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***Kaiser Health Tracking Poll: June 2010***

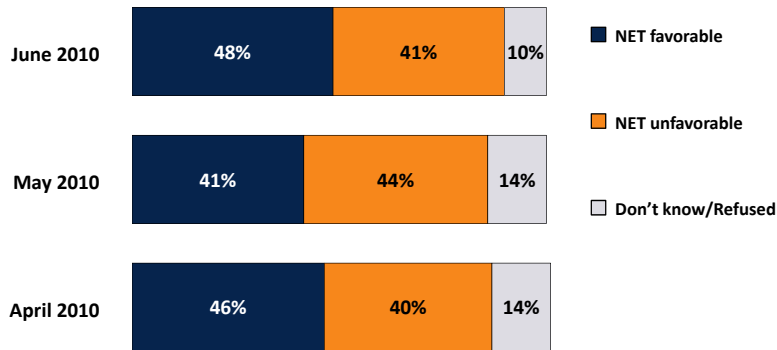
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CHART 1

## Views on Health Reform Law Since Passage

As you may know, a new health reform bill was signed into law earlier this year. Given what you know about the new health reform law, do you have a generally favorable or generally unfavorable opinion of it?



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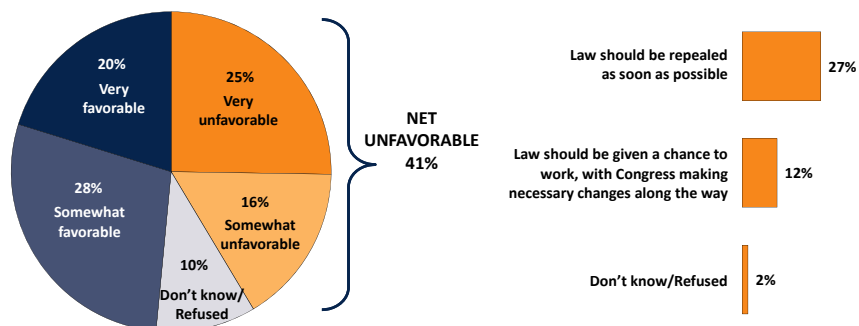


CHART 2

## Views of Opponents: Give Law Chance to Work, or Repeal It?

As you may know, a new health reform bill was signed into law earlier this year. Given what you know about the new health reform law, do you have a generally favorable or generally unfavorable opinion of it?

Given that you have an unfavorable view of the health reform law, which comes closer to your view of what should happen now:



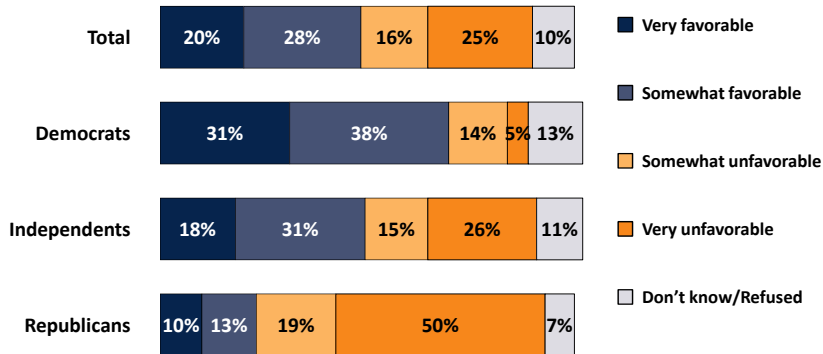
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CHART 3

### Views on Health Reform Law: By Party ID

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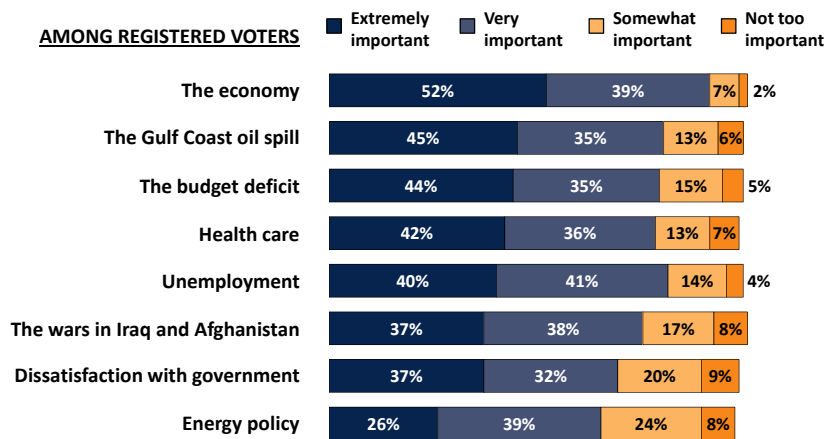
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CHART 4

### Issues for the November 2010 Congressional Elections

Thinking ahead to the November 2010 Congressional elections, how important will each of the following issues be to your vote for Congress this year?



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CHART 5

## Looking Toward November: Most Important Issue

Of the issues you said would be extremely important to your vote for Congress in November, which one would you say will be most important?

### AMONG REGISTERED VOTERS

Most important issue	All	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.
NET The Economy and Unemployment	<b>29%</b>	33%	26%	25%
The economy	17	19	16	14
Unemployment	12	14	10	11
Dissatisfaction with government	<b>13</b>	5	13	19
Health care	<b>12</b>	14	12	10
The Gulf Coast oil spill	9	9	10	8
The budget deficit	9	7	8	13
The wars in Iraq/Afghanistan	7	8	6	7
Energy policy	2	2	1	1

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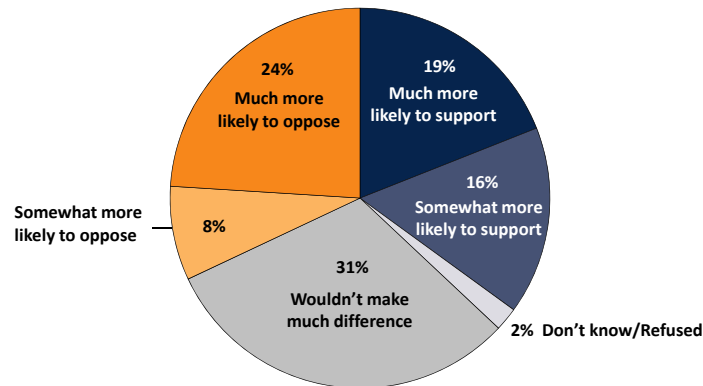


CHART 6

## Impact of Member's Health Care Vote on Support

Say a candidate for Congress voted for the health reform law. Would that make you more likely to support that candidate for Congress, more likely to oppose that candidate, or wouldn't it make much difference in your vote?

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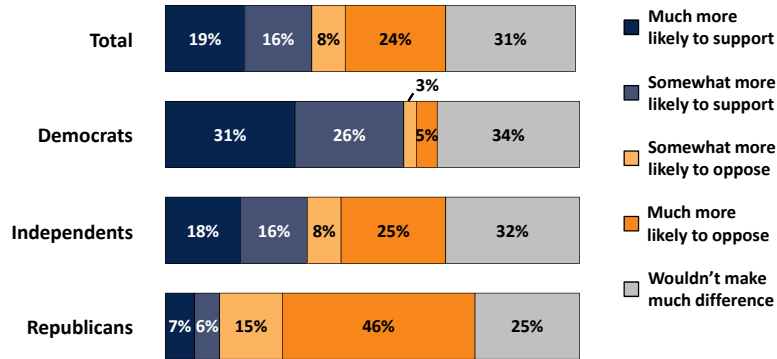


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## Impact of Member's Health Care Vote on Support: By Party ID

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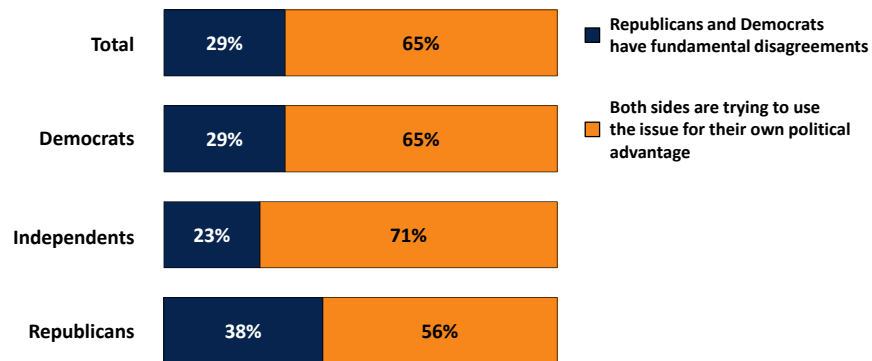
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CHART 8

## Continuing Disagreement about Policy or Politics?

To the extent that candidates for Congress from different parties are still debating the merits of the health reform law, do you think this is more because Republicans and Democrats fundamentally disagree about the right policy for the country, or more because both sides are trying to use the issue for their own political advantage?



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CHART 9

## Familiarity with Elements of the Health Reform Law

Percent who recognize element is included in reform law		
	June 2010	April 2010
Subsidy assistance to individuals	72%	75%
Guaranteed issue	70	64
Employer penalties	70	61
Extend dependent coverage until age 26	69	70
Individual mandate	67	71
Tax credits to small business	67	66
Medicaid expansion	66	64
High risk pool for individuals with pre-existing conditions	65	64
Basic benefits package, defined by government	64	n/a
Health insurance exchanges	62	62
Increase Medicare payroll tax on wealthy	62	66
Limit increases in Medicare provider payments	59	59
Eliminating caps on lifetime benefits	59	56
Gradually close the Medicare "doughnut hole"	59	56
Cadillac-plan tax on insurers	58	58
Federal review of health plan premium increases	58	n/a
Prohibit gender rating	48	43

Question wording abbreviated. See Toplines: <http://www.kff.org/kaiserpolls/8082.cfm> for full question wording.  
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CHART 10

## Opinions on Elements of the Health Reform Law

For each element of the health reform law I name, please tell me if your opinion of it is very favorable, somewhat favorable, somewhat unfavorable, or very unfavorable?	Net Favorable	"Very" Favorable
Health insurance exchanges	87%	54%
Tax credits to small business	82	49
Gradually closing the Medicare "doughnut hole"	81	51
High risk pool for individuals with pre-existing conditions	78	44
Subsidy assistance to individuals	76	42
Extend dependent coverage until age 26	71	47
Medicaid expansion	69	37
Federal reviews of health plan premium increases	69	34
Guaranteed issue	69	45
Prohibit gender rating	65	42
Eliminating caps on lifetime benefits	64	35
Increase Medicare payroll tax on wealthy	61	36
Basic benefits package, defined by government	59	27
Limit increases in Medicare provider payments	58	19
Cadillac-plan tax on insurers	58	28
Employer penalties	51	27
Individual mandate	34	14

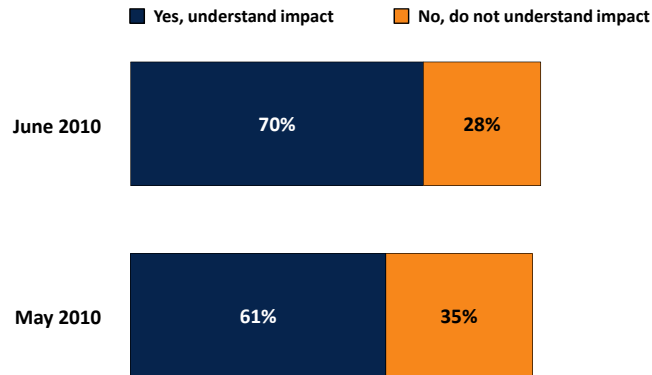
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CHART 11

## Understanding the Personal Impact of Health Reform

Do you feel you understand what the impact of the health reform law will be on you and your family, or not?



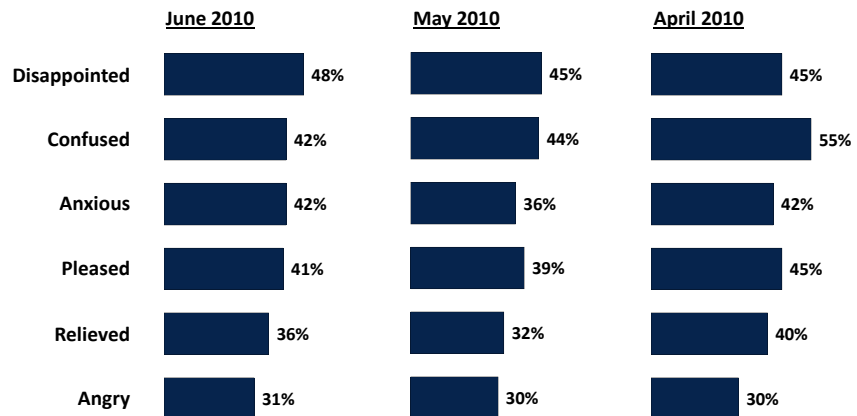
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CHART 12

## Emotional Reactions to Health Reform: Over Time

Percent saying that each of the following does describe their feelings about the health reform law.



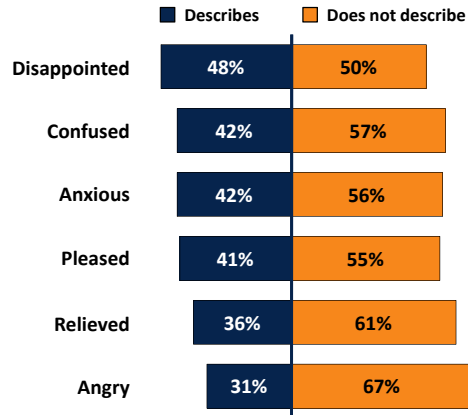
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CHART 13

## Emotional Reactions to Health Reform

Please tell me if each of the following does or does not describe your own feelings about the health reform law.



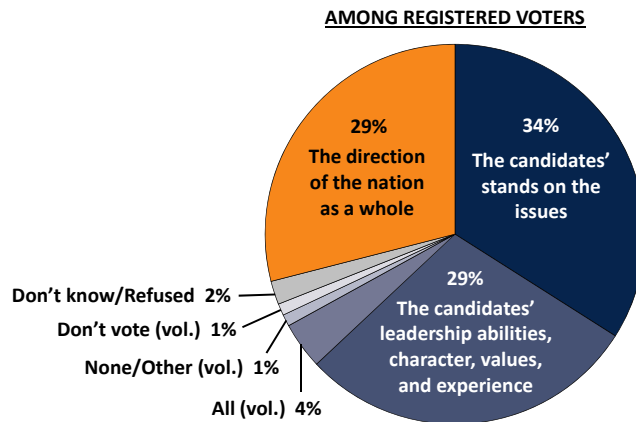
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CHART 14

## A Big Picture Look at the Vote

Please tell me which of the following will be most important when you decide how to vote for Congress this year.



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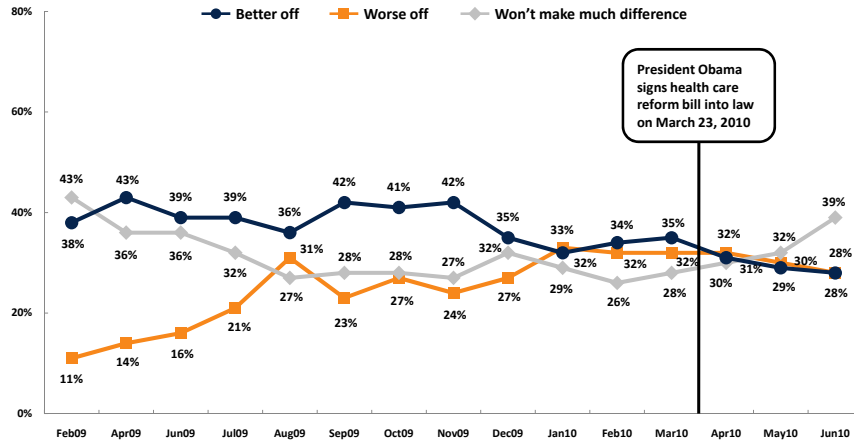




CHART 15

### Personal Impact of Health Reform Law: Over Time

Do you think you and your family will be better off or worse off under the new health reform law, or don't you think it will make much difference?



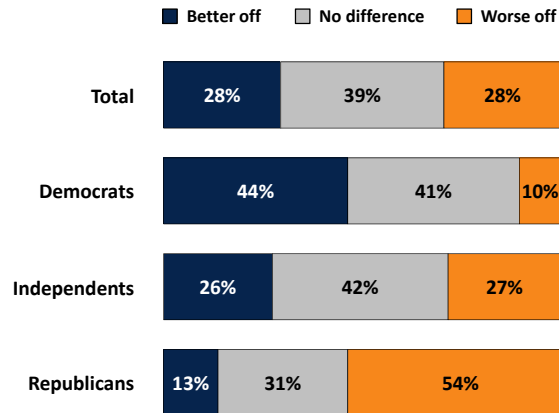
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### Personal Impact of Health Reform Law: By Party ID

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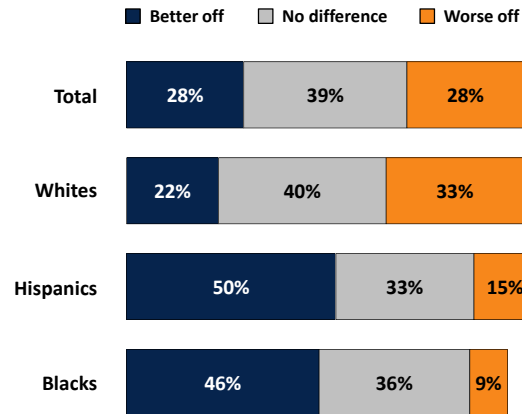
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CHART 17

## Personal Impact of Health Reform Law: By Race

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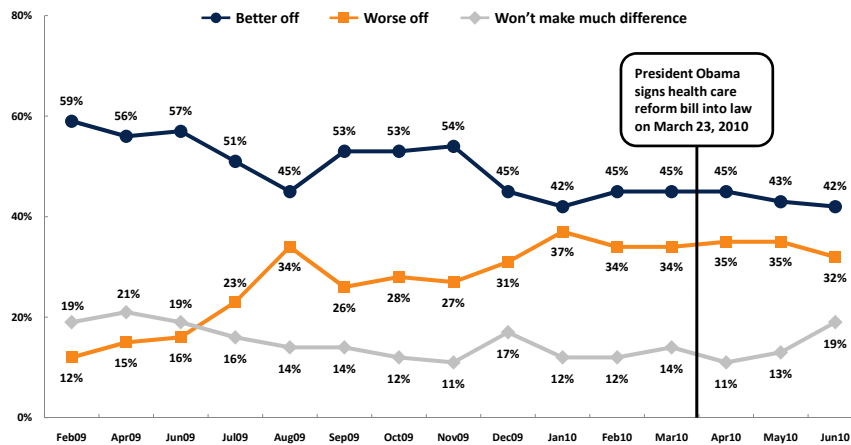
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CHART 18

## Impact of Health Reform Law on Nation: Over Time

Do you think the country as a whole will be better off or worse off under the new health reform law, or don't you think it will make much difference?



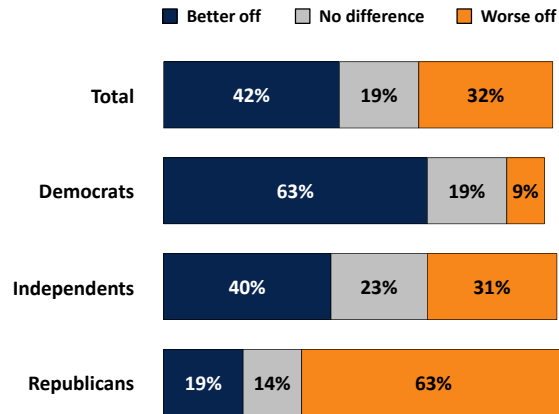
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CHART 20

## Methodology

This *Kaiser Health Tracking Poll* was designed and analyzed by public opinion researchers at the Kaiser Family Foundation led by Mollyann Brodie, Ph.D., including Claudia Deane, Carolina Gutiérrez, Sarah Cho, and Theresa Boston. The survey was conducted June 17 through June 22, 2010, among a nationally representative random sample of 1,207 adults ages 18 and older, including 1,066 adults who say they are registered to vote. Telephone interviews conducted by landline (806) and cell phone (401, including 105 who had no landline telephone) were carried out in English and Spanish by Princeton Survey Research Associates.

The margin of sampling error for the total sample is plus or minus 4 percentage points. For results based on subgroups, the margin of sampling error may be higher. Note that sampling error is only one of many potential sources of error in this or any other public opinion poll.

"VOL" indicates that a response was volunteered by respondent, not an explicitly offered choice.

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