

**Topline**

Kaiser Family Foundation/California Health Care  
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*California Health Policy Survey*



## SURVEY METHODOLOGY

The Kaiser Family Foundation/California Health Care Foundation *California Health Policy Survey* was conducted by telephone November 12 – December 27, 2018 among a random representative sample of 1,404 adults age 18 and older living in the state of California (note: persons without a telephone could not be included in the random selection process). Interviews were administered in English and Spanish, combining random samples of both landline (476) and cellular telephones (928, including 668 who had no landline telephone). Sampling, data collection, weighting and tabulation were managed by SSRS in close collaboration with Kaiser Family Foundation and California Health Care Foundation researchers. The California Health Care Foundation paid for the costs of the survey fieldwork, and Kaiser Family Foundation contributed the time of its research staff. Both partners worked together to design the survey and analyze the results.

The sampling and screening procedures were designed to increase the number of Black and Asian-American respondents and low-income respondents, including those who have health insurance through Medi-Cal or who are uninsured. This oversample allowed for sufficient numbers of respondents in these subgroups to report their results separately; weighting adjustments were made to adjust their proportions to represent their actual shares of the population in overall results (see weighting description below). The sample included 463 respondents who were reached by calling back respondents in California who had previously completed an interview on either the SSRS Omnibus poll or the Kaiser Health Tracking Polls and indicated they fit one of the oversample criteria (Black, Asian, or low-income respondents, including low-income respondents with Medi-Cal or who are uninsured, and are living in California). It also included 46 respondents with prepaid (or pay-as-you-go) cell phone numbers in California, a group that is disproportionately lower-income.

The dual frame cellular and landline phone sample was generated by Marketing Systems Group (MSG) using random digit dial (RDD) procedures. The RDD frames were stratified by income-level in order to reach more low-income respondents. To address the fact that some qualifying respondents could be reached only by their cell-phone but had an out-of-state phone number, the sample was augmented with a sample of phone numbers outside of California associated with a billing address that indicated in-state residence (n=89). Survey Sampling International (SSI) generated these numbers randomly using Smart Cell sample. All respondents were screened to verify that they resided in California. 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 qualifying adult who answered the phone.

A multi-stage weighting design was applied to ensure an accurate representation of the California adult population. The first stage of weighting involved corrections for sample design, including accounting for the components, the likelihood of non-response for the re-contacted sample, and an adjustment to account for the fact that respondents with both a landline and cell phone have a higher probability of selection. In the second weighting stage, demographic adjustments were applied, at first, to the RDD and Smart Cell sample to account for systematic non-response along known population parameters. Population parameters included gender, age, race, Hispanic ethnicity (broken down by nativity), educational attainment, phone status (cell phone only or reachable by landline), and state region. Demographic parameters were based on estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau's March 2017 American Community Survey (ACS), and telephone use was based on data for California from the 2016 National Health Interview Survey. Based on this second stage of weighting, estimates were derived for self-reported income as a percentage of the federal poverty level (less than 200%, 200% or higher) by insurance status (Medi-Cal, uninsured, all else) in the California population. The last stage of weighting included all respondents and used poverty level by insurance status, based on the previous stage's outcomes, as an additional weighting parameter.

The margin of sampling error including the design effect for the full sample is plus or minus 3 percentage points. For results based on subgroups, the margin of sampling error may be higher. Sample sizes and margins of sampling error for 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](#).

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
- Data aren't shown if the number of respondents asked a question (the unweighted N) is less than 100
- Questions are presented in the order asked; question numbers may not be sequential.

Q1. Now I'd like to ask you about possible priorities for California's new governor and legislature. How important do you think it is for them to work on each of these areas in 2019. First, (INSERT AND RANDOMIZE). Is that extremely important, very important, somewhat important, or not important for them to work on in 2019? What about (INSERT NEXT ITEM)? (READ FOR FIRST TWO ITEMS THEN IF NECESSARY: Is that extremely important, very important, somewhat important, or not important for them to work on in 2019?) (scramble items a-i)

Items c, e, f: *Based on Half Sample A*

Items d, g, i: *Based on Half Sample B*

	Extremely/Very important (NET)	Extremely important	Very important	Somewhat/ Not important/ Should not be done (NET)	Somewhat important	Not important for them to work on in 2019	Should not be done (Vol.)	Don't know/ Refused	N
a. Making health care more affordable	80	45	35	18	12	5	*	2	n=1,404
c. Improving public education	85	48	38	12	8	4	-	3	n=705
d. Addressing climate change	61	30	31	37	19	17	*	2	n=699
e. Improving infrastructure, like buildings and roads	70	28	42	29	22	7	-	1	n=705
f. Attracting and retaining businesses and jobs	74	29	45	24	19	6	-	2	n=705
g. Making housing more affordable	75	40	35	23	16	7	-	2	n=699
i. Immigration enforcement	57	25	32	40	24	16	*	2	n=699

Q2. I'm going to read you some different things the new California governor and lawmakers might do when it comes to health care. How important do you think it is for them to work on each of these areas in 2019. First, (INSERT AND RANDOMIZE). Is that extremely important, very important, somewhat important, or not important for them to work on in 2019? What about (INSERT NEXT ITEM)? (READ FOR FIRST TWO ITEMS THEN IF NECESSARY: Is that extremely important, very important, somewhat important, or not important for them to work on in 2019?) (scramble items a-h)

Items a, c, e, g: *Based on Half Sample A*  
 Items b, d, f, h: *Based on Half Sample B*

	Extremely/ Very important (NET)	Extremely important	Very important	Somewhat/ Not important/ Should not be done (NET)	Somewhat important	Not important for them to work on in 2019	Should not be done (Vol.)	Don't know/ Refused	N
a. Making sure people with alcohol and drug use problems can get the treatment they need	68	30	39	30	24	7	-	1	n=705
b. Making sure people with mental health problems can get the treatment they need	88	49	39	12	10	3	-	*	n=699
c. Lowering the amount that people pay for health care	81	41	40	18	13	5	-	1	n=705
d. Lowering the price of prescription drugs	75	39	36	24	19	6	-	*	n=699
e. Making sure there are enough doctors, nurses and other health care providers across California	77	38	39	22	16	6	-	1	n=705
f. Making sure all Californians have access to health insurance coverage	78	45	34	21	13	7	*	1	n=699
g. Making information about the price of doctors' visits, tests, and procedures more available to patients	76	37	40	22	16	6	-	2	n=705
h. Decreasing state government spending on health care	45	15	30	49	23	25	1	6	n=699

Q4. Do you think your community has enough (INSERT AND RANDOMIZE) to serve the needs of local residents, or not? (scramble items a-d)

	Yes, has enough	No, does not have enough	Don't know	Refused
a. Primary care doctors	57	35	7	*
b. Hospitals	70	27	3	*
c. Mental health care providers	27	52	21	*
d. Specialists, such as cardiologists or orthopedists	54	33	13	*

Q5. Do you think the California state government should provide medical and nursing students with scholarships and financial help if they agree to work in areas of California that have shortages, or is this not something the state government should do?

California government should do this	83
California government should not do this	14
Don't know/Refused	4

READ TO ALL: On another topic...

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?] (rotate items in parentheses)

Favorable (NET)	58
Very favorable	34
Somewhat favorable	24
Unfavorable (NET)	30
Somewhat unfavorable	12
Very unfavorable	18
Don't know/Refused	12

READ TO ALL: As you may know, the 2010 Affordable Care Act created health insurance exchanges or marketplaces where people who don't get coverage through their employers can shop for insurance and compare prices and benefits.

Q6. How well would you say the health insurance marketplace, called Covered California, is working in California? Very well, somewhat well, not too well, or not at all well?

Well (NET)	56
Very well	16
Somewhat well	40
Not well (NET)	27
Not too well	17
Not at all well	10
Don't know	17
Refused	*

READ TO ALL: Now I am going to ask you some questions about Medicaid, also known in California as Medi-Cal, the government health insurance and long-term care program for low-income adults and children.

Q8. In general, do you have (a favorable) or (an unfavorable) opinion of Medi-Cal? (GET ANSWER THEN ASK: Is that a very (favorable/unfavorable) or somewhat (favorable/unfavorable) opinion?) (rotate items in parentheses)

Favorable (NET)	70
Very favorable	40
Somewhat favorable	30
Unfavorable (NET)	20
Somewhat unfavorable	11
Very unfavorable	9
Don't know/Refused	10

Q9. How important is Medi-Cal for (INSERT ITEM)? (READ LIST) (rotate items a & b)

	Important (NET)	Very important	Somewhat important	Not important (NET)	Not too important	Not at all important	Don't know/ Refused
a. The state of California	91	76	15	6	3	3	3
b. You and your family	59	46	12	38	12	26	3

Q10. Do you think most working age adults without disabilities who have health insurance through Medi-Cal are (working) or are most (unemployed)? (rotate items in parentheses)

Working	37
Unemployed	42
Don't know	20
Refused	*

READ TO ALL: Now, moving on...

Q12. Do you (favor) or (oppose) having a single-payer health plan in California, in which all California residents would get their coverage from a single state government plan? (GET ANSWER THEN ASK: Is that strongly (favor/oppose) or somewhat (favor/oppose)?) (rotate items in parentheses)

Favor (NET)	48
Strongly favor	25
Somewhat favor	22
Oppose (NET)	40
Somewhat oppose	14
Strongly oppose	26
Don't know/Refused	12

Q12a. If a single-payer health plan was put into place in California, do you think you and your family would (INSERT ITEM), or not? (rotate items a & b)

	Yes, would	No, would not	Don't know	Refused
a. Be able to keep your current health insurance	45	36	19	*
b. Have to pay more in taxes to cover the cost of health insurance	71	20	9	*

Q15. What if you heard that opponents say such a plan would (INSERT AND RANDOMIZE)? Would you still favor it, or would you now oppose it? (scramble items a & c)

*Based on those who favor having a single-payer health plan in CA*

	Still favor	Now oppose	Don't know/ Refused	N
a. Give the government more control over health care	65	29	6	n=686
c. Require many Californians to pay more in taxes	58	38	4	n=686

Q12/Q15a Combo Table

*Based on total*

Still favor if heard opponents say would give the government more control over health care	31
Oppose (NET)	54
Originally	40
Once heard argument	14
Don't know/Refused	15

Q12/Q15c Combo Table

*Based on total*

Still favor if heard opponents say would require many Californians to pay more in taxes	28
Oppose (NET)	59
Originally	40
Once heard argument	18
Don't know/Refused	14

Q16. What if you heard that supporters say such a plan would (INSERT AND RANDOMIZE)? Would you still oppose it, or would you now favor it? (rotate items a & b)

*Based on those who oppose having a single-payer health plan in CA*

	Still oppose	Now favor	Don't know/ Refused	N
a. Ensure that all Californians have health care coverage	57	38	5	n=557
b. Reduce health insurance administrative costs	59	35	7	n=557

Q12/Q16a Combo Table

*Based on total*

Still oppose if heard supporters say would ensure that all Californians have health care coverage	23
Favor (NET)	63
Originally	48
Once heard argument	16
Don't know/Refused	14

Q12/Q16b Combo Table

*Based on total*

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Still oppose if heard supporters say would reduce health insurance administrative costs	24
Favor (NET)	62
Originally	48
Once heard argument	14
Don't know/Refused	14

AGE. What is your age?

AGE2. Could you please tell me if you are... (READ LIST)

RECA2 VARIABLE

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18-29	22
30-49	36
50-64	24
65+	18
Don't know/Refused	*

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])?

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Covered by health insurance	88
Not covered by health insurance	12
Don't know/Refused	1

Q17. In the past twelve months, have you had to wait longer than you thought was reasonable to get an appointment for medical care, or not?

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Yes	23
No	72
Haven't tried to get appointment (Vol.)	4
Don't know/Refused	1

Q18. In the past twelve months, have you had to wait longer than you thought was reasonable to get an appointment for **mental health care**, or not?

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Yes	9
No	68
Haven't tried to get appointment (Vol.)	19
Don't know/Refused	4



READ TO ALL: On another topic...

Q19a. Next, I'm going to read you a list of things that some people worry about and others do not. I would like you to tell me how worried, if at all, you are about being able to afford each of the following for you and your family. What about (INSERT AND RANDOMIZE)? Are you very worried, somewhat worried, not too worried, or not at all worried? How worried are you about being able to afford (INSERT NEXT ITEM)? (READ IF NECESSARY: Are you very worried, somewhat worried, not too worried, or not at all worried?) (scramble items a-g)

Item a: *Based on those who are insured*

	Worried (NET)	Very worried	Somewhat worried	Not worried (NET)	Not too worried	Not at all worried	Not applicable (Vol.)	Don't know/ Refused	N
a. Your monthly health insurance premium	39	17	22	59	22	37	2	1	n=1,231
b. Your out of pocket costs when using health care services	56	30	25	43	17	26	1	*	N=1,404
c. Your prescription drug costs	42	22	20	56	22	35	1	*	n=1,404
d. Your rent or mortgage	52	31	21	46	17	29	2	*	n=1,404
e. Gasoline or other transportation costs	53	27	26	46	20	26	*	*	n=1,404
f. Your monthly utilities like electricity or heat	47	22	24	53	21	32	*	*	n=1,404
g. Unexpected medical bills	63	38	25	36	16	20	*	*	n=1,404

Q26. In the past 12 months, have you or another family member living in your household... (INSERT AND RANDOMIZE) because of the COST, or not? (INTERVIEWER NOTE: PLEASE READ "BECAUSE OF THE COST" AFTER EACH ITEM.) (scramble items a-f)

	Yes	No	Don't know/ Refused
a. Skipped a recommended medical test or treatment	19	80	1
b. Not filled a prescription for a medicine	18	82	1
c. Cut pills in half or skipped doses of medicine	12	88	*
d. Put off or postponed getting mental health care	10	88	2
e. Put off or postponed getting health care	20	80	*
f. Skipped dental care or checkups	30	69	1

Q26 Summary – Yes to any

*Based on total*

Experienced any problems	44
Experienced no problems	56
Don't know/Refused	*

MEDBILLS. In the past 12 months, did you or anyone in your household have problems paying or an inability to pay any medical bills, such as bills for doctors, dentists, medication, or home care? (IF NEEDED: This includes bills you have had problems paying over the past 12 months, even if the initial bill was incurred more than 12 months ago.)

Yes	20
No	79
Don't know/Refused	*

MEDBILLS3. Have you or someone else in your household (INSERT ITEM) in the past 12 months in order to pay medical bills, or not? How about (INSERT NEXT ITEM)? (READ IF NECESSARY: Have you or someone else in your household done this in the past 12 months in order to pay medical bills, or not?) (scramble items a-l)

*Based on those whose households had problems or an inability to pay medical bills*

	Yes	No	Don't know/ Refused	N
a. Borrowed money from friends or family	54	46	-	n=316
b. Taken out another mortgage on your home	6	93	1	n=316
c. Borrowed money from a payday lender	21	79	-	n=316
d. Taken out another type of loan, other than a mortgage or loan from a payday lender	18	82	*	n=316
e. Sought the aid of a charity or non-profit organization	28	71	1	n=316
f. Increased your credit card debt	46	54	1	n=316
g. Cut back spending on food, clothing, or basic household items	72	28	*	n=316
h. Put off vacations or major household purchases	66	32	1	n=316
i. Taken money out of retirement, college, or other long-term savings accounts	32	67	1	n=316
j. Taken an extra job or worked more hours	55	45	*	n=316
k. Changed your living situation, such as moving in with family or friends	32	67	1	n=316
l. Used up all or most of your savings	61	38	1	n=316

MEDBILLS/MEDBILLS3 SUMMARY

*Based on total*

Yes, household had problems or an inability to pay any medical bills	20
Borrowed money from friends or family	11
Taken out another mortgage on your home	1
Borrowed money from a payday lender	4
Taken out another type of loan, other than a mortgage or loan from a payday lender	4
Sought the aid of a charity or non-profit organization	6
Increased your credit card debt	9
Cut back spending on food, clothing, or basic household items	15
Put off vacations or major household purchases	14
Taken money out of retirement, college, or other long-term savings accounts	7
Taken an extra job or worked more hours	11
Changed your living situation, such as moving in with family or friends	7
Used up all or most of your savings	12
No, household did not have problems or an inability to pay any medical bills	79
Don't know/Refused	*

Q27. As far as you know, if you visit a hospital in California that is in your health plan's network but are treated by an out-of-network provider, is the provider allowed to charge you the higher out-of-network price, or do they have to charge you the lower in-network price?

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

Yes, allowed to charge higher price	29
No, have to charge the lower price	34
Don't know/Refused	38
	n=900

Q29. In general, how (easy) or (difficult) would you say it is to find out how much medical treatments and procedures provided by different doctors or hospitals would cost you before you receive them? Would you say it is... (READ LIST)? (rotate items in parentheses)

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Easy (NET)	32
Very easy	11
Somewhat easy	20
Difficult (NET)	62
Somewhat difficult	30
Very difficult	32
Don't know/Refused	6

Q30. Was there a time in the past 12 months when you received care from a doctor, hospital, or lab you thought was covered, and your health plan did not cover the bill at all, or paid less than you expected, or not?

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

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Yes	31
No	67
Don't know/Refused	2
	<i>n=900</i>

Q31. Did the health plan say they were not covering the bill or paying less because the provider was not in the plan's network, or was it for some other reason?

*Based on those whose health plan covered less than expected in the past 12 months*

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Not in the plan's network	39
Some other reason	54
Don't know/Refused	7
	<i>n=272</i>

Q30/Q31 Combo Table

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

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Yes, health plan covered less than expected in the past 12 months	31
The provider was not in the plan's network	12
Some other reason	17
Don't know/Refused	2
No, hasn't happened in the past 12 months	67
Don't know/Refused	2
	<i>n=900</i>

READ TO ALL: On another topic...

Q32. Do you think that most people with mental health conditions in California are able to get the services they need, or not? (rotate Q32 & Q33)

Yes	33
No	57
Don't know	10
Refused	*

Q33. Do you think that most people with alcohol or drug use problems in California are able to get the services they need, or not? (rotate Q32 & Q33)

Yes	38
No	48
Don't know	13
Refused	*

Q34. In general, how effective do you think counseling and medical treatment is in helping people with mental health conditions lead healthy and productive lives? Very effective, somewhat effective, not too effective, not at all effective? (rotate Q34 & Q35 in the same order as Q32/Q33)

Effective (NET)	76
Very effective	31
Somewhat effective	46
Not effective (NET)	17
Not too effective	11
Not at all effective	6
Don't know	7
Refused	*

Q35. In general, how effective do you think counseling and medical treatment is in helping people with alcohol or drug use problems, including addiction, lead healthy and productive lives? Very effective, somewhat effective, not too effective, not at all effective? (rotate Q34 & Q35 in the same order as Q32/Q33)

Effective (NET)	73
Very effective	28
Somewhat effective	45
Not effective (NET)	19
Not too effective	14
Not at all effective	5
Don't know	7
Refused	*

Q36. In the past 12 months, did you or a family member seek counseling or treatment for (INSERT ITEM), or not? (rotate items a & b in the same order as Q32/Q33)

	Yes	No	Don't know/ Refused
a. A mental health condition, such as depression or anxiety	24	75	1
b. Alcohol or drug use problems, including addiction	8	92	1

Q37. As far as you know, under current law, are health insurance plans required to provide mental health benefits with the same rules about copays, deductibles, and coverage limits as other medical services, or can health insurance plans have separate rules for mental health benefits?

*Based on Half Sample A*

Insurance plans required to have same rules for mental health benefits as other medical services	33
Insurance plans can have separate rules for mental health benefits	37
Don't know/Refused	30
	<i>n=705</i>

Q38. As far as you know, under current law, are health insurance plans required to provide coverage for substance abuse treatment with the same rules about copays, deductibles, and coverage limits as other medical services, or can health insurance plans have separate rules for substance abuse treatment services?

*Based on Half Sample B*

Insurance plans required to have same rules for substance abuse benefits as other medical services	25
Insurance plans can have separate rules for substance abuse benefits	35
Don't know/Refused	40
	<i>n=699</i>

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?

Male	49
Female	50
Other (Vol.)	*
Don't know/Refused	*

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, Medicaid or Medi-Cal, 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*

Plan through your employer	34
Plan through your spouse's employer	11
Plan you purchased yourself	7
Medicare	17
Medicaid/Medi-Cal	22
Military/veteran's administration (Vol.)	1
Somewhere else (Vol.)	3
Plan through your parents/mother/father (Vol.)	4
Don't know/Refused	1
	<i>n=1,231</i>

COVERAGE/COVTYPE Combo Table

*Based on total*

Covered by health insurance	88
Employer	30
Spouse's employer	10
Self-purchased plan	6
Medicare	15
Medicaid/Medi-Cal	19
Military/veteran's administration (Vol.)	1
Somewhere else (Vol.)	2
Plan through your parents/mother/father (Vol.)	4
Don't know/Refused	1
Not covered by health insurance	12
Don't know/Refused	1

COVSELF. Did you purchase your plan directly from an insurance company, from the marketplace known as healthcare.gov or Covered California, or through an insurance agent or broker?

*Asked of those ages 18-64 who purchased their own insurance plan (sample size insufficient to show results)*

COVMKT. Regardless of how you purchased your plan, do you know if it is a marketplace or healthcare.gov/Covered California plan, is it NOT a marketplace or Covered California plan, or are you not sure?

*Asked of those who purchased their own insurance plan, except those who purchased their plan through the marketplace (sample size insufficient to show results)*

COVERAGE/COVTYPE/COVSELF/COVMKT Combo Table

*Based on those ages 18-64*

Covered by health insurance	85
Employer	35
Spouse's employer	11
Self-purchased plan	6
Directly from an insurance company/agent or broker/Other	4
Marketplace plan	1
Non-Marketplace plan	1
Not sure/Refused	2
From healthcare.gov or Covered California	2
Medicare	5
Medicaid/Medi-Cal	21
From military/VA (Vol.)	1
Somewhere else (Vol.)	3
Plan through parents/mother/father (Vol.)	4
Don't know/Refused	1
Not covered by health insurance	14
Don't know/Refused	1
	<i>n=1,064</i>

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

Excellent/Very good/Good (NET)	78
Excellent	21
Very good	29
Good	29
Only fair/Poor (NET)	21
Only fair	16
Poor	4
Don't know/Refused	1

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

Excellent/Very good/Good (NET)	86
Excellent	30
Very good	28
Good	28
Only fair/Poor (NET)	13
Only fair	10
Poor	3
Don't know/Refused	1

DEBILITATING. Does any disability, handicap, or chronic disease keep you from participating fully in work, school, housework, or other activities?

Yes	22
No	78
Don't know/Refused	*

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

Married/Living with partner (NET)	48
Married	41
Living with a partner	7
Not married (NET)	50
Widowed	7
Divorced	9
Separated	4
Never been married	30
Don't know/Refused	1

Q55. Currently, are you yourself employed full-time, part-time, or not at all? (INTERVIEWER: If respondent asks to define “full-time” please define as 30 or more hours per week)

Q55a. Are you retired, a homemaker or stay at home parent, a student, temporarily unemployed, or on disability and can’t work?

*Asked of those who are not employed*

Employ Summary Table

*Based on total*

Employed (NET)	58
Employed full-time	42
Employed part-time	16
Unemployed (NET)	5
Unemployed and currently seeking employment	4
Unemployed and not seeking employment	1
A student	4
Retired	16
On disability and can’t work	7
A homemaker or stay-at-home parent	7
Don’t know/Refused	1

Q41. 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*

Less than a year (NET)	26
Less than 3 months	13
3 months to less than a year	13
1 year or more (NET)	69
1 year to less than 2 years	19
2 years or more	50
Don’t know/Refused	6
	<i>n=158</i>



Q42. What's the MAIN reason you do not currently have health insurance? (ACCEPT ONE RESPONSE ONLY) (INTERVIEWER NOTE: IF R GIVES MORE THAN ONE ANSWER, PROBE WITH: "Okay, I understand, but what do you think is the MAIN reason you do not currently have health insurance")

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

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Too expensive/can't afford	31
Employment (NET)	10
Employed/lost job	3
Employer doesn't offer it	1
Waiting period for job	--
Not eligible for employer coverage	*
Other employment related	5
Don't need it/want it	6
Missed the deadline/haven't gotten around to it/too busy	6
Can't get it/refused due to poor health, illness or age	4
Citizenship/residency issues	4
Not eligible/not eligible for government help	1
Didn't have enough information	--
Lack of availability	2
Insurance expired/was cancelled	2
In the process of signing up	1
Against government requirements/against ACA	1
Difficulty applying	1
Don't know how to get it	--
Other	19
Don't know/Refused	13
	<i>n=158</i>

Q44. How worried, if at all, are you that if you sign up for health insurance you will draw attention to your or a family member's immigration status? Are you very worried, somewhat worried, not too worried, or not at all worried? (IF REFUSED, PROBE ONCE: We understand and respect that this information is private, we ask only for research purposes, and all your answers are recorded confidentially)

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

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Worried (NET)	40
Very worried	30
Somewhat worried	10
Not worried (NET)	57
Not too worried	12
Not at all worried	45
Don't know/Refused	3
	<i>n=158</i>

PARTY. In politics today, do you consider yourself a (Republican), (Democrat), an Independent, or what? (rotate items in parentheses)

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Republican	16
Democrat	39
Independent	28
Other/None	10
Don't know/Refused	8

PARTYLEAN. Do you LEAN more towards the: (Republican Party) or the (Democratic Party)? (rotate items in parentheses)

*Asked of those who say they are independent, belong to another party, or don't answer party identification question*

Summary PARTY and PARTYLEAN

*Based on total*

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Republican/Independent lean Republican	26
Democrat/Independent lean Democrat	54
Pure Independents	12
Undesignated	8

Five-Point Party ID

*Based on total*

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Republican	16
Independent/lean Republican	11
Independent/Don't lean	10
Independent/lean Democrat	15
Democrat	39
Undesignated	10

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

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Yes	71
No	28
Don't know/Refused	1

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)]

HS grad or less (NET)	37
Less than high school (Grades 1-8 or no formal schooling)	9
High school incomplete (Grades 9-11 or Grade 12 with no diploma)	7
High school graduate (Grade 12 with diploma or GED certificate)	21
Some college (NET)	31
Some college, no degree (includes some community college)	20
Two-year associate degree from a college or university	11
College grad+ (NET)	31
Four-year college or university degree/Bachelor's degree	17
Some postgraduate or professional schooling, no postgraduate degree	1
Postgraduate or professional degree, including master's, doctorate, medical or law degree	13
Don't know/Refused	1

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

Yes	35
No	64
Don't know/Refused	1

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)

White	59
Black or African-American	7
Asian	15
Hispanic/Latino (Vol.)	9
Native American/American Indian (Vol.)	-
Other or mixed race (SPECIFY)	4
Don't know/Refused	6

Race/Hispanic Combo Table

*Based on total*

White, non-Hispanic	40
Total non-White (NET)	58
Black or African-American, non-Hispanic	6
Hispanic	35
Asian, non-Hispanic	15
Other/Mixed Race, non-Hispanic	3
Undesignated	3

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

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U.S.	69
Puerto Rico	*
Another country	30
Don't know/Refused	1

Q49. How many dependent children do you have, if any? (INTERVIEWER NOTE: If respondent asks to clarify what “dependent children” means, say “Any child who is dependent on you for support, or who you claim as a dependent on your tax return”) (IF REFUSED: We understand and respect that this information is private, we ask only for research purposes, and all your answers are recorded confidentially)

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1	12
2	15
3	7
4	3
5	2
6 or more	1
None	59
Don't know/Refused	1

Q50. Besides yourself, how many people are in your family, meaning your spouse and any dependent children? [INTERVIEWER NOTE: If respondent asks to clarify what “dependent children” means, say “Any child who is dependent on you for support, or who you claim as a dependent on your tax return”] (IF REFUSED: We understand and respect that this information is private, we ask only for research purposes, and all your answers are recorded confidentially)

*Based on those who refused to answer marital status, or didn't know or refused to answer how many dependent children they have*

Q51. Does anyone else, such as a parent, claim you as a dependent on their tax return? (IF REFUSED: We understand and respect that this information is private, we ask only for research purposes, and all your answers are recorded confidentially)

*Based on those who are under age 31, not married, have no dependent children, and are not employed*

Q52. Is the parent or person who claims you as a dependent married, or not? (INTERVIEWER NOTE: If R says their parents are married but not to each other, code as “1: Married”) (INTERVIEWER NOTE: If the R is not claimed by their parent, ask about the person claiming them as a dependent) (IF REFUSED: We understand and respect that this information is private, we ask only for research purposes, and all your answers are recorded confidentially)

*Based on those who are claimed as a dependent*

Q53. Besides yourself, how many other dependent children (do/does) your (parents/parent) have? (INTERVIEWER NOTE: If the R is not claimed by their parent, ask about the person claiming them as a dependent) (IF REFUSED: We understand and respect that this information is private, we ask only for research purposes, and all your answers are recorded confidentially)

*Based on those who are claimed as a dependent*

[CALCULATE FAMILYSIZE VARIABLE AS FOLLOWS:

IF MARITAL=1 AND Q49<98, THEN FamilySize= {2+Q49}

IF MARITAL=2-6 AND Q49<98 AND Q49 NE 0, THEN FamilySize= {1+ Q49}

IF Q50=0-16, THEN FamilySize = {1 +Q50}

IF Q50=98,99, THEN FamilySize = {2}

IF Q51=1, THEN FamilySize = {1+ ("2" IF Q52=1 OR "1" IF Q52=2,8,9)+(Q53 OR "0" IF Q53=98,99)}

IF Q51=2, THEN FamilySize = {1}

IF Q51=8, 9, THEN FamilySize = {2}

FAMILYSIZE VARIABLE

1	40
2	24
3	11
4	14
5	6
6 or more	5

AMOUNTS USED FOR Q54 (BASED ON PERCENTAGES OF 2017 FPL GUIDELINES ROUNDED TO THE NEAREST THOUSAND)

	100%	AMT1 (138%)	AMT2 (200%)	AMT3 (400%)
FamilySize	Poverty guideline			
1	\$12,060	\$17,000	\$24,000	\$48,000
2	\$16,240	\$22,000	\$32,000	\$65,000
3	\$20,420	\$28,000	\$41,000	\$82,000
4	\$24,600	\$34,000	\$49,000	\$98,000
5	\$28,780	\$40,000	\$58,000	\$115,000
6	\$32,960	\$45,000	\$66,000	\$132,000
7	\$37,140	\$51,000	\$74,000	\$149,000
8	\$41,320	\$57,000	\$83,000	\$165,000
9	\$45,500	\$63,000	\$91,000	\$182,000
10	\$49,680	\$69,000	\$99,000	\$199,000
11	\$53,860	\$74,000	\$108,000	\$215,000
12	\$58,040	\$80,000	\$116,000	\$232,000

Q54. To help us describe the people who took part in our study, it would be helpful to know which category best describes your (personal/family) income last year before taxes. [Family income only includes income from you yourself, (AND your spouse), (and your dependent children) (AND your spouse and/or any dependent children), (AND your {parents/parent}), (AND any other dependent children of your {parents/parent}), (AND/OR any other dependent children of your {parents/parent})]. Was your total (personal/family) income in 2017 from all sources, and before taxes, less than (AMOUNT 1), at least (AMOUNT 1) but less than (AMOUNT 2), at least (AMOUNT 2) but less than (AMOUNT 3), or (AMOUNT 3) or more? [INTERVIEWER: IF RESPONDENT REFUSES: Your responses are strictly confidential and are not attached to any identifying information. It is important for us to know this information to help us describe people who took part in our study.] (INTERVIEWER: IF RESPONDENT SAYS THEY ARE NOT SURE, PROBE ONCE: Can you estimate?) (IF FAMILYSIZE=1, INSERT FIRST VERBIAGE IN PARENS "PERSONAL" AND DO NOT INSERT BRACKETS; IF MARITAL=1 OR Q50=1+ OR Q51=1 OR Q49=1+ OR Q53=1+ (MARRIED OR HAS CHILDREN OR IS A DEPENDENT), INSERT SECOND VERBIAGE IN PARENS "FAMILY" AND INSERT BRACKETS) (IF MARITAL=1 (married) AND Q50 NE 2-17,98,99, INSERT "AND your spouse", IF Q49=1+ AND Q50 NE 2-17,98,99 (any dependent children), INSERT "and your dependent children"; IF Q50=2-17,98,99, INSERT "AND your spouse and/or any dependent children"; IF Q51=1 (claimed) AND Q53 NE 98,99, INSERT "AND your {parents/parent}"; IF Q53=1+ (parents have other children), INSERT "AND any other dependent children of your {parents/parent}"; IF Q53=98,99 (don't know), INSERT "AND your {parents/parent} AND/OR any other dependent children of your {parents/parent}"; IF Q52=1, THEN INSERT FIRST VERBIAGE IN "{}"; IF Q52=2, 8, 9, THEN INSERT SECOND VERBIAGE IN "{}")

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Under 200% (NET)	42
Less than 138%	29
At least 138% but less than 200%	13
200% or more (NET)	46
At least 200% but less than 400%	15
400% or more	31
Don't know/Refused	12



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