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Results are based on telephone interviews conducted November 5-19, 2020 with a random sample of –1,018— adults, ages 18+, living in all 50 U.S. states and the District of Columbia. For results based on this sample of national adults, the margin of sampling 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 70% cell phone respondents and 30% landline respondents, with additional minimum quotas by time zone within region. Landline and cell phone telephone numbers are selected using random digit dial methods. Gallup obtained sample for this study from Dynata. 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 and cell phone mostly). Demographic weighting targets are based on the March 2018 Current Population Survey figures for the aged 18 and older U.S. population. Phone status targets are based on the January-June 2019 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. For questions about how this survey was conducted, please contact galluphelp@gallup.com.

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13. Which of these statements do you think best describes the U.S. health care system today -- [ROTATED: it is in a state of crisis, it has major problems, it has minor problems, (or) it does not have any problems]?

	State of crisis	Major problems	Minor problems	Does not have any problems	No opinion
2020 Nov 5-19	16	45	35	3	1
2019 Nov 1-14	14	49	35	2	*
2018 Nov 1-11	15	55	27	3	1
2017 Nov 2-8	16	55	26	1	*
2016 Nov 9-13	18	53	27	2	1
2015 Nov 4-8	16	56	26	2	1
2014 Nov 6-9	16	52	30	1	2
2013 Nov 7-10	21	52	24	1	1
2012 Nov 15-18	16	51	30	1	1
2011 Nov 3-6	16	57	24	1	1
2010 Nov 4-7	17	55	26	1	1
2009 Nov 5-8	21	50	25	2	1
2009 Sep 11-13	17	56	25	2	*
2008 Nov 13-16	14	59	26	1	1
2007 Nov 11-14	17	56	24	2	1
2006 Nov 9-12	16	55	25	3	1
2005 Nov 7-10	18	52	28	1	1
2004 Nov 7-10	14	53	31	2	*
2003 Nov 3-5	14	54	30	1	1
2002 Nov 11-14	11	54	32	2	1
2001 Nov 8-11	5	44	47	2	2
2000 Sep 11-13	12	58	28	1	1
1994 Sep 6-7 ^	17	52	29	1	1

^ WORDING: Which of these statements do you think best describes the U.S. health care system today--the health care system is in a state of crisis, it has major problems, it has minor problems, or it does not have any problems?

Q.14-15 ROTATED

14. Do you think it is the responsibility of the federal government to make sure all Americans have health care coverage, or is that not the responsibility of the federal government?

	Yes, government responsibility	No, not government responsibility	No opinion
2020 Nov 5-19	56	42	2
2019 Nov 1-14	54	45	1
2018 Nov 1-11	57	42	1
2017 Nov 2-8	56	42	2
2016 Nov 9-13	52	45	3
2015 Nov 4-8	51	47	2
2014 Nov 6-9	45	52	3
2013 Nov 7-10	42	56	2
2012 Nov 15-18	44	54	2
2011 Nov 3-6	50	46	4
2010 Nov 4-7	47	50	3
2009 Nov 5-8	47	50	3
2008 Nov 13-16 ^	54	41	5
2007 Nov 11-14 ^	64	33	3
2006 Nov 9-12 ^	69	28	3
2005 Nov 7-10 ^	58	38	4
2004 Nov 7-10 ^	64	34	2
2003 Nov 3-5 ^	59	39	2
2002 Nov 11-14	62	35	3
2001 Nov 8-11 ^	62	34	4
2000 Sep 11-13	64	31	5
2000 Jan 13-16	59	38	3

^ Asked of a half sample.

15. Which of the following approaches for providing health care in the United States would you prefer -- [ROTATED: a government run health care system, (or) a system based mostly on private health insurance]?

	Government run system	System based on private insurance	No opinion
2020 Nov 5-19	42	55	4
2019 Nov 1-14	42	54	4
2018 Nov 1-11	40	54	6
2017 Nov 2-8	47	48	5
2016 Nov 9-13	43	53	4
2015 Nov 4-8	41	55	4
2014 Nov 6-9	35	61	4
2013 Nov 7-10	34	61	5
2012 Nov 15-18	36	57	6
2011 Nov 3-6	39	56	6
2010 Nov 4-7	34	61	5

For comparison: *Which of the following approaches for providing health care in the United States would you prefer -- [ROTATED: replacing the current health care system with a new government run health care system, (or) maintaining the current system based mostly on private health insurance]?*

	Replacing the current system	Maintaining the current system	No opinion
2009 Nov 5-8	32	61	7
2009 Mar 27-29	39	56	5
2008 Nov 13-16 ^	41	49	10
2007 Nov 11-14 ^	41	48	11
2006 Nov 9-12 ^	39	51	10
2005 Nov 7-10 ^	41	49	10
2004 Nov 7-10 ^	32	63	5
2003 Nov 3-5 ^	38	57	5
2001 Nov 8-11 ^	33	61	6

^ Asked of a half sample.

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QN13: Describe U.S. Health Care System BY Total + Gender + Race I + Age + Education + Party I.D. + Ideology

			Gender		Race I		Age			Education			Party I.D.			Ideology		
		Total	Male	Female	White	Non-white	18-34	35-54	55+	College Grad	Some College	HS Grad or Less	Republican	Independent	Democrat	Conservative	Moderate	Liberal
Total	Unweighted n	1018	525	493	713	285	201	270	530	444	347	220	302	375	327	368	357	267
	Weighted n	1018	500	518	667	341	283	316	401	339	289	385	310	384	311	370	339	275
It is in a state of crisis,		163	51	112	100	62	43	58	58	53	35	74	21	64	72	40	43	70
		16%	10%	22%	15%	18%	15%	18%	14%	16%	12%	19%	7%	17%	23%	11%	13%	26%
It has major problems, (or)		457	223	234	307	145	118	150	184	175	141	139	112	171	170	126	169	150
		45%	45%	45%	46%	42%	41%	47%	46%	52%	49%	36%	36%	44%	55%	34%	50%	55%
It has minor problems, (or)		358	209	149	242	112	101	97	152	104	103	149	155	134	66	183	116	48
		35%	42%	29%	36%	33%	36%	31%	38%	31%	36%	39%	50%	35%	21%	49%	34%	17%
It does not have any problems,		35	16	19	14	20	21	10	3	3	10	21	19	13	2	18	10	7
		3%	3%	4%	2%	6%	7%	3%	1%	1%	4%	5%	6%	3%	1%	5%	3%	2%
(DK)/(Refused)		5	1	4	3	2	-	2	4	4	-	2	2	2	1	3	1	1
		1%	0%	1%	0%	1%	-	1%	1%	1%	-	0%	1%	1%	0%	1%	0%	0%

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QN14: Responsibility for Americans' Health Care Coverage BY Total + Gender + Race I + Age + Education + Party I.D. + Ideology

			Gender		Race I		Age			Education			Party I.D.			Ideology		
		Total	Male	Female	White	Non-white	18-34	35-54	55+	College Grad	Some College	HS Grad or Less	Republican	Independent	Democrat	Conservative	Moderate	Liberal
Total	Unweighted n	1018	525	493	713	285	201	270	530	444	347	220	302	375	327	368	357	267
	Weighted n	1018	500	518	667	341	283	316	401	339	289	385	310	384	311	370	339	275
Yes, government responsibility		573	246	327	320	248	179	162	226	205	146	218	69	227	270	95	213	244
		56%	49%	63%	48%	73%	63%	51%	56%	61%	50%	57%	22%	59%	87%	26%	63%	89%
No, not		426	246	180	334	86	102	149	165	130	134	161	236	150	37	268	121	27
		42%	49%	35%	50%	25%	36%	47%	41%	38%	46%	42%	76%	39%	12%	72%	36%	10%
(DK)/(Refused)		20	9	11	12	7	2	5	10	3	9	5	6	7	4	7	5	4
		2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	1%	2%	2%	1%	3%	1%	2%	2%	1%	2%	1%	2%

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QN15: Approaches for Providing Health Care BY Total + Gender + Race I + Age + Education + Party I.D. + Ideology

			Gender		Race I		Age			Education			Party I.D.			Ideology		
		Total	Male	Female	White	Non-white	18-34	35-54	55+	College Grad	Some College	HS Grad or Less	Republican	Independent	Democrat	Conservative	Moderate	Liberal
Total	Unweighted n	1018	525	493	713	285	201	270	530	444	347	220	302	375	327	368	357	267
	Weighted n	1018	500	518	667	341	283	316	401	339	289	385	310	384	311	370	339	275
A government run health care system, (or)		424	201	223	225	197	153	121	146	155	100	168	36	186	193	76	140	197
		42%	40%	43%	34%	58%	54%	38%	36%	46%	35%	44%	12%	49%	62%	21%	41%	72%
A system based mostly on private health insurance, (or)		557	293	264	413	136	127	177	238	169	178	205	264	184	105	290	185	69
		55%	59%	51%	62%	40%	45%	56%	59%	50%	62%	53%	85%	48%	34%	78%	55%	25%
(DK)/(Refused)		38	6	32	29	8	3	18	17	14	11	12	11	14	13	5	14	9
		4%	1%	6%	4%	2%	1%	6%	4%	4%	4%	3%	3%	4%	4%	1%	4%	3%