

**BREAST CANCER SURVEY**

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**Q1. Thinking about health issues, how concerned would you say you are about breast cancer?**

Somewhat concerned

Not too concerned

Not at all concerned

Don't Know

Refused

**IQ2. I'm going to read a list of factors that often come up when people talk about cancer in general. For each, please tell me if it is a very important, somewhat important, not too important, or not at all important factor in INCREASING the risk of a woman getting breast cancer.**

**Q2. Smoking**

Very Important

Somewhat Important

Not too important

Not at all important

Don't Know

**Q3. Having the breast cancer gene**

Very Important

Somewhat Important

Not too important

Not at all important

Don't Know

**Q4. Hormone replacement therapy**

Very Important

Somewhat Important

Not too important

Not at all important

Don't Know

Refused

**Q5. Birth control pills**

Very Important

Somewhat Important

Not too important

Not at all important

Don't Know

**Q6. Never having been pregnant**

Very Important

Somewhat Important

Not too important

Not at all important

Don't Know

Refused

**Q7. Having had an abortion**

Very Important

Somewhat Important

Not too important

Not at all important

Don't Know

Refused

**Q8. The number of children a woman has**

Very Important

Somewhat Important

\Not too important

Not at all important

Don't Know

**Q9. The age at which a woman has children**

Very Important

Somewhat Important

Not too important

Not at all important

Don't Know

Refused

**Q10. Alcohol consumption**

Very Important

Somewhat Important

Not too important

Not at all important

Don't Know

**Q11. Obesity**

Very Important

Somewhat Important

Not too important

Not at all important

Don't Know

**Q12. X-ray exposure**

Very Important

Somewhat Important

Not too important

Not at all important

Don't Know

**Q13. Environmental pollution**

Very Important

Somewhat Important

Not too important

Not at all important

Don't Know

**Q14. Exposure to second hand smoke**

Very Important

Somewhat Important

Not too important

Not at all important

Don't Know

Refused

**Q15. Having taken fertility drugs**

Very Important

Somewhat Important

Not too important

Not at all important

Don't Know

Refused

**Q16. Eating a high fat diet**

Very Important

Somewhat Important

Not too important

Not at all important

Don't Know

Refused

**Q17. Not having breast fed**

Very Important

Somewhat Important

Not too important

Not at all important

Don't Know

Refused

**Q18. Age of first menstruation**

Very Important

Somewhat Important

Not too important

Not at all important

Don't Know

**Q19. A woman's age**

Very Important

Somewhat Important

Not too important

Not at all important

Don't Know

Refused

**Q20. Close relatives with breast cancer**

Very Important

Somewhat Important

Not too important

Not at all important

Don't Know

Refused

**Q21. What percent of women would you say get breast cancer sometime in their lifetime?**

1-25

26-50

51-75

76-100

Don't Know

Refused

**Q22. What percent of women who get breast cancer have a mother, sister, or grandmother who had it too?**

1-25

26-50

51-75

76-100

Don't Know

Refused

**IQ23. For each of the following statements please tell me if you think the Statement is true or false. First...**

**Q23. Connecticut has one of the highest rates of breast cancer in the United States.**

True

False

Don't Know

Refused

**Q24. If you do not have a family history of breast cancer and if you do not have the 'breast cancer' gene, it is not as important for you to get a mammogram every year.**

True

False

Don't Know

Refused

**IQ25. Next, I'd like to ask about what you think about the OUTCOME of breast cancer treatment. For each of the following statements, please tell me if you agree or disagree.**

**Q25. Many cases of breast cancer can be completely cured if they are detected early.**

Strongly Agree

Somewhat Agree

Somewhat Disagree

Strongly Disagree

Don't Know

**Q26. If breast cancer occurs BEFORE menopause it is harder to cure.**

Strongly Agree

Somewhat Agree

Somewhat Disagree

Strongly Disagree

Don't Know

**Q27. Early detection and treatment is the best way to assure a cure based on current knowledge.**

Strongly Agree

Somewhat Agree

Somewhat Disagree

Strongly Disagree

Don't Know

**Q28. Reducing stress is one of the most important parts of curing breast cancer.**

Strongly Agree

Somewhat Agree

Somewhat Disagree

Strongly Disagree

Don't Know

Refused

**Q29. Would you support or oppose legislation that would require health insurance policies to cover a woman's first mammogram for any woman at least 40 years old?**

Strongly support

Somewhat support

Somewhat oppose

Strongly oppose

Don't Know

Refused

**Q30. In general, where would you say you get most of your information regarding breast cancer?**

Media (radio, TV, newspapers, magazines)

Doctor or Medical professional

Friends

Family

Don't discuss

Other (Specify)

Don't Know

**Q31. What precautions, if any, do you take to prevent breast cancer?**

None/Doesn't take any precautions

Eating healthy/low-fat diet

Exercise

Drink alcohol in moderation

Do not smoke

Am not around second hand smoke

Get yearly mammograms

Do breast self examinations

Other (Specify)

Don't Know

Refused

**Q32. How familiar are you with any prescription medications that may help prevent breast cancer for those who have an increased risk for the disease?**

Very familiar

Somewhat familiar

Not too familiar

Not at all familiar

Don't Know

**Q33. Have you ever had breast cancer?**

Yes

No

Refused

**Q34. Has your mother, a sister, or your grandmother had breast cancer?**

Yes

No

Don't Know

Refused

**Q35. Has a close friend or other relative been treated for breast cancer?**

Yes

No

Don't Know

Refused

**Q36. Have you found that screenings for breast cancer are available at convenient times and locations in your area?**

Yes

No

Have not looked (vol.)

Don't Know

**Q37. How long ago was your last mammogram?**

Less than 1 year

1 year to less than 2 years

2 years to less than 3 years

3 years or more

Has never had a mammogram (vol.)

Don't Know

Refused

**Q38. Most women who get breast cancer do not have a family history of the disease. Does knowing this make you much more likely, somewhat more likely, somewhat less likely, or much less likely to go for regular mammograms?**

Much more likely

Somewhat more likely

Somewhat less likely

Much less likely

Don't Know

Refused

**Q39. When it comes to the state budget there are many programs that compete for state funds, Knowing this, would you support or oppose legislation that requires greater funding for more intensive research into the impact of environmental chemicals on the development of breast cancer? (Probe: SUPPORT/OPPOSE STRONGLY/SOMEWHAT)**

Strongly Support

Somewhat Support

Somewhat Oppose

Strongly Oppose

Don't Know

Refused