

GALLUP NEWS SERVICE

AFFORDABLE CARE ACT APPROVAL

Results are based on telephone interviews with a random sample of – 1,015 -- national adults, aged 18+, living in all 50 states and the District of Columbia, conducted August 30-31, 2016.

For results based on the total sample of National Adults, the margin of error is ± 4 percentage points at the 95% confidence level.

Interviews are conducted with respondents on landline telephones and cellular phones, with interviews conducted in Spanish for respondents who are primarily Spanish-speaking. Each sample of national adults includes a minimum quota of 60% cell phone respondents and 40% landline respondents, with additional minimum quotas by time zone within region. Landline and cell phone numbers are selected using random digit dial methods. Landline respondents are chosen at random within each household on the basis of which member has the next birthday.

Samples are weighted to correct for unequal selection probability, non-response, and double coverage of landline and cell users in the two sampling frames. They are also weighted to match the national demographics of gender, age, race, Hispanic ethnicity, education, region, population density, and phone status (cell phone-only/landline only/both, cell phone mostly). Demographic weighting targets are based on the March 2015 Current Population Survey figures for the aged 18 and older U.S. population. Phone status targets are based on the July-December 2015 National Health Interview Survey. Population density targets are based on the 2010 census. All reported margins of sampling error include the computed design effects for weighting.

In addition to sampling error, question wording and practical difficulties in conducting surveys can introduce error or bias into the findings of public opinion polls.

Next, we'd like to ask you some questions about the Affordable Care Act, the law President Obama signed in 2010 that restructured the U.S. health care system.

1. Do you generally approve or disapprove of the 2010 Affordable Care Act, signed into law by President Obama that restructured the U.S. health care system?

	<u>Approve</u>	<u>Disapprove</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2016 Aug 30-31	44	51	5
2016 May 6-8	47	49	4
2015 Nov 4-8 †	44	52	4
2015 Jul 1-5	47	48	5
2015 Apr 1-4	44	50	7
2014 Nov 6-9 †	37	56	6
2014 Oct 1-2	41	53	6
2014 May 21-25	43	51	5
2014 Apr 7-8	43	54	3
2014 Feb 28-Mar 2	40	55	5
2014 Jan 31-Feb 1	41	51	9
2014 Jan 3-4	38	54	8
2013 Dec 11-12	41	51	8
2013 Nov 23-24	40	54	6
2013 Nov 7-10 †	40	55	4
2013 Oct 26-28	44	47	9
2013 Oct 18-20	45	50	6
2013 Aug 17-18	41	49	11
2013 Jun 20-24 †	44	52	4
2012 Nov 15-18 ^ †	48	45	7

† Asked on Gallup Poll News Service (non-tracking) poll

^ WORDING: Do you generally approve or disapprove of the 2010 Affordable Care Act, also known as "Obama-care," that restructured the U.S. health care system?

As you may know, a number of the provisions of the healthcare law have already gone into effect.

Q.2/3 ROTATED

2. So far, has the law— [ROTATED: helped you and your family, not had an effect, (or has it) hurt you and your family]?

	<u>Helped</u>	<u>Had no effect</u>	<u>Hurt</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2016 Aug 30-31	18	51	29	3
2016 May 6-8	22	50	26	2
2015 Jul 1-5	18	55	25	2
2015 Apr 1-4	17	57	23	4
2014 Oct 1-2	16	54	27	3
2014 May 21-25	14	59	24	4
2014 Apr 7-8 ^	15	64	18	3
2014 Feb 28-Mar 2 ^	10	63	23	4
2014 Jan 31-Feb 1 ^	13	64	19	4
2014 Jan 3-4 ^	10	66	19	4
2013 Nov 23-24 ^	9	69	19	4
2012 Feb 20-21 ^	12	70	16	3

^ WORDING: As you may know, a few of the provisions of the healthcare law have already gone into effect. So far, has the new law— [ROTATED: helped you and your family, not had an effect, (or has it) hurt you and your family]?

3. So far, has the law— [ROTATED: helped the healthcare situation in the U.S., not had an effect, (or has it) hurt the healthcare situation in the U.S.]?

	<u>Helped</u>	<u>Had no effect</u>	<u>Hurt</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2016 Aug 30-31	37	12	45	6
2016 May 6-8	39	14	40	7

Q.4/5 ROTATED

4. In the long run, how do you think the healthcare law will affect your family’s healthcare situation? Will it—
[ROTATED: make things better, not make much difference, (or will it) make things worse]?

	<u>Make better</u>	<u>Not make much difference</u>	<u>Make worse</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2016 Aug 30-31	24	37	36	2
2016 May 6-8	26	39	33	1
2015 Apr 1-4	24	41	32	3
2014 Oct 1-2	23	35	38	5
2014 May 21-25	22	39	36	3
2014 Apr 7-8	24	42	32	3
2014 Feb 28-Mar 2	21	36	40	3
2014 Jan 31-Feb 1	24	34	37	5
2014 Jan 3-4	22	35	37	5
2013 Nov 23-24	20	34	41	5
2013 Oct 26-28	25	36	34	5
2013 Aug 17-18	24	34	38	5
2013 Jun 20-24 †	22	33	42	3
2012 Feb 20-21 ^	24	34	38	5

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^ WORDING: Now suppose all of the provisions of the healthcare law go into effect in the next few years. In the long run, how do you think the healthcare law would affect your family’s healthcare situation? Would it—[ROTATED: make things better, not make much difference, (or would it) make things worse]?

5. In the long run, how do you think the healthcare law will affect the healthcare situation in the U.S.? Will it—
it—[ROTATED: make things better, not make much difference, (or will it) make things worse]?

	<u>Make better</u>	<u>Not make much difference</u>	<u>Make worse</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2016 Aug 30-31	37	15	45	4
2016 May 6-8	40	16	41	2
2015 Apr 1-4	37	16	43	4
2014 Oct 1-2	36	15	46	4
2014 May 21-25	37	16	44	4
2014 Apr 7-8	37	15	45	3
2014 Feb 28-Mar 2	35	14	48	3
2014 Jan 31-Feb 1	35	14	45	6
2014 Jan 3-4	35	12	48	6
2013 Nov 23-24	34	12	48	6
2013 Oct 26-28	36	14	44	6
2013 Aug 17-18	35	15	44	6
2013 Jun 20-24 †	34	16	47	3

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