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Recent Polling Confirms Health Care Provisions Included in the Build Back Better Agenda Are Voters' Top Priorities

Democrats in Congress are on the cusp of passing the historic Build Back Better Act, which includes measures to lower prescription drug costs, expand Medicare benefits, close the coverage gap, and make premiums more affordable for millions. Poll after poll makes it clear that the health care provisions included in the Build Back Better Act are top priorities for citizens across America, as there is overwhelming bipartisan support for reducing costs, expanding coverage, and improving health care.

Democrats are working towards making sure Americans have more affordable health coverage and access to better care. They must deliver on their promises and quickly pass the transformative measures included in the Build Back Better agenda.

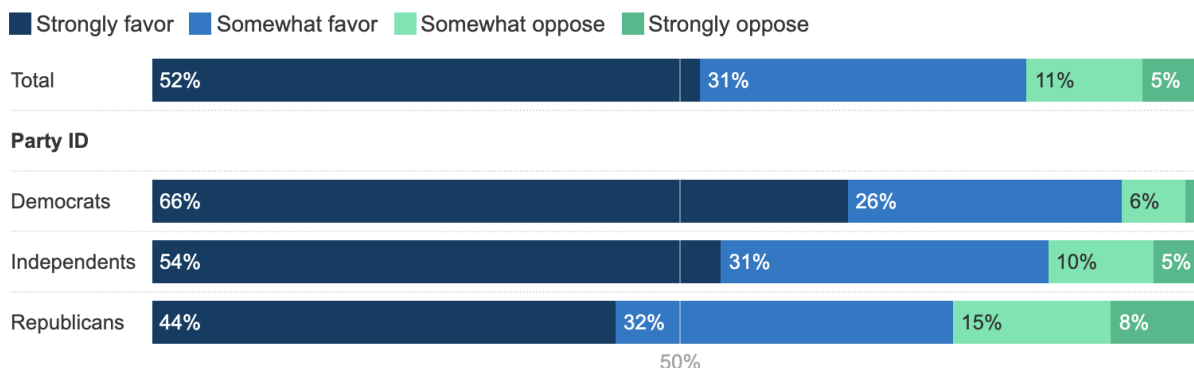
RECENT POLLING:

Kaiser Family Foundation Poll Shows Overwhelming Majority Supports Medicare Drug Price Negotiation. “Eight in ten adults (83%) say they either “strongly favor” or “somewhat favor” allowing the federal government to negotiate with drug companies as do 84% of older adults (65 and older), including the vast majority (93%) of those ages 65 and older who identify as either a Democrat or lean Democratic, and three-fourths (76%) of older adults who are Republican or lean Republican.” [Kaiser Family Foundation, [10/12/21](#)]

Figure 1

Large Majorities Favor Allowing The Federal Government To Negotiate With Drug Companies On Prescription Drug Prices

Do you **favor** or **oppose** allowing the federal government to negotiate with drug companies to get a lower price on prescription drugs for people with Medicare and private insurance?

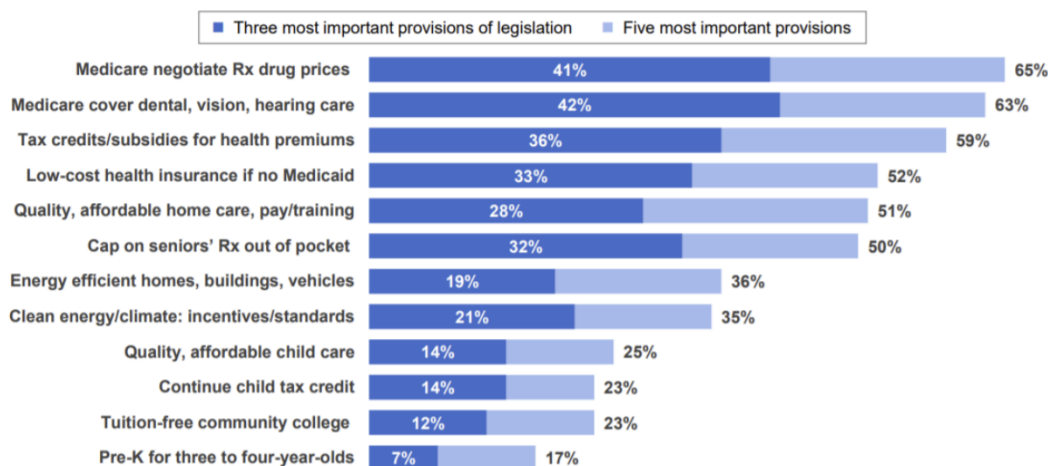


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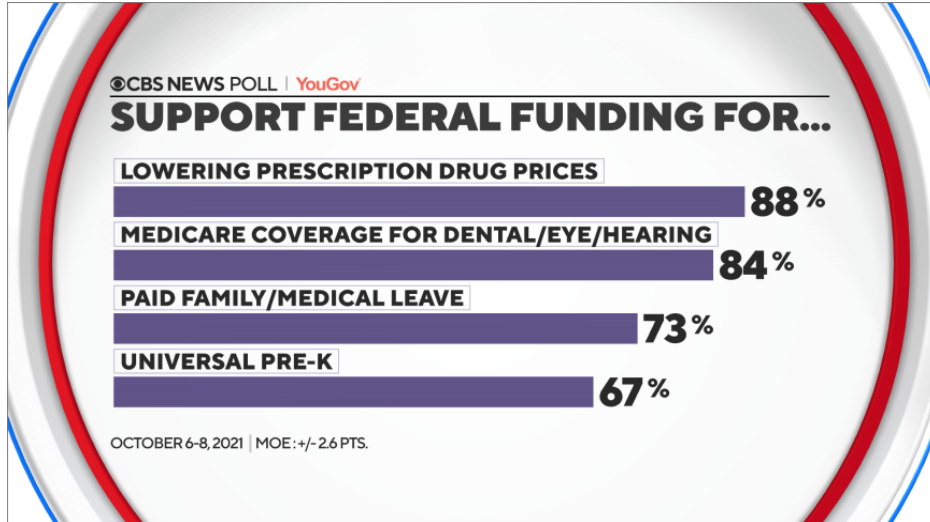
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Hart Research Poll Finds Closing The Coverage Gap Among Most Important Provisions In Build Back Better Act. “When making the case for the Build Back Better Act, it’s significantly strengthened by including health care. Support for the investments in critical priorities in the act is strong (74-26%) but is significantly stronger (80-20%) when the description includes that the plan reduces health care costs and the price of prescription drugs.” [Hart Research, [9/13/21](#)]



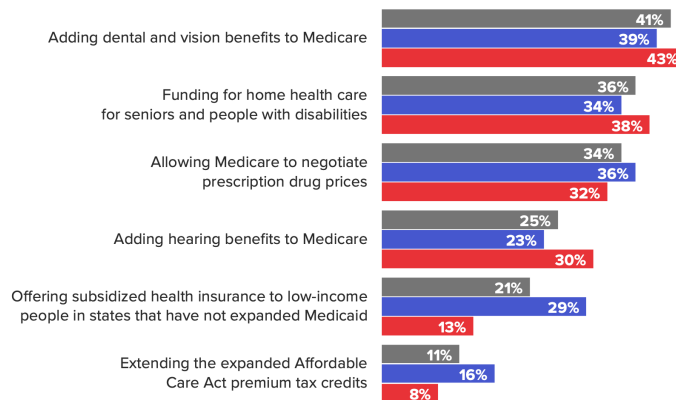
CBS News Poll Finds Medicare Coverage For Hearing Among Top Issues For Voters. “84 percent of respondents support Medicare coverage for dental, eye, and hearing.” [CBS News, [10/10/21](#)]



Morning Consult/Politico Poll Find Bipartisan Support For Home Health Care Funding For Seniors And People With Disabilities. “Among the 18 provisions listed in the poll, voters’ second-highest priority is funding for home health care for seniors and people with disabilities, followed by Medicare drug price negotiation. Those two measures, which were included in the most recent White House proposal, rank above non-health care provisions such as funding for affordable housing and free community college, which have about as much voter support as adding hearing benefits to Medicare.” [Morning Consult, [11/2/21](#)]

2 in 5 Voters Want Dental and Vision Benefits Added to Medicare as Part of Social Spending Bill

The share of U.S. voters, Democrats and Republicans who said the following measures are among their top five priorities for the Build Back Better plan:



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Poll conducted Oct. 30-Nov. 1, 2021, among 1,996 registered voters, with a margin of error of +/- 2%.