

Topline

Kaiser Health Tracking Poll: June 2013

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 and Sarah Cho. The survey was conducted June 4-9, 2013, among a nationally representative random digit dial telephone sample of 1,505 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 (752) and cell phone (753, including 385 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 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.

The combined landline and cell phone sample was weighted to balance the sample demographics to match estimates for the national population data from the Census Bureau's 2011 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 2012 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. Weighted and unweighted values for key demographic variables are shown in the table below.

Sample Demographics		
	Unweighted	Weighted
Gender		
Male	50.9%	48.9%
Female	49.1%	51.1%
Age		
18-24	9.3%	13.3%
25-34	13.0%	17.4%
35-44	12.4%	16.9%
45-54	17.6%	18.5%
55-64	21.1%	16.6%
65+	26.6%	17.3%
Education		
HS Graduate or Less	32.4%	42.8%
Some College/Assoc. Degree	27.4%	29.9%
College Grad.	40.1%	27.3%
Race/Ethnicity		
White/not Hispanic	74.0%	67.1%
Black/not Hispanic	9.8%	11.5%
Hisp - US born	5.2%	7.0%
Hisp - born outside	5.1%	7.3%
Other/not Hispanic	5.9%	7.0%
Party Identification		
Democrat	28.9%	30.0%
Independent	34.9%	35.2%
Republican	25.0%	22.4%
Other	7.0%	7.6%

The margin of sampling error including the design effect for the full sample is plus or minus 3 percentage points. For results based on 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.

The response rate calculated based on the American Association for Public Opinion Research's Response Rate 3 formula was 10 percent for the landline sample and 9 percent for the cell phone sample.

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)

	Very	Somewhat	Somewhat	Very	Don't know/
	favorable	favorable	unfavorable	unfavorable	Refused
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

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

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. Would you say your unfavorable view is more because the health reform law (goes too far) or (doesn't go far enough) in changing health insurance and the health care system? (ROTATE OPTIONS IN PARENTHESES)

Based on those who have an unfavorable view of health reform law (n=683)

	06/13
Law goes too far	77
Law doesn't go far enough	19
Don't know/Refused	5
Summary of Q1 and Q2 based on total	
	06/13
Favorable	35
Unfavorable	43
Law goes too far	33
Law doesn't go far enough	8
Don't know/Refused	2
Don't know/Refused	23

3. 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? How about (INSERT ITEM)? [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?] (ROTATE OPTIONS IN PARENTHESES ACROSS INTERVIEWS, BUT NOT WITHIN SAME INTERVIEW)

		Better off	Worse off	Not much difference	(VOL.) Depends	Don't know/ Refused
 a. You and your family 						
(06/13	19	33	40		8
(03/13	21	29	40		10
(02/13	24	32	36		9
:	10/12	26	32	33		9
(09/12	31	26	33		9
(08/12	26	30	37		7
(07/12	25	32	37		6
(05/12	23	31	37		9
(04/12	26	32	34		8
(03/12	26	33	34		7
(02/12	27	25	41		7
(01/12	26	33	35		6
:	12/11	26	31	39		5
:	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
	3/10 ³	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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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?"

imueu		Better off	Worse off	Not much difference	(VOL.) Depends	Don't know/ Refused
b. The country as a whole						
	06/13	31	40	20		9
	02/13	34	38	19		9
	10/12	34	35	21		10
	09/12	40	33	17		10
	08/12	36	37	17		10
	07/12	35	41	18		7
	05/12	34	35	20		11
	04/12	39	38	17		6
	03/12	37	38	18		7
	02/12	39	32	22		7
	01/12	37	36	19		8
	12/11	37	37	19		7
	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
	03/10	45	34	12	4	
	01/10	42	37	12	3	5 5
	12/09	45	31	17	4	3
	11/09	54	27	11	3	5
	10/09	53	28	12		
	09/09	53 53	28 26		2	4
	09/09	55 45	34	14 14	4	4
					3	4
	07/09	51 57	23	16 10	4	6
	06/09	57 56	16 15	19 21	3	5
	04/09	56	15	21	3	5
a Dannia wha	02/09	59	12	19	5	5
c. People who get health insu through an employer	irance					
tin oagii an ciripioyei	06/13	26	38	26		10
						11
						11
	03/12 08/11 ⁴	28 24	32 35	29 30		-

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August 2011 trend wording was "People who currently get health insurance through an employer."

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				Not much	(VOL.)	Don't know/
		Better off	Worse off	difference	Depends	Refused
d.	People with pre-existing health conditions					
	06/13	45	27	15		12
	03/12	48	26	15		12
	11/11	48	25	16		11
	09/11	52	21	16		11
e.	The uninsured					
	06/13	48	30	14		8
	07/12	47	29	16		8
	03/12	51	24	16		9
	01/12	53	25	14		8
	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 who buy health insurance on their own					
	06/13	31	39	20		10

4. During the past 30 days, did you see or hear any ads or commercials having to do with the health care law, or not?

	06/13	04/13	04/12
Yes, seen or heard ads about law	25	26	34
No, have not seen or heard ads about law	74	72	64
Don't know/Refused	1	2	2

5. Did you see or hear any ads about the health care law (INSERT AND RANDOMIZE), or not? How about (INSERT ITEM)? READ IF NECESSARY: Did you see or hear any ads about the health care law (INSERT AND RANDOMIZE), or not?

Based on those who have seen or heard ads about health care law (n=417)

			Don't know/
	Yes	No	Refused
a. On the internet	41	58	1
b. On TV	84	16	*
c. In a newspaper	34	64	2
d. On the radio	40	59	1

6. Did you see or hear any ads that (INSERT AND RANDOMIZE), or not? [REPEAT STEM EACH TIME]

Based on those who have seen or heard ads about health care law

				Don't know/	
		Yes	No	Refused	(n=)
a. Provided information about how to get he	ealth insurance				
coverage under the health care law					
-	06/13	35	63	2	(417)
	04/13	36	60	4	(310)
b. Were in support of the health care law					
	06/13	57	40	3	(417)
	04/13	48	49	3	(310)
c. Were opposed to the health care law					
	06/13	72	26	2	(417)
	04/13	75	24	2	(310)

Summary Q4 and Q6 based on total

	06/13	04/13
Yes, seen or heard ads about law	25	26
a. Provided information about how to get health insurance coverage under		
the health care law		
Yes	9	9
No	16	15
Don't know/Refused	1	1
b. Were in support of the health care law		
Yes	14	12
No	10	12
Don't know/Refused	1	1
c. Were opposed to the health care law		
Yes	18	19
No	7	6
Don't know/Refused	*	*
No, have not seen or heard ads about law	74	72
Don't know/Refused	1	2

7. After seeing or hearing these ads, did you seek out additional information about the health care law, or not?

Based on those who have seen or heard ads about health care law (n=417)

	06/13
Yes, sought out additional information	26
No, did not seek out additional information	74
Don't know/Refused	*

Summary of Q4 and Q7 based on total

	06/13	
Yes, seen or heard ads about law	25	
Yes, sought out additional information		7
No, did not seek out additional information		19
Don't know/Refused		*
No, have not seen or heard ads about law	74	
Don't know/Refused	1	

READ TO ALL: On another topic...

8. Do you have a generally (favorable) or generally (unfavorable) opinion of (INSERT AND RANDOMIZE, ALWAYS ASK ITEM a FIRST)?

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

[favorable/unfavorable] opinion?) How about (INSERT ITEM)? READ IF NECESSARY: Do you have a generally (favorable) or generally (unfavorable) opinion of (ITEM)? (GET ANSWER THEN ASK: Is that a very [favorable/unfavorable] or somewhat [favorable/unfavorable] opinion?)

Items a-e based on full sample Items f-h based on half sample A (n=753) Items i-k based on half sample B (n=752)

	Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	Don't know/ Refused
a. ObamaCare	21	21	12	35	11
b. Health insurance companies	12	32	24	24	8
c. Democrats in Congress	15	26	21	27	11
d. Republicans in Congress	10	25	24	31	10
e. President Barack Obama	29	23	12	31	5
f. Drug or pharmaceutical companies	14	29	20	27	10
g. Doctors	46	34	8	6	6
h. Airlines	16	37	17	13	18
i. Oil companies	8	23	23	34	12
j. Banks	14	36	23	19	8
k. Hospitals	31	42	14	8	5

READ TO ALL: As you may know, the health care 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.

9. How much, if anything, have you heard about this new health insurance marketplace, [IF THERE IS A STATE EXCHANGE NAME: also known as (INSERT STATE EXCHANGE NAME)] in your state? Have you heard a lot, some, only a little, or nothing at all?

	06/13
A lot	8
Some	14
Only a little	34
Nothing at all	45
Don't know/Refused	*

READ: On another topic...

10. How important is it to you personally to have health insurance? Very important, somewhat important, not too important, or not at all important?

	06/13
Very important	87
Somewhat important	9
Not too important	2
Not at all important	2
Don't know/Refused	1

11. Which of the following comes closer to your view? (READ AND ROTATE)

	06/13
Health insurance is something I need	88
I'm healthy enough that I don't really need health insurance	11
Don't know/Refused	1

12. Would you say that health insurance IS or IS NOT worth the money it costs?

	06/13
Health insurance is worth the money	68
Health insurance is not worth the money	27
Don't know/Refused	5

13. Which one of the following do you think is the MOST important reason to have health insurance? [IF RESPONDENT SAYS "BOTH", READ: We realize these reasons are both very important to most people, but if you absolutely had to choose between the two, would you say...?] (READ AND ROTATE)

	06/13 Total	06/13 Ages 18-64	07/03 ⁵ Ages 18-64
To pay for everyday health care expenses, like check-ups and prescriptions	23	23	25
To protect against high medical bills in case of severe illness or accident	75	76	71
Don't know/Refused	2	2	4

14. If you had to choose between having more comprehensive health insurance benefits and lower wages, or less comprehensive health insurance benefits and higher wages, which would you choose?

		06/13	07/03 ⁶
		Ages 18-64,	Ages 18-64,
		who have	who have
		insurance	insurance
	06/13	through an	through an
	Total	employer	employer
More comprehensive health insurance and lower wages	45	39	52
Less comprehensive health insurance and higher wages	46	53	36
Unemployed/not working (VOL.)	3	1	
Don't know/Refused	7	7	12

15. 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.	Not being able to pay medical bills for routine health care services					
	06/13	29	20	28	22	*
b.	Not being able to pay medical bills in the event of a serious illness or accident					
	06/13	40	26	18	15	*

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July 2003 survey conducted among adults ages 18 through 64.

⁶ July 2003 question only asked of adults ages 18 through 64 who have employer-sponsored insurance.

ima		Very worried	Somewhat worried	Not too worried	Not at all worried	Don't know/ Refused
c.	Your income not keeping up with rising					
	prices					
	06/13	46	30	13	10	1
	05/12	38	31	11	18	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
Not being able to pay your rent or mortgage					
06/13	30	17	20	32	1
05/12	20	20	17	42	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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	, 3	Very worried	Somewhat worried	Not too worried	Not at all worried	Not insured (VOL.)	Don't know/ Refused
e.	Losing your health insurance coverage						
	06/13 Total	32	19	22	25	3	*
	Based on the insured						
	06/13	31	19	23	26		*
	05/12	20	21	20	38		*
	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		*
f.	Not having enough money for retirement						
	06/13	42	27	16	14		*
	05/12	37	28	12	22		1
	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

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	80
Not covered by health insurance	19
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, 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=1,287)

Plan through your employer	39
Plan through your spouse's employer	15
Plan you purchased yourself	7
Medicare	19
Medicaid/Medi-CAL	6
Some other government program	4
Somewhere else (SPECIFY)	2
Plan through your parents/mother/father (VOL.)	7
Don't know/Refused	1

Summary D4 and D4a based on total

Covered by health insurance	80
Employer	32
Spouse's employer	12
Self-purchased plan	6
Medicare	15
Medicaid/Medi-CAL	5
Other government program	3
Somewhere else	1
Plan through parents/mother/father (VOL.)	5
Don't know/Refused	1
Not covered by health insurance	19
Don't know/Refused	1

D4b. Is the coverage you have just for yourself or does it also cover other family members? (Asked of those who are insured through their own employer only and under age 65)

Summary of D4a and D4b based on those with employer coverage under age 65 (n=606)

Single plan	30
Family plan ⁷	70
Don't Know/Refused	1

Family plan includes those who get coverage through a spouse's employer and those who get coverage through their own employer and say the plan covers other family members.

16. How would you rate your overall health insurance coverage – excellent, good, not so good or poor?

Based on those who are insured

	06/13	07/11	03/11	08/09	06/08
Excellent	32	37	32	36	32
Good	55	52	58	54	55
Not so good	9	6	9	5	8
Poor	2	3	1	4	3
Don't know/Refused	1	1	*	1	1
	(n=1,287)	(n=1,025)	(n=1,075)	(n=1,032)	(n=1,096)

17. Which of the following three statements comes closest to your own view about your current health insurance coverage?

Based on those who are insured

	06/13 Insured	06/13 Insured, Ages 18-64	03/09 ⁸ Insured	07/03 ⁹ Insured, Ages 18-64
My health insurance is good and I feel financially well- protected when it comes to meeting my health care needs	50	51	51	57
My health insurance is adequate, but I worry that I might have health care needs that it won't pay for, or	42	41	41	38
My health insurance is inadequate, and I feel very worried about my health care needs not being paid for	7	7	7	4
Don't know/Refused	1 (n=1,287)	* (n=901)	1 (n=1114)	1 (n=2,042)

18. As far as you know, did your/your spouse's employer offer you a choice of different health plans, or only one plan?

Based on those insured through an employer and under age 65

	06/13	09/09 ¹⁰	07/03
Choice of different plans	61	57	58
Only one plan	36	39	39
Don't know/Refused	2	3	2
	(n=606)	(n=580)	(n=1,542)

July 2003 through March 2009 trend wording was "My health insurance is good and I feel well-protected when it comes to my (family's) health care needs; My health insurance is adequate, but I worry that (I/my family) might have health care needs that it won't pay for; My health insurance is inadequate, and I feel very worried about my (family's) health care needs not being paid for"

July 2003 survey conducted among adults ages 18 through 64.

September 2009 trend results are based on those who have health insurance through an employer and include those over the age of 65.

19. And about how many different health plans were offered for you to choose between? (READ RESPONSE CATEGORIES)

Based on those insured though an employer and who have a choice of different health plans

	06/13	09/09
Two plans	31	35
Three to five plans	58	50
More than five plans	9	11
Don't know/Refused	2	4
	(n=387)	(n=341)

Summary of Q18 and Q19 based on those insured through an employer and under age 65

	06/13	09/09 ¹¹
Only one plan	36	39
Choice of different plans	61	57
Two plans	19	20
Three to five plans	36	28
More than five plans	5	6
Don't know/Refused	1	2
Don't know/Refused	2	3

20. Given what you know about your/your spouse's employer's current financial situation, do you think they are offering you the best health insurance they can afford, or do you think they could be providing something better?

Based on those insured through an employer and under age 65

	06/13	08/11
Employer is offering best health insurance they can afford	67	62
Employer could be providing something better	29	30
Don't know/Refused	3	8
	(n=606)	(n=546)

21. Would you say you DO or DO NOT have a good idea of the total cost of your health insurance policy, including the cost to (you/your family) as well as to your/your spouse's employer?

Based on those insured through an employer and under age 65

	06/13	08/11
Have a good idea of the total cost of own health insurance policy	67	57
Do not have a good idea of the total cost of own health insurance policy	32	35
Don't know/Refused	1	9
	(n=606)	(n=546)

September 2009 trend results are based on those who have health insurance through their/their spouse's employer and include those over the age of 65.

22/23. Approximately how much would you say [you and your employer/ your family and (your/your spouse's employer] TOGETHER pay PER MONTH for your health insurance premiums?

Summary table of Q21, Q22, and Q23 based on those insured through an employer and under age 65

	06/13	08/11
Have a good idea of the total cost of own health insurance policy	67	57
Have a good idea of total cost – named a monthly amount	52	49
Have a good idea of total cost – could not name amount	15	8
Do not have a good idea of the total cost of own health insurance policy	32	35
Don't know/Refused	1	9
	(n=606)	(n=546)

Summary table of Q22 and Q23 based on those insured through an employer and under age 65 who had a good idea of the total cost and named a monthly amount

	06/13	08/11
Average monthly health insurance premium among those with single	\$444	\$343
coverage	(n=100)	(n=75)
Average monthly health insurance premium among those with family	\$984	\$801
coverage	(n=249)	(n=204)

24. What's the MAIN reason you do not currently have health insurance? (DO NOT READ LIST) (SINGLE RESPONSE ONLY) (PROBE FOR "MAIN REASON" IF RESPONDENT MENTIONS MORE THAN ONE REASON WHY THEY ARE UNINSURED)

Based on those who are uninsured

	06/13	08/11	03/11	03/09
Too expensive	40	46	48	37
Unemployed/lost job	14	16	8	22
Don't need it	12	7	5	9
Employer doesn't offer it	8	10	6	6
Can't get it/refused due to poor health, illness, or age	4	1	6	4
Not eligible for employer coverage	4	8	11	5
Don't know how to get it	4	1	3	
Other (SPECIFY)	13	10	9	17
Don't know/Refused	2		3	1
	(n=213)	(n=157)	(n=126)	(n=198)

25. 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 who are uninsured

	06/13	08/11	09/06 ¹²
Less than 3 months	8	6	6
3 months to less than a year	11	24	16
1 year to less than 2 years	16	16	12
2 years or more	66	54	66
Don't know/Refused			
	(n=213)	(n=157)	(n=156)

ABC News/KFF/USA Today Health Care Poll, September 7-12, 2006, n=1,201.

Some people buy health insurance on their OWN, that is, not through any employer, union, or government program. In the past three years, have you tried to buy health insurance on your own, either for yourself or for your family? (asked of all except those who currently purchase their own insurance)

Summary of D4a and Q26 based on total

	06/13
Bought/tried to buy insurance on own sometime in the past 3 years	20
Currently buy insurance on own	6
Have tried to buy insurance on own in past 3 years	15
No, have not tried to buy insurance on own	80
Don't know/Refused	*

- 27. 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?
- 28. [IF SOMEONE IN HH HAS PRE-EXISTING CONDITION] Is that you, or someone else in your household?

		06/13
	06/13	Ages 18-64
Yes, someone in household has pre-existing condition	51	49
Respondent	23	20
Someone else in household	17	18
Both (VOL.)	11	11
No, no one in household has pre-existing condition	48	50
Don't know/Refused	1	1

29. Have you or another family member living in your household ever been DENIED health insurance coverage because of a pre-existing condition, or not?

		06/13
	06/13	Ages 18-64
Yes, been denied insurance because of pre-existing condition	9	9
No, have not been denied insurance because of pre-existing condition	90	89
Don't know/Refused	1	1

30. Have you or another family member living in your household ever had a health insurance company DROP your coverage because of a preexisting condition, or not?

		06/13
	06/13	Ages 18-64
Yes, insurance company dropped coverage because of pre-existing condition	4	4
No, an insurance company has never dropped coverage because of pre- existing condition	96	95
Don't know/Refused	1	1

31. Has a health insurance company ever increased the premium you or another family member living in your household had to pay because of a pre-existing condition, or not?

	06/13	
	06/13	Ages 18-64
Yes, insurance company increased premium because of pre-existing condition	9	9
No, an insurance company has never increased premium because of pre-existing condition	89	88
Don't know/Refused	3	3

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	30
Good	32
Only fair	15
Poor	4
Don't know/Refused	*

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

Employed full-time	45
Employed part-time	11
Unemployed and currently seeking employment	7
Unemployed and not seeking employment	2
A student	7
Retired	17
On disability and can't work	5
Or, a homemaker or stay at home parent?	7
Don't know/Refused	*

- 32. Are you or another family member living in your household a small business owner, or not?
- 33. [IF SOMEONE IN HH IS A SMALL BUSINESS OWNER] Is that you, or someone else in your household?

Yes, someone in household is small business owner	14	
Respondent		7
Someone else in household		6
Both (VOL.)		1
No, no one in household is a small business owner	86	
Don't know/Refused	*	

34. Including all its locations and worksites, (not just your own,) about how many people are employed by the company or organization (you work for/your SPOUSE works for)? Just stop me when I get to the right category. Are there fewer than 50 employees, 50 to 100 employees, or more than 100 employees? [IF NECESSARY: Just your best guess.]

Based on those insured through an employer and under age 65

	06/13	08/11
Fewer than 50 employees	15	14
50 to 100 employees	11	16
More than 100 employees	71	61
Don't know/Refused	1	8
	(n=606)	(n=546)

Summary of D4a and Q34 based on those under age 65

	06/13	08/11
Have insurance coverage through an employer	50	55
Fewer than 50 employees	8	8
50 to 100 employees	6	9
More than 100 employees	35	33
Don't know/Refused	*	5
Have insurance coverage through another source	27	23
Uninsured	23	22
Don't know/Refused	1	*
	(n=1,108)	(n=905)

35. In the past 12 months, have you or another family member living in your household passed up a job opportunity, stayed at a job you would have quit otherwise, or decided not to retire mainly to keep the health insurance coverage you were receiving, or not

	06/13
Yes	6
No	93
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	34
50-64	27
65 and older	17
Don't know/Refused	

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

Republican	22
Democrat	30
Independent	35
Or what/Other/None/No preference/Other party	8
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 OPTIONS IN SAME ORDER AS D8)

Summary D8 and D8a based on total	
Republican/Lean Republican	38
Democrat/Lean Democratic	45
Other/Don't lean/Don't know	17
Five-Point Party ID	

Democrat	30
Independent Lean Democratic	15
Independent/Don't lean	17
Independent Lean Republican	16
Republican	22
Undesignated	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)	4
High school graduate (Grade 12 with diploma or GED certificate)	35
Some college, no degree (includes some community college)	18
Two year associate degree from a college/university	12
Four year college or university degree/Bachelor's degree	17
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	66	
Total non-White	33	
Black or African-American, non-Hispanic		11
Hispanic		14
Asian, non-Hispanic		4
Other/Mixed race, non-Hispanic		3
Undesignated	2	

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

Based on Hispanics (n=155)

U.S.	44
Puerto Rico	5
Another country	51
Don't know/Refused	*

D14. Last year—that is, in 2012—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	16
\$20,000 to less than \$30,000	13
\$30,000 to less than \$40,000	11
\$40,000 to less than \$50,000	10
\$50,000 to less than \$75,000	13
\$75,000 to less than \$90,000	7
\$90,000 to less than \$100,000	4
\$100,000 or more	16
Don't know/Refused	9

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

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