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Kaiser Health Tracking Poll: January 2015

METHODOLOGY

This *Kaiser Health Tracking Poll* was designed and analyzed by public opinion researchers at the Kaiser Family Foundation (KFF). The survey was conducted January 15-21, 2015, among a nationally representative random digit dial telephone sample of 1,503 adults ages 18 and older, living in the United States, including Alaska and Hawaii (note: persons without a telephone could not be included in the random selection process). Computer-assisted telephone interviews conducted by landline (751) and cell phone (752, including 450 who had no landline telephone) were carried out in English and Spanish by Princeton Data Source under the direction of Princeton Survey Research Associates International (PSRAI). Both the random digit dial landline and cell phone samples were provided by Survey Sampling International, LLC. For the landline sample, respondents were selected by asking for the youngest adult male or female currently at home based on a random rotation. If no one of that gender was available, interviewers asked to speak with the youngest adult of the opposite gender. For the cell phone sample, interviews were conducted with the adult who answered the phone. KFF paid for all costs associated with the survey.

The combined landline and cell phone sample was weighted to balance the sample demographics to match estimates for the national population using data from the Census Bureau's 2013 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 January-June 2014 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 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	1,503	±3 percentage points
Party Identification		
Democrats	455	±5 percentage points
Republicans	405	±6 percentage points
Independents	455	±5 percentage points
Insurance Status		
Uninsured, ages 18-64	149	±9 percentage points
Insured, ages 18-64	922	±4 percentage points
Marketplace Type		
State-run marketplaces	455	±5 percentage points
Federal/ Partnership marketplaces	1048	±4 percentage points
Opinion of ACA		
Favorable	583	±5 percentage points
Unfavorable	726	±4 percentage points
ACA Next Steps		
Expand/Move forward with implementation	595	±5 percentage points
Repeal/ Scale back	743	±4 percentage points
Followed News- ACA's 2nd Open Enrollment		
Followed story closely	396	±6 percentage points
Did not follow story closely	1093	±3 percentage points
Followed News- Proposed Definition Change of Full Time Employee		
Followed story closely	442	±5 percentage points
Did not follow story closely	1049	±4 percentage points

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 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
01/15	19	21	16	30	15
12/14	18	23	16	30	14
11/14	18	19	16	30	18
10/14	16	20	16	27	20
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 ¹	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

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

Q.1 continued

	Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	Don't know/Refused
06/10	20	28	16	25	10
05/10	14	27	12	32	14
04/10 ²	23	23	10	30	14

2. Is your impression of the health care law based mainly on (your own experience), (what you've seen and heard on television, radio, and in newspapers), (what you've learned from friends and family), or some other source? (READ AND RANDOMIZE OPTIONS IN PARENTHESES)

	01/15	02/14	02/13
Your own experience	28	23	22
What you've seen and heard on television, radio, and newspapers	40	44	45
What you've learned from friends and family	21	18	14
Some other source	3	5	11
All/Combination of the above (VOL.)	1	3	--
Internet/Online research/Website (VOL.)	2	2	--
Don't know/Refused	4	5	8

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

	01/15	12/14	11/14
Expand what the law does	23	24	22
Move forward with implementing the law as it is	19	21	20
Scale back what the law does	14	12	17
Repeal the entire law	32	31	29
None of these/ something else (VOL.)	5	4	5
Don't know/Refused	7	7	8

4. As far as you know, do the Republicans in Congress have an agreed-upon alternative to the health care law, or not?

	01/15	05/14	03/11 ³
Yes, Republicans have an agreed-upon alternative	14	13	13
No, they don't	63	61	60
Don't know/Refused	23	26	26

5. Which comes closer to your view? (READ AND ROTATE)

	01/15	03/14
I'm tired of hearing about the debate over the health care law and I think the country should focus more on other issues (or)	45	53
I think it is important for the country to continue the debate over the health care law (or)	50	42
Don't know/Refused	5	6

² 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 Trend wording was "As far as you know, do the Republicans in Congress have an agreed-upon alternative to the health care reform law that was passed last year, or not?"

6. As you may know, Republicans now control both the House and the Senate. Which of the following do you think is most likely to happen with the health care law in 2015? (READ AND ROTATE 1-4/4-1)

	01/15
It will be repealed entirely	12
It will undergo major changes	31
It will undergo minor changes (or)	32
It will continue as is	21
Don't know/ Refused	4

7. When lawmakers propose changes to the health care law, do you think they are doing so more because (they are trying to gain political advantage) or more because (they believe the changes will improve the law)? (ROTATE OPTIONS IN PARENTHESES)

	01/15
Trying to gain political advantage	63
Improve the law	29
Both equally (VOL.)	4
Other/Neither (VOL.)	1
Don't know/Refused	3

8. Do you feel you have enough information about the health reform law to understand how it will impact you and your family, or not?

	Yes, have enough information	No, do not have enough information	Don't know/ Refused
01/15	58	41	2
10/14	64	35	1
06/14	57	40	3
03/14	52	46	2
02/14	59	39	2
01/14	54	44	2
12/13	54	44	2
11/13	52	46	2
10/13	55	44	2
09/13	47	51	2
08/13	47	51	2
04/13	49	49	2
03/13 ⁴	41	57	2
04/12	51	47	1
03/12	39	59	2
11/11	44	55	1
03/11	47	52	1
04/10	43	56	2

9. Over the past few months, have you tried to seek out more information about the health care law, or not?

	01/15	02/14	09/13	08/13
Yes, tried to seek out more information	31	38	36	36
No, have not tried to seek out more information	69	62	64	63
Don't know/Refused	*	*	*	1

⁴ April 2010 through March 2013 trend wording was "Do you feel you have enough information about the health reform law to understand how it will impact you personally, or not?"

10. Where did you go to try to get additional information about the health care law?

Based on those who tried to seek more information

	01/15	02/14	09/13	08/13
Internet (NET)	58	66	60	60
Internet, online (general or other)	28	35	40	55
Government website (NET)	26	29	13	7
Healthcare.gov	14	--	--	--
Government website (general)	12	29	13	7
Google	8	6	9	--
News media (NET)	15	17	24	23
Newspapers, magazines, articles	7	8	12	10
TV (includes "watch the news")	4	5	5	4
News/News media (general)	4	5	5	7
Cable network (CNN, Fox, MSNBC)	2	1	3	2
Radio (includes "listen to the news")	2	1	4	3
Health insurance company or representative	10	6	6	8
Health care provider, ex. doctor, nurse, pharmacist	6	5	5	6
Friends or family	5	3	5	3
Employer or union/At work (HR, personnel office)	4	3	7	5
Other personal contact (in person, on phone, email)	3	6	3	4
Other government source (not online)	3	2	4	6
Non-profit, community organization or think tank	2	1	2	3
Read the law	1	1	1	--
Books/Booklets	1	1	1	1
Politician/Congress/White House/Political organization	1	2	2	--
Library	1	1	2	--
Social networking sites (Facebook, Twitter)	*	1	1	*
Other	4	4	4	6
Don't know/Refused	3	2	3	2
	(n=449)	(n=607)	(n=595)	(n=600)

Due to multiple response percentages will add to more than 100.

Summary of Q9 and Q10 based on total

	01/15	02/14	09/13	08/13
Yes, tried to seek out more information	31	38	36	36
Internet (NET)	18	25	21	21
Internet, online (general)	9	13	14	20
Government website (NET)	8	11	5	2
Healthcare.gov	4	--	--	--
Government website (general)	4	11	5	2
Google	2	2	3	--
News media (NET)	5	6	9	8
Newspapers, magazines, articles	2	3	4	4
TV (includes "watch the news")	1	2	2	1
News/News media (general)	1	2	2	3
Cable network (CNN, Fox, MSNBC)	1	1	1	1
Radio (includes "listen to the news")	1	*	1	1
Health insurance company or representative	3	2	2	3
Health care provider, ex. doctor, nurse, pharmacist	2	2	2	2
Friends or family	1	1	2	1
Employer or union/At work (HR, personnel office)	1	1	2	2
Other personal contact (in person, on phone, email)	1	2	1	1
Other government source (not online)	1	1	1	2
Non-profit, community organization or think tank	1	*	1	1
Read the law	*	*	*	--
Books/Booklets	*	*	*	*
Politician/Congress/White House/Political organization	*	1	1	--
Library	*	*	1	--
Social networking sites (Facebook, Twitter)	*	*	*	*
Other	1	1	1	2
Don't know/Refused	1	1	1	1
No, have not tried to seek out more information	69	62	64	63
Don't know/Refused	*	*	*	1

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

	01/15	12/14	11/14	10/14	03/14	02/14	09/13	08/13
Yes, been contacted about the health care law	14	12	15	14	12	13	9	10
No, have not been contacted about the health care law	85	87	85	86	88	87	91	90
Don't know/Refused	1	*	*	1	1	*	*	*

12. 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)

	01/15	11/14	10/14	09/14	07/14	05/14
Helped	16	16	16	14	15	14
Hurt	25	24	26	27	28	24
No direct impact	57	59	56	56	56	60
Both helped and hurt (VOL.)	1	*	1	1	*	*
Don't know/ Refused	1	1	1	1	1	2

13. I'm going to read you a list of specific elements or parts of the law. For each, please tell me whether you think it is something the law does, or not. First, to the best of your knowledge, would you say the health reform law does or does not (INSERT AND RANDOMIZE)?
Would you say the health reform law does or does not (INSERT NEXT ITEM)?⁵

		Yes, law does this	No, law does not do this	Don't know/ Refused
a. Provide financial help to low and moderate income Americans who don't get insurance through their jobs to help them purchase coverage	01/15	63	30	6
	12/14	67	26	8
	10/14	54	31	16
	03/14	63	28	9
	01/14	63	29	9
	03/13	62	29	9
	08/12	57	29	13
	03/12 omnibus	56	28	17
	11/11	64	30	6
	08/11	58	32	10
	12/10	72	18	10
	06/10	72	21	7
	04/10	75	17	8
b. Require employers with 100 or more employees to pay a fine if they don't offer health insurance starting in January 2015	01/15	67	19	13
	12/14	69	16	15
	03/13 ⁶	71	17	11
	03/12 omnibus	53	24	23
	11/11 ⁷	65	21	13
c. Create health insurance exchanges or marketplaces where small businesses and people who don't get coverage through their employers can shop for insurance and compare prices and benefits	01/15	63	28	8
	12/14	67	25	8
	03/13	58	29	13
	08/12	56	28	16
	06/10	62	29	9
	04/10	62	21	17

⁵ March 2013 and previous trend question wording was "I'm going to read you a list of specific elements or parts of the law. For each, please tell me whether you think it is included in the health reform law, or not..."

⁶ March 2012 and 2013 trend wording was "Require employers with 50 or more employees to pay a fine if they don't offer health insurance"

⁷ November 2011 trend wording was "Require employers with 50 or more employees to pay a fine if they don't offer health insurance to their workers".

14. As you may know, the health care law requires nearly all Americans to have health insurance, or else pay a fine each year. Do you happen to know the deadline for individuals to sign-up for health insurance? (OPEN-ENDED, DO NOT READ CATEGORIES. ACCEPT ONLY ONE RESPONSE)

	01/15	12/14
End of 2014	--	17
February 15 th 2015, middle of February, or "February"	15	4
Some other time in 2015	13	19
2016 or later	1	1
Deadline already passed	17	5
There is no deadline	1	1
Don't know/Refused	53	54

15. As far as you know, do people who get health insurance through the marketplaces created by the health care law (have a choice between private health plans) or do they (enroll in a single government health plan)? (ROTATE ITEMS IN PARENTHESES)

	01/15	12/14	07/14 ⁸
Have a choice between private health plans	62	62	37
Enroll in a single government plan	21	24	26
Don't know/Refused	17	14	38

16. As you may know, the health care law taxes the manufacturers of medical devices such as artificial joints and pacemakers in order to help pay for other parts of the law. Some lawmakers in Congress have proposed eliminating this tax. Would you say you support or oppose eliminating the tax on medical devices, or do you not know enough to say?

	01/15
Support	30
Oppose	15
Don't know enough to say	54
Don't know/Refused	2

17. As you may know, the health care law requires employers with 100 or more workers to pay a penalty if they do not offer health insurance to employees working 30 or more hours per week. Some lawmakers in Congress want to require these employers to offer health benefits only for employees working 40 or more hours per week. Do you support or oppose this change or do you not know enough to say?

	01/15
Support	26
Oppose	40
Don't know enough to say	33
Don't know/Refused	2

⁸ July 2014 trend wording was "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)?"

18. What if you heard that low and middle income employees who don't work enough hours to get health insurance at work could get financial help from the government to buy their own coverage in the health care law's marketplace? Would this change your opinion, or not?

Based on those who oppose change to employer requirement (n=592)

	01/15
Yes, would change opinion	37
No, would not change opinion	55
Don't know/Refused	7

Summary of Q17 and Q18 based on Total

	01/15
Still oppose requiring employers to offer health benefits only for employees working 40 or more hours per week	22
Support requiring employers to offer health benefits only for employees working 40 or more hours per week	41
Originally	26
After hearing argument (low and middle income employees who don't work enough hours to get health insurance at work could get financial help from the government to buy their own coverage in the health care law's marketplace)	15
Don't know enough to say/Refused	37

19. What if you heard that this change would increase the federal budget deficit and lead more employers to reduce hours for some full-time workers so they wouldn't be required to offer them health insurance? Would this change your opinion, or not?

Based on those who support change to employer requirement (n=400)

	01/15
Yes, would change opinion	44
No, would not change opinion	51
Don't know/Refused	5

Summary of Q17 and Q19 based on Total

	01/15
Still support requiring employers to offer health benefits only for employees working 40 or more hours per week	13
Oppose requiring employers to offer health benefits only for employees working 40 or more hours per week	51
Originally	40
After hearing argument (This change would increase the federal budget deficit and lead more employers to reduce hours for some full-time workers so they wouldn't be required to offer them health insurance)	11
Don't know enough to say/Refused	36

20. As you may know, the law creates health insurance exchanges or marketplaces where people who don't get coverage through their employers can shop for insurance and compare prices and benefits. How much would you say you know about this health insurance marketplace, also known as healthcare.gov [IF STATE HAS STATE-RUN EXCHANGE: or [INSERT STATE EXCHANGE NAME] in your state]]? Would you say you know a lot, some, only a little, or nothing at all about this marketplace?

	01/15	10/14	03/14	02/14
A lot	7	21	8	15
Some	23	27	21	30
Only a little	41	31	40	33
Nothing at all	28	20	30	21
Don't know/Refused	1	1	1	1

NO QUESTION 21

22. As far as you know, do (all states operate their own health insurance marketplaces) or do (some states use a health insurance marketplace operated by the federal government)? (ROTATE ITEMS IN PARENTHESES) (INTERVIEWER INSTRUCTIONS: IF DON'T KNOW, DO NOT PROBE)

	01/15
All states operate their own health insurance marketplaces	21
Some states use the health insurance marketplace operated by the federal government	50
Some states have a partnership with the federal government (VOL.)	1
Don't know/Refused	28

23. [IF Q22 =2 OR 3: As you just indicated/IF Q22 = 1 OR 9: Though many people have not heard about it], some states operate their own health insurance marketplaces where people can shop for insurance and other states use the marketplace operated by the federal government. To the best of your knowledge, does (your state operate its own health insurance marketplace), or does (the federal government run the health insurance marketplace in your state)? (ROTATE ITEMS IN PARENTHESES)

	01/15
State operates its own health insurance marketplace	46
Federal government runs the health insurance marketplace	27
State-Federal partnership (VOL.)	1
Don't know/ Refused	25

24. As you may have heard, the Supreme Court will hear a case about whether the health care law says people in all states can be eligible for financial help from the government to buy health insurance or if financial help is only available to people in states with state-run marketplaces. How much, if anything, have you heard about this case? A lot, some, only a little or nothing at all?

	01/15	12/14 ⁹
A lot	5	4
Some	9	11
Only a little	30	29
Nothing at all	56	55
Don't know/Refused	*	*

25. If the Supreme Court rules that financial help to buy health insurance is only available to low and moderate income people in states with state-run marketplaces, do you think Congress should pass a law so that people in all states can be eligible for financial help from the government to buy health insurance, or do you think Congress shouldn't act on this issue?

	01/15
Congress should pass a law	64
Congress shouldn't act on this issue	27
Don't know/ Refused	9

NO QUESTIONS 26-27

28. As you may know, [your state uses the federal health insurance marketplace/your state has a partnership with the federal health insurance marketplace]. If the Supreme Court rules that financial help to buy health insurance is only available to low and moderate income people in states with state-run marketplaces, do you think your state should create its own marketplace, or not?

Based on those living in states with federally-facilitated or partnership marketplaces (n=1,031)

	01/15
Yes, should create its own marketplace	59
No, should not create its own marketplace	29
Don't know/ Refused	12

⁹ Trend wording was "As you may have heard, the Supreme Court recently announced it will hear a case about whether low-and moderate-income people in states with federally-run marketplaces will remain eligible for financial help from the government to buy health insurance in states with state-run marketplaces..."

29. 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. Controversy over an expensive new drug to treat hepatitis C	01/15	5	10	21	62	1
	09/14	5	9	19	65	2
b. The reversal of an FDA rule that banned gay and bisexual men from donating blood	01/15	7	15	19	59	*
c. The health care law's second open enrollment period	01/15	6	19	27	47	1
	12/14	7	21	33	37	1
	11/14 ¹⁰	10	15	28	45	2
d. A bill passed by House Republicans to change the definition of full-time employees under the health care law's employer requirement	01/15	7	20	26	47	1
e. Conflict in New York City between police and the mayor following the fatal shooting of two police officers	01/15	30	37	19	13	1
f. Efforts to recover the AirAsia jetliner that crashed off the coast of Indonesia	01/15	20	39	25	15	1
g. The new Republican Congressional agenda for 2015	01/15	9	21	25	45	1
h. An attack on French satirical newspaper, Charlie Hebdo, by Islamist terrorists	01/15	28	36	14	21	1
i. President Obama's decision to restore U.S. diplomatic relations with Cuba	01/15	20	34	22	22	1

READ: 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)...?

	01/15
18-29	22
30-49	32
50-64	28
65 and older	17
Don't know/Refused	*

¹⁰ November trend for this item was "Preparations for the health care law's second open enrollment period"

- 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])?

	01/15
Covered by health insurance	85
Not covered by health insurance	14
Don't know/Refused	1

- 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=1,343)

	01/15
Plan through your employer	35
Plan through your spouse's employer	11
Plan you purchased yourself	11
Medicare	21
Medicaid/[STATE-SPECIFIC MEDICAID NAME]	11
Somewhere else	3
Plan through your parents/mother/father (VOL.)	6
Don't know/Refused	1

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

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

31. 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, Q30, and Q31 based on those ages 18-64 (n=1,077)

	01/15
Covered by health insurance	82
Employer	35
Spouse's employer	11
Self-purchased plan	10
Directly from an insurance company	2
From healthcare.gov or [STATE MARKETPLACE NAME]	3
Through an insurance agent or broker	3
Plan purchased from a state or federal marketplace	1
Plan purchased directly from an insurance company	2
Don't know/Refused	*
Somewhere else (VOL.)	1
Don't know/Refused	1
Medicare	6
Medicaid/State-specific Medicaid name	11
Somewhere else	3
Plan through parents/mother/father (VOL.)	6
Don't know/Refused	1
Not covered by health insurance	17
Don't know/Refused	1

32. 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

	01/15
Less than 3 months	7
3 months to less than a year	21
1 year to less than 2 years	19
2 years or more	52
Don't know/Refused	1
	(n=149)

Summary of D4 and 32 based on those ages 18-64

	01/15
Covered by health insurance	82
Not covered by health insurance	17
Less than 3 months	1
3 months to less than a year	4
1 year to less than 2 years	3
2 years or more	9
Don't know/Refused	*
Don't know/Refused	1
	(n=1,077)

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

Based on those ages 18-64 who are uninsured

	01/15	12/14	11/14	10/14	02/14 ¹¹	01/14	11/13 ¹²	08/13
Will get health insurance	56	57	49	59	49	50	58	58
Will remain uninsured	39	35	41	38	44	40	34	32
Don't know/Refused	5	8	10	3	7	10	8	10
	(n=149)	(n=131)	(n=154)	(n=145)	(n=137)	(n=173)	(n=151)	(n=178)

Summary of D4 and Q33 based on those ages 18-64

	01/15	12/14	11/14	10/14	02/14	01/14	11/13	08/13
Covered by health insurance	82	84	81	83	83	81	79	80
Not covered by health insurance	17	15	18	17	16	19	21	20
Will get health insurance	10	9	9	10	8	9	12	11
Will remain uninsured	7	5	7	6	7	7	7	6
Don't know/Refused	1	1	2	1	1	2	2	2
Don't know/Refused	1	1	1	1	1	*	*	*
	(n=1,077)	(n=1,099)	(n=1,027)	(n=1,061)	(n=1,054)	(n=1,122)	(n=843)	(n=1,101)

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

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

D1.	Record respondent's sex	
	Male	49
	Female	51
D2b.	Are you currently married, living with a partner, widowed, divorced, separated, or have you never been married?	
	Married	50
	Living with a partner	5
	Widowed	6
	Divorced	9
	Separated	4
	Never been married	25
	Don't know/Refused	1
D3.	What best describes your employment situation today? (READ IN ORDER)	
	Employed full-time	44
	Employed part-time	10
	Unemployed and currently seeking employment	6
	Unemployed and not seeking employment	3
	A student	6
	Retired	17
	On disability and can't work	9
	Or, a homemaker or stay at home parent?	5
	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	31
	Or what/Other/None/No preference/Other party	11
	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)	
	<u>Summary D8 and D8a based on total</u>	
	Republican/Lean Republican	37
	Democrat/Lean Democratic	48
	Other/Don't lean/Don't know	15
	<u>Five-Point Party ID</u>	
	Democrat	32
	Independent Lean Democratic	16
	Independent/Don't lean	15
	Independent Lean Republican	14
	Republican	23
	Undesignated	1

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

Liberal	24
Moderate	35
Conservative	37
Don't know/Refused	4

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)	7
High school graduate (Grade 12 with diploma or GED certificate)	30
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	15
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 (VOL.)	*

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

D13. What is your race? Are you white, black, Asian or some other race? (IF RESPONDENT SAYS HISPANIC ASK: Do you consider yourself a white Hispanic or a black Hispanic?)

White, non-Hispanic	65
Total non-White	33
Black or African-American, non-Hispanic	11
Hispanic	15
Asian, non-Hispanic	4
Other/Mixed race, non-Hispanic	3
Undesignated	2

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

Based on Hispanics (n=184)

U.S.	47
Puerto Rico	3
Another country	50
Don't know/Refused	1

D14. Last year—that is, in 2014—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	23
\$20,000 to less than \$30,000	12
\$30,000 to less than \$40,000	10
\$40,000 to less than \$50,000	8
\$50,000 to less than \$75,000	13
\$75,000 to less than \$90,000	6
\$90,000 to less than \$100,000	4
\$100,000 or more	16
Don't know/Refused	8

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

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