

#### POLLING MEMORANDUM

DATE:	MAY 8, 2014
SUBJECT:	HEALTHCARE LAW SUPPORT
FROM:	WPA OPINION RESEARCH
то:	INTERESTED PARTIES

The following memo highlights the key findings from a national survey conducted on behalf of the Family Research Council. The survey of 901 likely voters was conducted May 1-4, 2014. The full sample has a margin of error equal to  $\pm 3.3\%$ .

### Healthcare Law Mandate

• Most likely voters oppose the Healthcare mandate which requires all healthcare plans to cover preventative care services for women.

Question: As you may know, the President's healthcare law contains the HHS mandate which requires that all private healthcare plans, including both employer based health plans and individual market health plans, cover preventative care services for women, which includes all FDA approved contraceptives, including drugs that can destroy a human embryo, and sterilization services without a direct cost to the patient. Employers that offer their employees' healthcare plans that do not includes these drugs and services will be fined up to \$100 per day per employee. Do you support or oppose this law?

Total Support	43%
Total Oppose	53%
Strongly Support	26%
Somewhat Support	17%
Don't Know/Refused	4%
Somewhat Oppose	13%
Strongly Oppose	40%



# • Opposition remains high among key demographic subgroups that typically support Democrat candidates.

	Age 18-44 (43%)	Hispanics (15%)	Income: <\$35k (12%)	Independents (43%)	Women (51%)
Total Support	47%	50%	46%	43%	45%
Total Oppose	49%	50%	52%	53%	50%
Strongly Support	27%	29%	24%	22%	29%
Somewhat Support	21%	21%	21%	20%	16%
Don't Know/Refused	3%	1%	2%	4%	4%
Somewhat Oppose	16%	19%	14%	12%	15%
Strongly Oppose	33%	31%	38%	41%	36%

# Conclusion

There is broad opposition to the healthcare mandate that forces employers to cover contraceptives. Additionally, Democrats should be wary about being on the wrong side of this issue as voters that typically support them tend to oppose the mandate.

### Methodology

WPA Opinion Research conducted a national study of n=1,006 adults nationwide. Respondents were screened to ensure that they were likely general election voters. The final results for this survey were stratified based on gender, age, ethnicity, education, and geography. Respondents were contacted by phone via a live telephone operator interview May 1-4, 2014. The study has a sample size of n=1,006 adults with a margin of error equal to  $\pm 3.1\%$  and n=901 likely voters with a margin of error equal to  $\pm 3.3\%$ .

# About Wilson Perkins Allen Opinion Research

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