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***Kaiser Health Tracking Poll: September 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 September 7 through September 12, 2011, among a nationally representative random sample of 1,207 adults ages 18 and older. Telephone interviews conducted by landline (704) and cell phone (503, including 224 who had no landline telephone) were carried out in English and Spanish by Princeton Survey Research Associates.

The margin of sampling error for results based on the full sample is plus or minus 3 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.

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. 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? [GET ANSWER THEN ASK: Is that a very (favorable/unfavorable) or somewhat (favorable/unfavorable) opinion?] [ROTATE OPTIONS IN PARENTHESES]

	Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	Don't know/Refused
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
06/10	20	28	16	25	10
05/10	14	27	12	32	14
04/10 <sup>1</sup>	23	23	10	30	14

<sup>1</sup> 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. 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?"] [ALWAYS ASK ITEMS A & B FIRST IN RANDOM ORDER]

*Item c based on half sample a (n=618)*

*Item d based on half sample b (n=589)*

		Better off	Worse off	Not much difference	(VOL.) Depends	Don't know/ Refused
a.	You and your family					
	09/11	27	32	34	--	7
	08/11	24	33	37	--	6
	07/11	27	29	39	--	5
	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 <sup>2</sup>	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

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<sup>2</sup> 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					
	09/11	38	36	18	--	8
	08/11	33	37	21	--	9
	07/11	39	35	20	--	6
	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.	People with pre-existing health conditions					
	09/11	52	21	16	--	11
d.	People with serious or chronic health problems					
	09/11	39	31	16	--	13

3. 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)

	09/11	07/11	06/11	05/11	04/11	03/11	02/11	01/11
They should expand the law	33	33	31	30	33	30	30	28
They should keep the law as is	19	20	20	21	19	21	20	19
They should repeal the law and replace it with a Republican-sponsored alternative	16	16	19	19	15	18	19	23
They should repeal the law and not replace it	21	21	19	19	20	21	20	20
Don't know/Refused	12	10	12	10	14	10	10	10

4. I'm going to read you a list of specific reform proposals. For each, please tell me whether you think it was included in the health reform law, or not. First, to the best of your knowledge, would you say the law does or does not (INSERT AND RANDOMIZE)? Would you say the law does or does not (INSERT NEXT ITEM)?

		Yes, law will do this	No, law will not do this	Don't know/Refused
a. Prohibit insurance companies from denying coverage because of a person's medical history or health condition	09/11	61	30	9
	12/10	67	25	9
	06/10	70	25	5
	04/10	64	27	10
b. Prohibit insurance companies from setting lifetime limits on the total amount they will spend on a person's health care	09/11	48	34	18
	06/10	59	28	13
	04/10	56	25	20
c. Create an insurance option, or high-risk pool, for those people whose pre-existing health conditions currently make it difficult for them to find and buy affordable health insurance	09/11	56	30	14
	06/10	65	26	10
	04/10	64	22	14

5. In general, the term “pre-existing condition” is used by insurance companies to describe an illness or medical condition that a person had before they began looking for insurance. For example, if you were looking to buy health insurance but had a history of asthma, diabetes or high blood pressure, those would be considered pre-existing conditions, along with illnesses such as cancer. Given that definition, would you say that you or someone else in your household would be considered to have a “pre-existing condition” of some sort, or not?

	09/11	09/09
Yes	52	57
No	47	41
Don't know/Refused	1	2

6. Is that you or someone else in your household?

*Based on someone in household has pre-existing condition (n=639)*

	09/11
Respondent	39
Someone else in household	39
Both (VOL.)	20
Don't know/Refused	2

Q5/Q6 Summary table based on total

	09/11
Total with pre-existing condition	52
Respondent	20
Someone else in household	20
Both (VOL.)	10
Don't know/Refused	1
No pre-existing condition	47
Don't know/Refused	1

7. Can you briefly describe what that condition is? (OPEN-ENDED, ALLOW MULTIPLE RESPONSES)

*Based on someone in household has pre-existing condition (n=639)*

	09/11
Cardiovascular/Cerebrovascular disease/High BP or Cholesterol/Stroke/Aneurysm/Heart condition	30
Diabetes	24
Asthma/COPD/Other respiratory problems	20
Cancer	11
Arthritis/Injuries/Other musculoskeletal problems	5
Autoimmune disease (ex. Lupus, Crohn's Disease, Multiple Sclerosis, Sjogren's Syndrome)	3
Other mental health issue	2
Kidney disease	2
Anxiety/Depression	2
ADD/ADHD	1
Thyroid issues	1
Prostate issues	1
Other	9
Don't know/Refused	15

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

8. Have you (or your family member) ever had problems getting health insurance coverage because of a pre-existing condition, or not?

*Based on someone in household has pre-existing condition (n=639)*

	09/11
Yes, had problems getting health insurance	21
No, have not had problems getting health insurance	78
Don't know/Refused	1

Q5/Q8 Summary table based on total

	09/11
Total with pre-existing condition	52
Yes, had problems getting health insurance	11
No, have not had problems getting health insurance	40
Don't know/Refused	*
No pre-existing condition	47
Don't know/Refused	1

9. How long ago did this happen? Was it in the past 12 months, more than one year but less than 2 years ago, more than 2 but less than 5 years ago, or more than 5 years ago?

*Based on had problems getting health insurance due to pre-existing condition (n=119)*

	09/11
Past 12 months	20
More than one but less than 2 years ago	19
More than 2 but less than 5 years ago	32
More than 5 years ago	28
Don't know/Refused	1

Q8/Q9 Summary table based on those who live in a household where someone has a pre-existing condition

	09/11
Yes, had problems getting health insurance	21
In the past 12 months	4
More than one but less than 2 years ago	4
More than 2 but less than 5 years ago	7
More than 5 years ago	6
Don't know how long ago	*
No, have not had problems getting health insurance	78
Don't know/Refused	1



10. Were you (or your family member) DENIED health insurance coverage because of this pre-existing condition, or not?

*Based on had problems getting health insurance due to pre-existing condition (n=119)*

	09/11
Yes, denied coverage	67
No, not denied coverage	32
Don't know/Refused	1

Q8/Q10 Summary table based on those who live in a household where someone has a pre-existing condition (n=639)

	09/11
Yes, had problems getting health insurance	21
Yes, denied coverage	14
No, not denied coverage	7
Don't know if denied coverage	*
No, have not had problems getting health insurance	78
Don't know/Refused	1

11. Were you (or your family member) eventually able to get health insurance coverage, or not?

*Based on had problems getting health insurance due to pre-existing condition (n=119)*

	09/11
Yes, eventually got coverage	73
No, did not get coverage	26
Don't know/Refused	1

Q8/Q11 Summary table based on those who live in a household where someone has a pre-existing condition (n=639)

	09/11
Yes, had problems getting health insurance	21
Yes, eventually able to get coverage	15
No, did not get coverage	6
Don't know if able to get coverage	*
No, have not had problems getting health insurance	78
Don't know/Refused	1

12. In the past year, have you or anyone in your household (ROTATE)? What about (INSERT NEXT ITEM)? In the past year, have you or anyone in your household done this?

		Yes	No	Doesn't apply	Don't know/Refused
a. Decided to stay in one job, rather than take another, mainly because the job you held at the time offered better health care benefits	09/11	25	74	--	2
	02/09	15	83	--	2
	10/08	25	64	10	1
	04/08	18	76	5	2
	04/05	17	82	--	1
b. Decided to take a different job, rather than stay at a job, mainly because the new job offered better health care benefits	09/11	13	85	--	2
	02/09	8	90	--	2
	10/08	13	76	10	1
	04/08	12	82	5	2

READ: On another topic, as you may know, the legislation to raise the federal debt ceiling that was passed by Congress and signed by the president at the end of July calls for the creation of a bipartisan committee, sometimes referred to as the “super committee.” The committee is made up of 12 members of Congress—6 Republicans and 6 Democrats—and must come up with a plan to cut at least \$1.2 trillion from the federal budget deficit over the next 10 years. They must make their recommendations to Congress by November 23. If the committee doesn’t reach consensus, or if Congress doesn’t approve their recommendations by December 23, a series of automatic spending cuts would kick in.

13. Do you think creating the bipartisan super committee was a (good) idea or a (bad) idea? (ROTATE OPTIONS IN PARENTHESES)

	09/11
Good idea	50
Bad idea	38
Don’t know/Refused	12

14. How much do you trust (INSERT AND RANDOMIZE) to make the right recommendations about ways to reduce the federal budget deficit?  
 READ FOR FIRST ITEM, THEN AS NECESSARY: 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. The bipartisan super committee	5	28	34	28	5
b. President Obama	23	29	16	31	2
c. Democrats in Congress	13	30	24	31	2
d. Republicans in Congress	8	23	32	36	2

15. How confident are you that the super committee will be able to come up with a proposal to cut \$1.2 trillion from the federal deficit before the November deadline? Very confident, somewhat confident, not too confident, or not at all confident?

	09/11
Very confident	4
Somewhat confident	32
Not too confident	36
Not at all confident	26
Don’t know/Refused	2

16. How likely do you think it is that the super committee will be able to come up with a proposal that will get enough support from both parties in Congress in order to pass? Very likely, somewhat likely, not too likely, or not at all likely?

	09/11
Very likely	6
Somewhat likely	36
Not too likely	33
Not at all likely	23
Don’t know/Refused	2

17. Thinking about different approaches the super committee might recommend to reduce the federal budget deficit, I'd like to know how big a role you think each of the following should play in an overall deficit reduction strategy. (First/Next), should (INSERT AND RANDOMIZE) play a major role, minor role, or no role at all in reducing the federal budget deficit?

*Items a, c, g based on half sample a (n=618)*

*Items b, d, f based on half sample b (n=589)*

	Major role	Minor role	No role at all	Don't know/Refused
a. Increasing taxes for all Americans	28	36	33	3
b. Increasing taxes for wealthy Americans	48	30	19	3
c. Closing tax loopholes for wealthy Americans	60	26	12	2
d. Closing tax loopholes for large businesses	59	27	10	5
e. Reducing spending on government programs and services	46	35	15	4
f. Repealing the Bush tax cuts for all Americans	35	32	25	8
g. Repealing the Bush tax cuts for wealthy Americans	52	26	19	3

18. If the super committee recommends reducing the deficit by reducing federal spending, I'd like to know in which areas you would be willing to see spending reduced. For each area I name, please tell me if you would support major spending reductions, minor spending reductions or no reductions at all as a way to reduce the federal deficit. First, to reduce the deficit would you support major reductions, minor reductions, or no reductions to spending on (INSERT AND RANDOMIZE)? How about (INSERT AND RANDOMIZE)? (IF NECESSARY: To reduce the deficit, would you support major reductions, minor reductions, or no reductions to spending on (INSERT))?

	Major reductions	Minor reductions	No reductions at all	Don't know/Refused
a. Medicare	13	35	51	1
b. Medicaid	16	36	46	2
c. Social Security	12	27	58	3
d. Defense	28	39	28	4

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

	09/11
Employed full-time	47
Employed part-time	10
Unemployed and currently seeking employment	6
Unemployed and not seeking employment	2
A student	6
Retired	19
On disability and can't work	5
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])?

	09/11
Covered by health insurance	85
Not covered by health insurance	14
Don't know/Refused	*

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?

*Based on those who are insured (n=1,064)*

	09/11
Plan through your/your spouse's employer	54
Plan you purchased yourself	11
Medicare	17
Medicaid/Medi-CAL	5
Some other government program	4
Somewhere else (SPECIFY)	4
Plan through your parents/mother/father (VOL.)	3
Don't know/Refused	1

D4/D4a Summary table based on total

	09/11
Covered by health insurance	85
Employer or spouse's employer	46
Self-purchased plan	10
Medicare	15
Medicaid/Medi-CAL	5
Other government program	3
Somewhere else	4
Plan through parents/mother/father (VOL.)	2
Don't know/Refused	1
Not covered by health insurance	14
Don't know/Refused	*

19. Next, I'm going to read you a list of things that some people worry about and others do not. I'd like you to tell me how worried you are about each of the following things. (First/Next,) how worried are you about (INSERT—READ AND RANDOMIZE)? READ FOR FIRST ITEM AND THEN AS NECESSARY: Are you very worried, somewhat worried, not too worried, or not at all worried?

		Very worried	Somewhat worried	Not too worried	Not at all worried	Don't know/ Refused
a.	Having to pay more for your health care or health insurance					
	09/11	40	33	13	12	1
	03/11	29	40	15	16	1
	06/10	38	33	14	13	1
	03/10	39	35	12	13	1
	12/09	41	34	13	12	*
	07/09	31	38	17	13	1
	04/09	37	35	16	11	*
	02/09	45	32	14	9	*
	10/08	38	34	13	14	1
	09/08	34	33	15	17	1
	04/08	37	34	11	17	1
	02/08	36	32	17	13	2
	12/07	41	32	13	13	1
	10/07	39	34	13	13	2
	06/07	41	34	14	11	1
	03/07	40	34	11	14	1
	10/06	47	27	13	12	1
	08/06	46	28	10	15	1
	02/06	38	33	11	17	2
	10/05	40	32	12	16	1
	06/05	45	28	12	14	1
	03/05	49	29	9	12	*
	02/05	41	32	11	15	1
	12/04	47	29	10	14	*
	10/04	47	31	9	12	1
	08/04	45	30	8	15	1
	06/04	46	28	12	13	1
	04/04	47	30	9	13	1
	02/04	47	31	10	12	1

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		Very worried	Somewhat worried	Not too worried	Not at all worried	Don't know/Refused
b.	Not being able to afford the health care services you think you need					
	09/11	32	30	20	18	1
	03/11	20	31	23	25	1
	06/10	31	30	19	19	1
	03/10	29	28	19	22	1
	12/09	32	30	17	20	*
	07/09	34	28	21	17	*
	04/09	34	32	20	14	*
	02/09	38	29	18	15	*
	10/08	31	29	17	23	1
	09/08	28	28	20	24	1
	04/08	29	26	19	25	1
	12/07	35	30	15	19	1
	10/07	34	28	17	20	1
	06/07	36	27	19	18	*
	03/07	35	27	16	21	1
	10/06	39	24	17	19	1
	08/06	34	27	16	22	1
	02/06	32	25	18	24	1
	10/05	34	27	15	24	1
	06/05	34	28	16	22	1
	03/05	42	24	13	21	1
	02/05	34	28	16	22	*
	12/04	37	27	15	20	1
	10/04	38	26	16	21	*
	08/04	40	23	14	22	1
	06/04	36	24	19	21	*
	04/04	39	25	14	21	1
	02/04	38	24	18	19	*

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		Very worried	Somewhat worried	Not too worried	Not at all worried	Don't know/Refused
c.	Not being able to afford the prescription drugs you need					
	09/11	28	26	21	25	1
	03/11	16	27	25	31	*
	06/10	26	26	22	25	1
	03/10	28	24	19	28	1
	12/09	27	29	21	24	*
	07/09	27	25	25	22	1
	10/08	25	24	20	31	1
	09/08	27	22	20	31	*
	04/08	27	23	17	32	1
	12/07	31	26	19	24	*
	10/07	31	25	18	26	1
	06/07	33	23	22	22	*
	03/07	33	26	16	24	1
	10/06	37	21	15	26	1
	08/06	31	25	17	27	1
	02/06	28	22	18	30	1
	10/05	32	21	17	30	*
	06/05	35	23	15	27	*
	04/05	35	25	15	25	1
	02/05	31	26	17	25	*
	12/04	35	22	17	26	*
	10/04	35	25	16	23	1
	08/04	38	24	14	23	1
	06/04	34	24	16	26	*
	04/04	37	21	16	25	1
	02/04	36	23	18	22	1

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		Very worried	Somewhat worried	Not too worried	Not at all worried	Don't know/Refused
d. Being the victim of a terrorist attack						
	09/11	19	28	27	25	1
	03/11	13	23	28	35	1
	06/10	20	25	29	25	*
	03/10	21	24	25	29	1
	12/09	16	26	29	28	*
	07/09	20	29	27	23	1
	10/08	19	27	25	29	1
	09/08	18	29	25	27	1
	04/08	18	28	24	30	1
	12/07	22	29	26	23	1
	10/07	22	29	23	25	*
	06/07	25	29	25	19	1
	03/07	23	28	22	25	1
	10/06	23	27	25	24	*
	08/06	21	27	23	28	1
	02/06	21	26	22	30	*
	10/05	18	28	25	29	*
	04/05	19	23	23	34	1
	02/05	17	27	24	31	*
	12/04	22	26	23	29	1
	10/04	23	33	22	21	1
	08/04	20	29	22	28	1
	06/04	23	30	24	23	1
	04/04	20	29	23	27	1
	02/04	20	27	27	26	1

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	Very worried	Somewhat worried	Not too worried	Not at all worried	Don't know/Refused
e. Your income not keeping up with rising prices					
09/11	43	30	15	11	1
03/11	32	38	14	15	1
06/10	40	32	15	13	*
03/10	40	33	13	13	1
12/09	40	32	16	12	*
07/09	37	35	17	12	*
04/09	46	32	13	9	*
02/09	53	28	12	8	*
10/08	47	32	10	11	1
09/08	41	32	13	13	1
04/08	43	31	11	14	*
02/08	42	32	15	9	1
12/07	46	28	13	13	*
10/07	41	30	14	14	1
06/07	45	30	12	13	1
03/07	42	31	14	13	1
10/06	45	27	13	14	1
08/06	46	28	11	15	*
02/06	36	32	14	17	1
10/05	40	30	13	16	1
06/05	40	28	15	17	1
03/05	46	27	10	15	1
02/05	40	31	13	17	1
12/04	41	30	13	16	1
10/04	46	25	11	17	*
08/04	42	29	11	17	1
06/04	45	26	14	15	*
04/04	44	27	12	16	1
02/04	40	29	14	16	1

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		Very worried	Somewhat worried	Not too worried	Not at all worried	Don't know/Refused
f.	Not being able to pay your rent or mortgage					
	09/11	28	23	18	30	1
	03/11	18	18	24	39	1
	06/10	25	22	22	30	1
	03/10	25	19	19	36	1
	12/09	22	23	21	34	*
	07/09	29	25	19	25	2
	10/08	25	21	16	36	1
	09/08	21	20	21	39	*
	04/08	21	18	19	41	1
	12/07	27	20	19	33	*
	10/07	24	19	19	37	1
	06/07	25	19	20	34	1
	03/07	27	18	18	36	1
	10/06	30	15	20	34	1
	08/06	22	20	17	40	1
	02/06	23	17	19	41	*
	10/05	22	20	19	39	*
	06/05	24	16	19	41	*
	04/05	29	17	15	37	1
	02/05	21	19	19	40	*
	12/04	26	16	17	40	1
	10/04	27	16	17	39	1
	08/04	31	17	14	37	*
	06/04	24	18	18	40	1
	04/04	28	15	17	39	*
	02/04	27	16	19	37	*

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		Very worried	Somewhat worried	Not too worried	Not at all worried	Don't know/ Refused
<i>Item g based on those who are employed (n=651)</i>						
g. Losing your job						
	09/11	25	26	22	27	--
	03/11	15	25	25	34	*
	06/10	24	25	26	25	*
	03/10	24	22	23	31	*
	12/09	26	27	27	20	--
	07/09	28	27	23	22	*
	10/08	27	19	22	32	*
	09/08	21	15	23	41	1
	04/08	21	18	21	40	*
	12/07	23	16	23	38	*
	10/07	19	17	23	40	1
	06/07	19	15	25	41	*
	03/07	18	15	23	44	1
	10/06	24	17	21	38	1
	08/06	17	17	23	43	*
	02/06	20	16	21	43	*
	10/05	16	18	22	43	*
	06/05	17	16	24	43	*
	04/05	23	15	20	42	*
	02/05	15	15	24	45	*
	12/04	21	18	22	39	*
	10/04	18	15	21	46	*
	08/04	25	16	17	41	1
	06/04	20	15	22	43	1
	04/04	23	15	18	44	*
	02/04	21	16	23	40	*

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		Very worried	Somewhat worried	Not too worried	Not at all worried	Don't know/ Refused
<i>Item h based on those who are employed and insured (n=570)</i>						
h.	Having to stay in your current job instead of taking a new job for fear of losing health benefits					
	09/11	14	21	23	41	1
	03/11	10	18	27	44	1
	06/10	12	18	27	41	1
	03/10	14	17	21	47	1
	12/09	19	23	24	34	*
	10/08	14	17	21	47	1
	09/08	16	14	22	47	1
	04/08	13	16	19	50	1
	12/07	14	15	22	48	1
	10/07	14	18	21	46	1
	06/07	17	14	24	45	1
	03/07	20	14	18	46	1
	10/06	16	13	18	52	1
	08/06	16	16	20	47	1
	02/06	14	15	19	51	1
	10/05	12	16	19	51	1
	06/05	18	14	21	47	1
	04/05	21	14	18	46	2
	02/05	15	14	19	52	*
	12/04	17	15	22	47	1
	10/04	19	13	16	51	1
	08/04	22	15	16	46	1
	06/04	15	12	21	49	2
	04/04	16	14	18	49	2
	02/04	17	14	16	51	1

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		Very worried	Somewhat worried	Not too worried	Not at all worried	Don't know/Refused
<i>Item i based on those who are insured (n=1,064)</i>						
i.	Losing your health insurance coverage					
	09/11	30	26	19	24	*
	03/11	17	23	26	33	1
	06/10	26	24	26	23	*
	03/10	24	24	18	32	1
	12/09	26	28	20	26	*
	07/09	29	23	24	22	1
	04/09	30	27	22	21	*
	02/09	34	20	22	24	*
	10/08	29	20	19	31	1
	09/08	23	20	22	35	*
	04/08	26	19	19	35	1
	12/07	29	22	21	27	1
	10/07	29	21	19	30	1
	06/07	34	20	20	25	1
	03/07	29	19	19	32	1
	10/06	32	18	16	33	1
	08/06	30	20	19	31	*
	02/06	26	19	21	34	*
	10/05	27	22	19	33	*
	06/05	30	19	18	33	*
	03/05	35	17	17	30	1
	02/05	26	22	19	32	*
	12/04	34	20	19	27	*
	10/04	29	20	18	33	*
	08/04	34	17	16	32	*
	06/04	29	19	20	32	*
	04/04	33	19	17	30	1
	02/04	32	19	19	29	*
j.	Not having enough money for retirement					
	09/11	38	32	15	14	2
	03/11	31	33	16	18	2
	06/10	36	30	15	17	1
	03/10	39	29	14	17	1
	12/09	37	28	17	17	1
	07/09	35	31	17	16	1
	04/09	43	30	14	12	1

## 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	49
Female	51

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

Excellent	20
Very good	35
Good	29
Only fair	11
Poor	5
Don't know/Refused	*

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)...

18-29	19
30-49	37
50-64	25
65 and older	17
Don't know/Refused	1

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

Republican	20
Democrat	35
Independent	38
Or what/Other/None/No preference/Other party	6
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	34
Democrat/Lean Democratic	50
Other/Don't lean/Don't know	16

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Democrat	35
Independent Lean Democratic	15
Independent/Don't lean	15
Independent Lean Republican	14
Republican	20
Undesignated	*

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

Liberal	22
Moderate	39
Conservative	35
Don't know/Refused	4

D8c. Do you consider yourself to be a supporter of the Tea Party movement, or not?

Yes, supporter of Tea Party movement	22
No, not a supporter of Tea Party movement	72
Don't know/Refused	7

D9. Some people are registered to vote and others are not. Are you currently registered to vote at your present address?

Yes	81
No	18
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=1,038)*

Always	60
Nearly always	27
Part of the time	8
Seldom	3
Never vote (Vol.)	1
Other (Vol.)	*
Don't know/Refused	*

Summary of D9 and D10 based on total

Yes, registered to vote	81
Always vote	49
Nearly always vote	22
Vote part of the time	7
Seldom vote	3
Never vote (Vol.)	1
Other (Vol.)	*
Don't know how often	*
No, not registered	18
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)	10
High school graduate (grade 12 or GED certificate)	28
Technical, trade or vocational school AFTER high school	7
Some college, no four-year degree (includes associate degree)	24
College graduate (B.S., B.A., or other four-year degree)	17
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	67
Total non-White	30
Black or African-American, non-Hispanic	11
Hispanic	13
Asian, non-Hispanic	4
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	18
\$20,000 to less than \$30,000	14
\$30,000 to less than \$40,000	11
\$40,000 to less than \$50,000	9
\$50,000 to less than \$75,000	14
\$75,000 to less than \$90,000	6
\$90,000 to less than \$100,000	4
\$100,000 or more	12
Don't know/Refused	11

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



Trend Information:

08/11: Kaiser Family Foundation *Kaiser Health Tracking Poll* (August 10-15, 2011)  
07/11: Kaiser Family Foundation *Kaiser Health Tracking Poll* (July 13-18, 2011)  
06/11: Kaiser Family Foundation *Kaiser Health Tracking Poll* (June 9-14, 2011)  
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)  
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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)  
10/08: Kaiser Family Foundation *Kaiser Health Tracking Poll: Election 2008* (October 8-13, 2008)  
09/08: Kaiser Family Foundation *Kaiser Health Tracking Poll: Election 2008* (September 8-13, 2008)  
04/08: Kaiser Family Foundation *Kaiser Health Tracking Poll: Election 2008* (April 3-13, 2008)  
02/08: Kaiser Family Foundation *Kaiser Health Tracking Poll: Election 2008* (February 7-16, 2008)  
12/07: Kaiser Family Foundation *Kaiser Health Tracking Poll: Election 2008* (November 28-December 9, 2007)  
10/07: Kaiser Family Foundation *Kaiser Health Tracking Poll: Election 2008* (October 1-10, 2007)  
06/07: Kaiser Family Foundation *Kaiser Health Tracking Poll: Election 2008* (May 31-June 5, 2007)  
03/07: Kaiser Family Foundation *Kaiser Health Tracking Poll: Election 2008* (March 8-13, 2007)  
10/06: Kaiser Family Foundation *Kaiser Health Poll Report* (October 5-10, 2006)  
08/06: Kaiser Family Foundation *Kaiser Health Poll Report* (August 3-8, 2006)  
02/06: Kaiser Family Foundation *Kaiser Health Poll Report* (February 2-7, 2006)  
10/05: Kaiser Family Foundation *Kaiser Health Poll Report* (October 4-9, 2005)  
06/05: Kaiser Family Foundation *Kaiser Health Poll Report* (June 2-5, 2005)  
04/05: *USA Today*/Kaiser Family Foundation/Harvard University *Health Care Costs Survey* (April 25-June 9, 2005)  
03/05: Kaiser Family Foundation *Kaiser Health Poll Report* (March 31-April 3, 2005)  
02/05: Kaiser Family Foundation *Kaiser Health Poll Report* (February 3-6, 2005)  
12/04: Kaiser Family Foundation *Kaiser Health Poll Report* (December 2-5, 2004)  
10/04: Kaiser Family Foundation *Kaiser Health Poll Report* (October 14-17, 2004)  
08/04: Kaiser Family Foundation *Kaiser Health Poll Report* (August 5-8, 2004)  
06/04: Kaiser Family Foundation *Kaiser Health Poll Report* (June 4-8, 2004)  
04/04: Kaiser Family Foundation *Kaiser Health Poll Report* (April 1-5, 2004)  
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