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Kaiser Health Tracking Poll: March 2016

METHODOLOGY

This *Kaiser Health Tracking Poll* was designed and analyzed by public opinion researchers at the Kaiser Family Foundation (KFF). The survey was conducted March 7-14, 2016, among a nationally representative random digit dial telephone sample of 1,201 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 (421) and cell phone (780, including 478 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 2014 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 2015 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	1201	±3 percentage points
Registered Voters	970	±4 percentage points
Party Identification		
Democrats	382	±6 percentage points
Republicans	335	±6 percentage points
Independents	324	±6 percentage points
Gender		
Male	607	±4 percentage points
Female	594	±5 percentage points

All trends shown in this document come from 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)

1.	What do you think is the most important problem facing (IF DC SAMPLE READ: the District's mayor and city council) (IF NON-DC SAMPLE READ: your state) today? (OPEN-END)

	03/16 Total
Jobs/Unemployment/Wages	18
Education/Schools	9
Economy	7
Crime/Violence/Guns	5
Politics/Politicians/Political parties/Elections	5
Government dysfunction	4
Immigration/Illegal immigration	4
Infrastructure	4
Taxes	3
Government spending/Budget/Deficit	3
Health care	3
Drugs/Drug abuse/Alcohol abuse	3
Poverty/Homelessness	2
Environment/Climate change	2
Traffic/Accidents	2
Other social issues (abortion, marijuana legalization, gay marriage)	2
Race/Race relations	2
Drought/Lack of water	2
Water quality	1
Welfare system/Welfare abuse	1
Police/Criminal justice/judicial system	1
Lack of a budget/Budget impasse	1
Social Security/seniors' issues	1
Income inequality	*
Pension crisis	*
Nothing/No problems	1
Other	5
Don't know/Refused	11

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

2. Thinking ahead to the November elections for President, how important will each of the following issues be to your vote for President this year? First (INSERT AND RANDOMIZE)… (READ FOR FIRST ITEM, THEN AS NECESSARY: Will that be extremely important, very important, somewhat important, or not too important to your vote for President this year?) How about (INSERT NEXT ITEM)?

	Extremely/ Very (NET)	Extremely important	Very important	Somewhat/ Not too (NET)	Somewhat important	Not too important	Not planning to vote	Don't know/ Refused
a. The economy and jobs								
03/16 Total	86	40	45	13	10	3	1	1
03/16 RV	85	41	45	14	11	3	*	1
b. Health care								
03/16 Total	77	34	43	21	16	5	1	1
03/16 RV	78	36	42	21	16	5	*	*
c. Terrorism								
03/16 Total	74	39	35	25	17	8	1	1
03/16 RV	73	41	32	26	18	9	*	1
d. Income inequality								
03/16 Total	63	23	41	33	19	14	1	2
03/16 RV	61	23	37	37	21	16	*	2
e. Immigration								
03/16 Total	57	21	36	40	24	16	1	2
03/16 RV	55	22	33	43	27	16	*	1
f. Government spending								
03/16 Total	72	31	41	24	18	7	1	2
03/16 RV	74	33	40	24	18	7	*	2

3. When you say "health care is an important issue to your vote for President," what specifically do you mean? (OPEN-END)

Based on those who say health care is extremely/very important

	03/16 Total	03/16 RVs
Increase access/decrease number of uninsured	30	27
Health care costs (NET)	28	29
Costs/make health care more affordable	27	27
Prescription drug prices	2	3
Mention health care law/ACA/Obamacare (NET)	23	28
Oppose/repeal the health care law (SUBNET)	16	19
Repeal health care law	7	8
Opposed to health care law (general)	4	5
Opposed to individual mandate	2	3
Health care law has increased costs	1	2
Want government out of health care	1	1
Favor/keep/expand health care law/current system	6	7
Fix/improve health care law	1	1
Health care law, general, unclear pro or con	2	2
Health care personally important/self-family in need of health care	6	4
Medicare/Senior concerns	5	5
Want single-payer system/ Medicare-for-all/ Universal health care	4	5
Concern about quality of coverage	3	2
Concern about quality of care	3	2
Fix/improve health care system (general)	2	3
Want more options/choices/competition/better service	2	2
Regulating insurance/HMO/Pharmaceutical companies	1	1
Current system is bad/broken/a mess	1	1
Concern about impact of health care on debt and deficit/ the economy	*	*
Other	8	8
Don't know/Refused	2	2
	(n=903)	(n=736)

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

Summary of Q2b and Q3 based on total

	03/16 Total	03/16 RVs
Health care extremely/very important (NET)	77	78
Increase access/decrease number of uninsured	23	21
Health care costs (NET)	22	23
Costs/make health care more affordable	21	21
Prescription drug prices	2	2
Mention health care law/ACA/Obamacare (NET)	18	22
Oppose/repeal the health care law (SUBNET)	12	15
Repeal health care law	5	6
Opposed to health care law (general)	3	4
Opposed to individual mandate	2	2
Health care law has increased costs	1	1
Want government out of health care	1	1
Favor/keep/expand health care law/current system	4	5
Fix/improve health care law	1	1
Health care law, general, unclear pro or con	1	2
Health care personally important/self-family in need of health care	4	3
Medicare/Senior concerns	4	4
Want single-payer system/ Medicare-for-all/ Universal health care	3	4
Concern about quality of coverage	2	2
Concern about quality of care	2	2
Fix/improve health care system (general)	2	2
Want more options/choices/competition/better service	1	1
Regulating insurance/HMO/Pharmaceutical companies	1	1
Current system is bad/broken/a mess	1	*
Concern about impact of health care on debt and deficit/ the economy	*	*
Other	6	6
Don't know/Refused	2	2
Health care somewhat/not too Important (NET)	21	21
Not planning to vote (Vol.)	1	*
Don't know/ Refused	1	*

3. When you say "health care is an important issue to your vote for President," what specifically do you mean? (OPEN-END)

Based on those who say health care is extremely important

	03/16 Total	03/16 RVs
Health care costs (NET)	29	29
Costs/make health care more affordable	27	27
Prescription drug prices	2	3
Mention health care law/ACA/Obamacare (NET)	26	30
Oppose/repeal the health care law (SUBNET)	19	21
Repeal health care law	8	9
Opposed to health care law (general)	5	6
Opposed to individual mandate	3	4
Health care law has increased costs	1	1
Want government out of health care	1	1
Favor/keep/expand health care law/current system	6	7
Fix/improve health care law	1	1
Health care law, general, unclear pro or con	1	2
Increase access/decrease number of uninsured	25	24
Health care personally important/self-family in need of health care	5	4
Medicare/Senior concerns	4	5
Want single-payer system/ Medicare-for-all/ Universal health care	4	4
Concern about quality of coverage	3	2
Concern about quality of care	2	2
Fix/improve health care system (general)	2	2
Want more options/choices/competition/better service	2	2
Regulating insurance/HMO/Pharmaceutical companies	1	1
Current system is bad/broken/a mess	1	1
Concern about impact of health care on debt and deficit/ the economy	*	*
Other	8	8
Don't know/Refused	1	1
	(n=403)	(n=340)

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

4. 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
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
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

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[1] May 2010 through December 2011 trend wording was "As you may know, a health reform bill was signed into law early last year…"

	Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	Don't know/ Refused
05/11	19	23	15	29	14
04/11	20	21	14	27	18
03/11	21	21	15	31	13
02/11	16	27	19	29	8
01/11	19	22	16	34	9
12/10	22	20	14	27	18
11/10	19	23	12	28	18
10/10	18	24	15	29	15
09/10	19	30	15	25	11
08/10	19	24	13	32	12
07/10	21	29	10	25	14
06/10	20	28	16	25	10
05/10	14	27	12	32	14
04/10[2]	23	23	10	30	14

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

	Helped	Hurt	No direct impact	Both helped and hurt (VOL.)	Don't know/ Refused
03/16	18	28	52	1	1
12/15	17	29	51	1	1
06/29/15	19	24	53	1	2
06/09/15	19	24	54	1	2
04/15	19	22	56	1	2
03/15	19	22	57	*	2
01/15	16	25	57	1	1
11/14	16	24	59	*	1
10/14	16	26	56	1	1
09/14	14	27	56	1	1
07/14	15	28	56	*	1
05/14	14	24	60	*	2

6. Regardless of your opinion of the health care law, how well do you think it is working on a scale of 1 to 10 - with 10 meaning "perfectly" and 1 meaning "not at all"? You can choose any number between 1 to 10.

	03/16
1 - Not at all	13
2	7
3	9
4	9
5	18
6	12
7	14
8	11
9	2
10 – Perfectly	3
Don't know/Refused	2

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[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?)"

7.   What ONE thing would you change to improve the health care law? (OPEN-END)

	03/16
Lower costs (NET)	22
Lower costs generally	15
Lower premiums	3
Lower deductibles and cost sharing	3
Lower prescription drug prices	2
Repeal all or parts of the ACA (NET)	18
Repeal the health care law	8
Get rid of individual mandate	8
Want government out of health care/negative comment about government run programs	3
Expand coverage (NET)	16
Expand coverage/access (general)	10
Want single-payer system/Medicare-for-all/Universal health care/Free	5
Expand Medicaid in states that haven't	1
Public option	*
Expand access for undocumented immigrants	*
Expand access for uninsured	*
Make it clearer, easier, faster	6
Ability to purchase insurance across state lines/Increase competition	4
More personal responsibility/Everyone should pay something/Decrease fraud and abuse	4
Increase amount of/eligibility for subsidies/Medicaid	3
Increase/more choice of doctors/place of care/Plans	2
Improve quality of care	2
More help for Seniors/Medicare	2
Better dental/vision coverage	*
Health care personally important/self-family in need of health care	*
Wouldn't change anything	2
Other/Miscellaneous	8
Don't know/Refused	17

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

8. 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?

	Closely (NET)	Very closely	Fairly closely	Not closely (NET)	Not too closely	Not at all closely	Don't know/ Refused
a. 2016 Presidential campaigns							
03/16	81	51	30	18	11	7	1
02/16	73	39	34	26	14	12	1
01/16	73	39	34	26	18	9	*
12/15	71	35	36	28	15	14	1
11/15	74	39	35	25	15	10	1
10/15	67	36	31	32	18	14	1
09/15	74	40	34	25	12	13	1
08/15	69	33	36	31	17	13	1
06/29/15	54	22	32	45	22	22	1
06/09/15	55	25	31	43	18	26	1
b. The Zika virus outbreak							
03/16	54	23	31	45	22	23	1
02/16	57	20	37	41	21	20	1
c. The death of Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia and vacancy on the Supreme Court							
03/16	59	29	29	41	17	24	1
d. The Supreme Court case on Texas abortion laws							
03/16	36	15	21	64	23	40	1
e. The health care law's third open enrollment period							
03/16	34	14	21	65	26	39	1
02/16	34	12	22	65	29	36	1
01/16	26	9	17	74	35	39	*
11/15	35	14	21	64	30	34	1
01/15[3]	26	6	19	74	27	47	1
12/14	28	7	21	71	33	37	1
11/14[4]	25	10	15	73	28	45	2
f. The FBI order requiring Apple to unlock the San Bernardino shooting suspect's iPhone							
03/16	61	30	31	38	20	18	1
g. Unsafe levels of lead found in the drinking water in Flint, Michigan							
03/16	63	30	33	36	17	19	1
02/16	64	28	35	35	17	19	1
h. Conflicts involving ISIS and other Islamic militant groups							
03/16	72	36	35	27	16	11	1
02/16	73	35	38	26	15	11	1
01/16[5]	76	41	35	24	16	8	*
11/15	74	39	34	25	15	10	1
06/09/15	69	33	36	30	17	13	1
12/14	70	32	38	29	15	14	1
11/14	70	34	37	29	17	12	1
10/14[6]	68	32	36	31	18	14	1

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[3] December 2014 and January 2015 trend for this item was "The health care law's second open enrollment period".

[4] November 2014 trend for this item was "Preparations for the health care law's second open enrollment period"

[5] November 2014 through January 2016 trend wording for this item was "Conflicts involving ISIS and other Islamic militant groups in Iraq and Syria"

[6] October 2014 trend for this item was "Airstrikes by the U.S. and others against Islamic militants in Iraq and Syria".

READ TO ALL: On another topic…

9. Thinking about all of the candidates for president, regardless of political party and whether or not you agree with their views, which candidate do you trust to represent your view of women's reproductive health choices and services, including abortion, family planning, and contraception? (OPEN END. DO NOT READ PRECODES. RECORD ONE RESPONSE)

	03/16 Total	03/16 RVs
Hillary Clinton	30	30
Bernie Sanders	16	15
Donald Trump	10	12
Ted Cruz	8	9
Marco Rubio	3	4
John Kasich	3	3
Other (VOL.)	2	2
None (VOL.)	11	10
Don't know (VOL.)	16	12
Refused (VOL.)	2	2

10. Which comes closer to your view? In the U.S. today, (READ IN ORDER)

	03/16	05/12
There is a wide-scale effort to limit women's reproductive health choices and services, such as abortion, family planning, and contraception or	34	28
There are some groups that would like to limit women's reproductive health choices and services, but it is not a wide-scale effort	46	44
There has been no effort to limit women's reproductive health choices and services (VOL.)	2	9
Don't know/Refused	18	19

11. You said you think there is a wide-scale effort in the U.S. today to limit women's reproductive health choices and services. Do you think this is a (good) thing or a (bad) thing? (ROTATE OPTIONS IN PARENTHESES)

Based on those who think there is a wide-scale effort to limit women's reproductive health choices

	03/16	05/12
Good thing	20	18
Bad thing	74	72
Neither good nor bad (VOL.)	4	10
Don't know/Refused	2	1
	(n=406)	(n=345)

Summary of Q10 and Q11 based on total

	03/16	05/12
Wide-scale effort to limit women's reproductive health choices and services	34	28
Good thing	7	5
Bad thing	25	20
Neither good nor bad (VOL.)	1	3
Don't know/Refused	1	*
Some groups would like to limit women's choices and services, but it is not a wide-scale effort	46	44
There has been no effort to limit women's choices and services (VOL.)	2	9
Don't know/Refused	18	19

12. How concerned are you, personally, about the issue of women's reproductive health choices and services? Very concerned, somewhat concerned, not too concerned, or not at all concerned?

Based on those who think there is a wide-scale effort to limit women's reproductive health choices

	03/16	05/12
Concerned (NET)	82	76
Very concerned	49	34
Somewhat concerned	33	42
Not Concerned (NET)	17	23
Not too concerned	13	14
Not at all concerned	4	9
Don't know/Refused	1	1
	(n=406)	(n=345)

Summary of Q10 and Q12 based on total

	03/16	05/12
Wide-scale effort to limit women's reproductive health choices and services	34	28
Concerned (NET)	28	21
Very concerned	17	9
Somewhat concerned	11	12
Not Concerned (NET)	6	7
Not too concerned	4	4
Not at all concerned	1	3
Don't know/Refused	*	*
Some groups would like to limit women's choices and services, but it is not a wide-scale effort	46	44
There has been no effort to limit women's choices and services (VOL.)	2	9
Don't know/Refused	18	19

READ TO ALL: Now I have 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)

	03/16
18-29	21
30-49	33
50-64	28
65 and older	18
Don't know/Refused	*

D4.   Are you, yourself, now covered by any form of health insurance or health plan or do you not have health insurance at this time? (READ IF NECESSARY: A health plan would include any private insurance plan through your employer or a plan that you purchased yourself, as well as a government program like Medicare or [Medicaid/Medi-CAL])?

	03/16
Covered by health insurance	87
Not covered by health insurance	12
Don't know/Refused	*

D4a.   Which of the following is your MAIN source of health insurance coverage? Is it a plan through your employer, a plan through your spouse's employer, a plan you purchased yourself either from an insurance company or a state or federal marketplace, are you covered by Medicare or (Medicaid/[INSERT STATE-SPECIFIC MEDICAID NAME]), or do you get your health insurance from somewhere else?

Based on those who are insured (n=1,085)

	03/16
Plan through your employer	35
Plan through your spouse's employer	12
Plan you purchased yourself	10
Medicare	20
Medicaid/[STATE-SPECIFIC MEDICAID NAME]	11
Somewhere else	5
Plan through your parents/mother/father (VOL.)	6
Don't know/Refused	1

13. 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)

Summary D4, D4a, Q13 based on those ages 18-64 (n=889)

	03/16
Covered by health insurance	85
Employer	35
Spouse's employer	12
Self-purchased plan	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.)	1
Don't know/Refused	*
Medicare	6
Medicaid/State-specific Medicaid name	11
Somewhere else	5
Plan through parents/mother/father (VOL.)	6
Don't know/Refused	*
Not covered by health insurance	15
Don't know/Refused	*

14. 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 who purchased own insurance plan except those who bought plan through marketplace (sample size insufficient to report)

Summary D4, D4a, Q13 and Q14 based on those ages 18-64 (n=889)

	03/16
Covered by health insurance	85
Employer	35
Spouse's employer	12
Self-purchased plan	9
Directly from insurance company/agent or broker/Other	5
Marketplace plan	1
Non-marketplace plan	1
Not sure/Refused	3
From healthcare.gov or [STATE MARKETPLACE NAME]	4
Medicare	6
Medicaid/State-specific Medicaid name	11
Somewhere else	5
Plan through parents/mother/father (VOL.)	6
Don't know/Refused	*
Not covered by health insurance	15
Don't know/Refused	*

15. As you may know, the health care law requires nearly all Americans to have health insurance this year or else pay a fine. Which of the following comes closest to why you personally have not gotten health insurance this year? (READ AND ROTATE, ALWAYS KEEP ITEMS 3 AND 4 TOGETHER)

Based on those ages 18-64 who are uninsured (n=112)

	03/16
You would rather pay the fine than pay for health insurance	5
You don't think the requirement applies to you	6
You tried to get coverage but were unable	14
You tried to get coverage but it was too expensive (or)	48
You didn't know about the requirement to have health insurance	8
Some other reason (VOL.)	17
Respondent is in the process of signing up for insurance (VOL.)	1
Don't know/Refused	2

Summary of D4 and Q15 based on those ages 18-64 (n=889)

	03/16	
Covered by health insurance	85	
Not covered by health insurance	15	
You would rather pay the fine than pay for health insurance		1
You don't think the requirement applies to you		1
You tried to get coverage but were unable		2
You tried to get coverage but it was too expensive (or)		7
You didn't know about the requirement to have health insurance		1
Some other reason (VOL.)		2
Respondent is in the process of signing up for insurance (VOL.)		*
Don't know/Refused		*
Don't know/Refused	*	

16. How would you describe your household's financial situation? Would you say you...?

Based on ages 18-64 (n=889)

	03/16
Live comfortably	33
Meet your basic expenses with a little left over for extras	27
Just meet your basic expenses	25
Don't have enough to meet basic expenses	15
Don't know	--
Refused	*

17. How would you rate your overall health insurance coverage – excellent, good, not so good or poor?

Based on those ages 18-64 who are insured (n=776)

	03/16	
Excellent/good (NET)	82	
Excellent		26
Good		56
Not so good/poor (NET)	16	
Not so good		12
Poor		5
Just got my plan/too soon to tell (VOL.)	1	
Don't know	*	
Refused	*	

18.   In general, do you feel well-protected by your health insurance plan, or do you feel vulnerable to high medical bills?

Based on those ages 18-64 who are insured (n=776)

	03/16
Feel well-protected by your health insurance plan	63
Feel vulnerable to high medical bills	34
Just got my plan/too soon to tell (VOL.)	*
Don't know	2
Refused	1

19.   Would you say your health insurance is an excellent value, good value, only a fair value or a poor value for what you pay for it?

Based on those ages 18-64 who are insured (n=776)

	03/16	
Excellent/good (NET)	60	
Excellent value		24
Good value		36
Only fair/poor (NET)	32	
Only a fair value		22
Poor value		11
Don't pay directly/don't know how much it costs (VOL.)	6	
Just got my plan/too soon to tell (VOL.)	*	
Don't know	1	
Refused	*	

20.   How long have you been covered by your CURRENT health insurance plan? Have you had this plan for less than 12 months, or for 12 months or more?

Based on those ages 18-64 who are insured (n=776)

	03/16
Less than 12 months	22
12 months or more	78
Don't know	*
Refused	--

21. I'm going to read you a list of problems some people experience with their health insurance plan. Please tell me if you have had any of these problems in the past 12 months, or not. How about (INSERT AND RANDOMIZE)?

Based on those ages 18-64 who are insured and had plan for at least 12 months (n=609)

	Yes, have	No, have not	Not applicable	Don't know	Refused
a. You were surprised to find out that your plan would not pay anything for care you or a family member received, that you thought was covered	18	80	2	*	*
b. Your plan paid less than you expected for a bill you received from a doctor, hospital, or lab	29	68	2	1	--
c. You reached the limit on the number of visits or services your insurance company would pay for treatment of a specific illness or injury	11	87	2	*	--
d. A particular doctor you wanted to see was not covered by your plan	21	77	2	*	*
e. A particular hospital you wanted to visit was not covered by your plan	11	86	3	*	--
f. Your plan would not cover a prescription drug or required a very expensive copay for a drug that a doctor prescribed	33	65	1	*	*

Summary of Q20 and Q21 based on those ages 18-64 who are insured (n=776)

	03/16
Had plan 12 months or more	78
Your plan would not cover a prescription drug or required a very expensive copay for a drug that a doctor prescribed	26
Your plan paid less than you expected for a bill you received from a doctor, hospital, or lab	23
A particular doctor you wanted to see was not covered by your plan	16
You were surprised to find out that your plan would not pay anything for care you or a family member received, that you thought was covered	14
A particular hospital you wanted to visit was not covered by your plan	9
You reached the limit on the number of visits or services your insurance company would pay for treatment of a specific illness or injury	8
Had plan less than 12 months	22
Don't know	*
Refused	--

D1.   Record respondent's sex

Male   49
Female   51

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

Excellent/very good/good (NET)   79
    Excellent   23
    Very good   26
    Good   30
Only fair/poor (NET)   21
    Only fair   15
    Poor   6
Don't know/Refused   *

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

Married   46
Living with a partner   8
Widowed   6
Divorced   10
Separated   4
Never been married   25
Don't know/Refused   *

D3.   What best describes your employment situation today? (READ IN ORDER)

Employed full-time   43
Employed part-time   12
Unemployed and currently seeking employment   7
Unemployed and not seeking employment   3
A student   5
Retired   17
On disability and can't work   7
Or, a homemaker or stay at home parent   5
Don't know/Refused (VOL.)   1

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

Republican   26
Democrat   31
Independent   28
Or what/Other/None/No preference/Other party   10
Don't know/Refused   5

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

Summary D8 and D8a based on total
Republican/Lean Republican   37
Democrat/Lean Democratic   45
Other/Don't lean/Don't know   18

Five-Point Party ID
Democrat   31
Independent Lean Democratic   13
Independent/Don't lean   18
Independent Lean Republican   11
Republican   26
Undesignated   *

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

Liberal   26
Moderate   30
Conservative   38
Don't know/Refused   6

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

Yes   75
No   25
Don't know/Refused   *

D10.   I'd like you to rate the chances that you will vote in the presidential election in November: Are you absolutely certain to vote, will you probably vote, are the chances 50-50, or less than that?

Based on registered voters (n=970)

Absolutely certain to vote   78
Probably vote   9
Chances 50-50   9
Less than that   3
Don't think will vote (VOL.)   *
Don't know/Refused   *

Summary D9 and D10 based on total
Yes, registered to vote   75
    Absolutely certain to vote   59
    Probably vote   6
    Chances 50-50   7
    Less than that   2
    Don't think will vote (VOL.)   *
    Don't know/Refused   *
No, not registered   25
Don't know/Refused   *

D10a.   Compared to previous presidential elections, this year are you (more) enthusiastic about voting than usual, (less) enthusiastic, or about the same as in previous elections? (ROTATE ITEMS IN PARENS)

	03/16 Total	03/16 RV
More enthusiastic	31	32
Less enthusiastic	24	25
About the same as previous elections	40	41
Don't vote, not registered to vote, don't plan to vote (VOL.)	3	*
Don't know/Refused	2	2

22.   What is your religion – Protestant, Roman Catholic, Jewish, some other religion, or no religion?

Protestant (includes Baptist, Christian, Episcopalian, Jehovah's Witness, Lutheran, Methodist, Presbyterian, etc.)	47
Roman Catholic/Catholic	23
Jewish	2
Mormon (Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints) (VOL.)	1
Orthodox Church (Greek Orthodox, Russian Orthodox, etc.) (VOL.)	*
Islam/Muslim (VOL.)	1
Buddhist (VOL.)	1
Hindu (VOL.)	1
Other religion	3
No religion/atheist/agnostic	18
Don't know/Refused	3

23.   Do you think of yourself as Christian, or not?

Based on other religion or don't know/refused religion (sample size insufficient to report)

24.   Do you happen to be a born-again or Evangelical Christian, or not?

Based on Protestants or Christians (n=622)

Yes, born-again or Evangelical	48
No, not born-again or Evangelical	48
Don't know/Refused	4

Summary of Q22, Q23 and Q24 based on total		
Total Protestant/Catholic/Mormon/Orthodox/Christian	74	
Born-Again/Evangelical		24
Not Born-Again/Evangelical		48
Don't know/Refused		2
Jewish/Muslim/Hindu/Buddhist/Other religion (non-Christian)	6	
No religion/Atheist/Agnostic	18	
Don't know/Refused	2	

25.   How often do you attend religious services? (READ)

Based on those who have a religious preference (n=1,000)

More than once a week	14
Once a week	24
A few times a month	21
A few times a year OR	27
Never	12
Don't know/Refused	2

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

Less than high school (Grades 1-8 or no formal schooling)	4
High school incomplete (Grades 9-11 or Grade 12 with NO diploma)	4
High school graduate (Grade 12 with diploma or GED certificate)	32
Some college, no degree (includes some community college)	19
Two year associate degree from a college/university	12
Four year college or university degree/Bachelor's degree	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	*

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	64
Total non-White	34
Black or African-American, non-Hispanic	12
Hispanic	15
Asian, non-Hispanic	4
Other/Mixed race, non-Hispanic	3
Undesignated	2

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

Based on Hispanics (n=164)

U.S.	50
Puerto Rico	1
Another country	49
Don't know/Refused	--

D14.   Last year—that is, in 2015—what was your total family income from all sources, before taxes? Just stop me when I get to the right category. (READ)

Less than $20,000	20
$20,000 to less than $30,000	12
$30,000 to less than $40,000	9
$40,000 to less than $50,000	9
$50,000 to less than $75,000	13
$75,000 to less than $90,000	7
$90,000 to less than $100,000	3
$100,000 or more	15
Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	11

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

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