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## **NATIONAL: NOT MUCH SWAMP-DRAINING IN DC**

*Many say AHCA passage driven more by politics than policy*

West Long Branch, NJ – Donald Trump promised to “drain the swamp” when he got to Washington, but only 1-in-4 Americans think he is making progress on that front. In fact, an even larger number think he is actually making the swamp worse, according to the latest *Monmouth University Poll*. Only one-third of the public feels the president gives enough attention to bread and butter issues important to American families. On the congressional front, many believe that the House passed the Affordable Health Care Act (AHCA) primarily to give Republicans a political win rather than fix the health care system.

The president continues to assert that he is working to “drain the swamp” of Washington politics, but only 24% of Americans believe he is making progress on that score – including 51% of Republicans, 24% of independents, and 4% of Democrats. In fact, 32% of the public say he is actually making the swamp worse – including 53% of Democrats, 34% of independents, and 3% of Republicans. Another third (35%) say that nothing about “the swamp” has really changed under President Trump – an opinion shared fairly equally by Republicans (37%), Democrats (36%), and independents (34%) alike.

“If draining the swamp is a measurable campaign promise, it doesn’t look like President Trump has been able to keep it,” said Patrick Murray, director of the independent Monmouth University Polling Institute in West Long Branch, New Jersey.

There have been some shifts in the public’s visceral reaction to Washington since last September, but the mood is still overwhelmingly pessimistic. Overall, negative feelings about Washington have dipped slightly from 86% in September to 79% in the current poll. However, the number who feel “angry” has increased – from 20% to 25% – while the number who feel “dissatisfied” has decreased – from 66% to 54%. In the positive sphere, the share of Americans who are now “satisfied” with

Washington has ticked up from 9% to 16%, while those who say they are actually “happy” has stayed basically stable – going from 3% to 2%.

Negative views of Washington have declined most dramatically among Republicans – from 94% in September to 61% now – but that still leaves the vast majority of Republicans feeling negative about DC. Democratic negativity has ticked up from 75% to 88%, while independents’ negativity has remained more stable – going from 89% in the fall to 84% now.

“The key benchmark for most Americans is whether the president keeps his eye on the ball regarding bread and butter issues that impact American families where they live,” said Murray.

Just over one-third (35%) of the public says President Trump’s agenda so far has focused a lot on issues that are important to average Americans – which is down from 42% who said the same in March. Another 30% say he has focused a little on these issues and 32% say he has not focused at all on issues important to average Americans.

Only 34% of Americans say Trump gives enough attention to issues that are most important to their own families, while a majority of 62% wish the president would give those issues more attention. Two months ago, 36% said Trump was giving these issues enough attention and 57% said they wish he would do more.

The shift in these results comes mainly from political independents. Just 33% of independents say Trump is focused a lot on issues of importance to average Americans, which is down from 44% two months ago. And just 31% of independents say he gives enough attention to the issues that affect their families, down from 37% in March.

In other *Monmouth University Poll* results, 31% of the public thinks the country is heading in the right direction and 61% say we have gotten off on the wrong track. These numbers are down slightly from the 35% right direction and 56% wrong direction results in March. They are closer to poll findings from January, just prior to Trump’s inauguration, when 29% said right direction and 65% said wrong track.

Approval of the job Congress is doing has also dipped back under 20% after experiencing a minor surge earlier this year. Currently, 19% approve and 68% disapprove of the job Congress is doing. Approval comes from just 38% of Republicans, 12% of independents and 13% of Democrats. Congressional job approval was higher in March (25%) and January (23%), while it was lower back in September (15%).

“The ‘Mission Accomplished’ ceremony in the Rose Garden after the House passed AHCA really did nothing to elevate the public’s overall view of Washington. It fed the prevailing sense that Congressional leaders are more concerned with political victories than with helping average Americans,” said Murray.

Just 32% approve of the latest AHCA incarnation and a majority of 55% disapprove. While 71% of Republicans approve of the new bill, only 29% of independents and 6% of Democrats feel the same.

Nearly half of the public (46%) feels the House passed AHCA largely to give Republicans a political win. Just 21% say it was primarily a genuine attempt to fix the health care system. Another 27% say the bill’s passage came down to both reasons – politics and genuine policy – equally.

While the fate of this bill in the Senate is uncertain, nearly half (44%) of the public expects their own health care costs to go up if it becomes law. Another 36% expect their costs to stay about the same, and just 13% expect their costs to go down. There is a predictable partisan split on expectations that their health care costs will go up – ranging from 68% of Democrats to 42% of independents and 17% of Republicans.

The *Monmouth University Poll* was conducted by telephone from May 13 to 17, 2017 with 1,002 adults in the United States, although no interviews were conducted on Sunday May 14. The results in this release have a margin of error of +/- 3.1 percent. The poll was conducted by the Monmouth University Polling Institute in West Long Branch, NJ.

## QUESTIONS AND RESULTS

(\* Some columns may not add to 100% due to rounding.)

[Q1 previously released.]

### 2. Do you approve or disapprove of the job the U.S. Congress is doing?

TREND:	May 2017	March 2017	January 2017
Approve	19%	25%	23%
Disapprove	68%	59%	66%
(VOL) No opinion	13%	16%	11%
(n)	(1,002)	(801)	(801)

TREND: Continued	Sept. 2016*	Aug. 2016*	June 2016*	March 2016	Jan. 2016	Dec. 2015	Oct. 2015	Sept. 2015	Aug. 2015	July 2015	June 2015	April 2015	Jan. 2015	Dec. 2014	July 2013
Approve	15%	14%	17%	22%	17%	16%	17%	19%	18%	18%	19%	21%	18%	17%	14%
Disapprove	77%	78%	76%	68%	73%	73%	71%	71%	72%	69%	71%	67%	70%	73%	76%
(VOL) No opinion	8%	9%	7%	10%	10%	10%	12%	11%	11%	12%	10%	12%	11%	11%	10%
(n)	(802)	(803)	(803)	(1,008)	(1,003)	(1,006)	(1,012)	(1,009)	(1,203)	(1,001)	(1,002)	(1,005)	(1,003)	(1,008)	(1,012)

\* Registered voters

### 3. Would you say things in the country are going in the right direction, or have they gotten off on the wrong track?

TREND:	May 2017	March 2017	January 2017	August 2016*	October 2015	July 2015	June 2015	April 2015	December 2014	July 2013
Right direction	31%	35%	29%	30%	24%	28%	23%	27%	23%	28%
Wrong track	61%	56%	65%	65%	66%	63%	68%	66%	69%	63%
(VOL) Depends	5%	4%	4%	2%	6%	5%	5%	5%	5%	5%
(VOL) Don't know	3%	5%	2%	3%	4%	3%	3%	2%	3%	4%
(n)	(1,002)	(801)	(801)	(803)	(1,012)	(1,001)	(1,002)	(1,005)	(1,008)	(1,012)

\* Registered voters

4. Which of the following words best describes how you feel about Washington – angry, dissatisfied, satisfied, or happy?

TREND:	May 2017	September 2016*
Angry	25%	20%
Dissatisfied	54%	66%
Satisfied	16%	9%
Happy	2%	3%
(VOL) Don't know	2%	2%
(n)	(1,002)	(802)

\* Registered voters

[Q5-X13E previously released.]

14. How much has Donald Trump's agenda during his first months in office focused on the issues important to average Americans – a lot, a little, or not at all?

	May 2017	March 2017
A lot	35%	42%
A little	30%	28%
Not at all	32%	27%
(VOL) Don't know	3%	4%
(n)	(1,002)	(801)

15. Regardless of whether you agree or disagree with President Trump, has he been giving enough attention to the issues that are most important to your family or do you wish he would give more attention to issues that are important to your family?

	May 2017	March 2017
Giving enough attention	34%	36%
Wish he'd give more attention	62%	57%
(VOL) Don't know	5%	7%
(n)	(1,002)	(801)

16. Donald Trump promised to “drain the swamp” when he got to Washington. Would you say that he has made progress draining the swamp, that he has made the swamp worse, or that nothing has really changed?

	May 2017
Made progress draining the swamp	24%
Made the swamp worse	32%
Nothing has really changed	35%
(VOL) Don't know	8%
(n)	(1,002)

17. Earlier this month, the House of Representatives passed the American Health Care Act. This new bill repeals or replaces certain provisions of the 2010 Affordable Care Act, sometimes called Obamacare. Do you approve or disapprove of this new bill?

	May 2017
Approve	32%
Disapprove	55%
(VOL) Don't know	13%
(n)	(1,002)

18. Which of the following statements describes this bill more: it is a genuine attempt to fix the health care system – or – it was passed largely to give Republicans a political victory, or both reasons equally? [CHOICES WERE ROTATED]

	<b>May 2017</b>
It is a genuine attempt to fix the health care system	<b>21%</b>
It was passed largely to give Republicans a political victory	<b>46%</b>
Both reasons equally	<b>27%</b>
(VOL) Don't know	<b>6%</b>
(n)	<b>(1,002)</b>

19. If this new bill becomes law, do you think your own health care costs would go up, go down, or stay about the same?

	<b>May 2017</b>
Go up	<b>44%</b>
Go down	<b>13%</b>
Stay about the same	<b>36%</b>
(VOL) Don't know	<b>7%</b>
(n)	<b>(1,002)</b>

[Q20-24 held for future release.]

**METHODOLOGY**

The *Monmouth University Poll* was sponsored and conducted by the Monmouth University Polling Institute from May 13 to 17, 2017 with a national random sample of 1,002 adults age 18 and older, in English. This includes 501 contacted by a live interviewer on a landline telephone and 501 contacted by a live interviewer on a cell phone. Telephone numbers were selected through random digit dialing and landline respondents were selected with a modified Trol Dahl-Carter youngest adult household screen. Monmouth is responsible for all aspects of the survey design, data weighting and analysis. Final sample is weighted for region, age, education, gender and race based on US Census information. Data collection support provided by Braun Research (field) and SSI (RDD sample). For results based on this sample, one can say with 95% confidence that the error attributable to sampling has a maximum margin of plus or minus 3.1 percentage points (unadjusted for sample design). Sampling error can be larger for sub-groups (see table below). In addition to sampling error, one should bear in mind that question wording and practical difficulties in conducting surveys can introduce error or bias into the findings of opinion polls.

<i>DEMOGRAPHICS (weighted)</i>	
<i>Self-Reported</i>	
<i>24% Republican</i>	
<i>45% Independent</i>	
<i>31% Democrat</i>	
<i>49% Male</i>	
<i>51% Female</i>	
<i>32% 18-34</i>	
<i>37% 35-54</i>	
<i>31% 55+</i>	
<i>66% White</i>	
<i>12% Black</i>	
<i>15% Hispanic</i>	
<i>7% Asian/Other</i>	

MARGIN OF ERROR		<i>unweighted sample</i>	<i>moe (+/-)</i>
TOTAL		1,002	3.1%
REGISTERED VOTER	Yes	896	3.3%
	No	106	9.5%
SELF-REPORTED PARTY ID	Republican	239	6.3%
	Independent	425	4.8%
	Democrat	321	5.5%
IDEOLOGY	Liberal	262	6.1%
	Moderate	374	5.1%
	Conservative	332	5.4%
GENDER	Male	491	4.4%
	Female	511	4.3%
AGE	18-34	256	6.1%
	35-54	298	5.7%
	55+	444	4.7%
RACE	White non-Hispanic	764	3.6%
	Other	210	6.8%
COLLEGE GRADUATE	No degree	518	4.3%
	4 year degree	475	4.5%
INCOME	<\$50K	324	5.5%
	\$50 to <100K	323	5.5%
	\$100K+	278	5.9%
2016 VOTE BY COUNTY	Trump 10+ pts.	392	5.0%
	Swing < 10 pts.	213	6.7%
	Clinton 10+ pts.	397	4.9%

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		TOTAL	REGISTERED TO VOTE		PARTY ID			POLITICAL IDEOLOGY		
			Yes	No	Rep	Ind	Dem	Lib	Mod	Con
2. Do you approve or disapprove of the job the U.S. Congress is doing?	Approve	19%	17%	33%	38%	12%	13%	9%	14%	30%
	Disapprove	68%	73%	45%	51%	73%	78%	82%	73%	56%
	(VOL) Neither_No opinion_Dont Know_Refused	13%	11%	22%	11%	15%	9%	9%	13%	14%

		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY			RACE		COLLEGE GRAD
		Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	White non-Hisp	Hsp-Blk-Asn-Oth	No degree
2. Do you approve or disapprove of the job the U.S. Congress is doing?	Approve	19%	19%	20%	18%	19%	19%	19%	21%
	Disapprove	70%	67%	64%	71%	70%	68%	69%	65%
	(VOL) Neither_No opinion_Dont Know_Refused	11%	14%	16%	10%	11%	13%	12%	15%

		COLLEGE GRAD	INCOME			2016 MARGIN by COUNTY		
		4 yr degree	<\$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Trump 10+pts	Swing <10pts	Clinton 10+pts
2. Do you approve or disapprove of the job the U.S. Congress is doing?	Approve	14%	22%	16%	16%	22%	20%	15%
	Disapprove	79%	64%	76%	71%	63%	67%	74%
	(VOL) Neither_No opinion_Dont Know_Refused	7%	14%	7%	13%	14%	13%	10%

		TOTAL	REGISTERED TO VOTE		PARTY ID			POLITICAL IDEOLOGY		
			Yes	No	Rep	Ind	Dem	Lib	Mod	Con
3. Would you say things in the country are going in the right direction, or have they gotten off on the wrong track?	Right direction	31%	31%	30%	69%	26%	11%	7%	23%	57%
	Wrong track	61%	62%	58%	24%	65%	84%	89%	68%	36%
	(VOL) Depends	5%	4%	8%	5%	6%	4%	3%	5%	6%
	(VOL) Dont know _ Refused	3%	2%	4%	2%	4%	1%	1%	5%	1%

		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY			RACE		COLLEGE GRAD
		Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	White non-Hisp	Hsp-Blk-Asn-Oth	No degree
3. Would you say things in the country are going in the right direction, or have they gotten off on the wrong track?	Right direction	35%	27%	24%	37%	31%	38%	18%	33%
	Wrong track	56%	66%	68%	56%	62%	55%	75%	58%
	(VOL) Depends	5%	5%	6%	5%	4%	5%	6%	5%
	(VOL) Dont know _ Refused	3%	2%	2%	3%	3%	3%	1%	3%

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		COLLEGE GRAD	INCOME			2016 MARGIN by COUNTY		
		4 yr degree	<\$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Trump 10+pts	Swing <10pts	Clinton 10+pts
3. Would you say things in the country are going in the right direction, or have they gotten off on the wrong track?	Right direction	25%	26%	37%	33%	42%	28%	22%
	Wrong track	70%	67%	57%	59%	50%	62%	72%
	(VOL) Depends	4%	5%	5%	5%	6%	4%	5%
	(VOL) Dont know _ Refused	2%	3%	2%	3%	2%	6%	2%

		TOTAL	REGISTERED TO VOTE		PARTY ID			POLITICAL IDEOLOGY		
			Yes	No	Rep	Ind	Dem	Lib	Mod	Con
4. Which of the following words best describes how you feel about Washington - angry, dissatisfied, satisfied, happy?	Angry	25%	28%	10%	17%	25%	33%	39%	24%	17%
	Dissatisfied	54%	53%	57%	44%	59%	55%	52%	58%	53%
	Satisfied	16%	14%	28%	32%	11%	10%	6%	15%	23%
	Happy	2%	2%	3%	4%	2%	1%	2%	1%	3%
	(VOL) Dont know_Refused	2%	2%	3%	3%	2%	2%	1%	2%	3%

		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY			RACE		COLLEGE GRAD
		Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	White non-Hisp	Hsp-Blk-Asn-Oth	No degree
4. Which of the following words best describes how you feel about Washington - angry, dissatisfied, satisfied, happy?	Angry	23%	28%	26%	24%	27%	26%	24%	24%
	Dissatisfied	56%	51%	48%	58%	54%	51%	57%	52%
	Satisfied	15%	18%	19%	14%	16%	17%	16%	19%
	Happy	3%	1%	3%	2%	2%	3%	1%	2%
	(VOL) Dont know_Refused	3%	2%	4%	2%	1%	3%	2%	2%

		COLLEGE GRAD	INCOME			2016 MARGIN by COUNTY		
		4 yr degree	<\$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Trump 10+pts	Swing <10pts	Clinton 10+pts
4. Which of the following words best describes how you feel about Washington - angry, dissatisfied, satisfied, happy?	Angry	30%	21%	30%	30%	21%	27%	29%
	Dissatisfied	57%	55%	52%	54%	52%	52%	56%
	Satisfied	9%	20%	14%	12%	21%	15%	12%
	Happy	2%	1%	1%	4%	2%	3%	2%
	(VOL) Dont know_Refused	2%	2%	3%	0%	3%	2%	2%

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			Yes	No	Rep	Ind	Dem	Lib	Mod	Con
14. How much has Donald Trumps agenda during his first months in office focused on the issues important to average Americans - a lot, a little, or not at all?	A lot	35%	35%	33%	67%	33%	13%	13%	27%	58%
	A little	30%	29%	37%	26%	33%	29%	30%	39%	24%
	Not at all	32%	34%	25%	5%	30%	57%	56%	33%	15%
	(VOL) Dont know _ Refused	3%	2%	5%	1%	4%	2%	2%	2%	3%

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		Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	White non-Hisp	Hsp-Blk-Asn-Oth	No degree
14. How much has Donald Trumps agenda during his first months in office focused on the issues important to average Americans - a lot, a little, or not at all?	A lot	39%	30%	26%	38%	40%	40%	23%	35%
	A little	30%	31%	36%	28%	29%	32%	28%	31%
	Not at all	29%	35%	35%	32%	30%	26%	44%	31%
	(VOL) Dont know _ Refused	2%	4%	3%	3%	2%	2%	4%	3%

		COLLEGE GRAD	INCOME			2016 MARGIN by COUNTY		
		4 yr degree	<\$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Trump 10+pts	Swing <10pts	Clinton 10+pts
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	A little	29%	33%	30%	27%	35%	29%	27%
	Not at all	37%	37%	27%	32%	23%	38%	38%
	(VOL) Dont know _ Refused	2%	2%	2%	3%	3%	2%	3%

		TOTAL	REGISTERED TO VOTE		PARTY ID			POLITICAL IDEOLOGY		
			Yes	No	Rep	Ind	Dem	Lib	Mod	Con
15. Regardless of whether you agree or disagree with President Trump, has he been giving enough attention to the issues that are most important to your family or do you wish he would give more attention to issues that are important to your family?	Giving enough attention	34%	35%	28%	69%	31%	10%	13%	26%	55%
	Wish hed give more attention	62%	61%	66%	26%	65%	85%	83%	69%	42%
	(VOL) Dont know _ Refused	5%	4%	6%	4%	4%	5%	4%	5%	3%

		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY			RACE		COLLEGE GRAD
		Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	White non-Hisp	Hsp-Blk-Asn-Oth	No degree
15. Regardless of whether you agree or disagree with President Trump, has he been giving enough attention to the issues that are most important to your family or do you wish he would give more attention to issues that are important to your family?	Giving enough attention	38%	30%	28%	38%	34%	41%	20%	34%
	Wish hed give more attention	59%	65%	67%	60%	59%	54%	77%	61%
	(VOL) Dont know _ Refused	4%	5%	4%	3%	7%	5%	4%	5%

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	Wish hed give more attention	63%	73%	55%	54%	53%	65%	69%
	(VOL) Dont know _ Refused	4%	4%	6%	3%	5%	4%	5%

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16. Donald Trump promised to "drain the swamp" when he got to Washington. Would you say that he has made progress draining the swamp, that he has made the swamp worse, or that nothing has really changed?	Made progress draining the swamp	24%	25%	17%	51%	24%	4%	6%	17%	45%
	Made the swamp worse	32%	33%	27%	3%	34%	53%	64%	36%	9%
	Nothing has really changed	35%	34%	41%	37%	34%	36%	26%	40%	36%
	(VOL) Dont know _ Refused	8%	7%	14%	10%	8%	7%	5%	7%	10%

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	Made the swamp worse	32%	33%	35%	31%	32%	30%	38%	27%
	Nothing has really changed	33%	36%	37%	34%	35%	34%	36%	37%
	(VOL) Dont know _ Refused	6%	10%	12%	7%	5%	7%	12%	10%

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	Disapprove	55%	56%	52%	16%	56%	84%	87%	60%	30%
	(VOL) Dont know _ Refused	13%	12%	19%	13%	15%	9%	6%	16%	13%

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		Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	White non-Hisp	Hsp-Blk-Asn-Oth	No degree
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	Disapprove	51%	59%	63%	53%	50%	47%	71%	52%
	(VOL) Dont know _ Refused	12%	13%	10%	14%	15%	14%	10%	13%

		COLLEGE GRAD	INCOME			2016 MARGIN by COUNTY		
		4 yr degree	<\$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Trump 10+pts	Swing <10pts	Clinton 10+pts
17. Earlier this month, the House of Representatives passed the American Health Care Act. This new bill repeals or replaces certain provisions of the 2010 Affordable Care Act, sometimes called Obamacare. Do you approve or disapprove of this new bill?	Approve	25%	26%	37%	38%	41%	28%	25%
	Disapprove	64%	63%	48%	51%	43%	56%	66%
	(VOL) Dont know _ Refused	11%	11%	15%	11%	16%	15%	9%

		TOTAL	REGISTERED TO VOTE		PARTY ID			POLITICAL IDEOLOGY		
			Yes	No	Rep	Ind	Dem	Lib	Mod	Con
18. Which of the following statements describes this bill more: it is a genuine attempt to fix the health care system - or - it was passed largely to give Republicans a political victory, or both reasons equally?	It is a genuine attempt to fix the health care system	21%	22%	18%	48%	18%	6%	6%	13%	40%
	It was passed largely to give Republicans a political victory	46%	46%	42%	14%	44%	73%	77%	52%	20%
	Both reasons equally	27%	27%	30%	34%	30%	17%	15%	28%	35%
	(VOL) Dont know_Refused	6%	5%	10%	5%	8%	4%	2%	7%	6%

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		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY			RACE		COLLEGE GRAD
		Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	White non-Hisp	Hsp-Blk-Asn-Oth	No degree
18. Which of the following statements describes this bill more: it is a genuine attempt to fix the health care system - or - it was passed largely to give Republicans a political victory, or both reasons equally?	It is a genuine attempt to fix the health care system	22%	20%	15%	23%	25%	24%	15%	23%
	It was passed largely to give Republicans a political victory	46%	46%	54%	44%	38%	39%	60%	42%
	Both reasons equally	26%	28%	26%	26%	30%	32%	19%	28%
	(VOL) Dont know_Refused	6%	6%	5%	6%	7%	6%	6%	7%

		COLLEGE GRAD	INCOME			2016 MARGIN by COUNTY		
		4 yr degree	<\$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Trump 10+pts	Swing <10pts	Clinton 10+pts
18. Which of the following statements describes this bill more: it is a genuine attempt to fix the health care system - or - it was passed largely to give Republicans a political victory, or both reasons equally?	It is a genuine attempt to fix the health care system	16%	17%	24%	24%	27%	16%	18%
	It was passed largely to give Republicans a political victory	57%	50%	43%	45%	36%	49%	54%
	Both reasons equally	24%	28%	28%	25%	30%	31%	23%
	(VOL) Dont know_Refused	3%	5%	5%	5%	7%	5%	5%

		TOTAL	REGISTERED TO VOTE		PARTY ID			POLITICAL IDEOLOGY		
			Yes	No	Rep	Ind	Dem	Lib	Mod	Con
19. If this new bill becomes law, do you think your own health care costs would go up, go down, or stay about the same?	Go up	44%	44%	43%	17%	42%	68%	67%	48%	25%
	Go down	13%	13%	10%	28%	12%	2%	4%	6%	24%
	Stay about the same	36%	36%	36%	49%	37%	24%	21%	42%	43%
	(VOL) Dont know_Refused	7%	7%	11%	6%	9%	6%	7%	5%	8%

		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY			RACE		COLLEGE GRAD
		Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	White non-Hisp	Hsp-Blk-Asn-Oth	No degree
19. If this new bill becomes law, do you think your own health care costs would go up, go down, or stay about the same?	Go up	38%	50%	47%	42%	44%	37%	58%	45%
	Go down	17%	9%	10%	18%	8%	14%	9%	14%
	Stay about the same	39%	33%	33%	34%	42%	43%	23%	33%
	(VOL) Dont know_Refused	7%	8%	10%	7%	6%	6%	10%	8%

		COLLEGE GRAD	INCOME			2016 MARGIN by COUNTY		
		4 yr degree	<\$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Trump 10+pts	Swing <10pts	Clinton 10+pts
19. If this new bill becomes law, do you think your own health care costs would go up, go down, or stay about the same?	Go up	43%	55%	40%	31%	38%	48%	48%
	Go down	9%	9%	14%	19%	18%	6%	11%
	Stay about the same	41%	29%	39%	45%	38%	37%	33%
	(VOL) Dont know_Refused	6%	6%	7%	5%	7%	8%	7%