

Glyphosate

Public Opinion Poll



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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In response to the Trump Administration’s recent executive order to stockpile glyphosate and related chemical herbicides, the Informed Consent Action Network (ICAN) conducted a public opinion poll to gauge Americans' views on glyphosate regulation, corporate accountability, and federal decision-making. A total of 2,569 individuals responded to the four-question survey, which was distributed through ICAN’s digital channels in February 2026.

The results reveal a striking degree of consensus among respondents across all four questions. Overwhelming majorities expressed awareness of glyphosate-related cancer litigation, opposed federal stockpiling of glyphosate-based herbicides, rejected the idea of legal immunity for manufacturers, and indicated that the retraction of a key safety study has undermined their trust in existing safety claims.

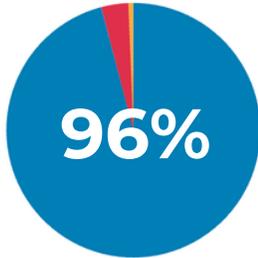
These findings suggest a significant gap between current federal policy direction and the expectations of a substantial segment of the American public—particularly regarding transparency, scientific integrity, and accountability in the regulatory process.

2,569	95.6%	97.8%	89.0%
TOTAL RESPONDENTS	AWARE OF LITIGATION	OPPOSE IMMUNITY	OPPOSE STOCKPILING

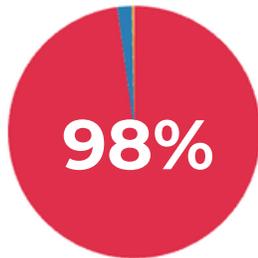




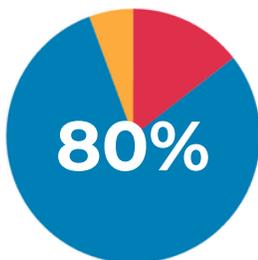
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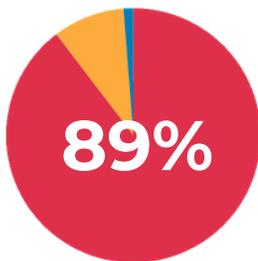
**AWARE OF
LITIGATION**



**DISAGREE WITH
MANUFACTURER
IMMUNITY**



**TRUST AFFECTED
BY RETRACTION**



**DISAGREE WITH
GLYPHOSATE
STOCKPILING**

BACKGROUND & CONTEXT

The Trump Administration’s executive order directing federal agencies to **ensure an adequate domestic supply of glyphosate** and related herbicides as part of national preparedness planning has framed these products as essential to agricultural productivity and food security, citing supply-chain vulnerabilities exposed during recent global disruptions. The order also **includes provisions that shield manufacturers and suppliers from certain forms of legal liability**, raising concerns about accountability in the event of health or environmental harm.

The decision prompted immediate debate. Glyphosate—the active ingredient in Roundup and the most widely used herbicide in the world—has been the subject of more than **\$10 billion in jury verdicts and settlements related to cancer claims**, particularly non-Hodgkin’s lymphoma. The International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC), a division of the World Health Organization, classified glyphosate as **“probably carcinogenic to humans”** in 2015.

Further complicating the policy landscape, a **foundational study frequently cited to support glyphosate’s safety**—published in Regulatory Toxicology and Pharmacology—**was formally retracted** on November 28, 2025, raising renewed questions about the evidentiary basis for longstanding safety assurances.

Against this backdrop, ICAN developed a four-question public opinion poll to capture how Americans view the current state of glyphosate regulation, manufacturer liability, and the trustworthiness of safety research. **Nearly 2,600 individuals responded**, underscoring the depth of public interest and concern surrounding this issue.

METHODOLOGY

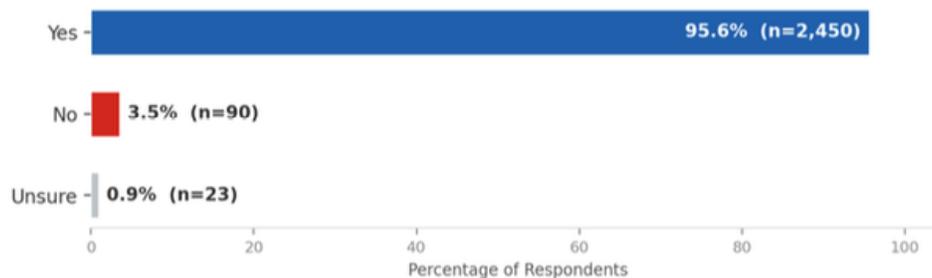
The poll was conducted via an online form distributed through ICAN's email list, website, the online educational program *The HighWire with Del Bigtree*, and related social media channels in February 2026. Each respondent answered four multiple-choice questions with three response options: Yes, No, or Unsure. Participation was voluntary and anonymous. A total of 2,569 responses were collected. Response counts vary slightly by question (ranging from 2,558 to 2,567) due to individual skip patterns.

Note: This poll reflects the views of ICAN's engaged audience and is not intended as a statistically representative sample of the broader U.S. population. The results should be understood as a measure of sentiment among individuals who are actively engaged in health freedom, informed consent, and regulatory transparency discussions.

DETAILED FINDINGS

Question 1 — Awareness of Cancer-Related Litigation

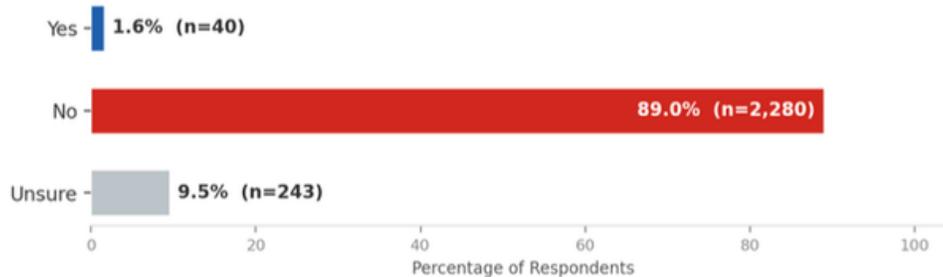
Are you aware that glyphosate-based herbicides have been associated with cancer claims that have resulted in more than \$10 billion in jury verdicts and settlements?



An overwhelming **95.6% of respondents** reported being aware that glyphosate-based herbicides have been linked to cancer claims, resulting in more than \$10 billion in jury verdicts and settlements. Just 3.5% indicated they were not aware, while 0.9% were unsure. This high level of awareness reflects the informed nature of ICAN's audience and suggests that litigation outcomes have become a significant factor in public perception of glyphosate safety.

Question 2 — Federal Stockpiling Policy

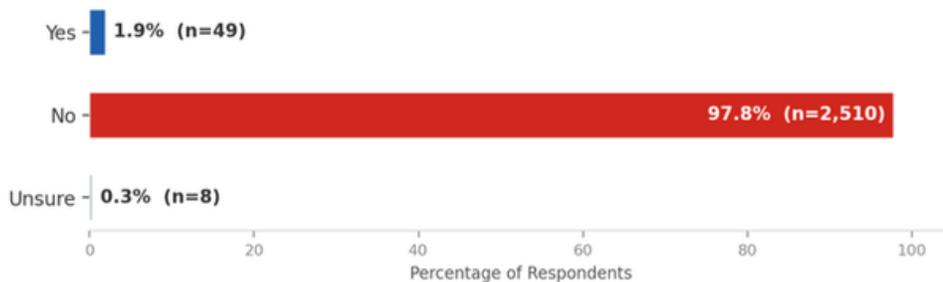
Should federal policy allow the stockpiling of glyphosate-based herbicides as part of national preparedness planning?



Nearly **nine in ten respondents (89.0%) opposed** federal stockpiling of glyphosate-based herbicides as part of national preparedness planning. Only **1.6% supported** the policy, while **9.5% were unsure**. This near-unanimous opposition indicates that respondents view the executive order's directive as inconsistent with public health interests, particularly given unresolved safety and legal questions.

Question 3 — Manufacturer Legal Immunity

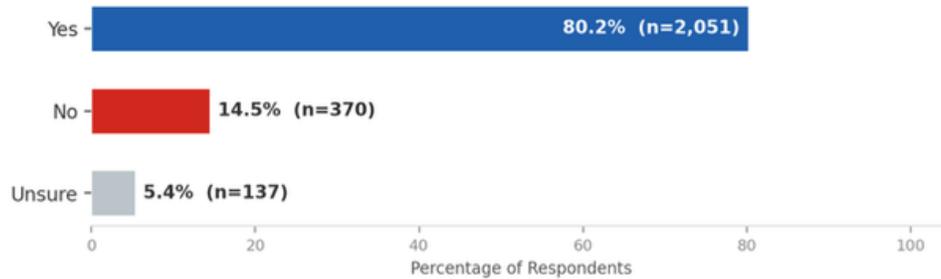
Do you believe manufacturers of glyphosate-based herbicides should have legal immunity from lawsuits related to alleged health harms?



The strongest consensus in the survey emerged on this question: **97.8%** of respondents said manufacturers of glyphosate-based herbicides **should not receive legal immunity** from lawsuits related to alleged health harms. Just **1.9% supported immunity**, and **0.3% were unsure**. This result underscores the depth of respondent conviction that corporate accountability and access to legal recourse must be preserved as scientific understanding of glyphosate continues to evolve.

Question 4 — Impact of Study Retraction on Trust

*Does the November 28, 2025 retraction of a foundational study—published in *Regulatory Toxicology and Pharmacology* and used to support the safety of glyphosate—affect your trust in current safety claims?*



Eighty percent of respondents reported that the November 2025 retraction of a foundational glyphosate safety study has **affected their trust** in current safety claims. A notable **14.5% said their trust was not affected**, while **5.4% were unsure**. The relatively higher proportion of “No” and “Unsure” responses on this question—compared to the other three—may suggest that some respondents had already discounted safety assurances prior to the retraction, while others may not yet be aware of the specific study in question.



KEY TAKEAWAYS



Near-universal awareness of litigation: 95.6% of respondents know about the more than \$10 billion in cancer-related verdicts and settlements involving glyphosate, demonstrating that legal outcomes have become central to public understanding of this issue.



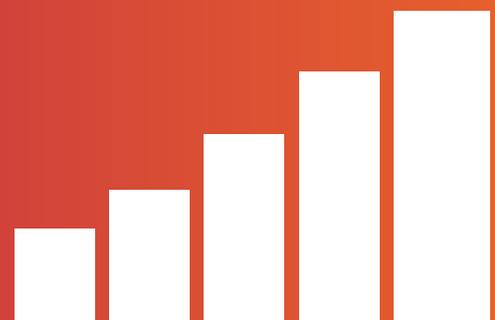
Decisive opposition to federal stockpiling: 89.0% oppose the inclusion of glyphosate-based herbicides in national preparedness reserves, signaling deep skepticism about the executive order's alignment with public health priorities.



Strongest consensus on accountability: 97.8% reject legal immunity for manufacturers—the most lopsided result in the survey—reflecting a firm belief that the legal system must remain open to individuals seeking redress for alleged health harms.



Study retraction has damaged trust: 80.2% say the retraction of a foundational safety study has affected their confidence in existing safety claims, underscoring the importance of scientific integrity in maintaining public trust.





CONCLUSION

This poll captures a clear and consistent message from ICAN's community: respondents are well-informed about glyphosate-related health concerns, strongly oppose policies that would expand the use or stockpiling of these herbicides, and are firmly committed to preserving corporate accountability through the legal system.

The results also highlight growing concern over scientific integrity. The retraction of a study long relied upon to justify glyphosate's safety has further eroded confidence in the regulatory framework, a finding that should inform both public education efforts and future policy discussions.

ICAN will continue to pursue transparency, support rigorous scientific inquiry, and advocate for policies that prioritize informed consent and public health. We are grateful to every participant who made their voice heard through this poll.

ABOUT ICAN

The Informed Consent Action Network (ICAN) is a nonprofit organization focused on the scientific integrity of the vaccine and pharmaceutical industries. Through **investigations, legal actions, and public education**, ICAN works to ensure that government health agencies and corporations are held to the highest standards of transparency and accountability. **Learn more at icandecide.org.**

Disclaimer: This report summarizes the results of a voluntary, self-selected public opinion poll conducted among ICAN's audience. It is not a scientific survey and does not claim to represent the views of the general U.S. population. Results should be interpreted within the context of the respondent base described herein.

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