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### **To: Interested Parties**

# Subject: Widespread Support in West Virginia for Medicare Negotiations to Lower Drug Prices, Other Key Health Provisions, and the Overall Build Back Better Plan

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A new Public Policy Polling survey finds strong bipartisan support in West Virginia for the key reforms to health care that are part of the Build Back Better Plan that will lower drug costs and insurance premiums, expand Medicare benefits, and increase coverage.

Overwhelming majorities of voters across party lines support giving Medicare the power to negotiate lower prescription drug prices.

- 74% of West Virginia voters say they support giving Medicare the power to lower prescription drug prices for all Americans, with 56% saying they strongly support it. Just 13% say they oppose it.
  - This includes support from a majority across party lines, including 80% of Democrats, 74% of Republicans, and 65% of independents.
  - 92% of voters say they think the price of prescription drugs is too high, while just 4% think they are "about right."
- Opposing Medicare negotiations for drug prices could have political consequences for West Virginia's elected officials. A plurality of voters (39%) say they are less likely to vote for Senator Joe Manchin in the next election if he opposes Medicare having the power to negotiate for lower prescription drug prices. Just 19% say they would be more likely to support Manchin.
- 85% of West Virginians support making sure that Americans do not pay more for the same prescription drugs than what people pay in other countries, while just 6% oppose it. Those in support include 85% of Republicans and 80% of independents.
- Voters reject the drug company argument that giving Medicare the power to negotiate will undermine innovation. 72% of voters agree more that Medicare





should be allowed to negotiate with drug companies to make drugs and medication more affordable to patients, while just 7% agree more with the drug company argument that by letting Medicare dictate prescription drug prices, drug companies' ability to innovate and develop new drugs will be undercut.

Voters are also supportive of the other benefits the Build Back Better plan would offer for health insurance, Medicare and Medicaid:

- 63% of West Virginians support a plan in Congress to lower the health insurance costs for people who buy insurance on their own by expanding tax credits and subsidies. Just 12% overall are opposed. Like many of the previous initiatives, this attracts bipartisan support, including 61% of Republican voters and 57% of independents.
- 81% of voters support using savings from lower drug prices to provide health care benefits for hearing, dental, and vision to seniors on Medicare, and lower insurance premiums for millions more. Supporters include 79% of Republicans and 76% of independents.
- 64% support giving low and moderate income Americans, including seniors, children, and people who do not get insurance at work, the opportunity to get health insurance at little or no cost if their state does not offer coverage under Medicaid. Just 18% are opposed. Supporters include 58% of Republicans and 52% of independents.

A majority (57%) of West Virginians also say they support the overall Build Back Better plan, which would provide paid family and medical leave, expand Medicare coverage for seniors including dental, vision, and hearing coverage, and lower health care costs by allowing Medicare to negotiate lower drug prices. Just 24% are opposed.

Public Policy Polling surveyed 960 West Virginia voters on behalf of Protect Our Care from October 8-9, 2021. The margin of error is +/- 3.2%. 50% of interviews for the survey were conducted by telephone and 50% by text message.





# West Virginia Survey Results

Q1	Do you approve or disapprove of Senator J Manchin's job performance?	loe
	Approve	35%
	Disapprove	42%
	Not sure	23%
Q2	Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of pharmaceutical or drug compani	es?
	Favorable	10%
	Unfavorable	68%
	Not sure	22%
Q3	Which party do you trust more on the issue prescription drug prices: Joe Biden and Democrats, or Republicans?	of
	Trust Joe Biden and Democrats more on the issue of prescription drug prices	28%
	Trust Republicans more on the issue of prescription drug prices	53%
	Not sure	
Q4	Generally speaking, do you think prescription drug prices are too high, too low, or about right?	on
	Too high	92%
	Тоо юw	1%
	About right	4%
	Not sure	
Q5	Do you strongly support, somewhat support somewhat oppose, or strongly oppose givin Medicare the power to lower prescription do prices for all Americans?	ng
	Strongly support	56%
	Somewhat support	18%
	Somewhat oppose	7%
	Strongly oppose	6%
	Not sure	

Q6	If Senator Joe Manchin opposed Medicare
	having the power to negotiate for lower
	prescription drug prices for all Americans,
	would you be less or more likely to vote for
	him in the next election, or would it not make a
	difference?

Less likely	39%
More likely	19%
It wouldn't make a difference	27%
Not sure	14%

**Q7** Now I'm going to read you some policies that would lower prescription drug prices, and ask you to tell me if you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose, or strongly oppose them. Here's the first one: Making sure Americans do not pay more for the same prescription drugs than what people pay in other countries.

Strongly support	75%
Somewhat support	10%
Somewhat oppose	4%
Strongly oppose	2%
Not sure	

**Q8** Here's the next one: Savings from lower drug prices would be used to provide health care benefits for hearing, dental and vision to seniors on Medicare and lower overall health insurance premiums for millions more.

Strongly support	. 64%
Somewhat support	17%
Somewhat oppose	5%
Strongly oppose	4%
Not sure	





**Q9** Thinking about policies to lower prescription drug prices, which of the following comes closer to how you feel: "We should allow Medicare to negotiate with drug companies to make drugs and medication more affordable to patients"; or "By letting Medicare dictate prescription drug prices, we will undercut drug companies' ability to innovate and develop new drugs."

"We should allow Medicare to negotiate with drug companies to make drugs and medication more affordable to patients"	72%
"By letting Medicare dictate prescription drug prices, we will undercut drug companies' ability to innovate and develop new drugs"	7%
Not sure	21%

**Q10** Moving to another topic, there is a plan in Congress that would lower the health insurance costs for people who buy insurance on their own by expanding tax credits and subsidies. Do you support or oppose this plan to lower health insurance costs for people who buy insurance on their own?

Support	. 63%
Oppose	. 12%
Not sure	. 25%

Q11 There is a plan in Congress that would give low- and moderate-income Americans, including seniors, children, and people who do not get insurance at work, the opportunity to get health insurance at little or no cost if their state does not offer coverage under Medicaid. Do you support or oppose this?

Support	.64%
Oppose	18%
Not sure	19%

Q12 As you may know, Congress is considering a new economic plan that will provide paid family and medical leave, establish a universal pre-K program, expand Medicare coverage for seniors including dental, vision, and hearing coverage, and lower health care costs by allowing Medicare to negotiate lower drug prices. Do you support or oppose this new economic plan? Q13 In the 2020 election for President, did you vote for Republican Donald Trump, Democrat Joe Biden, someone else, or did you not vote in the election? Someone else / Did not vote ...... 7% Q14 If you are a woman, press 1. If a man, press 2. Q15 If you are a Democrat, press 1. If a Republican, press 2. If an independent, press 3. **Q16** If you are white, press 1. If other, press 2. Q17 If you are 18-45 years old, press 1. If 46-65, press 2. If older than 65, press 3. 





**Q18** What is the highest level of education you have received: high school graduate or less, some college but did not finish, 2-year college degree, 4-year college degree, or post-graduate degree?

High school graduate or less	41%
Some college but did not finish	
2-year college degree	
4-year college degree	
Post-graduate degree	

#### Q19 Mode

Landline	50%
Text	50%





		2020 Vote		
	Base	Donald Trump		Someone else / Did not vote
Manchin Approval				
Approve	35%	39%	27%	30%
Disapprove	42%	33%	64%	37%
Not sure	23%	28%	9%	33%

		2020 Vote		
	Base	Donald Trump		Someone else / Did not vote
Pharmaceutical/Drug Companies Favorability				
Favorable	10%	10%	8%	12%
Unfavorable	68%	67%	74%	55%
Not sure	22%	23%	18%	33%





		2020 Vo	ote	
	Base	Donald Trump		Someone else / Did not vote
Trust Biden, Democrats / Republicans More on Prescription Drug Prices				
Trust Joe Biden and Democrats more on the issue of prescription drug prices	28%	3%	92%	20%
Trust Republicans more on the issue of prescription drug prices	53%	77%	2%	32%
Not sure	18%	20%	7%	48%

		2020 Vote				
	Base	Donald Trump		Someone else / Did not vote		
Think Prescription Drug Prices Too High / Too Low / About Right						
Too high	92%	90%	98%	86%		
Too low	1%	1%	0%	1%		
About right	4%	5%	2%	10%		
Not sure	3%	4%	0%	3%		





		2020 Vo	2020 Vote				
	Base	Donald Trump		Someone else / Did not vote			
Giving Medicare Power to Lower Drug Prices Support / Oppose							
Strongly support	56%	44%	85%	48%			
Somewhat support	18%	21%	7%	27%			
Somewhat oppose	7%	9%	0%	8%			
Strongly oppose	6%	9%	0%	2%			
Not sure	13%	16%	7%	15%			

		2020 Vote				
	Base	Donald Trump		Someone else / Did not vote		
Manchin Opposed Medicare Negotiating for Lower Drug Prices Less / More Likely to Support						
Less likely	39%	34%	56%	25%		
More likely	19%	21%	17%	10%		
It wouldn't make a difference	27%	29%	18%	41%		
Not sure	14%	15%	9%	24%		





		2020 Vote				
	Base	Donald Trump		Someone else / Did not vote		
Making Sure Americans Don't Pay Higher Drug Prices Than Other Countries Support / Oppose		•				
Strongly support	75%	70%	86%	68%		
Somewhat support	10%	11%	6%	10%		
Somewhat oppose	4%	6%	0%	7%		
Strongly oppose	2%	2%	-	1%		
Not sure	10%	10%	8%	14%		

		2020 Vote				
	Base	Donald Trump		Someone else / Did not vote		
Savings From Lower Drug Prices Funding Expanded Benefits Support / Oppose						
Strongly support	64%	57%	86%	47%		
Somewhat support	17%	20%	9%	23%		
Somewhat oppose	5%	6%	-	7%		
Strongly oppose	4%	6%	0%	2%		
Not sure	10%	11%	5%	20%		





		2020 Vo	ote	
	Base	Donald Trump		Someone else / Did not vote
Statement Closest to Views on Allowing Medicare to Negotiate Drug Prices				
"We should allow Medicare to negotiate with drug companies to make drugs and medication more affordable to patients"	72%	64%	92%	69%
"By letting Medicare d- ictate prescription dru- g prices, we will under- cut drug companies' a- bility to innovate and develop new drugs"		10%	1%	6%
Not sure	21%	26%	8%	26%

		2020 Vo	ote	
	Base	Donald Trump		Someone else / Did not vote
Plan to Lower Health Insurance Costs for Those Who Buy On Their Own Support / Oppose				
Support	63%	58%	75%	57%
Oppose	12%	16%	5%	9%
Not sure	25%	26%	21%	34%





		2020 Vo	ote	
	Base	Donald Trump		Someone else / Did not vote
Plan to Cover Low-, Moderate-Income Americans If Not Covered Under Medicaid Support / Oppose				
Support	64%	51%	90%	63%
Oppose	18%	27%	1%	12%
Not sure	19%	22%	10%	25%

		2020 Vote		
	Base	Donald Trump		Someone else / Did not vote
New Economic Plan Considered in Congress Support / Oppose				
Support	57%	41%	90%	56%
Oppose	24%	36%	1%	17%
Not sure	19%	23%	9%	27%

		Gender		
	Base	Woman	Man	
Manchin Approval				
Approve	35%	31%	39%	
Disapprove	42%	40%	44%	
Not sure	23%	28%	17%	





		Gender		
	Base	Woman	Man	
Pharmaceutical/Drug Companies Favorability				
Favorable	10%	8%	11%	
Unfavorable	68%	68%	68%	
Not sure	22%	23%	21%	

		Gender	
	Base	Woman	Man
Trust Biden, Democrats / Republicans More on Prescription Drug Prices			
Trust Joe Biden and Democrats more on the issue of prescription drug prices	28%	31%	25%
Trust Republicans more on the issue of prescription drug prices	53%	47%	60%
Not sure	18%	21%	15%





		Gender	_
	Base	Woman	Man
Think Prescription Drug Prices Too High / Too Low / About Right			
Too high	92%	93%	91%
Too low	1%	2%	0%
About right	4%	3%	6%
Not sure	3%	3%	3%

		Gender	
	Base	Woman	Man
Giving Medicare Power to Lower Drug Prices Support / Oppose			
Strongly support	56%	58%	54%
Somewhat support	18%	14%	22%
Somewhat oppose	7%	7%	7%
Strongly oppose	6%	5%	8%
Not sure	13%	16%	9%





		Gender	
	Base	Woman	Man
Manchin Opposed Medicare Negotiating for Lower Drug Prices Less / More Likely to Support			
Less likely	39%	39%	39%
More likely	19%	19%	20%
It wouldn't make a difference	27%	26%	28%
Not sure	14%	16%	12%

		Gender	
	Base	Woman	Man
Making Sure Americans Don't Pay Higher Drug Prices Than Other Countries Support / Oppose			
Strongly support	75%	77%	72%
Somewhat support	10%	8%	12%
Somewhat oppose	4%	4%	5%
Strongly oppose	2%	0%	3%
Not sure	10%	11%	8%





		Gender	
	Base	Woman	Man
Savings From Lower Drug Prices Funding Expanded Benefits Support / Oppose			
Strongly support	64%	70%	57%
Somewhat support	17%	15%	19%
Somewhat oppose	5%	3%	7%
Strongly oppose	4%	3%	6%
Not sure	10%	9%	11%

	Gender		
	Base	Woman	Man
Statement Closest to Views on Allowing Medicare to Negotiate Drug Prices			
"We should allow Medicare to negotiate with drug companies to make drugs and medication more affordable to patients"	72%	72%	73%
"By letting Medicare d- ictate prescription dru- g prices, we will under- cut drug companies' a- bility to innovate and develop new drugs"	7%	3%	12%
Not sure	21%	25%	16%





		Gender	
	Base	Woman	Man
Plan to Lower Health Insurance Costs for Those Who Buy On Their Own Support / Oppose			
Support	63%	63%	63%
Oppose	12%	11%	14%
Not sure	25%	26%	23%

		Gender	
	Base	Woman	Man
Plan to Cover Low-, Moderate-Income Americans If Not Covered Under Medicaid Support / Oppose			
Support	64%	71%	56%
Oppose	18%	12%	24%
Not sure	19%	17%	21%

		Gender	
	Base	Woman	Man
New Economic Plan Considered in Congress Support / Oppose			
Support	57%	62%	51%
Oppose	24%	17%	32%
Not sure	19%	21%	17%





		Party			
	Base	Democrat	Republican	Independent	
Manchin Approval					
Approve	35%	32%	37%	36%	
Disapprove	42%	52%	36%	38%	
Not sure	23%	17%	27%	26%	

		Party			
	Base	Democrat	Republican	Independent	
Pharmaceutical/Drug Companies Favorability					
Favorable	10%	11%	12%	5%	
Unfavorable	68%	67%	65%	74%	
Not sure	22%	22%	23%	21%	

		Party				
	Base	Democrat	Republican	Independent		
Trust Biden, Democrats / Republicans More on Prescription Drug Prices						
Trust Joe Biden and Democrats more on the issue of prescription drug prices	28%	62%	3%	19%		
Trust Republicans more on the issue of prescription drug prices	53%	28%	81%	50%		
Not sure	18%	11%	16%	31%		

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		Party				
	Base	Democrat	Republican	Independent		
Think Prescription Drug Prices Too High / Too Low / About Right						
Too high	92%	93%	91%	92%		
Too low	1%	2%	1%	-		
About right	4%	5%	4%	4%		
Not sure	3%	0%	4%	5%		

		Party				
	Base	Democrat	Republican	Independent		
Giving Medicare Power to Lower Drug Prices Support / Oppose						
Strongly support	56%	72%	50%	44%		
Somewhat support	18%	8%	24%	21%		
Somewhat oppose	7%	5%	5%	11%		
Strongly oppose	6%	4%	8%	7%		
Not sure	13%	10%	13%	17%		





		Party		
	Base	Democrat	Republican	Independent
Manchin Opposed Medicare Negotiating for Lower Drug Prices Less / More Likely to Support				
Less likely	39%	47%	38%	33%
More likely	19%	22%	18%	17%
It wouldn't make a difference	27%	19%	30%	32%
Not sure	14%	11%	14%	18%

		Party				
	Base	Democrat	Republican	Independent		
Making Sure Americans Don't Pay Higher Drug Prices Than Other Countries Support / Oppose						
Strongly support	75%	83%	70%	71%		
Somewhat support	10%	5%	15%	9%		
Somewhat oppose	4%	3%	4%	8%		
Strongly oppose	2%	2%	3%	-		
Not sure	10%	8%	10%	12%		





		Party				
	Base	Democrat	Republican	Independent		
Savings From Lower Drug Prices Funding Expanded Benefits Support / Oppose						
Strongly support	64%	75%	62%	53%		
Somewhat support	17%	12%	17%	23%		
Somewhat oppose	5%	2%	5%	7%		
Strongly oppose	4%	3%	6%	4%		
Not sure	10%	7%	10%	12%		

		Party		
	Base	Democrat	Republican	Independent
Statement Closest to Views on Allowing Medicare to Negotiate Drug Prices				
"We should allow Medicare to negotiate with drug companies to make drugs and medication more affordable to patients"	72%	81%	69%	65%
"By letting Medicare d- ictate prescription dru- g prices, we will under- cut drug companies' a- bility to innovate and develop new drugs"	7%	4%	10%	7%
Not sure	21%	15%	21%	28%





		Party		
	Base	Democrat	Republican	Independent
Plan to Lower Health Insurance Costs for Those Who Buy On Their Own Support / Oppose				
Support	63%	71%	61%	57%
Oppose	12%	8%	14%	15%
Not sure	25%	21%	25%	29%

		Party			
	Base	Democrat	Republican	Independent	
Plan to Cover Low-, Moderate-Income Americans If Not Covered Under Medicaid Support / Oppose					
Support	64%	79%	58%	52%	
Oppose	18%	10%	23%	20%	
Not sure	19%	11%	19%	28%	

		Party		
	Base	Democrat	Republican	Independent
New Economic Plan Considered in Congress Support / Oppose				
Support	57%	76%	45%	49%
Oppose	24%	11%	33%	29%
Not sure	19%	13%	22%	22%





		Race	
	Base	White	Other
Manchin Approval			
Approve	35%	34%	43%
Disapprove	42%	43%	33%
Not sure	23%	23%	24%

		Race	
	Base	White	Other
Pharmaceutical/Drug Companies Favorability			
Favorable	10%	10%	6%
Unfavorable	68%	69%	57%
Not sure	22%	21%	37%

		Race	
	Base	White	Other
Trust Biden, Democrats / Republicans More on Prescription Drug Prices			
Trust Joe Biden and Democrats more on the issue of prescription drug prices	28%	28%	33%
Trust Republicans more on the issue of prescription drug prices	53%	54%	45%
Not sure	18%	18%	22%





		Race		
	Base	White	Other	
Think Prescription Drug Prices Too High / Too Low / About Right				
Too high	92%	93%	83%	
Too low	1%	0%	8%	
About right	4%	4%	9%	
Not sure	3%	3%	-	

		Race	_
	Base	White	Other
Giving Medicare Power to Lower Drug Prices Support / Oppose			
Strongly support	56%	56%	56%
Somewhat support	18%	18%	16%
Somewhat oppose	7%	6%	15%
Strongly oppose	6%	6%	10%
Not sure	13%	14%	3%





		Race	
	Base	White	Other
Manchin Opposed Medicare Negotiating for Lower Drug Prices Less / More Likely to Support			
Less likely	39%	41%	24%
More likely	19%	19%	30%
It wouldn't make a difference	27%	26%	37%
Not sure	14%	15%	8%

		Race	
	Base	White	Other
Making Sure Americans Don't Pay Higher Drug Prices Than Other Countries Support / Oppose			
Strongly support	75%	75%	71%
Somewhat support	10%	10%	12%
Somewhat oppose	4%	4%	7%
Strongly oppose	2%	2%	-
Not sure	10%	10%	10%





		Race		
	Base	White	Other	
Savings From Lower Drug Prices Funding Expanded Benefits Support / Oppose				
Strongly support	64%	64%	70%	
Somewhat support	17%	17%	13%	
Somewhat oppose	5%	5%	3%	
Strongly oppose	4%	5%	3%	
Not sure	10%	9%	11%	

		Race	
	Base	White	Other
Statement Closest to Views on Allowing Medicare to Negotiate Drug Prices			
"We should allow Medicare to negotiate with drug companies to make drugs and medication more affordable to patients"	72%	73%	61%
"By letting Medicare d- ictate prescription dru- g prices, we will under- cut drug companies' a- bility to innovate and develop new drugs"	7%	7%	11%
Not sure	21%	20%	28%





		Race		
	Base	White	Other	
Plan to Lower Health Insurance Costs for Those Who Buy On Their Own Support / Oppose				
Support	63%	64%	52%	
Oppose	12%	12%	15%	
Not sure	25%	24%	33%	

		Race	
	Base	White	Other
Plan to Cover Low-, Moderate-Income Americans If Not Covered Under Medicaid Support / Oppose			
Support	64%	63%	74%
Oppose	18%	18%	16%
Not sure	19%	19%	10%

		Race		
	Base	White	Other	
New Economic Plan Considered in Congress Support / Oppose				
Support	57%	56%	61%	
Oppose	24%	25%	21%	
Not sure	19%	19%	18%	





		Age		
	Base	18 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Manchin Approval				
Approve	35%	28%	37%	42%
Disapprove	42%	43%	42%	40%
Not sure	23%	29%	21%	19%

		Age		
	Base	18 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Pharmaceutical/Drug Companies Favorability				
Favorable	10%	7%	10%	13%
Unfavorable	68%	72%	69%	62%
Not sure	22%	22%	21%	25%





		Age		
	Base	18 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Trust Biden, Democrats / Republicans More on Prescription Drug Prices		•		
Trust Joe Biden and Democrats more on the issue of prescription drug prices		30%	26%	29%
Trust Republicans more on the issue of prescription drug prices	53%	46%	55%	61%
Not sure	18%	24%	20%	10%

		Age		
	Base	18 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Think Prescription Drug Prices Too High / Too Low / About Right		<u>.</u>		
Too high	92%	91%	91%	95%
Too low	1%	2%	1%	1%
About right	4%	4%	5%	3%
Not sure	3%	4%	3%	1%





		Age			
	Base	18 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65	
Giving Medicare Power to Lower Drug Prices Support / Oppose					
Strongly support	56%	48%	56%	67%	
Somewhat support	18%	22%	16%	14%	
Somewhat oppose	7%	5%	9%	6%	
Strongly oppose	6%	11%	4%	3%	
Not sure	13%	14%	15%	10%	

	Base	Age			
		18 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65	
Manchin Opposed Medicare Negotiating for Lower Drug Prices Less / More Likely to Support		•			
Less likely	39%	36%	39%	44%	
More likely	19%	17%	20%	22%	
lt wouldn't make a difference	27%	26%	30%	24%	
Not sure	14%	21%	11%	11%	





		Age				
	Base	18 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65		
Making Sure Americans Don't Pay Higher Drug Prices Than Other Countries Support / Oppose		•				
Strongly support	75%	67%	75%	85%		
Somewhat support	10%	13%	10%	5%		
Somewhat oppose	4%	5%	5%	2%		
Strongly oppose	2%	1%	3%	1%		
Not sure	10%	14%	7%	7%		

		Age			
	Base	18 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65	
Savings From Lower Drug Prices Funding Expanded Benefits Support / Oppose					
Strongly support	64%	53%	65%	79%	
Somewhat support	17%	21%	16%	13%	
Somewhat oppose	5%	6%	5%	2%	
Strongly oppose	4%	3%	7%	2%	
Not sure	10%	17%	7%	4%	





		Age		
	Base		46 to 65	
Statement Closest to Views on Allowing Medicare to Negotiate Drug Prices		<u>.</u>		
"We should allow Medicare to negotiate with drug companies to make drugs and medication more affordable to patients"	72%	68%	70%	82%
"By letting Medicare d- ictate prescription dru- g prices, we will under- cut drug companies' a- bility to innovate and develop new drugs"	7%	7%	9%	3%
Not sure	21%	25%	21%	14%

		Age		
		18 to	46 to	Older
	Base	45	65	than 65
Plan to Lower Health Insurance Costs for Those Who Buy On Their Own Support / Oppose				
Support	63%	57%	66%	67%
Oppose	12%	13%	15%	7%
Not sure	25%	29%	20%	26%





		Age		
	Base	18 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Plan to Cover Low-, Moderate-Income Americans If Not Covered Under Medicaid Support / Oppose				
Support	64%	57%	64%	73%
Oppose	18%	22%	20%	9%
Not sure	19%	21%	16%	19%

		Age		
	Base	18 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
New Economic Plan Considered in Congress Support / Oppose				
Support	57%	51%	54%	69%
Oppose	24%	23%	30%	17%
Not sure	19%	26%	16%	13%

		Education	ducation					
	Base	High school graduate or less	Some college but did not finish		4-year college degree	•		
Manchin Approval								
Approve	35%	39%	31%	35%	34%	30%		
Disapprove	42%	37%	41%	47%	49%	49%		
Not sure	23%	24%	28%	18%	18%	21%		





		Education	_	_	_	_
	Base	High school graduate or less	Some college but did not finish			
Pharmaceutical/Drug Companies Favorability						
Favorable	10%	12%	5%	5%	10%	14%
Unfavorable	68%	59%	74%	76%	77%	67%
Not sure	22%	28%	21%	19%	13%	20%

		Education				
	Base	High school graduate or less	Some college but did not finish			•
Trust Biden, Democrats / Republicans More on Prescription Drug Prices						
Trust Joe Biden and Democrats more on the issue of prescription drug prices		23%	22%	19%	42%	48%
Trust Republicans more on the issue of prescription drug prices		63%	51%	64%	42%	31%
Not sure	18%	14%	27%	16%	16%	21%





		Education					
	Base	High school graduate or less	Some college but did not finish		4-year college degree	•	
Think Prescription Drug Prices Too High / Too Low / About Right							
Too high	92%	93%	87%	95%	94%	92%	
Too low	1%	2%	1%	2%	1%	0%	
About right	4%	4%	6%	3%	2%	6%	
Not sure	3%	2%	6%	-	3%	2%	

		Education				
	Base	High school graduate or less	Some college but did not finish			•
Giving Medicare Power to Lower Drug Prices Support / Oppose						
Strongly support	56%	61%	51%	50%	53%	58%
Somewhat support	18%	13%	21%	20%	23%	17%
Somewhat oppose	7%	8%	6%	8%	5%	6%
Strongly oppose	6%	4%	9%	6%	5%	11%
Not sure	13%	14%	12%	15%	15%	8%





		Education					
	Base	High school graduate or less	Some college but did not finish			•	
Manchin Opposed Medicare Negotiating for Lower Drug Prices Less / More Likely to Support							
Less likely	39%	38%	45%	37%	39%	36%	
More likely	19%	24%	15%	21%	17%	16%	
It wouldn't make a difference	27%	23%	25%	31%	32%	33%	
Not sure	14%	15%	14%	11%	12%	15%	

		Education					
	Base	High school graduate or less	Some college but did not finish			•	
Making Sure Americans Don't Pay Higher Drug Prices Than Other Countries Support / Oppose							
Strongly support	75%	82%	72%	71%	71%	63%	
Somewhat support	10%	3%	10%	14%	14%	19%	
Somewhat oppose	4%	4%	4%	2%	6%	5%	
Strongly oppose	2%	1%	1%	0%	3%	3%	
Not sure	10%	8%	12%	12%	7%	10%	





		Education				
	Base	High school graduate or less	Some college but did not finish			Post-graduate degree
Savings From Lower Drug Prices Funding Expanded Benefits Support / Oppose		•				
Strongly support	64%	73%	57%	56%	65%	60%
Somewhat support	17%	12%	19%	18%	20%	24%
Somewhat oppose	5%	1%	9%	9%	2%	6%
Strongly oppose	4%	6%	2%	4%	4%	5%
Not sure	10%	8%	12%	14%	10%	5%

		Education				
	Base	High school graduate or less	Some college but did not finish			•
Statement Closest to Views on Allowing Medicare to Negotiate Drug Prices						
"We should allow Medicare to negotiate with drug companies to make drugs and medication more affordable to patients"	/ •	75%	71%	61%	77%	71%
"By letting Medicare d- ictate prescription dru- g prices, we will under- cut drug companies' a- bility to innovate and develop new drugs"	7%	5%	6%	10%	5%	17%
Not sure	21%	20%	24%	29%	18%	12%





		Education						
	Base	High school graduate or less	Some college but did not finish			•		
Plan to Lower Health Insurance Costs for Those Who Buy On Their Own Support / Oppose								
Support	63%	60%	66%	58%	69%	63%		
Oppose	12%	12%	13%	15%	10%	13%		
Not sure	25%	28%	22%	27%	21%	23%		

		Education				
	Base	High school graduate or less	Some college but did not finish			•
Plan to Cover Low-, Moderate-Income Americans If Not Covered Under Medicaid Support / Oppose						
Support	64%	68%	62%	50%	66%	64%
Oppose	18%	13%	21%	21%	17%	22%
Not sure	19%	19%	17%	29%	17%	14%





		Education						
	Base	High school graduate or less	Some college but did not finish		4-year college degree	•		
New Economic Plan Considered in Congress Support / Oppose								
Support	57%	65%	48%	48%	61%	51%		
Oppose	24%	14%	31%	29%	26%	38%		
Not sure	19%	22%	21%	23%	14%	11%		

		Mode	_
	Base	Landline	Text
Manchin Approval			
Approve	35%	39%	31%
Disapprove	42%	45%	39%
Not sure	23%	16%	30%

		Mode	_
	Base	Landline	Text
Pharmaceutical/Drug Companies Favorability			
Favorable	10%	14%	5%
Unfavorable	68%	60%	78%
Not sure	22%	27%	17%





		Mode	
	Base	Landline	Text
Trust Biden, Democrats / Republicans More on Prescription Drug Prices			
Trust Joe Biden and Democrats more on the issue of prescription drug prices	28%	29%	28%
Trust Republicans more on the issue of prescription drug prices	53%	61%	45%
Not sure	18%	10%	27%

		Mode	
	Base	Landline	Text
Think Prescription Drug Prices Too High / Too Low / About Right			
Too high	92%	91%	93%
Too low	1%	2%	-
About right	4%	6%	3%
Not sure	3%	1%	5%





		Mode	
	Base	Landline	Text
Giving Medicare Power to Lower Drug Prices Support / Oppose			
Strongly support	56%	66%	45%
Somewhat support	18%	11%	25%
Somewhat oppose	7%	9%	5%
Strongly oppose	6%	4%	9%
Not sure	13%	10%	17%

		Mode	
	Base	Landline	Text
Manchin Opposed Medicare Negotiating for Lower Drug Prices Less / More Likely to Support			
Less likely	39%	40%	39%
More likely	19%	25%	13%
It wouldn't make a difference	27%	26%	28%
Not sure	14%	9%	20%





		Mode	
	Base	Landline	Text
Making Sure Americans Don't Pay Higher Drug Prices Than Other Countries Support / Oppose			
Strongly support	75%	80%	69%
Somewhat support	10%	7%	12%
Somewhat oppose	4%	5%	4%
Strongly oppose	2%	1%	2%
Not sure	10%	7%	12%

		Mode	
	Base	Landline	Text
Savings From Lower Drug Prices Funding Expanded Benefits Support / Oppose			
Strongly support	64%	75%	55%
Somewhat support	17%	14%	20%
Somewhat oppose	5%	4%	5%
Strongly oppose	4%	3%	6%
Not sure	10%	4%	14%





		Mode	
	Base	Landline	Text
Statement Closest to Views on Allowing Medicare to Negotiate Drug Prices			
"We should allow Medicare to negotiate with drug companies to make drugs and medication more affordable to patients"	72%	81%	65%
"By letting Medicare d- ictate prescription dru- g prices, we will under- cut drug companies' a- bility to innovate and develop new drugs"	7%	7%	7%
Not sure	21%	12%	28%

		Mode	
	Base	Landline	Text
Plan to Lower Health Insurance Costs for Those Who Buy On Their Own Support / Oppose			
Support	63%	68%	59%
Oppose	12%	10%	14%
Not sure	25%	22%	27%





		Mode	
	Base	Landline	Text
Plan to Cover Low-, Moderate-Income Americans If Not Covered Under Medicaid Support / Oppose			
Support	64%	70%	59%
Oppose	18%	13%	22%
Not sure	19%	18%	19%

		Mode	
	Base	Landline	Text
New Economic Plan Considered in Congress Support / Oppose			
Support	57%	65%	50%
Oppose	24%	20%	27%
Not sure	19%	14%	22%

