Topline
KFF Health Tracking Poll - October 2019

## METHODOLOGY

This KFF Health Tracking Poll was designed and analyzed by public opinion researchers at the Kaiser Family Foundation (KFF). The survey was conducted October $3^{\text {rd }}-8^{\text {th }} 2019$, among a nationally representative random digit dial telephone sample of 1,205 adults ages 18 and older, living in the United States, including Alaska and Hawaii (note: persons without a telephone could not be included in the random selection process). The sample included 290 respondents reached by calling back respondents that had previously completed an interview on the KFF Tracking poll at least nine months ago. Computerassisted telephone interviews conducted by landline (300) and cell phone (905, including 623 who had no landline telephone) were carried out in English and Spanish by SSRS of Glen Mills, PA. To efficiently obtain a sample of lower-income and non-White respondents, the sample also included an oversample of prepaid (pay-as-you-go) telephone numbers ( $25 \%$ of the cell phone sample consisted of prepaid numbers) as well as a subsample of respondents who had previously completed Spanish language interviews on the SSRS Omnibus poll ( $n=10$ ). Both the random digit dial landline and cell phone samples were provided by Marketing Systems Group (MSG). For the landline sample, respondents were selected by asking for the youngest adult male or female currently at home based on a random rotation. If no one of that gender was available, interviewers asked to speak with the youngest adult of the opposite gender. For the cell phone sample, interviews were conducted with the adult who answered the phone. KFF paid for all costs associated with the survey.

The combined landline and cell phone sample was weighted to balance the sample demographics to match estimates for the national population using data from the Census Bureau's 2017 American Community Survey (ACS) on sex, age, education, race, Hispanic origin, and region along with data from the 2010 Census on population density. The sample was also weighted to match current patterns of telephone use using data from the July-December 2018 National Health Interview Survey. The weight takes into account the fact that respondents with both a landline and cell phone have a higher probability of selection in the combined sample and also adjusts for the household size for the landline sample, and design modifications, namely, the oversampling of prepaid cell phones and likelihood of non-response for the re-contacted sample. All statistical tests of significance account for the effect of weighting.

The margin of sampling error including the design effect for the full sample is plus or minus 3 percentage points. Numbers of respondents and margins of sampling error for key subgroups are shown in the table below. For results based on other subgroups, the margin of sampling error may be higher. Sample sizes and margins of sampling error for other subgroups are available by request. Note that sampling error is only one of many potential sources of error in this or any other public opinion poll. Kaiser Family Foundation public opinion and survey research is a charter member of the Transparency Initiative of the American Association for Public Opinion Research.

| Group | N (unweighted) | M.O.S.E. |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Total | 1,205 | $\pm 3$ percentage points |
|  |  |  |
| Party Identification |  |  |
| Democrats | 355 | $\pm 6$ percentage points |
| Republicans | 301 | $\pm 7$ percentage points |
| Independents | 447 | $\pm 6$ percentage points |
| Democrats/Democratic-leaning independents/Independents with no leaning | 659 | $\pm 5$ percentage points |
| Democrats and Democratic-leaning independents | 564 | $\pm 5$ percentage points |

Notes for reading the topline:

- Percentages may not always add up to 100 percent due to rounding.
- Values less than 0.5 percent are indicated by an asterisk (*).
- "Vol." indicates a response was volunteered by the respondent, not offered as an explicit choice
- Questions are presented in the order asked; question numbers may not be sequential.

All trends shown in this document come from the Kaiser Health Tracking Polls except:
01/11: Kaiser Family Foundation/Harvard School of Public Health, The Public's Health Care Agenda for the 112th Congress (January 4-14, 2011) 09/06: ABC News/Kaiser Family Foundation/USA Today, Health Care in America 2006 Survey (September 7-12, 2006)

ACA.
As you may know a health reform bill was signed into law in 2010, known commonly as the Affordable Care Act or Obamacare. Given what you know about the health reform law, do you have a generally (favorable) or generally (unfavorable) opinion of it? [GET ANSWER THEN ASK: Is that a very (favorable/unfavorable) or somewhat (favorable/unfavorable) opinion?]

|  | Very favorable | Somewhat favorable | Somewhat unfavorable | Very unfavorable | Don't know/ Refused |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 10/19 | 30 | 21 | 12 | 28 | 8 |
| 09/19 | 29 | 24 | 15 | 26 | 7 |
| 07/19 | 26 | 22 | 12 | 29 | 12 |
| 06/19 | 27 | 19 | 13 | 27 | 12 |
| 04/19 | 29 | 21 | 11 | 27 | 13 |
| 03/19 | 27 | 23 | 11 | 28 | 11 |
| 02/19 | 28 | 22 | 12 | 25 | 12 |
| 01/19 | 29 | 22 | 12 | 28 | 10 |
| 11/18 | 28 | 25 | 14 | 26 | 8 |
| 09/18 | 23 | 26 | 15 | 27 | 9 |
| 08/18 | 26 | 24 | 13 | 27 | 10 |
| 07/18 | 28 | 20 | 12 | 28 | 11 |
| 06/18 | 26 | 24 | 13 | 28 | 8 |
| 04/18 | 27 | 22 | 15 | 28 | 9 |
| 03/18 | 26 | 24 | 15 | 28 | 7 |
| 02/18 | 33 | 21 | 12 | 30 | 5 |
| 01/18 | 27 | 23 | 12 | 30 | 8 |
| 11/17 | 29 | 21 | 17 | 29 | 5 |
| 10/17 | 29 | 22 | 13 | 27 | 9 |
| 09/17 | 27 | 19 | 14 | 30 | 10 |
| 08/17 | 30 | 22 | 10 | 29 | 8 |
| 07/17 | 28 | 22 | 12 | 32 | 6 |
| 06/17 | 29 | 22 | 14 | 27 | 8 |
| 05/17 | 29 | 20 | 13 | 29 | 9 |
| Late 04/171 | 24 | 24 | 15 | 26 | 12 |
| Early 04/17 | 20 | 26 | 16 | 30 | 9 |
| 03/17 | 21 | 28 | 15 | 29 | 6 |
| 02/17 | 20 | 28 | 15 | 27 | 10 |
| 12/16 | 21 | 22 | 16 | 30 | 11 |
| 11/16 | 19 | 24 | 17 | 28 | 11 |
| 10/16 | 19 | 26 | 13 | 32 | 10 |
| 09/16 | 18 | 26 | 17 | 30 | 9 |
| 08/16 | 19 | 21 | 14 | 28 | 17 |
| 07/16 | 18 | 22 | 17 | 29 | 14 |
| 06/16 | 18 | 24 | 12 | 32 | 14 |
| 04/16 | 15 | 23 | 17 | 32 | 13 |
| 03/16 | 21 | 20 | 17 | 30 | 13 |
| 02/16 | 19 | 22 | 12 | 34 | 14 |
| 01/16 | 21 | 20 | 16 | 28 | 16 |
| 12/15 | 19 | 21 | 13 | 33 | 14 |
| 11/15 | 19 | 19 | 17 | 28 | 17 |
| 10/15 | 21 | 21 | 15 | 27 | 16 |
| 09/15 | 21 | 20 | 15 | 30 | 14 |
| 08/15 | 23 | 21 | 16 | 25 | 14 |
| 06/29/15 | 23 | 20 | 13 | 27 | 17 |
| 06/09/15 | 19 | 20 | 16 | 26 | 19 |
| 04/15 | 22 | 21 | 15 | 27 | 14 |
| 03/15 | 22 | 19 | 15 | 28 | 16 |
| 01/15 | 19 | 21 | 16 | 30 | 15 |
| 12/14 | 18 | 23 | 16 | 30 | 14 |
| 11/14 | 18 | 19 | 16 | 30 | 18 |
| 10/14 | 16 | 20 | 16 | 27 | 20 |

[^0]|  | Very favorable | Somewhat favorable | Somewhat unfavorable | Very unfavorable | Don't know/ Refused |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 09/14 | 15 | 20 | 15 | 32 | 19 |
| 07/14 | 15 | 22 | 18 | 35 | 11 |
| 06/14 | 19 | 20 | 15 | 30 | 16 |
| 05/14 | 19 | 19 | 12 | 33 | 17 |
| 04/14 | 19 | 19 | 16 | 30 | 16 |
| 03/14 | 18 | 20 | 14 | 32 | 15 |
| 02/14 | 16 | 19 | 14 | 33 | 18 |
| 01/14 | 17 | 17 | 15 | 35 | 16 |
| 12/13 | 17 | 17 | 12 | 36 | 18 |
| 11/13 | 15 | 18 | 13 | 36 | 18 |
| 10/13 | 21 | 17 | 13 | 31 | 18 |
| 09/13 | 20 | 19 | 13 | 30 | 17 |
| 08/13 | 17 | 20 | 14 | 28 | 20 |
| 06/13 | 15 | 20 | 13 | 30 | 23 |
| 04/13 | 16 | 19 | 12 | 28 | 24 |
| 03/13 | 17 | 20 | 13 | 27 | 23 |
| 02/13 | 18 | 18 | 13 | 29 | 23 |
| 11/12 | 19 | 24 | 12 | 27 | 19 |
| 10/12 | 20 | 18 | 14 | 29 | 19 |
| 09/12 | 25 | 20 | 12 | 28 | 14 |
| 08/12 | 21 | 17 | 13 | 30 | 19 |
| 07/12 | 20 | 18 | 13 | 31 | 17 |
| 06/12 | 25 | 16 | 11 | 30 | 18 |
| 05/12 | 17 | 20 | 12 | 32 | 19 |
| 04/12 | 20 | 22 | 9 | 34 | 15 |
| 03/12 | 18 | 23 | 11 | 29 | 19 |
| 02/12 | 17 | 25 | 16 | 27 | 15 |
| 01/12 | 18 | 19 | 14 | 30 | 19 |
| 12/11 ${ }^{2}$ | 19 | 22 | 15 | 28 | 17 |
| 11/11 | 17 | 20 | 15 | 29 | 19 |
| 10/11 | 12 | 22 | 20 | 31 | 15 |
| 09/11 | 18 | 23 | 14 | 29 | 16 |
| 08/11 | 16 | 23 | 17 | 27 | 17 |
| 07/11 | 20 | 22 | 12 | 31 | 15 |
| 06/11 | 15 | 27 | 16 | 30 | 12 |
| 05/11 | 19 | 23 | 15 | 29 | 14 |
| 04/11 | 20 | 21 | 14 | 27 | 18 |
| 03/11 | 21 | 21 | 15 | 31 | 13 |
| 02/11 | 16 | 27 | 19 | 29 | 8 |
| 01/11 | 19 | 22 | 16 | 34 | 9 |
| 12/10 ${ }^{3}$ | 22 | 20 | 14 | 27 | 18 |
| 11/10 | 19 | 23 | 12 | 28 | 18 |
| 10/10 | 18 | 24 | 15 | 29 | 15 |
| 09/10 | 19 | 30 | 15 | 25 | 11 |
| 08/10 | 19 | 24 | 13 | 32 | 12 |
| 07/10 | 21 | 29 | 10 | 25 | 14 |
| 06/10 | 20 | 28 | 16 | 25 | 10 |
| 05/10 | 14 | 27 | 12 | 32 | 14 |
| 04/10 ${ }^{4}$ | 23 | 23 | 10 | 30 | 14 |

[^1]Q1. Under the health care law, do you think (INSERT ITEM) has gotten (better), (worse), or has it stayed about the same? How about (INSERT NEXT ITEM)? (rotate items in parentheses) (rotate items a \& b)

|  | Better | Worse | Stayed about <br> the same | Don't know/ <br> Refused |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| a. The cost of health care for you and your family <br> $10 / 19$ <br> b. The cost of health care for the nation as a whole <br> $10 / 19$ <br> 12 | 39 | 46 | 3 |  |

COMPARE TO:
Under the health reform law, do you think (INSERT ITEM) will get (better), (worse), or will it stay about the same? How about (INSERT NEXT ITEM)? (rotate items in parentheses) (rotate items a \& b)

|  | Better | Worse | Stay about the same | Depends (VOL.) | Don't know/ Refused |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| a. The cost of health care for you and your family |  |  |  |  |  |
| 03/13 | 15 | 49 | 33 | - | 3 |
| 07/11 | 21 | 41 | 34 | - | 5 |
| 03/11 | 23 | 42 | 31 | - | 4 |
| 04/10 | 25 | 37 | 32 | - | 6 |
| 03/10 | 31 | 32 | 29 | 2 | 6 |
| 09/09 | 37 | 27 | 30 | 2 | 5 |
| 08/09 | 34 | 30 | 30 | 2 | 4 |
| 07/09 | 35 | 25 | 32 | 4 | 5 |
| 02/09 | 39 | 16 | 39 | 2 | 5 |
| b. The cost of health care for the nation as a whole |  |  |  |  |  |
| 03/13 | 21 | 55 | 18 | - | 5 |
| 07/11 | 28 | 49 | 18 | - | 5 |

Q2. Which political party, the (Democrats) or the (Republicans), do you trust to do a better job (INSERT ITEM)? What about (INSERT NEXT ITEM)? (rotate items in parentheses) (scramble items b-d)

Items $a, b$ : Based on total
Item c: Based on half sample $A$
Item d: Based on half sample B

|  | Democrats | Republicans | Both (Vol.) | Neither <br> (Vol.) | Don't know | Refused |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| a. Handling health care |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10/19 | 44 | 29 | - | 21 | 4 | 1 | $n=1,205$ |
| 09/06 | 48 | 31 | 1 | 16 | 4 | - | $n=1,201$ |
| b. Lowering the cost of prescription drugs |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10/19 | 49 | 30 | - | 13 | 7 | 1 | $n=1,205$ |
| 07/16 | 51 | 30 | 1 | 12 | 5 | 1 | $n=1,212$ |
| 01/16 | 48 | 31 | 1 | 13 | 7 | - | $n=1,204$ |
| c. Determining the future of the Medicare program |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10/19 | 47 | 35 | - | 11 | 7 | 1 | $n=591$ |
| 07/16 | 50 | 35 | 1 | 9 | 5 | 1 | $n=1,212$ |
| 01/165 | 48 | 34 | 1 | 11 | 6 | - | $n=1,204$ |
| 09/14 | 43 | 34 | 1 | 15 | 7 | - | $n=1,505$ |
| d. Making sure seniors on Medicare today are able to get the health care they need |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10/19 | 51 | 32 | - | 11 | 5 | 1 | $n=614$ |
| 06/11 | 49 | 33 | 2 | 10 | 5 | - | $n=1,201$ |

[^2]READ TO ALL: As you may know, a federal district court judge in Texas ruled that the 2010 Affordable Care Act is unconstitutional and should not be in effect. This ruling is currently being appealed and some say it will go to the Supreme Court.

Q3. Would you like to see the Supreme Court overturn the 2010 health care law (READ IF NECESSARY: Known commonly as the Affordable Care Act or Obamacare), or not?

## Based on half sample A

|  | $10 / 19$ | $04 / 19^{6}$ | $07 / 18^{7}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Yes, overturn | 43 | 39 | 41 |
| No, do not want to see it overturned | 48 | 54 | 52 |
| Don't know/Refused | 8 | 7 | 7 |
|  | $n=591$ | $n=616$ | $n=593$ |

Q4. Would you like to see the Supreme Court overturn the protections for people with pre-existing conditions established by the 2010 health care law (READ IF NECESSARY: Known commonly as the Affordable Care Act or Obamacare), or not?

Based on half sample B

|  | $10 / 19$ | $04 / 19^{8}$ | $07 / 18^{9}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Yes, overturn | 29 | 27 | 27 |
| No, do not want to see it overturned | 63 | 68 | 64 |
| Don't know/Refused | 8 | 5 | 9 |
|  | $n=614$ | $n=587$ | $n=607$ |

Q5. As far as you know, has President Trump promised to release a new health care plan in 2019 that will replace the Affordable Care Act, or is this not something the president has promised?

10/19

| Yes, President Trump has promised to release a plan | 37 |
| :--- | :---: |
| No, President Trump has not promised to release a plan | 39 |
| Don't know/Refused (NET) | 24 |
| Don't know | 23 |
| Refused | 1 |

Q5a. As far as you know, has President Trump released the details of this new health care plan, or not?

Based on those who believe that President Trump promised to release healthcare plan details in 2019

|  | $10 / 19$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Yes, President Trump has released the details | 14 |
| No, President Trump has not released the details | 79 |
| Don't know/Refused (NET) | 7 |
| Don't know | 7 |
| Refused | $n=477$ |

[^3]${ }^{7}$ July 2018 trend was asked of half sample A.
${ }^{8}$ April 2019 trend was asked of half sample D
9 July 2018 trend was asked of half sample B.

Q5b. How likely do you think it is that the president will release the details of his new health care plan before the end of the year?

Based on those who believe that President Trump has not released health care plan details

|  |  | 10/19 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Very/Somewhat likely (NET) | 29 |
|  | Very likely | 10 |
|  | Somewhat likely | 19 |
|  | Not too/Not at all likely (NET) | 69 |
|  | Not too likely | 23 |
|  | Not at all likely | 46 |
|  | Don't know/Refused(NET) | 1 |
|  | Don't know | 1 |
|  | Refused | - |
|  |  | $n=390$ |
| Q5/ | 95b Combo Table |  |
|  | Based on total |  |
|  |  | 10/19 |
|  | Yes, Trump promised plan release | 37 |
|  | Yes, Trump released details | 5 |
|  | No, Trump did not release details | 29 |
|  | Very/Somewhat likely will release details before end of year | 9 |
|  | Not too/Not at all likely will release details before end of year | 20 |
|  | Don't know/Refused | * |
|  | Don't know/Refused | 3 |
|  | No, Trump did not promise plan release | 39 |
|  | Don't know/Refused | 24 |
| Q6. | President Trump has said that under his plan, Americans will get better you that he will deliver on this promise? | confident are |
|  |  | 10/19 |
|  | Very/Somewhat confident (NET) | 36 |
|  | Very confident | 18 |
|  | Somewhat confident | 18 |
|  | Not too/Not at all confident (NET) | 62 |
|  | Not too confident | 14 |
|  | Not at all confident | 48 |
|  | His administration already delivered on this promise (Vol.) | - |
|  | Don't know/Refused | 2 |

Q7. As you may know, members of Congress have launched an impeachment investigation of President Donald Trump. Which comes closer to your view? (READ LIST) (rotate response options 1-2/2-1)

|  | $10 / 19$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Congress can work on impeachment and pass legislation to address issues such as prescription drug costs and | 45 |
| surprise medical bills at the same time | 47 |
| Working on impeachment will keep Congress from passing legislation to address issues such as prescription <br> drug costs and surprise medical bills <br> Don't know/Refused | 7 |

Q8. In general, do you think the cost of prescription drugs is reasonable or unreasonable?

|  | $10 / 19$ | $02 / 19$ | $03 / 18$ | $09 / 16$ | $08 / 15$ | $06 / 09 / 15$ | $03 / 08$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Reasonable | 18 | 17 | 17 | 21 | 24 | 22 | 18 |
| Unreasonable | 78 | 79 | 80 | 77 | 72 | 73 | 79 |
| Don't know $_{\text {Refused }}$ 10 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 4 | 5 | 2 |
|  | $*$ | $*$ | 1 | 1 | -- | -- | -- |

Q9. I'm going to read actions some say would help keep prescription drug costs down. Please tell me whether you would (favor) or (oppose) each one. (First/Next), would you (favor) or (oppose) (INSERT ITEM)? (GET ANSWER THEN ASK: Is that strongly (favor/oppose) or somewhat (favor/oppose)?) (rotate items in parentheses) (scramble items a-g)
$\left.\begin{array}{llccccc} & \begin{array}{c}\text { Strongly/ } \\ \text { Somewhat } \\ \text { favor (NET) }\end{array} & \begin{array}{c}\text { Somewhat/ } \\ \text { Strongly } \\ \text { favor }\end{array} & \begin{array}{c}\text { Somewhat } \\ \text { Oppose } \\ \text { favor }\end{array} & \begin{array}{c}\text { Strongly } \\ \text { (NET) }\end{array} & \begin{array}{c}\text { Somewhat } \\ \text { oppose }\end{array} & \begin{array}{c}\text { Don't } \\ \text { know/ } \\ \text { oppose }\end{array} \\ \text { Refused }\end{array}\right]$

[^4]|  | Strongly/ Somewhat favor (NET) | Strongly favor | Somewhat favor | Somewhat/ Strongly Oppose (NET) | Strongly oppose | Somewhat oppose | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Don’t } \\ & \text { know/ } \end{aligned}$ Refused |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| c. Increasing taxes on drug companies that refuse to negotiate the price of medications with the federal |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10/19 | 72 | 55 | 18 | 25 | 11 | 14 | 2 | $n=1,205$ |
| d. Allowing Medicare to place limits on how much drug companies can |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| increase the price of drugs every year based on annual inflation rates |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10/19 | 76 | 55 | 21 | 21 | 9 | 12 | 2 | $n=1,205$ |
| e. Lowering what |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Medicare pays for some drugs based on amounts |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| in other countries where governments more closely control prices |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10/19 | 62 | 32 | 30 | 30 | 16 | 13 | 8 | $n=1,205$ |
| 02/19 ${ }^{13}$ | 65 | 32 | 32 | 30 | 17 | 13 | 5 | $n=716$ |
| f. Placing an annual limit on out-of-pocket costs, such as co-pays, for seniors enrolled in |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Medicare prescription drug coverage |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10/19 | 81 | 58 | 23 | 15 | 7 | 8 | 3 | $n=1,205$ |
| 02/19 ${ }^{14}$ | 76 | 49 | 27 | 22 | 11 | 11 | 2 | $n=716$ |
| g. Allowing Americans to buy prescription drugs |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| imported from licensed |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10/19 | 78 | 53 | 25 | 18 | 8 | 10 | 4 | $n=1,205$ |
| 02/19 | 80 | 51 | 28 | 18 | 9 | 9 | 3 | $n=724$ |
| Late 04/17 ${ }^{15}$ | 72 | 49 | 24 | 25 | 12 | 14 | 2 | $n=602$ |
| 09/16 | 71 | 45 | 26 | 25 | 11 | 14 | 5 | $n=604$ |
| 08/15 | 72 | 44 | 28 | 22 | 11 | 12 | 6 | $n=576$ |

[^5]Q10. I'm going to read arguments some people have made for or against having the federal government negotiate prescription drug prices. Would you (favor) or (oppose) allowing these negotiations if you heard that (INSERT ITEM)? (READ IF NECESSARY: Would you (favor) or (oppose) allowing the federal government negotiate prescription drug prices?) (rotate items in parentheses) (scramble items a-d)

|  | Favor | Don't know/ <br> Refused |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| a. It could limit people's access to newer prescription <br> drugs <br> $10 / 19$ | 29 | 65 |  |
| b. People could save money on their prescription drugs <br> $10 / 19$ | 89 | 9 | 5 |
| c. The federal government could save money by paying <br> less for prescription drugs for people on Medicare <br> $10 / 19$ | 79 | 17 | 2 |

(rotate M4ALL with PUBLICOPTION)

M4ALL. Do you (favor) or (oppose) having a national health plan, sometimes called Medicare-for-all, in which all Americans would get their insurance from a single government plan? (GET ANSWER THEN ASK: Is that strongly (favor/oppose) or somewhat (favor/oppose)?) (rotate items in parentheses)

|  | Strongly/ <br> Somewhat <br> favor <br> (NET) | Strongly <br> favor | Somewhat <br> favor | Somewhat/ <br> Strongly <br> oppose <br> (NET) | Somewhat <br> oppose | Strongly <br> oppose | Don't <br> know/ <br> Refused |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $10 / 19$ | 51 | 30 | 21 | 47 | 11 | 35 | 2 | $n=1,205$ |
| $09 / 19$ | 53 | 31 | 21 | 45 | 12 | 33 | 2 | $n=1,205$ |
| $07 / 19^{16}$ | 51 | 29 | 21 | 42 | 9 | 34 | 7 | $n=608$ |
| $04 / 19$ | 56 | 36 | 20 | 38 | 10 | 28 | 6 | $n=1,203$ |
| $03 / 19$ | 56 | 35 | 21 | 39 | 8 | 30 | 5 | $n=1,211$ |
| $02 / 19$ | 57 | 33 | 24 | 37 | 11 | 26 | 6 | $n=1,440$ |
| $01 / 19$ | 56 | 34 | 22 | 42 | 10 | 32 | 2 | $n=1,190$ |
| $03 / 18$ | 59 | 37 | 22 | 38 | 10 | 28 | 3 | $n=1,212$ |
| $09 / 17$ | 55 | 33 | 22 | 43 | 12 | 31 | 3 | $n=581$ |
| $06 / 17$ | 57 | 34 | 23 | 38 | 12 | 26 | 5 | $n=611$ |

PUBLICOPTION. Do you (favor) or (oppose) having a government-administered health plan, sometimes called a public option, that would compete with private health insurance plans and be available to all Americans? (GET ANSWER THEN ASK: Is that strongly (favor/oppose) or somewhat (favor/oppose)?) (rotate items in parentheses)

|  | $10 / 19$ | $09 / 19$ | $07 / 19^{17}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Strongly/Somewhat Favor (NET) | 73 | 69 | 65 |
| Strongly favor | 46 | 38 | 40 |
| Somewhat favor | 27 | 31 | 26 |
| Somewhat/Strongly Oppose (NET) | 24 | 28 | 31 |
| Somewhat oppose | 7 | 9 | 10 |
| Strongly oppose | 17 | 19 | 21 |
| Don't know/Refused | $n=1,205$ | $n=1,205$ | $n=588$ |

[^6]PARTY. In politics today, do you consider yourself a: (Republican), (Democrat), an Independent, or what? (rotate items in parentheses)
Republican ..... 24
Democrat ..... 29
Independent ..... 37
Or what/Other/None/No preference ..... 8
Don't know ..... 2
Refused ..... 1
PARTYLEAN. Do you LEAN more towards the (Republican) Party or the (Democratic) Party? (rotate items in parentheses in same order as PARTY)
Based on those who are not Republican or Democrat

|  | $10 / 19$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Republican | 34 |
| Democratic | 39 |
| Independent/don't lean to either party (Vol.) | 18 |
| Other party (Vol.) | 2 |
| Don't know | 5 |
| Refused | 1 |
|  | $n=549$ |

Summary PARTY and PARTYLEAN
Based on total

|  | $10 / 19$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Republican/Lean Republican | 40 |
| Democrat/Lean Democratic | 47 |
| Pure Independent | 10 |
| Undesignated | 2 |

Five-Point Party ID

|  | $10 / 19$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Democrat | 29 |
| Independent Lean Democrat | 18 |
| Independent/Don't lean | 9 |
| Independent Lean Republican | 16 |
| Republican | 24 |
| Undesignated | 4 |

Q11. Overall, do you think the Democratic candidates for president are spending (too much time), (too little time), or about the right amount of time talking about (INSERT ITEM)? How about (INSERT NEXT ITEM)? (READ IF NECESSARY: Do you think the Democratic candidates for president are spending (too much time), (too little time), or about the right amount of time talking about this?) (rotate items in parentheses) (scramble items a-h)

Table I

Based on those who are Democrats/Democratic-leaning Independents/Independents with no leaning

|  | Too much time | Too little time | About the right amount of time | Don't know/ Refused |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| a. A national health plan, sometimes called Medicare-for-all |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10/19 | 17 | 36 | 44 | 3 | $n=659$ |
| b. The cost of prescription drugs |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10/19 | 7 | 48 | 41 | 4 | $n=659$ |
| c. Women's health care, including |  |  |  |  |  |
| access to reproductive health services |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10/19 | 7 | 56 | 33 | 4 | $n=659$ |
| d. The future of the Affordable Care Act |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10/19 | 8 | 45 | 43 | 4 | $n=659$ |
| e. The heroin and prescription painkiller addiction epidemic |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10/19 | 15 | 46 | 34 | 5 | $n=659$ |
| f. Surprise medical bills |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 5 | 53 | 35 | 7 | $n=659$ |
| g. Ways to provide health insurance coverage to all Americans |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10/19 | 8 | 40 | 48 | 4 | $n=659$ |
| h. Ways to lower the amount people pay for health care such as premiums, deductibles and co-pays |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10/19 | 7 | 49 | 41 | 3 | $n=659$ |


|  | Too much time | Too little time | About the right amount of time | Don't know/ Refused |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| a. A national health plan, sometimes |  |  |  |  |  |
| called Medicare-for-all |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10/19 | 15 | 35 | 48 | 2 | $n=564$ |
| b. The cost of prescription drugs |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10/19 | 7 | 47 | 44 | 2 | $n=564$ |
| c. Women's health care, including access to reproductive health services |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10/19 | 5 | 58 | 35 | 2 | $n=564$ |
| d. The future of the Affordable Care Act |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10/19 | 6 | 46 | 45 | 3 | $n=564$ |
| e. The heroin and prescription painkiller addiction epidemic |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10/19 | 14 | 46 | 36 | 4 | $n=564$ |
| f. Surprise medical bills |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10/19 | 3 | 52 | 38 | 6 | $n=564$ |
| g. Ways to provide health insurance coverage to all Americans |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10/19 | 7 | 39 | 51 | 3 | $n=564$ |
| h. Ways to lower the amount people pay for health care such as premiums, deductibles and co-pays |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10/19 | 6 | 50 | 41 | 3 | $n=564$ |

READ TO ALL: Next, I have some questions about products called electronic cigarettes, sometimes called e-cigarettes, e-cigs, or vapes. They are battery-powered devices from which users inhale a water-based vapor containing nicotine and sometimes flavorings, but not tobacco.

Q12. How much, if anything, have your heard about (INSERT ITEM)? Have you heard a lot, some, a little, or nothing at all? What about (INSERT NEXT ITEM)? (READ IF NECESSARY: Have you heard a lot, some, a little, or nothing at all about this?) (scramble items a-c)

|  | A lot/Some/ <br> A little (NET) | A lot | Some | A little | Nothing at all | Don't know/ Refused |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| a. Illnesses related to e-cigarettes and vaping |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10/19 | 94 | 59 | 21 | 14 | 6 | * |
| b. Efforts by some state and local governments to limit the sale of |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\begin{gathered} \text { e-cigarettes } \\ 10 / 19 \end{gathered}$ | 89 | 45 | 24 | 20 | 11 | * |
| c. Efforts by the Trump |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Administration to limit the sale of e-cigarettes. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10/19 | 70 | 23 | 25 | 23 | 29 | 1 |

Q13. Would you (support) or (oppose) a ban on the sale of (INSERT ITEM)? (rotate items in parentheses) (rotate items a \& b)

|  | Support | Oppose | Don't know/ <br> Refused |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| a. Flavored e-cigarettes, such as mint, menthol, and <br> fruit flavors <br> $10 / 19$ |  |  |  |
| b. All e-cigarettes <br> $10 / 19$ | 52 | 44 | 4 |

Q14. Do you think teenagers, who would not otherwise smoke regular cigarettes, are using flavored e-cigarettes, or not?

|  | $10 / 19$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Yes | 81 |
| No | 14 |
| Don't know/Refused (NET) | 6 |
| $\quad$ Don't know | 6 |
| $\quad$ Refused | $*$ |

Q15. Do you think e-cigarettes are a safer alternative for cigarette smokers who are trying to quit smoking, or not?

|  | $10 / 19$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Yes | 31 |
| No | 64 |
| Don't know/Refused (NET) | 6 |
| $\quad$ Don't know | 6 |
| $\quad$ Refused | $*$ |

READ TO ALL: Now I have a few questions we will use to describe the people who took part in our survey...

RSEX. Are you male or female?


COVERAGE. Are you, yourself, now covered by any form of health insurance or health plan or do you not have health insurance at this time? (READ IF NECESSARY: A health plan would include any private insurance plan through your employer or a plan that you purchased yourself, as well as a government program like Medicare or [Medicaid/Medi-CAL])?

|  | $10 / 19$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Covered by health insurance | 87 |
| Not covered by health insurance | 13 |
| Don't know | $*$ |
| Refused | - |

AGECOV VARIABLE

|  | $10 / 19$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Insured less than 65 | 84 |
| Uninsured less than 65 | 16 |

COVTYPE. Which of the following is your MAIN source of health insurance coverage? Is it a plan through your employer, a plan through your spouse's employer, a plan you purchased yourself either from an insurance company or a state or federal marketplace, are you covered by Medicare or (Medicaid/[INSERT STATE-SPECIFIC MEDICAID NAME]), or do you get your health insurance from somewhere else? [INTERVIEWER NOTE: IF R SAYS THEY GOT INSURANCE THROUGH HEALTHCARE.GOV, OBAMACARE, OR A STATE HEALTH INSURANCE MARKETPLACE/EXCHANGE, CODE AS 3].

Based on those who are insured

|  | $10 / 19$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Plan through your employer | 39 |
| Plan through your spouse's employer | 11 |
| Plan you purchased yourself | 9 |
| Medicare | 24 |
| Medicaid/State-specific Medicaid name | 10 |
| Somewhere else | 3 |
| Plan through your parents/mother/father (Vol.) | 4 |
| Don't know | $*$ |
| Refused | $n=1,086$ |

## COVERAGE/COVTYPE Combo Table

Based on total

|  | $10 / 19$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Covered by health insurance | 87 |
| Employer | 34 |
| Spouse's employer | 9 |
| Self-purchased plan | 8 |
| Medicare | 20 |
| Medicaid/State-specific Medicaid name | 8 |
| Somewhere else | 3 |
| Plan through parents/mother/father (Vol.) | 4 |
| Don't know/refused | 1 |
| Not covered by health insurance | 13 |
| Don't know/Refused | $*$ |

## AGECOVTYPE VARIABLE

Based on those ages 18-64

|  | $10 / 19$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Covered by health insurance | 84 |
| Employer | 40 |
| Spouse's employer | 10 |
| Self-purchased plan | 8 |
| Medicare | 7 |
| Medicaid/State-specific Medicaid name | 9 |
| Somewhere else | 3 |
| Plan through parents/mother/father (Vol.) | 5 |
| Don't know/refused | 1 |
| Not covered by health insurance | 16 |
| Don't know/Refused | $n=800$ |

COVSELF. Did you purchase your plan directly from an insurance company, from the marketplace known as healthcare.gov [IF HAS STATE SPECIFIC NAME: or (INSERT STATE-SPECIFIC MARKETPLACE NAME)], or through an insurance agent or broker?

Based on those ages 18-64 who purchase their own insurance plan (sample size insufficient to report)

## COVERAGE/COVTYPE/COVSELF Combo Table

Based on those ages 18-64

|  | $10 / 19$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Covered by health insurance | 84 |
| Employer | 40 |
| Spouse's employer | 10 |
| Self-purchased plan (SUB-NET) | 8 |
| Directly from an insurance company | 2 |
| From healthcare.gov or [STATE MARKETPLACE NAME] | 2 |
| Through an insurance agent or broker | 3 |
| Somewhere else (Vol.) | $*$ |
| Don't know/Refused | 1 |
| Medicare | 7 |
| Medicaid/State-specific Medicaid name | 9 |
| Somewhere else | 3 |
| Plan through parents/mother/father (Vol.) | 5 |
| Don't know/Refused | 16 |
| Not covered by health insurance | $*$ |
| Don't know/Refused | $n=800$ |

COVMKT. Regardless of how you purchased your plan, do you know if it is a marketplace or [healthcare.gov/INSERT STATE SPECIFIC MARKETPLACE NAME] plan, is it NOT a marketplace or [healthcare.gov/INSERT STATE SPECIFIC MARKETPLACE NAME] plan, or are you not sure? (ENTER ONE ONLY)

Based on those ages 18-64 who purchased insurance through non-marketplace (sample size insufficient to report)

## COVERAGE/COVTYPE/COVSELF/COVMKT

Based on those ages 18-64

| Covered by health insurance (NET) | $10 / 19$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Employer | 84 |
| Spouse's employer | 40 |
| Self-purchased plan (SUB-NET) | 10 |
| Directly from an insurance company/agent/or broker/other (SUB-SUB-NET) | 8 |
| Marketplace plan | 6 |
| Non-Marketplace plan | 1 |
| Not sure/Refused | 1 |
| From healthcare.gov or [STATE MARKETPLACE NAME] | 4 |
| Medicare | 2 |
| Medicaid/State-specific Medicaid name | 7 |
| Somewhere else | 9 |
| Plan through parents/mother/father (Vol.) | 3 |
| Don't know/Refused | 5 |
| Not covered by health insurance | 16 |
| Don't know/Refused | $*$ |

RX. Do you currently take any prescription medicine or not?

|  | $10 / 19$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Yes, take | 58 |
| No, do not take | 41 |
| Don't know/Refused | $*$ |

RXMANY. How many different prescription drugs do you take?

Based on those who currently take prescription medication

|  | $10 / 19$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| $1-3$ (NET) | 55 |
| 1 | 19 |
| 2 | 20 |
| 3 | 15 |
| $4+($ NET | 44 |
| 4 | 12 |
| 5 | 9 |
| 6 | 7 |
| 7 | $7=1,205$ |

Q16. Do you currently use any of the following products? First (INSERT FIRST ITEM), do you use this product or not? What about (INSERT NEXT ITEM)? (READ IF NECESSARY: Do you use this product or not?) (scramble items a-c)

|  | Yes | Don't know/ <br> Refused |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| a. Chewing tobacco <br> 10/19 <br> b. E-cigarettes or vaping <br> $10 / 19$ | 3 | 97 | - |
| c. Tobacco cigarettes <br> $10 / 19$ | 9 | 91 | $*$ |

Q16 Yes Summary Table

Based on total

|  | $10 / 19$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Yes to any (NET) | 25 |
| Chewing tobacco | 3 |
| E-cigarettes or vaping | 9 |
| Tobacco cigarettes | 18 |
| Do not use any products/ Don't know/Refused | 75 |

MARITAL. Are you currently married, living with a partner, widowed, divorced, separated, or have you never been married?

|  | $10 / 19$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Married | 46 |
| Living with a partner | 9 |
| Widowed | 6 |
| Divorced | 10 |
| Separated | 3 |
| Never been married | 25 |
| Don't know | $*$ |
| Refused | 1 |

EMPLOY. What best describes your employment situation today? [READ IN ORDER]

|  | $10 / 19$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Employed (NET) | 58 |
| $\quad$ Employed full-time | 48 |
| Employed part-time | 10 |
| Unemployed and currently seeking employment | 4 |
| Unemployed and not seeking employment | 2 |
| A student | 5 |
| Retired | 20 |
| On disability and can't work | 8 |
| Or, homemaker or stay at home parent? | 3 |
| Don't know/Refused | $*$ |

IDEOLOGY. Would you say your views in most political matters are liberal, moderate, or conservative?

|  | $10 / 19$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Liberal | 25 |
| Moderate | 34 |
| Conservative | 37 |
| Don't know | 3 |
| Refused | 1 |

RVOTE. Are you registered to vote at your present address, or not?

|  | $10 / 19$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Yes | 80 |
| No | 20 |
| Don't know | 20 |
| Refused | $*$ |

TrumpApprove. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling his job as President? [GET ANSWER, THEN ASK: Do you strongly or somewhat (approve/disapprove)?]

|  | $10 / 19$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Approve (NET) | 42 |
| Strongly approve | 27 |
| Somewhat approve | 15 |
| Disapprove (NET) | 56 |
| Somewhat disapprove | 10 |
| Strongly disapprove | 46 |
| Don't know/Refused | 2 |

EDUC. What is the highest level of school you have completed or the highest degree you have received? [DO NOT READ LIST] [INTERVIEWER NOTE: Enter code 3-HS graduate if R completed vocational, business, technical, or training courses after high school that did NOT count toward an associate degree from a college, community college or university (e.g., training for a certificate or an apprenticeship)]

|  | $10 / 19$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| HS grad or less (NET) | 38 |
| Less than high school (Grades 1-8 or no formal schooling) | 3 |
| High school incomplete (Grades 9-11 or Grade 12 with no diploma) | 7 |
| High school graduate (Grade 12 with diploma or GED certificate) | 28 |
| Some college (NET) | 30 |
| Some college, no degree (includes some community college) | 18 |
| Two-year associate degree from a college or university | 12 |
| College grad+ (NET) | 32 |
| Four-year college or university degree/Bachelor's degree | 17 |
| Some postgraduate or professional schooling, no postgraduate degree | 2 |
| Postgraduate or professional degree, including master's, doctorate, medical or law degree | 12 |

HISPANIC. Are you, yourself, of Hispanic or Latino background, such as Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, or some other Spanish background?

|  | $10 / 19$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Yes | 15 |
| No | 84 |
| Don't know | 8 |
| Refused | $*$ |

RACE. What is your race? Are you white, black, Asian or some other race? (IF RESPONDENT SAYS HISPANIC ASK: Do you consider yourself a white Hispanic or a black Hispanic? CODE AS WHITE (1) OR BLACK (2). IF RESPONDENTS REFUSED TO PICK WHITE OR BLACK HISPANIC, RECORD HISPANIC AS "OTHER," CODE 97)

Race/Hispanic Combo Table

Based on total

|  | $10 / 19$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| White, non-Hispanic | 64 |
| Total non-White | 36 |
| Black or African-American, non-Hispanic | 11 |
| Hispanic | 15 |
| Asian, non-Hispanic | 3 |
| Other/Mixed race, non-Hispanic | 4 |
| Undesignated | 2 |

NATIVITY. Were you born in the United States (IF HISPANIC=1 INSERT, on the island of Puerto Rico), or in another country?

Based on Hispanics

|  | $10 / 19$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| U.S. | 52 |
| Puerto Rico | $*$ |
| Another country | 47 |
| Don't know | - |
| Refused | $*$ |
|  | $n=130$ |

INCOME. Last year - that is, in 2018 - what was your total family income from all sources, before taxes? Just stop me when I get to the right category. [READ LIST]

|  | $10 / 19$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Less than $\$ 20,000$ | 14 |
| $\$ 20,000$ to less than $\$ 30,000$ | 11 |
| $\$ 30,000$ to less than $\$ 40,000$ | 10 |
| $\$ 40,000$ to less than $\$ 50,000$ | 9 |
| $\$ 50,000$ to less than $\$ 75,000$ | 14 |
| $\$ 75,000$ to less than $\$ 90,000$ | 8 |
| $\$ 90,000$ to less than $\$ 100,000$ | 6 |
| $\$ 100,000$ or more | 20 |
| Don't know/Refused | 8 | FAMILY FOUNDATION

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[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ January 2012 through Late April 2017 trend wording was "As you may know, a health reform bill was signed into law in 2010..."

[^1]:    ${ }^{2}$ February 2011 through December 2011 trend wording was "As you may know, a health reform bill was signed into law early last year. Given what you know about the health reform law, do you have a generally (favorable) or generally (unfavorable) opinion of it? (Is that a very favorable/unfavorable or somewhat favorable/unfavorable opinion?)"
    3 May 2010 through December 2011 trend wording was "As you may know, a health reform bill was signed into law earlier this year..."
    ${ }^{4}$ April 2010 trend wording was "President Obama did sign a health reform bill into law last month...Given what you know about the new health reform law, do you have a generally (favorable) or generally (unfavorable) opinion of it? (Is that a very favorable/unfavorable or somewhat favorable/unfavorable opinion?)"

[^2]:    ${ }^{5}$ September 2014 through January 2016 trend wording for this item was "Handling the Medicare program"

[^3]:    ${ }^{6}$ April 2019 trend was asked of half sample C

[^4]:    ${ }^{10}$ Trend results prior to 2016 for "Refused" are shown in the "Don't know" category.
    ${ }^{11}$ February 2019 trend wording was "(Though not everyone has had a chance to hear about it/As you know) The federal government does NOT currently negotiate with drug companies to get a lower price on medications. Would you (favor) or (oppose) allowing the federal government to negotiate with drug companies to get a lower price on medications for people on Medicare?"
    ${ }^{12}$ August 2015-Late April 2017 did not include question wording regarding awareness and instead included "I'm going to read actions some say would keep prescription drug costs down."

[^5]:    ${ }^{13}$ February 2019 trend was based on half sample b and question wording was "I'm going to read actions some say would help keep Medicare prescription drug costs down. Please tell me whether you would (favor) or (oppose) each one."
    ${ }^{14}$ February 2019 Trend was based on half sample a and question wording was "I'm going to read actions some say would help keep Medicare prescription drug costs down. Please tell me whether you would (favor) or (oppose) each one." The item read as "Placing an annual limit on out-of-pocket costs, such as co-pays, for prescription drug coverage"
    ${ }^{15}$ August 2015- Late April 2017 trend wording was "Allowing Americans to buy prescription drugs imported from Canada"

[^6]:    ${ }^{16}$ July 2019 trend was asked of half sample A.
    17 July 2019 trend was asked of half sample B.

