



THE AP-GfK POLL

April, 2015

Conducted by GfK Public Affairs & Corporate Communications

A survey of the American general population (ages 18+)

Interview dates: April 23-April 27, 2015

Number of interviews, adults: 1,077

Margin of error for the total sample: +/- 3.4 percentage points at the 95% confidence level

NOTE: All results show percentages among all respondents, unless otherwise labeled.

Please refer to the exact sample number at the bottom of each table.

**Beginning in October, 2013, AP-GfK polls were conducted online using GfK's nationally representative KnowledgePanel. All prior trend conducted by telephone.
For more information, see <http://www.ap-gfcpoll.com>.*

CUR1-s1 previously released.

CURX1. How important are each of the following issues to you personally?

[ITEMS RANDOMIZED - some items previously released]

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Health care											
Extremely/Very important	78	73	76	75	78	78	76	78	80	77	76
Extremely important	46	40	43	40	43	43	43	44	46	45	46
Very important	32	33	34	35	35	35	33	34	34	33	31
Moderately important	15	18	14	17	15	15	16	15	14	16	15
Slightly/Not at all important	6	6	7	7	6	6	7	6	5	6	7
Slightly important	4	4	4	5	4	4	4	4	4	5	5
Not at all important	2	3	3	2	1	1	3	2	2	1	3
Refused/Not Answered	1	3	3	1	1	1	2	1	1	2	2

Based on:

N=1,077

N=1,045

N=1,010

N=1,608

N=1,385

N=968

N=1,845

N=1,541

N=958

N=1,044

N=1,354

CURY2/3/3a. Overall, do you approve, disapprove, or neither approve nor disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling...

[RESPONDENTS SHOWN EACH ITEM ON A SEPARATE SCREEN]

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Health care	4/23-27/15	1/29-2/2/15	12/4-8/14	TOTAL 10/16-20/14	REGISTERED VOTERS 10/16-20/14	LIKELY VOTERS 10/16-20/14	TOTAL 9/25-29/14	REGISTERED VOTERS 9/25-29/14	LIKELY VOTERS 9/25-29/14	7/24-28/14	5/16-19/14	3/20-24/14
Total approve	44	43	41	41	42	42	41	42	42	38	42	38
Approve	33	33	33	32	34	35	31	33	34	30	32	29
Lean towards approving	11	10	8	9	8	7	10	9	8	9	10	9
Don't lean either way	1	1	*	*	*	-	1	*	*	1	1	1
Total disapprove	55	55	58	58	58	58	58	58	58	60	57	61
Lean towards disapproving	8	9	6	7	5	3	8	5	5	7	7	7
Disapprove	46	46	51	51	53	55	50	52	53	53	50	54
Refused/Not Answered	1	1	1	1	*	*	1	*	*	*	1	*

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N=1,012

CUR25. Which party do you trust to do a better job of:

[GRID, RANDOMIZE ITEMS - *some items previously released*]

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Handling health care												
The Democratic Party	34	37	35	33	35	36	33	35	36	32	34	30
The Republican Party	24	24	25	24	27	32	25	27	32	27	26	26
Both equally	13	12	10	13	10	8	12	11	8	13	11	12
Neither	28	25	28	28	26	23	28	26	23	27	27	30
Refused/Not Answered	1	2	2	2	1	1	2	2	1	2	3	2

Based on: N=1,077 N=1,045 N=1,010 N=1,608 N=1,385 N=968 N=1,845 N=1,541 N=958 N=1,044 N=1,354 N=1,012

Fav1-HCEMAIL4 previously released.

Some items held for future release.

HC1
 HC1A/
 HC1B.

In general, do you support, oppose or neither support nor oppose the health care reforms that were passed by Congress in March of 2010?

[IF "SUPPORT"] Would you say you support the health care reforms that were passed by Congress in March of 2010 strongly or do you support them just somewhat?

[IF "OPPOSE"] Would you say you oppose the health care reforms that were passed by Congress in March of 2010 strongly or do you oppose them just somewhat?

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Total support	27	26	29	25	28	31	25	28	30	28	26	27	27	28	33	35	36
Strongly support	16	15	17	15	16	20	14	17	19	17	13	17	16	16	17	17	16
Somewhat support	11	11	12	11	12	11	11	11	11	11	13	10	11	12	17	18	21
Neither support nor oppose	34	34	29	36	30	20	34	29	22	28	30	30	28	32	13	14	15
Total oppose	38	40	41	38	41	48	40	43	47	43	43	42	44	38	47	47	46
Somewhat oppose	10	10	12	10	11	10	13	12	12	11	12	9	10	9	14	11	13
Strongly oppose	28	29	29	28	31	39	28	31	35	32	31	33	34	29	32	36	32
Don't know [VOL]	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	7	4	3
Refused/Not Answered	1	1	1	1	*	*	1	*	*	1	1	1	1	2	*	*	-

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HCSC1. How closely have you been following news about a Supreme Court case involving the 2010 health care law and whether the federal government can subsidize premiums for people who buy insurance in some states?

	4/23-27/15
Extremely/very closely	13
Extremely closely	5
Very closely	8
Somewhat closely	25
Not too/Not closely at all	60
Not too closely	30
Not closely at all	30
Refused/Not Answered	2

Based on:

N=1,077

HCSC2. As you may know, the Supreme Court is considering a case involving a provision of the law that allows the government to help people pay for their insurance premiums. The people who brought the case say the literal wording of the provision **only** allows the federal government to subsidize insurance premiums in states that have set up their own insurance exchanges. The government says Congress intended to allow the federal government to subsidize premiums in all 50 states.

Which way would you prefer that the court rule?

	4/23-27/15
It should limit the government to subsidizing premiums only in states with their own exchanges	39
It should allow the government to continue subsidizing premiums in all 50 states	56
Refused/Not Answered	5

Based on:

N=1,077

HCSC3. How confident are you that the justices on the Supreme Court will make their ruling in this case based on objective interpretations of this provision of the law, rather than personal opinions about the health care law as a whole?

	4/23-27/15
Extremely/very confident	10
Extremely confident	3
Very confident	8
Moderately confident	39
Not too/Not confident at all	48
Not too confident	32
Not confident at all	16
Refused/Not Answered	3

Based on:

N=1,077

HCSC4. If the Supreme Court rules that the government can only subsidize premiums in states with their own exchanges, which would you prefer that Congress do?

	4/23-27/15
Update the law to allow the federal government to subsidize premiums in all states	51
Keep the law as-is and let states decide if they want to create exchanges that would allow people to receive subsidies	44
Refused/Not Answered	5

Based on:

N=1,077

Some questions held for future release.

NCC8-IM29B previously released.

Some questions held for future release.

DRN8-NCC36 previously released.

TP4. Do you consider yourself a supporter of the Tea Party movement, or are you not a supporter of the Tea Party movement?

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Supporter	22	21	20	19	22	27	17	20	26	23	20	22	27	20	17	23	22
Not a supporter	74	75	76	78	75	71	79	77	72	74	77	73	67	76	78	62	64
Don't know [VOL]	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	12	13
Refused/Not Answered	5	5	4	3	2	2	4	3	2	4	4	6	6	4	5	3	1

Based on: N=1,077 N=1,045 N=1,010 N=1,608 N=1,385 N=968 N=1,845 N=1,541 N=958 N=1,044 N=1,354 N=1,012 N=1,060 N=1,367 N=1,227 N=1,004 N=1,004

TP4a. [IF TP4=1] Do you support the tea party movement strongly or somewhat...

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Strongly	28	35	36	36	35	38	31	31	34	35	28	31
Somewhat	71	65	63	64	65	62	68	67	65	64	71	67
Refused/Not Answered	1	1	1	*	*	-	1	1	1	1	1	2

Based on: Tea Party Supporter N=213 N=227 N=225 N=332 N=318 N=261 N=361 N=331 N=255 N=259 N=263 N=227

PID1. Do you consider yourself a Democrat, a Republican, an independent or none of these?

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Democrat	32	31	31	30	34	34	31	36	35	29	32	30	33	29	31	27	29
Independent	27	27	24	23	23	23	24	25	25	24	21	24	23	28	27	29	30
Republican	21	23	24	26	29	35	24	27	32	28	26	27	25	23	23	21	21
None of these	19	17	18	19	12	8	19	11	7	17	19	16	18	17	15	20	19
Don't know [VOL]	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	1	*
Refused/Not Answered	2	3	3	2	2	1	2	1	1	3	3	3	2	2	3	3	1

Based on: N=1,077 N=1,045 N=1,010 N=1,608 N=1,385 N=968 N=1,845 N=1,541 N=958 N=1,044 N=1,354 N=1,012 N=1,060 N=1,367 N=1,227 N=1,004 N=1,004

PID1/i. Do you consider yourself a Democrat, a Republican, an independent or none of these? IF "INDEPENDENT" OR "NONE," OR REFUSAL, ASK: Do you lean more toward the Democrats or the Republicans?

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Total Democrat	44	42	41	41	44	42	43	47	45	40	43	41	44	42	44
Democrat	32	31	31	30	34	34	31	36	35	29	32	30	33	29	31
Independent – lean Democratic	9	7	7	7	7	7	8	8	9	8	9	8	9	8	10
None – lean Democratic	3	3	2	4	3	1	4	2	2	4	3	3	2	4	3
Total Republican	34	35	38	37	41	47	34	38	45	38	34	39	35	37	35
Republican	21	23	24	26	29	35	24	27	32	28	26	27	25	23	23
Independent – lean Republican	10	10	9	8	9	10	8	9	10	8	6	10	8	11	9
None – lean Republican	3	3	5	3	3	3	3	3	3	2	2	2	2	4	3
Independent – don't lean	8	10	8	7	7	6	8	8	7	8	7	6	5	10	9
None – don't lean	14	14	14	14	8	5	15	8	4	14	16	14	16	12	12
[VOL] Independent – lean other	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
[VOL] None – lean other	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Don't know	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Refused/Not answered	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Based on: N=1,077 N=1,045 N=1,010 N=1,608 N=1,365 N=968 N=1,845 N=1,541 N=958 N=1,044 N=1,354 N=1,012 N=1,060 N=1,367 N=1,227

G11b. Generally speaking, do you consider yourself a...?

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Liberal	21	19	20	21	21	20	20	20	19	16	22	18	20	20	18	22
Conservative	33	33	35	33	36	41	31	35	40	34	33	38	38	35	36	40
Moderate	43	45	40	42	42	39	45	43	40	45	42	40	38	42	41	30
Don't know	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	6
Refused/Not answered	3	3	5	3	2	1	4	2	1	4	4	4	5	4	5	2

Based on: N=1,077 N=1,045 N=1,010 N=1,608 N=1,385 N=968 N=1,224 N=1,016 N=643 N=1,044 N=1,354 N=1,012 N=1,060 N=1,367 N=1,227 N=1,004

DM5. Which one of the following best describes where you live?

Urban area	26
Suburban area	48
Rural area	25
Refused/Not Answered	2

Based on:

N=1,077

INS1. The next questions are about your personal health insurance. Please include health insurance obtained through employment or purchased directly as well as government programs like Medicare and Medicaid that provide medical care or help pay medical bills.

Are you currently covered by any kind of health insurance or some other kind of health care plan or not?

	4/23-27/15	1/29-2/2/15	12/4-8/14	TOTAL 10/16-20/14	5/16-19/14	3/20-24/14	1/17-21/14	12/5-9/13	10/3-7/13*
Yes	88	87	86	86	82	85	83	82	83
No	9	10	11	12	15	12	16	16	14
Refused/Not answered	2	3	3	2	3	3	2	2	3

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N=1,367

N=1,227

DM12. Do you consider yourself a born-again or evangelical Christian, or not?

Yes, born-again/evangelical	29
No	67
Refused/Not Answered	4

Based on:

N=1,077

DM13. What is your religious preference?

Protestant	23
Catholic	24
Mormon	1
Jewish	2
Muslim	1
Other religion	14
Don't belong to religious denomination	32
Refused/Not Answered	3

Based on:

N=1,077

DM14. [IF "OTHER RELIGION" IN DM13] Do you consider yourself a Christian, or not?

Yes, a Christian	88
No, not a Christian	12
Refused/Not Answered	*

Based on:

N=146

PPEDUCAT. (4 category)

Less than high school	9
High school	33
Some college	29
Bachelor's degree or higher	29

Based on:

N=1,077

PPETHM

White, Non-Hispanic	66
Black, Non-Hispanic	11
Other, Non-Hispanic	5
Hispanic	15
2+ Races, Non-Hispanic	3

Based on:

N=1,077

PPGENDER

Male	48
Female	52

Based on:

N=1,077

PPWORK

Working – as a paid employee	50
Working – self-employed	7
Not working – on temporary layoff from a job	1
Not working – looking for work	8
Not working – retired	18
Not working – disabled	5
Not working - other	11

Based on:

N=1,077

PPAGE

Age group:

18-29	22
30-49	34
50-64	26
65+	19

Based on:

N=1,077

DM20. And in which group does your total household [IF SINGLE: "PERSONAL"] income fall?
[READ LIST]

Under \$10,000	5
\$10,000 to under \$20,000	8
\$20,000 to under \$30,000	10
\$30,000 to under \$40,000	11
\$40,000 to under \$50,000	8
\$50,000 to under \$75,000	20
\$75,000 to under \$100,000	14
\$100,000 to under \$150,000	18
\$150,000 or more	8

Based on:

N=1,077

CENSUS REGION:

Northeast	18
Midwest	21
South	37
West	23

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AP-GfK Poll Methodology

The **Associated Press-GfK Poll** was conducted April 23 to April 27, 2015 by GfK Public Affairs & Corporate Communications – a division of GfK Custom Research North America. This poll is based on a nationally-representative probability sample of 1,077 general population adults age 18 or older.

The survey was conducted using the web-enabled KnowledgePanel®, a probability-based panel designed to be representative of the U.S. population. At inception participants were chosen scientifically by a random selection of telephone numbers and since 2009 through Address-based sampling using the post office's delivery sequence file. Persons in these households are then invited to join and participate in the web-enabled KnowledgePanel®. For those who agree to participate, but do not already have Internet access, GfK provides at no cost a laptop and ISP connection. People who already have computers and Internet services are permitted to participate using their own equipment. Panelists then receive unique log-in information for accessing surveys online, and then are sent emails throughout each month inviting them to participate in research.

The data were weighted to account for probabilities of selection, as well as age within sex, education, race, and phone type. The phone type targets came from the fall, 2012 MRI Consumer Survey. The other targets came from the March, 2012 Supplement of the Current Population Survey.

The margin of sampling error is plus or minus 3.4 percentage points at the 95% confidence level, for results based on the entire sample of adults. The margin of sampling error is higher and varies for results based on sub-samples. In our reporting of the findings, percentage points are rounded off to the nearest whole number. As a result, percentages in a given table column may total slightly higher or lower than 100%. In questions that permit multiple responses, columns may total significantly more than 100%, depending on the number of different responses offered by each respondent. The cooperation rate for this poll was 48%.

Trend data are displayed for selected questions from previous AP-GfK Polls that were conducted using telephone interviews with nationally-representative probability samples of adults age 18 or older. Details about all AP-GfK Polls are available at <http://www.ap-gfkipoll.com>.