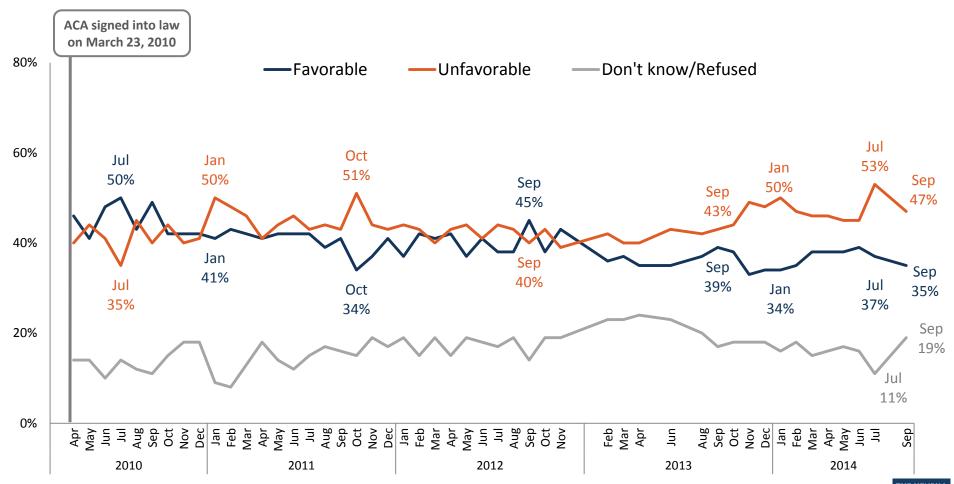


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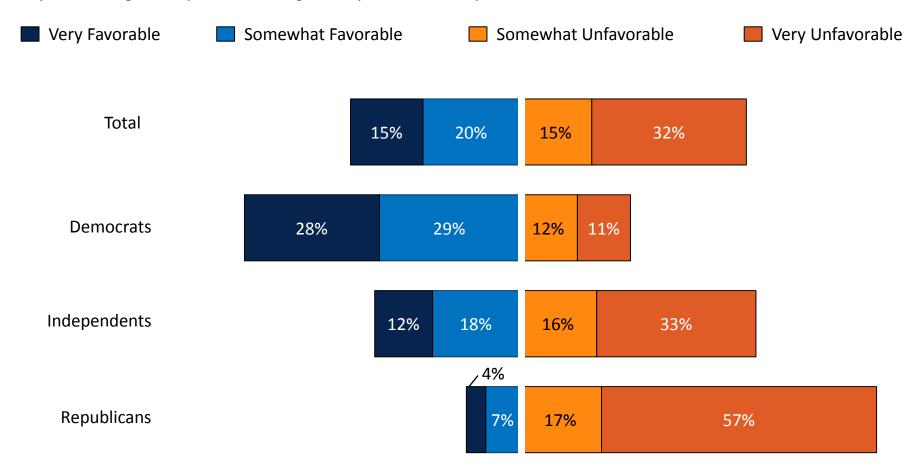
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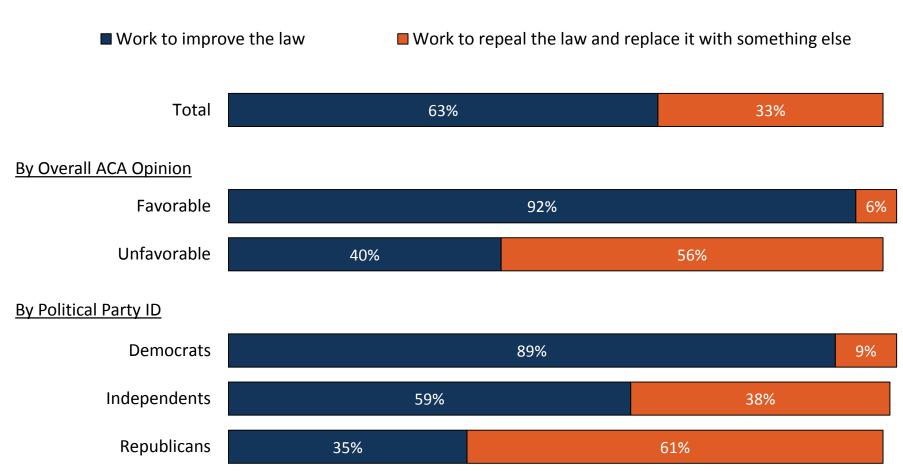
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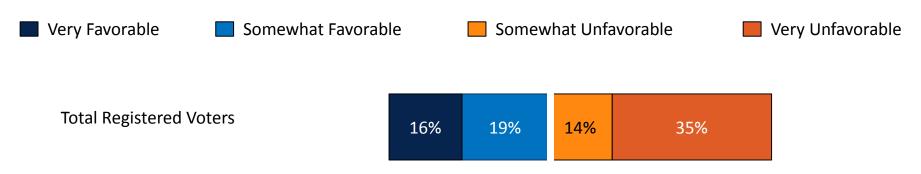
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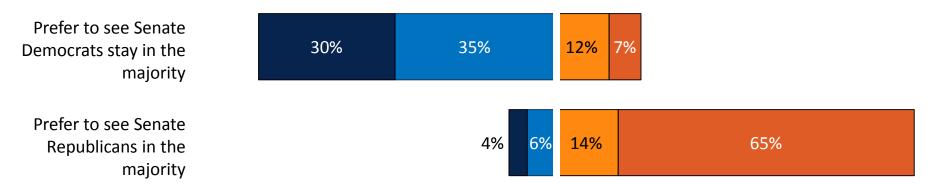


Voter Preferences For Senate Control Mirror Partisan Divide On ACA

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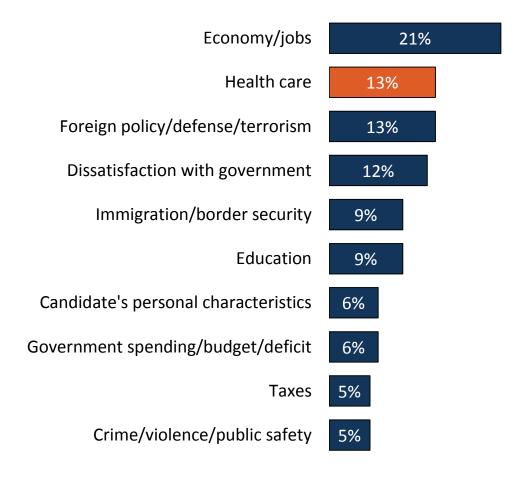
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Partisan Differences In Ranking Of Voting Issues

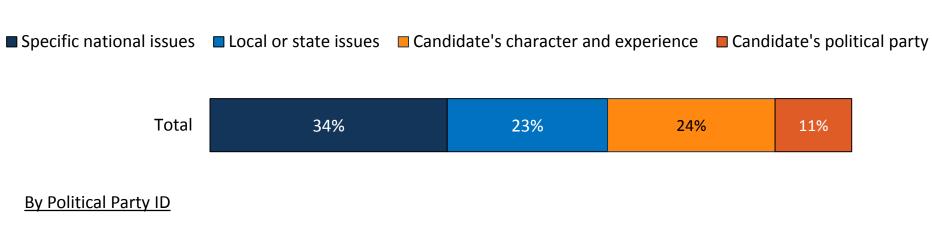
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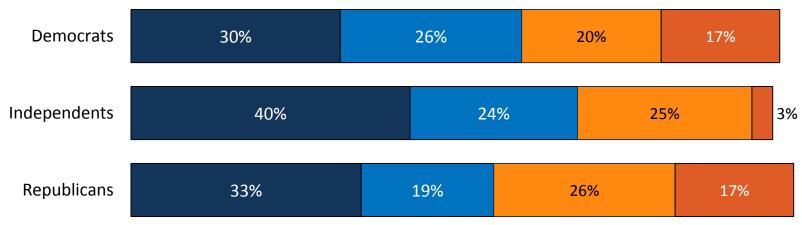
| RANK | DEMOCRATS | INDEPENDENTS | REPUBLICANS |
|------|---------------------------------------|--|---|
| 1 | Economy/Jobs (22%) | Economy/Jobs (22%) | Economy/Jobs (21%) |
| 2 | Health care (15%) | Foreign policy/defense/terrorism (15%) | Health care (16%) |
| 3 | Dissatisfaction with government (14%) | Dissatisfaction with government (13%) | Foreign policy/defense/terrorism (16%)* |
| 4 | Education (13%) | Immigration/border security (11%) | Immigration/border security (14%) |
| 5 | Foreign policy/defense/terrorism (8%) | Government spending/budget (9%) | Government spending/budget (9%) |
| | Crime/violence/public safety (8%)* | Health care (9%)* | |



National Issues Are Only One Part Of Voters' Decisions

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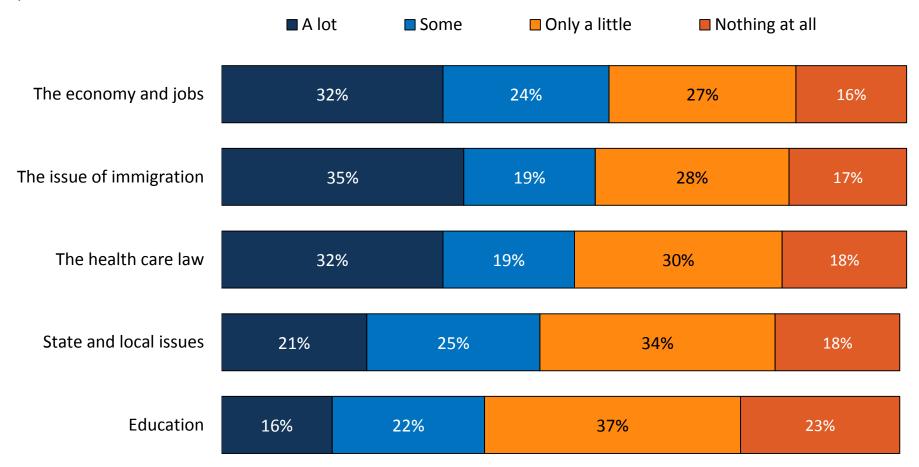






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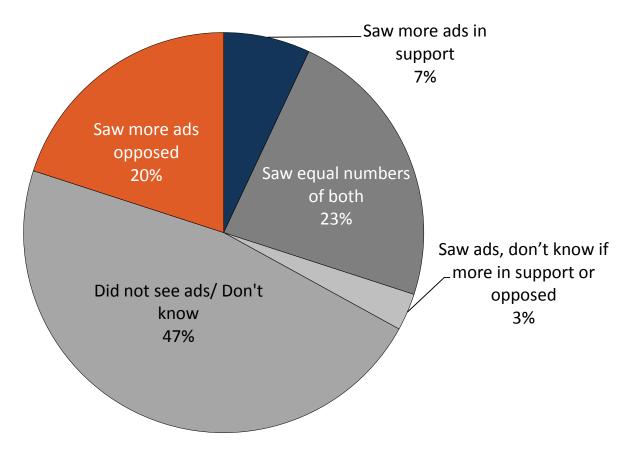
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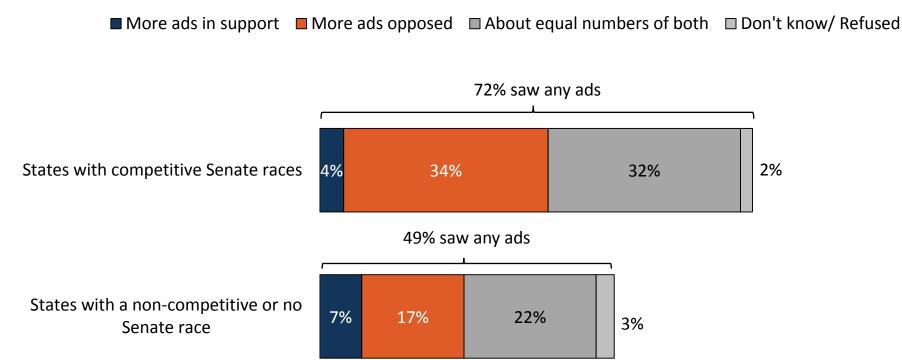
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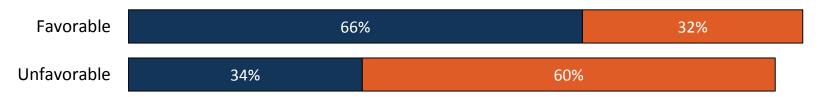
Voters Divided On Candidates Continuing ACA Debate

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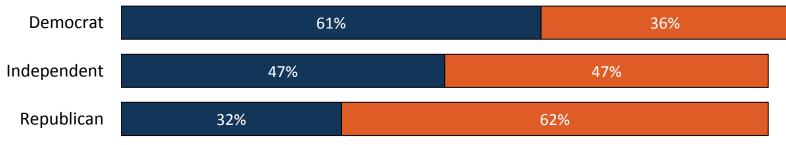
- I'm tired of hearing candidates for Congress talk about the health care law and I think they should focus more on other issues
- I think it is important for candidates for Congress to continue the debate over the health care law



By Overall ACA Opinion



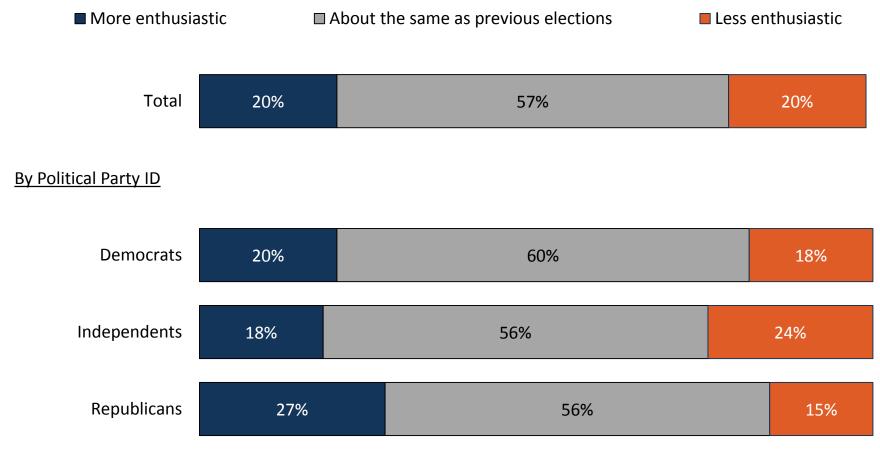
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Republicans Most Likely To Be More Enthusiastic About Voting This Year

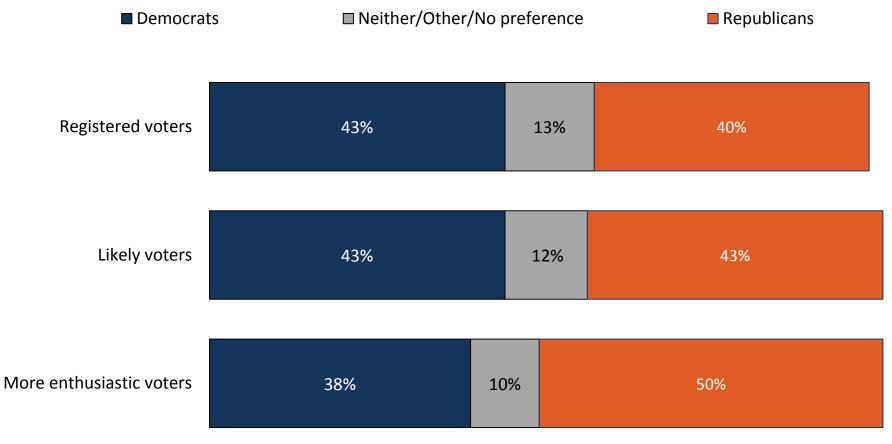
AMONG REGISTERED VOTERS: Compared to previous Congressional elections, this year are you more enthusiastic about voting than usual, less enthusiastic, or about the same as in previous elections?





"More Enthusiastic" Voters Prefer To See Republicans Gain Majority In Senate, Registered And Likely Voters More Divided

Would you prefer to see the Senate Democrats stay in the majority in the U.S. Senate, or do you want to see the Senate Republicans in the majority?





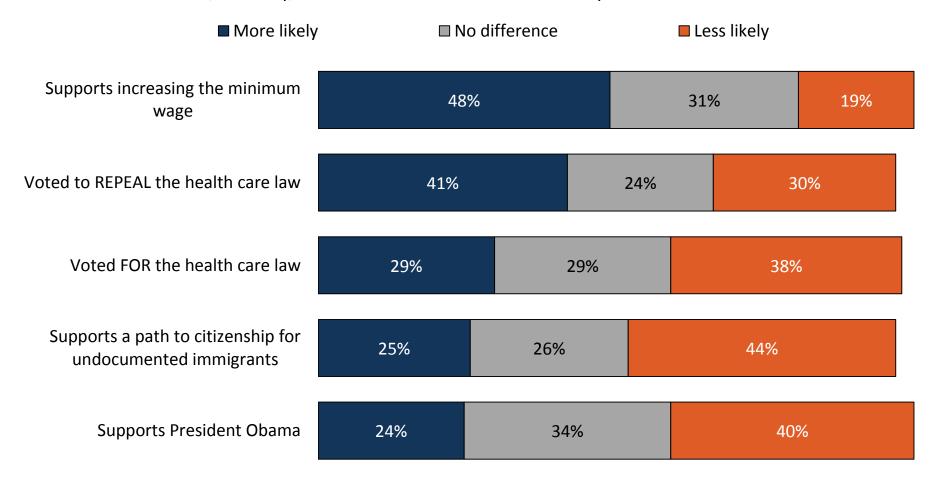
What's Driving "More Enthusiastic" Voters?

AMONG REGISTERED VOTERS WHO SAY THEY'RE MORE ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT VOTING THIS YEAR: What is the main reason you are more enthusiastic about voting in this year's Congressional election compared to previous years?

| Elect more Republicans/GOP control of Senate | 13% |
|---|-----|
| Important to participate/Want vote counted | 10% |
| Change who's in office/Get rid of incumbents | 10% |
| Desire for change (general) | 8% |
| Dissatisfaction with government/ Politics | 8% |
| Way things are going/Direction of the country | 8% |
| Oppose President Obama | 5% |
| Able to vote/First time voting | 4% |
| Elect more Democrats/Dem control of Senate | 4% |
| Issues (general) | 4% |
| Health care law/ACA/Obamacare | 3% |

How Voters Say Candidates' Stance On Issues Will Affect Their Vote

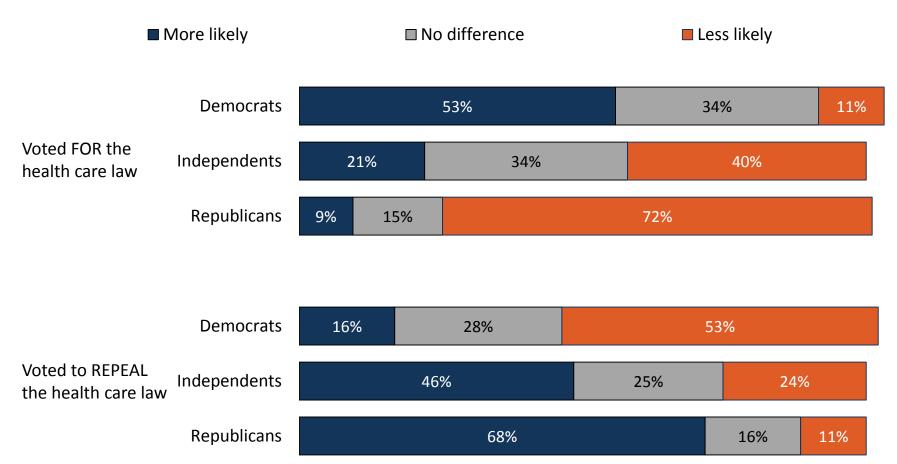
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Partisan Divide In Voter Response To Candidate's Position On ACA

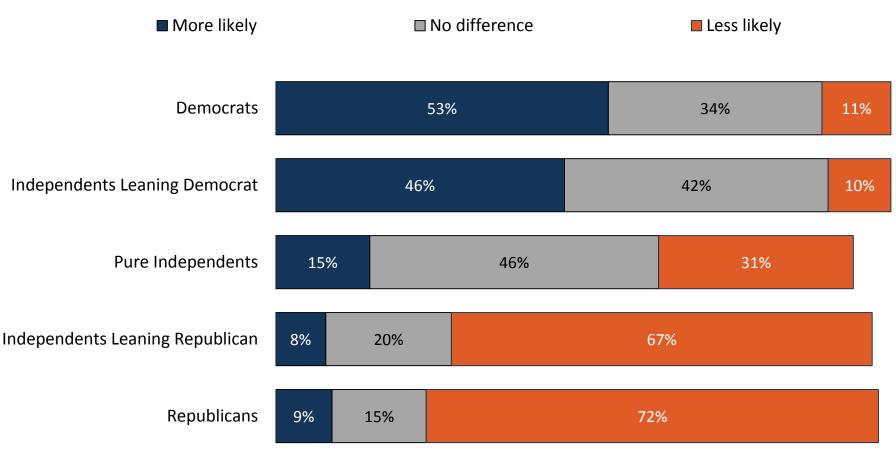
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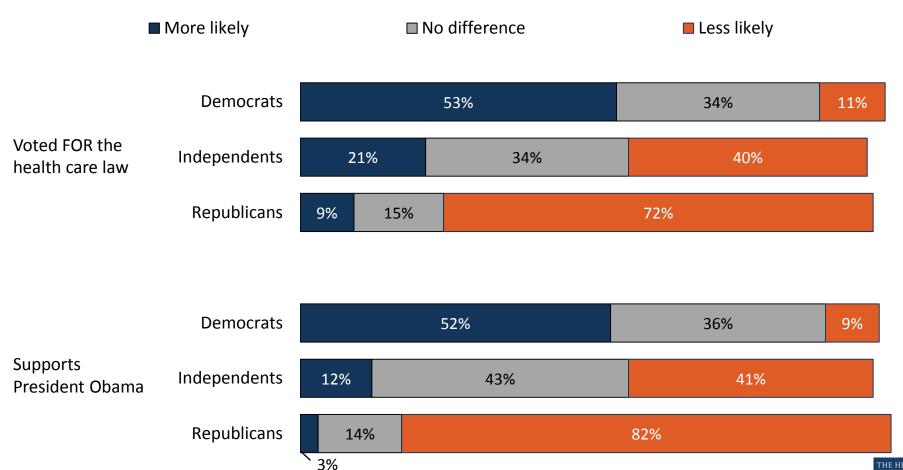
<u>AMONG REGISTERED VOTERS:</u> Say a candidate for Congress voted FOR the health care law. Would that make you more likely to vote for that candidate, less likely, or wouldn't it make much difference in your vote?





Partisan Divide On Support For ACA Mirrors Divide On Support For Obama

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NOTE: Don't vote/Not registered to vote/Don't plan to vote (Vol.) and Don't know/Refused answers not shown. SOURCE: Kaiser Family Foundation Health Tracking Poll (conducted August 25-September 2, 2014)