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Kaiser Health Tracking Poll: June 2011

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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 Liz Hamel, Sarah Cho, and Theresa Boston. The survey was conducted June 9 through June 14, 2011, among a nationally representative random sample of 1,203 adults ages 18 and older. Telephone interviews conducted by landline (803) and cell phone (400, including 174 who had no landline telephone) were carried out in English and Spanish by Princeton Survey Research Associates.

The margin of sampling error is plus or minus 3 percentage points. For results based on other 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.

Trends in this document come from surveys listed on the last page.

Values less than 0.5% are indicated by an asterisk (*).

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

Due to rounding, percentages may not add to 100.

1. Even though it is still a long way off, thinking about the campaign for the presidential election in 2012, what two issues would you most like to hear the presidential candidates talk about? IF RESPONDENT GIVES ONE ISSUE PROBE FOR SECOND: Is there another issue you'd like to hear about? (OPEN-ENDED. RECORD VERBATIM RESPONSE IN ORDER OF MENTION. ACCEPT UP TO TWO RESPONSES)

	Total 06/11	RVs 06/11
Economy/jobs/unemployment	57	60
Health care (NET)	25	26
Health care - general	19	19
Health reform law	3	4
Medicare	3	3
Medicaid	*	*
Debt/Deficit/Budget	12	13
War/War in Afghanistan/Iraq/Ending the war/Military/Peace	11	11
Education/schools	8	8
Immigration	7	6
Taxes	5	6
Gas/oil prices	5	5
Social Security	3	4
Social issues (abortion, gay marriage)	3	3
Defense/Terrorism/National security	2	2
Foreign policy	2	2
Senior issues	2	1
Energy/Energy policy	2	2
Social services/Help for the poor, veterans	1	1
Crime/violence	1	1
Climate change/environment	1	1
Personal characteristics	1	1
Welfare	1	1
Cost of living (food, housing)	1	*
Conflicts in the Middle East	*	*
Other	8	7
None/Not sure	2	1
Don't know/Refused	10	7

Percentages will add to more than 100 due to multiple responses.

2. As I read you some different issues, please tell me if you think lawmakers in Washington are paying (too much attention), (too little attention), or about the right amount of attention to each. First (INSERT AND RANDOMIZE). READ FOR FIRST ITEM, THEN REPEAT AS NECESSARY: Are lawmakers in Washington paying (too much attention), (too little attention), or about the right amount of attention to this issue? (ROTATE OPTIONS IN PARENTHESES ACROSS INTERVIEWS, BUT NOT WITHIN SAME INTERVIEW)

		Too much attention	Too little attention	About the right amount	Don't know/Refused
a. The economy and jobs	Total 06/11	7	76	15	2
	RVs 06/11	7	76	14	2
b. The war in Afghanistan	Total 06/11	28	34	35	4
	RVs 06/11	26	35	35	4
c. Health care reform	Total 06/11	28	48	21	3
	RVs 06/11	28	48	20	4
d. The federal budget deficit	Total 06/11	15	62	19	3
	RVs 06/11	15	64	19	3
e. Energy policy	Total 06/11	13	55	26	6
	RVs 06/11	14	57	24	6
f. Taxes	Total 06/11	21	47	27	4
	RVs 06/11	20	50	27	4
g. Medicare	Total 06/11	15	55	26	3
	RVs 06/11	16	55	26	4
h. Medicaid	Total 06/11	14	52	29	6
	RVs 06/11	15	53	27	6
i. Education	Total 06/11	10	67	21	2
	RVs 06/11	11	67	21	1
j. Raising the debt limit	Total 06/11	24	44	23	9
	RVs 06/11	26	44	23	7
k. Rising gas prices	Total 06/11	15	68	16	2
	RVs 06/11	15	68	16	1
l. Conflicts in the Middle East	Total 06/11	35	27	33	5
	RVs 06/11	33	28	34	5

3. As you may know, a health reform bill was signed into law early last year. Given what you know about the health reform law, do you have a generally (favorable) or generally (unfavorable) opinion of it? [ROTATE TERMS IN PARENTHESES] [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
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
06/10	20	28	16	25	10
05/10	14	27	12	32	14
04/10 ¹	23	23	10	30	14

4. Do you think (INSERT AND RANDOMIZE) will be (better off) or (worse off) under the health reform law, or don't you think it will make much difference? (ROTATE OPTIONS IN PARENTHESES ACROSS INTERVIEWS, BUT NOT WITHIN SAME INTERVIEW) [READ IF NECESSARY: "Will (INSERT ITEM) be (better off) or (worse off) under the health reform law, or don't you think it will make much difference?"]

	Better off	Worse off	Not much difference	(Vol.) Depends	Don't know/Refused
a. You and your family					
06/11	24	34	35	--	7
05/11	28	28	38	--	6
04/11	27	28	37	--	8
03/11	26	30	39	--	5
02/11	28	31	38	--	3
01/11	20	32	44	--	4
12/10	32	33	28	--	7
11/10	25	31	34	--	9
10/10	31	29	32	--	7
09/10	32	28	33	--	7
08/10	29	30	36	--	5
07/10	32	29	33	--	6
06/10	28	28	39	--	5
05/10	29	30	32	--	9
04/10	31	32	30	--	8
03/10 ²	35	32	28	2	3
02/10	34	32	26	3	5
01/10	32	33	29	3	4
12/09	35	27	32	3	3
11/09	42	24	27	3	4
10/09	41	27	28	2	3
09/09	42	23	28	4	3
08/09	36	31	27	2	4
07/09	39	21	32	4	3
06/09	39	16	36	3	5
04/09	43	14	36	4	4
02/09	38	11	43	4	3

¹ 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 February 2009 through March 2010 trend wording was "Do you think (INSERT) would be (better off) or (worse off) if the president and Congress passed health care reform, or don't you think it would make much difference?"

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		Better off	Worse off	Not much difference	(Vol.) Depends	Don't know/ Refused
b.	The country as a whole					
	06/11	35	39	20	--	6
	05/11	37	38	19	--	6
	04/11	39	35	18	--	9
	03/11	38	35	19	--	7
	02/11	37	39	19	--	5
	01/11	34	38	22	--	5
	12/10	40	37	15	--	8
	11/10	38	36	16	--	10
	10/10	39	34	18	--	9
	09/10	42	34	15	--	9
	08/10	39	37	18	--	6
	07/10	43	35	15	--	7
	06/10	42	32	19	--	6
	05/10	43	35	13	--	9
	04/10	45	35	11	--	9
	03/10	45	34	14	3	4
	02/10	45	34	12	4	5
	01/10	42	37	12	3	5
	12/09	45	31	17	4	3
	11/09	54	27	11	3	5
	10/09	53	28	12	2	4
	09/09	53	26	14	4	4
	08/09	45	34	14	3	4
	07/09	51	23	16	4	6
	06/09	57	16	19	3	5
	04/09	56	15	21	3	5
	02/09	59	12	19	5	5
c.	Seniors, that is those ages 65 and older					
	06/11	31	41	19	--	9
	05/11	35	36	22	--	8
	02/11	31	42	22	--	5
	01/11	32	39	21	--	8
	09/10	38	35	18	--	9
	07/10	36	36	18	--	10
	04/10	36	33	20	--	12
	12/09	40	31	21	4	4
	11/09	43	29	19	4	6
	10/09	44	29	20	2	6
	09/09	46	25	20	3	6
d.	The Medicare program					
	06/11	26	37	24	--	14
	04/11	28	31	21	--	20
	03/11	26	33	22	--	19
	02/11	24	35	29	--	12
	01/11	24	36	25	--	15
	12/10	28	34	19	--	19
	10/10	31	32	19	--	18
	09/10	31	33	22	--	14
	07/10	33	30	22	--	15
	08/09	38	30	19	3	10

5. What would you like to see Congress do when it comes to the health care law? (READ LIST. ROTATE 1-4, 4-1. ENTER ONE ONLY)

	06/11	05/11	04/11	03/11	02/11	01/11
They should expand the law	31	30	33	30	30	28
They should keep the law as is	20	21	19	21	20	19
They should repeal the law and replace it with a Republican-sponsored alternative	19	19	15	18	19	23
They should repeal the law and not replace it	19	19	20	21	20	20
Don't know/Refused	12	10	14	10	10	10

READ: Next, I'd like to ask you some questions about Medicare, the government health program for people 65 and older and certain people with long-term disabilities...

6. Which of the following four statements come closest to your own view of the Medicare program? The program is in financial crisis, the program has major problems, but is not in financial crisis, the program has minor problems, or the program has no problems?

Based on half sample a (n=582)

	06/11	04/09	06/03 ³
The program is in financial crisis	29	30	18
The program has major problems, but is not in financial crisis	38	44	51
The program has minor problems	21	17	17
The program has no problems	7	4	5
Don't know/Refused	5	4	9

7. To the best of your knowledge, which comes closest to describing the projected financial situation of the Medicare hospital trust fund in about fifteen years if no changes are made? (READ LIST. ROTATE 1-3, 3-1.)

Based on half sample b (n=621)

	06/11
OPTION 1: The hospital trust fund will be bankrupt and Medicare will no longer be able to pay any of the hospital bills for its enrollees	34
OPTION 2: The hospital trust fund will face a shortfall, and Medicare will be able to pay for most, but not all of enrollees' hospital costs	37
OPTION 3: The hospital trust fund will be financially sound and Medicare will not have problems paying hospital bills	18
Don't know/Refused	11

8. How much would you trust (INSERT AND RANDOMIZE) to make proposals about ways to reduce Medicare spending and keep the program sustainable in the future? A great deal, a fair amount, just a little, or not at all?

	A great deal	A fair amount	Just a little	Not at all	Don't know/Refused
a. An independent panel of full-time experts appointed by the president and confirmed by the Senate	15	35	24	23	2
b. Congress	8	26	33	31	2
c. Private health insurance companies	7	27	27	36	2
d. The federal agency that now runs Medicare	8	32	31	27	2

³ June 2003 trend wording was "Please tell me which of the following four statements comes closest to your own view of the financial condition of the Medicare program. Would you say...Medicare is in financial crisis, Medicare has major financial problems, but is not in crisis, Medicare has minor financial problems, or Medicare has no financial problems?"

9. Overall, which party, the (Democrats) or the (Republicans), do you trust to do a better job (INSERT AND RANDOMIZE)? (ROTATE OPTIONS IN PARENTHESES ACROSS INTERVIEWS, BUT NOT WITHIN SAME INTERVIEW) [READ IF NECESSARY: “Which party, the (Democrats) or (Republicans), do you trust to do a better job (INSERT ITEM)?”]

		Democrats	Republicans	(VOL.) Both	(VOL.) Neither	Don't know/ Refused
a.	Handling health care reform					
	Total 06/11	45	36	2	13	3
	RVs 06/11	44	38	2	13	3
	Total 02/11 ⁴	44	31	5	16	4
	Total 10/10	46	31	2	13	8
	Total 09/10	49	32	2	11	5
	RVs 10/10	46	34	2	13	5
	RVs 09/10	49	33	2	11	5
b.	Handling Medicare					
	Total 06/11	46	35	2	13	4
	RVs 06/11	44	37	2	12	4
	Total 02/11	44	30	5	16	5
	Total 10/10	44	31	2	14	9
	Total 09/10	48	32	2	13	5
	RVs 10/10	44	33	2	15	6
	RVs 09/10	48	32	2	13	5
c.	Handling Medicaid					
	Total 06/11	48	33	2	12	5
	RVs 06/11	46	36	2	12	5
d.	Handling the federal budget deficit					
	Total 06/11	38	40	2	16	4
	RVs 06/11	37	42	2	15	3
e.	Preserving Medicare for future generations					
	Total 06/11	46	34	3	13	5
	RVs 06/11	45	36	2	13	4
f.	Lowering the nation's health care costs					
	Total 06/11	43	37	2	13	5
	RVs 06/11	42	39	3	12	4
g.	Making sure seniors on Medicare today are able to get the health care they need					
	Total 06/11	49	33	2	10	5
	RVs 06/11	47	35	3	10	5
h.	Lowering health care costs for people like you					
	Total 06/11	45	35	2	14	5
	RVs 06/11	43	37	2	14	4

⁴ September 2010 through February 2011 trend wording was “Overall, which party, the (Democrats) or the (Republicans), do you trust to do a better job handling (INSERT AND RANDOMIZE) going forward?”

10. I'm going to read you a list of specific ways the new health reform law may or may not impact Medicare. For each, please tell me if you think it is something the law does or does not do. First, to the best of your knowledge, would you say the new law does or does not (INSERT AND RANDOMIZE)? Would you say the law does or does not (INSERT NEXT ITEM)?

Items a, c, e, g, i based on half sample a (n=582)

Items b, d, f, h, j based on half sample b (n=621)

	Yes, law does this	No, law does not do this	Don't know/Refused
a. Gradually close the Medicare prescription drug "doughnut hole" or "coverage gap" so people on Medicare will no longer be required to pay the full cost of their medications when they reach the gap			
Total 06/11	45	32	23
Seniors 06/11	42	26	31
Total 07/10			
Seniors 09/10 ⁵	43	27	30
Seniors 07/10	50	25	24
b. Eliminate co-pays and deductibles that people previously had to pay for many preventive services under Medicare			
Total 06/11	36	47	17
Seniors 06/11	21	49	30
Total 07/10			
Seniors 09/10	27	42	31
Seniors 07/10	33	45	22
c. Increase the Medicare payroll tax on earnings for upper income Americans			
Total 06/11	43	37	19
Seniors 06/11	38	28	34
Total 07/10			
Seniors 09/10	46	25	29
Seniors 07/10	56	25	19
d. Increase the premiums some higher income people on Medicare pay to receive coverage for doctor visits and prescription drugs			
Total 06/11	50	33	17
Seniors 06/11	46	30	23
Total 07/10			
Seniors 09/10	48	27	25
Seniors 07/10	52	28	20
e. Reduce Medicare payments to private plans, also known as Medicare Advantage plans, that provide coverage to some people on Medicare			
Total 06/11	38	36	26
Seniors 06/11	36	26	38
Total 07/10			
Seniors 09/10	41	25	34
Seniors 07/10	42	31	27

⁵ September 2010 trend question was only asked of those ages 65 or older.

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		Yes, law does this	No, law does not do this	Don't know/ Refused
f. Cut benefits that were previously provided to all people on Medicare				
	Total 06/11	48	35	17
	Seniors 06/11	35	31	34
	Total 07/10	43	42	15
	Seniors 09/10	38	37	25
	Seniors 07/10	50	34	16
g. Allow a government panel to make decisions about end-of-life care for people on Medicare				
	Total 06/11	31	48	20
	Seniors 06/11	22	47	31
	Total 07/10	41	43	16
	Seniors 09/10	30	48	22
	Seniors 07/10	36	48	17
h. Create an expert panel to recommend ways to reduce Medicare spending if costs grow too rapidly				
	Total 06/11	47	36	17
	Seniors 06/11	37	39	24
i. Strengthen the financial condition of the Medicare trust fund that pays for hospital services				
	Total 06/11	34	43	23
	Seniors 06/11	26	40	34
j. Create new ways for Medicare to improve how health care is delivered, like reducing the number of preventable hospitalizations and improving the coordination of care				
	Total 06/11	45	40	16
	Seniors 06/11	33	38	29

READ: On another topic...

11. Which of the following would you prefer to see Congress do about the federal budget deficit? (ROTATE 1-2; ALWAYS READ 3 LAST)

	06/11	04/11	01/11
Attempt to reduce the deficit mainly through increasing taxes	16	19	14
Attempt to reduce the deficit mainly by reducing spending on government programs and services	47	53	57
Not take any action to reduce the deficit now	11	11	19
Combination of tax increases and reduced spending (Vol.)	21	9	5
Don't know/Refused	6	9	5

12. In order to (INSERT AND RANDOMIZE, ALWAYS ASK ITEM a FIRST) would you support major reductions, minor reductions, or no reductions at all to current levels of Medicare spending?

	Major reductions	Minor reductions	No reductions	Don't know/Refused
a. Reduce the federal deficit <i>Item b based on half sample a (n=582)</i>	18	45	33	4
b. Avoid tax increases <i>Item c based on half sample b (n=621)</i>	20	43	32	5
c. Avoid tax increases for the wealthy	21	33	40	5
d. Preserve Medicare for future generations	21	46	28	4

13. What if you heard that Medicare is going bankrupt. In order to prevent the program from going bankrupt, would you support major reductions, minor reductions, or no reductions at all to current levels of Medicare spending?

Based on half sample a (n=582)

	06/11
Major reductions	32
Minor reductions	42
No reductions at all	21
Don't know/Refused	5

14. What if you heard that Medicare is facing a funding shortfall. In order to prevent such a shortfall, would you support major reductions, minor reductions, or no reductions at all to current levels of Medicare spending?

Based on half sample b (n=621)

	06/11
Major reductions	23
Minor reductions	49
No reductions at all	24
Don't know/Refused	5

15. Which of these two descriptions comes closer to your view of what Medicare should look like in the future? (READ AND ROTATE)

	06/11	04/11
OPTION A: Medicare should continue as it is today, with the government providing health insurance and guaranteeing the same set of benefits to everyone enrolled in the program	49	49
OPTION B: Medicare should be changed to a system in which people choose their insurance from a list of private health plans that may offer different benefits at different premium amounts, and the government pays a fixed amount towards that cost	45	49
Other (Vol.)	2	1
Don't know/Refused	3	2

16. Some lawmakers have proposed changing Medicare to a system in which the government pays a fixed amount toward the cost of private health plans for seniors. I'm going to read you some arguments for and against this proposal. (First/next,) what if you heard that (INSERT AND RANDOMIZE). Would that make you (more) or (less) likely to support [this change to Medicare/READ EVERY 4TH TIME: changing Medicare to a system in which the government pays a fixed amount toward the cost of private health plans for seniors], or would it not make much difference either way? (ROTATE OPTIONS IN PARENTHESES ACROSS INTERVIEWS, BUT NOT WITHIN SAME INTERVIEW)

	More likely to support	Less likely to support	Not much difference	Don't know/Refused
a. Government payments will be greater for seniors who are poor or sick than for wealthy or healthy seniors	38	36	22	4
b. People now ages 55 and older will be able to remain in the current Medicare system and won't be subject to the proposed changes	51	18	27	4
c. Private plans will compete for seniors' business and seniors will be able to choose plans based on cost and quality	50	23	23	4
d. This proposal will help reduce the federal budget deficit by reducing Medicare spending over time	40	29	27	5
e. Without this change, Medicare's costs will be unsustainable and the program will not be able to pay its bills for future generations	30	38	26	6
f. This proposed change will eliminate Medicare as we know it	19	53	22	5
g. This proposed change will put private insurance companies in charge of deciding what benefits people on Medicare receive and how much they pay	21	55	20	4
h. This change will increase costs for seniors, who will pay more for their health care than they would under traditional Medicare	18	56	21	5
i. Moving seniors into private health insurance plans will increase costs because the cost of these plans have grown faster than Medicare's costs in recent years	19	48	27	6
j. The proposed plan also repeals the health reform law, and by doing that will eliminate some new Medicare benefits, like expanded coverage for prescription drugs for people who have reached the Medicare's "doughnut hole" or coverage gap	29	41	24	6

DEMOGRAPHICS

Finally, I have just a few questions we will use to describe the people who took part in our survey...

D1.	Record respondent's sex	
	Male	48
	Female	52
D2.	In general, would you say your health is excellent, very good, good, only fair, or poor?	
	Excellent	23
	Very good	29
	Good	33
	Only fair	10
	Poor	5
	Don't know/Refused	1
D3.	What best describes your employment situation today? (READ IN ORDER)	
	Employed full-time	49
	Employed part-time	9
	Unemployed and currently seeking employment	7
	Unemployed and not seeking employment	2
	A student	5
	Retired	19
	On disability and can't work	6
	Or, a homemaker or stay at home parent?	5
	Don't know/Refused	1
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])?	
	Covered by health insurance	83
	Not covered by health insurance	17
	Don't know/Refused	1
D4a.	Which of the following is your MAIN source of health insurance coverage? Is it a plan through your or your spouse's employer, a plan you purchased yourself, are you covered by Medicare or (Medicaid/Medi-CAL), some other government program, or do you get your health insurance from somewhere else?	
	<i>Based on those who are insured (n=1,026)</i>	
	Plan through your/your spouse's employer	54
	Plan you purchased yourself	15
	Medicare	20
	Medicaid/Medi-CAL	4
	Some other government program	4
	Somewhere else (SPECIFY)	3
	Don't know/Refused	*
D4b.	[IF NOT INSURED OR DID NOT NAME MEDICARE IN D4a] Do you or does anyone else in your household currently get any of your health care coverage from Medicare?	
	Summary of D4, D4a and D4b based on total	
	Medicare household	36
	Not Medicare household	64

D5.	What is your age? (RECORD EXACT AGE AS TWO-DIGIT CODE.)	
D6.	Could you please tell me if you are between the ages of (READ LIST)...	
	18-29	19
	30-49	36
	50-64	26
	65 and older	18
	Don't know/Refused	1
D8.	[IF FORM A] In politics today, do you consider yourself a [ROTATE: Republican, Democrat/Democrat, Republican], an Independent, or what? [IF FORM B] In politics today, do you consider yourself a [ROTATE: Republican, Democrat/Democrat, Republican], or Independent?	
	Republican	25
	Democrat	37
	Independent	32
	Or what (<i>Other</i> and <i>None</i> included here)	4
	Don't know/Refused	2
D8a.	Do you LEAN more towards the [ROTATE: Republican Party or the Democratic Party/Democratic Party or the Republican Party]?	
D8/D8a.	Combo Table based on total	
	Republican/Lean Republican	39
	Democrat/Lean Democratic	50
	Other/Don't lean/Don't know	11
	Five-Point Party ID	
	Democrat	37
	Independent Lean Democratic	13
	Independent/Don't lean	11
	Independent Lean Republican	14
	Republican	25
	Undesignated	*
D8b.	Do you consider yourself to be a supporter of the Tea Party movement, or not?	
	Yes, supporter of Tea Party movement	25
	No, not a supporter of Tea Party movement	69
	Don't know/Refused	6
D9.	Some people are registered to vote and others are not. Are you currently registered to vote at your present address?	
	Yes	84
	No	15
	Don't know/Refused	1

D10. How often would you say you vote...always, nearly always, part of the time, or seldom?

Based on registered voters (n=1,051)

Always	59
Nearly always	28
Part of the time	7
Seldom	4
Never vote (Vol.)	1
Other (Vol.)	*
Don't know/Refused	*

Summary of D9 and D10 based on total

Yes, registered to vote	84
Always vote	50
Nearly always vote	23
Vote part of the time	6
Seldom vote	4
Never vote (Vol.)	1
Other (Vol.)	*
Don't know how often	*
No, not registered	15
Don't know/Refused	1

D11. What is the LAST grade or class that you COMPLETED in school? (DO NOT READ)

None, or grade 1-8	3
High school incomplete (grades 9-11)	8
High school graduate (grade 12 or GED certificate)	30
Technical, trade or vocational school AFTER high school	5
Some college, no four-year degree (includes associate degree)	24
College graduate (B.S., B.A., or other four-year degree)	18
Post-graduate or professional schooling after college (e.g., toward a Master's degree or Ph.D; law or medical school)	11
Don't know/Refused	1

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	69
Total non-White	29
Black or African-American, non-Hispanic	11
Hispanic	13
Asian, non-Hispanic	3
Other/Mixed race, non-Hispanic	2
Undesignated	2

D14. Last year – that is, in 2010 – 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	14
\$20,000 to less than \$30,000	12
\$30,000 to less than \$40,000	12
\$40,000 to less than \$50,000	12
\$50,000 to less than \$75,000	15
\$75,000 to less than \$90,000	8
\$90,000 to less than \$100,000	3
\$100,000 or more	8
Don't know/Refused	15

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

TREND INFORMATION:

- 05/11: Kaiser Family Foundation *Kaiser Health Tracking Poll* (May 12-17, 2011)
- 04/11: Kaiser Family Foundation *Kaiser Health Tracking Poll* (April 7-12, 2011)
- 03/11: Kaiser Family Foundation *Kaiser Health Tracking Poll* (March 8-13, 2011)
- 02/11: Kaiser Family Foundation *Kaiser Health Tracking Poll* (February 8-13, 2011)
- 01/11: Kaiser Family Foundation/Harvard School of Public Health *The Public's Health Care Agenda for the 112th Congress* (January 4-14, 2011)
- 12/10: Kaiser Family Foundation *Kaiser Health Tracking Poll* (December 1-6, 2010)
- 11/10: Kaiser Family Foundation *Kaiser Health Tracking Poll* (November 3-6, 2010)
- 10/10: Kaiser Family Foundation *Kaiser Health Tracking Poll* (October 5-10, 2010)
- 09/10: Kaiser Family Foundation *Kaiser Health Tracking Poll* (September 14-19, 2010)
- 08/10: Kaiser Family Foundation *Kaiser Health Tracking Poll* (August 16-22, 2010)
- 07/10: Kaiser Family Foundation *Kaiser Health Tracking Poll* (July 8-13, 2010)
- 06/10: Kaiser Family Foundation *Kaiser Health Tracking Poll* (June 17-22, 2010)
- 05/10: Kaiser Family Foundation *Kaiser Health Tracking Poll* (May 11-16, 2010)
- 04/10: Kaiser Family Foundation *Kaiser Health Tracking Poll* (April 9-14, 2010)
- 03/10: Kaiser Family Foundation *Kaiser Health Tracking Poll* (March 10-15, 2010)
- 02/10: Kaiser Family Foundation *Kaiser Health Tracking Poll* (February 11-15, 2010)
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- 07/09: Kaiser Family Foundation *Kaiser Health Tracking Poll* (July 7-14, 2009)
- 06/09: Kaiser Family Foundation *Kaiser Health Tracking Poll* (June 1-8, 2009)
- 04/09: Kaiser Family Foundation *Kaiser Health Tracking Poll* (April 2-8, 2009)
- 02/09: Kaiser Family Foundation *Kaiser Health Tracking Poll* (February 3-12, 2009)
- 06/03: Kaiser Family Foundation/Harvard School of Public Health *National Survey of the Public's View on Medicare* (April 25-June 1, 2003)



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