

# SOUTH NASSAU TRUTH IN MEDICINE POLL

**MARCH 2017 - ANTIBIOTICS** 

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#### **METHODS**

- A poll of 600 adults in New York City and Long Island.
- Conducted from February 26-March 1, 2017.
- Via landline and cell phone.
- Findings applying to the 600 sample are subject to sampling error of plus or minus 3.9%.
- Subgroups of the sample are subject to error of up to plus or minus 10%.



## **ANTIBIOTIC USE**



Chart 1
Q.3 HAVE YOU EVER BEEN PRESCRIBED AN ANTIBIOTIC?

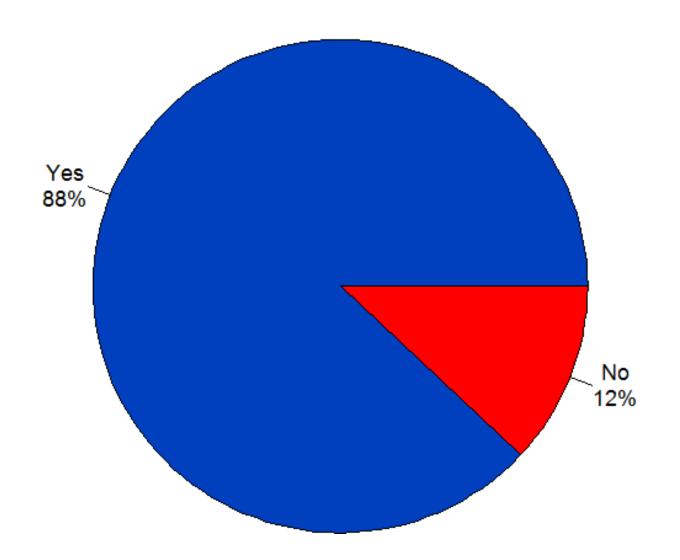
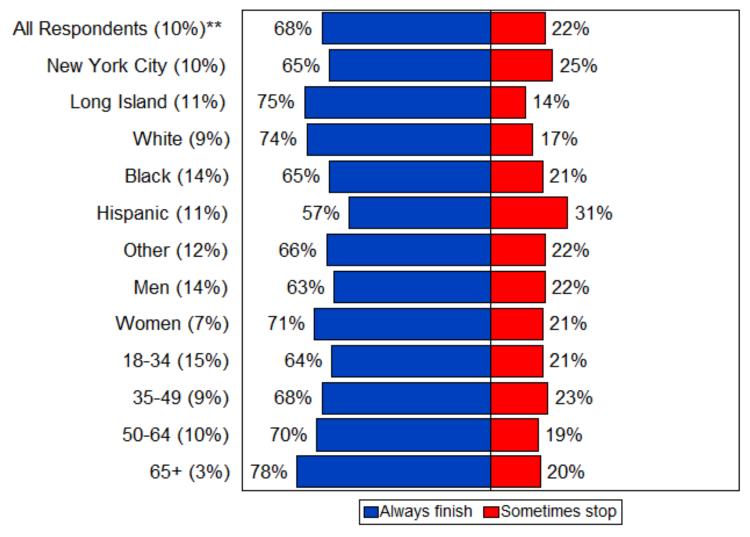




Chart 2

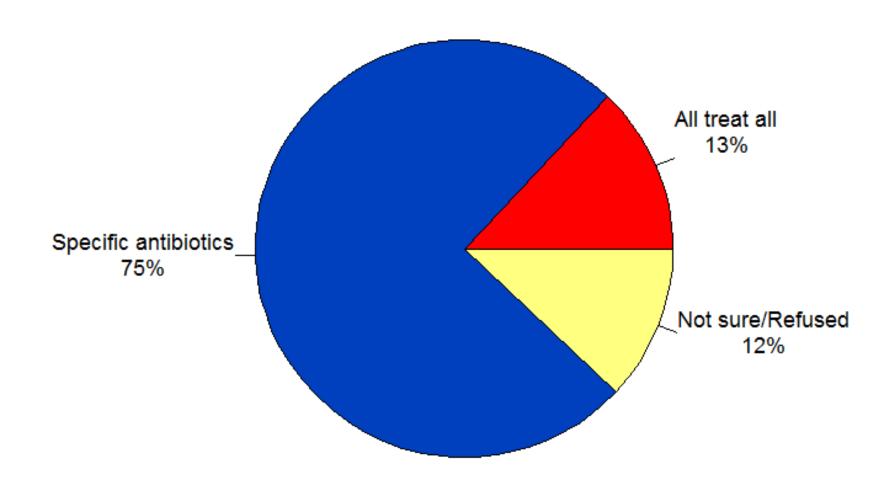
#### Q.4 DO YOU ALWAYS FINISH THE ENTIRE PRESCRIPTION?\*



<sup>\*</sup>Percentages based only on the 88% who said "Yes, they have been prescribed an antibiotic as an adult."
\*\*Numbers in parentheses are sum of "Depends" and "Not sure/Refused."

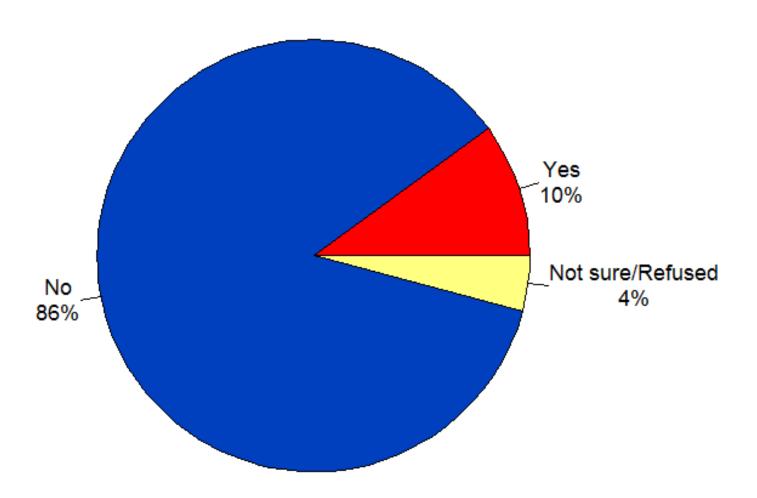


Chart 3
Q.5 DO ALL ANTIBIOTICS TREAT ALL INFECTIONS?





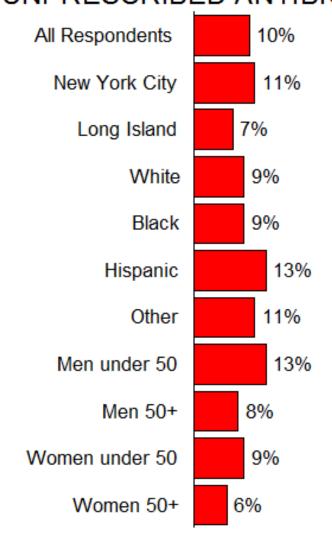
Q.8 HAVE YOU EVER TAKEN/OFFERED UNPRESCRIBED ANTIBIOTIC?





Q.8 PERCENTAGE WHO HAVE TAKEN/OFFERED UNPRESCRIBED ANTIBIOTIC

Chart 5





## **UNFINISHED ANTIBIOTICS**



Chart 6

Q.7 DO YOU HAVE UNFINISHED ANTIBIOTICS IN HOME?

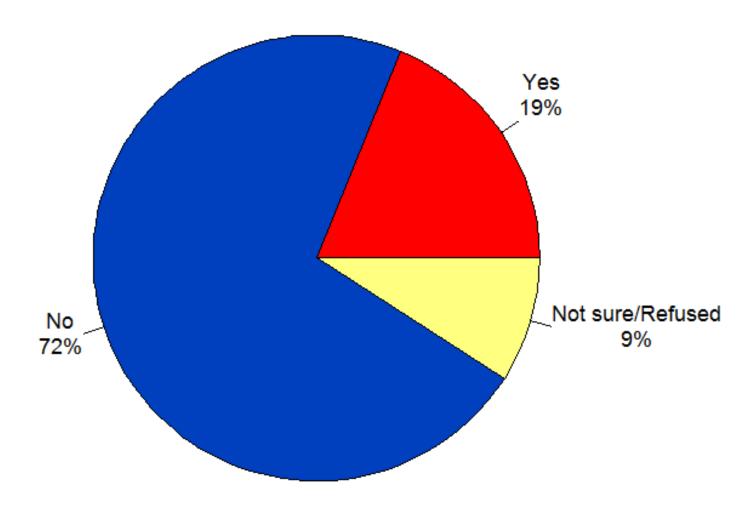
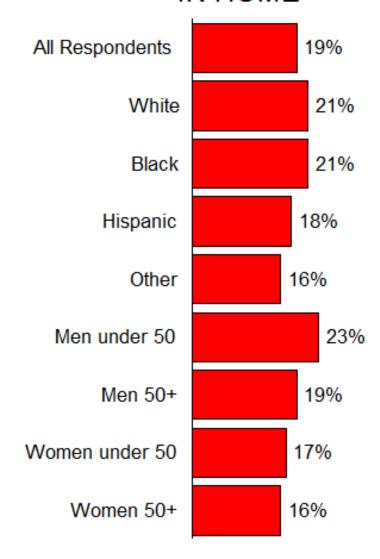




Chart 7
Q.7 PERCENTAGE WHO HAVE UNFINISHED ANTIBIOTICS
IN HOME





Q.9 TYPICAL ANTIBIOTIC/PRESCRIPTION MEDICINE DISPOSAL

Chart 8

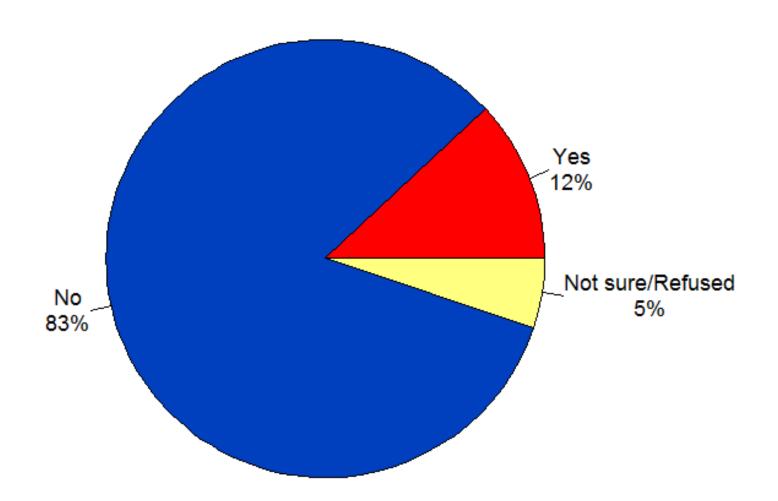
	Throw in trash	Flush down toilet	Take it to pharmacy/doctor	Something else	NS/Refused
All Respondents	44%	24%	6%	17%	9%
New York City	45	24	5	17	9
Long Island	41	25	9	17	9
White	46	23	6	18	7
Black	33	31	4	19	13
Hispanic	49	24	5	13	9
Other	36	26	7	18	12
Men under 50	44	30	3	16	8
Men 50+	44	17	11	20	7
Women under 50	49	21	6	17	8
Women 50+	35	32	5	15	14



## **ANTIBIOTIC OVERUSE**



Chart 9
Q.6 HAVE YOU ASKED A DOCTOR FOR ANTIBIOTICS
WHEN TOLD NOT NECESSARY?





Q.6 PERCENTAGE WHO HAVE ASKED A DOCTOR FOR ANTIBIOTICS WHEN TOLD NOT NECESSARY

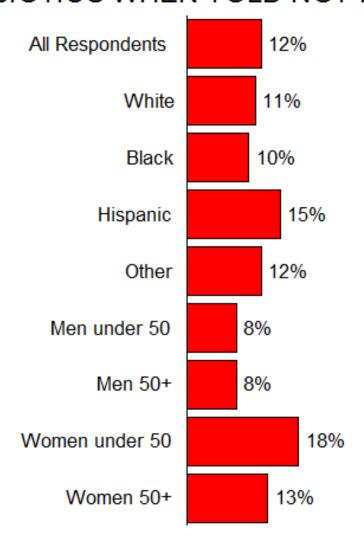
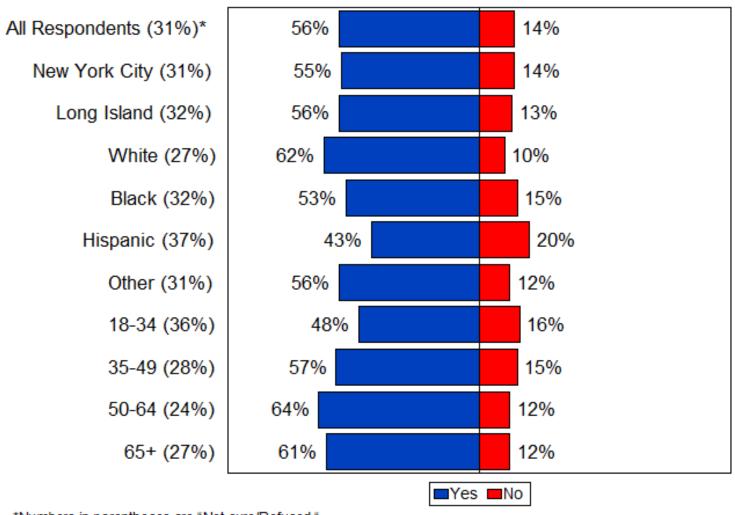




Chart 11

## Q.10 DO YOU THINK ANTIBIOTIC OVERUSE LEADS TO INCREASE IN SUPERBUGS?



<sup>\*</sup>Numbers in parentheses are "Not sure/Refused."

