Nearly Half of Americans Worried about Zika Outbreak

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A new poll finds that 43 percent of Americans are worried that there will be a large number of Zika cases this year. Fewer (28 percent) worry that they or a family member will become infected, according to the Feb. 25 poll from the Kaiser Family Foundation.

About six in 10 respondents (57 percent) said they are following news about the Zika virus outbreak. The majority answered correctly about how the virus can spread: 76 percent, from the bite of a mosquito carrying the virus; 54 percent by having sex with someone who is infected; and 69 percent “no” from shaking hands with someone who is infected.

CSG is following CDC research on Zika and continuously updating a CSG infographic with the latest facts about the Zika virus.

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