

## National Tracking Poll

Project: 160509

N Size: 2001 Registered Voters

Margin of Error:  $\pm 2\%$

May 24-27, 2016

### Topline Report

Question	Response	Frequency	Percentage
pp1	<i>Now, generally speaking, would you say that things in the country are going in the right direction, or have they pretty seriously gotten off on the wrong track?</i>		
	Right Direction	605	30%
	Wrong Track	1396	70%
pp2	<i>Now, thinking about your vote, what would you say is the top set of issues on your mind when you cast your vote for federal offices such as U.S. Senate or Congress?</i>		
	Economic Issues	715	36%
	Security Issues	336	17%
	Health Care Issues	218	11%
	Senior's Issues	315	16%
	Women's Issues	79	4%
	Education Issues	149	7%
	Energy Issues	102	5%
	Other	87	4%
pp3	<i>Home healthcare services are skilled clinical services provided under a physician's care to homebound seniors and disabled Americans inside their home. Medicare currently covers home healthcare services, which are able to be delivered at a lower cost to Medicare than facility-based healthcare services. Do you favor or oppose Medicare coverage of these home healthcare services?</i>		
	Strongly favor	1212	61%
	Somewhat favor	499	25%
	Somewhat oppose	65	3%
	Strongly oppose	27	1%
	Don't Know / No Opinion	198	10%
pp4	<i>Have you, a member of your family, a friend or someone else you know received Medicare home healthcare services, also referred to as Home Health?</i>		
	Yes	885	44%
	No	881	44%
	Don't Know / No Opinion	235	12%

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pq5	<i>To the best of your knowledge, do you think that person's impression of Medicare home healthcare services, also referred to as Home Health, is very positive, somewhat positive, somewhat negative, or very negative? (N=885)</i>		
	Very positive	389	44%
	Somewhat positive	389	44%
	Somewhat negative	59	7%
	Very negative	10	1%
	Don't Know / No Opinion	38	4%
pq6	<i>Do you support or oppose cutting the funding of Medicare home healthcare services, also referred to as Home Health?</i>		
	Strongly support	289	14%
	Somewhat support	228	11%
	Somewhat oppose	280	14%
	Strongly oppose	1020	51%
	Don't Know / No Opinion	184	9%
pq7a	<i>If a candidate for elected office SUPPORTED cutting the funding to Medicare home healthcare services, would that make you more or less likely to vote for that candidate? (N=1,006)</i>		
	Much more likely	97	10%
	Somewhat more likely	93	9%
	Somewhat less likely	235	23%
	Much less likely	434	43%
	Don't Know / No Opinion	147	15%
pq7b	<i>If a candidate for elected office OPPOSED cutting the funding to Medicare home healthcare services, would that make you more or less likely to vote for that candidate? (N=995)</i>		
	Much more likely	258	26%
	Somewhat more likely	293	29%
	Somewhat less likely	112	11%
	Much less likely	188	19%
	Don't Know / No Opinion	144	14%
pq8	<i>The Centers for Medicare &amp; Medicaid Services (CMS) the agency that runs the Medicare program recently announced plans to conduct a pilot program that will require home health agencies to get prior authorization before providing services to patients, which means a government official would have to approve care before delivered to the patient. Do you support or oppose this pilot program?</i>		
	Strongly support	270	13%
	Somewhat support	512	26%
	Somewhat oppose	458	23%
	Strongly oppose	461	23%
	Don't Know / No Opinion	300	15%

Question	Response	Frequency	Percentage
pq9_1	<i>If you knew the following, would you be more or less likely to support the new proposed pilot program that requires home healthcare agencies to get prior authorization before providing services to patients? Prior authorization will impede timely delivery of healthcare to patients because physician-order services will have to be reviewed and processed by a government agency first</i>		
	Much more likely to support	267	13%
	Somewhat more likely to support	291	15%
	Somewhat less likely to support	354	18%
	Much less likely to support	749	37%
	Don't Know / No Opinion	340	17%
pq9_2	<i>If you knew the following, would you be more or less likely to support the new proposed pilot program that requires home healthcare agencies to get prior authorization before providing services to patients? Prior authorization could increase out-of-pocket patient costs as a result of repeat hospitalizations</i>		
	Much more likely to support	256	13%
	Somewhat more likely to support	281	14%
	Somewhat less likely to support	370	18%
	Much less likely to support	763	38%
	Don't Know / No Opinion	331	17%
pq9_3	<i>If you knew the following, would you be more or less likely to support the new proposed pilot program that requires home healthcare agencies to get prior authorization before providing services to patients? A requirement for prior authorization for home healthcare service may prevent a patient from going home immediately following a hospitalization</i>		
	Much more likely to support	285	14%
	Somewhat more likely to support	366	18%
	Somewhat less likely to support	381	19%
	Much less likely to support	624	31%
	Don't Know / No Opinion	345	17%

*Note:* Group proportions may total to larger than one-hundred percent due to rounding. All statistics are calculated for registered voters with demographic post-stratification weights applied.

## Respondent Demographics Summary

### Summary Statistics of Survey Respondent Demographics

Demographic	Group	Frequency	Percentage
xdemAll	Registered Voters	2001	100%
xdemGender	Gender: Male	933	47%
	Gender: Female	1068	53%
	N	2001	
age5	Age: 18-29	499	25%
	Age: 30-44	320	16%
	Age: 45-54	413	21%
	Age: 55-64	342	17%
	Age: 65+	427	21%
	N	2001	
xpid3	PID: Dem (no lean)	750	37%
	PID: Ind (no lean)	680	34%
	PID: Rep (no lean)	571	29%
	N	2001	
xpidGender	PID/Gender: Dem Men	333	17%
	PID/Gender: Dem Women	417	21%
	PID/Gender: Ind Men	311	16%
	PID/Gender: Ind Women	369	18%
	PID/Gender: Rep Men	289	14%
	PID/Gender: Rep Women	282	14%
	N	2001	
xdemTea	Tea Party: Supporter	576	29%
	Tea Party: Not Supporter	1415	71%
	N	1990	
xdemIdeo3	Ideo: Liberal (1-3)	679	34%
	Ideo: Moderate (4)	497	25%
	Ideo: Conservative (5-7)	612	31%
	N	1787	
xeduc3	Educ: < College	1315	66%
	Educ: Bachelors degree	444	22%
	Educ: Post-grad	241	12%
	N	2001	
xdemInc3	Income: Under 50k	1244	62%
	Income: 50k-100k	586	29%
	Income: 100k+	171	9%
	N	2001	

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Demographic	Group	Frequency	Percentage
xdemWhite	Ethnicity: White	1630	81%
xdemHispBin	Ethnicity: Hispanic	179	9%
demBlackBin	Ethnicity: Afr. Am.	257	13%
demRaceOther	Ethnicity: Other	114	6%
xrelNet	Relig: Protestant	504	25%
	Relig: Roman Catholic	410	20%
	Relig: Ath./Agn./None	519	26%
	Relig: Something Else	341	17%
	N	1773	
xreligion1	Relig: Jewish	52	3%
xreligion2	Relig: Evangelical	592	30%
	Relig: Non-Evang. Catholics	548	27%
	N	1140	
xreligion3	Relig: All Christian	1140	57%
	Relig: All Non-Christian	860	43%
	N	2000	
xdemUsr	Community: Urban	538	27%
	Community: Suburban	874	44%
	Community: Rural	589	29%
	N	2001	
xdemEmploy	Employ: Private Sector	572	29%
	Employ: Government	136	7%
	Employ: Self-Employed	168	8%
	Employ: Homemaker	142	7%
	Employ: Student	101	5%
	Employ: Retired	497	25%
	Employ: Unemployed	202	10%
	Employ: Other	185	9%
	N	2001	
xdemJobStatus	Job Type: White-collar	688	34%
	Job Type: Blue-collar	913	46%
	Job Type: Don't Know	400	20%
	N	2001	
xdemMilHH1	Military HH: Yes	390	20%
	Military HH: No	1611	80%
	N	2001	

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Demographic	Group	Frequency	Percentage
xnr1	RD/WT: Right Direction	605	30%
	RD/WT: Wrong Track	1396	70%
	N	2001	
xnr2Bin	Obama Job: Approve	981	49%
	Obama Job: Disapprove	935	47%
	N	1916	
xnr3	#1 Issue: Economy	715	36%
	#1 Issue: Security	336	17%
	#1 Issue: Health Care	218	11%
	#1 Issue: Medicare / Social Security	315	16%
	#1 Issue: Women's Issues	79	4%
	#1 Issue: Education	149	7%
	#1 Issue: Energy	102	5%
	#1 Issue: Other	87	4%
	N	2001	
xsubVote14O	2014 Vote: Democrat	746	37%
	2014 Vote: Republican	583	29%
	2014 Vote: Other	76	4%
	2014 Vote: Didn't Vote	594	30%
	N	2000	
xsubVote12O	2012 Vote: Barack Obama	863	43%
	2012 Vote: Mitt Romney	577	29%
	2012 Vote: Other	105	5%
	2012 Vote: Didn't Vote	452	23%
	N	1998	
xreg4	4-Region: Northeast	365	18%
	4-Region: Midwest	472	24%
	4-Region: South	743	37%
	4-Region: West	421	21%
	N	2001	

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