

## National Tracking Poll

Project: 190537

N Size: 1349 AARP Members

Margin of Error: ± 3%

May 22 - June 01, 2019

### Topline Report

Question	Response	Frequency	Percentage
PHdem1	<i>Are you a member of AARP?</i>		
		Yes 1349	100%
PH1	<i>When it comes to the price you pay for your prescription medicines at the pharmacy counter, would you say...</i>		
	I pay too much	517	38%
	I pay the right amount	753	56%
	I don't pay enough	6	0%
	Don't know	73	5%
PH2	<i>Insurance companies and Pharmacy Benefit Managers (PBMs) often get significant rebates and discounts for medicines, but these savings are not always shared directly with patients. A proposal known as the Rebate Rule would encourage insurance companies and PBMs to share these savings with Medicare patients, which could help lower out-of-pocket costs at the pharmacy counter. Do you support or oppose the Rebate Rule?</i>		
	Strongly support	814	60%
	Somewhat support	350	26%
	Somewhat oppose	30	2%
	Strongly oppose	20	1%
	Don't know	135	10%
PH3	<i>Federal regulators estimate that this proposed change to Medicare (Rebate Rule) would mean that seniors who do not receive low-income subsidies would have to pay, on average, \$3 to \$6 more per month for their health insurance premium. But on average, seniors could see their out-of-pocket costs for prescription medicines fall by 10% to 20%, and their deductible could decline by as much as 20%. Do you support or oppose the Rebate Rule?</i>		
	Strongly support	467	35%
	Somewhat support	519	38%
	Somewhat oppose	104	8%
	Strongly oppose	78	6%
	Don't know	181	13%

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PH4	<i>The Congressional Budget Office (CBO) has said that the Rebate Rule could reduce the out-of-pocket costs Medicare beneficiaries pay for their prescription medicines, and also make Medicare beneficiaries more likely to take their prescribed medicines. How important is it to help seniors afford and take their prescription medicines as prescribed?</i>		
	Very important	1048	78%
	Somewhat important	207	15%
	Not that important	16	1%
	Not important at all	4	0%
	Don't know	74	5%
PH5	<i>Health insurance companies are not currently required to share the savings they receive on medicines with seniors directly. These insurance companies are actively fighting to stop the Rebate Rule. Knowing this, how angry are you towards insurance companies?</i>		
	Very angry	760	56%
	Somewhat angry	400	30%
	Not that angry	94	7%
	Don't know	95	7%
PH6	<i>AARP opposes the Rebate Rule. AARP takes billions of dollars from the same big insurance companies that also oppose the rule. Knowing this, how disappointed are you in the AARP?</i>		
	Very disappointed	737	55%
	Somewhat disappointed	400	30%
	Not disappointed	82	6%
	Don't know	130	10%
PH7	<i>Which should be a bigger priority for AARP?</i>		
	Working to lower out of pocket costs for prescription drugs	1265	94%
	Running advertising campaigns that attack other industries	15	1%
	Don't know	69	5%
PH8	<i>What is closer to your point of view?</i>		
	AARP should start standing with seniors and support the Rebate Rule	1165	86%
	AARP should keep standing with big insurance companies and oppose the Rebate Rule	34	3%
	Don't know	150	11%

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PH9	<i>What is closer to your point of view?</i>		
	AARP prioritizes the billions of dollars it takes from big insurance	531	39%
	AARP prioritizes the health care needs of its members	468	35%
	Don't know	350	26%
PH10	<i>What is closer to your point of view?</i>		
	AARP puts profits over seniors	680	50%
	AARP puts seniors over profits	376	28%
	Don't know	293	22%
PHdem2	<i>As you may know, Medicare provides health and prescription drug coverage for seniors and the disabled. Are you on Medicare?</i>		
	Yes	920	68%
	No	424	31%
	Don't know	5	0%

*Note:* Group proportions may total to larger than one-hundred percent due to rounding. All statistics are calculated for registered voters with demographic post-stratification weights applied.

## Respondent Demographics Summary

### Summary Statistics of Survey Respondent Demographics

Demographic	Group	Frequency	Percentage
xdemAll	AARP Members	1349	100%
xdemGender	Gender: Male	653	48%
	Gender: Female	696	52%
	N	1349	
age5	Age: 45-54	127	9%
	Age: 55-64	410	30%
	Age: 65+	812	60%
	N	1349	
demAgeGeneration	Generation X: Age 39-54	127	9%
	Boomers: Age 55-73	1013	75%
	N	1140	
xpid3	PID: Dem (no lean)	524	39%
	PID: Ind (no lean)	375	28%
	PID: Rep (no lean)	450	33%
	N	1349	
xdemIdeo3	Ideo: Liberal (1-3)	409	30%
	Ideo: Moderate (4)	366	27%
	Ideo: Conservative (5-7)	532	39%
	N	1307	
xeduc3	Educ: < College	746	55%
	Educ: Bachelors degree	331	25%
	Educ: Post-grad	272	20%
	N	1349	
xdemInc3	Income: Under 50k	596	44%
	Income: 50k-100k	523	39%
	Income: 100k+	230	17%
	N	1349	
xdemWhite	Ethnicity: White	1199	89%
xdemHispBin	Ethnicity: Hispanic	31	2%
demBlackBin	Ethnicity: Afr. Am.	86	6%
demRaceOther	Ethnicity: Other	64	5%

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Demographic	Group	Frequency	Percentage
xdemUsr	Community: Urban	253	19%
	Community: Suburban	757	56%
	Community: Rural	339	25%
	N	1349	
xdemEmploy	Employ: Private Sector	276	20%
	Employ: Government	44	3%
	Employ: Self-Employed	76	6%
	Employ: Homemaker	39	3%
	Employ: Student	2	0%
	Employ: Retired	809	60%
	Employ: Unemployed	47	3%
	Employ: Other	56	4%
	N	1349	
xnr3	#1 Issue: Economy	174	13%
	#1 Issue: Security	306	23%
	#1 Issue: Health Care	227	17%
	#1 Issue: Medicare / Social Security	441	33%
	#1 Issue: Women's Issues	50	4%
	#1 Issue: Education	20	1%
	#1 Issue: Energy	50	4%
	#1 Issue: Other	81	6%
	N	1349	
xreg4	4-Region: Northeast	281	21%
	4-Region: Midwest	296	22%
	4-Region: South	494	37%
	4-Region: West	278	21%
	N	1349	

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