

Interviews with 1,021 adult Americans, including 955 registered voters, conducted by telephone by Opinion Research Corporation on January 8-10, 2010. The margin of sampling error for results based on the total sample is plus or minus 3 percentage points and for registered voters is plus or minus 3 percentage points.

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	Jan. 8-10 <u>2010</u>
Generally favor	40%
Generally oppose	57%
Favor House bill only (vol.)	*
Favor Senate bill only (vol.)	*
No opinion	2%

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- 36. (IF GENERALLY OPPOSE) Do you oppose those bills because you think their approach toward health care is too liberal, or because you think they are not liberal enough?

## **QUESTIONS 35 AND 36 COMBINED**

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Generally favor (from Question 35)	40%
Oppose, too liberal	45%
Oppose, not liberal enough	10%
No opinion	4%

37. Would you feel enthusiastic, pleased, displeased, or angry if Congress passes a health care bill?

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Enthusiastic 1	4%
Pleased 3	3%
Displeased 2	3%
Angry 2	8%
Other (vol.)	%
No opinion	<b>%</b>

38. Now thinking specifically about the health insurance plans available to most Americans, would you favor or oppose creating a public health insurance option administered by the federal government that would compete with plans offered by private health insurance companies?

	Jan. 8-10 2010	Dec. 2-3 2009	Nov. 13-15 2009	Oct. 30-Nov. 1 2009	Oct. 16-18 2009	Aug. 28-31 2009
Favor	54%	53%	56%	55%	61%	55%
Oppose	46%	46%	42%	44%	38%	41%
No opinion	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	4%

39. The two bills before Congress have different ways to pay for the costs associated with the changes they would make to the health care system. If you had to choose, would you rather see Congress pass a bill that raises taxes on high-income Americans, regardless of the kind of health insurance plan they have, or would you rather see Congress pass a bill that raises taxes on high-quality health insurance plans, regardless of the amount of money made by the people covered by those plans?

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Raise taxes on people with high incomes	61%
Raise taxes on high-quality health insurance plans	29%
No opinion	9%