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***Kaiser Health Tracking Poll: November 2014***

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## METHODOLOGY

This *Kaiser Health Tracking Poll* was designed and analyzed by public opinion researchers at the Kaiser Family Foundation (KFF). The survey was conducted November 5-13, 2014, among a nationally representative random digit dial telephone sample of 1,501 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). Computer-assisted telephone interviews conducted by landline (751) and cell phone (750, including 456 who had no landline telephone) were carried out in English and Spanish by Princeton Data Source under the direction of Princeton Survey Research Associates International (PSRAI). Both the random digit dial landline and cell phone samples were provided by Survey Sampling International, LLC. 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 2012 American Community Survey (ACS) on sex, age, education, race, Hispanic origin, nativity (for Hispanics only), 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 2013 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. 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 margin 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 margin of sampling errors 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	1,501	±3 percentage points
<b>Party Identification</b>		
Democrats	434	±6 percentage points
Republicans	441	±6 percentage points
Independents	452	±5 percentage points
<b>Insurance Status</b>		
Uninsured, ages 18-64	154	±9 percentage points
Insured, ages 18-64	867	±4 percentage points
<b>Voters</b>		
All voters	953	±4 percentage points
Voted for Democratic Candidate	381	±6 percentage points
Voted for Republican Candidate	456	±6 percentage points

### Trend Information:

- 01/13: Kaiser Family Foundation/Harvard School of Public Health *The Public's Health Care Agenda for the 113th Congress* (January 3-9, 2013)
- 01/11: Kaiser Family Foundation/Harvard School of Public Health *The Public's Health Care Agenda for the 112th Congress* (January 4-14, 2011)
- 06/03: Kaiser Family Foundation *Public Views on Medicare Survey* (April 25 - June 1, 2003)

1. Thinking about the elections that took place (this past Tuesday/STARTING 11-11: last Tuesday, November 4), did you happen to vote in the election for Congress, including voting by mail, early voting, or absentee ballot before the election, or did things come up that kept you from voting?

	11/14
Yes, voted	52
No, did not vote/not registered	48
Don't know/Refused	--

2. In the election for the U.S. House of Representatives in your district, did you happen to vote for the (Democratic) candidate or the (Republican) candidate? (ROTATE VERBIAGE IN PARENTHESES)

*Based on those who report voting in the Congressional election that took place on November 4*

	11/14 Voters	Dem. Voters	Rep. Voters
The Democratic candidate	40	100	--
The Republican candidate	46	--	100
Some other candidate (VOL.)	3	--	--
Didn't vote for U.S. House (VOL.)	2	--	--
Don't know/Refused	9	--	--
	(n=953)	(n=381)	(n=456)

3/4. What one factor mattered most to you in deciding how you voted in the Congressional election? What would you say was the SECOND most important factor in your vote for Congress? (OPEN-END. DO NOT READ CATEGORIES. ACCEPT ONLY ONE RESPONSE) (INTERVIEWER: IF R SAYS "HEALTH" OR "HEALTH CARE" WITH NO FURTHER DETAIL, ASK: Can you tell me more specifically what you mean by "health"/"health care"?)

*Based on those who report voting in the Congressional election that took place on November 4*

<b>Total Mentions</b>	11/14 Voters	Dem. Voters	Rep. Voters
Preference for one party/Control of Senate (NET)	27	34	28
Vote Republican/Republican control of Senate/Get rid of Democrats	11	2	22
Vote Democratic/Get rid of Republicans	10	25	*
Party affiliation/Party control of Senate (general)	6	7	6
Candidate/Candidate's platform/vision /opinion on multiple issues/track record	18	21	15
Economy/Jobs (NET)	17	15	21
Economy (general)	9	6	13
Jobs/unemployment	4	5	5
Economy/jobs - other	4	5	4
Dissatisfaction with government (NET)	16	14	17
Change/Want the incumbent(s) out	7	4	9
Gridlock/need to work together	4	6	3
Dissatisfaction with government/politics (other/general)	3	2	4
Dissatisfaction with current politicians	3	3	2
Term limits	1	*	1
Candidate's personal characteristics (NET)	9	6	10
Personal characteristics (general)	4	3	4
Honesty/integrity/trustworthiness	4	3	4
Best man for the job	2	*	2
Health care (NET)	9	13	8
ACA/Obamacare/Health care reform (NET)	6	6	6
Anti-ACA	2	*	5
ACA, non-specific	2	3	1
Pro-ACA	1	3	--
Health care (general)	2	4	1
Medicare	1	1	1
Health care costs	1	1	*
Opposition to President Obama/current administration	6	1	12
Personal reason/good for me/gut feeling	4	4	4
Immigration/Border security	4	1	6
Education/Education costs/Student loans	4	6	1
Don't like the direction the country is headed/Our future	3	*	6
Debt/Budget/Deficit/Government spending	3	2	4
Taxes	3	4	2
Foreign policy/military/defense (NET)	2	2	2
Military/National security/Defense/terrorism	1	*	2
Foreign policy (general)	1	1	*
End wars/World peace	*	*	*
Situation with Iraq/Syria/Islamic State	*	--	--
Abortion	2	1	4
Dissatisfaction with negative ads/negative campaign tactics	2	2	1
Women's rights/Reproductive rights	2	5	*
Environment (NET)	2	3	*
Environment (general)	1	3	--
Energy issues	1	1	*
Global warming/climate change	*	*	--
What is in state's/community's best interest	2	3	1
Gun control/rights	2	1	3
Conservatism/get rid of liberals (general)	2	--	3
Moral/religious values	1	--	2
Social Security	1	2	*

Q3/4 continued

	11/14 Voters	Dem. Voters	Rep. Voters
Civil rights/Equality (general)	1	1	*
Welfare/Social services/Food stamps	1	2	*
Gay rights	1	1	1
Constitution	1	--	1
Voted for incumbent	1	*	1
Liberalism (general)	1	1	*
Corruption	*	--	1
Legalization of marijuana	*	*	--
Veterans' issues	*	--	*
Crime/violence/public safety	*	*	*
Transportation/Roads/Infrastructure	*	1	--
Seniors' issues	*	*	*
Nothing/Haven't given it much thought	*	--	--
Other	8	13	3
No particular issues/Everything	13	12	15
Didn't vote for Congress	*	--	--
Don't know/Refused	8	9	8
	(n=953)	(n=381)	(n=456)

Percentages will add to more than 100 due to multiple responses.

5. What made the biggest difference in how you voted for Congress in your district: specific national issues, local or state issues, the candidate's character and experience, the candidate's political party, or the direction of the nation as a whole?

Based on those who report voting in the Congressional election that took place on November 4

	11/14 Voters	Dem. Voters	Rep. Voters
Direction of the nation as a whole	46	38	56
Local or state issues	16	21	11
Candidate's character and experience	13	13	14
Candidate's political party	11	14	9
Specific national issues	7	9	6
All (VOL.)	3	2	2
None/other (VOL.)	2	2	1
Didn't vote for Congress (VOL.)	*	--	--
Don't know/Refused	1	1	1
	(n=953)	(n=381)	(n=456)

6. As you may know, a health reform bill was signed into law in 2010. 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?] [INTERVIEWER NOTE: If respondent asks if the health reform law refers to the Affordable Care Act or Obamacare, please answer “yes”] (ROTATE OPTIONS IN PARENTHESES)

	Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	Don't know/Refused
11/14	18	19	16	30	18
10/14	16	20	16	27	20
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 <sup>1</sup>	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	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 <sup>2</sup>	23	23	10	30	14

<sup>1</sup> May 2010 through December 2011 trend wording was “As you may know, a health reform bill was signed into law early last year...”

<sup>2</sup> 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?)”

7. Now that the midterm election is over, do you think there will be (less) debate between Democrats and Republicans over the health care law, (more) debate between Democrats and Republicans over the health care law, or will it be about the same as before the election? (ROTATE ITEMS IN PARENTHESES)

	11/14
Less debate	5
More debate	47
About the same as before	42
Didn't vote for the US House of Representatives (VOL.)	*
Don't know/Refused	5

8. What would you like to see Congress do when it comes to the health care law? (READ AND ROTATE 1-4; 4-1)

	11/14
Expand what the law does	22
Move forward with implementing the law as it is	20
Scale back what the law does	17
Repeal the entire law	29
None of these/ something else (VOL.)	5
Don't know/Refused	8

9. So far, would you say the health care law has directly (helped) you and your family, directly (hurt) you and your family, or has it not had a direct impact? (ROTATE ITEMS IN PARENTHESES)

	11/14	10/14	09/14	07/14	05/14
Helped	16	16	14	15	14
Hurt	24	26	27	28	24
No direct impact	59	56	56	56	60
Both helped and hurt (VOL.)	*	1	1	*	*
Don't know/ Refused	1	1	1	1	2

10. What would you say is the MAIN way the health care law has helped you and your family? Has it... (READ LIST, RANDOMIZE 1-3, KEEP 4 ALWAYS LAST)

*Based on those who say the health care law has helped or both helped and hurt them*

	11/14	09/14	07/14	05/14
Allowed someone in your family to get or keep health coverage	40	42	46	36
Lowered your health care or health insurance costs	19	18	12	19
Made it easier for you to get the health care you need	29	29	25	26
OR has it helped in some other way?	6	6	6	14
Don't know/ Refused	6	5	10	5
	(n=219)	(n=224)	(n=220)	(n=203)

11. What would you say is the MAIN way the health care law has hurt you and your family? Has it... (READ LIST, RANDOMIZE 1-3, KEEP 4 ALWAYS LAST)

*Based on those who say the health care law has hurt or both helped and hurt them*

	11/14	09/14	07/14	05/14
Caused someone in your family to lose their insurance	7	7	10	8
Increased your health care or health insurance costs	62	58	59	60
Made it more difficult for you to get the health care you need	16	20	18	12
OR has it hurt in some other way?	12	11	10	18
Don't know/ Refused	3	4	3	2
	(n=360)	(n=402)	(n=422)	(n=385)

Summary of Q9, Q10, and Q11 based on total

	11/14	09/14	07/14	05/14
Helped/Both helped and hurt	16	15	15	15
Allowed someone in your family to get or keep health coverage	6	6	7	5
Lowered your health care costs	3	3	2	3
Made it easier for you to get the health care you need	5	4	4	4
Helped in some other way	1	1	1	2
Don't know/ Refused	1	1	2	1
Hurt/Both helped and hurt	24	28	28	24
Caused someone in your family to lose their insurance	2	2	3	2
Increased your health care costs	15	16	17	14
Made it more difficult for you to get the health care you need	4	6	5	3
Hurt in some other way	3	3	3	4
Don't know/ Refused	1	1	1	1
No direct impact	59	56	56	60
Don't know/ Refused	1	1	1	2

READ: On another topic...

ROTATE ORDER OF Q12/13

12. Do you think the future of the next generation of Americans will be better, worse, or about the same as life today?

	11/14
Better	25
Worse	51
Same	20
Don't know/ Refused	3

13. Do you think the future of the next generation of your family will be better, worse, or about the same as your life today?

	11/14
Better	35
Worse	38
Same	24
Don't know/ Refused	3

14. All in all, how financially secure do you feel? (READ 1-4)

	11/14
Very secure	15
Somewhat secure	47
Somewhat insecure	21
Very insecure	15
Don't know/ Refused	2

READ: Thinking again about the health care law...

15. In the past 6 months, have you been personally contacted by anyone about the health care law through a phone call, email, text message, or door to door visit, or not?

	11/14	10/14	03/14	02/14	09/13	08/13
Yes, been contacted about the health care law	15	14	12	13	9	10
No, have not been contacted about the health care law	85	86	88	87	91	90
Don't know/Refused	*	1	1	*	*	*



16. During the past 30 days, did you see or hear any ads or commercials (INSERT AND RANDOMIZE), or not? [REPEAT STEM EACH TIME]

		Yes	No	Don't know/ Refused
a. From an insurance company attempting to sell health insurance	11/14	48	51	2
	10/14	44	55	2
	09/14	41	58	1
	07/14	42	57	1
	04/14	46	53	1
	03/14	46	53	1
	02/14	51	48	1
b. That provided information about how to get health insurance under the health care law	11/14	41	57	2
	10/14	33	65	2
	09/14	31	68	1
	07/14	35	64	1
	04/14	55	44	1
	03/14	58	42	*
	02/14	59	41	1

17. As you may know, under the health care law there are specific open enrollment periods each year when individuals can sign up for new insurance or change their current health insurance plans. Do you happen to know when the next open enrollment period begins? (OPEN-ENDED, DO NOT READ CATEGORIES. ACCEPT ONLY ONE RESPONSE)

	11/14	10/14
November 15 <sup>th</sup> , mid-November, "November" or "this month"	20	17
Some other time in 2014 or sometime this year	9	11
2015 or later or sometime next year	10	8
Enrollment period already passed	2	1
Can enroll anytime	2	1
Don't know/Refused	57	62

18. How important is it to you personally to have health insurance? (READ 1-4)

	11/14	01/14	06/13
Very important	84	85	87
Somewhat important	11	10	9
Not too important	2	3	2
Not at all important	3	2	2
Don't know/Refused	1	*	1

19. Which of the following comes closer to your view? (READ AND ROTATE)

	11/14	01/14	06/13
Health insurance is something I need	84	85	88
I'm healthy enough that I don't really need health insurance	14	14	11
Don't know/Refused	2	1	1

20. How important do you think it is for the average adult to get a yearly head-to-toe physical exam from a doctor or nurse? (READ 1-4)

	11/14
Very important	65
Somewhat important	27
Not too important	5
Not at all important	2
Don't know/Refused	1

21. And how often do you, yourself, usually get a head-to-toe physical exam from a doctor or nurse? Would you say (READ 1-4)

	11/14
At least once a year	62
Once every few years	25
Less often than that	8
Never	5
Don't know/Refused	1

22. Next, please tell me how closely you have followed these stories that have been in the news recently. (First/Next,) (INSERT--READ AND RANDOMIZE). READ FOR FIRST ITEM THEN AS NECESSARY: Did you follow this story very closely, fairly closely, not too closely, or not at all closely?

		Very closely	Fairly closely	Not too closely	Not at all closely	Don't know/Refused
a. The Ebola outbreak in West Africa	11/14	39	39	14	9	*
	10/14	24	39	22	14	1
	09/14	30	32	22	15	1
b. News about the Ebola virus in the United States	11/14	45	34	14	6	1
	10/14 <sup>3</sup>	32	37	21	9	1
c. Preparations for the health care law's second open enrollment period	11/14	10	15	28	45	2
d. A settlement requiring nursing home chain Extencicare to pay \$38 million after providing substandard care to residents	11/14	7	10	20	63	1
e. Conflicts involving ISIS and other Islamic militant groups in Iraq and Syria	11/14	34	37	17	12	1
	10/14 <sup>4</sup>	32	36	18	14	1
f. Results of the midterm election that took place on Tuesday, November 4 <sup>th</sup>	11/14	33	31	17	19	1
g. The crash of a Virgin Galactic commercial spacecraft during a test flight	11/14	12	24	27	36	1
h. The Major League Baseball World Series	11/14	13	14	17	55	1

<sup>3</sup> October trend for this item was "The diagnosis of the first Ebola case in the United States"

<sup>4</sup> October trend for this item was "Airstrikes by the U.S. and others against Islamic militants in Iraq and Syria".

READ TO ALL: Next, I'd like to ask you some questions about Medicare, the government health insurance program for seniors and for younger adults with long-term disabilities

23. How important is Medicare for you and your family? Is it very important for you and your family, somewhat important, not too important, or not at all important?

	11/14	01/13 <sup>5</sup>	04/11 <sup>6</sup>	01/11	04/09
Very important	58	54	61	55	53
Somewhat important	19	23	21	22	23
Not too important	10	12	9	11	11
Not at all important	11	10	8	11	12
Don't know/Refused	1	1	1	1	1

24. Would you say the current Medicare program is working well for most seniors, or not?

	11/14	01/13	09/12
Yes, working well	54	60	61
No, not working well	30	28	26
Don't know/Refused	15	12	13

25. Which of the following four statements comes closest to your own view of the financial status of the Medicare program? (READ AND ROTATE 1-4; 4-1)

	11/14	04/09 <sup>7</sup>	06/03 <sup>8</sup>
The program is in financial crisis	23	30	18
The program has major problems, but is not in financial crisis	37	44	51
The program has minor financial problems	24	17	17
The program has no financial problems	5	4	5
Don't know/Refused	11	4	9

26. Which do you think offers more generous health benefits - (ROTATE ANSWER CATEGORIES) (Medicare), or (private health plans, such as PPOs and HMOs that people get through their jobs), or do you think they both offer benefits that are about equally generous?

	11/14	06/03
Medicare	14	14
Private plans	37	41
About equal	41	31
Don't know/Refused	8	14

27. Which do you think offers more choice among doctors and hospitals - (ROTATE IN SAME ORDER AS Q26) (Medicare), or (private health plans that people get through their jobs), or do you think they both offer about the same amount of choice among doctors and hospitals?

	11/14	06/03
Medicare	12	20
Private plans	44	38
About equal	38	30
Don't know/Refused	7	12

<sup>5</sup> January 2013 trend wording was "How important for you and your family is Medicare, the government health insurance program for seniors and for younger adults with long-term disabilities?"

<sup>6</sup> April 2011 trend wording was "Thinking about Medicare, the government health program for people 65 and older and certain people with long-term disabilities, how important is the Medicare program for you and your family?"

<sup>7</sup> April 2009 trend wording was "Which of the following four statements comes closest to your own view of the Medicare program? The program is in financial crisis; the program has major problems, but is not in financial crisis; the program has minor problems; or the program has no problems?"

<sup>8</sup> June 2003 trend wording was "Please tell me which of the following four statements comes closest to your own view of the financial condition of the Medicare program. Would you say...Medicare is in financial crisis, Medicare has major financial problems, but is not in crisis, Medicare has minor financial problems, or Medicare has no financial problems?"

28. Which costs do you think are rising faster on a per-person basis, (ROTATE IN SAME ORDER AS Q26) (the costs of Medicare) or (the costs of private health plans that people get through their jobs), or do you think per-person costs are rising about the same for both?

	11/14	06/03 <sup>7</sup>
Medicare	9	10
Private plans	41	43
About equal	42	35
Don't know/Refused	8	12

29. Which of these two descriptions comes closer to your view of what Medicare should look like in the future? (READ AND ROTATE 1-2)

	11/14
OPTION A: Medicare should continue as it is today, with the government guaranteeing seniors health insurance and making sure that everyone gets the same defined set of benefits (OR)	66
OPTION B: Medicare should be changed to a system in which the government would guarantee each senior a fixed amount of money to put toward health insurance. Seniors would purchase that coverage either from traditional Medicare or from a list of private health plans	26
Neither of these/some other option (VOL.)	3
Don't know/Refused	5

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

D5. What is your age? (RECORD EXACT AGE AS TWO-DIGIT CODE.)

D6. (ASK IF DON'T KNOW OR REFUSED AGE) Could you please tell me if you are between the ages of (READ LIST)...?

	11/14
18-29	21
30-49	34
50-64	27
65 and older	18
Don't know/Refused	*

D4. 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])?

	11/14
Covered by health insurance	84
Not covered by health insurance	15
Don't know/Refused	*

<sup>7</sup> June 2003 trend wording was "Which costs do you think are rising faster, (the costs of Medicare) or (the costs of private health plans that people get through their jobs), or do you think the costs are rising about the same for both?"

30. How long have you been uninsured – less than three months, three months to less than a year, one year to less than two years, or 2 years or more?

*Based on those ages 18-64 who are uninsured (n=154)*

	11/14
Less than 3 months	14
3 months to less than a year	17
1 year to less than 2 years	10
2 years or more	59
Don't know/Refused	*

Summary of D4 and 30 based on those ages 18-64 (n=1,027)

	11/14
Covered by health insurance	81
Not covered by health insurance	18
Less than 3 months	3
3 months to less than a year	3
1 year to less than 2 years	2
2 years or more	11
Don't know/Refused	*
Don't know/Refused	1

31. Do you plan to get health insurance in the next few months, or do you think you will remain uninsured? (INTERVIEWER NOTE: IF DON'T KNOW, PROBE ONCE: We realize there is still some uncertainty, but if you had to guess, do you think you will get health insurance in the next few months, or do you think you will remain uninsured?)

*Based on those ages 18-64 who are uninsured*

	11/14	10/14	02/14 <sup>8</sup>	01/14	11/13 <sup>9</sup>	08/13
Will get health insurance	49	59	49	50	58	58
Will remain uninsured	41	38	44	40	34	32
Don't know/Refused	10	3	7	10	8	10
	(n=154)	(n=145)	(n=137)	(n=173)	(n=151)	(n=178)

Summary of D4 and 31 based on those ages 18-64

	11/14	10/14	02/14	01/14	11/13	08/13
Covered by health insurance	81	83	83	81	79	80
Not covered by health insurance	18	17	16	19	21	20
Will get health insurance	9	10	8	9	12	11
Will remain uninsured	7	6	7	7	7	6
Don't know/Refused	2	1	1	2	2	2
Don't know/Refused	1	1	1	*	*	*
	(n=1,027)	(n=1,061)	(n=1,054)	(n=1,122)	(n=843)	(n=1,101)

<sup>9</sup> Trend wording was "As you may know, the health care law requires nearly all Americans to have health insurance by the end of March or else pay a fine. Do you think you will obtain health insurance, or do you think you will remain uninsured?"

<sup>10</sup> Trend wording was "As you may know, the health care law requires nearly all Americans to have health insurance by 2014 or else pay a fine. Do you think you will obtain health insurance in 2014, or do you think you will remain uninsured?"

32. Which of the following is the MAIN reason you think you will remain uninsured? It is because (you don't think you will be able to find an affordable plan), (you don't think you need coverage), (you would rather pay the fine for not having coverage than pay for insurance), (you don't want to be forced to buy anything), or some other reason? (RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS)

*Asked of those who say they will remain uninsured (sample size insufficient to report)*

Summary of 31 and 32 based on those ages 18-64 who are uninsured (n=154)

	11/14
Will get health insurance	49
Will remain uninsured	41
You don't think you will be able to find an affordable plan	24
You don't think you need coverage	5
You don't want to be forced to buy anything	4
You would rather pay the fine for not having coverage than pay for insurance	*
Other (VOL.)	7
Don't know/Refused	1
Don't know/Refused	10

33. Which of the following is the MAIN reason you plan to get insurance? Is it because (you feel you need insurance), (the law requires it), (you don't want to pay the penalty for not having insurance), (you are eligible for government financial help), (a new insurance option has become available to you), or some other reason?? (RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS)

*Asked of those who say they will get insurance (sample size insufficient to report)*

Summary of 31 and 33 based on those ages 18-64 who are uninsured (n=154)

	11/14
Will get health insurance	49
You feel you need insurance	25
The law requires it	8
A new insurance option has become available to you	5
You don't want to pay the penalty for not having insurance	5
You are eligible for government financial help	1
Other reason (VOL.)	4
Don't know/Refused	1
Will remain uninsured	41
Don't know/Refused	10

34. Do you think you will get coverage from Medicaid (or [INSERT STATE-SPECIFIC MEDICAID NAME]), through an employer, from a private health insurance company, from the marketplace known as [Healthcare.gov or [INSERT STATE MARKETPLACE NAME]], or are you not sure where you will get insurance? {Jan 2014}

*Asked of those who say they will get insurance (sample size insufficient to report)*

Summary of 31 and 34 based on those ages 18-64 who are uninsured (n=154)

	11/14
Will get health insurance	49
Medicaid/[state-specific Medicaid name]	3
An employer	8
Private health insurance company	4
Marketplace known as healthcare.gov (or state-specific marketplace)	5
Will buy it myself – not specified whether through private insurer or marketplace (VOL.)	14
Somewhere else (VOL.)	*
Don't know/Refused	13
Will remain uninsured	41
Don't know/Refused	10

- D4a. 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?

*Based on those who are insured (n=1,333)*

	11/14
Plan through your employer	39
Plan through your spouse's employer	12
Plan you purchased yourself	8
Medicare	21
Medicaid/[STATE-SPECIFIC MEDICAID NAME]	10
Somewhere else	3
Plan through your parents/mother/father (VOL.)	5
Don't know/Refused	1

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

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

36. Do you know if the plan you purchased through a broker was a plan from the state or federal health insurance marketplace known as healthcare.gov (or [INSERT STATE-SPECIFIC MARKETPLACE NAME]), or was it a plan purchased directly from an insurance company and not through an exchange or marketplace?

*Based on purchased through an agent or broker (sample size insufficient to report)*

Summary D4, D4a, Q35, and Q36 based on those ages 18-64 (n=1,027)

	11/14
Covered by health insurance	81
Employer	37
Spouse's employer	12
Self-purchased plan	7
Directly from an insurance company	2
From healthcare.gov or [STATE MARKETPLACE NAME]	2
Through an insurance agent or broker	3
Plan purchased from a state or federal marketplace	1
Plan purchased directly from an insurance company	2
Don't know/Refused	*
Somewhere else (VOL.)	*
Don't know/Refused	*
Medicare	6
Medicaid/State-specific Medicaid name	10
Somewhere else	3
Plan through parents/mother/father (VOL.)	5
Don't know/Refused	1
Not covered by health insurance	18
Don't know/Refused	1

D1.	Record respondent's sex	
	Male	48
	Female	52
D2.	In general, would you say your health is excellent, very good, good, only fair, or poor?	
	Excellent	20
	Very good	32
	Good	27
	Only fair	16
	Poor	4
	Don't know/Refused	*
D2b.	Are you currently married, living with a partner, widowed, divorced, separated, or have you never been married?	
	Married	48
	Living with a partner	7
	Widowed	7
	Divorced	10
	Separated	2
	Never been married	26
	Don't know/Refused	1
D3.	What best describes your employment situation today? (READ IN ORDER)	
	Employed full-time	44
	Employed part-time	12
	Unemployed and currently seeking employment	6
	Unemployed and not seeking employment	3
	A student	5
	Retired	15
	On disability and can't work	8
	Or, a homemaker or stay at home parent?	6
	Don't know/Refused	*
37.	Is your employment situation a source of stress for you, or not? IF YES: Is it a major source of stress, or a minor source of stress in your life?	
	Major source of stress	18
	Minor source of stress	21
	Not a source of stress	58
	Don't know/ Refused	3



D8. In politics today, do you consider yourself a [ROTATE: Republican, Democrat/Democrat, Republican], an Independent, or what?

Republican	27
Democrat	28
Independent	32
Or what/Other/None/No preference/Other party	7
Don't know/Refused	6

D8a. Do you LEAN more towards the [ROTATE: Republican Party or the Democratic Party/Democratic Party or the Republican Party]?  
(ROTATE OPTIONS IN SAME ORDER AS D8)

Summary D8 and D8a based on total

Republican/Lean Republican	41
Democrat/Lean Democratic	42
Other/Don't lean/Don't know	17

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Democrat	28
Independent Lean Democratic	14
Independent/Don't lean	16
Independent Lean Republican	14
Republican	27
Undesignated	1

D8b. Would you say your views in most political matters are liberal, moderate or conservative?

Liberal	22
Moderate	34
Conservative	37
Don't know/Refused	6

D8c. Do you consider yourself to be a supporter of the Tea Party movement, or not?

Yes, supporter of Tea Party movement	18
No, not a supporter of Tea Party movement	70
Don't know/Refused	12

D9. Are you registered to vote at your present address, or not?

Yes	75
No	25
Don't know/Refused	*

D11. What is the highest level of school you have completed or the highest degree you have received? (DO NOT READ)

Less than high school (Grades 1-8 or no formal schooling)	4
High school incomplete (Grades 9-11 or Grade 12 with NO diploma)	5
High school graduate (Grade 12 with diploma or GED certificate)	32
Some college, no degree (includes some community college)	20
Two year associate degree from a college/university	11
Four year college or university degree/Bachelor's degree	14
Some postgraduate or professional schooling, no postgraduate degree	1
Postgraduate or professional degree, including master's, doctorate, medical or law degree	12
Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	1

D12. Are you, yourself, of Hispanic or Latino background, such as Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, or some other Spanish background?

D13. 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?)

White, non-Hispanic	65
Total non-White	33
Black or African-American, non-Hispanic	12
Hispanic	15
Asian, non-Hispanic	4
Other/Mixed race, non-Hispanic	3
Undesignated	2

D12a. Were you born in the United States, on the island of Puerto Rico, or in another country?

*Based on Hispanics (n=170)*

U.S.	41
Puerto Rico	7
Another country	50
Don't know/Refused	2

D14. Last year—that is, in 2013—what was your total family income from all sources, before taxes? Just stop me when I get to the right category. (READ)

Less than \$20,000	20
\$20,000 to less than \$30,000	13
\$30,000 to less than \$40,000	9
\$40,000 to less than \$50,000	9
\$50,000 to less than \$75,000	13
\$75,000 to less than \$90,000	7
\$90,000 to less than \$100,000	4
\$100,000 or more	13
Don't know/Refused	11

END OF INTERVIEW: That's all the questions I have. Thanks for your time.



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