

Topline

Kaiser Health Tracking Poll: February 2014

METHODOLOGY

This *Kaiser Health Tracking Poll* was designed and analyzed by public opinion researchers at the Kaiser Family Foundation (KFF) led by Mollyann Brodie, Ph.D., including Liz Hamel, Bianca DiJulio, and Jamie Firth. The survey was conducted February 11-17, 2014, among a nationally representative random digit dial telephone sample of 1,501 adults ages 18 and older, living in the United States, including Alaska and Hawaii (note: persons without a telephone could not be included in the random selection process). Computer-assisted telephone interviews conducted by landline (750) and cell phone (751, including 415 who had no landline telephone) were carried out in English and Spanish by Princeton Data Source under the direction of Princeton Survey Research Associates International (PSRAI). Both the random digit dial landline and cell phone samples were provided by Survey Sampling International, LLC. For the landline sample, respondents were selected by asking for the youngest adult male or female currently at home based on a random rotation. If no one of that gender was available, interviewers asked to speak with the youngest adult of the opposite gender. For the cell phone sample, interviews were conducted with the person who answered the phone. KFF paid for all costs associated with the survey.

The combined landline and cell phone sample was weighted to balance the sample demographics to match estimates for the national population using data from the Census Bureau's 2012 American Community Survey (ACS) on sex, age, education, race, Hispanic origin, nativity (for Hispanics only), and region along with data from the 2010 Census on population density. The sample was also weighted to match current patterns of telephone use using data from the January-June 2013 National Health Interview Survey. The weight takes into account the fact that respondents with both a landline and cell phone have a higher probability of selection in the combined sample and also adjusts for the household size for the landline sample. All statistical tests of significance account for the effect of weighting.

The margin of sampling error including the design effect for the full sample is plus or minus 3 percentage points. Numbers of respondents and margin of sampling error for key subgroups are shown in the table below. For results based on other subgroups, the margin of sampling error may be higher. Sample sizes and margin of sampling errors for other subgroups are available by request. Note that sampling error is only one of many potential sources of error in this or any other public opinion poll.

Group	N (unweighted)	M.O.S.E.
Total	1,501	±3 percentage points
Insurance Status (age 18-64)		
Uninsured	137	±9 percentage points
Employer-Sponsored Insurance	606	±4 percentage points
Uninsured or purchased own insurance	210	±7 percentage points
Party Identification		
Democrats	432	±5 percentage points
Republicans	333	±6 percentage points
Independents	546	±5 percentage points
Age		
18-29	221	±7 percentage points
30-49	376	±5 percentage points
50-64	457	±5 percentage points
65+	443	±5 percentage points
Household Income		
Less than \$40,000	565	±5 percentage points
\$40,000-\$89,999	459	±5 percentage points
\$90,000 or more	316	±6 percentage points

All trends shown in this document come from Kaiser Health Tracking Polls except:

01/11: KFF/Harvard School of Public Health *The Public's Health Care Agenda for the 112th Congress* (January 4-14, 2011)

1. As you may know, a health reform bill was signed into law in 2010. Given what you know about the health reform law, do you have a generally (favorable) or generally (unfavorable) opinion of it? [GET ANSWER THEN ASK: Is that a very (favorable/unfavorable) or somewhat (favorable/unfavorable) opinion?] (ROTATE OPTIONS IN PARENTHESES) [INTERVIEWER NOTE: If respondent asks if the health reform law refers to the Affordable Care Act or Obamacare, please answer “yes”]

	Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	Don't know/Refused
02/14	16	19	14	33	18
01/14	17	17	15	35	16
12/13	17	17	12	36	18
11/13	15	18	13	36	18
10/13	21	17	13	31	18
09/13	20	19	13	30	17
08/13	17	20	14	28	20
06/13	15	20	13	30	23
04/13	16	19	12	28	24
03/13	17	20	13	27	23
02/13	18	18	13	29	23
11/12	19	24	12	27	19
10/12	20	18	14	29	19
09/12	25	20	12	28	14
08/12	21	17	13	30	19
07/12	20	18	13	31	17
06/12	25	16	11	30	18
05/12	17	20	12	32	19
04/12	20	22	9	34	15
03/12	18	23	11	29	19
02/12	17	25	16	27	15
01/12	18	19	14	30	19
12/11 ¹	19	22	15	28	17
11/11	17	20	15	29	19
10/11	12	22	20	31	15
09/11	18	23	14	29	16
08/11	16	23	17	27	17
07/11	20	22	12	31	15
06/11	15	27	16	30	12
05/11	19	23	15	29	14
04/11	20	21	14	27	18
03/11	21	21	15	31	13
02/11	16	27	19	29	8
01/11	19	22	16	34	9
12/10	22	20	14	27	18
11/10	19	23	12	28	18
10/10	18	24	15	29	15
09/10	19	30	15	25	11
08/10	19	24	13	32	12
07/10	21	29	10	25	14
06/10	20	28	16	25	10
05/10	14	27	12	32	14
04/10 ²	23	23	10	30	14

¹ May 2010 through December 2011 trend wording was “As you may know, a health reform bill was signed into law early last year...”

² April 2010 trend wording was “[President Obama did sign a health reform bill into law last month...] Given what you know about the new health reform law, do you have a generally (favorable) or generally (unfavorable) opinion of it? (Is that a very favorable/unfavorable or somewhat favorable/unfavorable opinion?)”

2. Is your impression of the health care law based mainly on (your own experience), (what you've seen and heard on television, radio, and in newspapers), (what you've learned from friends and family), or some other source? (READ AND RANDOMIZE OPTIONS IN PARENTHESES)

	02/14	02/13
Your own experience	23	22
What you've seen and heard on television, radio, and newspapers	44	45
What you've learned from friends and family	18	14
Some other source	5	11
All/Combination of the above (VOL.)	3	--
Internet/Online research/Website (VOL.)	2	--
Don't know/Refused	5	8

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)

	02/14
They should keep the law as it is	8
They should keep the law in place and work to improve it	48
They should repeal the law and replace it with a Republican-sponsored alternative	12
They should repeal the law and not replace it	19
None of these/they should do something else (VOL.)	5
Don't know/Refused	7

4. Do you feel you have enough information about the health reform law to understand how it will impact you and your family, or not?

	Yes, have enough information	No, do not have enough information	Don't know/Refused
02/14	59	39	2
01/14	54	44	2
12/13	54	44	2
11/13	52	46	2
10/13	55	44	2
09/13	47	51	2
08/13	47	51	2
04/13	49	49	2
03/13 ³	41	57	2
04/12	51	47	1
03/12	39	59	2
11/11	44	55	1
03/11	47	52	1
04/10	43	56	2

³ April 2010 through March 2013 trend wording was "Do you feel you have enough information about the health reform law to understand how it will impact you personally, or not?"

ROTATE ORDER OF Q5-6 AND Q7-8

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

	Yes, have benefited	No, have not benefited	Don't know/Refused
02/14	17	79	3
01/14	15	83	2
12/13	11	85	4
10/13	14	82	4
03/13	17	78	4
08/12	19	77	4
03/12	14	83	3
11/11	11	85	4
07/11	15	83	2
05/11	14	82	4
03/11	13	84	3
02/11	14	84	3
12/10	15	81	4

6. 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

	02/14
Access to health care/expansion of health insurance/expansion of benefits (NET)	48
Access to health care/expansion of health insurance/expansion of benefits	42
Preventive services benefit/free check-ups/women's health/birth control	3
More choice/options for health insurance coverage	3
Lower health care costs/Affordable	18
Health reform will help – general	8
Extension of dependent coverage	8
Help dealing with pre-existing conditions	5
My insurance is good/No changes (includes family members)	3
Insurance reforms (NET)	2
Other insurance reforms	2
Medical loss ratio/insurance must give me a rebate or credit	--
Help for seniors/Medicare/Closing the doughnut hole	2
Other	7
Don't know/Refused	12
	(n=258)

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

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

	Yes, negatively affected	No, not negatively affected	Don't know/Refused
02/14	29	69	2
01/14	27	71	2
12/13	26	72	2
10/13	23	75	2
03/13	22	74	4
08/12	19	77	4
03/12	21	76	4
11/11	18	78	4
07/11	18	78	4
05/11	18	78	4
03/11	20	77	3
02/11	17	82	2
12/10	20	76	4

8. 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

	02/14
Cost (NET)	62
The cost of my own health care has increased/ can't afford cost of insurance/higher costs	53
Cost concerns – general	7
Cost concerns – taxes	3
Policy cancellations (includes employer canceled plans/dropped spouse/family coverage) ⁴	10
Cut to benefits/less options/choices (general)	10
Bad for businesses/jobs	6
Opposed to individual mandate/fines/forced coverage	6
Don't have/Unable to get insurance ⁵	5
Bad for providers/Providers have quit/Lost my doctor/Can't see the doctor I want	4
Confusion/Aggravation/Stress/Wasted time/Lack of information/future insecurity	3
Insurance plan changed (general)	3
Harm to Medicare/seniors/Doctors won't accept Medicare patients	3
Haven't seen any changes/help yet	2
Angry at process/Congress/President (includes government shutdown)	2
Don't want to pay for freeloaders/non-citizens/others	2
Too much government intrusion/Government getting too big	1
Declining quality of care	1
Taking away my religious freedom/Against my morals	*
Website/enrollment problems	--
Other	5
Don't know/Refused	3
	(n=435)

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

⁴ Trend wording was "Employers will drop/change or have dropped/changed health insurance".

⁵ Trend wording was "Don't have/Unable to get/Dropped by insurance"

9. In the long run, do you think the health care law will be (good) or (bad) for (INSERT, ROTATE), or won't it make much difference? (ROTATE OPTIONS IN PARENTHESES)

	Good	Bad	Won't make much difference	Don't know/Refused
a. You and your family	26	30	38	5
b. The country as a whole	37	40	17	6

10. Over the past few months, have you tried to seek out more information about the health care law, or not

	02/14	09/13	08/13
Yes, tried to seek out more information	38	36	36
No, have not tried to seek out more information	62	64	63
Don't know/Refused	*	*	1

11. Where did you go to try to get additional information about the health care law? (OPEN-END)

Based on those who tried to seek more information

	02/14	09/13	08/13
Internet (NET)	66	60	60
Internet, online (general or other)	35	40	55
Government website	29	13	7
Google	6	9	--
News media (NET)	17	24	23
Newspapers, magazines, articles	8	12	10
TV (includes "watch the news")	5	5	4
News/News media (general)	5	5	7
Cable network (CNN, Fox, MSNBC)	1	3	2
Radio (includes "listen to the news")	1	4	3
Health insurance company or representative	6	6	8
Other personal contact (in person, on phone, email)	6	3	4
Health care provider, ex. doctor, nurse, pharmacist	5	5	6
Friends or family	3	5	3
Employer or union/At work (HR, personnel office)	3	7	5
Other government source (not online)	2	4	6
Politician/Congress/White House/Political organization	2	2	--
Read the law	1	1	--
Books/Booklets	1	1	1
Social networking sites (Facebook, Twitter)	1	1	*
Non-profit, community organization or think tank	1	2	3
Library	1	2	--
Other	4	4	6
Don't know/Refused	2	3	2
	(n=607)	(n=595)	(n=600)

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

Summary of Q10 and Q11 based on total

	02/14
Yes, tried to seek out more information	38
Internet (NET)	25
Internet, online (general)	13
Government website	11
Google	2
News media (NET)	6
Newspapers, magazines, articles	3
TV (includes "watch the news")	2
News/News media (general)	2
Cable network (CNN, Fox, MSNBC)	1
Radio (includes "listen to the news")	*
Health insurance company or representative	2
Other personal contact (in person, on phone, email)	2
Health care provider, ex. doctor, nurse, pharmacist	2
Friends or family	1
Employer or union/At work (HR, personnel office)	1
Other government source (not online)	1
Politician/Congress/White House/Political organization	1
Read the law	*
Books/Booklets	*
Social networking sites (Facebook, Twitter)	*
Non-profit, community organization or think tank	*
Library	*
Other	1
Don't know/Refused	1
No, have not tried to seek out more information	62
Don't know/Refused	*

12. Have you been personally contacted by anyone about the health care law through a phone call, email, text message, or door to door visit, or not?

	02/14	09/13	08/13
Yes, been contacted about the health care law	13	9	10
No, have not been contacted about the health care law	87	91	90
Don't know/Refused	*	*	*

13. Thinking in general about the news media's coverage of the health care law, would you say the mix of coverage has been mostly about (politics and controversies), mostly about (how the law might impact people), or has it been a balance of the two? (ROTATE VERBIAGE IN PARENTHESES)

	02/14	01/14	12/13	11/13	09/13
Mostly about politics and controversies	50	56	53	53	56
Mostly about how the law might impact people	8	6	7	8	6
Balance of the two	35	33	33	30	33
Don't know/Refused	7	5	7	9	5

14. Do you think the news media coverage you've seen about the health care law is biased (in favor of) the law, biased (against) the law, or is it mostly balanced? (ROTATE OPTIONS IN PARENTHESES)

	02/14	01/14	12/13	11/13	09/13
Biased in favor	19	22	17	17	20
Biased against	30	34	34	33	27
Mostly balanced	42	38	40	40	43
Don't know/Refused	9	7	9	9	10

15. Next, please tell me how closely you have followed these stories that have been in the news recently. (First/Next,) (INSERT--READ AND RANDOMIZE). READ FOR FIRST ITEM THEN AS NECESSARY: Did you follow this story very closely, fairly closely, not too closely, or not at all closely?

		Very closely	Fairly closely	Not too closely	Not at all closely	Don't know/Refused
a.	News about the implementation of the 2010 health care law					
	02/14	21	37	20	21	1
	01/14 ⁶	18	37	23	22	1
	12/13	21	38	23	18	*
	11/13 ⁷	25	30	19	25	1
	10/13 ⁸	22	31	22	24	1
b.	Coverage of state lawmakers' decisions about whether to expand Medicaid under the health care law					
	02/14	15	28	27	29	1
	01/14	13	25	29	32	1
c.	An alternative to the health care law proposed by some Republicans in Congress					
	02/14	10	25	27	37	2
d.	Discussions of the health care law in the 2014 midterm elections					
	02/14	16	27	26	30	1
	01/14	16	27	24	32	1
e.	A report from the Congressional Budget Office about the health care law's impact on employment					
	02/14	18	30	22	28	2
f.	Reports about the condition of the U.S. economy					
	02/14	32	37	17	14	1
	01/14	29	40	16	14	1
	12/13	30	37	20	12	1
	11/13	33	34	18	14	1
	10/13	36	35	17	11	1
g.	President Barack Obama's State of the Union address					
	02/14	19	21	17	41	2
h.	News about the Winter Olympics in Sochi, Russia					
	02/14	18	29	24	28	2
i.	Debates in Congress about immigration reform					
	02/14	18	29	24	27	1
j.	A decision by the pharmacy chain, CVS, to stop selling tobacco products in its stores					
	02/14	21	27	16	34	2
k.	An announcement that some employers will have an extra year to comply with the health care law's requirement that they offer health insurance to their full-time workers or pay a fine					
	02/14	21	35	20	22	2

⁶ Trend wording for this item 12/13-1/14 was "News about how the rollout of the 2010 health care law is going"

⁷ Trend wording for this item was "Problems with the websites for the health care law's online health insurance marketplaces"

⁸ Trend wording for this item was "Technical website problems related to the opening of the health care law's online health insurance exchanges or marketplaces".

READ: Thinking again about the 2010 health care law, also known as the Affordable Care Act and sometimes referred to as Obamacare.

16. As you may know, the law creates health insurance exchanges or marketplaces where people who don't get coverage through their employers can shop for insurance and compare prices and benefits. How much would you say you know about this new health insurance marketplace, also known as healthcare.gov [IF STATE HAS STATE-RUN EXCHANGE: or [INSERT STATE EXCHANGE NAME] in your state)]? Would you say you know a lot, some, only a little, or nothing at all about this marketplace?

	02/14
A lot	15
Some	30
Only a little	33
Nothing at all	21
Don't know/Refused	1

17. As you may know, the health care law requires nearly all Americans to have health insurance, or else pay a fine. Do you happen to know the deadline for individuals to sign-up for health insurance? (OPEN-ENDED, DO NOT READ CATEGORIES. ACCEPT ONLY ONE RESPONSE)

	02/14
March 31 st 2014, end of March, or just "March"	23
Some other time in 2014 or sometime this year	9
2015 or later or sometime next year	2
Deadline already passed	7
There is no deadline	1
Don't know/Refused	60

18. I'm going to read a list of places where people are hearing about the health care law. For each, please tell me how much you have heard about the health care law from this source over the past month. First, have you heard a lot, some, only a little, or nothing at all about the health care law from (READ AND RANDOMIZE) in the past month? How about (NEXT ITEM)? [READ AS NECESSARY: Have you heard a lot, some, only a little, or nothing at all about the health care law from (INSERT ITEM) in the past month?]

	A lot	Some	Only a little	Nothing at all	Don't know/Refused
a. The news media	46	22	21	11	1
b. Friends and family	22	24	28	25	1
c. Federal and state agencies	8	13	20	58	1
d. A health insurance company	6	10	18	66	1
e. An employer	9	12	13	64	2
f. Your doctor or another health care professional	8	10	13	69	1
g. Non-profit or community groups	4	9	15	71	1

19. During the past 30 days, did you see or hear any ads or commercials (INSERT AND RANDOMIZE, ask items a and b first in random order, then items c, d, and e in random order), or not? [REPEAT STEM EACH TIME]

	Yes	No	Don't know/Refused
a. From an insurance company attempting to sell health insurance	51	48	1
b. That provided information about how to get health insurance under the health care law	59	41	1
c. That were in support of the health care law	41	57	1
d. That were opposed to the health care law	43	56	1
e. Trying to influence your vote for a particular political candidate because of their position on the health care law	29	70	1

20. In the past 30 days, would you say you have seen (more ads in support of the health care law), (more ads opposed to the health care law) or about equal numbers of both? (ROTATE ITEMS IN PARENTHESES)

Based on those who say they saw ads in support of, ads opposed to, or ads that tried to influence vote (n=920)

	02/14
More ads in support of the health care law	22
More ads opposed to the health care law	33
About equal numbers of both	43
Don't know/ Refused	3

Summary of Q19c, d, e, and Q20 based on total

	02/14
Saw ads in support of, ads opposed to, or ads that tried to influence vote	59
More ads in support of the health care law	13
More ads opposed to the health care law	19
About equal numbers of both	25
Don't know/ Refused	2
Did not see these ads/Don't know	41

READ: On another topic...

21. Would you say the amount you and your family are paying for health care and health insurance has been going (up) over the past few years, going (down), or staying about the same? (ROTATE ITEMS IN PARENTHESES) [IF RESPONDENT SAYS THEY DON'T HAVE HEALTH INSURANCE, PROBE ONCE WITH: What about your health care costs in general? IF STILL UNABLE TO ANSWER RECORD AS DON'T KNOW]

	02/14	03/13
Up	55	62
Down	3	2
Staying about the same	37	32
Don't know/Refused	5	4

22. A number of factors have been suggested as possible reasons for rising health care costs. For each of the following, please tell me if you think it is a major reason, a minor reason, or not a reason why people’s health care costs have been rising. (INSERT AND RANDOMIZE) (READ AS NECESSARY: Is this a major reason, minor reason, or not a reason why people’s health care costs have been rising?)⁹

Items a, c, e, g, i based on half sample a (n=760)

Items b, d, f, h, j, l based on half sample b (n=741)

Item k based on total

		Major reason	Minor reason	Not a reason	Don’t know/ Refused
a. Insurance companies make too much money	02/14	60	23	13	4
	07/11	63	19	14	3
b. Drug companies make too much money	02/14	62	22	12	4
	07/11	71	18	8	3
c. The cost of defending against medical malpractice lawsuits	02/14	48	33	14	4
	07/11	56	26	14	4
d. There is too much fraud and waste in the health care system	02/14	68	20	8	3
	07/11	71	21	5	3
e. The population is aging	02/14	50	33	15	2
	07/11	47	29	20	4
f. Advances in drugs, treatments and new medical technologies are often very expensive	02/14	58	30	9	3
	07/11	52	35	10	3
g. Most people with health insurance have little incentive to look for lower-priced doctors and services	02/14	36	38	22	4
	07/11	28	41	26	4
h. Doctors charge too much	02/14	46	37	14	3
i. Hospitals charge too much	02/14	73	18	6	3
j. People getting more tests and services than they really need	02/14	48	33	15	4
	07/11	45	34	19	2
k. The health care law passed in 2010, sometimes called Obamacare	02/14	48	27	21	4
	07/11 ¹⁰	35	32	26	7
l. The cost of everything in general is rising	02/14	63	28	8	2
	07/11	63	28	8	2

⁹ 7/11 trend wording was “A number of factors have been suggested as possible reasons for rising health care costs. For each of the following, please tell me if you think it is a major reason, a minor reason, or not a reason why health care costs are growing so rapidly”.

¹⁰ Trend wording for this item was “The health reform law passed in 2010”

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])?

	02/14
Covered by health insurance	86
Not covered by health insurance	14
Don't know/Refused	1

23. During the last 12 months, since February 2013, did you have health insurance ALL the time, or was there a time during the last 12 months when you DID NOT have any health coverage?

Based on those who are insured (n=1,351)

	02/14
Had insurance all 12 months	88
Was a time when did not have insurance during the last 12 months	12
Don't know/Refused	*

Summary of D4 and Q23 based on total

	02/14
Covered by health insurance	86
Had insurance all 12 months	75
Was a time when did not have insurance during the last 12 months	11
Don't know/Refused	*
Not covered by health insurance	14
Don't know/Refused	1

24. How long have you had your current health insurance coverage- less than a month, one month to less than three months, three months to less than 6 months, or 6 months or more?

Based on those who are currently insured but have been uninsured in the last 12 months (n=113)

	02/14
Less than a month	14
One month to less than 3 months	26
3 months to less than 6 months	29
6 months or more	31
Don't know/ Refused	--

Summary of D4, Q23, and Q24 based on total

	02/14
Covered by health insurance	86
Had insurance all 12 months	75
Was a time when did not have insurance during the last 12 months	11
Had insurance less than a month	1
Had insurance one month to less than 3 months	3
Had insurance 3 months to less than 6 months	3
Had insurance 6 months or more	3
Don't know/Refused	--
Don't know/Refused	*
Not covered by health insurance	14
Don't know/Refused	1

25. Did you get health insurance as a result of the health care law, or for some other reason?

Based on those who are currently insured but have been uninsured in the last 12 months (n=113)

	02/14
As a result of the health care law	33
Some other reason	65
Don't know/Refused	3

Summary of D4, Q23, and Q25 based on total

	02/14
Covered by health insurance	86
Had insurance all 12 months	75
Was a time when did not have insurance during the last 12 months	11
Got insurance as a result of the health care law	3
Got insurance for some other reason	7
Don't know/Refused	*
Don't know/Refused	*
Not covered by health insurance	14
Don't know/Refused	1

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

Based on those who are insured (n=1,351)

	02/14
Plan through your employer	38
Plan through your spouse's employer	15
Plan you purchased yourself	7
Medicare	19
Medicaid/[STATE-SPECIFIC MEDICAID NAME]	10
Somewhere else	4
Plan through your parents/mother/father (VOL.)	6
Don't know/Refused	1

26. Did you purchase your plan directly from an insurance company, or from the marketplace known as healthcare.gov (or [INSERT STATE-SPECIFIC MARKETPLACE NAME])? [INTERVIEWER NOTE: IF R SAYS THEY PURCHASED INSURANCE THROUGH A BROKER, ASK “Do you know if that was a plan from your state marketplace or exchange, such as one labeled Gold, Silver, or Bronze, or was it a plan purchased directly from an insurance company and not through an exchange or marketplace?”]

Asked of those who are covered by a plan they purchase themselves

Summary D4/D4a/Q26 based on total

	02/14
Covered by health insurance	86
Employer	33
Spouse’s employer	13
Self-purchased plan	6
Directly from an insurance company	4
From healthcare.gov or [STATE MARKETPLACE NAME]	1
Through a broker, not sure if it was an exchange plan or not(VOL.)	*
Don’t know/Refused	*
Medicare	16
Medicaid/[STATE-SPECIFIC MEDICAID NAME]	9
Somewhere else	3
Plan through parents/mother/father (VOL.)	5
Don’t know/Refused	1
Not covered by health insurance	14
Don’t know/Refused	1

27. How long have you been uninsured – less than three months, three months to less than a year, one year to less than two years, or 2 years or more?

Based on those ages 18-64 who are uninsured

	02/14
Less than 3 months	15
3 months to less than a year	12
1 year to less than 2 years	9
2 years or more	63
Don’t know/Refused	*
	(n=137)

28. Have you tried to get health insurance for yourself in the past 6 months, or not?

Based on those ages 18-64 who are uninsured

	02/14	01/14
Yes, have tried to get insurance	39	41
No, have not tried to get insurance	61	59
Don’t know/Refused	--	*
	(n=137)	(n=173)

29. From which of the following sources have you tried to get health insurance in the past six months? What about (INSERT, RANDOMIZE, ALWAYS READ ITEM e LAST)? [READ IF NECESSARY: Have you tried to get insurance (INSERT) in the past 6 months, or not?]

Asked of the uninsured who have tried to get insurance in the last 6 months (sample size insufficient to report)

Summary of 28 and 29a-e based on those ages 18-64 who are uninsured

	02/14	01/14
Yes, have tried to get insurance	39	41
From Medicaid, (also known in your state as [INSERT STATE-SPECIFIC MEDICAID NAME])	23	19
Through the health insurance marketplace set up under the health care law, also known as (HealthCare.gov OR [INSERT STATE-SPECIFIC MARKETPLACE NAME])	22	18
Directly from a private insurance company	21	19
From your or your spouse's employer	6	12
From some other source I haven't mentioned	2	5
No, have not tried to get insurance	61	59
Don't know/Refused	--	*
	(n=137)	(n=173)

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

30. As you may know, the health care law requires nearly all Americans to have health insurance by the end of March or else pay a fine. Do you think you will obtain health insurance, or do you think you will remain uninsured? (INTERVIEWER NOTE: IF DON'T KNOW, PROBE ONCE: We realize there is still some uncertainty, but if you had to guess, do you think you will obtain health insurance by the end of March, or do you think you will remain uninsured?)

Based on those ages 18-64 who are uninsured

	02/14	01/14	11/13 ¹¹	08/13
Will obtain health insurance	49	50	58	58
Will remain uninsured	44	40	34	32
Don't know/Refused	7	10	8	10
	(n=137)	(n=173)	(n=151)	(n=178)

¹¹ Trend wording was "As you may know, the health care law requires nearly all Americans to have health insurance by 2014 or else pay a fine. Do you think you will obtain health insurance in 2014, or do you think you will remain uninsured?"

31. Do you think you will get coverage from Medicaid (or [INSERT STATE-SPECIFIC MEDICAID NAME]), through an employer, from a private health insurance company, from the marketplace known as [Healthcare.gov or [INSERT STATE MARKETPLACE NAME], or are you not sure where you will get insurance?

Asked of the uninsured who say they will obtain insurance (sample size insufficient to report)

Summary of 30 and 31 based on those ages 18-64 who are uninsured

	02/14	01/14
Will obtain health insurance	49	50
Marketplace known as healthcare.gov (or [INSERT STATE-SPECIFIC MARKETPLACE NAME])	7	6
An employer	6	6
Medicaid/[STATE-SPECIFIC MEDICAID NAME]	3	8
Private health insurance company	2	4
Will buy it myself – not specified whether through private insurer or marketplace (VOL.)	5	8
Somewhere else (VOL.)	1	--
Not Sure/ Don't know/Refused	25	17
Will remain uninsured	44	40
Don't know/Refused	7	10
	(n=137)	(n=173)

32. Which type of health insurance plan would you rather have? (READ AND ROTATE)

	02/14
A plan that costs less money but has a more limited range of doctors and hospitals you are allowed to see (or)	37
A plan that costs more money but allows you to see a broader range of doctors and hospitals	51
Neither of these/something else (VOL.)	8
Don't know/Refused	4

33. What if that meant that you would not be able to visit the doctors and hospitals you usually use? Would you still prefer a health plan that costs less money but has a more limited range of doctors and hospitals, or would you now prefer a health plan that costs more money but includes a broader range of doctors and hospitals?

Based on those who prefer a plan that costs less money and has a more limited range of providers (n=502)

	02/14
Still prefer a health plan that costs less money but has a more limited range of doctors and hospitals	61
Now prefer a health plan that costs more money but includes a broader range of doctors and hospitals	32
Don't Know/ Refused	7

Summary of Q32 and Q33 based on total

	02/14
Prefer a plan that costs more money but allows you to see a broader range of doctors and hospitals	62
Originally	51
After hearing argument (You would not be able to visit the doctors and hospitals you usually use)	12
Still prefer a plan that costs less money but has a more limited range of doctors and hospitals you are allowed to see	23
Neither of these/something else (VOL.)	8
Don't know/Refused	7

34 What if you could save roughly 25 percent on your health care costs by using a health plan with a more limited range of doctors and hospitals? Would you still prefer a health plan that costs more money but includes a broader range of doctors and hospitals, or would you now prefer a health plan that costs less money but has a narrower range of doctors and hospitals?

Based on those who prefer a plan that costs more money and has a broader range of providers (n=795)

	02/14
Still prefer a health plan that costs more money but includes a broader range of doctors and hospitals	73
Now prefer a health plan that costs less money but has a more limited range of doctors and hospitals	22
Don't Know/Refused	5

Summary of Q32 and Q34 based on total

	02/14
Prefer a plan that costs less money but has a more limited range of doctors and hospitals you are allowed to see	48
Originally	37
After hearing argument (You could save roughly 25 percent on your health care costs by using a health plan with a more limited range of doctors and hospitals)	11
Still prefer a plan that costs more money but allows you to see a broader range of doctors and hospitals	37
Neither of these/something else (VOL.)	8
Don't know/Refused	7

READ TO ALL: 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	24
Very good	31
Good	27
Only fair	13
Poor	4
Don't know/Refused	*

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

Married	51
Living with a partner	8
Widowed	6
Divorced	9
Separated	2
Never been married	23
Don't know/Refused	1

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

Employed full-time	45
Employed part-time	10
Unemployed and currently seeking employment	5
Unemployed and not seeking employment	2
A student	6
Retired	19
On disability and can't work	7
Or, a homemaker or stay at home parent?	5
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	22
30-49	32
50-64	28
65 and older	18
Don't know/Refused	*

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

Republican	21
Democrat	28
Independent	36
Or what/Other/None/No preference/Other party	9
Don't know/Refused	6

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

Summary D8 and D8a based on total

Republican/Lean Republican	35
Democrat/Lean Democratic	45
Other/Don't lean/Don't know	20

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Democrat	28
Independent Lean Democratic	17
Independent/Don't lean	19
Independent Lean Republican	14
Republican	21
Undesignated	1

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

Liberal	23
Moderate	34
Conservative	38
Other/Don't lean/Don't know	5

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

Yes, supporter of Tea Party movement	21
No, not a supporter of Tea Party movement	71
Other/Don't lean/Don't know	8

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

Yes	80
No	20
Other/Don't lean/Don't know	1

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

Less than high school (Grades 1-8 or no formal schooling)	4
High school incomplete (Grades 9-11 or Grade 12 with NO diploma)	6
High school graduate (Grade 12 with diploma or GED certificate)	32
Some college, no degree (includes some community college)	19
Two year associate degree from a college/university	12
Four year college or university degree/Bachelor's degree	16
Some postgraduate or professional schooling, no postgraduate degree	1
Postgraduate or professional degree, including master's, doctorate, medical or law degree	10
Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	*

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	65
Total non-White	33
Black or African-American, non-Hispanic	11
Hispanic	15
Asian, non-Hispanic	3
Other/Mixed race, non-Hispanic	4
Undesignated	2

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

Based on Hispanics (n=159)

U.S.	44
Puerto Rico	6
Another country	50
Don't know/Refused	--

D14. Last year—that is, in 2013—what was your total family income from all sources, before taxes? Just stop me when I get to the right category. (READ)

Less than \$20,000	20
\$20,000 to less than \$30,000	12
\$30,000 to less than \$40,000	11
\$40,000 to less than \$50,000	9
\$50,000 to less than \$75,000	14
\$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	9

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



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