

Morning Consult September Tracker
Data Document – PBMs

Morning Consult National Tracking Poll, September 20-21, 2023

N = 1,973 Registered voters

- Thinking specifically about PBMs, please indicate if you would support or oppose a policy that did the following?
 - Require PBMs to be transparent about the discounts they are getting on prescription drugs
 - Registered Voters
 - 53%, Strongly support
 - 22%, Somewhat support
 - 6%, Somewhat oppose
 - 3%, Strongly oppose
 - 16%, Don't know/no opinion
 - Democrats
 - 53%, Strongly support
 - 22%, Somewhat support
 - 7%, Somewhat oppose
 - 3%, Strongly oppose
 - 15%, Don't know/no opinion
 - Independents
 - 52%, Strongly support
 - 22%, Somewhat support
 - 5%, Somewhat oppose
 - 3%, Strongly oppose
 - 17%, Don't know/no opinion
 - Republicans
 - 54%, Strongly support
 - 23%, Somewhat support
 - 6%, Somewhat oppose
 - 3%, Strongly oppose
 - 15%, Don't know/no opinion
 - Require PBMs to explain why certain drugs are covered and others are not
 - Registered Voters
 - 54%, Strongly support
 - 21%, Somewhat support
 - 6%, Somewhat oppose
 - 3%, Strongly oppose
 - 16%, Don't know/no opinion
 - Democrats
 - 53%, Strongly support
 - 21%, Somewhat support

- 7%, Somewhat oppose
 - 3%, Strongly oppose
 - 16%, Don't know/no opinion
- Independents
 - 57%, Strongly support
 - 17%, Somewhat support
 - 7%, Somewhat oppose
 - 3%, Strongly oppose
 - 17%, Don't know/no opinion
- Republicans
 - 54%, Strongly support
 - 22%, Somewhat support
 - 6%, Somewhat oppose
 - 4%, Strongly oppose
 - 14%, Don't know/no opinion
- Prohibit health insurance companies and PBMs from forcing patients to use specific pharmacies that they own or affiliate with
 - Registered Voters
 - 48%, Strongly support
 - 23%, Somewhat support
 - 8%, Somewhat oppose
 - 5%, Strongly oppose
 - 17%, Don't know/no opinion
 - Democrats
 - 49%, Strongly support
 - 22%, Somewhat support
 - 7%, Somewhat oppose
 - 5%, Strongly oppose
 - 16%, Don't know/no opinion
 - Independents
 - 47%, Strongly support
 - 20%, Somewhat support
 - 9%, Somewhat oppose
 - 4%, Strongly oppose
 - 20%, Don't know/no opinion
 - Republicans
 - 48%, Strongly support
 - 25%, Somewhat support
 - 8%, Somewhat oppose
 - 5%, Strongly oppose
 - 15%, Don't know/no opinion

- Require health insurance companies and PBMs to pass the rebates and discounts they receive to patients, so no patient has to pay more for their prescription medicine than their insurance company
 - Registered Voters
 - 53%, Strongly support
 - 21%, Somewhat support
 - 7%, Somewhat oppose
 - 3%, Strongly oppose
 - 16%, Don't know/no opinion
 - Democrats
 - 52%, Strongly support
 - 23%, Somewhat support
 - 6%, Somewhat oppose
 - 3%, Strongly oppose
 - 16%, Don't know/no opinion
 - Independents
 - 52%, Strongly support
 - 20%, Somewhat support
 - 6%, Somewhat oppose
 - 3%, Strongly oppose
 - 18%, Don't know/no opinion
 - Republicans
 - 55%, Strongly support
 - 19%, Somewhat support
 - 8%, Somewhat oppose
 - 3%, Strongly oppose
 - 15%, Don't know/no opinion
- Change how PBMs profit so it's not connected to the price of prescription drugs and so that they are not incentivized to increase prices for patients
 - Registered Voters
 - 50%, Strongly support
 - 22%, Somewhat support
 - 7%, Somewhat oppose
 - 3%, Strongly oppose
 - 18%, Don't know/no opinion
 - Democrats
 - 48%, Strongly support
 - 24%, Somewhat support
 - 7%, Somewhat oppose
 - 3%, Strongly oppose
 - 18%, Don't know/no opinion
 - Independents

- 49%, Strongly support
 - 23%, Somewhat support
 - 6%, Somewhat oppose
 - 4%, Strongly oppose
 - 19%, Don't know/no opinion
- Republicans
 - 51%, Strongly support
 - 21%, Somewhat support
 - 8%, Somewhat oppose
 - 3%, Strongly oppose
 - 16%, Don't know/no opinion
- Require health insurance companies and PBMs to count patient assistance, such as copay coupons and cost sharing assistance, toward the patients deductible
 - Registered Voters
 - 46%, Strongly support
 - 25%, Somewhat support
 - 7%, Somewhat oppose
 - 3%, Strongly oppose
 - 19%, Don't know/no opinion
 - Democrats
 - 48%, Strongly support
 - 24%, Somewhat support
 - 7%, Somewhat oppose
 - 3%, Strongly oppose
 - 18%, Don't know/no opinion
 - Independents
 - 44%, Strongly support
 - 23%, Somewhat support
 - 8%, Somewhat oppose
 - 3%, Strongly oppose
 - 22%, Don't know/no opinion
 - Republicans
 - 45%, Strongly support
 - 28%, Somewhat support
 - 7%, Somewhat oppose
 - 3%, Strongly oppose
 - 18%, Don't know/no opinion
- End the financial incentives that encourage health insurance companies and PBMs to cover higher priced medicines rather than low-cost alternatives
 - Registered Voters
 - 45%, Strongly support
 - 23%, Somewhat support

- 8%, Somewhat oppose
 - 4%, Strongly oppose
 - 20%, Don't know/no opinion
- Democrats
 - 46%, Strongly support
 - 24%, Somewhat support
 - 7%, Somewhat oppose
 - 4%, Strongly oppose
 - 19%, Don't know/no opinion
- Independents
 - 43%, Strongly support
 - 22%, Somewhat support
 - 8%, Somewhat oppose
 - 4%, Strongly oppose
 - 23%, Don't know/no opinion
- Republicans
 - 44%, Strongly support
 - 24%, Somewhat support
 - 9%, Somewhat oppose
 - 5%, Strongly oppose
 - 19%, Don't know/no opinion
- Require that the discounts that PBMs negotiate on a patient's medicine get passed on to patients so they save money when filling prescriptions at the pharmacy counter
 - Registered Voters
 - 51%, Strongly support
 - 23%, Somewhat support
 - 7%, Somewhat oppose
 - 3%, Strongly oppose
 - 16%, Don't know/no opinion
 - Democrats
 - 50%, Strongly support
 - 22%, Somewhat support
 - 7%, Somewhat oppose
 - 4%, Strongly oppose
 - 17%, Don't know/no opinion
 - Independents
 - 52%, Strongly support
 - 20%, Somewhat support
 - 7%, Somewhat oppose
 - 3%, Strongly oppose
 - 17%, Don't know/no opinion

- Republicans
 - 52%, Strongly support
 - 25%, Somewhat support
 - 7%, Somewhat oppose
 - 2%, Strongly oppose
 - 15%, Don't know/no opinion
 - Require that PBMs received a fixed fee for their services, instead of charging fees based on the price of medicines
 - Registered Voters
 - 44%, Strongly support
 - 27%, Somewhat support
 - 7%, Somewhat oppose
 - 3%, Strongly oppose
 - 19%, Don't know/no opinion
 - Democrats
 - 43%, Strongly support
 - 28%, Somewhat support
 - 7%, Somewhat oppose
 - 3%, Strongly oppose
 - 18%, Don't know/no opinion
 - Independents
 - 45%, Strongly support
 - 22%, Somewhat support
 - 8%, Somewhat oppose
 - 3%, Strongly oppose
 - 23%, Don't know/no opinion
 - Republicans
 - 44%, Strongly support
 - 29%, Somewhat support
 - 7%, Somewhat oppose
 - 4%, Strongly oppose
 - 16%, Don't know/no opinion

Methodology:

This poll was conducted between September 20-September 21, 2023 among a sample of 1973 Registered Voters. The interviews were conducted online and the data were weighted to approximate a target sample of Registered Voters based on gender by age, educational attainment, race, marital status, home ownership, race by educational attainment, 2020 presidential vote, and region. Results from the full survey have a margin of error of plus or minus 2 percentage points.

**Percentages may not always add up to 100 percent due to rounding.*