The TMC Health Policy Institute Consumer Health Report 2016: nielsen Second annual survey 5 states

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# .Coverage and choice are among most important healthn system characteristics: similar across states 

Percent Ranking First in Importance for Healthcare System Characteristics


## Healthcare consumers value having health insurance

Importance of Having Health Insurance for you and your family


## 'Across all states, a candidate's position on health issues would count in their vote

Political Candidate's View Would Count Somewhat or a Lot in Voting Decision

|  | TOTAL | California | Florida | New York | Ohio | Texas |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| The government should provide health <br> insurance coverage for all US citizens | $70 \%$ | $71 \%$ | $70 \%$ | $76 \%$ | $64 \%$ | $64 \%$ |

## Quality of care varies by state

Higher in FL and TX

Worry about quality of healthcare
Quality is worse than two years ago



Consumers are paying more out-of-pocket; some are cutting down elsewhere to afford care (especially TX)
"I'm paying more out of pocket for my healthcare this year than two years ago"


"I have to cut down on other expenses to pay for healthcare"


## Cost is the main barrier for uninsured

Only small percentage of uninsured maintain they do not have insurance because they don't need it
Main Reason Uninsured

|  | TOTAL | California | Florida | New York | Ohio | Texas |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Too Expensive: Main Reason | $54 \%$ | $52 \%$ | $63 \%$ | $39 \%$ | $52 \%$ | $57 \%$ |
| Don't need it: Main Reason | $11 \%$ | $12 \%$ | $1 \%$ | $11 \%$ | $8 \%$ | $17 \%$ |

$87 \%$ of uninsured who visited the health exchange marketplace could not afford coverage


Those who say they "don't need it" tend to be younger and slightly more likely to say their health is "excellent."

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| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Manage healthcare costs | $85 \%$ | $86 \%$ | $85 \%$ | $85 \%$ | $82 \%$ |

# Medicaid expansion viewed favorably across states; Almost 2/3's of Texans support 

Non-Expansion States Support or Oppose Medicaid Expansion

 do you support or oppose the expansion of state health insurance to cover more low-income adults in [state]? (Florida $n=1000$, Texas $n=1002$ )
 Should [state] keep or repeal (terminate) this expansion to low-income adults? (California $n=1004$, New York $n=1000$, Ohio $n=1001$ )

# Expanding Medicaid is top choice for reaching universan coverage 

How Government Should Expand Health Insurance to All US Citizens
■Expand Medicaid
■It's not the government's responsibility
■ Give people a certain amount of money to buy own
■Donot care how
■Not sure


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| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Expand state health insurance (Medicaid) <br> to cover more low income adults | $69 \%$ | $70 \%$ | $71 \%$ | $72 \%$ | $64 \%$ | $67 \%$ |

About half of people have used the Emergency Department for non-emergencies; the doctor's office was closed
 SO DO MOST WHO ARE OVERWEIGHT OR OBESE

Self-Described Health Status


## More than 1 in 2 across all states support making foodsn that lead to obesity being more expensive



Overweight and obese consumers are more skeptical that soda tax would help
"Taxes on sugary drinks could help people make healthier choices"


## About 2/3's are in favor of red-yellow-green food labeling

|  | TOTAL | California | Florida | New York | Ohio | Texas |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Symbols, such as red, green, and yellow traffic lights to show the healthiest choices | 64\% | 63\% | 64\% | 66\% | 65\% | 62\% |

...and about the same number would support a candidate in favor of menu labeling.

## Key State Findings: Texas

## Cost

## Coverage 9

More consumers in Texas than any other state surveyed are:

- Paying more out of pocket for healthcare vs. 2 years ago (65\%)
- Cutting down on other expenses to pay for healthcare (56\%)


## Quality $\star \star \star \forall$

- Worried about quality (55\%)
- Say quality has declined in the last 2 years (37\%)
- 96\% of Texans say having health insurance coverage is important


## "Improving access"



- Nearly 2 in 3 Texans would support Medicaid expansion in Texas (63\%)
- Medicaid expansion is the top way Texans would expand coverage; this increased 50\% from last year


## APPENDIX

## Politics

## 'Across all states, a candidate's position on health issues would count in their vote

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| The government should provide health <br> insurance coverage for all US citizens | $71 \%$ | $70 \%$ | $76 \%$ | $64 \%$ | $64 \%$ |
| Menus should be labeled with nutritional <br> information | $61 \%$ | $62 \%$ | $63 \%$ | $56 \%$ | $56 \%$ |

## Democrats value coverage, Republicans choice of physician

Percent Ranking First in Importance for Healthcare System Characteristics


## Two-thirds of Republicans and over 9 in 10 Democrats say coverage for all US citizens is important

Importance of All US Citizens Having Health Insurance

| At least important <br> (Top 3) |
| :---: |

## Support for Medicaid expansion is partisan

Democrats significantly more likely to support; nearly half of Republicans say it is not the government's responsibility to expand coverage

How Government Should Expand Health Insurance to All US Citizens

*Half of Republicans say a political candidate's position to expand ${ }^{\text {n }}$ Medicaid would count at least somewhat; $84 \%$ of Democrats

How Much Political Candidate's View Would Count in Voting Decision
-Expand state health insurance (Medicaid) to cover more low income adults-

| A lot/ Somewhat | 69\% | 50\% | 84\% | 68\% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 21\% |  |  |  |
|  | 39\% |  |  | 35\% |  |
|  |  |  | 54\% |  |  |
|  |  | 29\% |  |  | ■ A lot |
|  |  |  |  |  | - Somewhat |
|  | 30\% |  |  | 33\% | - A little |
|  |  | 24\% |  |  | - Not at all |
|  |  |  | 30\% |  | ■ Not sure |
|  | 18\% |  |  | 19\% |  |
|  |  | 26\% |  |  |  |
|  | 13\% |  | $12 \%$ | 12\% |  |
|  |  |  | 4\% |  |  |
|  | Total | Republic | Democrat | Independ |  |

BASE: ALL QUALIFIED RESPONDENTS (Total $n=5007$, California $n=1004$, Florida $n=1000$, New York $n=1000$, Ohio $n=1001$, Texas $n=1002$ )
 income adults

Democrats more likely to support increasing the price of foods that lead to obesity than Republicans

"Foods that lead to obesity (e.g., sugary drinks, high calorie meals) should be more expensive "



## Party Affiliation: Texas is $1 / 3,1 / 3,1 / 3$



The Uninsured

## Key Findings: Uninsured

## Attitudes $\square$

- $85 \%$ say it is important to have health insurance
- $81 \%$ say it is important that all US citizens have health insurance
- Like among insured, Medicaid is top choice to expand health insurance to all US citizens ( $38 \%$ among uninsured, $32 \%$ among insured)
- $69 \%$ of uninsured in non-expansion states (TX, FL) support Medicaid expansion (on par with insured, 65\%)


## Quality $* * * *$

- 2 in 3 (68\%) of uninsured worry about quality of healthcare (vs. 46\% insured)
- Half ( $51 \%$ ) say quality is worse than 2 years ago (vs. $32 \%$ insured)


## Access

- Only 29\% of uninsured have regular PCP (vs. $85 \%$ insured)
- Almost 1 in 5 (18\%) turn to the ER first for primary care (vs. $3 \%$ of insured)

Among the insured, 7 in 10 deem insurance "absolutely essential"
Uninsured may get by without it, but most agree it is important
Importance of Having Health Insurance


## Jnsured are more likely to say coverage for all US citizens is important

Importance of All US Citizens Having Health Insurance

| At least somewhat important (Top 4) | 93\% | 81\% | Extremely important <br> ■ Very important |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 41\% | 23\% |  |
|  |  | 19\% |  |
|  | 25\% | 20\% | ■ Important <br> ■ Somewhat important |
|  | 17\% | 19\% | ■ Not at all important <br> ■ Not sure |
|  | 10\% | 16\% |  |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & 6 \% \\ & 2 \% \end{aligned}$ | 4\% |  |
|  | Insured | Uninsur |  |

## Cost is the main barrier to insurance for uninsured

Main Reason Do Not Have Health Insurance

|  | TOTAL | California | Florida | New York | Ohio | Texas |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Too expensive | $54 \%$ | $52 \%$ | $63 \%$ | $39 \%$ | $52 \%$ | $57 \%$ |
| Not eligible through Medicare or <br> Medicaid | $12 \%$ | $5 \%$ | $27 \%$ | $11 \%$ | $5 \%$ | $11 \%$ |
| Don't think I need it | $11 \%$ | $12 \%$ | $1 \%$ | $11 \%$ | $8 \%$ | $17 \%$ |
| Employer does not offer | $5 \%$ | $7 \%$ | $2 \%$ | $0 \%$ | $5 \%$ | $6 \%$ |
| Not eligible through employer | $4 \%$ | $6 \%$ | $3 \%$ | $12 \%$ | $3 \%$ | $1 \%$ |
| Don't know how to get it | $4 \%$ | $6 \%$ | $0 \%$ | $13 \%$ | $4 \%$ | $0 \%$ |
| Not employed | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Other | $10 \%$ | $12 \%$ | $4 \%$ | $13 \%$ | $23 \%$ | $8 \%$ |

BASE: UNINSURED (Total $n=499$, California $n=79$, Florida $n=127$, New York $n=64$, Ohio $n=51$, Texas $n=178$ )
Q205 Which of the following is the main reason you do not currently have health insurance?
.Oninsured consumers across income groups perceive insurance as too expensive (the top reason)
Fewer say this among $\$ 75 \mathrm{k}$ - $\$ 100 \mathrm{k}$ group, but it's still the top reason
Reason Uninsured (Select Responses)

|  | TOTAL | Less than <br> $\$ 35 k$ | \$35 to LT <br> $\$ 50 \mathrm{k}$ | \$50k to LT <br> $\$ 75 \mathrm{k}$ | $\$ 75 \mathrm{k}$ to LT <br> $\$ 100 \mathrm{k}$ | \$100k or <br> more |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
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## Quality and access is worse for uninsured

Percent Who Worry About Quality of Healthcare

| Insured | Uninsured |
| :--- | :---: |
| $46 \%$ | $68 \%$ |

Quality is Worse than 2 Years Ago

| Insured | Uninsured |
| :--- | :---: |
| $32 \%$ | $51 \%$ |

## Have a regular PCP

| Insured | Uninsured |
| :--- | :---: |
| $85 \%$ | $29 \%$ |

Use ER for primary care

| Insured | Uninsured |
| :---: | :---: |
| $3 \%$ | $18 \%$ | Texas in particular

Setting Go To Most Often For Healthcare Needs


■ PCP Office
■ Specialty physician office
■ Urgent care
■ Community Clinic
■ ER
■ Retail/pharmacy clinic
■ Other
.Oninsured more limited in what they can pay OOP for

## care

How Much Can Pay Out-of-Pocket per Month for Healthcare Without Cutting Other Expenses


BASE: ALL QUALIFIED RESPONDENTS (Total $n=5007$ )
 healthcare needs without cutting down on other expenses?

## Coverage

## Medicaid is top choice to expand coverage

In Texas, more say expand Medicaid and fewer say it is not the government's responsibility vs. last year

How Government Should Expand Health Insurance to All US Citizens


BASE: ALL QUALIFIED RESPONDENTS (Total $n=5007$, California $n=1004$, Florida $n=1000$, New York $n=1000$, Ohio $n=1001$, Texas $n=1002$ )
Q110 (Q715) If the government could expand health insurance to all US citizens, which of the following best describes how you would prefer this be done?

## Employer coverage is most common, followed by Medicare

Health Insurance Status


BASE: ALL QUALIFIED RESPONDENTS (Total $n=5007$, California $n=1004$, Florida $n=1000$, New York $n=1000$, Ohio $n=1001$, Texas $n=1002$ )
Q200 Which one of the following best describes how you receive your primary health insurance coverage?

## Access

## About half of people have used the Emergency Department for non-emergencies.

How Often Use Emergency Room When Not True Emergency


## Consumers get care at PCP office most often

Setting Go To Most Often For Healthcare Needs


BASE: ALL QUALIFIED RESPONDENTS (Total $n=5007$, California $n=1004$, Florida $n=1000$, New York $n=1000$, Ohio $n=1001$, Texas $n=1002$ )
Q550 (Q470) Which setting do you go to most often for your healthcare needs?

## Consumers turn to ED in non-emergency when doctor is unavailable

## Particularly if office is closed

> Why Go To ED for Non-Emergency

|  | TOTAL | California | Florida | New York | Ohio | Texas |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Doctor's office closed | $45 \%$ | $43 \%$ | $43 \%$ | $46 \%$ | $50 \%$ | $45 \%$ |
| Doctor could not see me that day | $18 \%$ | $23 \%$ | $11 \%$ | $21 \%$ | $16 \%$ | $15 \%$ |
| ER was convenient | $19 \%$ | $12 \%$ | $22 \%$ | $20 \%$ | $21 \%$ | $25 \%$ |
| Do not have my own doctor to see | $10 \%$ | $8 \%$ | $11 \%$ | $8 \%$ | $10 \%$ | $13 \%$ |
| Other | $22 \%$ | $24 \%$ | $23 \%$ | $17 \%$ | $20 \%$ | $23 \%$ |

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| Do not have my own doctor to see | $10 \%$ |
| Other | $22 \%$ |

# About 8 in 10 have a regular PCP; uninsured far less likely to have regular PCP or specialist 

Health Facts

|  | TOTAL | California | Florida | New York | Ohio | Texas |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Has a PCP | $79 \%$ | $79 \%$ | $76 \%$ | $84 \%$ | $84 \%$ | $76 \%$ |
| Has a specialist | $48 \%$ | $44 \%$ | $50 \%$ | $54 \%$ | $45 \%$ | $51 \%$ |


|  | Uninsured | Insured |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Has a PCP | $29 \%$ | $85 \%$ |
| Has a specialist | $11 \%$ | $52 \%$ |

[^0]Most consumers with PCPs have same doctor as 5

## years ago



- Different PCP and like current one better ■ Different PCP and like current one the same ■ Different PCP and like current one less

■ Same PCP as 5 years ago

## Consumers are split on how easy it is to see doctor

"It's easier for me to get an appointment with a doctor now versus two years ago"


BASE: ALL QUALIFIED RESPONDENTS (Total $n=5007$, California $n=1004$, Florida $n=1000$, New York $n=1000$, Ohio $n=1001$, Texas $n=1002$ ) Q305n Now please tell us how much you agree or disagree with each of the statements below

## Cost of Healthcare

## Majority paying more OOP for care vs. 2 years ago

In Texas, more than two-thirds report paying more this year
"I'm paying more out of pocket for my healthcare this year than two years ago"

## agree




58\%
60\%

BASE: ALL QUALIFIED RESPONDENTS (Total $n=5007$, California $n=1004$, Florida $n=1000$, New York $n=1000$, Ohio $n=1001$, Texas $n=1002$ )
Q305n Now please tell us how much you agree or disagree with each of the statements below

## Texans across coverage types are paying more OOP

"I'm paying more out of pocket for my healthcare this year than two years ago" (\% Agree)


## Many consumers sacrificing to pay for healthcare

Especially in Texas where more than half are cutting down elsewhere to pay for care
"I have to cut down on other expenses to pay for healthcare"


BASE: ALL QUALIFIED RESPONDENTS (Total $n=5007$, California $n=1004$, Florida $n=1000$, New York $n=1000$, Ohio $n=1001$, Texas $n=1002$ )
Q305n Now please tell us how much you agree or disagree with each of the statements below

Texans who purchased own coverage more likely to have to cut down to afford care
"I have to cut down on other expenses to pay for healthcare"
(\% Agree)


Many can afford ~\$50 per month OOP for healthcare,
(but not more)

How Much Can Pay Out-of-Pocket per Month for Healthcare Without Cutting Other

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BASE: ALL QUALIFIED RESPONDENTS (Total $\mathrm{n}=5007$, California $\mathrm{n}=1004$, Florida $\mathrm{n}=1000$, New York $\mathrm{n}=1000$, Ohio $\mathrm{n}=1001$, Texas $\mathrm{n}=1002$ )
Q315n Now please think about the amount of money you pay out-of-pocket each month for all your and your family's healthcare needs. Would you be able to pay $\$[x x]$ each month out of pocket for your and your family's healthcare needs without cutting down on other expenses?

## For most lower-income, OOP costs of $\$ 50$ or more/month mean cutting back elsewhere

How Much Can Pay Out-of-Pocket per Month for Healthcare Without Cutting Other Expenses


BASE: ALL QUALIFIED RESPONDENTS (Total $\mathrm{n}=5007$ )
 healthcare needs without cutting down on other expenses?

## Insurance exchanges

## More than 1 in 3 have visited HIX

Ever Visited Health Insurance Exchange Marketplace


BASE: ALL QUALIFIED RESPONDENTS (Total $n=5007$, California $n=1004$, Florida $n=1000$, New York $n=1000$, Ohio $n=1001$, Texas $n=1002$ )
Q202 Have you ever visited the health insurance exchange marketplace (e.g., Healthcare.gov or your state exchange) to shop for health insurance?

# Uninsured who visited Exchange found they could not n afford coverage 

What Happened After Visiting Exchange<br>By Insurance Status

Currently Insured


Currently Uninsured

## Among HIX visitors, about a third bought and kept

 coverage from the exchangeHowever, New Yorkers were more likely to do so; Texans and Ohioans less likely
What Happened After Visiting Exchange

|  | TOTAL | California | Florida | New York | Ohio | Texas |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Bought insurance on the exchange and still have it | 35\% | 35\% | 37\% | 43\% | 28\% | 28\% |
| Originally bought insurance on exchange, later realized could not afford, and bought insurance somewhere else | 6\% | 5\% | 8\% | 7\% | 6\% | 3\% |
| Originally bought insurance on exchange, later realized could not afford, and now uninsured | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 0\% | 0\% | 2\% |
| Could not afford insurance on the exchange, so bought it somewhere else | 11\% | 8\% | 16\% | 9\% | 16\% | 11\% |
| Could not afford insurance on the exchange, and now uninsured | 11\% | 7\% | 14\% | 8\% | 8\% | 21\% |

## Quality of Healthcare

Flore consumers in TX, FL worry about quality vs. CA,
NY, OH


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## Most have not seen quality decline in past 2 years

Texas sees the most quality decline


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# Uninsured and lower income adults more likely to worry about quality 

Percent Who Worry About Quality of Healthcare
"I don't worry about the quality of healthcare because it is generally excellent" (\% Disagree)


## Latino and uninsured consumers are more likely to say $\quad$ n quality of their healthcare is worse this year

"The quality of my healthcare is worse this year than two years ago"
(Percent Agree Somewhat/Strongly)


Obesity and Smoking

## More than half in every state support a "fat tax"

## Support is highest in New York

"Foods that lead to obesity (e.g., sugary drinks, high calorie meals) should be more expensive "


BASE: ALL QUALIFIED RESPONDENTS (Total $n=5007$, California $n=1004$, Florida $n=1000$, New York $n=1000$, Ohio $n=1001$, Texas $n=1002$ )
Q440 (Q235) How much do you agree or disagree with each of the statements below

## Half see soda tax as way to promote healthier choices

Although consumers in Ohio are more skeptical


BASE: ALL QUALIFIED RESPONDENTS (Total $n=5007$, California $n=1004$, Florida $n=1000$, New York $n=1000$, Ohio $n=1001$, Texas $n=1002$ )
Q440 (Q235) How much do you agree or disagree with each of the statements below

## Fore than half support charging more to cover people $n$ with poor health habits

## In Texas, support is steady from last year

"People with poor health habits (e.g., smoking, lack of exercise) should pay more for health insurance "


BASE: ALL QUALIFIED RESPONDENTS (Total $n=5007$, California $n=1004$, Florida $n=1000$, New York $n=1000$, Ohio $n=1001$, Texas $n=1002$ )
Q440 (Q235) How much do you agree or disagree with each of the statements below

## Among fat tax supporters, many support a tax of 50\% or more for sugary drinks, $25 \%$ or more for meals

How Much More Should a \$1.00 Sugary Drink or \$10.00 Unhealthy Meal Cost vs. \$1.00 Drink Without Sugar or \$10.00 Healthy Meal (Among those supporting fat tax)


## Among fat tax supporters, many support a tax of $50 \%$ or more for sugary drinks

## 2 in 3 support a tax of $25 \%$ or more

How Much More Should a \$1.00 Sugary Drink Cost vs. \$1.00 Drink Without Sugar (Among those supporting fat tax)


BASE: AGREE FOODS THAT LEAD TO OBESITY SHOULD BE MORE EXPENSIVE (Total $n=2694$, California $n=555$, Florida $n=531$, New York $n=590$, Ohio $n=506$, Texas $n=512$ )
Q445n You said that you agree that sugary drinks should be more expensive than drinks without sugar. How much more should a $\$ 1.00$ sugary drink cost compared with $\$ 1.00$ drink without sugar?

## More than half of fat tax supporters support $25 \%$ tax or more on unhealthy meals

How Much More Should a $\$ 10.00$ Unhealthy Meal Cost vs. $\$ 10.00$ Healthier Meal (Among those supporting fat tax)


BASE: AGREE FOODS THAT LEAD TO OBESITY SHOULD BE MORE EXPENSIVE (Total $n=2694$, California $n=555$, Florida $n=531$, New York $n=590$, Ohio $n=506$, Texas $n=512$ ) Q450n How about a meal with high calorie foods that leads to obesity? How much more should a $\$ 10.00$ unhealthy meal cost compared to a $\$ 10.00$ healthier meal?

## Latino support for fat taxes significantly higher thann among white consumers

"Foods that lead to obesity (e.g., sugary drinks, high calorie meals) should be more expensive "


## Menu labeling seen as way to promote better choices



BASE: ALL QUALIFIED RESPONDENTS (Total $n=5007$, California $n=1004$, Florida $n=1000$, New York $n=1000$, Ohio $n=1001$, Texas $n=1002$ )
Q440 (Q235) How much do you agree or disagree with each of the statements below

## Healthy food symbols appeal to parents and black and $n$ Latino consumers in particular

Symbols, such as red, green, and yellow traffic lights to show the healthiest choices,
would be helpful for maintaining healthy eating habits


BASE: WOULD FIND MENU LABELING AT LEAST SOMEWHAT HELPFUL (Total $n=4483$, California $n=901$, Florida $n=884$, New York $n=913$, Ohio $n=893$, Texas $n=892$ )
Q460n How helpful would you find each of the following types of menu information for maintaining healthy eating habits?

## 'Across all states, a candidate's position on health issues would count in their vote

Political Candidate's View Would Count Somewhat or a Lot in Voting Decision

|  | TOTAL | California | Florida | New York | Ohio | Texas |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Menus should be labeled with nutritional <br> information | $60 \%$ | $61 \%$ | $62 \%$ | $63 \%$ | $56 \%$ | $56 \%$ |

# Slightly more than half in all states find healthy eating 

 is too expensiveMore say this in FL, OH, and TX


Latino consumers in particular find healthy eating is todn expensive


BASE: ALL QUALIFIED RESPONDENTS (Total $n=5007$, California $n=1004$, Florida $n=1000$, New York $n=1000$, Ohio $n=1001$, Texas $n=1002$ )
Q440 (Q235) How much do you agree or disagree with each of the statements below

## The majority of people in all income levels find eating healthy is too expensive

"Eating healthy is too expensive"


## Widespread support for increasing legal age to buy cigarettes to 21



BASE: ALL QUALIFIED RESPONDENTS (Total $n=5007$, California $n=1004$, Florida $n=1000$, New York $n=1000$, Ohio $n=1001$, Texas $n=1002$ )
Q470n Would you support or oppose your state legislature establishing 21 as the minimum legal age to purchase cigarettes?

## State Snapshots

## Key Findings: California

## Coverage 0

- 9 in 10 (91\%) Californians say having health insurance is absolutely essential or very important
- 3 in $4(77 \%)$ support keeping the ACA Medicaid expansion in CA


## Costs

- Majority of Californians (54\%) are paying more out of pocket for healthcare vs. 2 years ago
- 2 in $5(43 \%)$ are having to cut down elsewhere to pay for healthcare


## Quality $\star \star \star \star$

- Most (66\%) have not seen a decline in quality in past 2 years, although 1 in 3 (34\%) have


## Obesity <br> 

- $56 \%$ agree that foods that lead to obesity should be more expensive
- 3 in $4(76 \%)$ agree that labeling menus with nutritional information would help people make healthier meal choices
- $58 \%$ are overweight or obese


# In California, a candidate's position on health issues would count in their vote 

Political Candidate's View Would Count somewhat or a lot in Voting Decision

|  | TOTAL | California |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Manage healthcare costs | $85 \%$ | $85 \%$ |
| The government should provide health <br> insurance coverage for all US citizens | $70 \%$ | $71 \%$ |
| Expand state health insurance (Medicaid) <br> to cover more low income adults | $69 \%$ | $70 \%$ |
| Menus should be labeled with nutritional <br> information | $60 \%$ | $61 \%$ |

## Demographics: California

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Gender |  | Children under 18 in Household |  | Employment Status |  |
| Male | 40\% | Yes | 29\% | Employed full time | 32\% |
| Female | 60\% | No | 71\% | Employed part time | 11\% |
| Race/Ethnicity |  | Income |  | Self-employed | 11\% |
| White | 71\% | Less than \$15k | 9\% | Not employed, looking for work | 7\% |
| Black/African-American | 3\% | \$15k to less than \$25k | 10\% | Not employed, not looking | 1\% |
| Hispanic | 14\% | \$25k to less than \$50k | 25\% | Not employed, disability or illness | 4\% |
| Native American or Alaskan Native | 1\% | \$50k to less than \$100k | 34\% | Retired | 24\% |
| South Asian | 1\% | \$100k to less than \$200k | 18\% | Student | 4\% |
| Chinese | 3\% | \$200k+ | 4\% | Stay-at-home spouse or partner | 7\% |
| Korean | 1\% | Education |  | Household Size |  |
| Japanese | 1\% | Less than HS | 0\% | 1 | 26\% |
| Other Southeast Asian | 0\% | Some HS | 2\% | 2 | 39\% |
| Filipino | 1\% | Completed HS | 9\% | 3 | 15\% |
| Arab/West Asian | 0\% | Job training after HS | 3\% | 4 | 12\% |
| Mixed Race | 1\% | Some college | 24\% | 5 | 4\% |
| Some other race | 1\% | Associate degree | 11\% | 6 or more | 3\% |
| Decline to Answer | 0\% | College | 28\% |  |  |
| Age |  | Some graduate school | 5\% |  |  |
| 18-44 | 39\% | Graduate degree | 18\% |  |  |
| 45-64 | 38\% |  |  |  |  |
| 65+ | 23\% |  |  |  |  |

## Key State Findings: New York

## Coverage 0 三

- 7 in 10 (69\%) New Yorkers say that having insurance is "absolutely essential"
- 7 in 10 ( $71 \%$ ) also say it is very or extremely important for all US citizens to have health insurance (significantly more than in CA, OH, and TX)
- Support for the ACA Medicaid expansion is very high; 4 in 5 say NY should keep it (83\%)
- New York has the greatest number of people with PCP's (84\%) and specialists (54\%)


## Costs

- Majority of New Yorkers (58\%) are paying more out of pocket for healthcare vs. 2 years ago
- 2 in $5(40 \%)$ are having to cut down elsewhere to pay for healthcare


## Quality $t * * *$

- Majority of New Yorkers (57\%) agree they "don't worry about the quality of healthcare because it is generally excellent"
- 7 in 10 ( $72 \%$ ) have not seen a decline in quality in past 2 years


## Obesity <br> $2{ }^{2} 11$

- 3 in 5 (62\%) agree that foods that lead to obesity should be more expensive, the most of all states surveyed (significantly higher than FL, OH, TX)
- $59 \%$ are overweight or obese


# In New York, a candidate's position on health issues would count in their vote 

Political Candidate's View Would Count somewhat or a lot in Voting Decision

|  | TOTAL | New York |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Manage healthcare costs | $85 \%$ | $85 \%$ |
| The government should provide health <br> insurance coverage for all US citizens | $70 \%$ | $76 \%$ |
| Expand state health insurance (Medicaid) <br> to cover more low income adults | $69 \%$ | $72 \%$ |
| Menus should be labeled with nutritional <br> information | $60 \%$ | $63 \%$ |

## Demographics: New York

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Gender |  | Children under 18 in Household |  | Employment Status |  |
| Male | 43\% | Yes | 33\% | Employed full time | 40\% |
| Female | 57\% | No | 67\% | Employed part time | 10\% |
| Race/Ethnicity |  | Income |  | Self-employed | 8\% |
| White | 82\% | Less than \$15k | 5\% | Not employed, looking for work | 6\% |
| Black/African-American | 6\% | \$15k to less than \$25k | 9\% | Not employed, not looking | 1\% |
| Hispanic | 8\% | \$25k to less than \$50k | 23\% | Not employed, disability or illness | 3\% |
| Native American or Alaskan Native | 0\% | \$50k to less than \$100k | 38\% | Retired | 24\% |
| South Asian | 0\% | \$100k to less than \$200k | 21\% | Student | 2\% |
| Chinese | 2\% | \$200k+ | 5\% | Stay-at-home spouse or partner | 6\% |
| Korean | 0\% | Education |  | Household Size |  |
| Japanese | 0\% | Less than HS | 1\% | 1 | 23\% |
| Other Southeast Asian | 0\% | Some HS | 2\% | 2 | 40\% |
| Filipino | 0\% | Completed HS | 16\% | 3 | 15\% |
| Arab/West Asian | 0\% | Job training after HS | 3\% | 4 | 16\% |
| Mixed Race | 1\% | Some college | 19\% | 5 | 5\% |
| Some other race | 1\% | Associate degree | 11\% | 6 or more | 2\% |
| Decline to Answer | 0\% | College | 24\% |  |  |
| Age |  | Some graduate school | 5\% |  |  |
| 18-44 | 37\% | Graduate degree | 20\% |  |  |
| 45-64 | 43\% |  |  |  |  |
| 65+ | 20\% |  |  |  |  |

## Key State Findings: Florida

## Coverage 0 三

- 6 in 10 (62\%) Floridians say having health insurance is "absolutely essential"
- 2 in $3(68 \%)$ would support the ACA Medicaid expansion in FL


## Costs

- 6 in $10(59 \%)$ are paying more out of pocket for healthcare vs. 2 years ago
- 4 in $10(45 \%)$ are having to cut down elsewhere to pay for healthcare


## Quality $* * * *$

- Majority of Floridians (52\%) disagree that they "don't worry about the quality of healthcare because it is generally excellent," significantly more than in NY and OH
- $35 \%$ say quality is worse than 2 years ago, significantly more than in NY


## Obesity <br> 

- $54 \%$ agree that foods that lead to obesity should be more expensive
- 3 in $4(78 \%)$ agree that labeling menus with nutritional information would help people make healthier meal choices
- $62 \%$ find that "eating healthy is too expensive," significantly more than in CA and NY
- $64 \%$ are overweight or obese


# In Florida, a candidate's position on health issues would count in their vote 

Political Candidate's View Would Count somewhat or a lot in Voting Decision

|  | TOTAL | Florida |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Manage healthcare costs | $85 \%$ | $86 \%$ |
| The government should provide health <br> insurance coverage for all US citizens | $70 \%$ | $70 \%$ |
| Expand state health insurance (Medicaid) <br> to cover more low income adults | $69 \%$ | $71 \%$ |
| Menus should be labeled with nutritional <br> information | $60 \%$ | $62 \%$ |

## Demographics: Florida

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Gender |  | Children under 18 in Household |  | Employment Status |  |
| Male | 42\% | Yes | 33\% | Employed full time | 28\% |
| Female | 58\% | No | 67\% | Employed part time | 9\% |
| Race/Ethnicity |  | Income |  | Self-employed | 9\% |
| White | 80\% | Less than \$15k | 8\% | Not employed, looking for work | 7\% |
| Black/African-American | 7\% | \$15k to less than \$25k | 13\% | Not employed, not looking | 1\% |
| Hispanic | 8\% | \$25k to less than \$50k | 30\% | Not employed, disability or illness | 5\% |
| Native American or Alaskan Native | 0\% | \$50k to less than \$100k | 35\% | Retired | 33\% |
| South Asian | 0\% | \$100k to less than \$200k | 13\% | Student | 2\% |
| Chinese | 0\% | \$200k+ | 3\% | Stay-at-home spouse or partner | 7\% |
| Korean | 0\% | Education |  | Household Size |  |
| Japanese | 0\% | Less than HS | 0\% | 1 | 22\% |
| Other Southeast Asian | 0\% | Some HS | 2\% | 2 | 42\% |
| Filipino | 0\% | Completed HS | 14\% | 3 | 16\% |
| Arab/West Asian | 0\% | Job training after HS | 4\% | 4 | 12\% |
| Mixed Race | 2\% | Some college | 25\% | 5 | 6\% |
| Some other race | 1\% | Associate degree | 10\% | 6 or more | 3\% |
| Decline to Answer | 1\% | College | 23\% |  |  |
| Age |  | Some graduate school | 4\% |  |  |
| 18-44 | 30\% | Graduate degree | 16\% |  |  |
| 45-64 | 40\% |  |  |  |  |
| 65+ | 29\% |  |  |  |  |

## Key State Findings: Ohio

## Coverage 0 三

- 7 in 10 (69\%) Ohioans say having health insurance is absolutely essential
- 3 in 4 (76\%) support keeping the ACA Medicaid expansion in CA


## Costs

- Majority of Ohioans(60\%) are paying more out of pocket for healthcare vs. 2 years ago
- 4 in 10 (41\%) are having to cut down elsewhere to pay for healthcare


## Quality $* * * *$

- 7 in 10 (69\%) have not seen a decline in quality in past 2 years


## Obesity <br> $2 / 11$ $\therefore: \%$

- $51 \%$ agree that foods that lead to obesity should be more expensive
- However, significantly fewer in OH think taxes on sugary drinks could help people make healthier choices vs. the 4 other states surveyed (42\%)
- 3 in $4(75 \%)$ agree that labeling menus with nutritional information would help people make healthier meal choices
- 70\% are overweight or obese


# In Ohio, a candidate's position on health issues would count in their vote 

Political Candidate's View Would Count somewhat or a lot in Voting Decision

|  | TOTAL | Ohio |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Manage healthcare costs | $85 \%$ | $85 \%$ |
| The government should provide health <br> insurance coverage for all US citizens | $70 \%$ | $64 \%$ |
| Expand state health insurance (Medicaid) <br> to cover more low income adults | $69 \%$ | $64 \%$ |
| Menus should be labeled with nutritional <br> information | $60 \%$ | $56 \%$ |

## Demographics: Ohio

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Gender |  | Children under 18 in Household |  | Employment Status |  |
| Male | 38\% | Yes | 39\% | Employed full time | 38\% |
| Female | 62\% | No | 61\% | Employed part time | 9\% |
| Race/Ethnicity |  | Income |  | Self-employed | 6\% |
| White | 88\% | Less than \$15k | 8\% | Not employed, looking for work | 6\% |
| Black/African-American | 7\% | \$15k to less than \$25k | 10\% | Not employed, not looking | 1\% |
| Hispanic | 3\% | \$25k to less than \$50k | 30\% | Not employed, disability or illness | 7\% |
| Native American or Alaskan Native | 0\% | \$50k to less than \$100k | 35\% | Retired | 22\% |
| South Asian | 0\% | \$100k to less than \$200k | 15\% | Student | 2\% |
|  | 0\% | \$200k+ | 2\% | Stay-at-home spouse or partner | 11\% |
| Korean | 0\% | Education |  | Household Size |  |
| Japanese | 0\% | Less than HS | 1\% | 1 | 19\% |
| Other Southeast Asian | 0\% | Some HS | 2\% | 2 | 42\% |
| Filipino | 0\% | Completed HS | 19\% | 3 | 17\% |
| Arab/West Asian | 0\% | Job training after HS | 4\% | 4 | 13\% |
| Mixed Race | 1\% | Some college | 24\% | 5 | 6\% |
| Some other race | 0\% | Associate degree | 12\% | 6 or more | 3\% |
| Decline to Answer | 0\% | College | 20\% |  |  |
| Age |  | Some graduate school | 3\% |  |  |
| 18-44 | 36\% | Graduate degree | 15\% |  |  |
| 45-64 | 46\% |  |  |  |  |
| 65+ | 18\% |  |  |  |  |

## Key State Findings: Texas

## Cost

## Coverage 9

More consumers in Texas than any other state surveyed are:

- Paying more out of pocket for healthcare vs. 2 years ago (65\%)
- Cutting down on other expenses to pay for healthcare (56\%)


## Quality $\star \star \star \forall$

- Worried about quality (55\%)
- Say quality has declined in the last 2 years (37\%)
- 96\% of Texans say having health insurance coverage is important
"Improving access"

- Nearly 2 in 3 Texans would support Medicaid expansion in Texas (63\%)
- Medicaid expansion is the top way Texans would expand coverage; this increased 50\% from last year


## Key State Findings: Texas

## Obesity $\quad \because: \%$

- Support for an increase in price of foods that could lead to obesity is 53\%
- Almost $50 \%$ support a tax of at least $50 \%$ on sugary drinks and a $25 \%$ tax on unhealthy meals
- $62 \%$ in favor of red-yellow-green, with slightly more wanting actual calorie count


## In Texas, a candida count in their vote

Political Candidate's View Would Count somewhat or a lot in Voting Decision

|  | TOTAL | Texas |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Manage healthcare costs | $85 \%$ | $82 \%$ |
| The government should provide health <br> insurance coverage for all US citizens | $70 \%$ | $64 \%$ |
| Expand state health insurance (Medicaid) <br> to cover more low income adults | $69 \%$ | $67 \%$ |
| Menus should be labeled with nutritional <br> information | $60 \%$ | $56 \%$ |

## Demographics: Texas

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Gender |  | Children under 18 in Household |  | Employment Status |  |
| Male | 41\% | Yes | 34\% | Employed full time | 32\% |
| Female | 59\% | No | 66\% | Employed part time | 8\% |
| Race/Ethnicity |  | Income |  | Self-employed | 10\% |
| White | 74\% | Less than \$15k | 8\% | Not employed, looking for work | 7\% |
| Black/African-American | 8\% | \$15k to less than \$25k | 11\% | Not employed, not looking | 1\% |
| Hispanic | 12\% | \$25k to less than \$50k | 30\% | Not employed, disability or illness | 5\% |
| Native American or Alaskan Native | 0\% | \$50k to less than \$100k | 34\% | Retired | 23\% |
| South Asian | 1\% | \$100k to less than \$200k | 15\% | Student | 4\% |
| Chinese | 0\% | \$200k+ | 2\% | Stay-at-home spouse or partner | 11\% |
| Korean | 0\% | Education |  | Household Size |  |
| Japanese | 0\% | Less than HS | 0\% | 1 | 20\% |
| Other Southeast Asian | 0\% | Some HS | 2\% | 2 | 39\% |
| Filipino | 0\% | Completed HS | 15\% | 3 | 18\% |
| Arab/West Asian | 0\% | Job training after HS | 4\% | 4 | 13\% |
| Mixed Race | 2\% | Some college | 25\% | 5 | 7\% |
| Some other race | 0\% | Associate degree | 11\% | 6 or more | 3\% |
| Decline to Answer | 0\% | College | 25\% |  |  |
| Age |  | Some graduate school | 5\% |  |  |
| 18-44 | 38\% | Graduate degree | 13\% |  |  |
| 45-64 | 40\% |  |  |  |  |
| 65+ | 22\% |  |  |  |  |

Method

## Online Method Details

Survey research in any mode (e.g., telephone, online) relies on weighting by key demographic variables to ensure the data more accurately reflects the target population.

In addition, online survey research relies on propensity score weighting to correct for selection bias from sampling from online panels of respondents, who may differ from the population of interest:

- They have chosen to become a part of the Internet population;
- They have chosen to become a part of a survey panel; and,
- They have chosen to take the survey for which they received the invitation.

Propensity score weighting corrects for the fact that certain kinds of people have a greater or lesser likelihood to be online, to become part of a survey panel, and to reply to our surveys, using the following process:

1) Respondents to the online survey are asked a battery of attitudinal/behavioral questions that are correlated with the decisions to go online, join an online panel, and respond to an online survey.
2) Respondents to a survey offered in a mode that also reaches those who are offline (e.g., telephone) are asked the same battery of attitudinal/behavioral and demographic questions.
3) The data from the two modes (online survey and telephone) are merged and a statistical model is estimated to predict whether an online respondent "looks like" the type of respondent who would be more likely to answer by phone versus online
4) The online respondents are demographically weighted (using standard weighting techniques). In addition the propensity score is included in the weighting scheme as an additional factor in order to balance the attitudes and behaviors of the online respondents.

This process allows us to virtually eliminate the selection bias associated with Internet based to ensure the data is representative.

## Online Method Details, cont...

In summary, weighting the data by key demographic variables ensures representativeness of survey data to the target population. This is applicable to both phone and online survey methods. Online surveys are subject to additional concerns about selection bias from sampling from online panels. Each of these issues, listed below, is addressed by weighting the data not only by demographics but also with propensity score weighting.

- Issue: Respondents to online surveys are part of the internet population and have elected to join an online panel. They may differ from the general population.
~ Resolution: Propensity score weighting corrects for differences between individuals who are likely to be online panel members and individuals who are not, ensuring the data are representative of the broader population of interest, not just online panel members.
- Issue: Respondents who chose to take the survey for which they received an invitation may differ from those who elected not to.
~ Resolution: Propensity score weighting also mitigates these differences.
~ Issue: How do we know respondents are who they say they are (and part of the right target population)?
~ Resolution: Online panels verify respondent ID at the time of registration. When respondents receive an invitation to a survey, they are screened to determine eligibility. Only respondents satisfying the eligibility requirements are able to proceed into the actual survey. In addition, the email invitation containing a unique URL to identify each individual respondent and ensure no one completes the survey more than once.


[^0]:    BASE: ALL QUALIFIED RESPONDENTS (Total $n=5007$, California $n=1004$, Florida $n=1000$, New York $n=1000$, Ohio $n=1001$, Texas $n=1002$ ) Q540 Do you have a primary care physician that you see when you have health problems? Q545 Do you have a specialist physician that you see when you have health problems in that physician's specialty?

