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Margin of error for the national sample: +/- 4.0 percentage points at the 95% confidence level*

2013-2016 Trend Data: Interviews were conducted through a random digit dial telephone survey on landlines and cell phones with samples of adults age 40 and older

NOTE: All results show percentages among all respondents, unless otherwise labeled.

Q1. In general, how would you rate your overall health?

[HALF SAMPLE ASKED RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]

	AP-NORC 2/21- 3/27/13	AP-NORC 3/13- 4/23/14	AP-NORC 4/7-5/15/15	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Excellent/Very good	41	37	41	41	42
Excellent	12	12	15	13	8
Very good	29	25	26	28	34
Good	35	36	34	33	36
Fair/Poor	24	27	25	26	22
Fair	18	19	18	18	19
Poor	5	8	7	7	3
DON'T KNOW	-	-	*	*	-
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	-	*	*	*	*
N=	1,019	1,419	1,735	1,698	1,341

Q8. How much do you feel you can rely on your family to be there for you in a time of need? Would you say a great deal, quite a bit, a moderate amount, only a little, or not at all?

[HALF SAMPLE ASKED RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]

	AP-NORC 2/21-3/27/13	AP-NORC 3/13-4/23/14	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
A great deal/Quite a bit	68	70	67
A great deal	51	51	40
Quite a bit	18	20	27
A moderate amount	15	15	18
Only a little/None at all	15	14	14
Only a little	10	9	10
Not at all	5	5	4
It depends (VOL.)	*	*	
No family (VOL.)	*	*	
DON'T KNOW	*	*	-
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	1	*	*
N=	1,017	1,419	1,341

Some people need ongoing living assistance as they get older. This assistance can be help with things like keeping house, cooking, bathing, getting dressed, getting around, paying bills, remembering to take medicine, or just having someone check in to see that everything is okay. This help can happen at your own home, in a family member’s home, in a nursing home, or in a senior community. And, it can be provided by a family member, a friend, a volunteer, or a health care professional.

Q10. Are you currently receiving this kind of ongoing living assistance or not?

	AP-NORC 2/21-3/27/13	AP-NORC 3/13-4/23/14	AP-NORC 4/7-5/15/15	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Yes	5	7	7	7	4
No	95	93	93	93	95
DON'T KNOW	*	-	*	*	-
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	-	-	-	*	*
N=	1,019	1,419	1,735	1,698	1,341

Asked among those saying “No,” “DON’T KNOW” or “SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED” in Q10

Q11. Have you ever received ongoing living assistance like this or not?

	AP-NORC 2/21-3/27/13	AP-NORC 3/13-4/23/14	AP-NORC 4/7-5/15/15	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Yes	4	4	4	3	3
No	95	96	95	97	97
DON'T KNOW	*	-	*	*	-
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	*	-	*	-	-
N=	952	1,311	1,589	1,562	1,279

Q10/Q11 combined.

	AP-NORC 2/21- 3/27/13	AP-NORC 3/13- 4/23/14	AP-NORC 4/7- 5/15/15	AP-NORC 2/18- 4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Currently or ever received ongoing living assistance	9	11	10	10	7
Never received assistance	90	89	89	90	93
DON'T KNOW	*	-	*	*	-
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	*	-	*	-	-
N=	1,019	1,419	1,735	1,698	1,341

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Asked among those saying "Yes" in Q10 or "Yes" in Q11

Q12. Are you currently receiving / Did you most recently receive this ongoing living assistance in your own home, in a friend or family member's home, in a nursing home, or in a senior community?

	AP-NORC 2/21- 3/27/13	AP-NORC 3/13- 4/23/14	AP-NORC 4/7-5/15/15	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Own home	82	81	82	84	76
Friend or family member's home	9	4	8	7	16
Nursing home	3	2	6	3	2
Senior community	5	11	1	3	3
DON'T KNOW	1	1	2	4	4
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	*	*	-	-	-
N=	122	167	227	197	101

Asked among those saying "Own home," "Friend or family member's home," "DON'T KNOW" or "SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED" in Q12

Q13. Have you ever received ongoing living assistance from any of the following or not?

AP-NORC 2/21-3/27/13	Yes	No	DON'T KNOW	SKP/ REF
A family member	37	63	-	-
A friend	46	54	-	-
A professional home health care aide	46	54	-	-

N=103

AP-NORC 3/13-4/23/14	Yes	No	DON'T KNOW	SKP/ REF
A family member	48	52	*	-
A friend	17	82	*	-
A professional home health care aide	34	64	2	-

N=143

AP-NORC 4/7-5/15/15	Yes	No	DON'T KNOW	SKP/ REF
A family member	50	50	-	-
A friend	23	77	-	-
A professional home health care aide	48	52	1	-

N=209

AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	Yes	No	DON'T KNOW	SKP/ REF
A family member	52	48	-	-
A friend	19	81	*	-
A professional home health care aide	46	53	-	1

N=173

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AP-NORC 3/2-29/17	Yes	No	DON'T KNOW	SKP/ REF
A family member	57	43	-	-
A friend	20	71	-	9
A professional home health care aide	28	61	-	10

N=93

Q14. Are you currently providing ongoing living assistance on a regular basis to a family member or close friend or not?

	AP-NORC 2/21-3/27/13	AP-NORC 3/13-4/23/14	AP-NORC 4/7-5/15/15	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Yes	23	20	19	15	14
No	77	80	81	85	86
DON'T KNOW	-	-	*	*	-
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	*	-	*	*	*
N=	1,019	1,419	1,735	1,698	1,341

Asked among those who said "Yes" in Q14

Q14_1. Are you currently providing this ongoing living assistance in your own home, in your aging friend or family member's home, in another friend or family member's home, in a nursing home, or in a senior community?

IF NECESSARY: A Senior Community includes assisted living communities and facilities.

	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Your own home	47	44
Your aging friend or family member's home	38	33
Another friend or family member's home	4	11
Nursing home	3	10
Senior community	4	2
DON'T KNOW	4	-
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	*	-
N=	246	187

Asked among those who said "No," "DON'T KNOW" or "SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED" in Q14

Q15. Have you ever provided ongoing living assistance on a regular basis to a family member or close friend or not?

	AP-NORC 2/21-3/27/13	AP-NORC 3/13-4/23/14	AP-NORC 4/7-5/15/15	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Yes	39	41	32	33	30
No	60	59	68	67	69
DON'T KNOW	*	*	*	*	-
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	-	-	*	*	1
N=	829	1,143	1,414	1,452	1,154

Q14/Q15 Combined.

	AP-NORC 2/21-3/27/13	AP-NORC 3/13-4/23/14	AP-NORC 4/7-5/15/15	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Total ever provided care	53	53	45	43	40
Never provided care	47	47	55	57	60
DON'T KNOW	*	*	*	*	-
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	-	-	*	*	1
N=	1,019	1,419	1,735	1,698	1,341

Q17_1. Are you, or is anyone in your family, currently employing someone to provide in-home ongoing living assistance or not? In answering this question, do not include those who solely provide housekeeping assistance. This can include ongoing living assistance for yourself, a family member, or a friend.

	AP-NORC 3/13-4/23/14	AP-NORC 4/7-5/15/15	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Yes	7	6	6	7
No	93	94	93	92
DON'T KNOW	*	*	*	*
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	-	-	*	1
N=	1,419	1,735	1,698	1,341

Asked among those who said they do not currently receive ongoing living assistance in Q10

Q18. How likely do you think it is that you will personally require ongoing living assistance some day? Would you say extremely likely, very likely, somewhat likely, not too likely or not at all likely?

HALF SAMPLE ASKED RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER

	AP-NORC 2/21- 3/27/13	AP-NORC 3/13- 4/23/14	AP-NORC 4/7-5/15/15	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Extremely/Very likely	24	20	19	18	19
Extremely likely	8	8	7	6	5
Very likely	16	12	12	12	14
Somewhat likely	41	40	34	32	45
Not too/Not at all likely	32	36	42	41	35
Not too likely	23	24	27	25	27
Not at all likely	9	12	15	17	8
DON'T KNOW	2	4	5	8	1
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	*	*	*	1	*
N=	952	1,311	1,589	1,562	1,279

Asked among those who said they are not currently providing ongoing living assistance in Q14

Q19. How likely do you think it is that an aging family member or close friend will need ongoing living assistance in the next five years? Would you say extremely likely, very likely, somewhat likely, not too likely or not at all likely?

HALF SAMPLE ASKED RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER

	AP-NORC 2/21- 3/27/13	AP-NORC 3/13- 4/23/14	AP-NORC 4/7-5/15/15	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Excellent/Very likely	34	30	27	22	29
Extremely likely	13	12	11	7	9
Very likely	20	18	16	15	20
Somewhat likely	32	30	22	24	33
Not too/Not at all likely	33	37	47	46	37
Not too likely	19	19	24	18	28
Not at all likely	14	18	23	28	9
DON'T KNOW	1	3	3	7	1
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	*	*	*	1	*
N=	829	1,142	1414	1,452	1,154

Asked among those saying somewhat, very or extremely likely in Q19

Q19C. Do you think you, personally, will be responsible for providing that ongoing living assistance, or will someone else be providing that care?

	AP-NORC 2/21- 3/27/13	AP-NORC 3/13- 4/23/14	AP-NORC 4/7-5/15/15	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
You	33	32	32	30	15
Someone else	54	57	50	52	45
Combination ¹	9	6	12	5	40
DON'T KNOW	3	5	6	13	*
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	*	-	-	*	*
N=	506	656	691	644	713

¹ This option was presented on the web version of the questionnaire in 2017. It was a volunteered option for telephone respondents in 2013-2016 and in 2017.

Asked among those saying "You" or "Combination" in Q19C

Q19D. Do you, personally, feel extremely prepared, very prepared, somewhat prepared, not too prepared, or not at all prepared to provide ongoing living assistance to that aging family member or friend?

[HALF SAMPLE ASKED RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]

	AP-NORC 3/13-4/23/14	AP-NORC 4/7-5/15/15	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Extremely/Very prepared	30	28	30	12
Extremely prepared	7	8	12	2
Very prepared	23	20	18	10
Somewhat prepared	51	52	47	56
Not too/Not at all prepared	18	19	20	32
Not too prepared	10	14	10	23
Not at all prepared	8	6	11	9
DON'T KNOW	*	*	2	-
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	-	-	1	-
N=	243	279	213	383

Q23. Thinking about your current/possible needs for ongoing living assistance, how confident are you that you will have the financial resources to pay for any care you need as you get older? Would you say extremely confident, very confident, somewhat confident, not too confident, or not confident at all?

[HALF SAMPLE ASKED RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]

	AP-NORC 2/21- 3/27/13	AP-NORC 3/13- 4/23/14	AP-NORC 4/7-5/15/15	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Extremely/Very confident	27	29	32	36	15
Extremely confident	9	9	9	13	3
Very confident	18	20	23	23	12
Somewhat confident	40	38	35	36	38
Not too/Not confident at all	33	32	30	24	47
Not too confident	21	17	17	13	30
Not confident at all	11	15	14	11	18
DON'T KNOW	1	*	2	4	*
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	*	*	*	*	*
N=	1,019	1,419	1,735	1,698	1,341

Q24_1. Thinking about your current/possible needs for ongoing living assistance, how much do you think you will rely on each of the following sources to support any care you need as you get older?

[ITEMS RANDOMIZED; HALF SAMPLE ASKED RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]

Your personal savings or investments

	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Completely/Quite a bit	32	40
Completely	14	13
Quite a bit	18	27
A moderate amount	24	22
Only a little/Not at all	40	36
Only a little	17	17
Not at all	23	18
DON'T KNOW	2	1
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	1	1
N=	1,698	1,341

A pension

	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Completely/Quite a bit	22	29
Completely	10	10
Quite a bit	12	20
A moderate amount	19	14
Only a little/Not at all	55	55
Only a little	13	12
Not at all	42	43
DON'T KNOW	3	*
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	1	1
N=	1,698	1,341

Social Security

	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Completely/Quite a bit	35	51
Completely	20	23
Quite a bit	16	28
A moderate amount	26	21
Only a little/Not at all	34	26
Only a little	21	17
Not at all	13	9
DON'T KNOW	4	*
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	*	1
N=	1,698	1,341

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Sources of future income other than Social Security, a pension, or your personal savings or investments

	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Completely/Quite a bit	16	21
Completely	7	6
Quite a bit	10	15
A moderate amount	17	16
Only a little/Not at all	58	60
Only a little	15	19
Not at all	42	42
DON'T KNOW	7	*
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	2	1
N=	1,698	1,341

A family member's savings and investments

	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Completely/Quite a bit	7	9
Completely	3	2
Quite a bit	5	7
A moderate amount	7	12
Only a little/Not at all	79	77
Only a little	9	20
Not at all	69	57
DON'T KNOW	6	1
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	1	2
N=	1,698	1,341

A family member's future income

	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Completely/Quite a bit	7	7
Completely	2	1
Quite a bit	5	6
A moderate amount	10	11
Only a little/Not at all	76	79
Only a little	13	17
Not at all	63	62
DON'T KNOW	6	1
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	1	2
N=	1,698	1,341

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A family member's ability to provide care at no cost

	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Completely/Quite a bit	18	16
Completely	9	4
Quite a bit	8	13
A moderate amount	18	16
Only a little/Not at all	57	65
Only a little	15	27
Not at all	42	38
DON'T KNOW	6	1
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	1	2
N=	1,698	1,341

Medicaid, which is a government health care coverage program for low income people and people with certain disabilities

	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Completely/Quite a bit	20	25
Completely	11	12
Quite a bit	9	14
A moderate amount	17	13
Only a little/Not at all	54	59
Only a little	10	16
Not at all	44	43
DON'T KNOW	9	2
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	*	1
N=	1,698	1,341

Medicare, which is the national health care insurance program mainly for seniors

	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Completely/Quite a bit	38	57
Completely	19	25
Quite a bit	19	32
A moderate amount	26	21
Only a little/Not at all	30	21
Only a little	13	12
Not at all	16	9
DON'T KNOW	6	*
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	1	1
N=	1,698	1,341

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Long-term care insurance, which is extra insurance that covers expenses of ongoing living assistance

	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Completely/Quite a bit	17	16
Completely	7	5
Quite a bit	10	11
A moderate amount	13	15
Only a little/Not at all	60	66
Only a little	10	14
Not at all	50	52
DON'T KNOW	9	2
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	1	1
N=	1,698	1,341

[ORDER OF ITEMS Q24, Q25, AND Q26 RANDOMIZED]

Q24. A nursing home is a facility that provides residents with a room, meals, personal care, nursing care, and medical services. Just a guess, what's your best estimate of the national average monthly cost to live in a nursing home? Is it: less than \$2,000, \$2,000-\$4,000, \$4,000-\$6,000, \$6,000-\$8,000, or more than \$8,000?

[HALF SAMPLE ASKED RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]

	AP-NORC 2/21-3/27/13	AP-NORC 3/13-4/23/14	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Less than \$2,000	4	5	4
\$2,000-\$4,000	23	19	17
\$4,000-\$6,000	31	29	33
\$6,000-\$8,000	24	21	26
More than \$8,000	14	21	18
DON'T KNOW	3	4	2
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	*	*	*
N=	1,019	934	1,341

Q25. An assisted living community provides services to people who are not able to live independently, but do not require the level of care provided by a nursing home or other medical facility. Just a guess, what's your best estimate of the national average monthly cost to live in an assisted living community? Is it: less than \$1,000, \$1,000-\$2,000, \$2,000-\$3,000, \$3,000-\$4,000, or more than \$4,000?

[HALF SAMPLE ASKED RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]

	AP-NORC 2/21-3/27/13	AP-NORC 3/13-4/23/14	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Less than \$1,000	4	4	4
\$1,000-\$2,000	6	8	17
\$2,000-\$3,000	21	19	22
\$3,000-\$4,000	29	24	25
More than \$4,000	36	41	30
DON'T KNOW	3	4	1
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	*	*	1
<i>N=</i>	<i>1,019</i>	<i>934</i>	<i>1,341</i>

Q26. Home health care aides are trained to provide hands-on care and assistance to people in their homes who need help with daily activities. Just a guess, what's your best estimate of the national average monthly cost of home health care aide who visits every day for 2 hours? Is it: less than \$1,000, \$1,000-\$2,000, \$2,000-\$3,000, \$3,000-\$4,000, or more than \$4,000?

[HALF SAMPLE ASKED RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]

	AP-NORC 2/21-3/27/13	AP-NORC 3/13-4/23/14	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Less than \$1,000	14	19	9
\$1,000-\$2,000	30	26	29
\$2,000-\$3,000	29	24	26
\$3,000-\$4,000	14	11	17
More than \$4,000	9	13	16
DON'T KNOW	4	7	2
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	*	*	1
<i>N=</i>	<i>1,019</i>	<i>934</i>	<i>1,341</i>

Q26_1. Thinking about home healthcare aides for people who require ongoing living assistance, do you think the typical home healthcare aide should provide each of the following as part of their care, or should this not be a service they provide?

[ITEMS RANDOMIZED]

AP-NORC 3/2-29/17	Should provide	Should not provide	DK	SKP/REF
Housekeeping, such as cleaning and laundry	69	31	1	*
Shopping for groceries	62	37	1	1
Cooking, meal preparation, and feeding	86	13	1	1
Bathing, toileting, and getting dressed	94	5	*	*
Getting around inside the home	91	9	*	*
Transportation to doctor's appointments or other services	71	27	*	1
Making sure bills are paid ²	33	65	1	1
Reminders to take medicine	95	5	*	*
Administering medicine	87	12	1	*

N=1,341

Q26_2. Do you think the area where you currently live is doing a good job, a poor job, or neither a good nor poor job meeting older adults' needs for...?

[ITEMS RANDOMIZED]

AP-NORC 3/2-29/17	Good job	Neither a good job nor poor job	Poor job	DK	SKP/REF
Home healthcare aides to provide ongoing living assistance	41	47	7	3	1
Nursing homes	38	45	12	3	1
Assisted living facilities	47	41	8	4	1

N=1,341

² For this item, N=1,271. The wording of this item was adjusted and cases using the prior question wording were dropped.

Q26_3. The population of older adults is expected to nearly double and will make up about 22 percent of the U.S. population by the year 2040. How prepared is our country for the needs of this growing population of older adults?

[HALF SAMPLE ASKED RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]

	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Extremely/Very well prepared	4
Extremely well prepared	1
Very well prepared	3
Moderately prepared	29
A little/Not at all prepared	67
A little prepared	33
Not at all prepared	33
DON'T KNOW	*
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	*

N=

1,341

Some questions held for future release.

Q27. How much planning, if any, did you do/have you done for your own needs for ongoing living assistance?

[HALF SAMPLE ASKED RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]

	AP-NORC 2/21- 3/27/13	AP-NORC 3/13- 4/23/14	AP-NORC 4/7-5/15/15	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
A great deal/Quite a bit	16	13	21	23	10
A great deal	7	6	9	11	3
Quite a bit	9	7	12	12	7
A moderate amount	19	19	24	23	23
Only a little/None at all	65	67	54	53	67
Only a little	20	21	22	20	27
None at all	45	47	31	33	39
DON'T KNOW	-	*	1	1	*
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	-	*	*	1	*

N=

1,019

1,419

1,735

1,698

1,341

Q28. If Q27 equals "None at all": The following actions might be considered planning for living assistance even if you haven't thought about them that way.

Asked among all others: What actions have you taken to plan for your own needs as you age? Have you done each of the following or not?

[ITEMS RANDOMIZED]

Set aside money to pay for ongoing living assistance expenses including nursing home care, senior community, or care from a home health care aide

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Yes	35	32	33	35	32
No	64	66	66	63	68
DON'T KNOW	*	1	1	1	*
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	1	*	1	1	*
N=	1,019	1,419	1,735	1,698	1,341

Discussed your preferences for the kinds of ongoing living assistance you do or do not want with your family

	AP-NORC 2/21-3/27/13	AP-NORC 3/13-4/23/14	AP-NORC 4/7-5/15/15	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Yes	41	41	42	47	39
No	58	59	57	52	60
DON'T KNOW	1	*	*	1	*
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	*	*	*	*	*
N=	1,019	1,419	1,735	1,698	1,341

Created a legal document such as a living will or advance treatment directive that allows someone you trust to make decisions for you if you cannot on your own³

	AP-NORC 2/21-3/27/13	AP-NORC 3/13-4/23/14	AP-NORC 4/7-5/15/15	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Yes	47	53	51	55	43
No	53	47	49	44	57
DON'T KNOW	*	*	*	*	-
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	*	*	*	*	*
N=	1,019	1,419	1,735	1,698	1,341

³ In 2013 and 2014, this question read: "Created an advanced directive, sometimes called a living will, that allows someone you trust to make decisions for you if you cannot on your own"

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Looked for information about aging issues and ongoing living assistance

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Yes	25	20	24	26	30
No	75	79	75	73	70
DON'T KNOW	*	*	*	1	*
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	-	*	*	*	*
N=	1,019	1,419	1,735	1,698	1,341

Modified your home in any way to make it easier to live in as you grow older

	AP-NORC 2/21-3/27/13	AP-NORC 3/13-4/23/14	AP-NORC 4/7-5/15/15	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Yes	23	28	27	28	26
No	77	71	73	71	73
DON'T KNOW	*	*	*	*	-
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	*	*	*	*	*
N=	1,019	1,419	1,735	1,698	1,341

Moved/made plans to move to a community or facility designed for older adults

	AP-NORC 2/21-3/27/13	AP-NORC 3/13-4/23/14	AP-NORC 4/7-5/15/15	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Yes	7	8	6	8	10
No	93	91	93	91	90
DON'T KNOW	*	1	*	1	1
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	-	*	*	*	*
N=	1,019	1,419	1,735	1,698	1,341

Discussed your preferences for your funeral arrangements with someone you trust

	AP-NORC 3/13-4/23/14	AP-NORC 4/7-5/15/15	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Yes	65	65	67	57
No	35	34	32	43
DON'T KNOW	-	*	*	-
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	-	*	*	*
N=	1,419	1,735	1,698	1,341

Looked for information about long term care insurance. That's extra insurance that covers expenses of ongoing living assistance.

	AP-NORC 4/7-5/15/15	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Yes	28	27	24
No	71	72	76
DON'T KNOW	*	1	-
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	*	*	*
N=	1,735	1,698	1,341

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Moved or made plans to move in with a family member or friend

	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Yes	9	9
No	90	90
DON'T KNOW	1	*
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	*	*

N=

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Q31. Now, thinking about who *should* be responsible for paying for the costs of ongoing living assistance...

How much responsibility should each of the following have for paying for the costs of ongoing living assistance?

[ITEMS RANDOMIZED; HALF SAMPLE ASKED RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]

AP-NORC 2/21-3/27/13	Very large/ Large	Very large	Large	Moderate	Small/ None at all	Small	None at all	DK	Ref.
Health insurance companies	55	20	35	28	12	7	5	3	1
Individuals	40	15	25	39	17	12	5	3	1
Medicare	39	13	25	41	17	12	5	2	1
Medicaid	37	13	23	37	22	16	6	4	1
Families	23	8	15	35	40	20	20	2	1

N=1,019

AP-NORC 3/13-4/23/14	Very large/ Large	Very large	Large	Moderate	Small/ None at all	Small	None at all	DK	Ref.
Health insurance companies	54	21	33	30	11	6	5	4	1
Individuals	40	16	24	38	20	12	7	3	*
Medicare	42	16	26	41	14	8	5	3	1
Medicaid	38	14	24	37	19	13	7	5	*
Families	19	6	13	33	46	21	24	2	1

N=1,419

AP-NORC 3/2-29/17	Very large/ Large	Very large	Large	Moderate	Small/ None at all	Small	None at all	DK	SKP/ REF.
Health insurance companies	52	20	32	31	16	9	7	1	*
Individuals	44	19	24	31	25	16	9	*	1
Medicare	56	23	33	29	14	9	5	1	*
Medicaid	42	19	23	33	22	13	9	2	1
Families	19	6	13	29	51	28	23	*	1

N=1,341

Q32. To help Americans prepare for the costs of ongoing living assistance, would you favor, oppose, or neither favor nor oppose each of the following?

[ITEMS RANDOMIZED]

	Total favor	Strongly favor	Somewhat favor	Neither favor nor oppose	Total Oppose	Somewhat oppose	Strongly oppose	DK	Ref.
AP-NORC 2/21-3/27/13									
Tax breaks to encourage saving for ongoing living assistance expenses	77	48	29	7	12	6	6	3	1
A government administered long-term care insurance program, similar to Medicare	51	30	21	11	32	11	21	5	1
A requirement that individuals purchase private long-term care insurance	34	13	21	13	50	20	30	2	1

N=1,019

	Total favor	Strongly favor	Somewhat favor	Neither favor nor oppose	Total Oppose	Somewhat oppose	Strongly oppose	DK	Ref.
AP-NORC 3/13-4/23/14									
Tax breaks to encourage saving for ongoing living assistance expenses	81	57	23	8	8	3	4	3	1
A government administered long-term care insurance program, similar to Medicare	58	36	22	10	29	9	20	2	1
A requirement that individuals purchase private long-term care insurance	34	15	19	17	45	14	30	4	*
Tax breaks for consumers who purchase long-term care insurance	77	56	22	10	10	4	5	3	1
The ability for individuals to purchase long-term care insurance through their employer that is portable if they pay the premium after they leave the job, similar to COBRA	75	48	27	10	11	4	7	3	1

N=1,419

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Q32 continued...

	Total favor	Strongly favor	Somewhat favor	Neither favor nor oppose	Total Oppose	Somewhat oppose	Strongly oppose	DK	Ref.
AP-NORC 4/7-5/15/15									
Tax breaks to encourage saving for ongoing living assistance expenses	75	51	24	9	11	4	7	4	*
A government administered long-term care insurance program, similar to Medicare	59	34	25	10	26	7	18	5	*
A requirement that individuals purchase private long-term care insurance	29	13	15	13	53	17	37	4	*
Tax breaks for consumers who purchase long-term care insurance	71	45	26	11	13	5	8	5	1
The ability for individuals to purchase long-term care insurance through their employer that is portable if they pay the premium after they leave the job, similar to COBRA	72	46	26	10	11	4	7	6	1

N=1,735

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Q32 continued...

	Total favor	Strongly favor	Somewhat favor	Neither favor nor oppose	Total Oppose	Somewhat oppose	Strongly oppose	DK	Ref.
AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16									
Tax breaks to encourage saving for ongoing living assistance expenses	75	49	25	10	9	4	5	5	1
A government administered long-term care insurance program, similar to Medicare	53	30	22	13	26	7	19	7	1
A requirement that individuals purchase private long-term care insurance	25	12	13	12	56	13	42	6	1
Tax breaks for consumers who purchase long-term care insurance	70	46	25	13	10	4	6	6	1
The ability for individuals to purchase long-term care insurance through their employer that is portable if they pay the premium after they leave the job, similar to COBRA	66	40	25	14	10	3	7	9	1
A government administered long-term care insurance program for people who require care for more than 5 years, which is a longer period of time than is typically covered by private long-term care insurance	53	33	20	14	24	6	18	8	2
The ability for individuals to use non-taxable funds such as IRA's or 401(k)'s to pay long-term care insurance premiums	66	43	23	14	11	3	7	9	1

N=1,698

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Q32 continued...

	Total favor	Strongly favor	Somewhat favor	Neither favor nor oppose	Total Oppose	Somewhat oppose	Strongly oppose	DK	Ref.
AP-NORC 3/2-29/17									
Tax breaks to encourage saving for ongoing living assistance expenses	78	44	34	14	7	3	3	1	*
A government administered long-term care insurance program, similar to Medicare	70	39	31	15	14	7	7	1	*
A requirement that individuals purchase private long-term care insurance	25	9	16	24	49	17	32	1	*
Tax breaks for consumers who purchase long-term care insurance	76	43	33	16	8	3	4	*	*
The ability for individuals to purchase long-term care insurance through their employer that is portable if they pay the premium after they leave the job, similar to COBRA	68	34	34	22	8	3	5	1	*
A government administered long-term care insurance program for people who require care for more than 5 years, which is a longer period of time than is typically covered by private long-term care insurance	65	33	32	20	13	7	6	1	*
The ability for individuals to use non-taxable funds such as IRA's or 401(k)'s to pay long-term care insurance premiums	72	41	32	18	6	2	4	2	1

N=1,341

Q33. To help Americans prepare for the costs of providing ongoing living assistance, would you favor, oppose, or neither favor nor oppose each of the following?

[ITEMS RANDOMIZED]

Tax breaks for people who provide care to a family member

	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Strongly/Somewhat favor	83	83
Strongly favor	58	52
Somewhat favor	25	31
Neither favor nor oppose	6	10
Somewhat/Strongly oppose	7	6
Somewhat oppose	3	4
Strongly oppose	4	2
DON'T KNOW	3	*
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	1	1
N=	1,698	1,341

Changing Social Security rules to give earnings credit to caregivers who are out of the workforce to provide care to a family member

	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2- 29/17
Strongly/Somewhat favor	73	74
Strongly favor	49	43
Somewhat favor	24	31
Neither favor nor oppose	8	17
Somewhat/Strongly oppose	11	8
Somewhat oppose	4	4
Strongly oppose	7	5
DON'T KNOW	7	*
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	1	*
N=	1,698	1,341

Tax breaks for employers who provide paid family leave to workers

	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Strongly/Somewhat favor	79
Strongly favor	46
Somewhat favor	33
Neither favor nor oppose	13
Somewhat/Strongly oppose	7
Somewhat oppose	3
Strongly oppose	4
DON'T KNOW	*
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	*

N= 1,341

A Medicare benefit that provides temporary care if the caregiver and the care recipient live together and are both Medicare beneficiaries

	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Strongly/Somewhat favor	78
Strongly favor	43
Somewhat favor	35
Neither favor nor oppose	17
Somewhat/Strongly oppose	4
Somewhat oppose	3
Strongly oppose	2
DON'T KNOW	1
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	1

N= 1,341

Q35. How much effort would you like the federal government to devote to helping people with the costs of ongoing living assistance in the year 2017?

	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
A great deal/A lot of effort	56
A great deal of effort	28
A lot of effort	27
A moderate amount of effort	30
Only a little effort/No effort at all	13
Only a little effort	11
No effort at all	3
DON'T KNOW	*
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	*

N= 1,341

Wording for California, New Jersey, and Rhode Island residents

Q33_1. Have you heard of [California’s/New Jersey’s/Rhode Island’s] Paid Family Leave program, or have you not heard of this program before?⁴

Wording if not a resident of California, New Jersey, or Rhode Island

Some states operate Paid Family Leave programs. Have you heard of any of these state programs or have you not heard of this type of program before?

	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Yes, heard of it	52
No, have not heard of it	48
DON'T KNOW	*
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	*

N=

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Q33_2. As you may know, some states (including California/New Jersey/Rhode Island) allow residents to take up to four to six weeks off of work with pay in order to take care of a family member with a serious health condition. This family member can be a child, parent, spouse, or domestic partner, or in some states a grandparent, grandchild, sibling, or parent-in-law. Benefits are paid for by employee payroll deductions. The benefit is typically a portion of weekly salary.

Asked of California, New Jersey, and Rhode Island residents: Do you favor, oppose, or neither favor nor oppose this program?

Asked of all others: Would you favor, oppose, or neither favor nor oppose such a program in your state?

	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Strongly/Somewhat favor	72	76
Strongly favor	51	48
Somewhat favor	21	28
Neither favor nor oppose	12	16
Somewhat/Strongly oppose	11	6
Somewhat oppose	4	3
Strongly oppose	7	3
DON'T KNOW	5	1
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	1	*

N=

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⁴ In 2016, this question was asked only of California residents and read: “Have you heard of California’s Paid Family Leave program, or have you not heard of this program before?”

The next questions are about public and private health insurance products.

INS1. Please include health insurance obtained through employment or purchased directly as well as government programs like Medicare and Medicaid that provide medical care or help pay medical bills.

Are you covered by any kind of health insurance or some other kind of health care plan or not?

	AP-NORC 2/21-3/27/13	AP-NORC 3/13-4/23/14	AP-NORC 4/7-5/15/15	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Yes	87	86	88	90	91
No	13	13	11	9	9
DON'T KNOW	*	*	*	1	*
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	*	1	*	1	*
N=	1,019	1,419	1,735	1,698	1,341

Asked if INS1 equals "Yes," "DON'T KNOW" or "SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED"

INS2. Which of the following is your main source of health insurance coverage? Is it a plan through your employer, a plan through your spouse's employer, a plan you purchased yourself either from an insurance company or a state or federal marketplace, are you covered by Medicare or Medicaid, or do you get your health insurance from somewhere else?⁵

	AP-NORC 2/21-3/27/13	AP-NORC 3/13-4/23/14	AP-NORC 4/7-5/15/15	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Private	60	58			
Plan through employer ⁶			35	35	34
Plan purchased through spouse's employer			11	14	14
Plan purchased yourself			11	12	
Plan purchased yourself directly from an insurance company					5
Health insurance marketplace					4
Medicare	20	27	28	26	34
Medicaid	4	6	6	4	4
Somewhere else ⁷	7	7	7	5	5
More than one kind (Vol.)	9	-			
DON'T KNOW	1	1	2	1	-
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	*	*	1	2	*
N=	938	1,283	1,587	1,551	1,236

⁵ In 2013 and 2014, this question read: "What kind of health insurance or health care coverage do you have? Is it Medicare, Medicaid, private insurance that you buy through your employer or on your own, or some other type?"

⁶ In 2015 and 2016, this response option was "Plan purchased through employer."

⁷ From 2013 to 2016, this response option was "Other."

If “Medicare” in INS2

INS2A. In addition to Medicare, do you have health insurance coverage through Medicaid, or not?

	AP-NORC 3/13-4/23/14	AP-NORC 4/7-5/15/15	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Yes	22	22	26	20
No	76	76	72	79
DON'T KNOW	1	2	1	-
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	-	-	*	*
N=	444	464	554	410

If “Medicaid” in INS2

INS2B. In addition to Medicaid, do you have health insurance coverage through Medicare, or not?

	AP-NORC 3/13-4/23/14	AP-NORC 4/7-5/15/15	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Yes	29	20	24	23
No	69	75	69	77
DON'T KNOW	2	5	8	-
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	-	-	-	-
N=	56	84	51	54

If “Yes” in INS1

INS2C. As far as you know, does your health insurance pay for ongoing living assistance services should you need them, or not?

	AP-NORC 4/7-5/15/15	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Yes	31	24	22
No	38	39	72
DON'T KNOW	30	36	5
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	*	*	1
N=	1,587	1,551	1,236

INS3. Do you currently have long-term care insurance from a private insurance company, or not? That’s extra insurance that covers expenses of ongoing living assistance.

	AP-NORC 2/21-3/27/13	AP-NORC 3/13-4/23/14	AP-NORC 4/7-5/15/15	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Yes	21	17	17	20	14
No	76	80	80	75	85
DON'T KNOW	2	3	2	4	*
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	*	1	1	1	1
N=	1,019	1,419	1,735	1,698	1,341

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If "Yes" in INS3

INS4. Some people sometimes mistakenly think that other kinds of health insurance cover long-term care. How sure are you that you have private insurance that specifically covers long-term care – are you very sure of this, somewhat sure, neither sure nor unsure, somewhat unsure or very unsure?

[HALF SAMPLE ASKED RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]

	AP-NORC 2/21-3/27/13	AP-NORC 3/13-4/23/14	AP-NORC 4/7-5/15/15	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Total sure	80	80	83	81	71
Very sure	55	65	64	70	51
Somewhat sure	25	14	19	11	20
Neither sure nor unsure	2	1	1	5	9
Total unsure	15	17	14	11	20
Somewhat unsure	5	7	4	5	10
Very unsure	11	10	10	6	9
DON'T KNOW	3	1	10	3	*
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	-	1	2	*	-
N=	263	286	318	338	180

INS3/INS4 combined.

	AP-NORC 2/21-3/27/13	AP-NORC 3/13-4/23/14	AP-NORC 4/7-5/15/15	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Have LTC insurance	21	17	17	20	14
Very sure	12	11	11	13	7
Somewhat sure	5	2	3	2	3
Less sure/DON'T KNOW	4	3	3	3	4
Do not have LTC insurance	76	80	80	75	85
DON'T KNOW	2	3	3	5	*
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	*	1	1	1	1
N=	1,019	1,419	1,735	1,698	1,341

The following questions are for classification purposes only. Be assured that your responses will be combined with those of other participants to this survey.

D1. Do you consider yourself a Democrat, a Republican, an independent or none of these?

	AP-NORC 2/21-3/27/13	AP-NORC 3/13-4/23/14	AP-NORC 4/7-5/15/15	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Democrat	33	29	33	32	36
Republican	21	21	23	21	27
Independent	22	27	23	22	24
None of these	18	19	18	17	12
DON'T KNOW	1	*	1	2	-
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	4	3	2	6	*
N=	1,019	1,419	1,735	1,698	1,341

If "Democrat" in D1

D2D. Do you consider yourself a strong or moderate Democrat?

	AP-NORC 2/21-3/27/13	AP-NORC 3/13-4/23/14	AP-NORC 4/7-5/15/15	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Strong Democrat	58	51	54	57	40
Moderate Democrat	41	48	45	41	60
DON'T KNOW	1	1	1	2	-
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	1	-	*	*	-
N=	369	482	647	587	505

If "Republican" in D1

D2R. Do you consider yourself a strong or moderate Republican?

	AP-NORC 2/21-3/27/13	AP-NORC 3/13-4/23/14	AP-NORC 4/7-5/15/15	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Strong Republican	54	50	44	46	39
Moderate Republican	45	49	55	52	61
DON'T KNOW	1	*	1	1	-
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	1	-	*	1	-
N=	227	307	374	377	339

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If "Independent," "None of these," "Don't know," skipped, or refused in D1

D2I. Do you lean more toward the Democrats or the Republicans?

	AP-NORC 2/21-3/27/13	AP-NORC 3/13-4/23/14	AP-NORC 4/7-5/15/15	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Lean Democrat	26	26	30	20	29
Lean Republican	30	26	27	24	28
Don't lean	23	30	27	30	41
Other	4	5	5	2	
DON'T KNOW	7	4	6	8	*
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	10	8	5	17	1
N=	423	630	714	734	497

POLITICS. D1, D2D, D2R, and D2I combined.

	AP-NORC 2/21-3/27/13	AP-NORC 3/13-4/23/14	AP-NORC 4/7-5/15/15	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Democrat NET	45	41	46	41	47
Strong Democrat	18	15	18	18	14
Moderate Democrat	13	14	15	13	22
Lean Democrat	12	13	13	9	11
Independent/None – Don't lean	17	21	18	19	15
Republican NET	35	35	34	32	38
Lean Republican	14	13	12	11	10
Moderate Republican	10	11	12	11	17
Strong Republican	12	11	10	10	11
Unknown	4	3	2	8	*
N=	1,019	1,419	1,735	1,698	1,341

D_FB. Were you born in the United States or in another country?

	AP-NORC 4/7-5/15/15	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
In the United States	89	87	91
In another country	11	10	9
DON'T KNOW	*	*	-
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	*	3	*
N=	1,735	1,698	1,341

CADEM2. Do you speak a language other than English at home?

	AP-NORC 4/7-5/15/15	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Yes	14	15	17
No	86	82	83
DON'T KNOW	-	*	-
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	*	3	*
N=	1,735	1,698	1,341

EMPLOYMENT STATUS⁸

	AP-NORC 2/21-3/27/13	AP-NORC 3/13-4/23/14	AP-NORC 4/7-5/15/15	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Employed	51	47	51	52	51
Not employed	48	53	49	44	49
DON'T KNOW	-	-	*	*	
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	-	*	-	3	
N=	1,019	1,419	1,735	1,698	1,341

AGE⁹

	AP-NORC 2/21-3/27/13	AP-NORC 3/13-4/23/14	AP-NORC 4/7-5/15/15	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
40-54	46	42	41	42	39
55-64	24	26	27	26	30
65-74	16	16	16	15	21
75-84	9	9	10	9	9
85+	3	4	4	5	2
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED, BUT CONFIRMED AGE 40+			3	2	
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	2	3			
N=	1,019	1,419	1,735	1,698	1,341

⁸ This is an AmeriSpeak® Profile variable in 2017. In previous rounds, this question read: “Are you, yourself, currently employed...? [Full-time] [Part-time] [Not employed]”

⁹ This is an AmeriSpeak® Profile variable in 2017. In previous rounds, this question read: “In what year were you born?”

EDUCATION¹⁰

	AP-NORC 2/21-3/27/13	AP-NORC 3/13-4/23/14	AP-NORC 4/7-5/15/15	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Less than a high school diploma	14	9	11	10	12
High school graduate or equivalent	30	33	32	31	30
Some college	21	21	21	20	31
College graduate or above ¹¹	35	37	37	35	27
DON'T KNOW	*	-	*	*	
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	*	1	*	4	
<i>N=</i>	1,019	1,419	1,735	1,698	1,341

RACE/ETHNICITY¹²

	AP-NORC 2/21-3/27/13	AP-NORC 3/13-4/23/14	AP-NORC 4/7-5/15/15	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
White	68	73	68	67	72
Black or African American	10	11	10	11	10
Hispanic	9	5	11	12	12
Other	10	6	7	5	6
DON'T KNOW	*	1	*	1	
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	2	4	3	5	
<i>N=</i>	1,019	1,419	1,735	1,698	1,341

¹⁰ This is an AmeriSpeak® Profile variable in 2017. In previous rounds, this question read: “What is the last grade of school you completed?”

¹¹ In 2013-2016, those with an Associate’s degree were included as college graduates. In 2017, they have been moved to the “Some college” category.

¹² This is an AmeriSpeak® Profile variable in 2017. In previous rounds, this was two questions, which read: “Are you of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin?” and “What race or races do you consider yourself to be?”

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INCOME¹³

	AP-NORC 2/21-3/27/13	AP-NORC 3/13-4/23/14	AP-NORC 4/7-5/15/15	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Under \$10,000	7	8	7	4	6
\$10,000 to under \$20,000	13	13	9	9	9
\$20,000 to under \$30,000	11	13	10	9	11
\$30,000 to under \$40,000	10	8	7	6	11
\$40,000 to under \$50,000	8	8	7	9	9
\$50,000 to under \$75,000	16	15	15	12	16
\$75,000 to under \$100,000	11	11	12	10	15
\$100,000 to under \$150,000	11	10	10	9	15
\$150,000 or more	8	9	9	9	8
DON'T KNOW	1	2	5	8	
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	4	4	10	15	
N=	944	1,331	1,735	1,698	1,341

MARITAL¹⁴

	AP-NORC 2/21-3/27/13	AP-NORC 3/13-4/23/14	AP-NORC 4/7-5/15/15	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Married	59	60	57	58	55
Living as married/Co-habiting	4	4	6	3	
Living with partner					5
Separated	4	3	3	2	3
Divorced	13	14	14	13	16
Widowed	9	10	10	10	9
Never married	11	9	10	12	11
DON'T KNOW	-	-	*	*	
REFUSED	*	1	*	1	
N=	1,019	1,419	1,735	1,698	1,341

¹³ This is an AmeriSpeak® Profile variable in 2017. In previous rounds, this question read: “Does your total household income fall below \$50,000 dollars, or is it \$50,000 or higher?; And in which group does your total household income fall?”

¹⁴ This is an AmeriSpeak® Profile variable in 2017. In previous rounds, this question read: “What is your marital status? Are you married, living as married, co-habiting; separated; divorced; widowed; or never married?”

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GENDER¹⁵

	AP-NORC 2/21-3/27/13	AP-NORC 3/13-4/23/14	AP-NORC 4/7-5/15/15	AP-NORC 2/18-4/9/16	AP-NORC 3/2-29/17
Male	47	47	47	47	47
Female	53	53	53	53	53
DON'T KNOW	*	-	-	*	
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	-	-	-	1	
<i>N=</i>	1,019	1,419	1,735	1,698	1,341

¹⁵ This is an AmeriSpeak® Profile variable in 2017. In previous rounds, the interviewer recorded gender, but if unsure, asked: “Are you male or female?”

Study Methodology

This study, funded by [The SCAN Foundation](#), was conducted by The Associated Press-NORC Center for Public Affairs Research. Data were collected using AmeriSpeak®, NORC's probability-based panel designed to be representative of the U.S. household population. During the initial recruitment phase of the panel, randomly selected U.S. households were sampled with a known, non-zero probability of selection from the NORC National Sample Frame and then contacted by U.S. mail, email, telephone, and field interviewers (face to face). The panel provides sample coverage of approximately 97% of the U.S. household population. Those excluded from the sample include people with P.O. Box only addresses, some addresses not listed in the USPS Delivery Sequence File, and some newly constructed dwellings. Staff from NORC at the University of Chicago, The Associated Press, and The SCAN Foundation collaborated on all aspects of the study.

Interviews for this survey were conducted between March 2 and March 29, 2017, with adults age 40 and older representing the 50 states and the District of Columbia. Panel members were randomly drawn from AmeriSpeak, and 1,341 completed the survey—1,106 via the web and 235 via telephone. The sample also included an oversample of Hispanic adults—310 Hispanics age 40 and older. Interviews were conducted in both English and Spanish, depending on respondent preference. Respondents were offered a small monetary incentive (\$3) for completing the survey.

The final stage completion rate is 37.2 percent, the weighted household panel response rate is 34.4 percent, and the weighted household panel retention rate is 94.7 percent, for a cumulative response rate of 12.1 percent. The overall margin of sampling error is +/- 4.0 percentage points at the 95 percent confidence level, including the design effect. For the oversample of Hispanics, the margin of sampling error at the 95 percent confidence level is +/- 6.2 percentage points.

Once the sample has been selected and fielded, and all the study data have been collected and made final, a poststratification process is used to adjust for any survey nonresponse as well as any noncoverage or under and oversampling resulting from the study specific sample design. Poststratification variables included age, gender, census division, race/ethnicity, and education. Weighting variables were obtained from the 2016 Current Population Survey. The weighted data reflect the U.S. population of adults age 18 and over.

Topline data and reports for all previous years, including full methodology statements, are available at www.longtermcarepoll.org. For more information, visit www.apnorc.org or email info@apnorc.org.

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