

Interviews with 803 adult Americans conducted by telephone by ORC International on September 27-29, 2013. The margin of sampling error for results based on the total sample is plus or minus 3.5 percentage points.

The sample includes 563 interviews among landline respondents and 240 interviews among cell phone respondents.

FOR RELEASE: TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1 AT 6 AM

10. From what you know of that legislation, do you think you and your family would, in general, be better off, worse off or about the same when the provisions of the health care law take effect?

	Sept. 27-29 2013	Sept. 21-23 2010	Mar. 25-28 2010	Mar. 19-2 2010	
Better off	17%	18%	22%	19%	
Worse off	40%	37%	39%	47%	
About the same	41%	43%	37%	33%	
No opinion	2%	3%	1%	*	

QUESTION WORDING FOR 2010: From what you know of that legislation, do you think you and your family would, in general, be better off, worse off or about the same if it becomes law?

# FOR COMPARISON

### CNN/OPINION RESEARCH CORPORATION AND CNN/TIME TRENDS

	Better off	Worse off	About the same	No opinion
<u>CNN/ORC</u>				
2009 Sept. 11-13	21%	35%	43%	1%
2009 Aug. 28-31	21%	28%	40%	*
2009 June 26-28	20%	35%	44%	1%
CNN/TIME				
1994 Aug 17-18	20%	31%	45%	4%
1994 July	15%	31%	50%	4%
1994 Jan	18%	29%	50%	3%
1993 Oct	20%	29%	48%	3%
1993 Sept	20%	21%	57%	2%

QUESTION WORDING: From what you know of those health care reforms, do you think you and your family would, in general, be better off, worse off or about the same?

- 10. From what you know of that legislation, do you think you and your family would, in general, be better off, worse off or about the same when the provisions of the health care law take effect?
- 11. (IF WORSE OFF OR ABOUT THE SAME) Do you think other families in this country would be better off when the provisions of the health care law take effect, or do you think that legislation would not help anyone in the country?

## **QUESTIONS 10 AND 11 COMBINED**

	Sept. 27-29 2013	Sept. 21-23 2010	Mar. 25-28 2010	Mar. 19-21 2010
Better off (from Question 10)	17%	18%	22%	19%
Better off for other families	36%	38%	43%	42%
Not help anyone	37%	36%	29%	37%
No opinion	9%	7%	5%	2%

**QUESTION 11 WORDING FOR 2010:** Do you think other families in this country would be better off if that legislation becomes law, or do you think that legislation would not help anyone in the country?

12. Thinking specifically about the health insurance system that was created by the new health law, which of the following statements comes closer to your view.

	Sept. 27-29
	<u>2013</u>
It's a complex plan but it will eventually work	45%
It's a disaster waiting to happen	52%
No opinion	3%

# **METHODOLOGY**

A total of 803 adults were interviewed by telephone nationwide by live interviewers calling both landline and cell phones. All respondents were asked questions concerning basic demographics, and the entire sample was weighted to reflect national Census figures for gender, race, age, education, region of country, and telephone usage. Among the entire sample, 33% described themselves as Democrats, 24% described themselves as Republicans, and 43% described themselves as Independents or members of another party

Crosstabs on the following pages only include results for subgroups with enough unweighted cases to produce a sampling error of +/- 8.5 percentage points or less. Some subgroups represent too small a share of the national population to produce crosstabs with an acceptable sampling error. Interviews were conducted among these subgroups, but results for groups with a sampling error larger than +/-8.5 percentage points are not displayed and instead are denoted with "N/A".

Question 10

From what you know of that legislation, do you think you and your family would, in general, be better off, worse off or about the same when the provisions of the health care law take effect?

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men			Non-White			
Better off	17%	16%	19%	15%	28%			
Worse off	40%	42%	37%	42%	29%			
About the same	41%	40%	41%	41%	42%			
No opinion	2%	2%	3%	3%	1%			
Sampling Error	+/-3.5	+/-5.0 +	-/-5.0 +/	-4.0 +	-/-7.5			
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Worse off	40%	N/A	N/A N/A	43%	35%	43%	38%	
About the same	41%	N/A N/A	N/A N/A	38%	43%	39%	41%	
No opinion	2%	N/A	N/A	*	4%	1%	3%	
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Worse off	40%	34%	40%	39%	40%			
About the same	41%	41%	45%	39%	42%			
No opinion	2%	2%	2%	4%	2%			
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#### Question 10/11

Q10. From what you know of that legislation, do you think you and your family would, in general, be better off, worse off or about the same when the provisions of the health care law take effect? Q11. Do you think other families in this country would be better off when the provisions of the

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Other families better off	36%	38%	35%	35%	38%			
Would not help anyone	37%	38%	37%	40%	30%			
No opinion	9%	9%	9%	10%	4%			
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Other families better off	36%	N/A	N/A	40%	33%	36%	36%	
Would not help anyone	37%	N/A	N/A	33%	40%	38%	37%	
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Other families better off	36%	30%	46%	34%	37%			
Would not help anyone	37%	40%	31%	36%	38%			
No opinion	9%	6%	10%	11%	88			
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Question 12

Thinking specifically about the health insurance system that was created by the new health law, which of the following statements comes closer to your view.

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men			on-White			
Complex, will eventually work		43%	47%	41%	61%			
Disaster waiting to happen	52%	54%	51%	57%	33%			
No opinion	3%	3%	2%	2%	5%			
Sampling Error	+/-3.5	+/-5.0 +	-/-5.0 +/	-4.0 +	/-7.5			
		18-	35-	50-	55.	Under	50 and	
	Total	34	49	64	65+ 	50 	Older	
Complex, will eventually work	45%	N/A	N/A	47%	46%	41%	47%	
Disaster waiting to happen	52%	N/A	N/A	51%	51%	55%	51%	
No opinion	3%	N/A	N/A	1%	3%	4%	2%	
Sampling Error	+/-3.5			+/-6.0	+/-6.0	+/-6.5	+/-4.0	
		Under	\$50K	No	Attende	d		
	Total	\$50K	or more	College	College			
Complex, will eventually work		47%	47%	42%	47%			
Disaster waiting to happen	52%	50%	52%	54%	51%			
No opinion	3%	3%	1%	4%	2%			
Sampling Error	+/-3.5	+/-5.5	+/-5.5	+/-6.5	+/-4.0			
	mo+ol	Demo-	Indep-	-		Mod-	Cons	
	Total	crat 	endent			erate		
Complex, will eventually work		79%	38%	11%		52%	21	-
Disaster waiting to happen	52%	19%	60%	85%		46%	76	-
No opinion	3%	2%	3%	4 %	2%	2%	3	%
Sampling Error	+/-3.5	+/-6.0	+/-5.0	+/-7.0	+/-7.5	+/-5.5	+/-5.	5
		North	Mid-				Sub-	
	Total		west	South	West	Urban	urban	Rural
Complex, will eventually work	45%	49%	44%	40%	49%	 55%	43%	35%
	52%	50%	53%	57%	47%	41%	56%	62%
Disaster waiting to happen	326	306						
Disaster waiting to happen No opinion	3%	1%	2%	3%	4%	4%	1%	3%
Disaster waiting to happen No opinion Sampling Error					4%		1% +/-5.5	3% +/-7.5
No opinion	3% +/-3.5	1% +/-7.0 Tea Pty	2% +/-7.5 Tea Pty	3% +/-6.0 Tea Pty	4%	4%		
No opinion	3%	1% +/-7.0 Tea Pty	2% +/-7.5	3% +/-6.0	4%	4%		
No opinion	3% +/-3.5 Total	1% +/-7.0 Tea Pty Support	2% +/-7.5 Tea Pty Neutral	3% +/-6.0 Tea Pty Oppose	4%	4%		
No opinion Sampling Error	3% +/-3.5 Total	1% +/-7.0 Tea Pty Support	2% +/-7.5 Tea Pty Neutral	3% +/-6.0 Tea Pty Oppose	4%	4%		
No opinion Sampling Error Complex, will eventually work	3% +/-3.5 Total  45%	1% +/-7.0 Tea Pty Support 	2% +/-7.5 Tea Pty Neutral 35%	3% +/-6.0 Tea Pty Oppose  81%	4%	4%		

<sup>\*</sup> percentage less than 1%