

National Survey Results 2020 General Election Likely Voters



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Our recent survey of likely 2020 general election voters shows exceptionally strong support for Price Transparency legislation among likely voters. Support for Price Transparency Legislation receives significant majority support across key voter segments, including party, income levels, education, and age. The one voter segment where we see slight differences in *intensity* is among voters who have health coverage compared to voters without health coverage.

- The one area where we do see divergence of opinion is in the statement "I fear going to the doctor or the hospital because I could be blindsided by prices that I did not know in advance and could not afford." The voters are split by a 1:1 margin, 47% agree to 50% disagree.
 - Among voters who have health coverage, 45% agree. Conversely, among voters who do not have coverage 69% agree that they fear going to the doctor.
 - There are also slight differences by party:
 - 35% of Republicans agree / 60% disagree
 - 58% of Democrats agree / 39% disagree
 - 48% of Independent agree / 48% disagree
- Three-quarters of the voters, 76%, agree that "If I could see prices in advance of care, I would shop for the best quality of healthcare at the lowest possible
 price. I would then not be blindsided by prices that I did not know in advance and could not afford. I would be more likely to receive regular and elective
 healthcare". There is significant intensity behind the "agree" rating as well, as 49% strongly agree. Just 19% disagree.
 - By party, 75% of Republicans agree, 77% of Democrats agree and 77% of independents agree.
 - If they have coverage, 75% agree, but if they do not have health coverage, the agree rating increases to 88%.
 - By income, voters who earn over \$100,000 dollars, 75% agree; but among lower income voters who earn less than \$60,000, the agree rating increases just 6 pints, up to 81%.



Voters see Price Transparency as a means of *creating more competition, lowering prices, and overall improving healthcare services*.

- Nearly 90% of voters, 88%, agree that "All organizations involved in healthcare (insurance, hospitals, doctors, etc.) should disclose all of their prices including discounted, cash prices and insurance negotiated rates (the price providers negotiate with health plans) across hospitals and across plans in an easily accessible place online to allow for easy shopping for health care services". Two-thirds of the voters, 64%, strongly agree.
 - By party, 85% of Republicans agree, 90% of Democrats agree and 88% of independents agree.
 - Voters who have coverage, 88%, agree; as well as 91% of voters who do not have coverage.
 - Voters who earn over \$100,000 dollars: 88% agree
 - Voters who earn between \$60K to \$100K: 91% agree
 - Voters who earn under \$60K: 87% agree
- Voters clearly see competition as the best way to lower costs and improve quality. "Price transparency in health care would lead to more competition between providers and between health plans, which would improve quality while lowering health care prices and lowering the cost of health coverage." 82% agree / 12% disagree.
 - More than half the voters, 54%, strongly agree.
 - Those who fear health care costs 88% agree / 8% disagree
 - Those who do NOT fear health care costs 79% agree / 16% disagree



There is a *strong urgency to pass healthcare price transparency into law*; and further, voters would reward candidates who voted to include price transparency in the next COVID-19 stimulus bill.

- Six of ten voters, 58%, believe price transparency should be *passed into law now*, as opposed to 31% who believe it should be delayed.
- Voting to include price transparency in the next COVID-19 stimulus bill is a persuasive issue for voters in the upcoming 2020 elections. Twothirds of the voters, 66%, are more likely to vote for a candidate for United States Senate if they voted to include price transparency in the next COVID-19 stimulus bill, while only 9% are less likely.
 - Six of ten Republican voters, 59%, agree with the statement, while just 15% if Republicans disagree.
 - Of the 6 of 10 voters who want health care price transparency passed now, 78% are *more likely to vote for a candidate wo supported including price transparency in the next COVID-19 stimulus bill.*
- Supporting Price Transparency legislation would broaden voter appeal and specifically benefit Republican candidates for United States Senate. By a better than 2:1 margin, independent voters are more likely to vote for a Republican if they knew he or she voted to include price transparency in the next COVID-19 stimulus bill, 45% more likely to 21% less likely. Independent voters will be critical to winning in the upcoming November elections.
- Seven of ten voters, 68%, are less likely to vote for a candidate who receives contributions from the health care industry special interest,
 such as lobbyist and Wall Street.

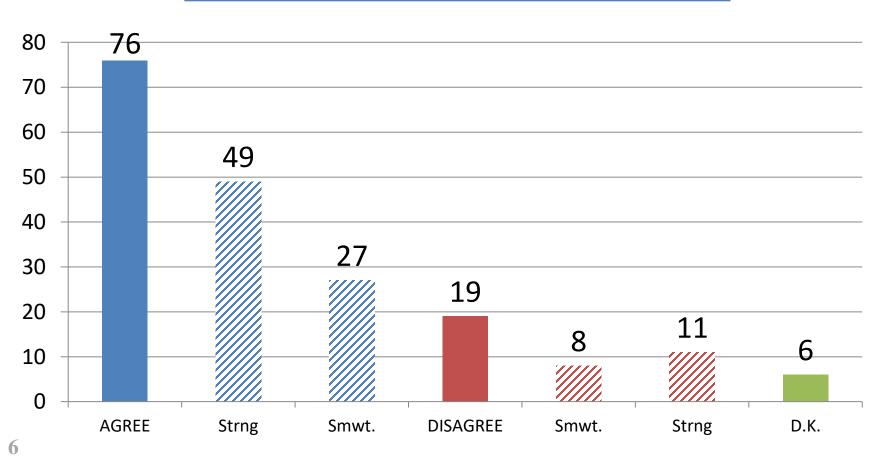
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			TOTAL	AZ	СО	GA	IA	ME	MT	NC		Fear Hospital Costs – Agree	100	-
		Agree	47	54	53	42	38	41	47	49		Fear Hospital Costs – Disagree	-	100
		Disagree	50	43	42	56	56	59	48	48		Pass Transparency – Now	51	45
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						50						Healthcare Coverage – Yes	45	51
50	47					50						Healthcare Coverage – No	69	27
50 -	4/											Married Women	41	54
												Women / College Grad	44	54
40 -												Education – Less than College	51	44
10												Education – College Grad	44	54
										29		Income: Under \$60K	55	41
30 -		25										Income: \$60K to \$100K	51	48
		23		22				21				Income: Over \$100K	38	60
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20 -												Female	48	48
												Age - Under 40	59	39
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Race – Hispanic

Agree / Disagree:

"If I could see prices in advance of care, I would shop for the best quality of healthcare at the lowest possible price. I would then not be blindsided by prices that I did not know in advance and could not afford. I would be more likely to receive regular and elective healthcare."

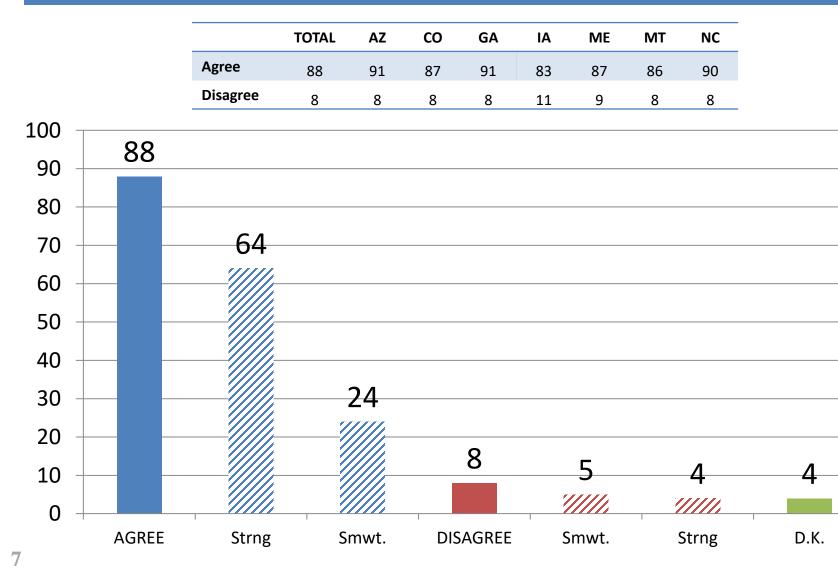
	TOTAL	AZ	СО	GA	IA	ME	MT	NC
Agree	76	77	79	79	70	71	76	77
Disagree	19	16	16	18	26	24	17	17



	Agree	Disagree
Party – GOP	75	20
Party – Dem	77	17
Party – Ind.	77	18
Party – Male Ind.	76	19
Party – Female Ind.	77	17
Fear Hospital Costs – Agree	91	7
Fear Hospital Costs – Disagree	62	31
Pass Transparency – Now	82	15
Pass Transparency – Wait	67	26
Healthcare Coverage – Yes	75	20
Healthcare Coverage – No	88	8
Married Women	76	19
Women / College Grad	74	21
Education – Less than College	79	16
Education – College Grad	74	21
Income: Under \$60K	81	15
Income: \$60K to \$100K	79	16
Income: Over \$100K	75	22
Male	74	20
Female	77	18
Age - Under 40	84	12
Age – 40 – 55	77	18
Age – 55 – 65	73	22
Age – Over 65	65	27
Race – White	75	19
Race – Black / AA	77	18
Race – Hispanic	81	13

Agree / Disagree:

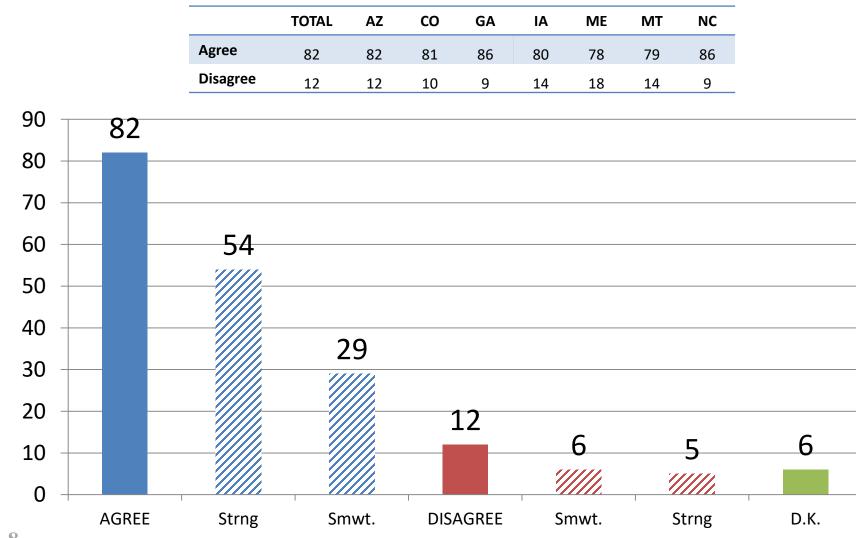
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	Agree	Disagree
Party – GOP	85	12
Party – Dem	90	6
Party – Ind.	88	7
Party – Male Ind.	86	8
Party – Female Ind.	91	6
Fear Hospital Costs – Agree	95	3
Fear Hospital Costs – Disagree	84	13
Pass Transparency – Now	93	4
Pass Transparency – Wait	82	14
Healthcare Coverage – Yes	88	8
Healthcare Coverage – No	91	6
Married Women	89	8
Women / College Grad	89	8
Education – Less than College	86	10
Education – College Grad	89	8
Income: Under \$60K	87	7
Income: \$60K to \$100K	91	7
Income: Over \$100K	88	10
Male	88	8
Female	88	9
Age - Under 40	95	3
Age – 40 – 55	85	11
Age – 55 – 65	92	4
Age – Over 65	80	14
Race – White	88	8
Race – Black / AA	86	10
Race – Hispanic	89	7

Agree / Disagree:

"Price transparency in health care would lead to more competition between providers and between health plans, which would improve quality while lowering health care prices and lowering the cost of health coverage."

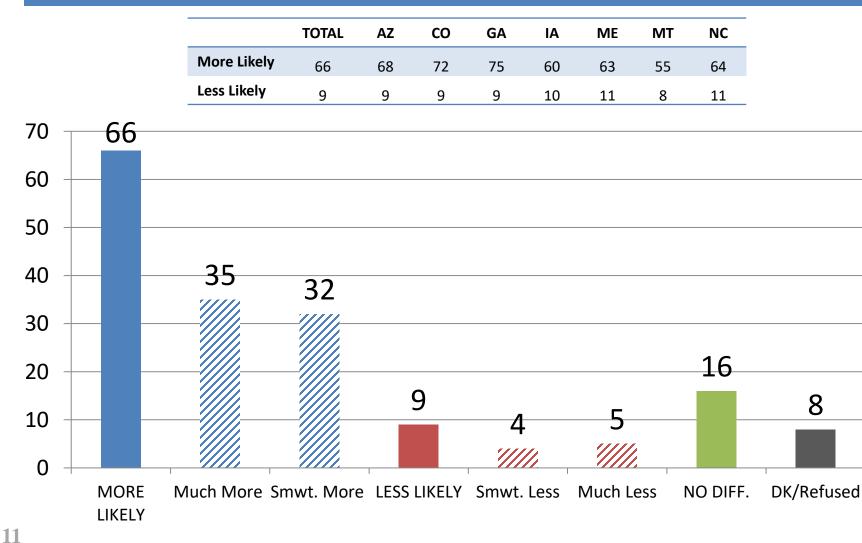


	Agree	Disagree
Party – GOP	84	12
Party – Dem	83	10
Party – Ind.	80	12
Party – Male Ind.	81	11
Party – Female Ind.	80	13
Fear Hospital Costs – Agree	88	8
Fear Hospital Costs – Disagree	79	16
Pass Transparency – Now	87	8
Pass Transparency – Wait	76	18
Healthcare Coverage – Yes	82	12
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Married Women	81	12
Women / College Grad	81	13
Education – Less than College	83	11
Education – College Grad	82	12
Income: Under \$60K	83	10
Income: \$60K to \$100K	84	12
Income: Over \$100K	85	11
Male	83	12
Female	82	11
Age - Under 40	86	8
Age – 40 – 55	82	11
Age – 55 – 65	81	13
Age – Over 65	78	16
Race – White	82	11
Race – Black / AA	85	12
Race – Hispanic	81	12

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			TOTAL	AZ	CO	GA	IA	ME	MT	NC	_	Fear Hospital Costs – Agree	68	19
		Yes	67	63	72	68	63	63	64	71		Fear Hospital Costs – Disagree	66	20
		No	19	20	19	21	17	23	23	17		Pass Transparency – Now	72	20
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60												Women / College Grad	62	23
60 -												Education – Less than College	69	18
50 -												Education – College Grad	65	20
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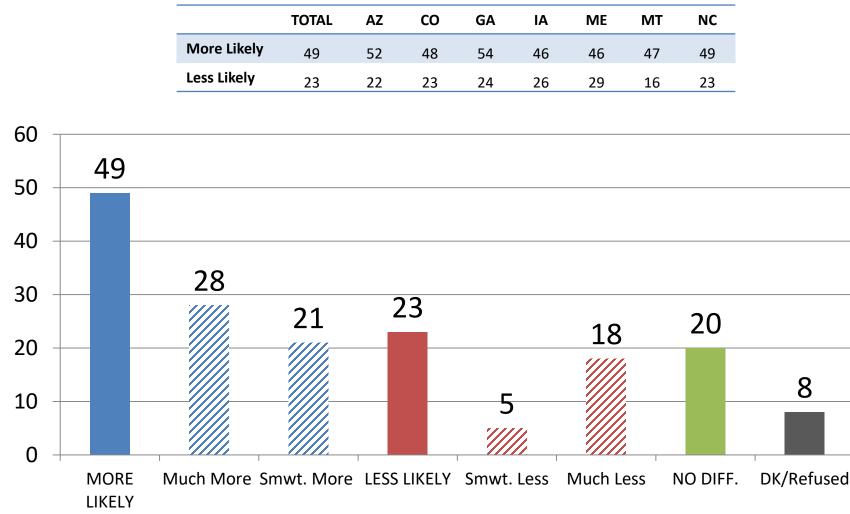
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												Party – Male Ind.	58	31
											-	Party – Female Ind.	53	39
			TOTAL	AZ	СО	GA	IA	ME	MT	NC		Fear Hospital Costs – Agree	65	27
		Yes	58	59	62	64	55	58	51	57		Fear Hospital Costs – Disagree	53	34
		No	31	31	32	26	30	28	43	31		Pass Transparency – Now	100	-
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												Race – Black / AA	66	27
												Race – Hispanic	60	34

Would you be more likely or less likely to vote for a candidate for US Senate if they voted to include price transparency for hospitals and insurance companies in the next COVID-19 stimulus bill?



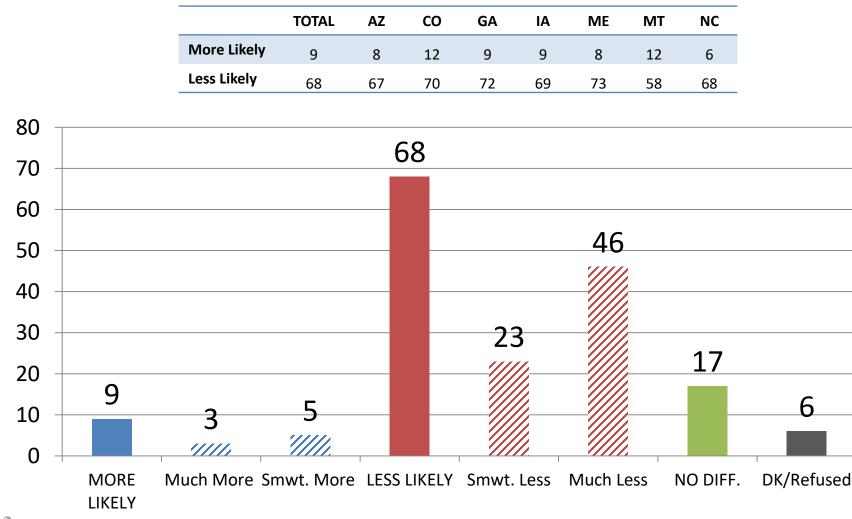
	More	Less
Party – GOP	59	15
Party – Dem	75	5
Party – Ind.	66	8
Party – Male Ind.	66	10
Party – Female Ind.	67	6
Fear Hospital Costs – Agree	74	7
Fear Hospital Costs – Disagree	60	12
Pass Transparency – Now	78	5
Pass Transparency – Wait	53	16
Healthcare Coverage – Yes	66	10
Healthcare Coverage – No	67	6
Married Women	61	9
Women / College Grad	66	8
Education – Less than College	67	10
Education – College Grad	66	9
Income: Under \$60K	75	7
Income: \$60K to \$100K	70	9
Income: Over \$100K	62	10
Male	66	11
Female	67	8
Age - Under 40	73	8
Age – 40 – 55	66	13
Age – 55 – 65	63	9
Age – Over 65	63	8
Race – White	64	10
Race – Black / AA	76	8
Race – Hispanic	74	7

Now, would you be more likely or less likely to vote for a Republican candidate for US Senate if he or she voted to include price transparency for hospitals and insurance companies in the next COVID-19 stimulus bill?



	More	Less
Party – GOP	70	8
Party – Dem	32	41
Party - Ind.	45	21
Party – Male Ind.	48	20
Party – Female Ind.	43	22
Fear Hospital Costs – Agree	54	22
Fear Hospital Costs – Disagree	45	25
Pass Transparency – Now	54	24
Pass Transparency – Wait	46	23
Healthcare Coverage – Yes	49	24
Healthcare Coverage – No	52	18
Married Women	48	23
Women / College Grad	42	26
Education – Less than College	56	22
Education – College Grad	44	24
Income: Under \$60K	53	25
Income: \$60K to \$100K	56	19
Income: Over \$100K	44	24
Male	52	20
Female	47	26
Age - Under 40	57	18
Age – 40 – 55	48	24
Age – 55 – 65	45	28
Age – Over 65	44	27
Race – White	49	23
Race – Black / AA	40	30
Race – Hispanic	57	20

Would you be more or less likely to support a Senator or Member of Congress if you knew he or she received campaign contributions from healthcare industry lobbyists, special interest groups, private equity firms, and other Wall Street executives?



	More	Less
Party – GOP	8	65
Party – Dem	8	77
Party - Ind.	11	65
Party - Male Ind.	10	65
Party – Female Ind.	12	65
Fear Hospital Costs – Agree	11	72
Fear Hospital Costs – Disagree	7	67
Pass Transparency – Now	9	75
Pass Transparency – Wait	9	62
Healthcare Coverage – Yes	9	69
Healthcare Coverage – No	12	62
Married Women	6	69
Women / College Grad	6	72
Education – Less than College	11	67
Education – College Grad	7	69
Income: Under \$60K	13	69
Income: \$60K to \$100K	10	72
Income: Over \$100K	6	70
Male	10	64
Female	8	72
Age - Under 40	12	70
Age – 40 – 55	5	72
Age – 55 – 65	9	66
Age – Over 65	9	66
Race – White	8	69
Race – Black / AA	11	69
Race – Hispanic	11	72

Voter Profile

	Total	Pass	Wait		Total	Pass	Wait		Total	Pass	Wait
Voter Likelihood:				Gender:				Health Care			
Definitely	85	85	83	Male	47	46	46	Yes	92	91	93
Very Likely	13	13	15	Female	53	54	54	No	7	8	7
Somewhat Likely	2	2	2					Income			
				Race:				Under \$20K	7	8	7
Party:				White	78	77	78	\$20-\$40K	14	17	12
Republican	33	31	35	Hispanic	7	7	8	\$40K - \$60K	13	14	13
Democrat	33	37	26	A.A./Black	11	13	10	\$60K - \$100K	13	13	13
Independent	30	29	34					\$100K - \$150K	9	9	8
				Marital Status				\$150K - \$200K	13	11	16
Ideology:				Single	25	28	22	\$200-\$250K	5	6	4
Liberal	25	30	17	Separated	1	1	1	Over \$250K	6	6	8
Moderate	33	31	40	Divorced	7	8	6				
Conservative	35	33	37	Married	59	56	63	Age:			
				Widow	6	5	7	18-29	15	16	15
Area								30-40	17	18	16
Urban	22	24	20					41-55	25	24	25
Suburban	43	43	44					56-65	19	19	17
Rural	33	32	34					66-75	23	22	24
								MEAN	49.61	49.01	49.81

Voter Profile

	Total	Pass	Wait		Total	Pass	Wait
Region				Education			
Arizona	17	17	17	Less/College Grad	40	41	40
Colorado	17	18	17	Less/HS Diploma	2	1	1
Georgia	17	18	14	High School Grad	14	14	15
Iowa	17	16	16	Some College Grad/Trade	25	26	24
Maine	8	8	8	College Grad	60	59	60
Montana	8	7	12	College Grad	37	37	35
North Carolina	17	16	17	Post Grad Degree	23	21	26
				Employment			
				Employed	61	62	61
				Full Time	53	54	53
				Part Time	8	8	8
				Homemaker	4	4	3
				Student	2	1	3
				Retired	26	25	26
				Not Employed	6	6	6

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