

National Survey

Method: Online Interviews

Universe: Likely Voters 55-Plus

Fielded: August 24-27, 2023

Sample Size: 800

Margin of Error: +/- 3.4%

1. ARE YOU REGISTERED TO VOTE AT YOUR CURRENT ADDRESS?

	TOTAL
Total	800
YES, REGISTERED	100.0

2. THINKING AHEAD, HOW LIKELY IS IT YOU WILL VOTE IN THE 2024 GENERAL ELECTION FOR PRESIDENT AND CONGRESS?

	TOTAL
Total	800
DEFINITELY	83.1
VERY/SOMEWHAT LIKELY	16.9
Very Likely	12.6
Somewhat Likely	4.2
Mean	2.79

3. IF THE ELECTION FOR CONGRESS WERE HELD TODAY, WHICH ONE OF THE FOLLOWING BEST DESCRIBES HOW YOU ARE LIKELY TO VOTE BETWEEN THE DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE AND THE REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE?

	TOTAL
Total	800
REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE	48.3
Definitely	31.2
Probably	11.2
Lean	5.9
DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE	39.4
Definitely	26.5
Probably	10.4
Lean	2.5
UNDECIDED	12.3
Net Diff.	8.9
Mean	4.19

4. GENERALLY SPEAKING, WOULD YOU SAY THINGS IN THE UNITED STATES ARE GOING IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION OR ARE THEY OFF ON THE WRONG TRACK?

	TOTAL
Total	800
RIGHT DIRECTION	28.2
WRONG TRACK	71.6
DON'T KNOW	0.1
Net Diff.	-43.4

5. ARE YOU CURRENTLY PARTICIPATING IN ANY TRADITIONAL OR SUPPLEMENTAL MEDICARE PLANS OR PROGRAMS?

	TOTAL
Total	800
YES	57.9
NO	42.1
DON'T KNOW	0.0
Net Diff.	15.9

6. WHICH MEDICARE PLAN ARE YOU CURRENTLY ENROLLED IN? PLEASE SELECT ALL THAT APPLY.

	TOTAL
Total	464
YES, ENROLLED	96.3
Traditional Medicare	46.4
Medicare Advantage	52.5
Medigap	9.5
NONE OF THE ABOVE	3.7
DON'T KNOW	0.0

7. ONE YEAR AGO, CONGRESS PASSED A \$740 BILLION DOLLAR SPENDING BILL, THE INFLATION REDUCTION ACT – OR THE IRA – THAT MANY POLITICIANS IN WASHINGTON SAID WOULD SIGNIFICANTLY LOWER INFLATION, CONSUMER PRICES, AND THE COSTS OF PRESCRIPTION DRUGS.

NOW A YEAR AFTER ITS IMPLEMENTATION, WHICH OF THE FOLLOWING COMES CLOSEST TO YOUR PERSONAL EXPERIENCE ON CONSUMER PRICES?

- 1. I HAVE SEEN PRICES FOR CONSUMER GOODS LIKE FOOD, CLOTHING, UTILITIES ETC. ACTUALLY INCREASE.**
- 2. I HAVE SEEN PRICES FOR CONSUMER GOODS LIKE FOOD, CLOTHING, UTILITIES, ETC. ACTUALLY DECREASE.**
- OR,**
- 3. I HAVE SEEN NO CHANGES IN PRICES FOR CONSUMER GOODS LIKE FOOD, CLOTHING, UTILITIES ETC.**

	TOTAL
Total	800
INCREASE	84.9
DECREASE	7.5
NO CHANGES	7.6
DON'T KNOW	0.0
Net Diff.	77.5

8. ONE YEAR AGO, CONGRESS PASSED A \$740 BILLION DOLLAR SPENDING BILL, THE INFLATION REDUCTION ACT – OR THE IRA – THAT MANY POLITICIANS IN WASHINGTON SAID WOULD SIGNIFICANTLY LOWER INFLATION, CONSUMER PRICES, AND THE COSTS OF PRESCRIPTION DRUGS.

NOW A YEAR AFTER ITS IMPLEMENTATION, WHICH OF THE FOLLOWING COMES CLOSEST TO YOUR PERSONAL EXPERIENCE ON PRESCRIPTION DRUG PRICES?

- 1. I HAVE SEEN PRICES FOR MY PRESCRIPTION DRUGS ACTUALLY INCREASE.**
- 2. I HAVE SEEN PRICES FOR MY PRESCRIPTION DRUG PRICES ACTUALLY DECREASE.**
- 3. I HAVE SEEN NO CHANGES IN THE PRICE OF MY PRESCRIPTION DRUGS.**
- OR,**
- 4. I DON'T CURRENTLY REQUIRE ANY PRESCRIPTION DRUGS.**

	TOTAL
Total	800
INCREASE	42.0
DECREASE	10.6
NO CHANGES	36.9
NOT REQUIRE PRESCRIPTIONS	10.4
DON'T KNOW	0.0
Net Diff.	31.4

9. ONE YEAR AGO, CONGRESS PASSED A \$740 BILLION DOLLAR SPENDING BILL, THE INFLATION REDUCTION ACT – OR THE IRA – THAT MANY POLITICIANS IN WASHINGTON SAID WOULD SIGNIFICANTLY LOWER INFLATION, CONSUMER PRICES, AND THE COSTS OF PRESCRIPTION DRUGS.

NOW A YEAR AFTER ITS IMPLEMENTATION, WHICH OF THE FOLLOWING COMES CLOSEST TO YOUR PERSONAL EXPERIENCE ON HEALTH INSURANCE COSTS?

- 1. I HAVE SEEN PRICES FOR MY MEDICARE OR HEALTH INSURANCE PREMIUMS, DEDUCTIBLES, AND COPAYS ACTUALLY INCREASE.**
 - 2. I HAVE SEEN PRICES FOR MY MEDICARE OR HEALTH INSURANCE PREMIUMS, DEDUCTIBLES, AND COPAYS ACTUALLY DECREASE.**
 - 3. I HAVE SEEN NO CHANGES IN THE PRICE OF MY MEDICARE OR HEALTH INSURANCE PREMIUMS, DEDUCTIBLES, AND COPAYS.**
- OR,**
- 4. I DON'T CURRENTLY HAVE ANY HEALTH INSURANCE.**

	TOTAL
Total	800
INCREASE	46.6
DECREASE	9.2
NO CHANGES	39.9
NOT HAVE HEALTH INSURANCE	4.3
DON'T KNOW	0.0
Net Diff.	37.4

10. AS PART OF THE IRA SPENDING BILL'S DRUG PRICING PROVISIONS, CONGRESS PROJECTED MEDICARE WOULD SAVE BILLIONS TO USE FOR THE IRA'S IMPLEMENTATION. MUCH OF THOSE FUNDS, HOWEVER, ARE BEING USED TO HELP PAY FOR OTHER UNRELATED SPENDING PRIORITIES LIKE TAX CREDITS FOR ELECTRIC VEHICLES AND SOLAR PANELS AND SUBSIDIES TO PAY FOR NON-MEDICARE INSURANCE PREMIUMS. WHILE THOSE UNRELATED TAX CREDITS AND SUBSIDIES WERE MADE IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE, MOST OF THE DRUG PRICING PROVISIONS AIMED AT HELPING OLDER AMERICANS IN MEDICARE WON'T KICK IN FOR ONE TO THREE YEARS. WHICH COMES CLOSEST TO YOUR OWN VIEW?

- 1. FUNDS FROM ANY MEDICARE SAVINGS SHOULD BE APPLIED TO LOWER MEDICARE BENEFICIARIES' PRESCRIPTION DRUG COSTS BEFORE BEING MADE AVAILABLE FOR UNRELATED TAX CREDITS AND SUBSIDIES.**
- OR,**
- 2. FUNDS FROM ANY MEDICARE SAVINGS SHOULD BE MADE AVAILABLE FOR UNRELATED TAX CREDITS AND SUBSIDIES EVEN BEFORE BEING APPLIED TO LOWER MEDICARE BENEFICIARIES' PRESCRIPTION DRUG COSTS.**

	TOTAL
Total	800
APPLIED TO BENEFICIARIES'	86.2
UNRELATED TAX CREDITS	13.7
DON'T KNOW	0.1
Net Diff.	72.4

11. WHICH COMES CLOSEST TO YOUR VIEW ABOUT THE INFLATION REDUCTION ACT?

- 1. PEOPLE WHO SAY THAT THE IRA SPENDING BILL TURNED OUT TO BE SOMETHING DIFFERENT THAN WHAT SUPPORTERS SAID IT WAS, WHAT IT WOULD DO, AND WHO WOULD BENEFIT. THEY BELIEVE IT HAS PRIORITIZED CLIMATE SPENDING PROGRAMS AND GREEN ENERGY TAX BREAKS WHILE IGNORING MEASURES TO LOWER CONSUMER PRICES AND DELAYING PROVISIONS TO LOWER HEALTHCARE COSTS FOR OLDER AMERICANS.**
- OR,**
- 2. PEOPLE WHO SAY THAT THE IRA SPENDING BILL IS DOING EXACTLY WHAT SUPPORTERS SAID IT WOULD, HOW IT WOULD DO IT, AND WHO WOULD BENEFIT. THEY BELIEVE CLIMATE SPENDING PROGRAMS AND GREEN ENERGY TAX BREAKS SHOULD BE PRIORITIZED EVEN IF IT TAKES A LITTLE LONGER TO IMPLEMENT MEASURES TO LOWER CONSUMER PRICES AND PRESCRIPTION DRUG PRICES FOR OLDER AMERICANS.**

	TOTAL
Total	800
IGNORE CONSUMERS/HC COSTS	72.8
EXACTLY WHAT IT WOULD DO	26.8
DON'T KNOW	0.4
Net Diff.	-46.1

12. NOW A YEAR AFTER PASSAGE OF THE IRA SPENDING BILL AND BASED ON YOUR OWN EXPERIENCE, WHICH OF THE FOLLOWING COMES CLOSEST TO YOUR VIEW?

1. I PERSONALLY FEEL THE INFLATION REDUCTION ACT HAS DIRECTLY HELPED ME OR MY FAMILY IN TERMS OF LOWERING THE IMPACT OF INFLATION, CONSUMER COSTS, AND PRESCRIPTION DRUG PRICES.

OR,

2. I PERSONALLY FEEL THE INFLATION REDUCTION ACT HAS NOT DIRECTLY HELPED ME OR MY FAMILY IN TERMS OF LOWERING THE IMPACT OF INFLATION, CONSUMER COSTS, AND PRESCRIPTION DRUG PRICES.

	TOTAL
Total	800
HELPED ME	17.1
NOT HELPED ME	82.9
DON'T KNOW	0.0
Net Diff.	65.7

13. WHO DO YOU BELIEVE BENEFITED THE MOST FROM THE IRA SPENDING BILL IN TERMS OF THE LEGISLATION'S TAX PROVISIONS, REGULATIONS, OR NEWSPENDING?

	TOTAL
Total	800
POLITICIANS	42.0
NEW CLIMATE PROGRAMS	21.7
ELECTRIC VEHICLE MAKERS	10.9
INSURANCE COMPANIES	9.6
OLDER AMERICANS/MEDICARE	6.2
FAMILIES	5.3
CONSUMERS	4.3
DON'T KNOW	0.0

14. NOW A YEAR AFTER PASSAGE OF THE IRA SPENDING BILL AND BASED ON YOUR OWN EXPERIENCE, DO YOU CONSIDER IRA SPENDING BILL TO BE A SUCCESS OR FAILURE?

	TOTAL
Total	800
SUCCESS	22.8
FAILURE	76.7
DON'T KNOW	0.5
Net Diff.	-54.0

15. ARE YOU OR YOUR SPOUSE A MEMBER OF AARP?

	TOTAL
Total	800
YES	44.6
NO	54.7
DON'T KNOW	0.7
Net Diff.	-10.1

16. THINKING BACK, FOR WHOM DID YOU VOTE IN THE NOVEMBER 2020 PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION?

	TOTAL
Total	800
DONALD TRUMP	48.1
JOE BIDEN	45.6
ANOTHER CANDIDATE	2.8
DID NOT VOTE	3.6
DON'T KNOW	0.0
Net Diff.	2.5

17. THINKING ABOUT A POLITICAL PARTY, WOULD YOU CONSIDER YOURSELF A ?

	TOTAL
Total	800
REPUBLICAN	40.1
DEMOCRAT	33.0
INDEPENDENT/OTHER	26.9
Net Diff.	7.1

18. IF YOU WERE TO LABEL YOURSELF, WOULD YOU SAY YOU ARE A LIBERAL, A MODERATE, OR A CONSERVATIVE IN YOUR POLITICAL BELIEFS?

	TOTAL
Total	800
LIBERAL	23.5
Very	8.3
Somewhat	15.2
MODERATE	34.3
CONSERVATIVE	42.1
Somewhat	26.3
Very	15.8
DK/REFUSED	0.1
Net Diff.	18.6
Mean	3.26

19. WHAT IS YOUR RELIGION?

	TOTAL
Total	800
PROTESTANT	49.4
CATHOLIC	23.9
AGNOSTIC	4.2
JEWISH	3.8
ATHEIST	2.5
MORMON/LDS	1.1
SECULAR	0.6
MUSLIM/ISLAMIC	0.5
OTHER	1.2
NONE	12.6
DON'T KNOW	0.0

20. WHAT IS YOUR CURRENT MARITAL STATUS?

	TOTAL
Total	800
SINGLE	11.7
MARRIED	50.8
SEPARATED	2.9
DIVORCED	20.4
WIDOWED	14.2

21. WHAT IS THE LAST GRADE OF FORMAL EDUCATION YOU HAVE COMPLETED?

	TOTAL
Total	800
LESS/COLLEGE GRAD	65.0
Less/H.S. Diploma	1.5
High School Grad.	21.1
Some College/Trade	30.0
Associates Degree	12.4
COLLEGE GRADUATE	35.0
Bachelors Degree	26.8
Post-Graduate Degree	8.2
DK/REFUSED	0.0
Net Diff.	30.0

22. WOULD YOU CONSIDER WHERE YOU LIVE TO BE A URBAN, SUBURBAN OR RURAL AREA?

Total	800
URBAN AREA	23.3
SUBURBAN AREA	51.9
RURAL AREA	24.7
DON'T KNOW	0.0

23. ARE YOU OR IS A MEMBER OF YOUR IMMEDIATE FAMILY FROM A LATINO, HISPANIC OR SPANISH SPEAKING BACKGROUND?

	TOTAL
Total	800
YES	10.0
NO	90.0

24. WHAT IS YOUR MAIN RACIAL BACKGROUND?

	TOTAL
Total	800
HISPANIC	10.0
AFRICAN AMERICAN	9.8
ASIAN	3.5
WHITE	75.5
OTHER	1.2

25. WHAT IS YOUR AGE? ARE YOU BETWEEN...

	TOTAL
Total	800
55-59	25.4
60-64	20.2
65-69	18.5
70-74	13.5
75 AND OVER	22.4
Mean	67.03

26. GENDER:

	TOTAL
Total	800
MALE	46.0
FEMALE	54.0

27. REGION:

Total	800
NEW ENGLAND	4.6
MIDDLE ATLANTIC	13.4
EAST NORTH CENTRAL	15.6
WEST NORTH CENTRAL	6.7
SOUTH ATLANTIC	21.7
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL	6.2
WEST SOUTH CENTRAL	10.6
MOUNTAIN	6.9
PACIFIC	14.1

28. AREA:

	TOTAL
Total	800
EAST	18.0
MIDWEST	22.4
SOUTH	38.6
WEST	21.0

29. BATTLEGROUND STATES:

	TOTAL
Total Answering	800
BGS STATE	49.7
NON-BGS STATE	50.3