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Kaiser Health Tracking Poll: November 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 November 10-15, 2011, among a nationally representative random sample of 1,209 adults ages 18 and older. Telephone interviews conducted by landline (704) and cell phone (505, including 285 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
11/11	17	20	15	29	19
10/11	12	22	20	31	15
09/11	18	23	14	29	16
08/11	16	23	17	27	17
07/11	20	22	12	31	15
06/11	15	27	16	30	12
05/11	19	23	15	29	14
04/11	20	21	14	27	18
03/11	21	21	15	31	13
02/11	16	27	19	29	8
01/11	19	22	16	34	9
12/10	22	20	14	27	18
11/10	19	23	12	28	18
10/10	18	24	15	29	15
09/10	19	30	15	25	11
08/10	19	24	13	32	12
07/10	21	29	10	25	14
06/10	20	28	16	25	10
05/10	14	27	12	32	14
04/10 ¹	23	23	10	30	14

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?)”

2FAV. Could you tell me in your own words what is the main reason you have a favorable opinion of the health reform law? (OPEN-END)

Based on those who have a favorable opinion

	11/11	07/11	03/11	10/10
Expanding Access (NET)	57	55	51	55
Expanding access to health insurance	27	24	28	23
Expanding access to health care	21	19	14	21
Will help self or family	6	6	5	8
Will help low income families/the poor	5	4	3	4
Adult children will be able to get health insurance	4	3	4	4
Will make health care more affordable/control costs	11	10	9	7
Reform was needed	8	5	7	7
Insurance Reform (NET)	6	5	7	6
Will help people with pre-existing conditions	4	3	5	4
Insurance reform generally	2	2	3	2
Country/people will be better off generally	5	8	6	8
A step in the right direction	4	5	4	6
General support for the law	2	2	4	-
Will help seniors/seniors with meds	2	2	4	3
Approve of government role	2	1	3	2
In favor of the individual mandate	1	*	1	-
Brings America in line with other advanced countries	1	3	-	-
People will have more choice of health insurance coverage	-	*	2	-
Other reason for a favorable view	5	3	7	8
Other comment – not related to health reform bill	*	3	1	1
Don't know/Refused	13	11	13	13
	(n=477)	(n=474)	(n=498)	(n=495)

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

2UNFAV. Could you tell me in your own words what is the main reason you have an unfavorable opinion of the health reform law?
(OPEN-END)

Based on those who have an unfavorable opinion

	11/11	07/11	03/11	10/10
Financial and Cost Considerations (NET)	21	20	20	24
Will cost too much/Not paid for	10	16	15	11
Health insurance and health care will become more expensive	9	4	5	10
Taxes will go up	3	2	1	5
Against individual mandate (NET)	18	13	18	11
Don't want to be forced to buy insurance	15	9	12	7
Unconstitutional	3	5	6	4
Government-related issues	16	16	19	10
Individuals should pay for their own insurance/People will freeload/ Inequitable/Unfair	8	5	6	13
Limits choices and benefits/decreases quality of care/decreases competition	5	6	4	-
Opposed to process	5	4	5	12
Will not solve problem/Won't work	4	4	3	-
Unfair to people who cannot afford/get health insurance	4	3	2	-
General dislike of the law	4	3	4	-
Harm to seniors/Medicare-related concerns	4	6	3	6
Don't understand law/Don't know enough about it/Confusing	2	4	3	5
Concerned about impact on own insurance/already have good insurance	2	3	2	5
Hurts small businesses/jobs	2	2	2	3
Will end up hurting people's existing health care arrangements	2	2	2	5
Doesn't go far enough to fix the problems	2	2	2	5
Only helps certain/lower class/poor people	2	1	1	*
Law is not going to help certain people/law is going to be bad for many/law only helps the rich	1	3	3	7
Bad for doctors/health care professionals	1	1	2	2
Don't want National Health Care/Doesn't work in other countries	1	1	-	-
Abortion	1	-	-	*
Illegal immigrants will/will not be covered	1	*	1	1
Employers will drop/have dropped health insurance	*	*	-	-
Other reason for an unfavorable view	10	7	8	10
Other comment – not related to health reform bill	2	3	2	*
Don't know/Refused	8	11	9	7
	(n=545)	(n=561)	(n=579)	(n=555)

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3. Would you say your unfavorable view is more about (what you know about the health reform law), or more about (your general feelings about the direction of the country and what's going on in Washington right now)? (ROTATE ITEMS IN PARENS)

Based on those who have an unfavorable opinion (n=545)

	11/11
More about what you know about the health reform law	25
More about your general feelings about the direction of the country and what's going on in Washington right now	44
(VOL.) Both equally	28
Don't know/Refused	3

Q1/Q3 Summary table based on total

	11/11
Favorable opinion of health reform law	37
Unfavorable opinion of health reform law	44
More about what you know about the health reform law	11
More about your general feelings about the direction of the country and what's going on in Washington right now	19
(VOL.) Both equally	12
Don't know/Refused	1
Don't know/Refused	19

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					
	11/11	23	31	41	--	5
	10/11	18	31	44	--	6
	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 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

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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					
11/11	35	36	22	--	7
10/11	28	36	29	--	7
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. Seniors, that is those ages 65 and older					
11/11	32	36	21	--	11
07/11	34	37	19	--	10
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

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		Better off	Worse off	Not much difference	(VOL.) Depends	Don't know/ Refused
d.	The Medicare program					
	11/11	22	32	27	--	19
	07/11	27	37	21	--	15
	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
e.	The uninsured					
	11/11	51	23	17	--	9
	08/11	49	20	22	-	9
	05/11	55	25	15	--	5
	09/10	57	20	15	--	8
	04/10	67	15	10	--	8
f.	People with pre-existing health conditions					
	11/11	48	25	16	--	11
	09/11	52	21	16	--	11
g.	Lower income Americans					
	11/11	49	28	16	--	7
	05/11	52	29	14	--	5
	02/11	51	29	18	--	3
	01/11	48	27	21	--	4
	09/10	60	21	14	--	5
	04/10	64	19	9	--	8
h.	Middle class Americans					
	11/11	31	37	25	--	7
	05/11	31	38	25	--	5
	02/11	32	40	24	--	5
	01/11	27	42	27	--	4
	09/10	38	38	18	--	7
	04/10	34	36	21	--	8

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)

	11/11	09/11	07/11	06/11	05/11	04/11	03/11	02/11	01/11
They should expand the law	32	33	33	31	30	33	30	30	28
They should keep the law as is	18	19	20	20	21	19	21	20	19
They should repeal the law and replace it with a Republican-sponsored alternative	15	16	16	19	19	15	18	19	23
They should repeal the law and not replace it	24	21	21	19	19	20	21	20	20
Don't know/Refused	11	12	10	12	10	14	10	10	10

6. During the past 30 days, how much have you personally seen, heard, or read in the news about the health reform law? Have you heard a lot, some, only a little or nothing at all?

	11/11
A lot	18
Some	23
Only a little	36
Nothing at all	22
Don't know/Refused	*

7. Has the news coverage you've seen about the health reform law in the past 30 days been mostly (positive), mostly (negative), or about evenly balanced? (ROTATE ITEMS IN PARENS)

Based on those who have seen/heard at least a little about the health reform law (n=970)

	11/11
Mostly positive	9
Mostly negative	42
About evenly balanced	43
Don't know/Refused	6

8. Would you say that negative coverage was mostly related to (what Republican candidates for president are saying about the law), (debates in Congress about repealing certain provisions of the law), (coverage of local or state issues), or something else? (RANDOMIZE ITEMS, ALWAYS READ ITEM 4 LAST)

Based on those who say coverage of health reform law has been mostly negative (n=444)

	11/11
What Republican candidates for president are saying about the law	49
Debates in Congress about repealing certain provisions of the law	20
Coverage of local or state issues	10
Something else (SPECIFY)	9
Don't know/Refused	13

Q6/Q7/Q8 Summary Table based on total

	11/11
Heard a lot, some, or only a little about the health reform law	77
News coverage has been mostly positive	7
News coverage has been mostly negative	33
Related to what Republican candidates for president are saying about the law	16
Related to debates in Congress about repealing certain provisions of the law	6
Related to coverage of local or state issues	3
Related to something else	3
Don't know/Refused	4
About evenly balanced	33
Don't know/Refused	5
Heard nothing at all	22
Don't know/Refused	*

9. Do you feel you have enough information about the health reform law to understand how it will impact you personally, or not?

	11/11	03/11	04/10
Yes, have enough information	44	47	43
No, do not have enough information	55	52	56
Don't know/Refused	1	1	2

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10. So far, would you say you and your family have personally benefited from the health reform law, or not?

	11/11	07/11	05/11	03/11	02/11	12/10
Yes, have benefited	11	15	14	13	14	15
No, have not benefited	85	83	82	84	84	81
Don't know/Refused	4	2	4	3	3	4

11. In what ways would you say you have benefited from the health reform law? (OPEN-END)

Based on those who say they have benefited from the health reform law

	11/11	07/11	05/11	03/11	02/11	12/10
Access to health care/expansion of health insurance/expansion of benefits	38	39	42	39	34	36
Extension of dependent coverage	25	13	15	14	21	14
Lower health care costs	12	16	16	24	20	19
Help dealing with pre-existing conditions	9	7	3	5	6	5
My insurance is good/no changes	6	2	2	4	-	-
Help for seniors/Medicare/Closing the doughnut hole	6	4	4	6	7	-
Health reform will help - general	3	5	5	3	5	7
Other insurance reforms	2	2	2	4	5	6
Other	6	6	9	3	7	6
Don't know/Refused	8	13	16	11	15	17
	(n=141)	(n=157)	(n=151)	(n=144)	(n=155)	(n=157)

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12. So far, would you say you and your family have been negatively affected by the health reform law, or not?

	11/11	07/11	05/11	03/11	02/11	12/10
Yes, negatively affected	18	18	18	20	17	20
No, not negatively affected	78	78	78	77	82	76
Don't know/Refused	4	4	4	3	2	4

13. In what ways would you say you have been negatively affected by the health reform law? (OPEN-END)

Based on those who say they have been negatively affected by health reform law

	11/11	07/11	05/11	03/11	02/11	12/10
Cost (NET)	60	52	55	58	48	45
The cost of my own health care has increased/ can't afford cost of insurance/higher costs	50	39	40	46	32	29
Cost concerns – general	8	12	7	12	10	11
Cost concerns – taxes	3	1	9	1	7	7
Cut to benefits/less options/choices (general)	15	18	19	14	16	15
Don't have/Unable to get/Dropped by insurance	10	11	7	5	11	8
Bad for businesses/jobs	5	3	2	5	2	7
Bad for providers/Providers have quit	4	2	4	3	1	1
Angry at process/Congress/government involvement	3	2	5	1	5	-
Harm to Medicare/seniors	3	4	6	5	7	3
Opposed to individual mandate	3	2	2	2	3	-
Declining quality of care	2	5	4	3	2	3
Haven't seen any changes yet	1	2	3	4	-	-
Employers will drop/have dropped health insurance	1	1	-	-	-	-
Don't want to pay for freeloaders/non-citizens	-	1	2	3	3	-
Other	11	13	11	13	14	14
Don't know/Refused	6	10	7	4	10	18
	(n=226)	(n=236)	(n=219)	(n=240)	(n=205)	(n=255)

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

Items a-i based on half sample A (n=589)

Items j-q based on half sample B (n=620)

		Yes, law will do this	No, law will not do this	Don't know/ Refused
a. Require nearly all Americans to have health insurance by 2014 or else pay a fine	11/11	62	27	11
	08/11	65	25	10
	12/10	64	24	11
	06/10 ³	67	26	7
	04/10	71	21	8
b. Expand the existing Medicaid program to cover low-income, uninsured adults regardless of whether they have children	11/11	53	28	19
	08/11	49	32	19
	12/10	62	20	18
	06/10	66	22	12
	04/10	64	16	20
c. Prohibit insurance companies from denying coverage because of a person's medical history or health condition	11/11	58	31	11
	09/11	61	30	9
	12/10	67	25	9
	06/10	70	25	5
	04/10	64	27	10
d. Close the Medicare prescription drug "doughnut hole" or coverage gap so seniors will no longer be required to pay the full cost of their medications when they reach the gap	11/11	51	27	22
	06/11 ⁴	45	32	23
	07/10	49	30	21
e. Require government reviews of health plan premium increases and require plans to justify those increases	11/11	59	24	17
	06/10 ⁵	58	26	15
f. Increase the Medicare payroll tax on earnings for upper income Americans	11/11	52	29	19
	06/11	43	37	19
	07/10	58	25	17
g. Allow consumers to appeal to an independent reviewer if they disagree with their health plan's decision about what services it will pay for	11/11	51	29	20
h. Provide tax credits to small businesses that offer coverage to their employees	11/11	63	22	15
	12/10	65	22	13
	06/10	67	24	9
	04/10	66	17	17

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³ April and June 2010 trend wording for this item was "Require nearly all Americans to have health insurance or else pay a fine".

⁴ July 2010 and June 2011 trend wording for this item was "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".

⁵ June 2010 trend wording for this item was "Begin federal reviews of health plan premium increases and require plans to justify those increases".

Q14 continued

		Yes, law will do this	No, law will not do this	Don't know/ Refused
i. Create a new government run insurance plan to be offered along with private plans	11/11	56	31	13
	12/10	59	27	14
j. Require employers with 50 or more employees to pay a fine if they don't offer health insurance to their workers	11/11	65	21	13
k. Provide financial help to low and moderate income Americans who don't get insurance through their jobs to help them purchase coverage	11/11	64	30	6
	08/11	58	32	10
	12/10	72	18	10
	06/10	72	21	7
	04/10	75	17	8
l. Require insurance plans to offer a minimum package of health insurance benefits, to be defined by the federal government	11/11	61	26	13
	08/11	57	25	18
	06/10	64	23	13
	01/10	63	20	17
m. Eliminate co-pays and deductibles that people previously had to pay for many preventive services	11/11	36	50	14
	08/11	29	52	20
n. Require insurance companies that spend too little money on health care services and too much on administrative costs and profits to give their customers a rebate	11/11	38	42	20
	04/10 ⁶	37	32	31
o. Increase the premiums some higher income people on Medicare pay to receive coverage for doctor visits and prescription drugs	11/11	49	33	17
	06/11	50	33	17
	07/10	54	28	18
p. Require health plans to provide consumers with easy-to-understand information about benefits and coverage	11/11	58	33	9
q. Allow a government panel to make decisions about end-of-life care for people on Medicare	11/11	35	53	12
	12/10	40	45	15
	07/10	41	43	16

⁶ April 2010 trend wording for this item was "Require insurance companies that are spending too little of their customer's money on health care services and too much on administrative costs and profits to give those customers a rebate".

15. Next, I'm going to read you several elements of the health reform law. As I read each one, please tell me whether you feel very favorable, somewhat favorable, somewhat unfavorable, or very unfavorable about it. First, (INSERT AND RANDOMIZE; OBSERVE FORM SPLITS). (READ FOR FIRST ITEM, THEN AS NECESSARY: Would you say you feel very favorable, somewhat favorable, somewhat unfavorable or very unfavorable about that?)

Items a-h based on half sample B (n=620)

Items i-o based on half sample A (n=589)

	Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	Don't know/ Refused
a. The law will require nearly all Americans to have health insurance by 2014 or else pay a fine	16	19	20	43	2
b. The law will expand the existing Medicaid program to cover low-income, uninsured adults regardless of whether they have children	34	35	13	13	6
c. The law will prohibit insurance companies from denying coverage because of a person's medical history or health condition	47	20	12	19	3
d. The law gradually closes the Medicare prescription drug "doughnut hole" or coverage gap so seniors will no longer be required to pay the full cost of their medications when they reach the gap	46	28	10	10	6
e. The law requires government reviews of health plan premium increases and requires plans to justify those increases	31	35	14	15	5
f. The law will increase the Medicare payroll tax on earnings for upper income Americans	30	29	17	20	4
g. The law allows consumers to appeal to an independent reviewer if they disagree with their health plan's decision about what services it will pay for	37	37	13	9	5
h. The law provides tax credits to small businesses that offer coverage to their employees	45	35	9	7	4
i. The law will require employers with 50 or more employees to pay a fine if they don't offer health insurance to their workers	35	28	13	22	2
j. The law will provide financial help to low and moderate income Americans who don't get insurance through their jobs to help them purchase coverage	44	31	11	12	2
k. The law will require insurance plans to offer a minimum package of health insurance benefits, to be defined by the federal government	24	29	15	27	5
l. The law eliminates co-pays and deductibles that people previously had to pay for many preventive services	33	31	19	12	6
m. The law requires insurance companies that spend too little money on health care services and too much on administrative costs and profits to give their customers a rebate	34	26	15	19	6
n. The law increases the premiums some higher income people on Medicare pay to receive coverage for doctor visits and prescription drugs	24	33	20	19	4
o. The law requires health plans to provide consumers with easy-to-understand information about benefits and coverage	60	24	6	8	2

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	19
Very good	33
Good	33
Only fair	9
Poor	4
Don't know/Refused	1

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

Employed full-time	44
Employed part-time	10
Unemployed and currently seeking employment	7
Unemployed and not seeking employment	1
A student	6
Retired	20
On disability and can't work	5
Or, a homemaker or stay at home parent?	5
Don't know/Refused	2

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	81
Not covered by health insurance	18
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?

Based on those who are insured (n=1,019)

Plan through your/your spouse's employer	53
Plan you purchased yourself	12
Medicare	18
Medicaid/Medi-CAL	5
Some other government program	5
Somewhere else (SPECIFY)	2
Plan through your parents/mother/father (VOL.)	3
Don't know/Refused	1

Summary of D4 and D4a based on total

Covered by health insurance	81
Employer or spouse's employer	43
Self-purchased plan	10
Medicare	15
Medicaid/Medi-CAL	4
Other government program	4
Somewhere else	2
Plan through parents/mother/father (VOL.)	2
Don't know/Refused	1
Not covered by health insurance	18
Don't know/Refused	1

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	20
30-49	35
50-64	26
65 and older	18
Don't know/Refused	1

D7. Do you consider yourself to be a supporter of the Occupy Wall Street movement, or not?

Yes, supporter of Occupy Wall Street movement	26
No, not a supporter of Occupy Wall Street movement	59
Don't know/Refused	15

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

Republican	21
Democrat	34
Independent	34
Or what/Other/None/No preference/Other party	6
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 ITEMS IN SAME ORDER AS D8]

D8/D8a. Combo Table based on total

Republican/Lean Republican	34
Democrat/Lean Democratic	48
Other/Don't lean/Don't know	18
Five-Point Party ID	
Democrat	34
Independent Lean Democratic	15
Independent/Don't lean	18
Independent Lean Republican	13
Republican	21
Undesignated	1

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

Liberal	22
Moderate	37
Conservative	34
Don't know/Refused	6

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

Yes, supporter of Tea Party movement	27
No, not a supporter of Tea Party movement	62
Don't know/Refused	10

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

Yes	81
No	16
Don't know/Refused	2

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

Based on registered voters (n=1,032)

Always	53
Nearly always	29
Part of the time	12
Seldom	5
Never vote (Vol.)	2
Other (Vol.)	--
Don't know/Refused	*

Summary of D9 and D10 based on total

Yes, registered to vote	81
Always vote	43
Nearly always vote	23
Vote part of the time	10
Seldom vote	4
Never vote (Vol.)	2
Other (Vol.)	--
Don't know how often	*
No, not registered	16
Don't know/Refused	2

D10a. How likely are you to vote in the REPUBLICAN presidential primary or caucus in your state next year? Very likely, somewhat likely, not too likely, or not at all likely?

Based on registered voters (n=1,032)

Very likely	47
Somewhat likely	14
Not too likely	7
Not at all likely	30
Don't know/Refused	3

Summary of D9 and D10a based on total

Yes, registered to vote	81
Very likely to vote	38
Somewhat likely to vote	11
Not too likely to vote	6
Not at all likely to vote	24
Don't know/Refused if will vote	2
No, not registered	16
Don't know/Refused	2

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)	9
High school graduate (grade 12 or GED certificate)	31
Technical, trade or vocational school AFTER high school	3
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	2

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	68
Total non-White	29
Black or African-American, non-Hispanic	11
Hispanic	13
Asian, non-Hispanic	3
Other/Mixed race, non-Hispanic	2
Undesignated	3

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	17
\$20,000 to less than \$30,000	13
\$30,000 to less than \$40,000	9
\$40,000 to less than \$50,000	9
\$50,000 to less than \$75,000	12
\$75,000 to less than \$90,000	7
\$90,000 to less than \$100,000	4
\$100,000 or more	14
Don't know/Refused	15

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

Trend Information:

- 10/11: Kaiser Family Foundation *Kaiser Health Tracking Poll* (October 13-18, 2011)
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- 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)
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