1. Where does health care fall among other issues heading into 2020?

2. What do voters see as the biggest public health issue in their communities?

3. Where is there room for bipartisan reform on health care?
IMPORTANCE OF HEALTH CARE TO 2020 VOTE
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COMMON PUBLIC HEALTH ISSUES IN LOCAL COMMUNITIES
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- Health care: 56%
- The economy: 44%
- Immigration: 33%
- Taxes: 31%
- Gun control: 30%
- Environmental policy: 23%
- Education policy: 16%
- Abortion: 13%
- Criminal justice: 13%
- Foreign policy: 12%
- Infrastructure: 11%
- Trade policy: 7%
- Energy policy: 7%
- Other, please specify: 4%
Thinking about who you will vote for in the 2020 presidential election, which of the following issues will be most important in your vote choice? Select your top three areas.

- **Health care**
  - Democrats: 54%
  - Independents: 45%
  - Republicans: 46%

- **The economy**
  - Democrats: 34%
  - Independents: 29%
  - Republicans: 55%

- **Immigration**
  - Democrats: 20%
  - Independents: 24%
  - Republicans: 52%

- **Taxes**
  - Democrats: 24%
  - Independents: 30%
  - Republicans: 39%

- **Gun control**
  - Democrats: 23%
  - Independents: 23%
  - Republicans: 35%

- **Environmental policy**
  - Democrats: 7%
  - Independents: 26%
  - Republicans: 23%

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**IA Voters**
- Out of pocket costs: 68%
- Prescription drug costs: 40%
- Quality of health care received: 37%
- Difficulty in getting affordable or sufficient insurance: 23%
- Difficulty getting appointments with specialists and other providers in my area: 21%
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**NH Voters**
- Out of pocket costs: 71%
- Prescription drug costs: 65%
- Quality of health care received: 42%
- Difficulty in getting affordable or sufficient insurance: 42%
- Difficulty getting appointments with specialists and other providers in my area: 24%
- Long distances to receive medical services: 12%
- Difficulty getting appointments with primary care providers in my area: 11%

**SC Voters**
- Out of pocket costs: 60%
- Prescription drug costs: 64%
- Quality of health care received: 42%
- Difficulty in getting affordable or sufficient insurance: 47%
- Difficulty getting appointments with specialists and other providers in my area: 21%
- Long distances to receive medical services: 12%
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COMMON PUBLIC HEALTH ISSUES IN LOCAL COMMUNITIES
Thinking about the current public health issues in the U.S., which of the following are most common in your local community? 
*Select up to three.*

- Illicit drugs and opioids: 48%
- Mental and behavioral health issues: 41%
- Smoking and vaping: 33%
- Obesity and/or lack of nutrition and physical activity: 30%
- Heart disease, stroke, and cancer: 25%
- Alcohol addiction: 19%
- Addiction to technology, including social media: 17%
- Suicide: 14%
- HIV/AIDS: 4%
- Other, please specify: 2%
- Don't know/No opinion: 14%
Thinking about the current public health issues in the U.S., which of the following are most common in your local community? Select up to three.

- **Democrats**
- **Independents**
- **Republicans**

- Illicit drugs and opioids: 46%, 51%
- Mental and behavioral health issues: 46%, 40%
- Smoking and vaping: 32%, 36%
- Obesity and/or lack of nutrition and physical activity: 31%, 28%
- Heart disease, stroke, and cancer: 21%, 25%
- Alcohol addiction: 19%, 23%
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- Suicide: 11%, 15%
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BIPARTISAN SUPPORT FOR HEALTH CARE REFORM
Currently, the presidential candidates are debating many plans to reform the U.S. health care system. Of the following options, which health care reform plan do you support the most?

- Repealing and replacing the Affordable Care Act: 23%
- Improving the current health care system: 39%
- Transforming to a Medicare for All-style single-payer health care system with government-provided insurance for everyone: 22%
- Don’t know/No opinion: 16%
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- **Democrats**
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   - Democrats: 7%
   - Independents: 20%
   - Republicans: 45%

2. **Improving the current health care system**
   - Democrats: 46%
   - Independents: 38%
   - Republicans: 32%

3. **Transforming to a Medicare for All-style single-payer health care system with government-provided insurance for everyone**
   - Democrats: 35%
   - Independents: 22%
   - Republicans: 7%

4. **Don’t know/No opinion**
   - Democrats: 13%
   - Independents: 20%
   - Republicans: 16%
As you may know, experts say that federal spending on major health care programs is expected to substantially increase over the next ten years. **Knowing this, do you support or oppose the following ways to maintain funding for health care programs in the U.S.?**

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