Kaiser Health Tracking Poll: July 2014

## METHODOLOGY

This Kaiser Health Tracking Poll was designed and analyzed by public opinion researchers at the Kaiser Family Foundation (KFF). The survey was conducted July 15-21, 2014, among a nationally representative random digit dial telephone sample of 1,507 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 (753) and cell phone (754, including 419 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 person 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.

| Group | N (unweighted) | M.O.S.E. |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Total | 1,507 | $\pm 3$ percentage points |
| Registered Voters(RV) | 1,241 | $\pm 3$ percentage points |
| Party Identification |  |  |
| Democrats | 483 | $\pm 5$ percentage points |
| Republicans | 381 | $\pm 6$ percentage points |
| Independents | 498 | $\pm 5$ percentage points |
| Opinion of ACA |  | $\pm 5$ percentage points |
| Favorable Opinion of the ACA | 555 | $\pm 4$ percentage points |
| Unfavorable Opinion of the ACA | 804 |  |
| Gender |  | $\pm 4$ percentage points |
| Men | 745 | $\pm 4$ percentage points |
| Women | 762 | $\pm 4$ percentage points |
| Race |  | $\pm 9$ percentage points |
| White | 1079 | 172 |
| Black |  |  |

Trend Information:
01/11: Kaiser Family Foundation/Harvard School of Public Health The Public's Health Care Agenda for the 112th Congress (January 4-14, 2011)

1. As I read you some different issues, please tell me if you think the president and Congress are paying (too much attention), (too little attention), or about the right amount of attention to each. First (INSERT AND RANDOMIZE). READ FOR FIRST ITEM, THEN REPEAT AS NECESSARY: Are the president and Congress paying (too much attention), (too little attention), or about the right amount of attention to this issue? (ROTATE OPTIONS IN PARENTHESES ACROSS INTERVIEWS, BUT NOT WITHIN SAME INTERVIEW)

| Ask items d,j of all <br> Ask items $a, b, c, e$ of half-sample A Ask items $f, g, h, i, k$ of half-sample B | Too much attention | Too little attention | About the right amount | $\begin{gathered} \text { Don't know/ } \\ \text { Refused } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| a. The economy and jobs |  |  |  |  |
| 07/14 | 5 | 70 | 21 | 4 |
| 10/11 | 6 | 71 | 21 | 3 |
| 06/11 | 7 | 76 | 15 | 2 |
| b. The federal budget deficit |  |  |  |  |
| 07/14 | 9 | 68 | 14 | 9 |
| 10/11 | 13 | 62 | 21 | 5 |
| 06/11 | 15 | 62 | 19 | 3 |
| c. The situation in Iraq |  |  |  |  |
| 07/14 | 26 | 43 | 25 | 6 |
| d. Health care |  |  |  |  |
| 07/14 | 29 | 40 | 27 | 4 |
| 10/11 ${ }^{1}$ | 21 | 50 | 23 | 6 |
| 06/11 | 28 | 48 | 21 | 3 |
| e. Taxes |  |  |  |  |
| 07/14 | 20 | 49 | 23 | 8 |
| 10/11 | 24 | 44 | 27 | 5 |
| 06/11 | 21 | 47 | 27 | 4 |
| f. Climate change |  |  |  |  |
| 07/14 | 22 | 48 | 25 | 6 |
| g. Immigration |  |  |  |  |
| 07/14 | 16 | 61 | 20 | 4 |
| h. Education |  |  |  |  |
| 07/14 | 8 | 66 | 22 | 4 |
| 10/11 | 7 | 63 | 27 | 3 |
| 06/11 | 10 | 67 | 21 | 2 |
| i. Social Security |  |  |  |  |
| 07/14 | 5 | 65 | 27 | 3 |
| 10/11 | 7 | 65 | 24 | 4 |
| j. Women's health issues, including access to birth control |  |  |  |  |
| 07/14 | 28 | 34 | 31 | 7 |
| k. Health care for veterans |  |  |  |  |
| 07/14 | 4 | 71 | 21 | 4 |

[^0]2. Thinking about the campaigns for the US House and Senate this fall, what two issues would you most like to hear your Congressional candidates talk about? (IF RESPONDENT GIVES ONE ISSUE, PROBE FOR SECOND: Is there another issue you'd like to hear about?) (OPENENDED. RECORD VERBATIM RESPONSE IN ORDER OF MENTION. ACCEPT UP TO TWO RESPONSES) ${ }^{2}$

|  | $\begin{gathered} 07 / 14 \\ \text { Total } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 07 / 14 \\ \text { RVs } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 05 / 14 \\ \text { Total } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 05 / 14 \\ \text { RVs } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Economy/Jobs NET | 26 | 27 | 31 | 34 |
| Jobs/Unemployment | 14 | 14 | 14 | 15 |
| The economy (general) | 10 | 11 | 14 | 16 |
| Minimum wage/Wages | 2 | 2 | 4 | 5 |
| Economy/Jobs - other | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Equal pay for women | * | * | * | * |
| Financial reform/regulation | * | * | 1 | 1 |
| Immigration/Border security | 24 | 24 | 9 | 7 |
| Health care NET | 23 | 23 | 22 | 25 |
| Health care/Health (general) | 17 | 18 | 14 | 15 |
| Obamacare/Affordable Care Act/Health care reform | 5 | 5 | 7 | 9 |
| Medicare/Seniors' health issues | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Medicaid/Medicaid expansion | * | * | * | * |
| Education (NET) | 13 | 13 | 8 | 8 |
| Education (general) | 10 | 11 | 5 | 5 |
| Cost of education/student loans | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| Education - other | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 |
| Debt/Budget deficit/government spending | 6 | 7 | 6 | 8 |
| Taxes/Tax reform | 6 | 7 | 4 | 5 |
| Defense/War NET | 6 | 6 | 5 | 5 |
| Afghanistan/Ending the wars/Bringing our troops home/World peace | 3 | 3 | 2 | 2 |
| Military/National security/defense/Terrorism | 3 | 3 | 3 | 4 |
| Dissatisfaction with government/Congress/Republicans/Democrats/politics | 5 | 6 | 5 | 6 |
| Energy and Environment NET | 4 | 4 | 7 | 8 |
| The environment (general) | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 |
| Global warming/Climate change | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Energy policy/Alternative energy sources | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 |
| Energy prices | * | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| The Keystone pipeline | -- | -- | * | * |
| Fracking | -- | -- | * | * |
| Social security | 4 | 4 | 1 | 2 |
| Veterans' health care and benefits | 4 | 4 | 1 | 1 |
| Foreign policy/relations/aid | 4 | 4 | 3 | 3 |
| Women's health care | 3 | 3 | -- | -- |
| Social issues - unspecified or other | 3 | 3 | 3 | 2 |
| Gun policy/Gun control/Second amendment rights | 2 | 3 | 2 | 2 |
| Poverty/Income inequality | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Dissatisfaction with President Obama | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Infrastructure/Transportation | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Local or state issue/States' rights | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Legalization of marijuana/Medical marijuana use | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Welfare/Social services/food stamps | 1 | * | 1 | 1 |
| Gay rights/Gay marriage | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 |
| Constitution/First amendment rights/Our rights | 1 | -- | 1 | 1 |
| Crime/Violence/Drugs | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 |
| Senior citizens | 1 | * | 1 | 1 |
| Abortion | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| NSA/privacy issues | * | -- | 1 | 1 |
| Housing | -- | -- | 1 | 1 |
| Other issue | 6 | 8 | 7 | 6 |
| Don't know/Refused | 15 | 22 | 25 | 20 |

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

[^1]3. 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 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 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 |
| $12 / 11^{3}$ | 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 ${ }^{4}$ | 23 | 23 | 10 | 30 | 14 |

[^2]Which would you rather see your representative in Congress do when it comes to the health care law? (READ AND ROTATE)

|  | $07 / 14$ | $05 / 14$ | $04 / 14$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| They should work to improve the law | 60 | 59 | 58 |
| They should work to repeal the law and replace it with something else | 35 | 34 | 35 |
| Neither of these/they should do something else (VOL.) | 2 | 3 | 3 |
| Don't know/Refused | 2 | 4 | 4 |

5. 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)

|  | $07 / 14$ | $05 / 14$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Helped | 15 | 14 |
| Hurt | 28 | 24 |
| No direct impact | 56 | 60 |
| Both helped and hurt (VOL.) | $*$ | $*$ |
| Don't know/ Refused (VOL.) | 1 | 2 |

6. 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 and their family

|  | $07 / 14$ | $05 / 14$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Allowed someone in your family to get or keep health coverage | 46 | 36 |
| Lowered your health care or health insurance costs | 12 | 19 |
| Made it easier for you to get the health care you need | 25 | 26 |
| OR has it helped in some other way? | 6 | 14 |
| Don't know/ Refused (VOL.) | 10 | 5 |
|  | $(n=220)$ | $(n=203)$ |

7. 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 and their family

|  | $07 / 14$ | $05 / 14$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Caused someone in your family to lose their insurance | 10 | 8 |
| Increased your health care or health insurance costs | 59 | 60 |
| Made it more difficult for you to get the health care you need | 18 | 12 |
| OR has it hurt in some other way? | 10 | 18 |
| Don't know/ Refused (VOL.) | 3 | 2 |
|  | $(n=422)$ | $(n=385)$ |

Summary of Q5, Q6, and Q7 based on total

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

8. During the past 30 days, have you had any conversations with friends or family about the health care law, or not?

|  | $07 / 14$ | $03 / 14$ | $01 / 12$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Yes, have had conversations with friends or family | 47 | 55 | 31 |
| No, have not had conversations with friends or family | 53 | 45 | 69 |
| Don't know/Refused | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ |

9. In these conversations about the health care law, have you heard mostly (good) things about the law, mostly (bad) things, or a mix of the two? (ROTATE ITEMS IN PARENTHESES)

Based on those who have had conversations with friends or family about health care law

|  | 07/14 | 03/14 | 01/12 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mostly good things | 12 | 10 | 17 |
| Mostly bad things | 57 | 51 | 46 |
| Mix of the two | 31 | 38 | 36 |
| Don't know/Refused |  | 1 | 1 |
|  | ( $n=720$ ) | ( $n=881$ ) | ( $n=416$ ) |
| Summary of Q8 and Q9 based on total |  |  |  |
|  | 07/14 | 03/14 | 01/12 |
| Yes, have had conversations with friends or family | 47 | 55 | 31 |
| Heard mostly good things | 6 | 5 | 5 |
| Heard mostly bad things | 27 | 28 | 14 |
| Heard mix of the two | 14 | 21 | 11 |
| Don't know/Refused | * | 1 | * |
| No, have not had conversations with friends or family | 53 | 45 | 69 |
| Don't know/Refused | * | * | * |

10. As far as you know, did people who got new health insurance under the health care law (have a choice between private health plans) or did they (enroll in a single government health plan)? (ROTATE ITEMS IN PARENTHESES)

|  | 07/14 |
| :--- | :---: |
| Had a choice between private health plans | 37 |
| Enrolled in a single government plan | 26 |
| Don't know/Refused | 38 |

11. 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. Reports about the ACA's impact on the number of uninsured Americans |  |  |  |  |  |
| 07/14 | 14 | 25 | 23 | 37 | 1 |
| b. Debates in the state of Virginia about whether to expand Medicaid |  |  |  |  |  |
| 07/14 | 7 | 9 | 20 | 62 | 1 |
| c. The Supreme Court's decision in a case about whether for-profit companies should be required to cover birth control for women in their workers' health plans |  |  |  |  |  |
| 07/14 | 29 | 30 | 17 | 23 | 1 |
| d. The Supreme Court's decision in a case about whether police officers need a warrant to search cell phones |  |  |  |  |  |
| 07/14 | 20 | 25 | 23 | 32 | 1 |
| e. The Supreme Court's decision in a case about whether states can make laws creating buffer zones around abortion clinics |  |  |  |  |  |
| 07/14 | 13 | 22 | 21 | 42 | 1 |
| f. Ongoing coverage of problems related to Veterans Affairs, or V.A. medical facilities |  |  |  |  |  |
| 07/14 | 32 | 32 | 17 | 19 | 1 |
| g. The release of 2015 health insurance premium rates by insurers in some states |  |  |  |  |  |
| 07/14 | 10 | 20 | 24 | 45 | 1 |
| 06/14 | 8 | 19 | 25 | 46 | 1 |
| h. Military and political conflict between Israel and Hamas |  |  |  |  |  |
| 07/14 | 33 | 33 | 17 | 16 | 1 |
| i. The legalization of medical marijuana in New York |  |  |  |  |  |
| 07/14 | 16 | 24 | 22 | 36 | 1 |
| j. The debate over how to deal with large numbers of unaccompanied minors arriving in the U.S. from Central America |  |  |  |  |  |
| 07/14 | 37 | 33 | 12 | 18 | 1 |
| k. Announcement that the child who was thought to have been cured of HIV is now showing signs of infection with the virus |  |  |  |  |  |
| 07/14 | 5 | 16 | 22 | 57 | 1 |

12. During the past 30 days, did you see or hear any ads or commercials (INSERT AND RANDOMIZE, ask items a and b first in random order, then items $c$, $d$, and e in random order), or not? [REPEAT STEM EACH TIME]

13. In the past 30 days, would you say you have seen (more ads in support of the health care law), (more ads opposed to the health care law) or about equal numbers of both (ROTATE ITEMS IN PARENTHESES)?

Based on those who saw ads in support of or opposed to health care law, or ads that tried to influence vote

|  | $07 / 14$ | $04 / 14$ | $03 / 14$ | $02 / 14$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| More ads in support of the health care law | 14 | 23 | 27 | 22 |
| More ads opposed to the health care law | 37 | 29 | 27 | 33 |
| About equal numbers of both | 46 | 45 | 42 | 43 |
| Don't know/Refused | 4 | 4 | 3 | 3 |
|  | $(n=819)$ | $(n=989)$ | $(n=936)$ | $(n=920)$ |

Summary of Q12c, d, e, and Q13 based on total

| Saw ads in support of, ads opposed to, or ads that tried to influence vote | $07 / 14$ | $04 / 14$ |  | $03 / 14$ | $02 / 14$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| More ads in support of the health care law |  | 64 | 60 | 59 |  |
| More ads opposed to the health care law | 7 | 15 | 16 | 13 |  |
| About equal numbers of both | 19 | 18 | 16 | 19 |  |
| Don't know/Refused | 24 | 28 | 25 | 25 |  |
| Did not see these ads/Don't know | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |  |

14. Thinking about news coverage of the health care law, over the past few months, would you say the amount of news coverage you've seen about the law has (increased), (decreased), or stayed about the same? (ROTATE ITEMS IN PARENTHESES)

|  | $07 / 14$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Increased | 11 |
| Decreased | 35 |
| Stayed about the same | 49 |
| Don't know/Refused | 4 |

15. How much attention have you been able to pay to the 2014 election campaign--a lot, some, not much or no attention so far?

|  | $07 / 14$ <br> Total | $07 / 14$ <br> RVs | $05 / 14$ <br> Total | $05 / 14$ <br> RVs |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| A lot | 14 | 17 | 14 | 17 |
| Some | 29 | 33 | 29 | 32 |
| Not much | 28 | 26 | 27 | 27 |
| No attention | 29 | 24 | 29 | 24 |
| Don't know/Refused | $*$ | $*$ | 1 | 1 |

16. In general, do you support or oppose the health care law's requirement that private health insurance plans cover the full cost of birth control?

|  | $07 / 14$ | $05 / 14$ | $04 / 14$ | $02 / 12^{5}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Support | 60 | 58 | 61 | 63 |
| Oppose | 33 | 32 | 32 | 33 |
| Don't know/Refused | 7 | 10 | 7 | 4 |

17. As you may know, last month the Supreme Court announced its decision in a case about whether for-profit companies should be required to cover birth control for women in their workers' health plans. As far as you know, did the Court decide that privately-held for-profit companies (MUST pay for coverage of prescription birth control in their workers' health plans) or that they (may choose NOT to pay for coverage of prescription birth control in their workers' health plans if the company's owner has religious objections)? (ROTATE LANGUAGE IN PARENTHESES)

|  | 07/14 |
| :---: | :---: |
| For-profit companies must pay for coverage of prescription birth control in their workers' health plans | 21 |
| For-profit companies may choose not to pay for coverage of prescription birth control in their workers' health plans if the company's owner has religious objections | 53 |
| Don't know/Refused | 25 |

18. [READ IF Q17=1,9: Though not everyone has had a chance to hear about it]/[READ IF Q17=2: As you noted], the Supreme Court decided that privately-held for-profit companies may choose NOT to pay for coverage of prescription birth control in their workers' health plans if the company's owner has religious objections. Do you approve or disapprove of the Court's decision in this case?

|  | $07 / 14$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Approve | 47 |
| Disapprove | 49 |
| Don't know/Refused | 4 |

[^3]|  | $07 / 14$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Angry | 12 |
| Disappointed but not angry (or) | 35 |
| Satisfied but not enthusiastic (or) | 35 |
| Enthusiastic | 11 |
| Some other emotion (VOL.) | 2 |
| Don't care | 2 |
| Don't know/Refused | 3 |

Does this decision by the Supreme Court make you (more) likely to vote this November than you otherwise would have been, (less) likely to vote than you otherwise would have been, or does it not really change your plans for voting? (ROTATE WORDS IN PARENTHESES)

|  | $07 / 14$ <br> Total | $07 / 14$ <br> RVs |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| More likely to vote | 11 | 11 |
| Less likely to vote | 3 | 3 |
| Doesn't really change plans for voting | 82 | 85 |
| Don't vote, not registered to vote, don't plan to vote (VOL.) | 2 | 1 |
| Don't know/Refused | 1 | 1 |

21. Do you think the Supreme Court's decision in this case is related to the 2010 health care law, also known as the Affordable Care Act and sometimes referred to as Obamacare, or is it not related to the health care law?

| Decision is related to the health care law | $07 / 14$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Decision is not related to the health care law | 56 |
| Don't know/Refused | 34 |

22. Do you see the Court's decision as a major setback for the health care law, a minor setback, or not a setback for the health care law?

Based on related to health care law ( $n=872$ )

|  | $07 / 14$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Major setback | 21 |
| Minor setback | 45 |
| Not a setback | 31 |
| Don't know/Refused | 3 |
|  |  |
| Summary of Q21 and Q22 based on total | $07 / 14$ |
| Decision is related to the health care law | 56 |
| Major setback | 12 |
| Minor setback | 25 |
| Not a setback | 18 |
| Don't know/Refused | 34 |
| Decision is not related to the health care law | 9 |

23. How big of a role do you think each of the following played in the Supreme Court's decision in the case about whether for-profit companies should be required to cover birth control in their workers' health plans? What about (INSERT FIRST ITEM, RANDOMIZE)? Do you think this played a major role, a minor role, or no role at all in the Justices' decision on this case? READ FOR SUBSEQUENT ITEMS: What about (INSERT NEXT ITEM, RANDOMIZE)? [READ AS NECESSARY: Did this play a major role, a minor role, or no role at all in the Supreme Court Justices' decision in the case about whether for-profit companies should be required to cover birth control?]

|  | Major role | Minor role | No role | Don't know/ Refused |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| a. The Justices' personal liberal or conservative views |  |  |  |  |
| 07/14 | 46 | 31 | 17 | 6 |
| b. The Justices' analysis and interpretation of the law |  |  |  |  |
| 07/14 | 46 | 29 | 16 | 9 |
| c. Whether a Justice was appointed by a Republican or Democratic president |  |  |  |  |
| 07/14 | 38 | 30 | 25 | 7 |
| d. The views of average Americans |  |  |  |  |
| 07/14 | 24 | 39 | 32 | 6 |
| e. The Justices' gender |  |  |  |  |
| 07/14 | 31 | 31 | 32 | 6 |
| f. The Justices' own religious views |  |  |  |  |
| 07/14 | 39 | 29 | 26 | 6 |

24. Which of these do you think played the MOST important role in the Justices' decision on this case? (READ ITEMS RATED AS "MAJOR"IN SAME ORDER)

Summary Q23 and Q24 based on total, includes those who rated only one item as "major"

|  | $07 / 14$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| The Justices' analysis and interpretation of the law | 22 |
| The Justices' personal liberal or conservative views | 17 |
| The Justices' own religious views | 13 |
| Whether a Justice was appointed by a Republican or Democratic president | 12 |
| The views of average Americans | 8 |
| The Justices' gender | 6 |
| None of these/Some other factor (VOL.) | 1 |
| None played a major role | 19 |
| Don't know/Refused | 2 |

25. Do you think the Supreme Court's decision in this case will make it more difficult for women to obtain prescription birth control, or not?

|  | $07 / 14$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Yes, decision will make it more difficult for women to obtain birth control | 45 |
| No, will not make it more difficult for women to obtain birth control | 50 |
| Don't know/Refused | 4 |

26. If a woman works for a company whose employer does not pay for coverage of prescription birth control because of religious objections, whose responsibility do you think it should be to pay for this coverage? (READ AND RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS)

|  | $07 / 14$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| The government (or) | 14 |
| The insurance company (or) | 36 |
| The woman herself (or) | 47 |
| None of these/someone else (VOL.) | 1 |
| Don't know/Refused | 2 |

27. How likely do you think it is that employers will use the Court's decision in this case to attempt to deny their workers coverage for other types of health care services, such as vaccinations or blood transfusions, on religious grounds? (READ RESPONSE OPTIONS)

|  | $07 / 14$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Very likely | 32 |
| Somewhat likely | 26 |
| Not too likely | 19 |
| Not at all likely | 20 |
| Don't know/Refused | 2 |

READ TO ALL: Switching gears, I'd now like to ask your opinions about a different topic, HIV and AIDS...
28. Thinking about the impact of HIV/AIDS in the United States today, which comes closer to your view? (READ AND ROTATE OPTIONS 1-2, ALWAYS READ OPTION 3 LAST)

|  | $07 / 14$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| The U.S. is making progress (or) | 40 |
| The U.S. is losing ground (or) | 11 |
| The problem is about the same as it has been | 45 |
| Don't know/Refused | 4 |

29. How concerned are you, personally, about becoming infected with HIV? Are you very concerned, somewhat concerned, not too concerned, or not at all concerned?

|  | $07 / 14$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Very concerned | 12 |
| Somewhat concerned | 10 |
| Not too concerned | 24 |
| Not at all concerned | 53 |
| Already have HIV/AIDS (VOL.) | $*$ |
| Don't know/Refused | 1 |

30. How often would you say the subject of HIV/AIDS comes up in discussions with (INSERT, RANDOMIZE)? Often, sometimes, rarely, or never?

|  |  |  |  | (Vol.) |  | Don't know/ <br> Refused |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| a. Your family | 6 | Sometimes | Rarely | Never | N/A | $*$ |
| b. Your friends | 5 | 13 | 32 | 49 | $*$ | $*$ |
| c. Your spouse or other intimate partners | 5 | 17 | 36 | 43 | $*$ | $*$ |

31. Anti-retroviral medications are currently the standard treatment for HIV infection. As far as you know, if someone who is HIV-positive is taking consistent anti-retroviral treatment, does this significantly reduce the risk of passing HIV on to their sexual partners, or not? [INTERVIEWER NOTE: IF R SAYS THEY DON’T KNOW, DO NOT PROBE]

|  | $07 / 14$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Yes, significantly reduces risk of passing HIV on | 21 |
| No, does not significantly reduce risk | 49 |
| Don't know/Refused | 30 |

32. As far as you know, is there a prescription medication that people who are HIV-negative can take to lower their risk of getting HIV, or not? [INTERVIEWER NOTE: IF R SAYS THEY DON’T KNOW, DO NOT PROBE]

|  | $07 / 14$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Yes | 14 |
| No | 58 |
| Don't know/Refused | 28 |

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)...?

|  | $07 / 14$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| $18-29$ | 22 |
| $30-49$ | 33 |
| $50-64$ | 27 |
| 65 and older | 17 |
| 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])?

|  | $07 / 14$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Covered by health insurance | 85 |
| Not covered by health insurance | 14 |
| Don't know/Refused | $*$ |

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 ( $n=1,351$ )
Plan through your employer 34

Plan through your spouse's employer 15
Plan you purchased yourself 11
Medicare 19
Medicaid/[STATE-SPECIFIC MEDICAID NAME] 11
Somewhere else 4
Plan through your parents/mother/father (VOL.) 6
Don't know/Refused 1
33. Did you purchase your plan directly from an insurance company, from the marketplace known as healthcare.gov (or [INSERT STATESPECIFIC MARKETPLACE NAME]), or through an insurance agent or broker?

Based on those ages 18-64 who purchased own insurance plan ( $n=119$ )

| Directly from an insurance company | 26 |
| :--- | :---: |
| From healthcare.gov or [STATE MARKETPLACE NAME] | 26 |
| Through an insurance agent or broker | 36 |
| Somewhere else (VOL.) | 5 |
| Don't know/Refused | 7 |

34. 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, Q33, and Q34 based on those ages 18-64 ( $n=1,072$ )

07/14
Covered by health insurance 83
Employer 34
Spouse's employer ..... 14
Self-purchased plan ..... 10
Directly from an insurance company ..... 2
From healthcare.gov or [STATE MARKETPLACE NAME] ..... 3
Through an insurance agent or broker ..... +
Plan purchased from a state or federal marketplace
3
Plan purchased directly from an insurance company*
Somewhere else (VOL.)
1
Don't know/Refused
5
Medicare
10
Medicaid/State-specific Medicaid name ..... 3
Plan through parents/mother/father (VOL.) ..... 6
Don't know/Refused ..... 1
Not covered by health insurance ..... 17
Don't know/Refused ..... *
35. In general, the term "pre-existing condition" is used by insurance companies to describe an illness or medical condition that a person had before they began looking for insurance. For example, if you were looking to buy health insurance but had a history of asthma, diabetes or high blood pressure, those would be considered pre-existing conditions, along with illnesses such as cancer. Given that definition, would you say that you or someone else in your household would be considered to have a "pre-existing condition" of some sort, or not?
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { Yes, someone in household has pre-existing condition } & 53 \\ \text { No, no one in household has pre-existing condition } & 45\end{array}$
Don't know/Refused 2

D1. Record respondent's sex
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { Male } & 49 \\ \text { Female } & 51\end{array}$

D2. In general, would you say your health is excellent, very good, good, only fair, or poor?

| Excellent | 22 |
| :--- | :---: |
| Very good | 30 |
| Good | 31 |
| Only fair | 14 |
| Poor | 3 |
| Don't know/Refused | $*$ |

D2b. Are you currently married, living with a partner, widowed, divorced, separated, or have you never been married?
Married 51

Living with a partner 8
Widowed 5
Divorced 10
Separated 3
Never been married 22
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 6
Retired 16
On disability and can't work 6
Or, a homemaker or stay at home parent? 7
Don't know/Refused 1

D8. In politics today, do you consider yourself a [ROTATE: Republican, Democrat/Democrat, Republican], an Independent, or what?
Republican 23

Democrat 32
Independent 34
Or what/Other/None/No preference/Other party 7
Don't know/Refused 4

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 38
Democrat/Lean Democratic 46
Other/Don't lean/Don't know 16

## Five-Point Party ID

Democrat 32
Independent Lean Democratic 14
Independent/Don't lean 16
Independent Lean Republican 15
Republican 23
Undesignated 1

## D8b.

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

| Liberal | 24 |
| :--- | :---: |
| Moderate | 35 |
| Conservative | 36 |
| Don't know/Refused | 4 |

D8c Do you consider yourself to be a supporter of the Tea Party movement, or not?
Yes, supporter of Tea Party movement ..... 21
No, not a supporter of Tea Party movement ..... 69
Don't know/Refused ..... 10
D9. Are you registered to vote at your present address, or not?
Yes ..... 76
No ..... 23
Don’t know/Refused ..... *
D10. I'd like you to rate the chances that you will vote in the congressional election in November: Are you absolutely certain to vote, will youprobably vote, are the chances $50-50$, or less than that?
Based on registered voters ( $n=1,241$ )
Absolutely certain to vote ..... 68
Probably vote ..... 16
hances 50-50 ..... 10
Less than that ..... 1
Unable to reach ..... 1
Don't know/Refused ..... 1
36.

Some people think of themselves as evangelical or born again Christians. Do you ever think of yourself in either of these ways?
Yes ..... 30
No ..... 68
Don't know/Refused ..... 2
37. What is your religious preference today? (DO NOT READ LIST)
Baptist ..... 12
Catholic/Roman Catholic ..... 20
Christian/Non-Denominational Christian ..... 25
Episcopalian ..... 1
Evangelical ..... 1
Jehovah's Witness ..... 1
Jewish/Judaism ..... 2
Lutheran ..... 3
Methodist/Wesleyan ..... 3
Mormon/Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints ..... 2
Muslim/Islamic ..... 1
Orthodox (Eastern, Greek, Russian, Armenian, etc.) ..... 1
Pentecostal ..... 1
Presbyterian ..... 1
Protestant ..... 3
Seventh Day Adventist ..... *
Church of Christ ..... *
Reformed Church in America (Dutch, German, Scandinavians, etc.) ..... *
Unitarian/Universalist ..... *
Buddhist ..... 1
Hindu ..... 1
Other ..... 2
No Religion/Atheist/Agnostic ..... 18
Don't know/Refused ..... 3
38. How often do you attend religious services? (READ)
Based on those who have a religious preference ( $n=1,263$ )
More than once a week ..... 14
Once a week ..... 28
A few times a month ..... 19
A few times a year OR ..... 26
Never ..... 11
Don't know/Refused ..... 2
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) ..... 4
High school graduate (Grade 12 with diploma or GED certificate) ..... 32
Some college, no degree (includes some community college) ..... 19
Two year associate degree from a college/university ..... 12
Four year college or university degree/Bachelor's degree ..... 16
Some postgraduate or professional schooling, no postgraduate degree ..... 1
Postgraduate or professional degree, including master's, doctorate, medical or law degree ..... 11
Don't know/Refused (VOL.)*

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 34
Black or African-American, non-Hispanic 12
Hispanic 15
Asian, non-Hispanic 4
Other/Mixed race, non-Hispanic
Undesignated

3
1

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

Based on Hispanics ( $n=164$ )

| U.S. | 47 |
| :--- | :---: |
| Puerto Rico | 4 |
| Another country | 49 |
| Don't know/Refused | -- |

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 17
$\$ 20,000$ to less than \$30,000 14
$\$ 30,000$ to less than \$40,000 11
$\$ 40,000$ to less than $\$ 50,000 \quad 9$
$\$ 50,000$ to less than \$75,000 13
$\$ 75,000$ to less than \$90,000 9
$\$ 90,000$ to less than \$100,000 3
\$100,000 or more 15
Don't know/Refused 10

READ: I have just a few more questions. Let me remind you that this is a completely confidential interview and that there are no right or wrong answers...
39. In general, how comfortable would you be, personally, having a roommate who is HIV-positive? Very comfortable, somewhat comfortable, somewhat UNcomfortable, or very UNcomfortable?

|  | 07/14 |
| :--- | :---: |
| Very comfortable | 21 |
| Somewhat comfortable | 25 |
| Somewhat uncomfortable | 24 |
| Very uncomfortable | 24 |
| Does not apply (VOL.) | 2 |
| Don't know/Refused | 3 |

40. Do you personally know anyone, including yourself, who is currently living with HIV, or not?

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|  | $07 / 14$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Yes | 19 |
| No | 81 |

Don't know/Refused
41. Who do you know that is currently living with HIV? Is it (INSERT, READ IN ORDER), or not? Next, is it (INSERT NEXT ITEM), or not? READ IF NECESSARY: Is this person currently living with HIV, or not?

Based on those who know someone living with HIV ( $n=275$ )

|  | Yes | No | Don't know/ <br> Refused |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| a. Yourself | $*$ | 100 | -- |
| b. A current or past sexual partner | 4 | 95 | 1 |
| c. A family member | 23 | 77 | $*$ |
| b. A close friend | 40 | 59 | 1 |
| c. An acquaintance | 63 | 36 | 1 |

Summary of Q40 and Q41 based on total

|  | $07 / 14$ |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Yes, know someone living with HIV | 19 | $*$ |
| Yourself |  | $*$ |
| A current or past sexual partner | 1 |  |
| A family member | 4 |  |
| A close friend | 7 |  |
| An acquaintance |  | 12 |
| No, do not know anyone living with HIV | 81 |  |
| Don't know/Refused | $*$ |  |

42. Has anyone close to you ever died from HIV/AIDS, or not?

|  | $07 / 14$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Yes | 15 |
| No | 84 |
| Don't know/Refused | 1 |

43. Have you, yourself, ever been tested for HIV?

|  | $07 / 14$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Yes | 54 |
| No | 43 |
| Don't Know/Refused | 3 |

44. When was the last time you were tested for HIV? Was it (READ IN ORDER)?

Based on those who have ever been testing for HIV ( $n=744$ )

|  | $07 / 14$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Within the last 3 months | 7 |
| At least 3 months but less than 6 months ago | 7 |
| At least 6 months but less than 12 months ago, or | 15 |
| 12 months ago or longer? | 69 |
| Don't know/Refused | 1 |


| Summary of Q43 and Q44 based on total |  |
| :--- | ---: |
| Yes, have been tested for HIV | 54 |
| $\quad$ Within the last 3 months | 4 |
| At least 3 months but less than 6 months ago | 4 |
| At least 6 months but less than 12 months ago | 8 |
| 12 months ago or longer | 37 |
| Don't know/Refused | 43 |
| No, never been tested | 3 |

45. My next question is personal in nature. Please keep in mind that this interview is completely confidential. Do you think of yourself as...(READ)

|  | $07 / 14$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Straight or heterosexual | 90 |
| Gay (or lesbian) | 1 |
| Bisexual | 2 |
| Something else | 2 |
| Don't know/refused | 6 |

46. Do you happen to have a family member or close friend who is gay or lesbian, or not?

|  | $07 / 14$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Yes | 58 |
| No | 40 |
| Don't know/Refused | 1 |

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

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[^0]:    1 Trend wording for item d was "Health care reform".

[^1]:    2 This question was moved after Q1 starting on the second night of interviewing (July 16, 2014).

[^2]:    3 May 2010 through December 2011 trend wording was "As you may know, a health reform bill was signed into law early last 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?)"

[^3]:    5 Trend wording was "In general, do you support or oppose the new federal requirement that private health insurance plans cover the cost of birth control?".

