

The American Consumer Institute
 Consumer Pulse Survey 2010

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Do you support or oppose the current Congressional healthcare proposal
 as it is currently written?

(IF SUPPORT/OPPOSE: Is that strongly or somewhat?)

	Total	Party					Race					Age					Union			
		Rep.	Dem.	Ind.	Oth.	Dk/Ref	White	Black	Hisp.	Asian	Oth.	Dk/Ref	< 25	25-44	45-64	65+	Ref	Yes	No	Dk
Base	1001	274	342	280	42	64	719	88	138	8	38	10	50	379	369	199	3	150	841	10
Strongly support	111 11.1	13 4.7	76 22.3	19 6.8	2 4.0	1 2.1	60 8.3	15 17.4	23 17.0	1 7.2	12 32.3	- -	4 7.6	48 12.7	43 11.6	17 8.3	- -	17 11.1	93 11.0	2 18.3
somewhat support	131 13.1	23 8.6	73 21.5	24 8.8	4 9.8	6 9.1	85 11.8	18 20.1	23 16.6	2 24.2	3 7.7	1 10.3	19 38.7	48 12.7	41 11.0	23 11.5	* 0.9	20 13.0	110 13.1	2 15.4
Neutral, neither agree nor disagree	89 8.9	11 3.9	32 9.4	28 10.0	3 7.0	15 24.1	67 9.3	7 8.3	10 7.2	1 17.5	2 5.8	1 11.0	2 4.5	31 8.1	39 10.6	15 7.7	2 54.5	15 10.2	72 8.5	2 22.2
somewhat oppose	131 13.1	37 13.5	46 13.6	41 14.5	6 13.7	1 2.0	101 14.1	13 14.7	14 10.0	1 9.5	2 4.1	1 8.3	5 10.4	65 17.2	41 11.1	18 9.3	1 25.1	13 8.5	118 14.1	- -
Strongly oppose	353 35.2	155 56.8	45 13.2	115 41.0	21 48.6	17 26.7	284 39.6	17 18.8	37 26.9	1 12.4	10 27.3	3 31.8	10 19.5	116 30.5	145 39.2	82 41.1	1 16.8	51 33.8	301 35.8	1 10.3
(DK/Other)	186 18.6	35 12.6	68 20.0	53 18.9	7 16.9	23 36.1	122 16.9	18 20.8	31 22.4	2 29.2	9 23.0	4 38.6	10 19.4	71 18.7	61 16.4	44 22.2	* 2.7	35 23.3	147 17.5	3 33.8

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	Do you support the Congressional Healthcare Bill															
	Income							Gender		Neutral, Neither						
	Total	< \$25K	\$25K \$49K	\$50K \$74K	\$75K \$100K	\$100K+	Dk/Ref	Male	Female	Strongly Support	Somewhat Support	Agree nor Disagree	Somewhat Oppose	Strongly Oppose	DK/Other	
Base	1001	258	268	188	118	158	10	491	510	111	131	89	131	353	186	
Strongly support	111	27	38	15	11	19	1	51	60	111	-	-	-	-	-	
	11.1	10.3	14.3	8.1	9.5	11.9	11.5	10.5	11.8	100.0	-	-	-	-	-	
somewhat support	131	32	42	23	10	24	1	60	71	-	131	-	-	-	-	
	13.1	12.3	15.6	12.3	8.3	15.0	9.5	12.2	13.9	-	100.0	-	-	-	-	
Neutral, neither agree nor disagree	89	25	23	13	14	13	1	43	46	-	-	89	-	-	-	
	8.9	9.9	8.5	6.8	12.1	8.0	10.2	8.8	9.0	-	-	100.0	-	-	-	
somewhat oppose	131	37	27	35	18	13	1	71	60	-	-	-	131	-	-	
	13.1	14.5	9.9	18.3	15.5	8.2	11.6	14.6	11.7	-	-	-	100.0	-	-	
Strongly oppose	353	76	89	71	40	74	4	184	168	-	-	-	-	353	-	
	35.2	29.2	33.2	37.6	33.7	46.6	38.4	37.6	33.0	-	-	-	-	100.0	-	
(DK/Other)	186	61	50	32	25	16	2	80	106	-	-	-	-	-	186	
	18.6	23.8	18.5	16.9	20.9	10.3	18.7	16.3	20.7	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	

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Consumers should make their own decisions about healthcare coverage

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		Rep.	Dem.	Ind.	Oth.	Dk/Ref	White	Black	Hisp.	Asian	Oth.	Dk/Ref	< 25	25-44	45-64	65+	Ref	Yes	No	Dk
Base	1001	274	342	280	42	64	719	88	138	8	38	10	50	379	369	199	3	150	841	10
Agree	899	266	286	259	39	50	648	76	125	8	34	8	45	350	331	171	3	137	754	8
	89.8	97.1	83.6	92.7	90.9	78.7	90.1	86.4	90.8	95.6	89.7	81.1	89.8	92.2	89.5	85.9	86.9	91.2	89.6	83.9
Disagree	67	6	40	13	4	4	44	10	10	*	1	2	3	21	25	18	*	6	60	2
	6.7	2.3	11.7	4.7	9.1	6.6	6.2	10.8	7.6	4.4	2.6	18.3	6.5	5.4	6.8	9.1	11.2	4.1	7.1	15.8
(DK/Other)	34	2	16	7	-	9	27	2	2	-	3	*	2	9	14	10	*	7	27	*
	3.4	0.7	4.7	2.6	-	14.7	3.7	2.8	1.7	-	7.7	0.6	3.7	2.4	3.7	5.0	1.8	4.7	3.3	0.3

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Consumers should make their own decisions about healthcare coverage

	Do you support the Congressional Healthcare Bill														
	Income							Gender		Neutral, Neither					
	Total	< \$25K	\$25K-\$49K	\$50K-\$74K	\$75K-\$100K	\$100K-\$100K+	Dk/Ref	Male	Female	Strongly Support	Somewhat Support	Agree nor Disagree	Somewhat Oppose	Strongly Oppose	DK/Other
Base	1001	258	268	188	118	158	10	491	510	111	131	89	131	353	186
Agree	899	224	238	174	107	147	9	446	453	92	118	72	117	336	164
	89.8	86.8	88.7	92.5	90.3	93.1	90.6	91.0	88.7	82.8	89.9	80.5	89.7	95.2	88.2
Disagree	67	23	19	11	8	6	1	30	37	13	8	11	11	13	11
	6.7	8.8	7.0	5.8	7.0	4.0	5.8	6.1	7.3	12.0	5.9	12.8	8.5	3.7	5.8
(DK/Other)	34	11	12	3	3	5	*	14	20	6	5	6	2	4	11
	3.4	4.4	4.3	1.7	2.7	2.9	3.6	2.9	4.0	5.2	4.2	6.7	1.8	1.1	6.0

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The government should make decisions about your healthcare coverage

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		Rep.	Dem.	Ind.	Oth.	Dk/Ref	White	Black	Hisp.	Asian	Oth.	Dk/Ref	< 25	25-44	45-64	65+	Ref	Yes	No	Dk
Base	1001	274	342	280	42	64	719	88	138	8	38	10	50	379	369	199	3	150	841	10
Agree	137	16	79	28	7	7	85	14	27	2	9	-	12	54	41	29	1	13	122	3
	13.7	5.7	23.2	10.2	16.7	10.3	11.8	16.2	19.6	24.1	23.4	-	23.2	14.2	11.2	14.6	30.2	8.6	14.4	26.2
Disagree	816	257	240	239	35	44	599	66	109	6	27	10	38	308	311	157	2	128	682	7
	81.5	94.0	70.3	85.6	83.3	68.9	83.3	74.7	78.7	70.7	71.8	99.2	75.3	81.3	84.3	78.6	67.1	85.4	81.0	65.8
(DK/Other)	48	1	22	12	-	13	35	8	2	*	2	*	1	17	17	14	*	9	38	1
	4.8	0.4	6.4	4.2	-	20.7	4.9	9.1	1.7	5.2	4.8	0.8	1.5	4.5	4.5	6.8	2.8	6.0	4.5	8.1

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The government should make decisions about your healthcare coverage

	Do you support the Congressional Healthcare Bill														
	Income							Gender		Neutral, Neither					
	Total	< \$25K	\$25K - \$49K	\$50K - \$74K	\$75K - \$100K	\$100K - \$100K+	Dk/Ref	Male	Female	Strongly Support	Somewhat Support	Agree nor Disagree	Somewhat Oppose	Strongly Oppose	DK/Other
Base	1001	258	268	188	118	158	10	491	510	111	131	89	131	353	186
Agree	137	47	30	24	14	21	1	55	82	41	37	10	22	12	15
	13.7	18.4	11.2	12.6	11.8	13.2	10.8	11.2	16.1	36.8	28.1	10.8	16.7	3.5	8.2
Disagree	816	194	224	158	99	132	8	411	405	61	86	71	106	338	154
	81.5	75.3	83.5	84.2	83.9	83.3	84.0	83.7	79.4	54.9	65.2	79.9	81.3	95.9	82.7
(DK/Other)	48	16	14	6	5	6	1	25	23	9	9	8	3	2	17
	4.8	6.3	5.3	3.2	4.3	3.6	5.2	5.1	4.5	8.3	6.7	9.3	2.0	0.6	9.1

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We need tort reform to reduce malpractice insurance costs

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		Rep.	Dem.	Ind.	Oth.	Dk/Ref	White	Black	Hisp.	Asian	Oth.	Dk/Ref	< 25	25-44	45-64	65+	Ref	Yes	No	Dk
Base	1001	274	342	280	42	64	719	88	138	8	38	10	50	379	369	199	3	150	841	10
Agree	702	202	238	194	29	39	510	62	97	4	22	6	32	268	261	140	2	104	592	5
	70.1	74.0	69.5	69.3	67.6	61.7	71.0	70.1	70.3	50.0	58.3	64.9	63.6	70.6	70.6	70.0	65.3	69.5	70.4	53.9
Disagree	146	29	65	38	8	6	98	14	25	2	5	1	8	53	64	20	*	30	113	2
	14.5	10.6	18.9	13.6	18.4	9.6	13.7	16.2	17.9	25.5	13.8	10.0	16.0	13.9	17.4	10.1	11.2	20.3	13.5	17.0
(DK/Other)	154	42	39	48	6	18	110	12	16	2	11	3	10	59	44	40	1	15	135	3
	15.3	15.4	11.5	17.1	14.0	28.8	15.3	13.7	11.8	24.6	27.9	25.1	20.4	15.5	12.0	19.8	23.4	10.2	16.1	29.1

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We need tort reform to reduce malpractice insurance costs

	Do you support the Congressional Healthcare Bill														
	Income							Gender		Neutral, Neither					
	Total	< \$25K	\$25K-\$49K	\$50K-\$74K	\$75K-\$100K	\$100K-\$100K+	Dk/Ref	Male	Female	Strongly Support	Somewhat Support	Agree nor Disagree	Somewhat Oppose	Strongly Oppose	DK/Other
Base	1001	258	268	188	118	158	10	491	510	111	131	89	131	353	186
Agree	702	155	189	140	83	128	7	357	344	83	90	53	83	277	115
	70.1	59.8	70.6	74.3	70.2	81.0	69.2	72.9	67.4	75.0	68.3	59.8	63.7	78.6	61.9
Disagree	146	44	40	25	14	22	1	76	69	19	25	17	24	40	21
	14.5	17.0	15.0	13.1	12.0	13.8	9.6	15.5	13.6	16.8	19.3	18.7	18.2	11.3	11.4
(DK/Other)	154	60	39	24	21	8	2	57	97	9	16	19	24	36	50
	15.3	23.2	14.4	12.6	17.8	5.2	21.2	11.6	19.0	8.2	12.4	21.5	18.0	10.1	26.8

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In regard to the current legislative healthcare debate, do you agree or disagree with the following...

Health insurance companies should be allowed to compete across state lines

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		Rep.	Dem.	Ind.	Oth.	Dk/Ref	White	Black	Hisp.	Asian	Oth.	Dk/Ref	< 25	25-44	45-64	65+	Ref	Yes	No	Dk
Base	1001	274	342	280	42	64	719	88	138	8	38	10	50	379	369	199	3	150	841	10
Agree	793	234	263	223	33	40	594	60	95	6	29	8	31	309	300	151	2	117	669	7
	79.3	85.6	76.9	79.9	77.6	62.8	82.7	68.0	68.9	79.3	77.3	80.4	62.3	81.5	81.1	75.7	81.4	78.4	79.6	65.4
Disagree	148	28	65	37	7	11	78	23	37	1	7	2	17	53	45	33	*	19	126	3
	14.8	10.2	19.1	13.2	17.1	17.4	10.8	26.5	27.0	15.0	17.7	17.4	34.5	14.0	12.1	16.8	1.8	12.9	14.9	33.6
(DK/Other)	59	12	14	19	2	13	46	5	6	*	2	*	2	17	25	15	1	13	46	*
	5.9	4.2	4.0	6.9	5.4	19.8	6.4	5.4	4.1	5.7	5.0	2.1	3.2	4.5	6.8	7.5	16.8	8.7	5.5	0.9

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	Income							Gender		Neutral, Neither					
	Total	< \$25K	\$25K-\$49K	\$50K-\$74K	\$75K-\$100K	\$100K+	Dk/Ref	Male	Female	Strongly Support	Somewhat Support	Agree nor Disagree	Somewhat Oppose	Strongly Oppose	DK/Other
Base	1001	258	268	188	118	158	10	491	510	111	131	89	131	353	186
Agree	793	187	204	157	95	143	7	399	394	84	101	64	99	303	143
	79.3	72.4	76.0	83.4	80.6	90.4	74.0	81.3	77.2	75.1	76.7	72.0	75.3	86.0	76.9
Disagree	148	57	52	14	12	11	1	67	82	24	21	17	25	36	25
	14.8	22.2	19.3	7.4	10.6	7.2	12.5	13.6	16.0	21.9	16.2	18.6	19.1	10.1	13.7
(DK/Other)	59	14	13	17	10	4	1	25	35	3	9	8	7	14	17
	5.9	5.3	4.7	9.2	8.8	2.4	13.5	5.1	6.8	3.0	7.1	9.4	5.6	3.9	9.4

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In regard to the current legislative healthcare debate, do you agree or disagree with the following...

Health insurance coverage should include pre-existing medical conditions

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		Rep.	Dem.	Ind.	Oth.	Dk/Ref	White	Black	Hisp.	Asian	Oth.	Dk/Ref	< 25	25-44	45-64	65+	Ref	Yes	No	Dk
Base	1001	274	342	280	42	64	719	88	138	8	38	10	50	379	369	199	3	150	841	10
Agree	827	230	296	225	30	46	598	73	112	7	27	9	40	318	303	162	3	130	690	6
	82.6	84.0	86.6	80.5	71.1	71.5	83.3	82.7	81.2	87.3	71.2	89.4	80.9	83.9	82.1	81.1	99.1	87.0	82.0	64.8
Disagree	137	38	37	43	8	10	95	10	22	1	8	1	9	49	59	20	-	17	117	4
	13.7	14.1	10.8	15.3	19.8	16.2	13.2	11.2	15.6	12.4	22.0	10.6	17.6	13.0	15.9	10.1	-	11.2	13.9	35.2
(DK/Other)	38	5	9	12	4	8	25	5	4	*	3	-	1	12	7	18	*	3	35	-
	3.8	1.9	2.6	4.3	9.1	12.3	3.5	6.1	3.2	0.3	6.9	-	1.5	3.1	2.0	8.8	0.9	1.8	4.1	-

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	Do you support the Congressional Healthcare Bill														
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	Total	< \$25K	\$25K-\$49K	\$50K-\$74K	\$75K-\$100K	\$100K+	Dk/Ref	Male	Female	Strongly Support	Somewhat Support	Neutral, Agree nor Disagree	Somewhat Oppose	Strongly Oppose	DK/Other
Base	1001	258	268	188	118	158	10	491	510	111	131	89	131	353	186
Agree	827	213	216	164	100	125	8	388	439	100	110	68	113	284	152
	82.6	82.4	80.5	87.4	85.0	78.7	83.2	79.1	85.9	90.1	83.4	76.5	86.5	80.4	81.7
Disagree	137	33	41	20	13	29	1	86	51	9	22	13	15	54	24
	13.7	12.8	15.3	10.7	10.9	18.4	8.9	17.5	10.0	8.1	16.6	14.5	11.7	15.3	12.9
(DK/Other)	38	12	11	4	5	5	1	17	21	2	-	8	2	15	10
	3.8	4.8	4.2	2.0	4.0	2.9	7.9	3.4	4.1	1.8	-	9.0	1.8	4.3	5.4

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We need tax increases to pay for universal healthcare costs

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		Rep.	Dem.	Ind.	Oth.	Dk/Ref	White	Black	Hisp.	Asian	Oth.	Dk/Ref	< 25	25-44	45-64	65+	Ref	Yes	No	Dk
Base	1001	274	342	280	42	64	719	88	138	8	38	10	50	379	369	199	3	150	841	10
Agree	287	52	142	67	13	13	198	33	39	1	14	2	21	114	100	52	*	51	232	4
	28.7	19.0	41.7	23.8	29.5	21.1	27.6	37.1	28.4	16.4	35.8	19.0	42.1	30.2	27.0	25.9	2.6	34.2	27.5	41.6
Disagree	658	217	183	192	29	36	476	52	96	6	21	6	24	252	250	129	3	92	562	4
	65.7	79.3	53.6	68.7	68.9	57.3	66.2	59.1	69.6	75.0	56.1	62.4	48.5	66.3	67.6	65.0	96.5	61.5	66.8	40.9
(DK/Other)	56	5	16	21	1	14	44	3	3	1	3	2	5	13	20	18	*	6	48	2
	5.6	1.7	4.7	7.5	1.6	21.6	6.2	3.8	2.0	8.6	8.1	18.6	9.3	3.5	5.4	9.0	0.9	4.3	5.7	17.4

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	Do you support the Congressional Healthcare Bill														
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Base	1001	258	268	188	118	158	10	491	510	111	131	89	131	353	186
Agree	287	69	78	66	29	42	2	146	141	62	65	25	41	48	46
	28.7	26.7	29.2	35.0	24.9	26.7	23.0	29.8	27.5	55.5	49.2	28.5	31.6	13.6	24.8
Disagree	658	172	174	110	83	112	6	316	342	48	56	51	85	299	119
	65.7	66.6	64.9	58.7	70.4	70.7	64.0	64.4	67.0	42.8	42.6	57.3	64.8	84.8	64.2
(DK/Other)	56	17	16	12	6	4	1	28	28	2	11	13	5	6	20
	5.6	6.8	5.9	6.4	4.8	2.6	12.9	5.8	5.5	1.7	8.2	14.2	3.6	1.6	11.0

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We need Medicare cuts to pay for universal healthcare costs

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		Rep.	Dem.	Ind.	Oth.	Dk/Ref	White	Black	Hisp.	Asian	Oth.	Dk/Ref	< 25	25-44	45-64	65+	Ref	Yes	No	Dk
Base	1001	274	342	280	42	64	719	88	138	8	38	10	50	379	369	199	3	150	841	10
Agree	172	31	82	41	7	11	85	26	51	2	7	1	17	68	52	34	*	29	141	2
	17.2	11.4	24.0	14.6	15.9	17.4	11.9	29.0	36.6	26.6	18.4	12.2	33.6	18.0	14.1	17.2	14.0	19.6	16.7	17.7
Disagree	768	227	246	220	33	42	584	57	85	4	31	7	28	288	297	152	2	115	645	7
	76.7	83.0	72.1	78.7	77.4	65.2	81.2	64.2	61.7	51.7	81.3	69.2	55.3	76.0	80.4	76.5	72.2	77.0	76.7	71.6
(DK/Other)	61	15	13	19	3	11	49	6	2	2	*	2	6	22	20	13	*	5	55	1
	6.1	5.6	3.9	6.7	6.7	17.4	6.9	6.8	1.6	21.7	0.3	18.6	11.1	5.9	5.5	6.3	13.8	3.4	6.6	10.6

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In regard to the current legislative healthcare debate, do you agree or disagree with the following...

We need Medicare cuts to pay for universal healthcare costs

	Do you support the Congressional Healthcare Bill																			
	Income							Gender							Neutral, Neither			Q9. Internet		
	Total	< \$25K	\$25K-\$49K	\$50K-\$74K	\$75K-\$100K	\$100K+	Dk/Ref	Male	Female	Strongly Support	Somewhat Support	Agree nor Disagree	Somewhat Oppose	Strongly Oppose	DK/Other	Yes	No	DK/Other		
Base	1001	258	268	188	118	158	10	491	510	111	131	89	131	353	186	735	264	1		
Agree	172	58	44	30	17	22	1	92	80	27	43	12	17	39	34	117	54	1		
	17.2	22.3	16.4	16.0	14.3	14.1	8.8	18.8	15.6	24.3	32.8	13.9	12.8	10.9	18.4	15.9	20.4	93.8		
Disagree	768	182	204	150	93	131	8	367	401	79	83	68	110	296	130	574	193	*		
	76.7	70.4	76.0	79.6	78.7	82.8	83.6	74.8	78.5	71.3	63.5	76.7	83.8	84.1	70.3	78.1	73.2	6.2		
(DK/Other)	61	19	20	8	8	5	1	32	30	5	5	8	4	18	21	44	17	-		
	6.1	7.3	7.6	4.4	7.0	3.1	7.6	6.4	5.8	4.4	3.7	9.4	3.4	5.0	11.4	6.0	6.4	-		