

Just Facts' 2014 Survey of Voter Knowledge on Public Policy Issues

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Which of the following best describes how you participate in elections:	I vote every time there is an opportunity	365	365	0	123	136	22	64	20
		73.0%	100.0%	0.0%	72.8%	74.3%	78.6%	66.7%	83.3%
	I try to vote in most elections, but I sometimes miss one	135	0	135	46	47	6	32	4
		27.0%	0.0%	100.0%	27.2%	25.7%	21.4%	33.3%	16.7%

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Which of the following best describes how you participate in elections:	I vote every time there is an opportunity	365	8	179	172	6	174	191
		73.0%	66.7%	70.5%	75.4%	100.0%	72.8%	73.2%
	I try to vote in most elections, but I sometimes miss one	135	4	75	56	0	65	70
		27.0%	33.3%	29.5%	24.6%	0.0%	27.2%	26.8%

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	Taxes are less than \$25,000 per household per year	128 25.6%	90 24.7%	38 28.1%	47 27.8%	45 24.6%	8 28.6%	23 24.0%	5 20.8%
	Unsure	143 28.6%	101 27.7%	42 31.1%	51 30.2%	48 26.2%	5 17.9%	34 35.4%	5 20.8%
	Refused	5 1.0%	5 1.4%	0 0.0%	2 1.2%	0 0.0%	1 3.6%	1 1.0%	1 4.2%

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	Taxes are less than \$25,000 per household per year	128 25.6%	1 8.3%	65 25.6%	61 26.8%	1 16.7%	64 26.8%	64 24.5%
	Unsure	143 28.6%	4 33.3%	66 26.0%	71 31.1%	2 33.3%	61 25.5%	82 31.4%
	Refused	5 1.0%	0 0.0%	3 1.2%	2 .9%	0 0.0%	4 1.7%	1 .4%

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On average, who would you say pays a greater portion of their income in federal taxes: The middle-class or the upper 1% of income earners?	Middle Class	401	287	114	157	130	20	80	14
		80.2%	78.6%	84.4%	92.9%	71.0%	71.4%	83.3%	58.3%
	Upper 1%	81	66	15	7	45	8	14	7
		16.2%	18.1%	11.1%	4.1%	24.6%	28.6%	14.6%	29.2%
	Unsure	17	11	6	5	7	0	2	3
	3.4%	3.0%	4.4%	3.0%	3.8%	0.0%	2.1%	12.5%	
	Refused	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
		.2%	.3%	0.0%	0.0%	.5%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

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		80.2%	58.3%	78.7%	83.8%	50.0%	75.7%	84.3%
	Upper 1%	81	4	44	30	3	50	31
		16.2%	33.3%	17.3%	13.2%	50.0%	20.9%	11.9%
	Unsure	17	1	10	6	0	8	9
	3.4%	8.3%	3.9%	2.6%	0.0%	3.3%	3.4%	
	Refused	1	0	0	1	0	0	1
		.2%	0.0%	0.0%	.4%	0.0%	0.0%	.4%

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Suppose we broke down all government spending to a per household cost - do you think the combined spending of federal, state and local governments amounts to more or less than \$40,000 per household per year?	Government spending is more than \$40,000 per household per year	219 43.8%	167 45.8%	52 38.5%	60 35.5%	95 51.9%	17 60.7%	36 37.5%	11 45.8%
	Government spending is less than \$40,000 per household per year	158 31.6%	105 28.8%	53 39.3%	61 36.1%	50 27.3%	8 28.6%	36 37.5%	3 12.5%
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Do you think the federal government spends more money on social programs, such as Medicare, education, and food stamps... or does the federal government spend more money on national defense, such as the Army, Navy, and missile defense?	More on Social Programs	191 38.2%	143 39.2%	48 35.6%	29 17.2%	112 61.2%	13 46.4%	25 26.0%	12 50.0%
	More on National Defense	246 49.2%	179 49.0%	67 49.6%	121 71.6%	52 28.4%	13 46.4%	50 52.1%	10 41.7%
	Unsure	63 12.6%	43 11.8%	20 14.8%	19 11.2%	19 10.4%	2 7.1%	21 21.9%	2 8.3%
	Refused	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%

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What about federal government debt? The average U.S. household owes about \$108,000 in consumer debt, such as mortgages and credit cards. Thinking about all federal government debt broken down on a per household basis, do you think federal debt amounts to more or less than \$108,000 per U.S. household?	Federal debt is more than \$107,000 per household	351 70.2%	251 68.8%	100 74.1%	104 61.5%	146 79.8%	22 78.6%	64 66.7%	15 62.5%
	Federal debt is less than \$107,000 per household	77 15.4%	58 15.9%	19 14.1%	38 22.5%	15 8.2%	6 21.4%	15 15.6%	3 12.5%
	Unsure	70 14.0%	54 14.8%	16 11.9%	26 15.4%	21 11.5%	0 0.0%	17 17.7%	6 25.0%
	Refused	2 .4%	2 .5%	0 0.0%	1 .6%	1 .5%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%

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Over the past 5 years, which has grown at a faster rate, the U.S. economy or the national debt?	The U.S. economy has grown faster	61 12.2%	45 12.3%	16 11.9%	40 23.7%	7 3.8%	2 7.1%	9 9.4%	3 12.5%
	The national debt has grown faster	416 83.2%	302 82.7%	114 84.4%	115 68.0%	173 94.5%	26 92.9%	81 84.4%	21 87.5%
	Unsure	22 4.4%	17 4.7%	5 3.7%	14 8.3%	3 1.6%	0 0.0%	5 5.2%	0 0.0%
	Refused	1 .2%	1 .3%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	1 1.0%	0 0.0%

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Would you say the earth is measurably warmer than it was 30 years ago?	Yes	289 57.8%	211 57.8%	78 57.8%	151 89.3%	56 30.6%	16 57.1%	52 54.2%	14 58.3%
	No	168 33.6%	121 33.2%	47 34.8%	12 7.1%	106 57.9%	10 35.7%	31 32.3%	9 37.5%
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Thinking about the whole planet, do you think the number and intensity of hurricanes and tropical storms have generally increased over the past 30 years?	Yes	281	200	81	126	71	14	54	16
		56.2%	54.8%	60.0%	74.6%	38.8%	50.0%	56.3%	66.7%
	No	164	127	37	26	93	8	31	6
		32.8%	34.8%	27.4%	15.4%	50.8%	28.6%	32.3%	25.0%
	Unsure	52	36	16	17	17	6	10	2
		10.4%	9.9%	11.9%	10.1%	9.3%	21.4%	10.4%	8.3%
	Refused	3	2	1	0	2	0	1	0
		.6%	.5%	.7%	0.0%	1.1%	0.0%	1.0%	0.0%

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	No	164	2	85	74	3	93	71
		32.8%	16.7%	33.5%	32.5%	50.0%	38.9%	27.2%
	Unsure	52	5	21	26	0	28	24
	10.4%	41.7%	8.3%	11.4%	0.0%	11.7%	9.2%	
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Just thinking about the United States, in your opinion, is the air generally more polluted than it was 30 years ago?	245	179	66	101	68	15	48	13
Yes	49.0%	49.0%	48.9%	59.8%	37.2%	53.6%	50.0%	54.2%
No	218	160	58	62	97	11	39	9
	43.6%	43.8%	43.0%	36.7%	53.0%	39.3%	40.6%	37.5%
Unsure	35	25	10	5	17	2	9	2
	7.0%	6.8%	7.4%	3.0%	9.3%	7.1%	9.4%	8.3%
Refused	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	0
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If the U.S. stopped recycling and buried all of its trash for the next 100 years in a single landfill that was 30 feet high, how much of the nation's land area would this cover?	Less Than 1%	37 7.4%	28 7.7%	9 6.7%	8 4.7%	20 10.9%	2 7.1%	7 7.3%	0 0.0%
	1% to Less Than 5%	82 16.4%	55 15.1%	27 20.0%	22 13.0%	33 18.0%	8 28.6%	17 17.7%	2 8.3%
	More Than 5%	286 57.2%	208 57.0%	78 57.8%	113 66.9%	89 48.6%	15 53.6%	56 58.3%	13 54.2%
	Unsure	94 18.8%	73 20.0%	21 15.6%	26 15.4%	41 22.4%	3 10.7%	16 16.7%	8 33.3%
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		7.4%	8.3%	5.9%	8.8%	16.7%	9.2%	5.7%
	1% to Less Than 5%	82	2	42	37	1	50	32
		16.4%	16.7%	16.5%	16.2%	16.7%	20.9%	12.3%
	More Than 5%	286	5	164	114	3	118	168
		57.2%	41.7%	64.6%	50.0%	50.0%	49.4%	64.4%
Unsure	94	4	32	57	1	48	46	
	18.8%	33.3%	12.6%	25.0%	16.7%	20.1%	17.6%	
Refused	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	
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Without government subsidies, which of these technologies is least expensive for generating electricity?	Wind Turbines	121 24.2%	85 23.3%	36 26.7%	51 30.2%	34 18.6%	5 17.9%	27 28.1%	4 16.7%
	Solar Panels	110 22.0%	80 21.9%	30 22.2%	43 25.4%	29 15.8%	8 28.6%	28 29.2%	2 8.3%
	Natural Gas Power Plants	211 42.2%	160 43.8%	51 37.8%	52 30.8%	105 57.4%	13 46.4%	28 29.2%	13 54.2%
	Unsure	57 11.4%	39 10.7%	18 13.3%	23 13.6%	15 8.2%	2 7.1%	13 13.5%	4 16.7%
	Refused	1 .2%	1 .3%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	1 4.2%

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		Age Category					Sex by Observation	
		Total	18 to 34	35 to 64	65+	Refused	Male	Female
Without government subsidies, which of these technologies is least expensive for generating electricity?	Wind Turbines	121 24.2%	2 16.7%	67 26.4%	51 22.4%	1 16.7%	58 24.3%	63 24.1%
	Solar Panels	110 22.0%	2 16.7%	53 20.9%	55 24.1%	0 0.0%	40 16.7%	70 26.8%
	Natural Gas Power Plants	211 42.2%	7 58.3%	106 41.7%	93 40.8%	5 83.3%	122 51.0%	89 34.1%
	Unsure	57 11.4%	1 8.3%	27 10.6%	29 12.7%	0 0.0%	18 7.5%	39 14.9%
	Refused	1 .2%	0 0.0%	1 .4%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	1 .4%	0 0.0%

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		Total	I vote every time there is an opportunity	I try to vote in most elections, but I sometimes miss one	Democrat	Republican	Third-Party Candidate	Unsure	Refused
Without government subsidies, which of these fuels is least expensive for powering automobiles?	Gasoline	233 46.6%	181 49.6%	52 38.5%	68 40.2%	109 59.6%	15 53.6%	31 32.3%	10 41.7%
	Ethanol	80 16.0%	53 14.5%	27 20.0%	25 14.8%	29 15.8%	0 0.0%	20 20.8%	6 25.0%
	Biodiesel	99 19.8%	74 20.3%	25 18.5%	38 22.5%	23 12.6%	11 39.3%	22 22.9%	5 20.8%
	Unsure	86 17.2%	55 15.1%	31 23.0%	38 22.5%	21 11.5%	1 3.6%	23 24.0%	3 12.5%
	Refused	2 .4%	2 .5%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	1 .5%	1 3.6%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%

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Without government subsidies, which of these fuels is least expensive for powering automobiles?	Gasoline	233 46.6%	5 41.7%	115 45.3%	109 47.8%	4 66.7%	124 51.9%	109 41.8%
	Ethanol	80 16.0%	2 16.7%	46 18.1%	31 13.6%	1 16.7%	36 15.1%	44 16.9%
	Biodiesel	99 19.8%	3 25.0%	46 18.1%	49 21.5%	1 16.7%	59 24.7%	40 15.3%
	Unsure	86 17.2%	2 16.7%	45 17.7%	39 17.1%	0 0.0%	19 7.9%	67 25.7%
	Refused	2 .4%	0 0.0%	2 .8%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	1 .4%	1 .4%

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Worldwide, which of these technologies generates the most electricity?	Solar Panels	34 6.8%	27 7.4%	7 5.2%	13 7.7%	6 3.3%	4 14.3%	9 9.4%	2 8.3%
	Natural Gas Power Plants	58 11.6%	47 12.9%	11 8.1%	22 13.0%	24 13.1%	0 0.0%	9 9.4%	3 12.5%
	Coal Power Plants	193 38.6%	142 38.9%	51 37.8%	58 34.3%	81 44.3%	14 50.0%	30 31.3%	10 41.7%
	Nuclear Power Plants	147 29.4%	102 27.9%	45 33.3%	50 29.6%	52 28.4%	9 32.1%	31 32.3%	5 20.8%
	Unsure	67 13.4%	46 12.6%	21 15.6%	26 15.4%	19 10.4%	1 3.6%	17 17.7%	4 16.7%
	Refused	1 .2%	1 .3%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	1 .5%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%

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	Coal Power Plants	193 38.6%	1 8.3%	105 41.3%	85 37.3%	2 33.3%	120 50.2%	73 28.0%
	Nuclear Power Plants	147 29.4%	4 33.3%	76 29.9%	63 27.6%	4 66.7%	74 31.0%	73 28.0%
	Unsure	67 13.4%	1 8.3%	31 12.2%	35 15.4%	0 0.0%	18 7.5%	49 18.8%
	Refused	1 .2%	0 0.0%	1 .4%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	1 .4%

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		Total	I vote every time there is an opportunity	I try to vote in most elections, but I sometimes miss one	Democrat	Republican	Third-Party Candidate	Unsure	Refused
On an average day, what portion of U.S. households with children have at least one child who experiences hunger?	Less Than 1%	58 11.6%	47 12.9%	11 8.1%	11 6.5%	30 16.4%	4 14.3%	12 12.5%	1 4.2%
	1% to Less Than 10%	197 39.4%	134 36.7%	63 46.7%	58 34.3%	81 44.3%	9 32.1%	41 42.7%	8 33.3%
	More Than 10%	212 42.4%	160 43.8%	52 38.5%	92 54.4%	58 31.7%	15 53.6%	36 37.5%	11 45.8%
	Unsure	32 6.4%	23 6.3%	9 6.7%	8 4.7%	13 7.1%	0 0.0%	7 7.3%	4 16.7%
	Refused	1 .2%	1 .3%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	1 .5%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%

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		Age Category					Sex by Observation	
		Total	18 to 34	35 to 64	65+	Refused	Male	Female
On an average day, what portion of U.S. households with children have at least one child who experiences hunger?	Less Than 1%	58	1	32	24	1	32	26
		11.6%	8.3%	12.6%	10.5%	16.7%	13.4%	10.0%
	1% to Less Than 10%	197	4	88	102	3	105	92
		39.4%	33.3%	34.6%	44.7%	50.0%	43.9%	35.2%
	More Than 10%	212	6	117	87	2	87	125
		42.4%	50.0%	46.1%	38.2%	33.3%	36.4%	47.9%
Unsure	32	1	16	15	0	14	18	
	6.4%	8.3%	6.3%	6.6%	0.0%	5.9%	6.9%	
Refused	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	
	.2%	0.0%	.4%	0.0%	0.0%	.4%	0.0%	

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		Total	I vote every time there is an opportunity	I try to vote in most elections, but I sometimes miss one	Democrat	Republican	Third-Party Candidate	Unsure	Refused
Some people say that Social Security's financial problems stem from politicians looting the program and spending the money on other programs. Do you believe that statement is true or false?	True	365 73.0%	269 73.7%	96 71.1%	106 62.7%	143 78.1%	24 85.7%	70 72.9%	22 91.7%
	False	101 20.2%	73 20.0%	28 20.7%	44 26.0%	31 16.9%	4 14.3%	21 21.9%	1 4.2%
	Unsure	33 6.6%	22 6.0%	11 8.1%	19 11.2%	8 4.4%	0 0.0%	5 5.2%	1 4.2%
	Refused	1 .2%	1 .3%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	1 .5%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%

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		Total	18 to 34	35 to 64	65+	Refused	Male	Female
Some people say that Social Security's financial problems stem from politicians looting the program and spending the money on other programs. Do you believe that statement is true or false?	True	365	8	167	185	5	170	195
		73.0%	66.7%	65.7%	81.1%	83.3%	71.1%	74.7%
	False	101	3	67	31	0	57	44
		20.2%	25.0%	26.4%	13.6%	0.0%	23.8%	16.9%
	Unsure	33	1	20	11	1	12	21
		6.6%	8.3%	7.9%	4.8%	16.7%	5.0%	8.0%
	Refused	1	0	0	1	0	0	1
		.2%	0.0%	0.0%	.4%	0.0%	0.0%	.4%

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		Total	I vote every time there is an opportunity	I try to vote in most elections, but I sometimes miss one	Democrat	Republican	Third-Party Candidate	Unsure	Refused
Some policymakers are proposing that individuals be allowed to save and invest some of their Social Security taxes in personal accounts instead of paying these taxes to the Social Security program. In your view, do you think such proposals generally improve or harm the finances of the Social Security program?	Improve	114	88	26	17	70	7	15	5
		22.8%	24.1%	19.3%	10.1%	38.3%	25.0%	15.6%	20.8%
	Harm	298	215	83	121	84	17	60	16
		59.6%	58.9%	61.5%	71.6%	45.9%	60.7%	62.5%	66.7%
	Makes No Difference	31	21	10	11	16	1	3	0
	6.2%	5.8%	7.4%	6.5%	8.7%	3.6%	3.1%	0.0%	
	Unsure	55	40	15	20	12	3	18	2
		11.0%	11.0%	11.1%	11.8%	6.6%	10.7%	18.8%	8.3%
	Refused	2	1	1	0	1	0	0	1
		.4%	.3%	.7%	0.0%	.5%	0.0%	0.0%	4.2%

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		Total	18 to 34	35 to 64	65+	Refused	Male	Female
Some policymakers are proposing that individuals be allowed to save and invest some of their Social Security taxes in personal accounts instead of paying these taxes to the Social Security program. In your view, do you think such proposals generally improve or harm the finances of the Social Security program?	Improve	114	1	61	49	3	61	53
		22.8%	8.3%	24.0%	21.5%	50.0%	25.5%	20.3%
	Harm	298	7	144	144	3	139	159
		59.6%	58.3%	56.7%	63.2%	50.0%	58.2%	60.9%
	Makes No Difference	31	2	18	11	0	19	12
	6.2%	16.7%	7.1%	4.8%	0.0%	7.9%	4.6%	
	Unsure	55	2	29	24	0	20	35
		11.0%	16.7%	11.4%	10.5%	0.0%	8.4%	13.4%
	Refused	2	0	2	0	0	0	2
		.4%	0.0%	.8%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	.8%

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		Total	I vote every time there is an opportunity	I try to vote in most elections, but I sometimes miss one	Democrat	Republican	Third-Party Candidate	Unsure	Refused
In 1960, governments paid for 24% of all healthcare costs in the U.S. Do you think government now pay a greater portion or a lesser portion of all healthcare costs in the U.S.?	Greater	294 58.8%	227 62.2%	67 49.6%	84 49.7%	130 71.0%	18 64.3%	52 54.2%	10 41.7%
	Lesser	159 31.8%	106 29.0%	53 39.3%	63 37.3%	45 24.6%	8 28.6%	34 35.4%	9 37.5%
	Unsure	44 8.8%	30 8.2%	14 10.4%	22 13.0%	8 4.4%	2 7.1%	9 9.4%	3 12.5%
	Refused	3 .6%	2 .5%	1 .7%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	1 1.0%	2 8.3%

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In 1960, governments paid for 24% of all healthcare costs in the U.S. Do you think government now pay a greater portion or a lesser portion of all healthcare costs in the U.S.?	Greater	294 58.8%	7 58.3%	156 61.4%	126 55.3%	5 83.3%	155 64.9%	139 53.3%
	Lesser	159 31.8%	4 33.3%	80 31.5%	74 32.5%	1 16.7%	64 26.8%	95 36.4%
	Unsure	44 8.8%	1 8.3%	15 5.9%	28 12.3%	0 0.0%	20 8.4%	24 9.2%
	Refused	3 .6%	0 0.0%	3 1.2%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	3 1.1%

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	Total	I vote every time there is an opportunity	I try to vote in most elections, but I sometimes miss one	Democrat	Republican	Third-Party Candidate	Unsure	Refused
When health insurance copayments are high, Yes people tend to spend less on healthcare.	388 77.6%	276 75.6%	112 83.0%	135 79.9%	133 72.7%	24 85.7%	78 81.3%	18 75.0%
Does this reduced spending typically have a negative impact on their health?								
No	77 15.4%	59 16.2%	18 13.3%	21 12.4%	35 19.1%	3 10.7%	15 15.6%	3 12.5%
Unsure	29 5.8%	25 6.8%	4 3.0%	12 7.1%	12 6.6%	1 3.6%	3 3.1%	1 4.2%
Refused	6 1.2%	5 1.4%	1 .7%	1 .6%	3 1.6%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	2 8.3%

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		Age Category					Sex by Observation	
		Total	18 to 34	35 to 64	65+	Refused	Male	Female
When health insurance copayments are high, Yes		388	8	197	178	5	178	210
people tend to spend less on healthcare.		77.6%	66.7%	77.6%	78.1%	83.3%	74.5%	80.5%
Does this reduced spending typically have a negative impact on their health?	No	77	2	46	28	1	40	37
		15.4%	16.7%	18.1%	12.3%	16.7%	16.7%	14.2%
	Unsure	29	1	9	19	0	19	10
		5.8%	8.3%	3.5%	8.3%	0.0%	7.9%	3.8%
	Refused	6	1	2	3	0	2	4
		1.2%	8.3%	.8%	1.3%	0.0%	.8%	1.5%

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		Total	I vote every time there is an opportunity	I try to vote in most elections, but I sometimes miss one	Democrat	Republican	Third-Party Candidate	Unsure	Refused
In 2010, Congress passed and President Obama signed the Affordable Care Act, also known as "Obamacare." This law uses price controls to save money in the Medicare program. Do you think these price controls will affect Medicare patients' access to care?	Yes	291	209	82	65	136	18	63	9
		58.2%	57.3%	60.7%	38.5%	74.3%	64.3%	65.6%	37.5%
	No	149	113	36	82	27	8	23	9
		29.8%	31.0%	26.7%	48.5%	14.8%	28.6%	24.0%	37.5%
	Unsure	56	39	17	21	19	2	10	4
		11.2%	10.7%	12.6%	12.4%	10.4%	7.1%	10.4%	16.7%
	Refused	4	4	0	1	1	0	0	2
		.8%	1.1%	0.0%	.6%	.5%	0.0%	0.0%	8.3%

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In 2010, Congress passed and President Obama signed the Affordable Care Act, also known as "Obamacare." This law uses price controls to save money in the Medicare program. Do you think these price controls will affect Medicare patients' access to care?	Yes	291	10	137	141	3	136	155
		58.2%	83.3%	53.9%	61.8%	50.0%	56.9%	59.4%
	No	149	2	86	59	2	74	75
		29.8%	16.7%	33.9%	25.9%	33.3%	31.0%	28.7%
	Unsure	56	0	30	25	1	27	29
		11.2%	0.0%	11.8%	11.0%	16.7%	11.3%	11.1%
	Refused	4	0	1	3	0	2	2
		.8%	0.0%	.4%	1.3%	0.0%	.8%	.8%

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		Total	I vote every time there is an opportunity	I try to vote in most elections, but I sometimes miss one	Democrat	Republican	Third-Party Candidate	Unsure	Refused
In the upcoming U.S. Congressional elections, do you think you will probably vote for Democrats, Republicans, or third-party candidates?	Democrat	169 33.8%	123 33.7%	46 34.1%	169 100.0%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%
	Republican	183 36.6%	136 37.3%	47 34.8%	0 0.0%	183 100.0%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%
	Third-Party Candidate	28 5.6%	22 6.0%	6 4.4%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	28 100.0%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%
	Unsure	96 19.2%	64 17.5%	32 23.7%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	96 100.0%	0 0.0%
	Refused	24 4.8%	20 5.5%	4 3.0%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	24 100.0%

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		Total	18 to 34	35 to 64	65+	Refused	Male	Female
In the upcoming U.S. Congressional elections, do you think you will probably vote for Democrats, Republicans, or third-party candidates?	Democrat	169 33.8%	3 25.0%	86 33.9%	79 34.6%	1 16.7%	72 30.1%	97 37.2%
	Republican	183 36.6%	8 66.7%	93 36.6%	80 35.1%	2 33.3%	97 40.6%	86 33.0%
	Third-Party Candidate	28 5.6%	1 8.3%	15 5.9%	12 5.3%	0 0.0%	13 5.4%	15 5.7%
	Unsure	96 19.2%	0 0.0%	46 18.1%	48 21.1%	2 33.3%	43 18.0%	53 20.3%
	Refused	24 4.8%	0 0.0%	14 5.5%	9 3.9%	1 16.7%	14 5.9%	10 3.8%

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Age Category	Total	I vote every	I try to vote in	Third-Party			Unsure	Refused
		time there is an opportunity	most elections, but I sometimes miss one	Democrat	Republican	Candidate		
18 to 34	12 2.4%	8 2.2%	4 3.0%	3 1.8%	8 4.4%	1 3.6%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%
35 to 64	254 50.8%	179 49.0%	75 55.6%	86 50.9%	93 50.8%	15 53.6%	46 47.9%	14 58.3%
65+	228 45.6%	172 47.1%	56 41.5%	79 46.7%	80 43.7%	12 42.9%	48 50.0%	9 37.5%
Refused	6 1.2%	6 1.6%	0 0.0%	1 .6%	2 1.1%	0 0.0%	2 2.1%	1 4.2%

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		Age Category					Sex by Observation	
Age Category		Total	18 to 34	35 to 64	65+	Refused	Male	Female
18 to 34		12	12	0	0	0	5	7
		2.4%	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2.1%	2.7%
35 to 64		254	0	254	0	0	124	130
		50.8%	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	51.9%	49.8%
65+		228	0	0	228	0	105	123
		45.6%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%	43.9%	47.1%
Refused		6	0	0	0	6	5	1
		1.2%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%	2.1%	.4%

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		Total	I vote every time there is an opportunity	I try to vote in most elections, but I sometimes miss one	Democrat	Republican	Third-Party Candidate	Unsure	Refused
Sex by Observation	Male	239 47.8%	174 47.7%	65 48.1%	72 42.6%	97 53.0%	13 46.4%	43 44.8%	14 58.3%
	Female	261 52.2%	191 52.3%	70 51.9%	97 57.4%	86 47.0%	15 53.6%	53 55.2%	10 41.7%

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		Age Category					Sex by Observation	
Sex by Observation		Total	18 to 34	35 to 64	65+	Refused	Male	Female
	Male	239	5	124	105	5	239	0
		47.8%	41.7%	48.8%	46.1%	83.3%	100.0%	0.0%
	Female	261	7	130	123	1	0	261
		52.2%	58.3%	51.2%	53.9%	16.7%	0.0%	100.0%