## **Animal Patents**

# Summary of Survey Findings

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#### **BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE**

A series of four questions were asked on CARAVAN®, ORC's twice-weekly national shared-cost survey. The purpose of the research was to gauge awareness of and attitudes towards animal patents.

Results are based on interviews conducted among a representative sample of 1,008 adults 18 years old and older (503 men and 505 women) living in private households in the continental United States. Interviewing was completed at ORC's Central Telephone Facilities during the period of February 5-8, 2004.

Completed interviews were weighted by four variables: age, sex, geographic region, and race, to ensure reliable and accurate representation of the total adult population.

The margin of error at a 95% confidence level is plus or minus three percentage points for the sample of 1,008. Smaller sub-groups will have larger error margins.

#### **SURVEY SUMMARY**

This summary includes only the questions pertaining to companion animals. Summaries about other portions of the survey have been omitted.

#### **CLONING ANIMAL COMPANIONS**

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Women are more opposed than men (86% vs. 74%). Unlike previous questions about animal patents, older adults (55+) are more opposed to cloning companion animals than are younger adults (88% vs. 78%).

#### SELLING GENETICALLY-ENGINEERED ANIMALS AS PETS

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## **DETAILED FINDINGS**

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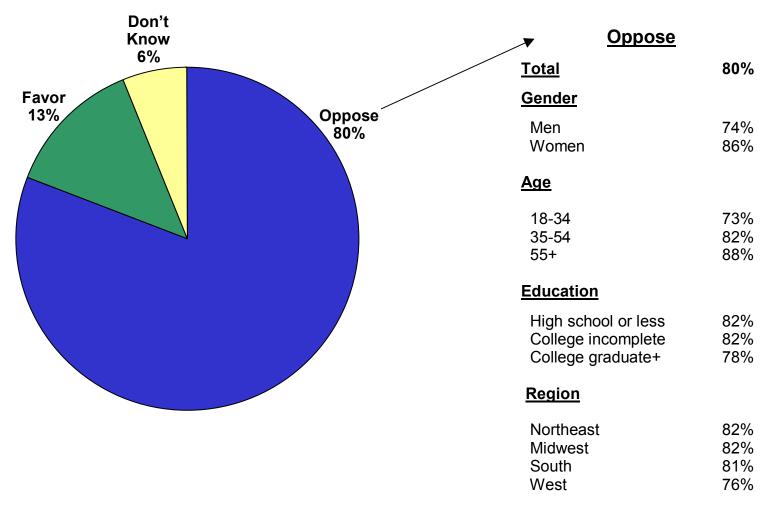


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#### Cloning Companion Animals (continued)

A3: Do you favor or oppose the cloning companion animals, such as dogs or cats?



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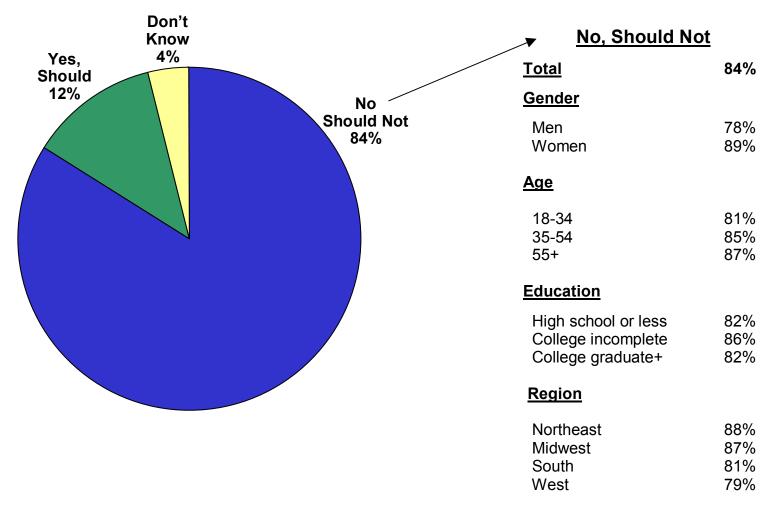


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A4: Should companies be allowed to genetically engineer animals for sale as pets?



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