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## **INQUIRY INTO ELECTORAL AND POLITICAL PARTY FUNDING**

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**Tracking NSW Community Attitudes and  
Practices in Relation to Tobacco: A  
Biennial Telephone Survey**

**Frequency Data Report March 2007**

Minor modifications may be made to this data upon further analysis.

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## Community perceptions towards the tobacco industry and government regulation of tobacco

In 2006, a subsample of 2377 randomly selected NSW adults answered a series of items about community perceptions towards the tobacco industry, government regulation of tobacco, and the acceptability and impact of smoking. Detailed below are the 2006 responses on the issue of tobacco industry funding of political parties, together with comparative data from 2004. The five-point agreement scale has been abridged to three categories for this analysis.

The following question asked respondents how strongly they agreed or disagreed with the statement below. Do you agree or disagree that...

	Total 2004 (n=1158)			Total 2006 (n=2377)		
	Strongly Agree/ Agree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Strongly Disagree/ Disagree	Strongly Agree/ Agree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Strongly Disagree/ Disagree
	%	%	%	%	%	%
Political parties should accept donations from the tobacco industry	15.0	6.8	75.6	14.3	4.0	79.6