Topline
KFF Health Tracking Poll - January 2020

## METHODOLOGY

This KFF Health Tracking Poll was designed and analyzed by public opinion researchers at the Kaiser Family Foundation (KFF). The survey was conducted January 16th -22nd, 2020, among a nationally representative random digit dial telephone sample of 1,212 adults ages 18 and older, living in the United States, including Alaska and Hawaii (note: persons without a telephone could not be included in the random selection process). The sample included 290 respondents reached by calling back respondents that had previously completed an interview on the KFF Tracking poll at least nine months ago. Computerassisted telephone interviews conducted by landline (303) and cell phone (909, including 616 who had no landline telephone) were carried out in English and Spanish by SSRS of Glen Mills, PA. To efficiently obtain a sample of lower-income and non-White respondents, the sample also included an oversample of prepaid (pay-as-you-go) telephone numbers ( $25 \%$ of the cell phone sample consisted of prepaid numbers) as well as a subsample of respondents who had previously completed Spanish language interviews on the SSRS Omnibus poll ( $n=14$ ). Both the random digit dial landline and cell phone samples were provided by Marketing Systems Group (MSG). For the landline sample, respondents were selected by asking for the youngest adult male or female currently at home based on a random rotation. If no one of that gender was available, interviewers asked to speak with the youngest adult of the opposite gender. For the cell phone sample, interviews were conducted with the adult who answered the phone. KFF paid for all costs associated with the survey.

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

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

| Group | N (unweighted) | M.O.S.E. |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Total | 1,212 | $\pm 3$ percentage points |
|  |  |  |
| Party Identification |  |  |
| Democrats | 391 | $\pm 6$ percentage points |
| Republicans | 332 | $\pm 6$ percentage points |
| Independents | 394 | $\pm 6$ percentage points |

Notes for reading the topline:

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

All trends shown in this document come from the Kaiser Health Tracking Polls except:
01/11: Kaiser Family Foundation/Harvard School of Public Health, The Public's Health Care Agenda for the 112th Congress (January 4-14, 2011)

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

|  | Very favorable | Somewhat favorable | Somewhat unfavorable | Very unfavorable | Don't know/ Refused |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 01/20 | 28 | 25 | 11 | 26 | 10 |
| 11/19 | 26 | 26 | 12 | 29 | 7 |
| 10/19 | 30 | 21 | 12 | 28 | 8 |
| 09/19 | 29 | 24 | 15 | 26 | 7 |
| 07/19 | 26 | 22 | 12 | 29 | 12 |
| 06/19 | 27 | 19 | 13 | 27 | 12 |
| 04/19 | 29 | 21 | 11 | 27 | 13 |
| 03/19 | 27 | 23 | 11 | 28 | 11 |
| 02/19 | 28 | 22 | 12 | 25 | 12 |
| 01/19 | 29 | 22 | 12 | 28 | 10 |
| 11/18 | 28 | 25 | 14 | 26 | 8 |
| 09/18 | 23 | 26 | 15 | 27 | 9 |
| 08/18 | 26 | 24 | 13 | 27 | 10 |
| 07/18 | 28 | 20 | 12 | 28 | 11 |
| 06/18 | 26 | 24 | 13 | 28 | 8 |
| 04/18 | 27 | 22 | 15 | 28 | 9 |
| 03/18 | 26 | 24 | 15 | 28 | 7 |
| 02/18 | 33 | 21 | 12 | 30 | 5 |
| 01/18 | 27 | 23 | 12 | 30 | 8 |
| 11/17 | 29 | 21 | 17 | 29 | 5 |
| 10/17 | 29 | 22 | 13 | 27 | 9 |
| 09/17 | 27 | 19 | 14 | 30 | 10 |
| 08/17 | 30 | 22 | 10 | 29 | 8 |
| 07/17 | 28 | 22 | 12 | 32 | 6 |
| 06/17 | 29 | 22 | 14 | 27 | 8 |
| 05/17 | 29 | 20 | 13 | 29 | 9 |
| Late 04/17 ${ }^{1}$ | 24 | 24 | 15 | 26 | 12 |
| Early 04/17 | 20 | 26 | 16 | 30 | 9 |
| 03/17 | 21 | 28 | 15 | 29 | 6 |
| 02/17 | 20 | 28 | 15 | 27 | 10 |
| 12/16 | 21 | 22 | 16 | 30 | 11 |
| 11/16 | 19 | 24 | 17 | 28 | 11 |
| 10/16 | 19 | 26 | 13 | 32 | 10 |
| 09/16 | 18 | 26 | 17 | 30 | 9 |
| 08/16 | 19 | 21 | 14 | 28 | 17 |
| 07/16 | 18 | 22 | 17 | 29 | 14 |
| 06/16 | 18 | 24 | 12 | 32 | 14 |
| 04/16 | 15 | 23 | 17 | 32 | 13 |
| 03/16 | 21 | 20 | 17 | 30 | 13 |
| 02/16 | 19 | 22 | 12 | 34 | 14 |
| 01/16 | 21 | 20 | 16 | 28 | 16 |
| 12/15 | 19 | 21 | 13 | 33 | 14 |
| 11/15 | 19 | 19 | 17 | 28 | 17 |
| 10/15 | 21 | 21 | 15 | 27 | 16 |
| 09/15 | 21 | 20 | 15 | 30 | 14 |
| 08/15 | 23 | 21 | 16 | 25 | 14 |
| 06/29/15 | 23 | 20 | 13 | 27 | 17 |
| 06/09/15 | 19 | 20 | 16 | 26 | 19 |
| 04/15 | 22 | 21 | 15 | 27 | 14 |
| 03/15 | 22 | 19 | 15 | 28 | 16 |
| 01/15 | 19 | 21 | 16 | 30 | 15 |
| 12/14 | 18 | 23 | 16 | 30 | 14 |
| 11/14 | 18 | 19 | 16 | 30 | 18 |

[^0]|  | Very favorable | Somewhat favorable | Somewhat unfavorable | Very unfavorable | Don't know/ Refused |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 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 ${ }^{2}$ | 19 | 22 | 15 | 28 | 17 |
| 11/11 | 17 | 20 | 15 | 29 | 19 |
| 10/11 | 12 | 22 | 20 | 31 | 15 |
| 09/11 | 18 | 23 | 14 | 29 | 16 |
| 08/11 | 16 | 23 | 17 | 27 | 17 |
| 07/11 | 20 | 22 | 12 | 31 | 15 |
| 06/11 | 15 | 27 | 16 | 30 | 12 |
| 05/11 | 19 | 23 | 15 | 29 | 14 |
| 04/11 | 20 | 21 | 14 | 27 | 18 |
| 03/11 | 21 | 21 | 15 | 31 | 13 |
| 02/11 | 16 | 27 | 19 | 29 | 8 |
| 01/11 | 19 | 22 | 16 | 34 | 9 |
| 12/103 | 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 |
| 04/104 | 23 | 23 | 10 | 30 | 14 |

[^1]Q1. Thinking about this past year, as far as you know, has the U.S. House of Representatives passed legislation to address (FIRST ITEM), or not? How about (NEXT ITEM)? (READ IF NECESSARY: Has the U.S. House of Representatives passed legislation to address this in the past year, or not?) (scramble items a-c)

| Yes, they have <br> passed | No, they have <br> not passed |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| legislation to <br> address this | legislation to <br> address this | Don't Know | Refused |

a. The cost of prescription drugs
01/20 21
$21-57$
57
22
*
b. Surprise medical bills for out of network care 01/20

14
56 29

1
c. Dental, vision and hearing benefits for people on

Medicare
01/20
21
50
29
*

Q2. I'm going to read you a list of health care priorities that Congress may work on this year, and I'd like to know how important you think it is for Congress to work on each priority now. What about (ITEM)? (READ FOR FIRST ITEM THEN IF NECESSARY: Is that extremely important, very important, somewhat important, or not important for them to work on now?) (scramble items a-e)

|  | Extremely/ <br> Very Important (NET) | Extremely Important | Very Important | Somewhat Important | Not important for them to work on | Should not be done (Vol.) | Don't Know/ Refused |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| a. Making sure the |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Affordable Care Act's protections for people with pre-existing health conditions continue |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 01/20 | 83 | 50 | 33 | 10 | 6 | 1 | 2 |
| 01/19 | 73 | 46 | 27 | 17 | 9 | * | 1 |
| b. Lowering prescription drug costs for as many Americans |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| as possible |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 01/20 | 87 | 53 | 34 | 10 | 3 | * | * |
| 01/19 | 82 | 54 | 28 | 13 | 3 | * | 1 |
| c. Protecting people with health insurance from surprise high out-of-network medical bill |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 01/20 | 80 | 41 | 39 | 15 | 4 | * | 1 |
| 01/19 | 70 | 43 | 27 | 21 | 8 | 1 | 1 |
| d. Doing more to address the heroin and opioid addiction epidemic |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 01/20 | 75 | 41 | 34 | 16 | 7 | * | 1 |
| e. Addressing the rise of vaping and e cigarette use among teenagers |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 01/20 | 61 | 30 | 32 | 22 | 16 | * | 1 |

Q3. Of the priorities you said were extremely important for Congress to work on, which one of them would you say is the MOST important for them to work on now? (READ LIST) (rotate response options in same order as Q2)

Asked of those who named more than one priority as extremely important for Congress to work on

Q2/Q3 Combo Table

Based on total-- includes those who said only one priority was extremely important for Congress to work on in Q2

|  | $01 / 20$ | $01 / 19$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Making sure the Affordable Care Act's protections for people with pre-existing health | 19 | 21 |
| conditions continue | 22 | 20 |
| Lowering prescription drug costs for as many Americans as possible | 11 | 9 |
| Protecting people with health insurance from surprise high out-of-network medical bill | 15 | $\mathrm{~N} / \mathrm{A}$ |
| Doing more to address the heroin and opioid addiction epidemic | 7 | $\mathrm{~N} / \mathrm{A}$ |
| Addressing the rise of vaping and e-cigarette use among teenagers | 4 | 3 |
| All equally important | 21 | 25 |
| None of these | $*$ | $*$ |

READ TO ALL: On another topic:

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

|  | $01 / 20$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Approve (NET) | 42 |
| Strongly approve | 30 |
| Somewhat approve | 13 |
| Disapprove (NET) | 56 |
| Somewhat disapprove | 9 |
| Strongly disapprove | 47 |
| Don't know | 1 |
| Refused | 1 |

Q4. Do you approve or disapprove of the way President Trump is handling (ITEM)? How about (NEXT ITEM)? READ IF NECESSARY: Do you approve or disapprove of the way President Trump is handling (ITEM)? (scramble items a-g)

|  | Approve | Disapprove | Don't Know | Refused |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| a. The heroin and opioid addiction epidemic |  |  |  |  |
| 01/20 | 37 | 48 | 14 | * |
| b. The cost of prescription drugs |  |  |  |  |
| 01/20 | 30 | 54 | 14 | 1 |
| c. Medicare, the government health insurance program for seniors and for younger adults with long-term disabilities |  |  |  |  |
| 01/20 | 38 | 48 | 14 | 1 |
| d. Medicaid, the government health insurance and longterm care program for certain low-income adults and children |  |  |  |  |
| 01/20 | 35 | 51 | 12 | 1 |
| e. Protections for people with pre-existing health conditions |  |  |  |  |
| 01/20 | 35 | 51 | 14 | 1 |
| f. HIV/AIDS |  |  |  |  |
| 01/20 | 28 | 41 | 30 | 1 |
| g. The Affordable Care Act |  |  |  |  |
| 01/20 | 35 | 56 | 9 | 1 |

Q5. As you may have heard, in December a federal appeals court in Texas issued a ruling in a case about whether the Affordable Care Act should be overturned. Many people expect that the case will end up before the Supreme Court. How much, if anything, have you heard about this case? A lot, some, only a little or nothing at all?

|  | $1 / 20$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Have heard about legal case (NET) | 64 |
| A lot | 9 |
| Some | 23 |
| A little | 32 |
| Nothing at all | 36 |
| Don't know/Refused | $*$ |

Q6a. How worried are you that you or someone in your family will lose health insurance coverage in the future if the Supreme Court overturns the health care law's protections for people with pre-existing health conditions? Are you very worried, somewhat worried, not too worried, or not at all worried?

Based on half sample A

|  | $01 / 20$ | $04 / 19$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Very/Somewhat worried (NET) | 57 | 57 |
| Very worried | 35 | 39 |
| Somewhat worried | 22 | 18 |
| Not too/Not at all worried (NET) | 42 | 42 |
| Not too worried | 16 | 16 |
| Not at all worried | 25 | 26 |
| Don't know/Refused | 1 | 1 |
|  | $n=596$ | $n=600$ |

Q6b. How worried are you that you or someone in your family will lose health insurance coverage in the future if the Supreme Court overturns the entire health care law? Are you very worried, somewhat worried, not too worried, or not at all worried?

Based on half sample B

|  | $01 / 20$ | $04 / 19$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Very/Somewhat worried (NET) | 58 | 56 |
| Very worried | 38 | 39 |
| Somewhat worried | 20 | 17 |
| Not too/Not at all worried (NET) | 41 | 43 |
| Not too worried | 14 | 14 |
| Not at all worried | 27 | 30 |
| Don't know/Refused | $n=616$ | 1 |
|  | $n=603$ |  |

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

|  | Strongly/ <br> Somewhat favor (NET) | Strongly favor | Somewhat favor | Somewhat/ Strongly oppose (NET) | Somewhat oppose | Strongly oppose | Don't know/ Refused |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 01/20 | 56 | 32 | 23 | 41 | 11 | 30 | 4 | $n=1,212$ |
| 11/19 | 53 | 31 | 22 | 43 | 10 | 33 | 4 | $n=1,205$ |
| 10/19 | 51 | 30 | 21 | 47 | 11 | 35 | 2 | $n=1,205$ |
| 09/19 | 53 | 31 | 21 | 45 | 12 | 33 | 2 | $n=1,205$ |
| $07 / 19^{5}$ | 51 | 29 | 21 | 42 | 9 | 34 | 7 | $n=608$ |
| 04/19 | 56 | 36 | 20 | 38 | 10 | 28 | 6 | $n=1,203$ |
| 03/19 | 56 | 35 | 21 | 39 | 8 | 30 | 5 | $n=1,211$ |
| 02/19 | 57 | 33 | 24 | 37 | 11 | 26 | 6 | $n=1,440$ |
| 01/19 | 56 | 34 | 22 | 42 | 10 | 32 | 2 | $n=1,190$ |
| 03/18 | 59 | 37 | 22 | 38 | 10 | 28 | 3 | $n=1,212$ |
| 09/17 | 55 | 33 | 22 | 43 | 12 | 31 | 3 | $n=581$ |
| 06/17 | 57 | 34 | 23 | 38 | 12 | 26 | 5 | $n=611$ |

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

|  | 01/20 | 11/19 | 10/19 | 09/19 | 07/19 ${ }^{6}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Strongly/Somewhat Favor (NET) | 68 | 65 | 73 | 69 | 65 |
| Strongly favor | 36 | 37 | 46 | 38 | 40 |
| Somewhat favor | 31 | 29 | 27 | 31 | 26 |
| Somewhat/Strongly Oppose (NET) | 28 | 29 | 24 | 28 | 31 |
| Somewhat oppose | 12 | 9 | 7 | 9 | 10 |
| Strongly oppose | 17 | 20 | 17 | 19 | 21 |
| Don't know/Refused | 4 | 6 | 3 | 3 | 4 |
|  | $n=1,212$ | $n=1,205$ | $n=1,205$ | $n=1,205$ | $n=588$ |

Q7. You said that you favor a Medicare-for-all plan but oppose a government administered public option. What is the main reason you favor Medicare-for-all, but oppose a public option?

Based on respondents who favor Medicare-for-all and oppose public option (sample insufficient to report)

[^2]Q8. You said that you favor a government administered public option but oppose a Medicare-for-all plan. What is the main reason you favor a public option, but oppose Medicare-for-all?

Based on respondents who favor a public option and oppose Medicare-for-all

|  | $01 / 20$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Like that it is an option/choice/not forced | 32 |
| Want private plans/competition | 13 |
| Allows people to keep their current insurance/keep private health plans | 7 |
| Concerned about the cost of Medicare-for-all/increased taxes | 7 |
| Concerns about government involvement | 7 |
| Keep working on ACA | $*$ |
| Everybody will not pay their fair share with Medicare-for-all/some will take advantage of system | 5 |
| Other | 18 |
| Don't know | 8 |
| Refused | 1 |
|  | $n=213$ |

Q7/Q8. Favor or oppose Medicare-for-all and public option

Based on total respondents

|  | $01 / 20$ |
| :--- | ---: |
| Favor public option but oppose Medicare-for-all | 17 |
| Like that it is an option/choice/not forced | 5 |
| Allows people to keep their current insurance/keep private health plans | 1 |
| Want private plans/competition | 2 |
| Everybody will not pay their fair share with Medicare-for-all/some will take advantage of system | 1 |
| Concerned about the cost of Medicare-for-all/increased taxes | 1 |
| Concerns about government involvement | 1 |
| Keep working on ACA | $*$ |
| Other | 3 |
| Don't know/Refused | 2 |
| Oppose public option but favor Medicare-for-all | 6 |
| Favor both Medicare-for-all and public option | 48 |
| Oppose both Medicare-for-all and public option | 22 |
| DK/Ref to either Medicare-for-all or public option | 7 |
| Favor public option but DK/Ref. to Medicare-for-all | 2 |
| Favor Medicare-for-all but DK/Ref. to public option | 2 |
| Oppose public option but DK/Ref. to Medicare-for-all | $*$ |
| Oppose Medicare-for-all but DK/Ref. to public option | 2 |
| Don't know to both | $*$ |
| Refused to both | .-- |

(Rotate Q9 and Q10 in same order as M4ALL and PUBLICOPTION)

Q9. In general, please tell me if you think each of the following would happen under a national health plan, sometimes called Medicare-forall, or not. Do you think (ITEM) under a national health plan, or not? (scramble items a-f)

|  | Yes | No | Don't Know | Refused |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| a. All United States residents would have health insurance coverage |  |  |  |  |
| 01/20 | 62 | 35 | 3 | * |
| 06/19 | 62 | 34 | 4 |  |
| b. Taxes for most people would increase |  |  |  |  |
| 01/20 | 83 | 15 | 1 | * |
| 06/19 | 78 | 19 | 2 |  |
| c. Individuals and employers would continue to pay health insurance premiums |  |  |  |  |
| 01/20 | 44 | 50 | 6 | * |
| 06/19 | 54 | 39 | 6 |  |
| d. People would continue to pay deductibles and copays when they use health care services |  |  |  |  |
| 01/20 | 61 | 33 | 5 | * |
| 06/19 | 69 | 27 | 4 |  |
| e. People with insurance through their jobs would be able to keep their current plans |  |  |  |  |
| 01/20 | 47 | 45 | 7 | * |
| 0/19 | 55 | 38 | 7 |  |
| f. People who buy their own insurance would be able to keep their current plans |  |  |  |  |
| 01/20 | 48 | 44 | 7 | * |
| 06/19 | 55 | 39 | 7 |  |

Q10. In general, please tell me if you think each of the following would happen if the country had a government-administered health plan, sometimes called a public option, available to all Americans. Do you think (ITEM) if the country had a public option governmentadministered health plan, or not? (scramble items a-f in same order as Q9)

|  | Yes | No | Don't Know | Refused |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| a. All United States residents would have health insurance coverage |  |  |  |  |
| 01/20 | 53 | 41 | 5 | * |
| b. Taxes for most people would increase $01 / 20$ | 81 | 17 | 2 | 1 |
| c. Individuals and employers would continue to pay health insurance premiums |  |  |  |  |
| $01 / 20$ <br> d. People would continue to pay deductibles and copays when they use health care services | 50 | 44 | 5 | 1 |
| $01 / 20$ <br> e. People with insurance through their jobs would be able to keep their current plans | 68 | 25 | 6 | 1 |
| $01 / 20$ <br> f. People who buy their own insurance would be able to keep their current plans | 60 | 34 | 6 | 1 |
| 01/20 | 59 | 34 | 7 | * |

Q11. For each of the following, please tell me if you think they are intended mostly to (provide health care coverage to all Americans), or intended mostly to (lower people's health care costs)? First, (FIRST ITEM), Do you think this is intended mostly to (provide health care coverage to all Americans), or intended mostly to (lower people's health care costs)? Next, how about (NEXT ITEM)? READ IF NECESSARRY: Do you think this is intended mostly to (provide health care coverage to all Americans), or intended mostly to (lower people's health care costs)? (rotate items in parentheses) (scramble items a-c)

|  | Lower <br> People's <br> care coverage <br> to all Americans | (Valth care <br> costs | Both (Vol.) | Neither (Vol.) |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |

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?

|  | $01 / 20$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Male | 49 |
| Female | 51 |
| Other (Vol.) | -- |
| Don't know | -- |
| Refused | -- |

AGE. What is your age?
AGE2. (ASK IF DON'T KNOW OR REFUSED AGE) Could you please tell me if you are between the ages of... (READ LIST)
RECAGE2 VARIABLE

|  | $1 / 20$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| $18-29$ | 20 |
| $30-49$ | 32 |
| $50-64$ | 27 |
| $65+$ | 20 |
| Don't know/Refused | 2 |

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])?

|  | $1 / 20$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Covered by health insurance | 87 |
| Not covered by health insurance | 12 |
| Don't know | $*$ |
| Refused | $*$ |

Insured less than 65 ..... 85
Uninsured less than 65 ..... 15

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n=822
$$

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

|  | $1 / 20$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Plan through your employer | 36 |
| Plan through your spouse's employer | 11 |
| Plan you purchased yourself | 10 |
| Medicare | 20 |
| Medicaid/State-specific Medicaid name | 13 |
| Somewhere else | 5 |
| Plan through your parents/mother/father (Vol.) | 5 |
| Don't know | $*$ |
| Refused | $*=1,093$ |

## COVERAGE/COVTYPE Combo Table

Based on total

|  | $1 / 20$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Covered by health insurance | 87 |
| Employer | 31 |
| Spouse's employer | 10 |
| Self-purchased plan | 8 |
| Medicare | 18 |
| Medicaid/State-specific Medicaid name | 11 |
| Somewhere else | 4 |
| Plan through parents/mother/father (Vol.) | 4 |
| Don't know/refused | 1 |
| Not covered by health insurance | 12 |
| Don't know/Refused | $*$ |

## AGECOVTYPE VARIABLE

Based on those ages 18-64

|  | $1 / 20$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Covered by health insurance | 85 |
| Employer | 37 |
| Spouse's employer | 11 |
| Self-purchased plan | 9 |
| Medicare | 5 |
| Medicaid/State-specific Medicaid name | 13 |
| Somewhere else | 4 |
| Plan through parents/mother/father (Vol.) | 6 |
| Don't know/refused | $*$ |
| Not covered by health insurance | 15 |
| Don't know/Refused | $n=823$ |

COVSELFOTHER. Regardless of your source of health insurance coverage, did you purchase your plan yourself?

Based on those who purchases insurance somewhere else (sample size insufficient to report)
COVSELF. Did you purchase your plan directly from an insurance company, from the marketplace known as healthcare.gov [IF HAS STATE SPECIFIC NAME: or (INSERT STATE-SPECIFIC MARKETPLACE NAME)], or through an insurance agent or broker?

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

## COVERAGE/COVTYPE/COVSELF Combo Table

Based on those ages 18-64

|  | $1 / 20$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Covered by health insurance | 85 |
| Employer | 37 |
| Spouse's employer | 11 |
| Self-purchased plan (SUB-NET) | 9 |
| Directly from an insurance company | 2 |
| From healthcare.gov or [STATE MARKETPLACE NAME] | 4 |
| Through an insurance agent or broker | 2 |
| Somewhere else (Vol.) | $*$ |
| Don't know/Refused | 1 |
| Medicare | 5 |
| Medicaid/State-specific Medicaid name | 13 |
| Somewhere else | 4 |
| Plan through parents/mother/father (Vol.) | 6 |
| Don't know/Refused | $*$ |
| Not covered by health insurance | 15 |
| Don't know/Refused | $*$ |
|  | $n=823$ |

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

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

Based on those ages 18-64

|  | $1 / 20$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Covered by health insurance (NET) | 85 |
| Employer | 37 |
| Spouse's employer | 11 |
| Self-purchased plan (SUB-NET) | 9 |
| Directly from an insurance company/agent/or broker/other (SUB-SUB-NET) | 5 |
| Marketplace plan | 1 |
| Non-Marketplace plan | 1 |
| Not sure/Refused | 3 |
| From healthcare.gov or [STATE MARKETPLACE NAME] | 4 |
| Medicare | 5 |
| Medicaid/State-specific Medicaid name | 13 |
| Somewhere else | 4 |
| Plan through parents/mother/father (Vol.) | 6 |
| Don't know/Refused | $*$ |
| Not covered by health insurance | 15 |
| Don't know/Refused | $n=823$ |

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

|  | $1 / 20$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Married | 45 |
| Living with a partner | 7 |
| Widowed | 8 |
| Divorced | 11 |
| Separated | 3 |
| Never been married | 27 |
| Don't know | - |
| Refused | 1 |

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

|  | $1 / 20$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Employed (NET) | 57 |
| Employed full-time | 48 |
| Employed part-time | 8 |
| Unemployed and currently seeking employment | 5 |
| Unemployed and not seeking employment | 2 |
| A student | 6 |
| Retired | 17 |
| On disability and can't work | 8 |
| Or, a homemaker or stay at home parent? | 4 |
| Don't know/Refused | 1 |

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

|  | $1 / 20$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Liberal | 26 |
| Moderate | 37 |
| Conservative | 32 |
| Don't know | 3 |
| Refused | 1 |

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

|  | $1 / 20$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Yes | 79 |
| No | 21 |
| Don't know | 21 |
| Refused | $*$ |

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

|  | $1 / 20$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Republican | 26 |
| Democrat | 31 |
| Independent | 33 |
| Or what/Other/None/No preference | 6 |
| Don't know | 2 |
| Refused | 1 |

PARTYLEAN. Do you LEAN more towards the (Republican) Party or the (Democratic) Party? (rotate items in parentheses in same order as PARTY)

Based on those who are not Republican or Democrat

|  | $1 / 20$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Republican | 30 |
| Democratic | 43 |
| Independent/don't lean to either party (Vol.) | 19 |
| Other party (Vol.) | 1 |
| Don't know | 4 |
| Refused | 3 |
|  | $n=489$ |

## Summary PARTY and PARTYLEAN

Based on total

|  | $1 / 20$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Republican/Lean Republican | 39 |
| Democrat/Lean Democratic | 50 |
| Pure Independent | 10 |
| Undesignated | 2 |

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|  | $1 / 20$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Democrat | 31 |
| Independent Lean Democrat | 18 |
| Independent/Don't lean | 8 |
| Independent Lean Republican | 13 |
| Republican | 26 |
| Undesignated | 3 |

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)]

|  | $1 / 20$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| HS grad or less (NET) | 38 |
| Less than high school (Grades 1-8 or no formal schooling) | 3 |
| High school incomplete (Grades 9-11 or Grade 12 with no diploma) | 5 |
| High school graduate (Grade 12 with diploma or GED certificate) | 30 |
| Some college (NET) | 31 |
| Some college, no degree (includes some community college) | 19 |
| 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 | 2 |
| Postgraduate or professional degree, including master's, doctorate, medical or law degree | 13 |

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

|  | $1 / 20$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Yes | 16 |
| No | 84 |
| 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)

## Race/Hispanic Combo Table

Based on total

|  | $1 / 20$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| White, non-Hispanic | 63 |
| Total non-White | 37 |
| Black or African-American, non-Hispanic | 12 |
| Hispanic | 16 |
| Asian, non-Hispanic | 4 |
| Other/Mixed race, non-Hispanic | 4 |
| Undesignated | 1 |

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

## Based on Hispanics

|  | $1 / 20$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| U.S. | 48 |
| Puerto Rico | 5 |
| Another country | 47 |
| Don't know | $*$ |
| Refused | $*$ |
|  | $n=150$ |

INCOME. Last year - that is, in 2019 - what was your total family income from all sources, before taxes? Just stop me when I get to the right category. [READ LIST]

|  | $1 / 20$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Less than $\$ 20,000$ | 15 |
| $\$ 20,000$ to less than $\$ 30,000$ | 10 |
| $\$ 30,000$ to less than $\$ 40,000$ | 11 |
| $\$ 40,000$ to less than $\$ 50,000$ | 8 |
| $\$ 50,000$ to less than $\$ 75,000$ | 13 |
| $\$ 75,000$ to less than $\$ 90,000$ | 10 |
| $\$ 90,000$ to less than $\$ 100,000$ | 5 |
| $\$ 100,000$ or more | 21 |
| Don't know/Refused | 7 |

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

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

[^2]:    ${ }^{5}$ July 2019 trend was asked of half sample A.
    ${ }^{6}$ July 2019 trend was asked of half sample B.

