

The Future of Health Care in the Post-Election Period: A View Through Polarized Lenses

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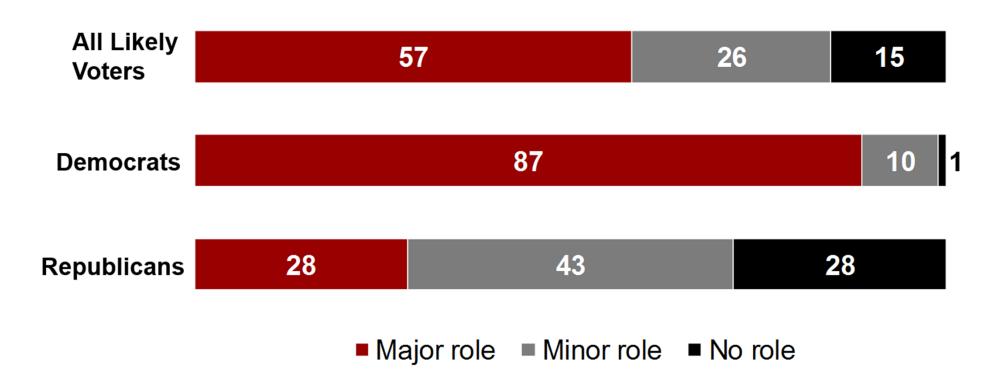
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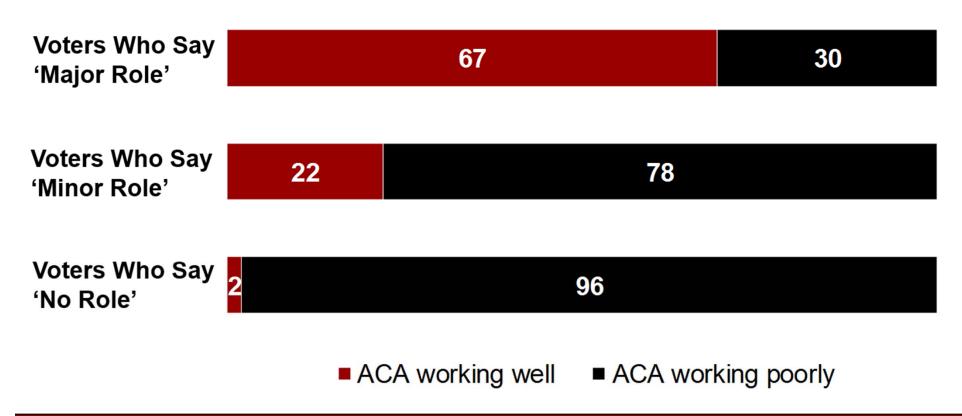
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The Values Behind Health Care's Role in the Election

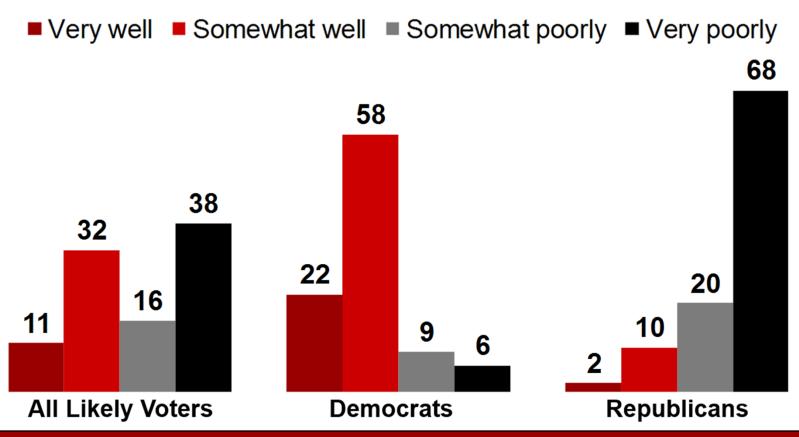
Voters' Beliefs About the Federal Government's Role in Improving Health System



Voters' Views of the ACA Colored by Beliefs About the Government's Role in Improving Health System

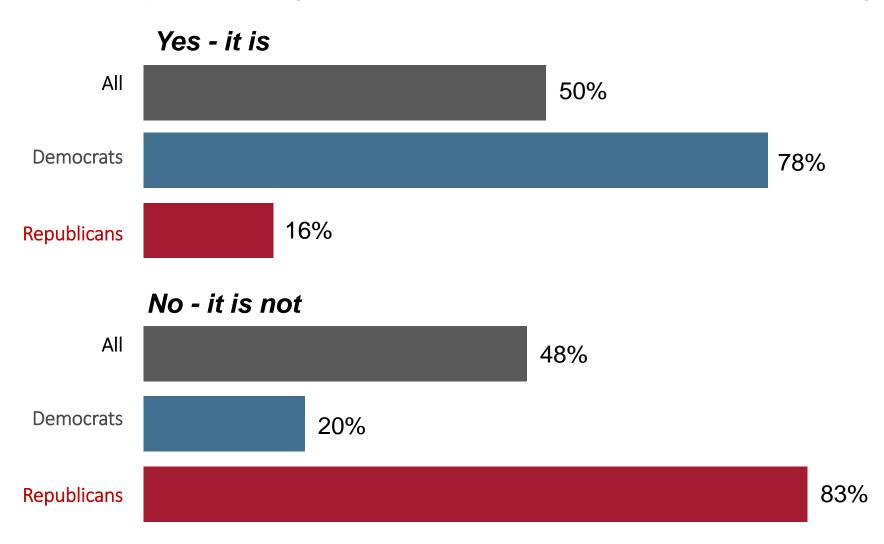


Voters' Views – How Well is the ACA Working?

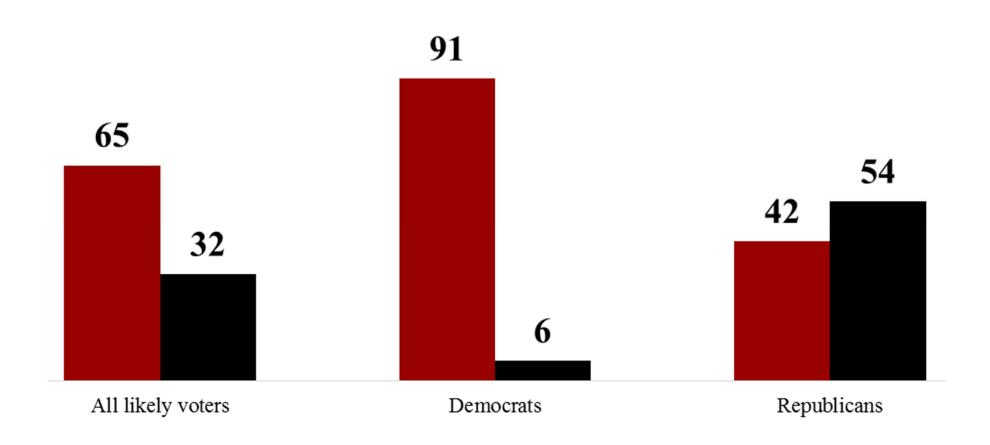


Responsibility of the Federal Government in Health Care

"Is it the responsibility of the federal government to ensure that all Americans have health coverage?"



Voters' Views on Government Responsibility to Ensure Rich and Poor Get Same Health Care



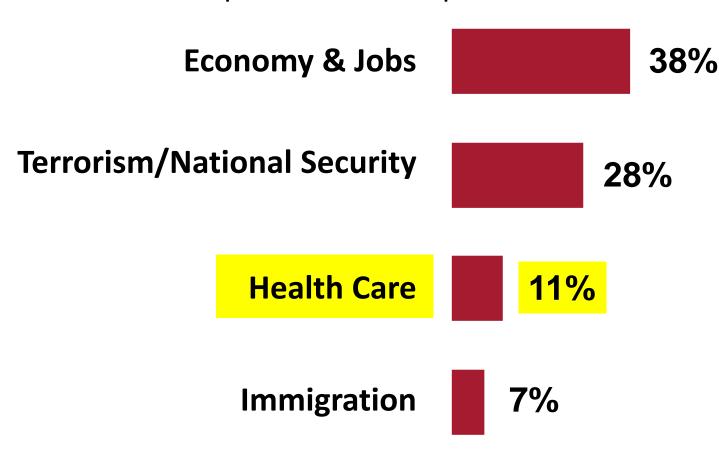
■No; it is not govt's responsibility

■ Yes; it is govt's responsibility

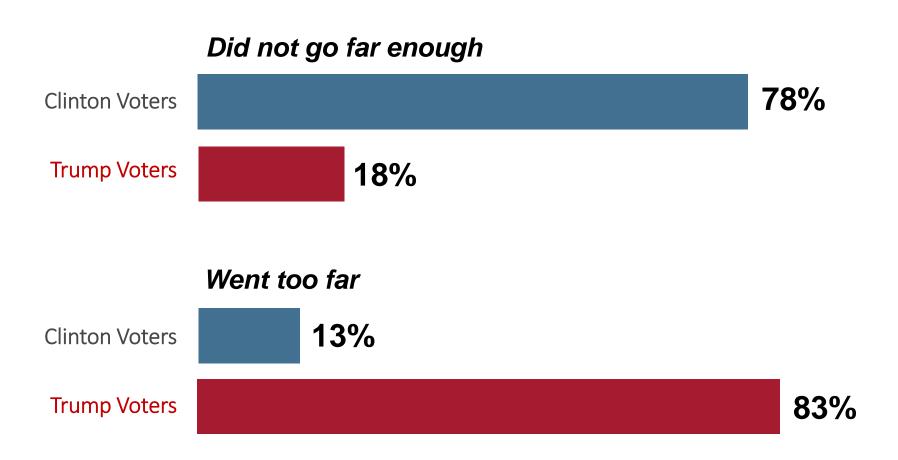
Health Care in the 2016 General Election

Top Four Policy Issues in 2016 Election

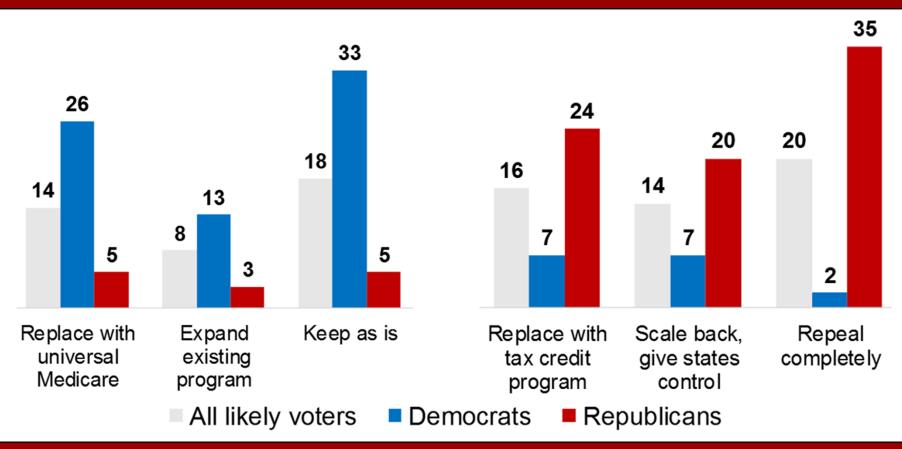
Percent of registered voters saying: "Most important issue in presidential vote choice"



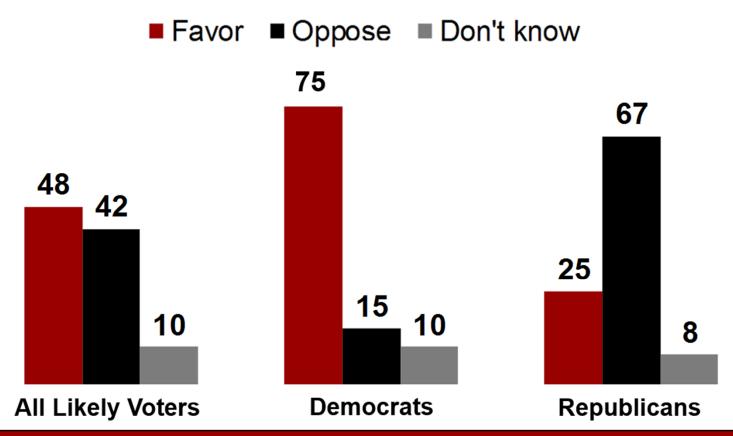
Voters Views on Obamacare (ACA)



Voters' Top Choice – What Should Happen to the ACA?

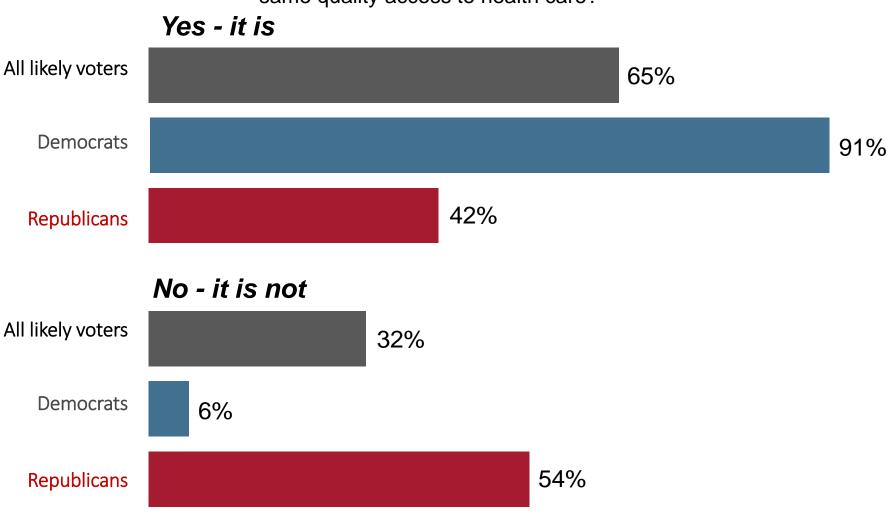


Voters' Beliefs About a Public Option in the ACA



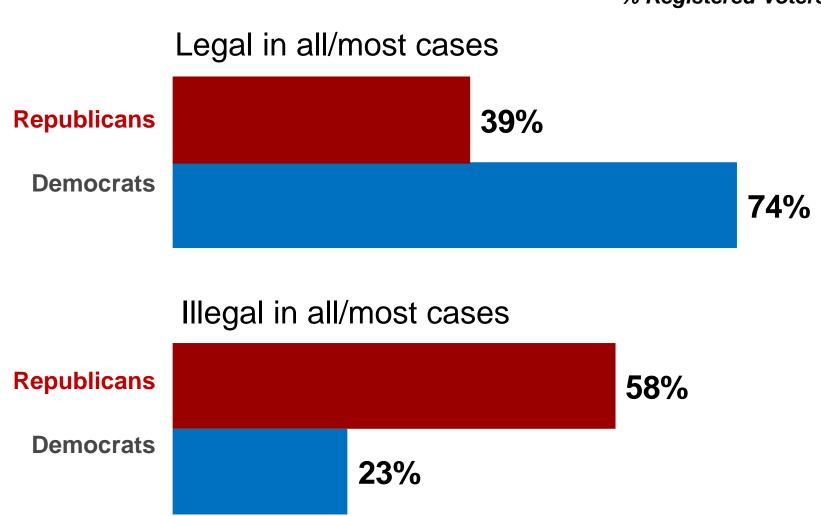
Voters and Inequality

"Is it the responsibility of the federal government to make sure the rich and poor get the same quality access to health care?"

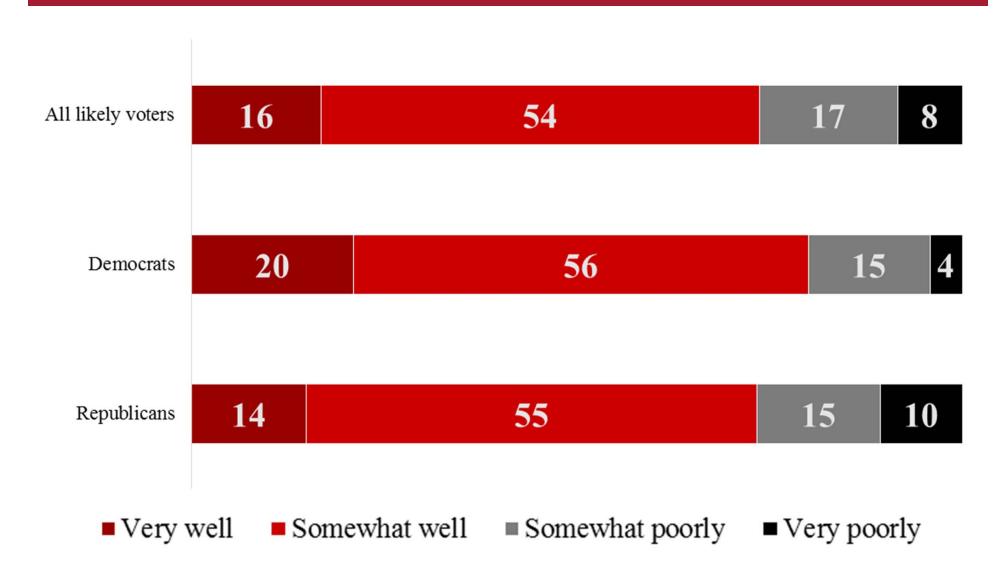


Public Opinion About Abortion, by Political Party

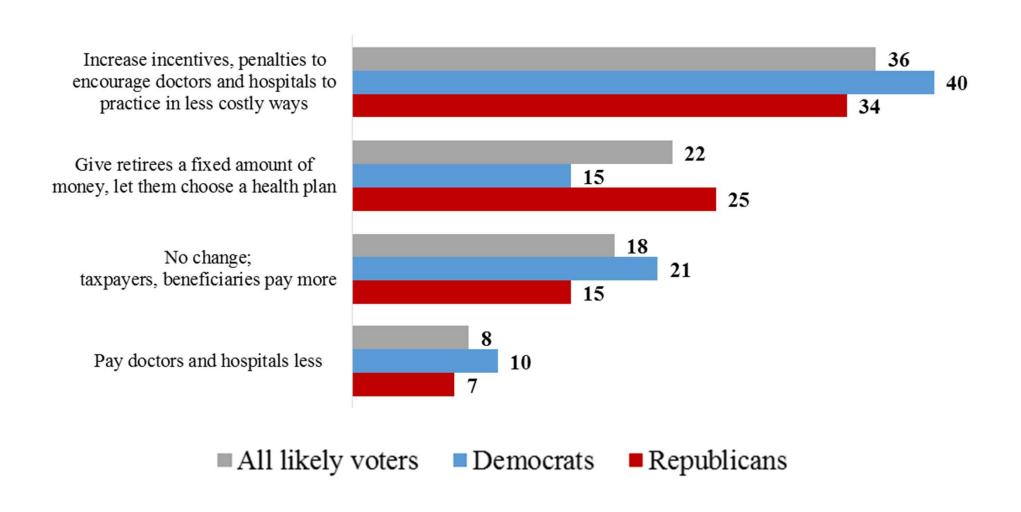




Voters' Evaluations of How Well Medicare is Working

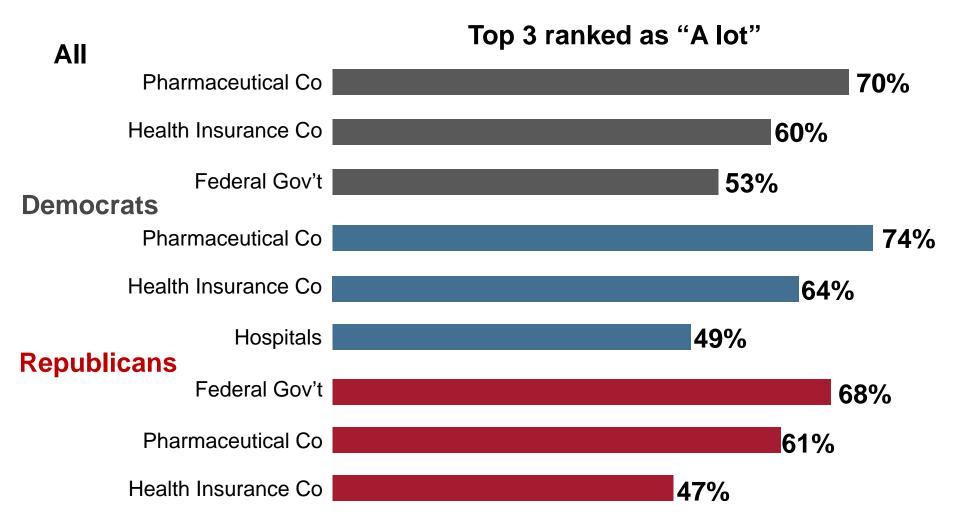


Voters' Top Choice for How to Address Rising Medicare Costs

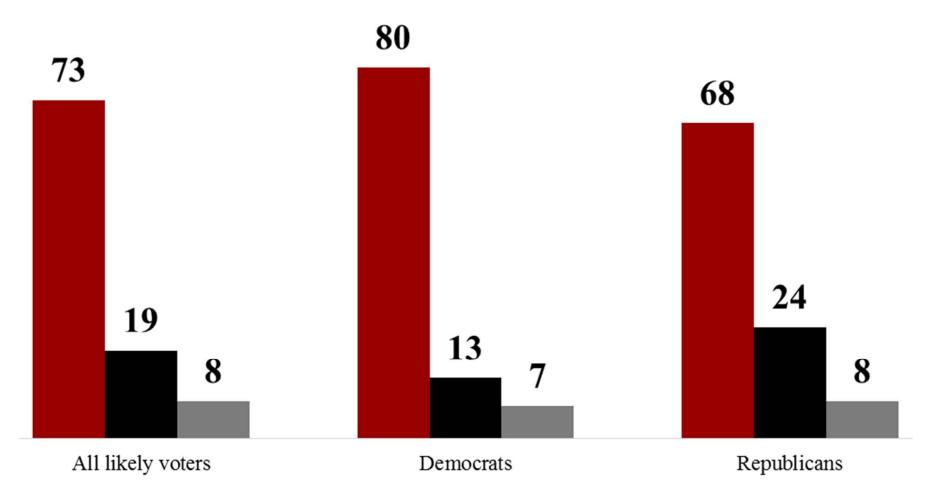


Responsibility for High Health Care Costs

"Who is to blame for the high costs of health care today?"



Voters' Views on Whether Medicare Should Use Bargaining Power to Lower Prescription Drug Prices



■ Bargain with drug companies (change policy)
■ Rely on market competition (keep policy)
■ DK/Ref

Questions?

