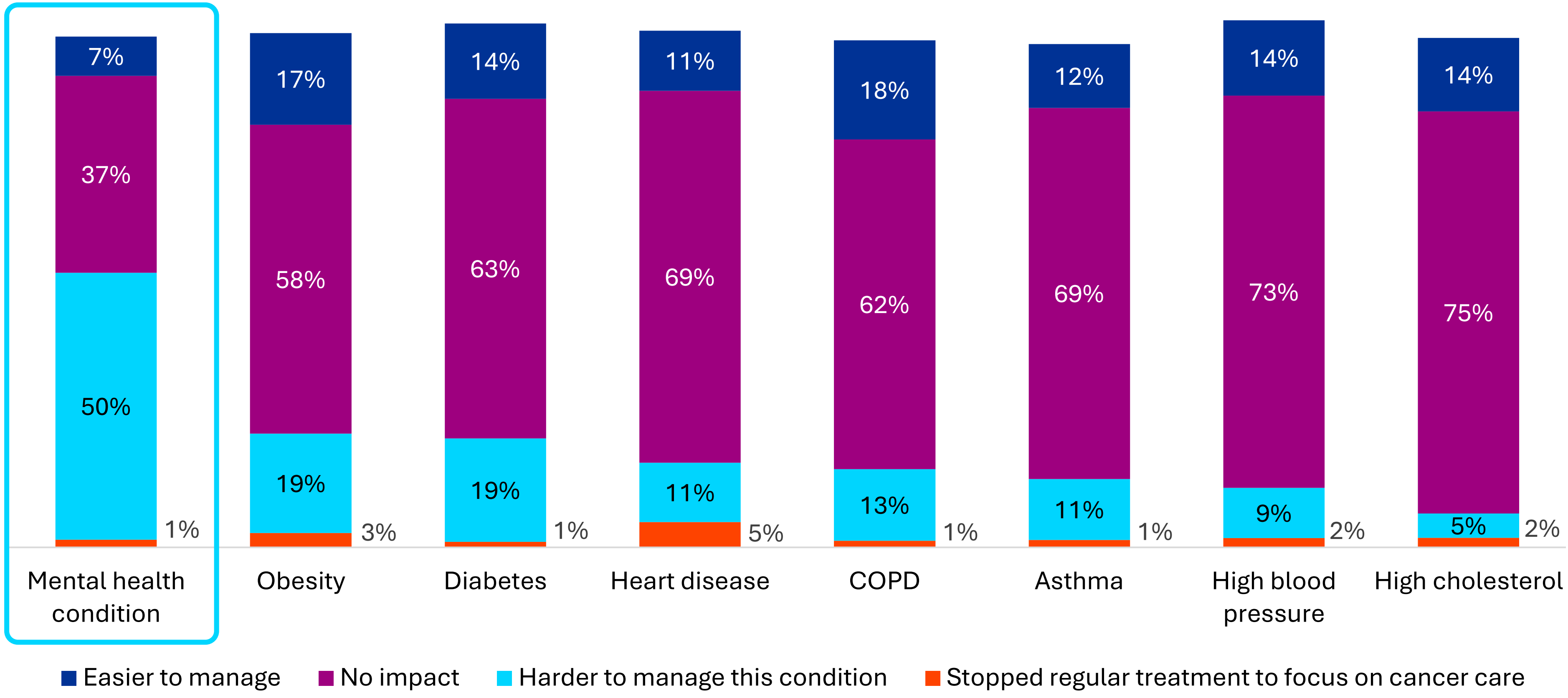
How has/did cancer treatment impact your ability to manage other health condition(s) – like going to regular doctors' visits, taking medications, recommended diet/exercise, etc.?



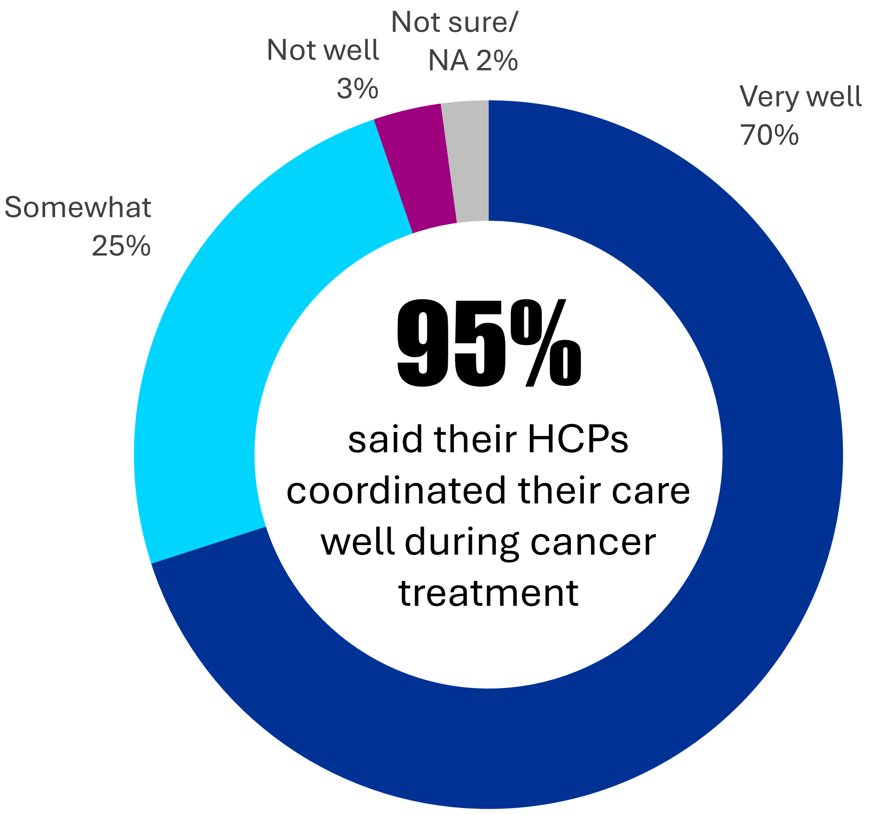
83%

said their focus is/was on their cancer and treatment, rather than my other health condition(s)

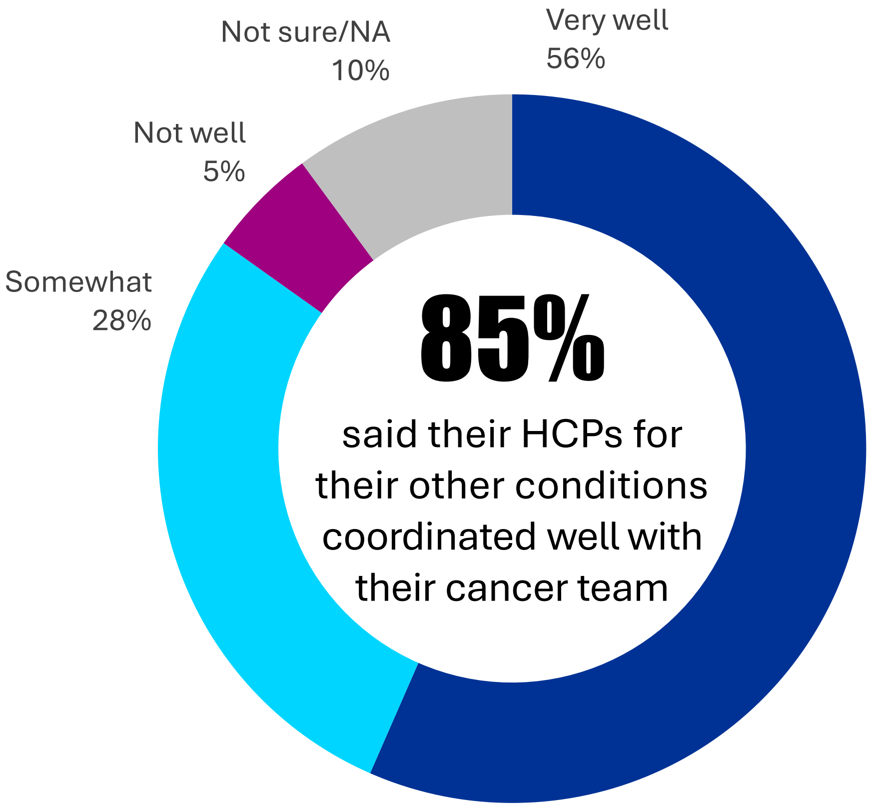
Source= National Patients, Chronic conditions diagnosed before cancer (n=varied)

Coordination of Care

Majorities say their health care providers coordinated well with each other but give slightly lower ratings when asked specifically about coordination with teams handling their other chronic conditions.



said their HCPs coordinated their care well during cancer treatment



said their HCPs for their other conditions coordinated well with their cancer team

Source= National Patients (n=1305), Chronic conditions diagnosed before cancer (n=839)

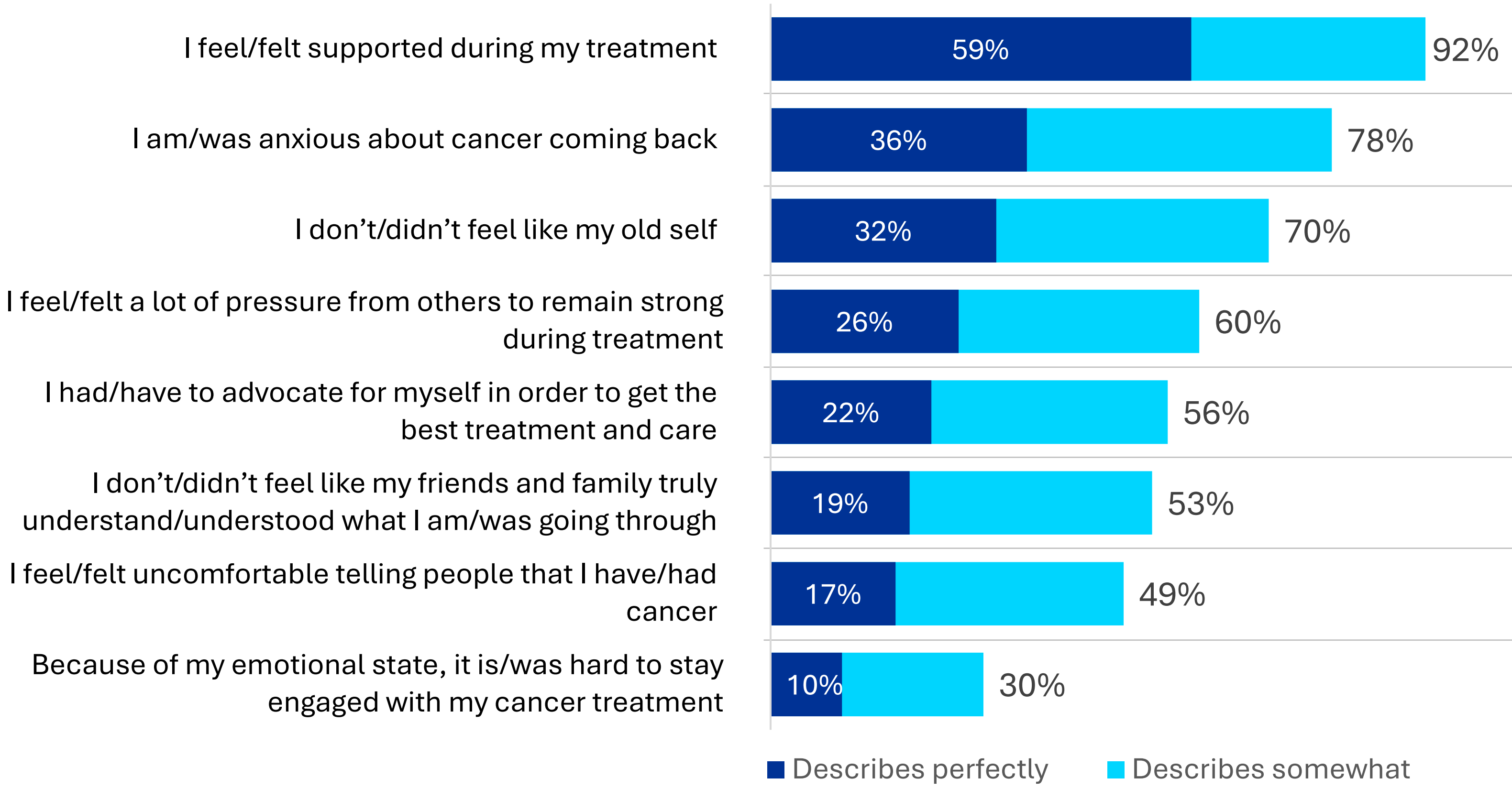
SECTION 4

PATIENT EMOTIONAL HEALTH AND SUPPORT

Patient Mindset and Experiences

While majorities feel/felt supported during their cancer treatment, majorities struggle/d with a range of emotional issues. Many of these negative sentiments are 10+ points higher with those still in treatment.

Patient Mindset and Experiences



% Describes perfectly

	In-Treatment	**Completed**
I feel/felt supported during my treatment	59%	59%
I am/was anxious about cancer coming back	**44%**	32%
I don't/didn't feel like my old self	**41%**	28%
I feel/felt a lot of pressure from others to remain strong during treatment	**40%**	21%
I had/have to advocate for myself in order to get the best treatment and care	**31%**	19%
I don't/didn't feel like my friends and family truly understand/understood what I am/was going through	**25%**	17%
I feel/felt uncomfortable telling people that I have/had cancer	**24%**	15%
Because of my emotional state, it is/was hard to stay engaged with my cancer treatment	**21%**	5%

Source= National Patients (n=1305)

Patient Mindset and Experiences

Younger patients, patients of color, and parents are more likely to feel isolated and uncomfortable during their treatment.

% Describes perfectly

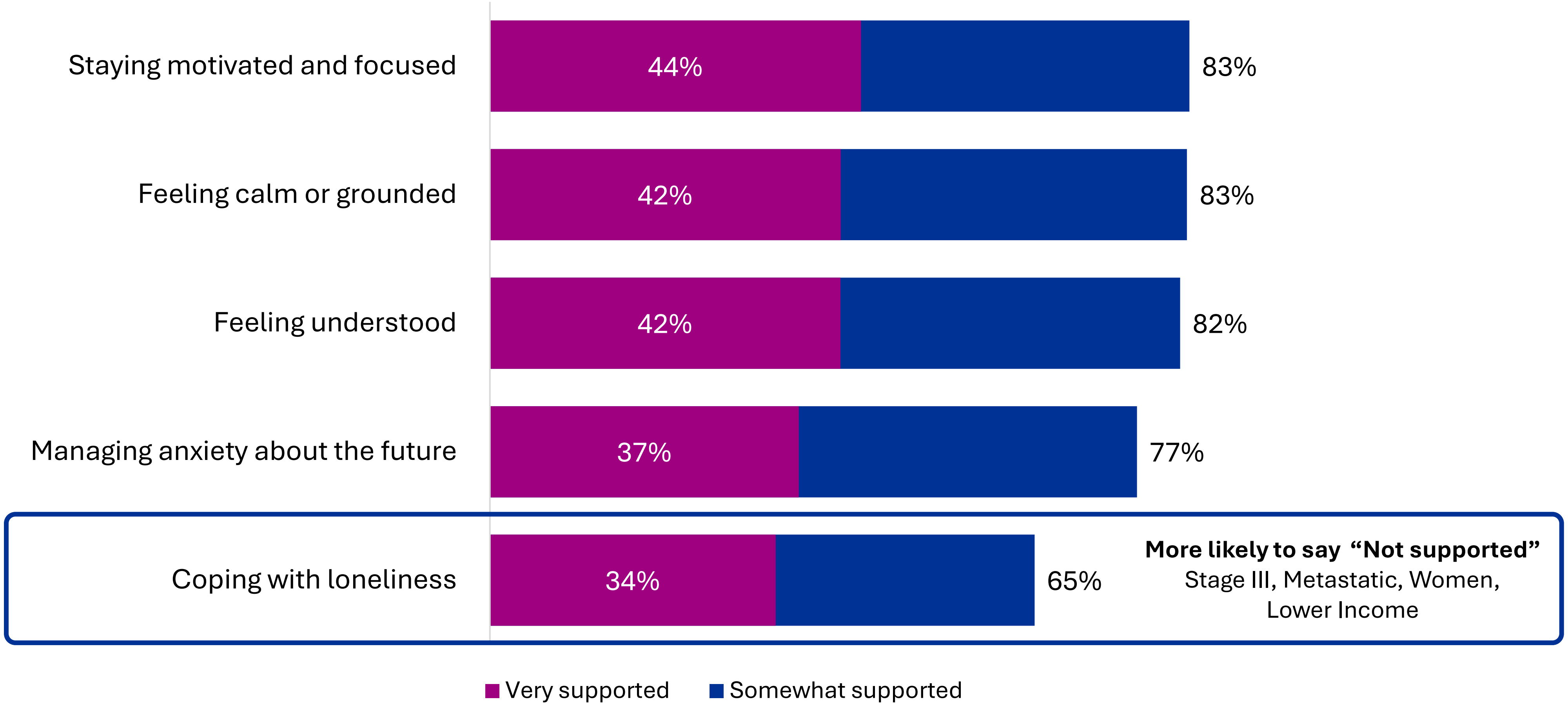
	National Patients	Cancer Nation Connected	Women	18-39	Black/AA	Hispanic	Parent
I feel/felt supported during my treatment	59%	**47%**	**54%**	**49%**	54%	52%	55%
I am/was anxious about cancer coming back	36%	**50%**	**40%**	**59%**	38%	**44%**	**48%**
I don't/didn't feel like my old self	32%	**45%**	34%	48%	**47%**	**41%**	**39%**
I feel/felt a lot of pressure from others to remain strong during treatment	26%	**37%**	27%	**49%**	**35%**	**47%**	**40%**
I had/have to advocate for myself in order to get the best treatment and care	22%	**44%**	23%	35%	**32%**	**35%**	**30%**
I don't/didn't feel like my friends and family truly understand what I am/was going through	19%	**35%**	**24%**	**40%**	**25%**	**29%**	**26%**
I feel/felt uncomfortable telling people that I have/had cancer	17%	**24%**	19%	**38%**	**28%**	**26%**	**22%**
Because of my emotional state, it is/was hard to stay engaged w/ cancer treatment	10%	**16%**	10%	**32%**	**17%**	**23%**	**17%**

Source= National Patients (n=1305)

Emotional Support

While 6-in-10 said they felt very supported during their treatment, when we dug into emotional support, less than half feel very supported in any of these specific ways, especially dealing with loneliness.

Supported During Cancer Journey



More likely to say "Not supported"
Stage III, Metastatic, Women,
Lower Income

Source= National Patients (n=1305)

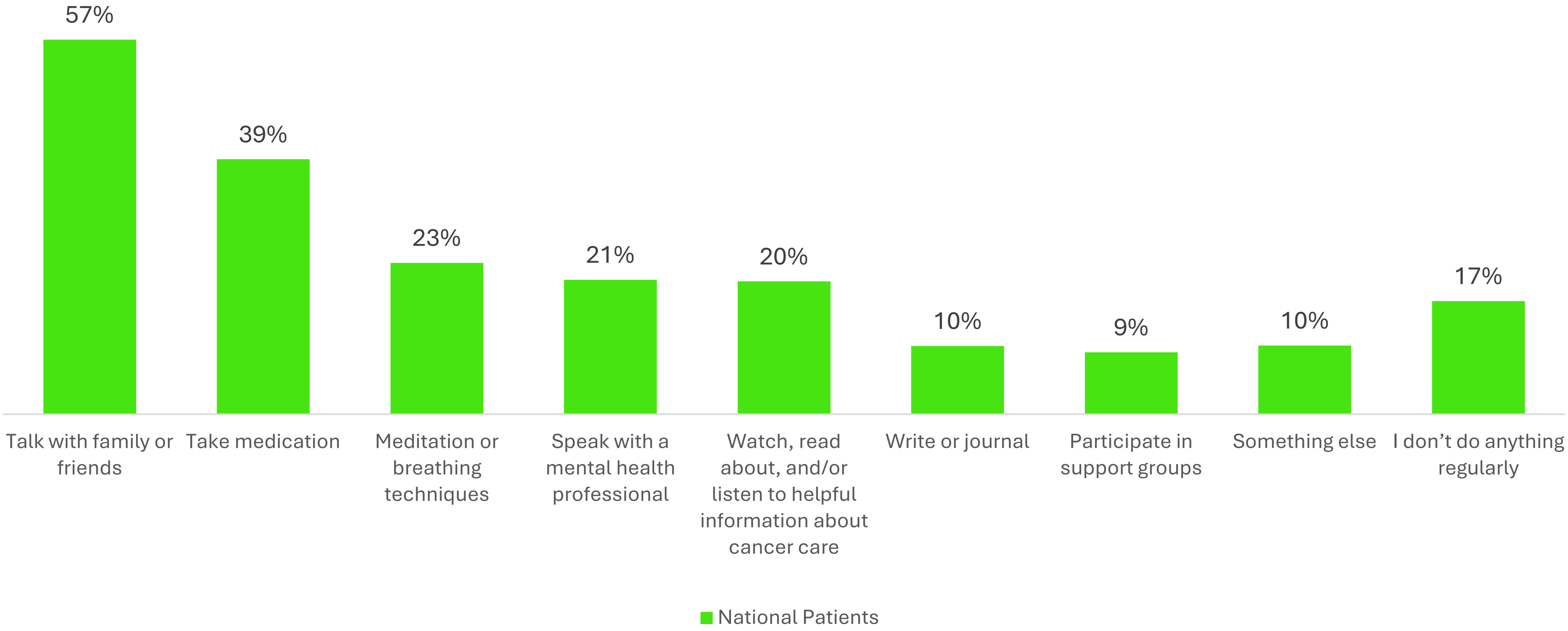
Cancer Nation Connected

more likely to say they were "not supported" in all areas

Managing Emotional Health

Talking with family or friends and taking medication are the most common coping strategies, while Cancer Nation Connected patients report higher engagement with a wide variety of activities.

Which of the following do you regularly do to help with your emotional health/psychological wellbeing? Select all that apply.



Source= National Patients (n=1305); Cancer Nation Connected Patients (n=703)

Mental health activities

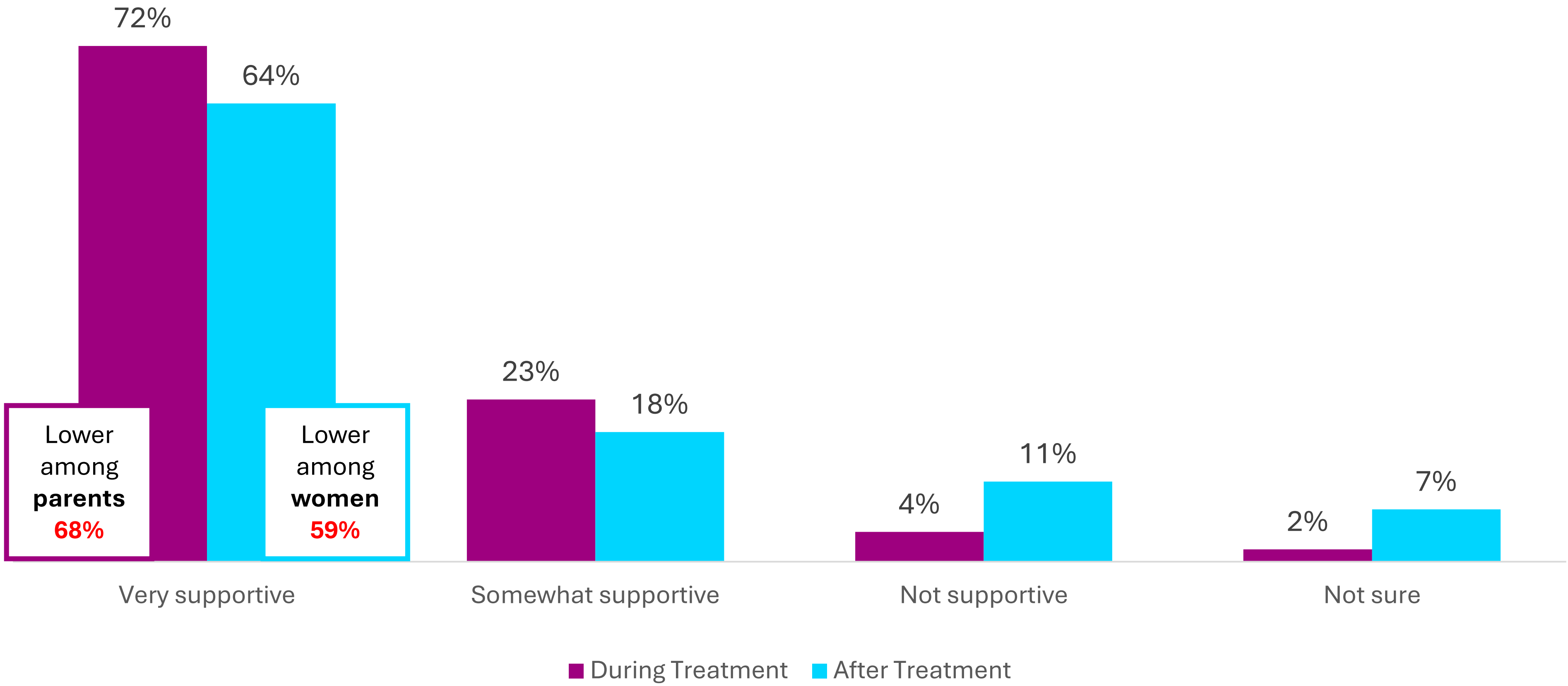
higher among

- Cancer Nation Connected
- In Treatment
- Stage II
- Younger Patients (18-39)
- Hispanic Patients
- Private Insurance
- Parents

Employer Support

Of those employed, two-thirds feel their employer was very supportive during and after treatment. Parents and women were less likely to report high levels of support.

Employer Support



Lower among **parents** 68%

Lower among **women** 59%

51%

of Patients were employed during treatment

Source= National Patients (n=1305); Employed (n=593); Employed and Completed Treatment (n=397)

Employer Support

Four-in-10 were allowed flexible hours and paid medical leave during treatment, and open-ends suggest accommodations and check-ins make employees feel supported.

Access Through Employer During Treatment

Flexible hours	44%
Paid medical leave	43%
Remote work	24%
Adjusted job responsibilities	21%
Additional breaks	17%
Counseling and support services	13%
Financial assistance	10%
Accessible equipment	5%
Educational resources	5%
Other	3%
None of the above	18%

Source= Employed During Treatment (n=593)

Supported

“My employer continues to be understanding of me ***needing to adjust my schedule*** *often for medical appointments.”*

“They were always ***checking up on me*** *and making sure I didn't need anything.“*

"They kept my position open for me to ***work at my own pace*** *to achieve full time return to work.”*

Unsupported

“I was ***demoted first, then terminated*** *and told I can come back and reapply when I'm 100%, which would be never.”*

“They ***never asked how I was doing.*** *They just expected me to be able to do my job as before.”*

“They were much less willing to work with me when I returned from medical leave. They ***didn't want to adjust my hours or responsibilities*** *as I worked through recovery.”*

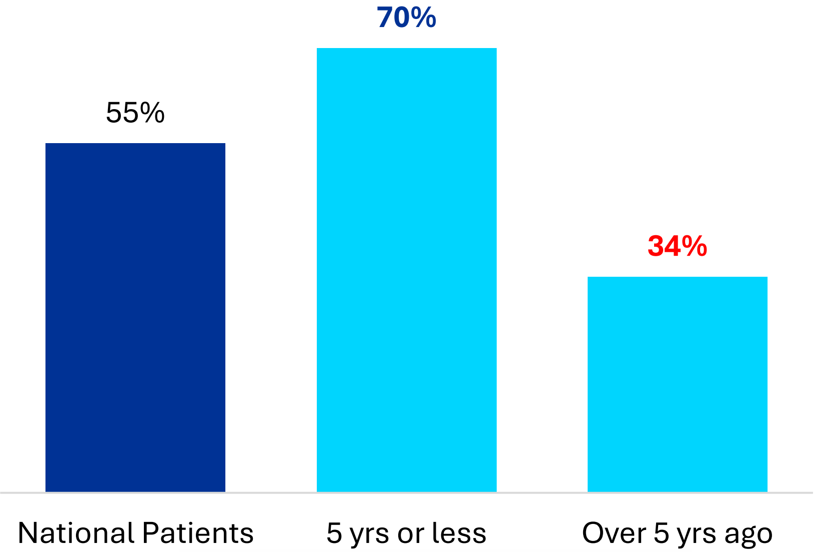
SECTION 5

POST-TREATMENT CARE AND SURVIVORSHIP

In Post-Treatment Care

Just over half of patients who have completed treatment are receiving post-treatment care, largely determined by time since their diagnosis. The #1 reason for lack of post-treatment care is a doctor's recommendation.

Currently Under the Care of an HCP for Post-treatment Care



Cancer Nation Connected: 68%
80% 5 years or less
53% Over 5 years ago

Source= National Patients, Completed Treatment (n=873)

Which of the following describes the reason/reasons you are not currently in post-treatment medical care?

Select all that apply.

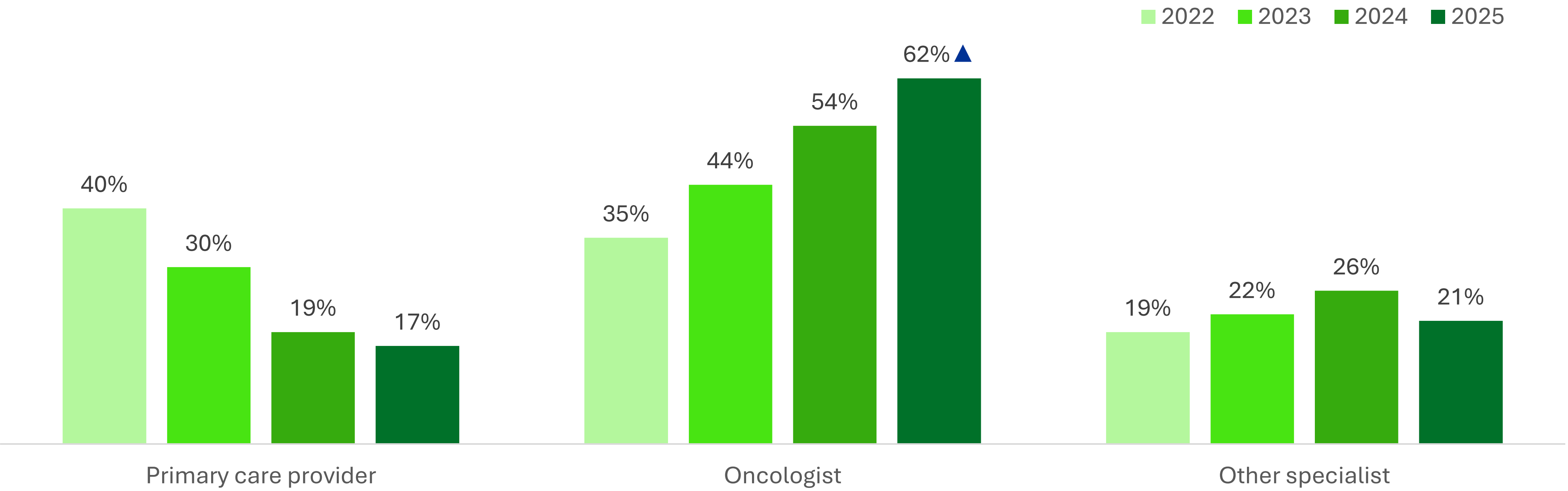
Doctor said there is no need for post-treatment care at this time or anymore	**58%**
Health care providers didn't recommend getting post-treatment care	13%
Do not believe cancer and treatments will affect my current/future health	6%
I am just sick of going to doctor visits	6%
Costs of post-treatment care are too high	4%
Other health needs are more challenging to manage/a priority	3%
Moved and have not found another doctor for post-treatment care	3%
Takes too much time to go to appointments for post-treatment care	2%
Transportation issues getting to post-treatment care	2%
Cannot take time from work/school for post treatment care	2%
Insurance didn't cover the tests doctor recommended	1%
Unsure of who to go to for post-treatment care	1%
Still on a waiting list for post-treatment care	1%
Providers or survivorship clinic are not in-network/covered by insurance	-
Other	8%
None of the above	13%

No differences by time since treatment

Post-Treatment Experiences

The number of patients in post-treatment who report they are seeing a PCP has declined over time, while the number who are seeing an oncologist continues to increase.

Who is the primary health care provider managing your post-treatment medical care?
(asked of those in post-treatment care)



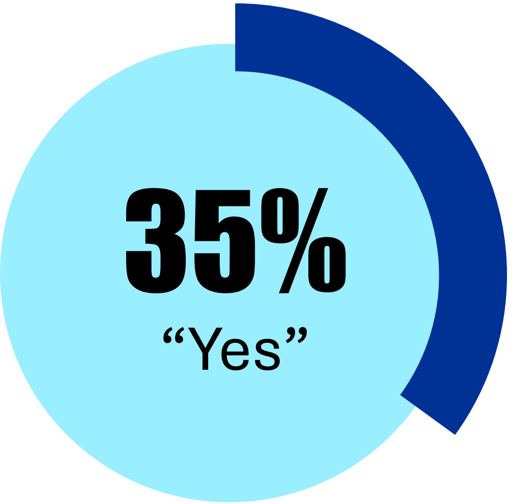
	Primary care provider	Oncologist	Other specialist
<5 Yrs. Since Treatment	14%	66%	19%
5 Yrs.+ Since Treatment	24%	50%	26%

Source= National Patients in Post-Treatment (n=484)

Willingness to See a PCP for Post-Treatment Care

Most are not comfortable with a PCP managing their post-treatment care, citing lack of expertise and knowledge compared to an oncologist.

Would you be willing to have a primary care provider manage the post-treatment care for you?
(asked of those NOT seeing a PCP)



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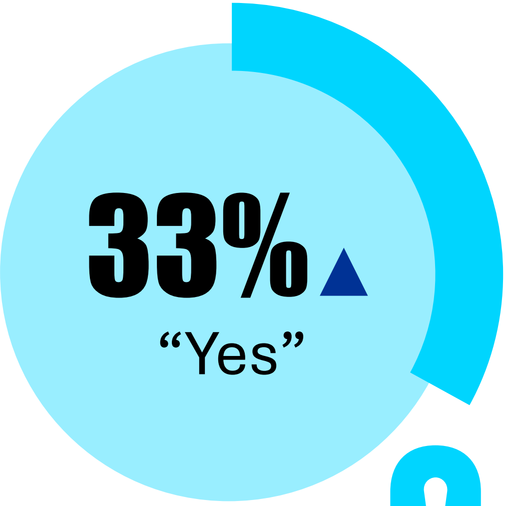
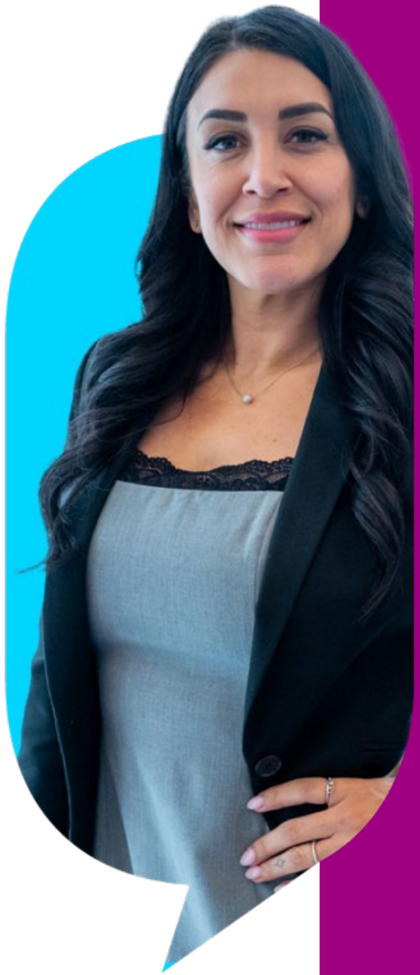


Cancer Nation Connected



What, if any, concerns do you have about a PCP managing post-treatment care?

“Primary care physicians ***do not have the experience of oncologists****. I'm not confident that a recurrence would be caught early enough for treatment to be effective.”*

“It doesn't make sense to have her take over the post-treatment when ***the oncology team know more*** *about cancer and have the expertise to care for me.”*

“My old ***primary care provider was negligent and misdiagnosed*** *my cancer for an entire year. He ruined my trust for primary care providers at this time.”*

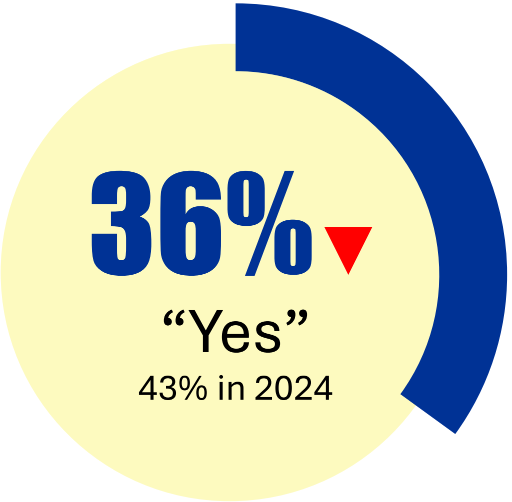
*“****Not sure how up-to-date*** *they are with cancer and the type I had.”*

Source= NOT Seeing a PCP, National Patients (n=404); Cancer Nation Connected Patients (n=223)

Survivorship Care Plans

Almost all patients who remember receiving a survivorship plan say it was helpful, but just a third say they have a plan.

After treatment, some survivors get a care plan (sometimes called a survivorship care plan) that provides information about what to expect after treatment and recommendations on care and lifestyle. Did your health care team provide a care plan that helps/helped you understand what to expect after treatment?



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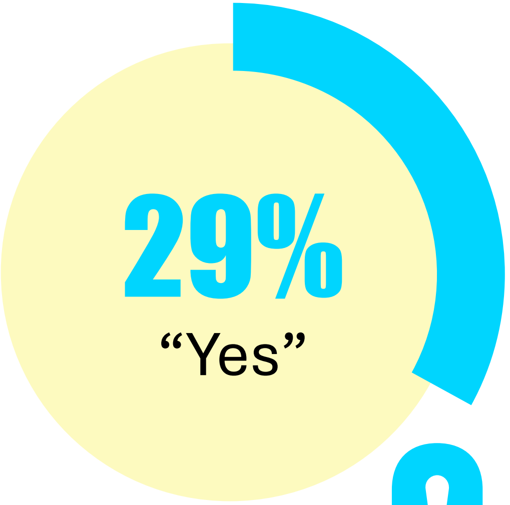


Cancer Nation Connected

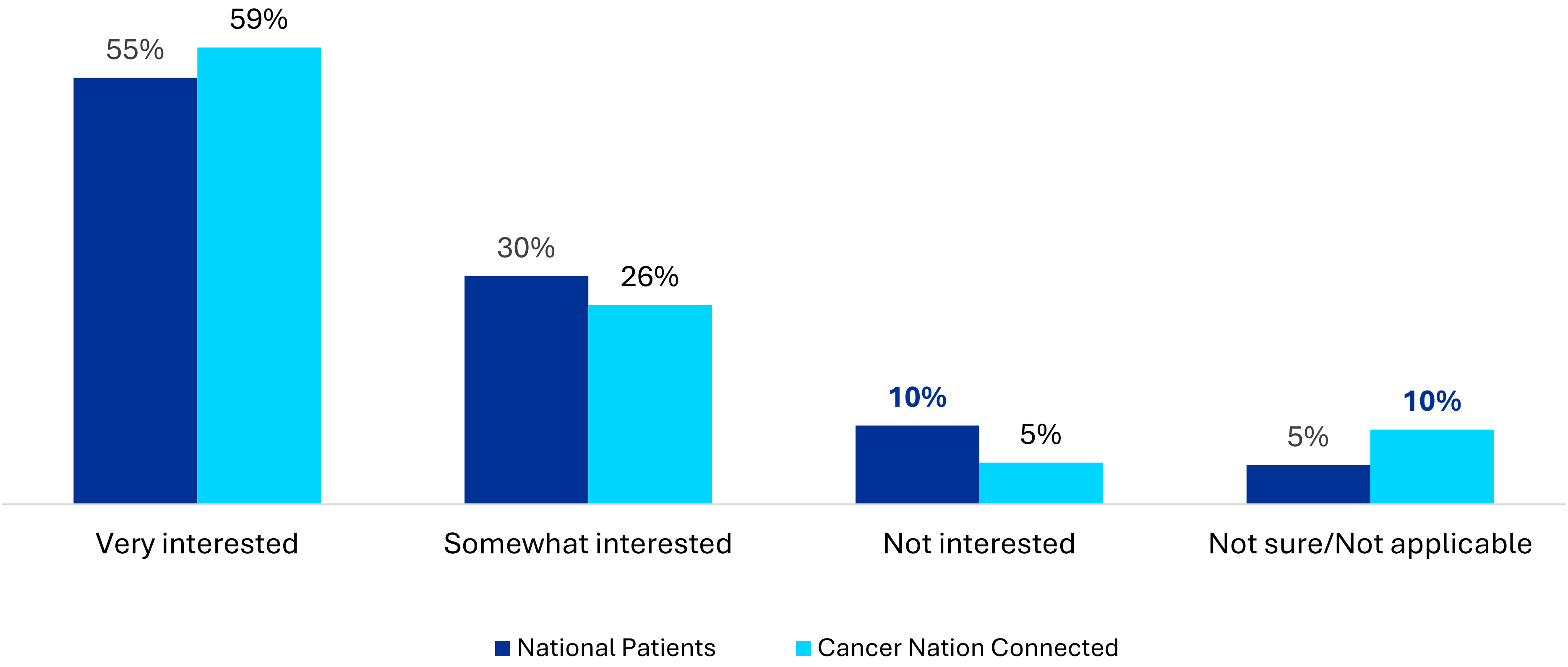
	Patients				Cancer Nation Connected			
My plan has been helpful.	YES	97%	VERY	62%	YES	90%	VERY	46%

Source= COMPLETED TREATMENT, National Patients (n=873); Cancer Nation Connected Patients (n=422)

Survivorship Care Plan Interest

8-in-10 of those currently in-treatment are interested in a survivorship care plan; over half are very interested.

Interest in a Survivorship Care Plan *among those currently in treatment*



Source= IN TREATMENT, National Patients (n=352); Cancer Nation Connected Patients (n=279)

85%

of Patients and Cancer Nation Connected are interested

Interest

higher among

- Younger (18-39)
- Chronic condition
- Employed
- Parents

Survivorship Care Plans

Patients are currently receiving care plans as a printout and discussing it with their doctors, which aligns with preferences.

How was your care plan provided?/How would you prefer a care plan be provided?

	Post Treatment Received Plan	Post Treatment Did Not Receive Plan	In Treatment Interested in Plan
On paper, as a printout or hard copy in person	65%	49%	44%
Through a discussion/ conversation	55%	45%	48%
Via a patient portal	22%	22%	37%
Digitally/electronically in some other way	11%	13%	16%
Via email	7%	17%	30%
In the mail	4%	13%	18%

Source= National Patients, Post-treatment and received plan (n=316), Post-treatment without plan (n=557), In treatment and interested (298)

Survivorship Plan Preferred Timing

More express preference for receiving a plan at or near the end of treatment, but there's strong support for early introduction and ongoing updates.

(less common but strongly voiced)

Beginning of treatment

- At diagnosis or early in treatment
- Helps set expectations, reduce anxiety, and provide a roadmap early on

"At the beginning of the diagnosis. Shifting the mindset from a date and time stamp on a cancer patient to building a pathway to long term survivorship."

Ongoing and updated throughout treatment

- A living document that starts early and is updated at key milestones (diagnosis, mid-treatment, end of treatment, and beyond)
- Survivorship needs evolve over time; continuous updates ensure relevance

"I think it's an ongoing process. It should start at time of diagnosis, updated regularly throughout treatment, and then a final copy given at the day of last treatment/ last regular appt with onc team."

(most common answer)

End/Near end of treatment

- Patients are less overwhelmed and ready to focus on next steps
- Allows time to prepare questions and plan for transition without feeling abandoned

"I think the right time is when you complete treatment — after treatment is complete. You feel so lost, like you are back to normal, and you feel completely lost as no one is telling you what to do next."

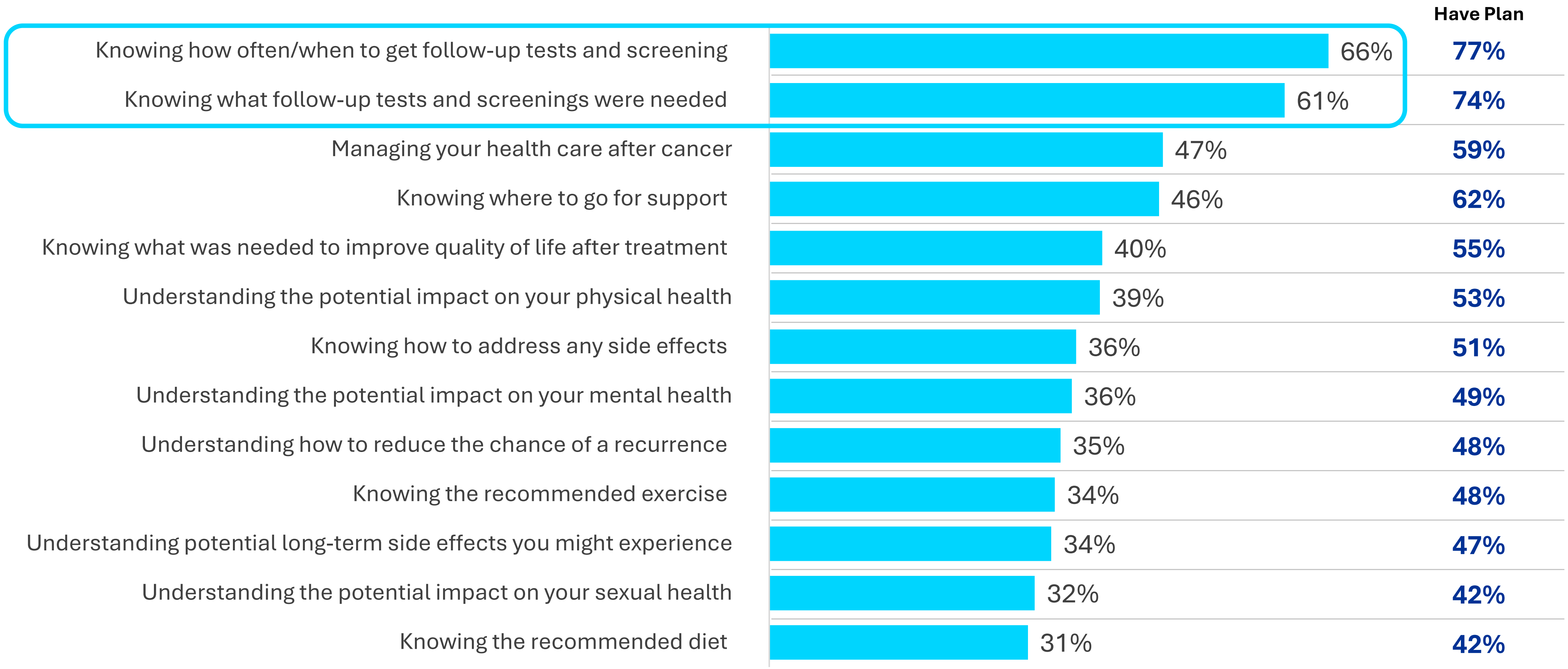
Open-ended question: When is the right time to provide a patient with a survivorship care plan? What makes you say that?

Confidence Levels Across Key Survivorship Areas

Patients are most confident about follow-up testing but confidence in other areas drops precipitously. Those with a survivorship plan are significantly more confident in all areas.

When you completed treatment, how confident were you about each of the following?

% Very confident

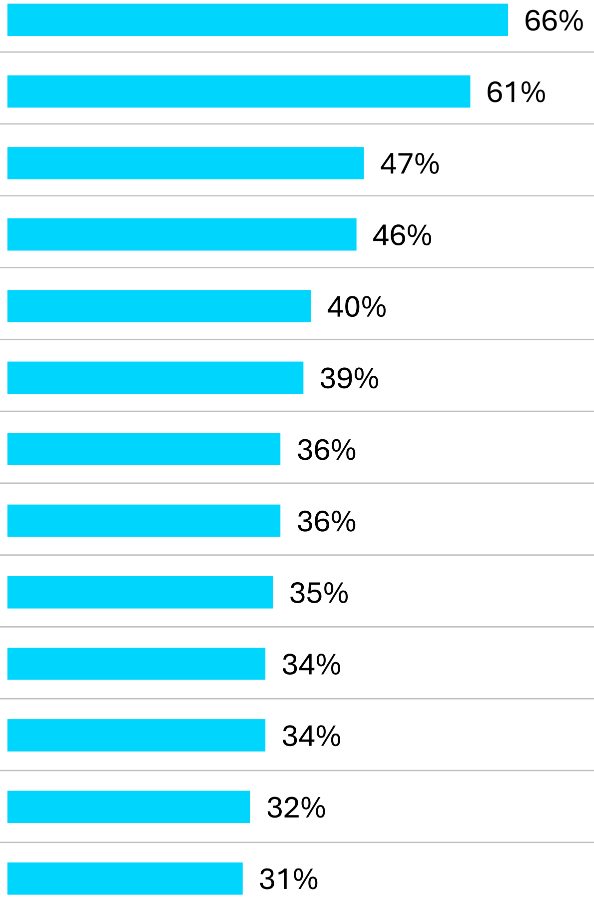


Source= National Patients, Post-treatment (n=873)

Confidence Levels Across Key Survivorship Areas

Women and parents were less confident in various areas. Younger Patients were more confident in improving quality of life, exercising, and understanding their long-term side effects.

Very Confident After Completing Treatment



		Cancer Nation Connected	Women	Black	Hispanic	18-39	Parent
Knowing how often/when to get follow-up tests/screening	66%	**51%**	66%	**54%**	60%	**55%**	63%
Knowing what follow-up tests/screenings were needed	61%	**49%**	59%	**47%**	59%	**50%**	**55%**
Managing your health care after cancer	47%	**29%**	**42%**	45%	49%	48%	**41%**
Knowing where to go for support	46%	**32%**	**43%**	47%	54%	54%	**40%**
Knowing what was needed to improve QOL	40%	**23%**	**36%**	39%	**53%**	**59%**	35%
Understanding potential impact on physical health	39%	**25%**	**35%**	40%	52%	45%	37%
Knowing how to address any side effects	36%	**22%**	36%	39%	41%	36%	34%
Understanding potential impact on mental health	36%	**22%**	**32%**	37%	43%	39%	32%
Understanding how to reduce chance of a recurrence	35%	**21%**	33%	26%	42%	**51%**	33%
Knowing the recommended exercise	34%	33%	**31%**	30%	45%	**47%**	34%
Understanding potential long-term side effects	34%	**18%**	**29%**	34%	43%	**46%**	30%
Understanding potential impact on sexual health	32%	**18%**	**26%**	35%	39%	36%	28%
Knowing the recommended diet	31%	28%	30%	31%	**44%**	41%	28%

Source= National Patients, Post-treatment (n=873)

SECTION 6

FINANCIAL IMPACTS AND INSURANCE CHALLENGES

Top Financial, Physical, and Mental Health Concerns

Patients are concerned about a myriad of issues, and their worries have only grown since 2022, particularly emotional and financial concerns.

Below are several issues and concerns that cancer patients and survivors might have. How concerned are you, personally, about each? (very/somewhat)

Emotional/Lifestyle	
Anxiety about a recurrence	**75%** NEW
Uncertainty about the future	**71%** ▲
Being there for family/friends	**62%** ▲
Changes to daily life/activities	**60%** ▲
Emotional support needed	**50%** ▲
Mental health support	**50%** ▲
Feeling isolated/lonely	**46%** ▲

Financial/Insurance	
Rising costs of health insurance	**73%** NEW
Cost of medical care	**62%** ▲
Cost of prescriptions	**60%** ▲
Financial support you need	**60%** ▲
Non-medical expenses	**54%** ▲
Understanding insurance	**53%** ▲
Loss of income	**48%** ▲

Physical Health/Adherence	
Having energy for day	**64%** ▲
Maintaining healthy weight	**64%**
Managing side effects	**62%** ▲
Getting enough exercise	**59%** ▲
Maintaining proper diet	**53%**

Tracking shown between 2022 and 2025

Source= National Patients (n=1305)

Financial, Physical and Mental Health Concerns

Under-served audiences (women, younger, patients of color, and parents) over-index on most items.

Emotional/Lifestyle **Financial/Insurance** **Physical Health/Adherence**

	National Patients
Anxiety about a recurrence	75%
Rising costs of health insurance	73%
Uncertainty about the future	71%
Having the energy to make it through the day	64%
Maintaining a healthy weight	64%
Being there for your family and friends	62%
Cost of medical care	62%
Managing ongoing side effects from treatment	62%
Changes to daily lifestyle/activities	60%
Preparing to make end-of-life decisions *(among people living with metastatic cancer)*	60%
Cost of prescriptions and treatments	60%
Having the financial support you need	60%
Getting enough exercise	59%
Emotionally preparing for end-of-life *(among people living with metastatic cancer)*	55%
Cost of non-medical expenses (e.g., food, housing, transportation)	54%
Planning for end-of-life care *(among people living with metastatic cancer)*	54%
Understanding the health insurance benefits available to you	53%

	National Patients
Maintaining a proper diet	53%
Having the emotional support you need	50%
Support with mental health issues (e.g., anxiety or depression)	50%
Loss of income	48%
Feeling isolated and lonely	46%
Ability to maintain relationships	45%
Long-term planning/career goals	45%
Cost of professional caregiving	44%
Managing all of your prescribed medications and other treatments	44%
Losing your health insurance	43%
Learning how to apply for grants, scholarships, or gov't benefits	41%
Getting health insurance	38%
Getting/keeping disability insurance	36%
Managing appointments	35%
Visiting your doctor regularly	35%
Work/employment issues, like finding and keeping a job	35%
Starting a family/having children	16%

Source= National Patients (n=1305)

CANCER NATION

Concern for most of these items is

Higher among

- Completed Treatment
- Cancer Nation Connected
- In-Treatment
- Women
- Younger (18-39)
- Patients of Color
- Parents

Financial and Mental Health Concerns

Patients currently in treatment are more concerned about emotional and financial challenges than those who completed, especially those over 5 years out from treatment.

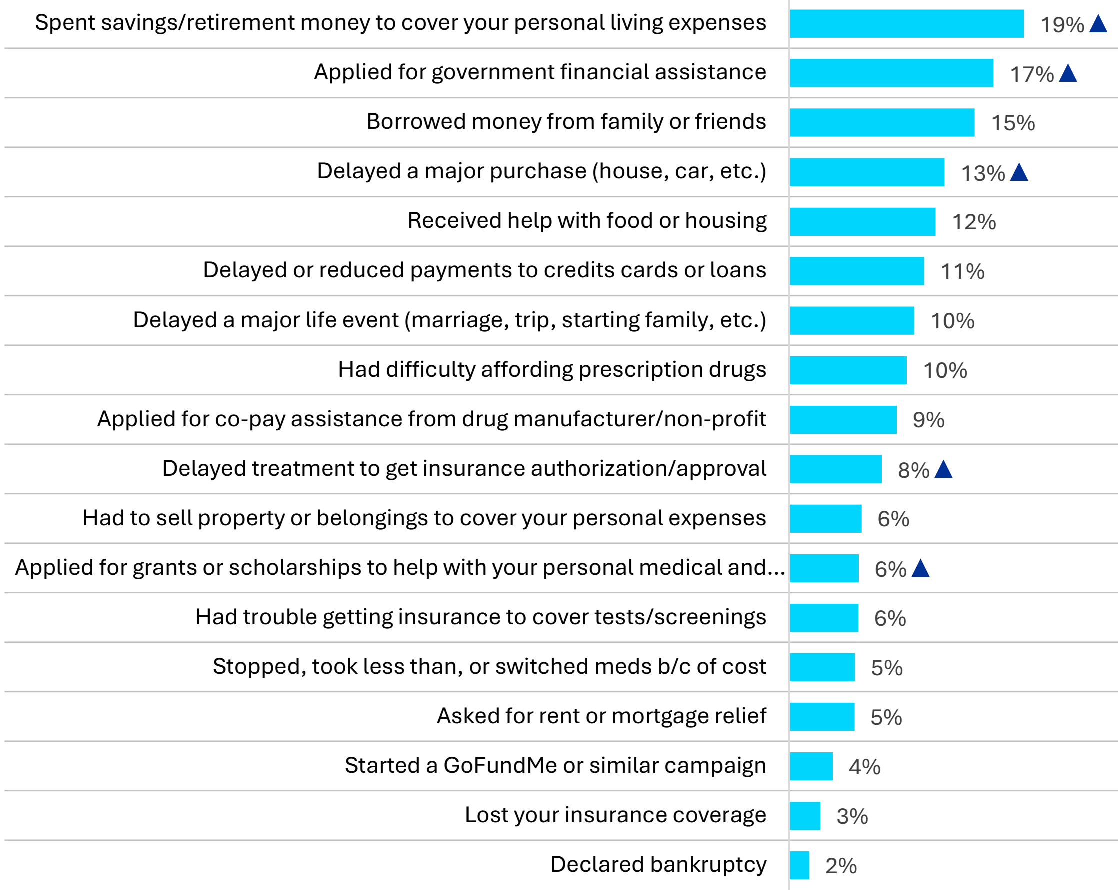
Emotional/Lifestyle Concerns	**Treated 5+ Years Ago**	**Treated <5 Years Ago**	**In-Treatment**
Anxiety about a recurrence	**66%**	77%	81%
Uncertainty about the future	**62%**	70%	**83%**
Being there for your family and friends	**54%**	61%	**74%**
Changes to daily lifestyle/activities	**50%**	59%	**74%**
Having the emotional support you need	46%	49%	**59%**
Support with mental health issues (e.g., anxiety or depression)	**42%**	49%	**64%**
Feeling isolated and lonely	39%	44%	**60%**
Ability to maintain relationships	**36%**	45%	**58%**
Long-term planning/career goals	**36%**	44%	**61%**
Starting a family/having children	**10%**	15%	**31%**

Financial/Insurance Concerns	**Treated 5+ Years Ago**	**Treated <5 Years Ago**	**In Treatment**
Rising costs of health insurance	72%	72%	77%
Cost of medical care	57%	61%	**70%**
Cost of prescriptions and treatments	**53%**	59%	**69%**
Having the financial support you need	**53%**	59%	**70%**
Cost of non-medical expenses (e.g., food, housing, transportation)	51%	51%	**66%**
Understanding the health insurance benefits available to you	51%	50%	**62%**
Loss of income	46%	45%	**60%**
Cost of professional caregiving	38%	43%	**57%**
Losing your health insurance	40%	43%	**52%**
Learning how to apply for grants, scholarships, or gov't benefits	**32%**	40%	**57%**
Getting health insurance	35%	37%	**47%**
Getting/keeping disability insurance	**26%**	36%	**49%**
Work/employment issues, like finding and keeping a job	31%	34%	**46%**

Source= National Patients (n=1305)

Financial Impacts

Financial impacts have increased this year with more drawing from savings, applying for government assistance, and delaying treatment and purchases. Younger patients and parents have more financial challenges.



		18-39	African American	Hispanic	Stage IV	In-Treatment	Co-morbidity	Parent	Medicare/ Advantage
		84%	**67%**	**70%**	**67%**	**68%**	**52%**	**64%**	**43%**
Spent savings/retirement money to cover your personal living expenses	19% ▲	**28%**	23%	**28%**	22%	**24%**	20%	**24%**	**17%**
Applied for government financial assistance	17% ▲	**26%**	**35%**	**24%**	**26%**	18%	**18%**	**21%**	**13%**
Borrowed money from family or friends	15%	**27%**	**23%**	**27%**	17%	18%	15%	**20%**	**8%**
Delayed a major purchase (house, car, etc.)	13% ▲	**22%**	12%	**21%**	**9%**	**18%**	13%	**19%**	**11%**
Received help with food or housing	12%	**22%**	**20%**	**19%**	16%	**16%**	13%	**15%**	**9%**
Delayed or reduced payments to credits cards or loans	11%	11%	13%	12%	13%	**16%**	**13%**	**14%**	**8%**
Delayed a major life event (marriage, trip, starting family, etc.)	10%	**25%**	**16%**	20%	11%	**14%**	10%	**14%**	**7%**
Had difficulty affording prescription drugs	10%	**27%**	11%	**17%**	10%	**14%**	10%	**14%**	**8%**
Applied for co-pay assistance from drug manufacturer/non-profit	9%	**15%**	6%	13%	15%	**17%**	9%	10%	10%
Delayed treatment to get insurance authorization/approval	8% ▲	**18%**	**13%**	11%	5%	**11%**	8%	**12%**	**5%**
Had to sell property or belongings to cover your personal expenses	6%	**15%**	8%	9%	7%	8%	6%	7%	**4%**
Applied for grants or scholarships to help with your personal medical and...	6% ▲	**17%**	5%	**16%**	10%	**11%**	6%	**10%**	5%
Had trouble getting insurance to cover tests/screenings	6%	**14%**	9%	8%	6%	7%	6%	**11%**	**3%**
Stopped, took less than, or switched meds b/c of cost	5%	**12%**	4%	7%	4%	7%	6%	**7%**	4%
Asked for rent or mortgage relief	5%	**15%**	8%	**11%**	6%	7%	6%	7%	**3%**
Started a GoFundMe or similar campaign	4%	**10%**	4%	7%	5%	**6%**	4%	**7%**	**3%**
Lost your insurance coverage	3%	**6%**	2%	1%	3%	4%	3%	**4%**	**1%**
Declared bankruptcy	2%	2%	2%	2%	3%	1%	2%	3%	1%

Source= National Patients (n=1305); Cancer Nation Connected Patients (n=703)

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52%▲

+12 from 2024

National patients impacted financially

76%▲

+10 from 2024

Cancer Nation Connected impacted financially

Insurance Challenges

A third of patients faced at least one issue with their insurance during treatment, although there wasn't one specific challenge dealt with by a majority. Those currently in-treatment are more likely to report challenges.

	National Patients	Treated 5+ Years Ago	Treated <5 Years Ago	In-Treatment
I had high out-of-pocket costs	15%	12%	15%	19%
My doctor had to fight insurance co. to get the treatment I needed	9%	**6%**	10%	**16%**
My treatment was delayed	7%	**4%**	7%	**13%**
I had to fight my insurance company to get the treatment I needed	7%	6%	6%	**12%**
I was forced to choose a specific treatment location b/c of insurance coverage	6%	4%	6%	**12%**
I was forced to choose a specific treatment b/c of insurance coverage	5%	2%	4%	**11%**
I had to change my doctor because of insurance coverage	3%	**1%**	4%	6%
My treatment was denied	2%	1%	2%	2%
Other	2%	4%	1%	2%
Have not experienced any of the above due to insurance issues	60%	64%	63%	**46%**
I did/do not have insurance during my cancer treatment	8%	10%	7%	7%

32%

of patients experienced **at least one** issue with their insurance during treatment

Source= National Patients (n=1305)

Insurance Challenges

Patients with private insurance are more likely to experience challenges, particularly high costs and fighting with the insurance company. Medicare patients fare better.

	Private Insurance	Public Insurance	Medicare/ Medicare Adv.	Medicaid
Experienced at least one issue with their insurance during treatment	**42%**	26%	**24%**	33%
I had high out-of-pocket costs	**23%**	10%	**11%**	**5%**
My doctor had to fight insurance co. to get the treatment I needed	**14%**	6%	**6%**	10%
My treatment was delayed	9%	7%	**5%**	**11%**
I had to fight my insurance company to get the treatment I needed	**10%**	5%	**5%**	5%
I was forced to choose a specific treatment location b/c of insurance coverage	**9%**	4%	**3%**	7%
I was forced to choose a specific treatment b/c of insurance coverage	6%	5%	4%	7%
I had to change my doctor because of insurance coverage	**5%**	3%	3%	4%
My treatment was denied	2%	2%	2%	3%
Other	2%	2%	2%	4%
Have not experienced any of the above due to insurance issues	52%	**66%**	**68%**	60%

Source= National Patients (n=1305)

Out-of-Pocket Costs

A third report spending more than $1,000 out-of-pocket for their medical care in the last year. This is higher among patients with private insurance, diagnosed more recently, and Stage IV/Metastatic.

Within the last 12 months, how much have you paid in out-of-pocket costs for medical care?

58% spent <$1,000 out-of-pocket

37% spent $1,000+ out-of-pocket

Higher among

56%	Cancer Nation Connected	**55%**	Hispanic
53%	In Treatment	**51%**	Private Insurance
50%	Stage IV/Metastatic	**43%**	Diagnosed <5 Years Ago
64%	Younger (18-39)	**49%**	Parents

Source= National Patients (n=1305)

72%

"Yes"

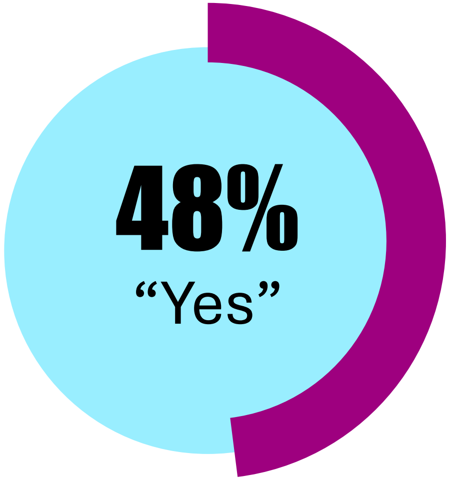
Are you aware that $2,000 is the total maximum out-of-pocket cost patients will need to pay for their covered Part D drugs?

Among Medicare Patients

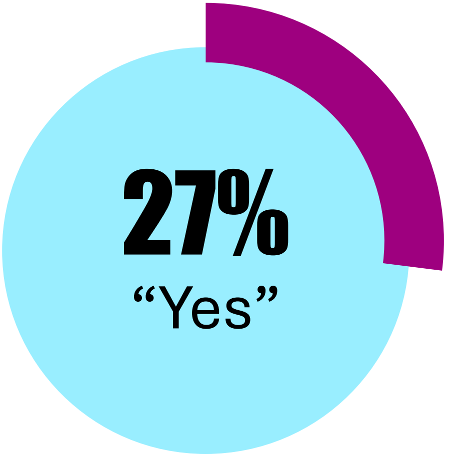
Medicare Prescription Payment Plan

Only half of Medicare patients are aware of the payment plan, and even less are enrolled. A third did not enroll because their annual drug costs are already low.

(Among Medicare Patients)



And are you aware of the Medicare Prescription Payment Plan that allows you to spread your prescription drug costs over 12 months?



Are you enrolled in the Medicare Prescription Payment Plan?

60% **Cancer Nation Connected** 27%

Source= Medicare insured (n=615)

Which of the following describe WHY you did not enroll in the Medicare Prescription Payment Plan?

My annual drug costs are low	35%
Didn't know about the Plan	21%
I don't want to change how I pay for prescriptions	14%
My drug costs are the same each month	12%
I get help from other saving program/s	8%
Didn't know how to enroll in the Plan	5%
Was confused about out-of-pocket costs	3%
Did not understand how to make payments	1%
Something else	21%
Not sure	5%

Key Takeaways

Trust in Care vs. Satisfaction in Care

While most survivors continue to **trust their doctors**, that trust is diminishing, especially among younger and underserved patients. At the same time, **satisfaction with care**, while still high, has declined across nearly every stage of the cancer journey. Greater financial strains and more patients struggling with mental health issues are the biggest drivers of the decrease in satisfaction.

Mental Health & Loneliness

Emotional wellbeing remains a crisis point. **One in three patients experiences depression or anxiety** during treatment, and just a third of those feel adequately supported in managing mental health. While patients turn most often to family and friends for support, few report meaningful mental health help from their care teams. Cancer's mental health toll remains invisible in too many care settings, leaving survivors anxious, isolated, and exhausted.

Treatment Side Effects

Over **nine in ten patients experience side effects**, yet few feel their care teams were *very helpful* in managing them. And these side effects don't always end when treatment does; they shape survivors' ability to work, parent, and live fully. Whole person cancer care demands attention to the long shadow side effects cast.

Research & Politics

Survivors overwhelmingly believe cancer research benefits them (9 in 10). At the same time, **more than half also believe research is influenced by politics**. This skepticism underscores a growing crisis of trust—not in science itself, but in the systems that fund and communicate it. This is an urgent call for transparency, accessibility, and survivor-centered research communication.

Key Takeaways

Financial Toxicity

Financial distress has reached alarming levels. **Half of all survivors report at least one financial hardship** tied to their diagnosis, a 12-point increase from 2024. The **rising cost of health insurance** is now the number-one financial concern. For many, cancer care doesn't just threaten health—it threatens stability.

Insurance & Prior Authorization

Insurance remains both a lifeline and a barrier. A quarter say insurance influenced their treatment choices. One in three patients encountered at least one insurance issue during treatment, most often denials, delays, or excessive out-of-pocket costs, often compounding both physical and emotional distress. Cancer care must never depend on the fine print of an insurance policy.

Survivorship Care Plans

Despite years of advocacy, **only one in three (36%) survivors reports receiving a survivorship care plan**—down from 43% last year. Yet the impact of these plans is undeniable. Most survivors do not feel prepared in most aspects of managing their care post-treatment, but those who have a plan are significantly more confident managing their health, side effects, and mental wellbeing after treatment. Survivorship care planning remains one of the clearest, most actionable paths to improving post-treatment quality of life.

The Bottom Line

Across every theme the message is clear: survivors are surviving, but too many are not *thriving*.

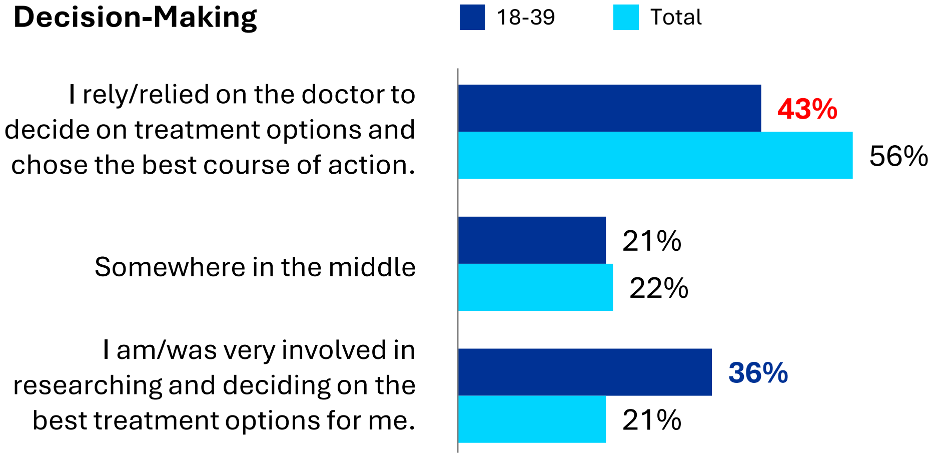
This year's findings reaffirm why we exist: We need a **Cure for Care**—care that sees, treats, and covers the whole person, not just the cancer.

APPENDIX A

SURVEY PARTICIPANT PROFILES

Patient Profile: Younger Cohort (Age 18-39)

Decision-Making



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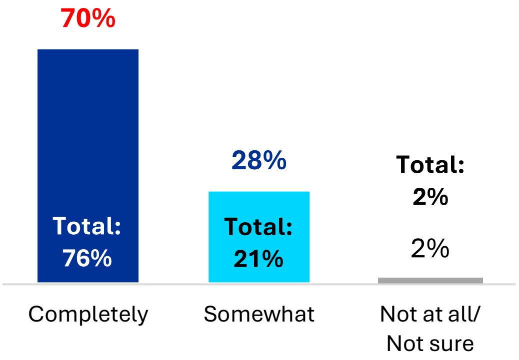
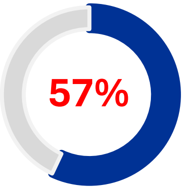
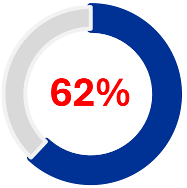




say they are very satisfied with their treatment and care
Total: 70%



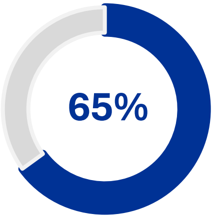
have a chronic condition
Total: 79%

Top 3 Financial Impacts	**18-39**	**Total**
Spent savings to cover personal living expenses	**28%**	19%
Borrowed money from family or friends	**27%**	15%
Had difficulty affording prescription drugs	**27%**	10%

Top 3 Concerns	**18-39**	**Total**
Anxiety about a recurrence	**85%**	75%
Cost of non-medical expenses	**85%**	54%
Rising costs of health insurance	**84%**	73%

Current State of Health

- Excellent: **11%**
  Total: 7%
- Good: **35%**
  Total: 46%
- Fair: 39%
  Total: 38%
- Poor: **14%**
  Total: 9%



had at least one insurance challenge
Total: 32%

Top Insurance Issues:

25%	High OOP costs
24%	Dr. fought company
22%	Treatment delayed

Base: Younger Patients, Age 18-39 (n=107)

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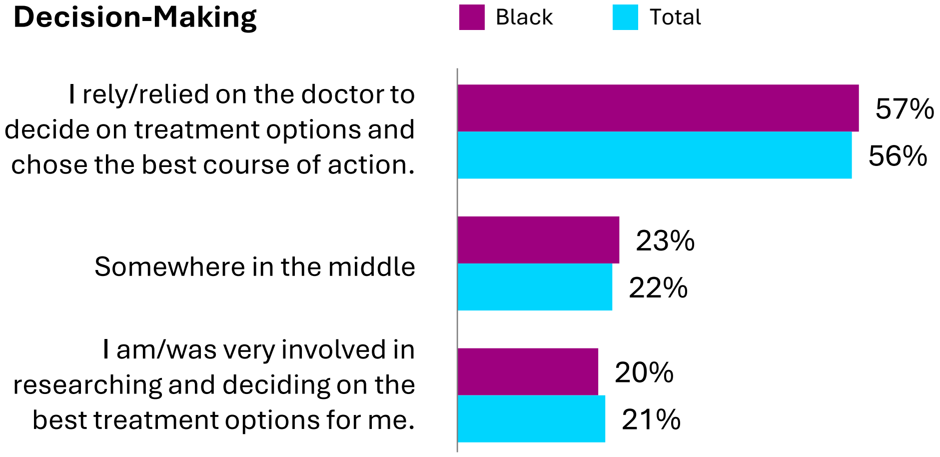
Patient Profile: Black Patients

Decision-Making



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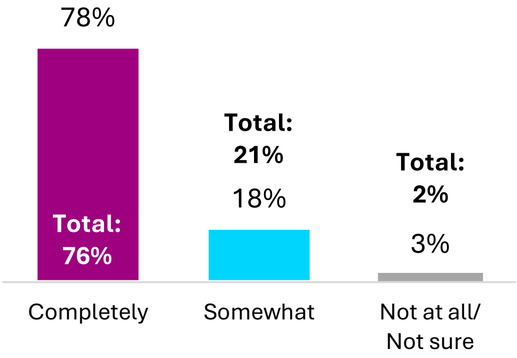

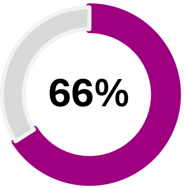

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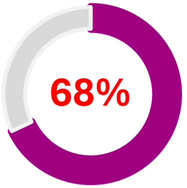
Total: 70%



have a chronic condition
Total: 79%

Top 3 Financial Impacts

	Black	Total
Applied for government financial assistance	**35%**	17%
Borrowed money from family or friends	**23%**	15%
Spent savings to cover personal living expenses	23%	19%

Top 3 Concerns

	Black	Total
Anxiety about a recurrence	77%	75%
Changes to daily lifestyle/activities	**74%**	60%
Uncertainty about the future	73%	71%

Current State of Health

- Excellent: 5%
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- Good: 45%
  Total: 46%
- Fair: 43%
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- Poor: 7%
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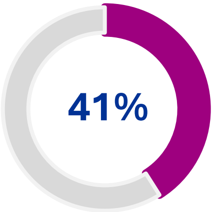
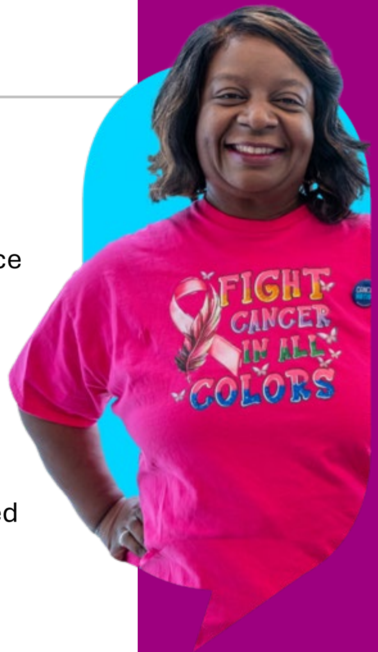


had at least one insurance challenge
Total: 32%

Top Insurance Issues:

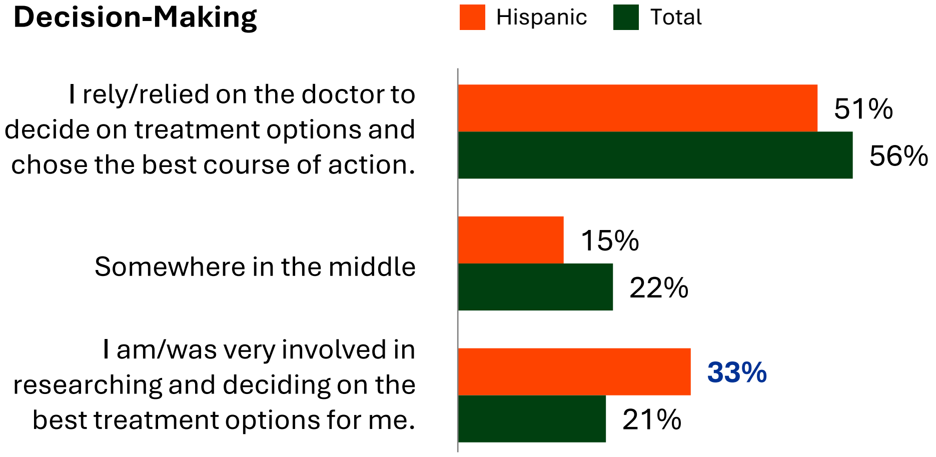
13%	Had to fight company
11%	Specific location forced
11%	Treatment delayed



Base: Black Patients (n=122)

Patient Profile: Hispanic Patients

Decision-Making



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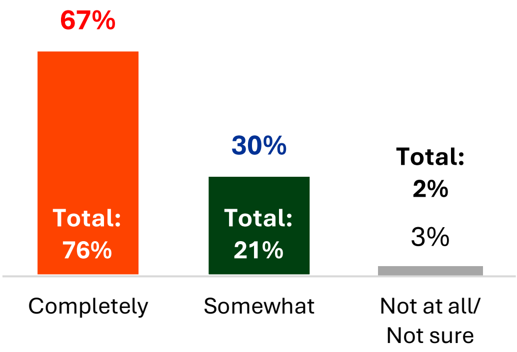
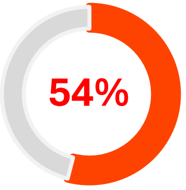
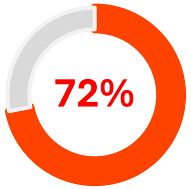




say they are very satisfied with their treatment and care
Total: 70%



have a chronic condition
Total: 79%

Top 3 Financial Impacts

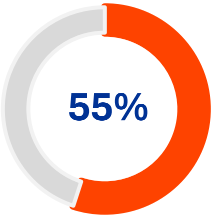
	Hispanic	Total
Spent savings to cover personal living expenses	**28%**	19%
Borrowed money from family or friends	**27%**	15%
Applied for government financial assistance	**24%**	17%

Top 3 Concerns

	Hispanic	Total
Anxiety about a recurrence	**84%**	75%
Uncertainty about the future	**82%**	71%
Managing ongoing side effects from treatment	**81%**	62%

Current State of Health

- Excellent: 11%
  Total: 7%
- Good: 39%
  Total: 46%
- Fair: 44%
  Total: 38%
- Poor: 6%
  Total: 9%



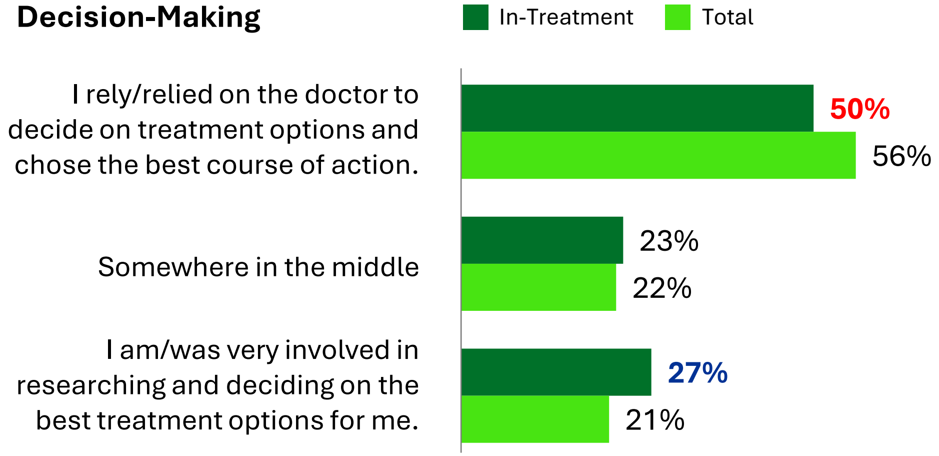
had at least one insurance challenge
Total: 32%

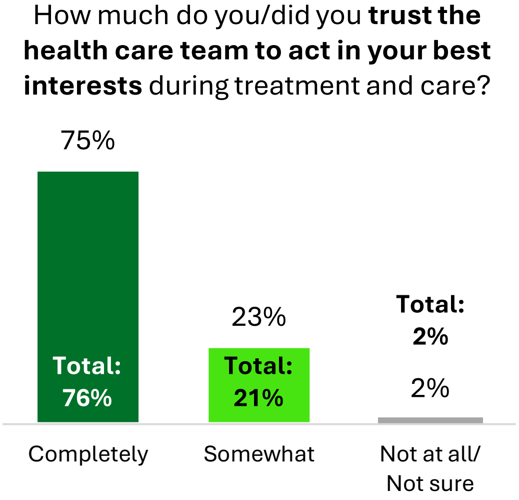
Top Insurance Issues:

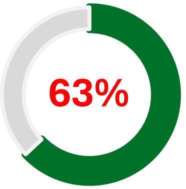
21%	High OOP costs
17%	Dr. fight company
14%	Treatment delayed

Base: Hispanic Patients (n=115)

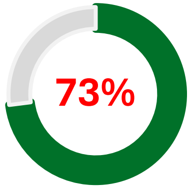
Patient Profile: In-Treatment







63% say they are very satisfied with their treatment and care
Total: 70%



73% have a chronic condition
Total: 79%

Top 3 Financial Impacts	**In-Treatment**	**Total**
Spent savings to cover personal living expenses	**24%**	19%
Applied for government financial assistance	18%	17%
Delayed a major purchase	**18%**	13%

Top 3 Concerns	**In-Treatment**	**Total**
Uncertainty about the future	**83%**	71%
Managing ongoing side effects from treatment	**82%**	62%
Anxiety about a recurrence	**81%**	75%

Current State of Health

- Excellent: **4%**
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- Good: **36%**
  Total: 46%
- Fair: **46%**
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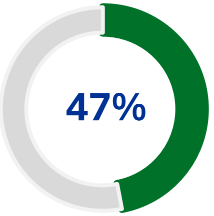


47% had at least one insurance challenge
Total: 32%

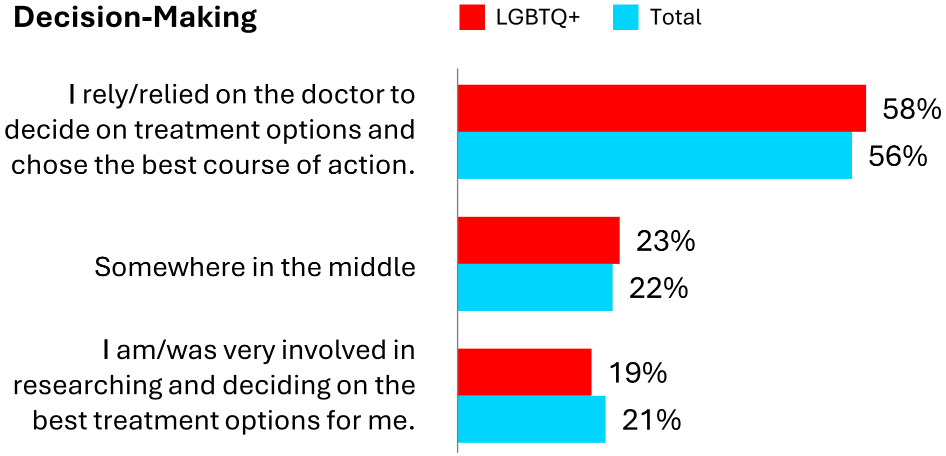
Top Insurance Issues:

19%	High OOP costs
16%	Dr. fight company
13%	Treatment delayed

Base: In Treatment Patients (n=352)

Patient Profile: LGBTQ+

Decision-Making



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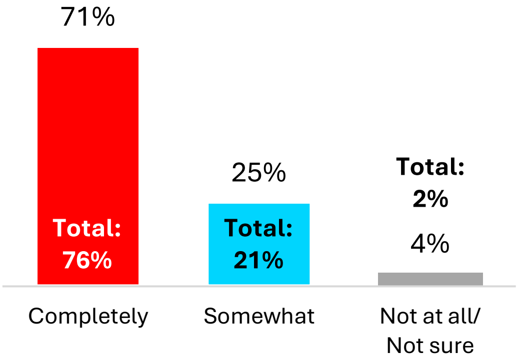
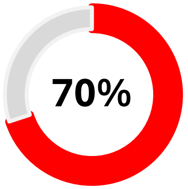
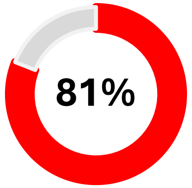




say they are very satisfied with their treatment and care
Total: 70%



have a chronic condition
Total: 79%

Top 3 Financial Impacts

	LGBTQ+	Total
Borrowed money from family or friends	29%	15%
Applied for government financial assistance	22%	17%
Spent savings to cover personal living expenses	22%	19%

Top 3 Concerns

	LGBTQ+	Total
Anxiety about a recurrence	82%	75%
Uncertainty about the future	77%	71%
Rising costs of health insurance	76%	73%

Current State of Health

- Excellent: 6%
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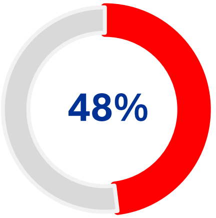
  Total: 9%



had at least one insurance challenge
Total: 32%

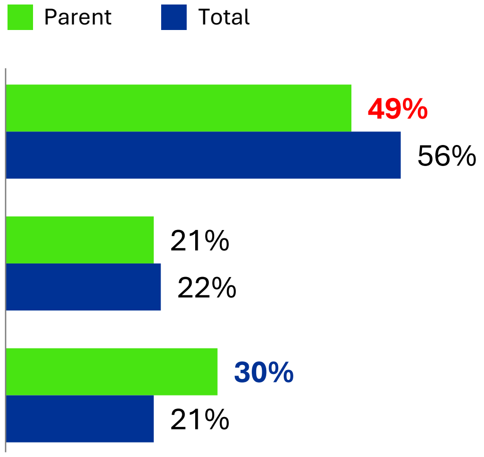
Top Insurance Issues:

20%	High OOP costs
17%	Dr. fought company
16%	Treatment delayed

Base: LGBTQ+ Patients (n=71)

Patient Profile: Parents

Decision-Making



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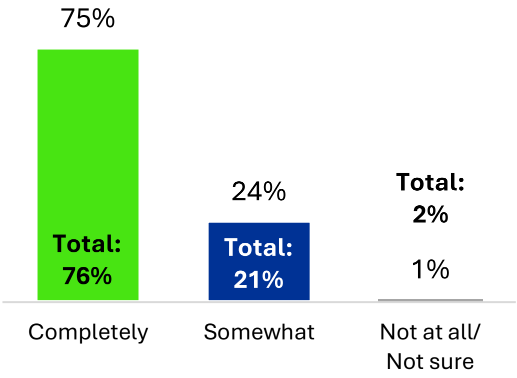

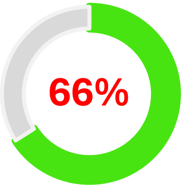

say they are very satisfied with their treatment and care
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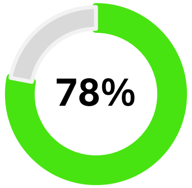

have a chronic condition
Total: 79%

Top 3 Financial Impacts	**Parent**	**Total**
Spent savings to cover personal living expenses	**24%**	19%
Applied for government financial assistance	**21%**	17%
Borrowed money from family or friends	**20%**	15%

Top 3 Concerns	**Parent**	**Total**
Anxiety about a recurrence	**84%**	75%
Rising costs of health insurance	**82%**	73%
Uncertainty about the future	**80%**	71%

Current State of Health

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  Total: 7%
- Good: 43%
  Total: 46%
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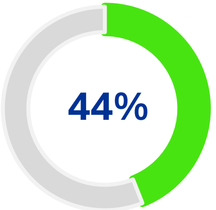
  Total: 9%



had at least one insurance challenge
Total: 32%

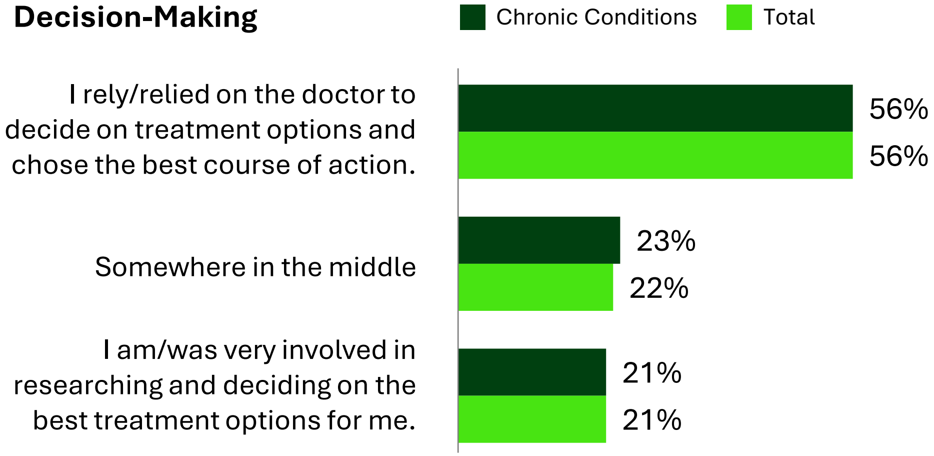
Top Insurance Issues:

20%	High OOP costs
15%	Dr. fight company
12%	I had to fight company

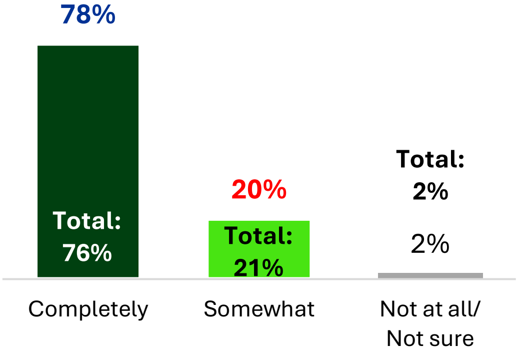
Base: Parents During Treatment (n=428)

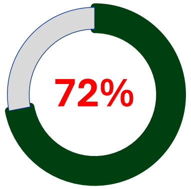
Patient Profile: Patients with Chronic Conditions

Decision-Making

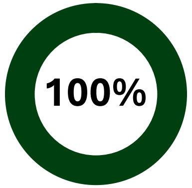


How much do you/did you **trust the health care team to act in your best interests** during treatment and care?





say they are very satisfied with their treatment and care
Total: 70%



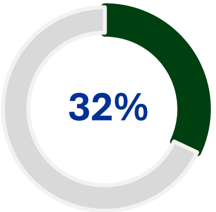
have a chronic condition
Total: 79%

Top 3 Financial Impacts	**Chronic Conditions**	**Total**
Spent savings to cover personal living expenses	20%	19%
Applied for government financial assistance	**18%**	17%
Borrowed money from family or friends	15%	15%

Top 3 Concerns	**Chronic Conditions**	**Total**
Anxiety about a recurrence	74%	75%
Rising costs of health insurance	73%	73%
Uncertainty about the future	71%	71%

Current State of Health

- Excellent: **5%**
  Total: 7%
- Good: **45%**
  Total: 46%
- Fair: **41%**
  Total: 38%
- Poor: 10%
  Total: 9%



had at least one insurance challenge
Total: 32%

Top Insurance Issues:

15%	High OOP costs
9%	Dr. fight company
7%	Treatment delayed

Patients with Chronic Conditions (n=1031)

Financial, Physical and Mental Health Concerns

Under-served audiences (women, younger, patients of color, and parents) over-index on most items.

Emotional/Lifestyle
Financial/Insurance
Physical Health/Adherence

	National Sample	Cancer Nation Connected	In-Treatment	Women	18-39	Black	Hispanic	Parent
Anxiety about a recurrence	75%	**85%**	**81%**	**80%**	**85%**	77%	**84%**	**84%**
Rising costs of health insurance	73%	**83%**	**77%**	**77%**	**84%**	71%	80%	**82%**
Uncertainty about the future	71%	**84%**	**83%**	73%	**84%**	73%	**82%**	**80%**
Having the energy to make it through the day	64%	**77%**	**80%**	**69%**	**83%**	**70%**	**76%**	**75%**
Maintaining a healthy weight	64%	**78%**	**70%**	**68%**	**76%**	**73%**	69%	**72%**
Being there for your family and friends	62%	**74%**	**74%**	64%	**80%**	**73%**	**78%**	**75%**
Cost of medical care	62%	**77%**	**70%**	**66%**	**84%**	65%	**77%**	**74%**
Managing ongoing side effects from treatment	62%	**81%**	**82%**	64%	**80%**	**72%**	**81%**	**72%**
Changes to daily lifestyle/activities	60%	**75%**	**74%**	62%	**82%**	**74%**	**74%**	**69%**
Preparing to make/making end-of-life decisions *(among people living with metastatic cancer)*	60%	57%	**72%**	66%	n/a*	n/a*	n/a*	n/a*
Cost of prescriptions and treatments	60%	**74%**	**69%**	**64%**	**80%**	66%	**75%**	**71%**
Having the financial support you need	60%	**71%**	**70%**	**66%**	**83%**	**70%**	**79%**	**74%**
Getting enough exercise	59%	**76%**	**73%**	62%	**78%**	63%	67%	**66%**
Emotionally preparing for end-of-life *(among people living with metastatic cancer)*	55%	61%	**68%**	61%	n/a*	n/a*	n/a*	n/a*
Cost of non-medical expenses (e.g., food, housing, transportation)	54%	**64%**	**66%**	**60%**	**85%**	**62%**	**76%**	**69%**
Planning for end-of-life care *(among people living with metastatic cancer)*	54%	53%	58%	62%	n/a*	n/a*	n/a*	n/a*
Understanding the health insurance benefits available to you	53%	**70%**	**62%**	**57%**	**73%**	57%	**71%**	**64%**
Maintaining a proper diet	53%	**72%**	**68%**	**57%**	**76%**	**63%**	**75%**	**64%**
Having the emotional support you need	50%	**71%**	**59%**	**57%**	**76%**	**62%**	**73%**	**67%**
Support with mental health issues (e.g., anxiety or depression)	50%	**73%**	**64%**	**55%**	**83%**	**60%**	**76%**	**68%**
Loss of income	48%	**63%**	**60%**	**53%**	**74%**	**62%**	**76%**	**66%**
Feeling isolated and lonely	46%	**69%**	**60%**	**52%**	**73%**	49%	**63%**	**62%**
Ability to maintain relationships	45%	**63%**	**58%**	47%	**77%**	**54%**	**68%**	**63%**
Long-term planning/career goals	45%	**62%**	**61%**	47%	**82%**	**65%**	**69%**	**61%**
Cost of professional caregiving	44%	**56%**	**57%**	43%	**65%**	49%	**59%**	**55%**
Managing all of your prescribed medications and other treatments	44%	**56%**	**59%**	45%	**77%**	**54%**	**67%**	**59%**
Losing your health insurance	43%	**65%**	**52%**	**47%**	**68%**	**50%**	**71%**	**58%**
Learning how to apply for grants, scholarships, or gov't benefits	41%	**53%**	**57%**	**45%**	**72%**	**58%**	**69%**	**53%**
Getting health insurance	38%	**56%**	**47%**	39%	**67%**	41%	**65%**	**52%**
Getting/keeping disability insurance	36%	**48%**	**49%**	37%	**73%**	**51%**	**64%**	**52%**
Managing appointments	35%	**52%**	**50%**	**39%**	**67%**	**46%**	**57%**	**49%**
Visiting your doctor regularly	35%	**53%**	**46%**	**38%**	**65%**	**42%**	**57%**	**50%**
Work/employment issues, like finding and keeping a job	35%	**53%**	**46%**	37%	**73%**	**50%**	**69%**	**51%**
Starting a family/having children	16%	**30%**	**31%**	**13%**	**63%**	**28%**	**40%**	**29%**

Source= National Patients (n=1305)

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