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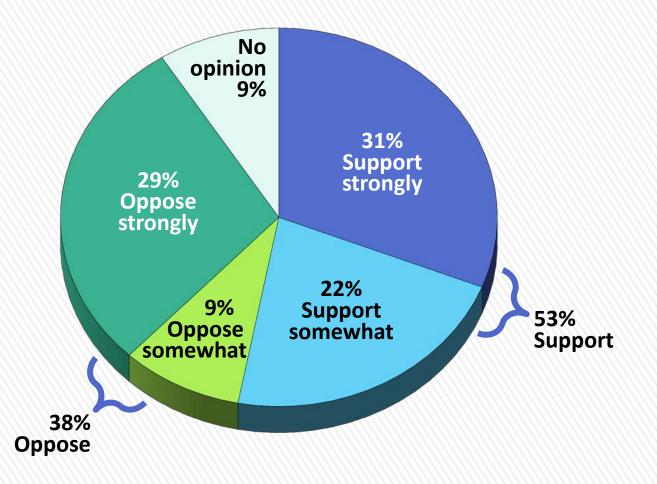
## California Voter Views of the Affordable Care Act and its Implementation

Conducted by The Field Poll

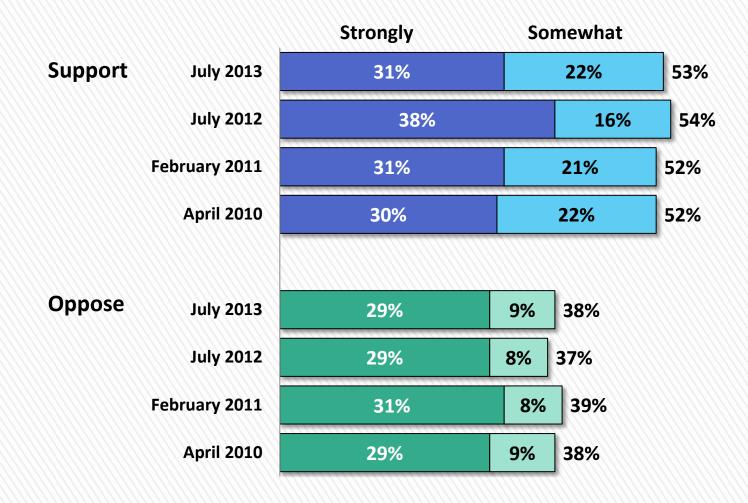
## **About the Survey**

Population surveyed:	California registered voters.
Number of interviews:	1,687 interviews, including a random cross-section sample of 1,199 voters and augmented samples of 488 interviews among Asian-American and African-American voters.
Data collection:	June 26-July 21, 2013 by cell and landline telephone using live interviewers from Field Research's central location call center.
Languages of administration:	English, Spanish, Cantonese, Mandarin, Tagalog, Korean and Vietnamese. 1,298 in English and 389 in non-English languages.
Sampling error:	Overall findings have a sampling error of +/- 2.6 percentage points at the 95% confidence level.

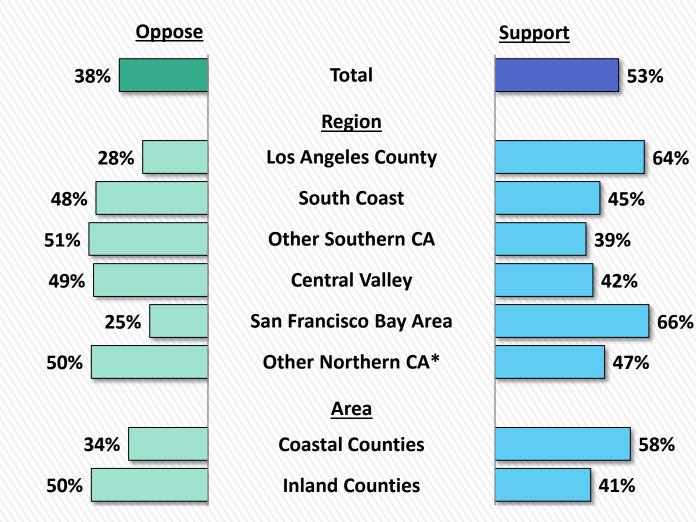
## **Overall public opinion of California voters toward** the Affordable Care Act (July 2013)



### **Graph 2 Trend of California voter opinions of the Affordable Care Act**



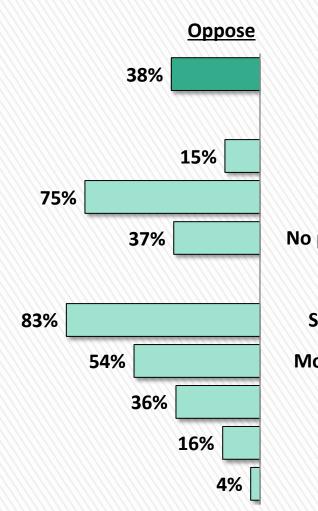
## **Current voter opinions of the Affordable Care Act** across regions of the state

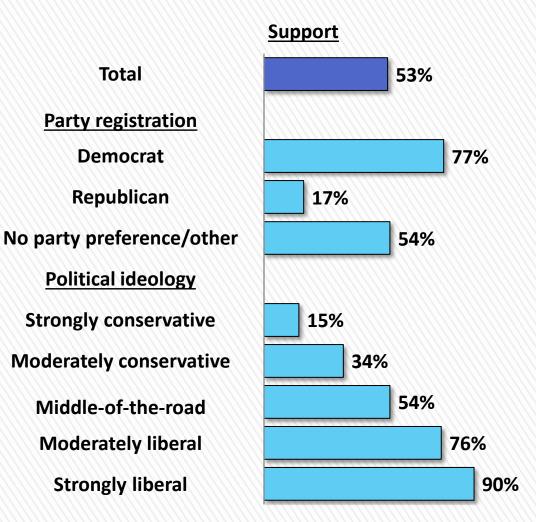


Note: Differences between 100% and the sum of each subgroup's percentages equal proportion with no opinion.

\* Small sample base.

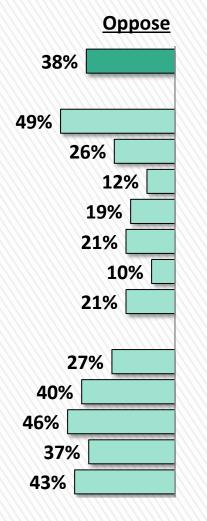
## **Current voter opinions of the Affordable Care Act** across political groups





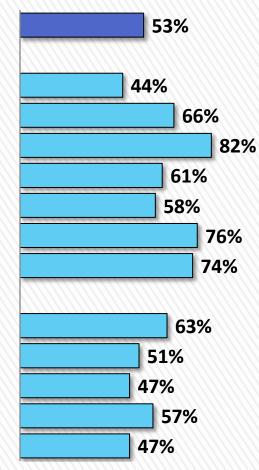
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## **Current voter opinions of the Affordable Care Act** – by race/ethnicity and age



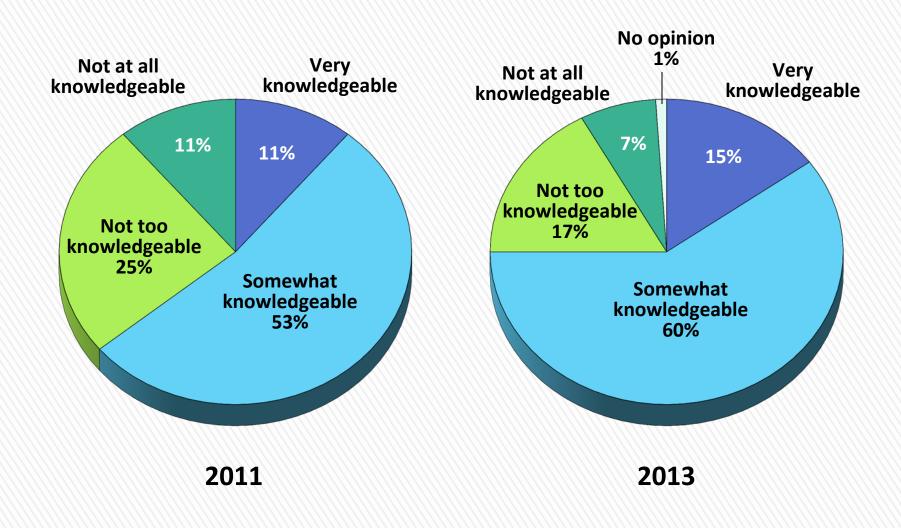


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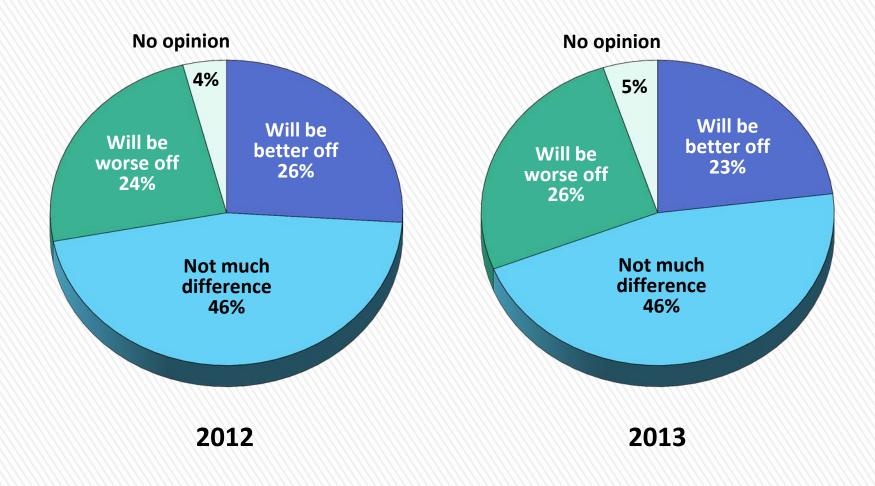


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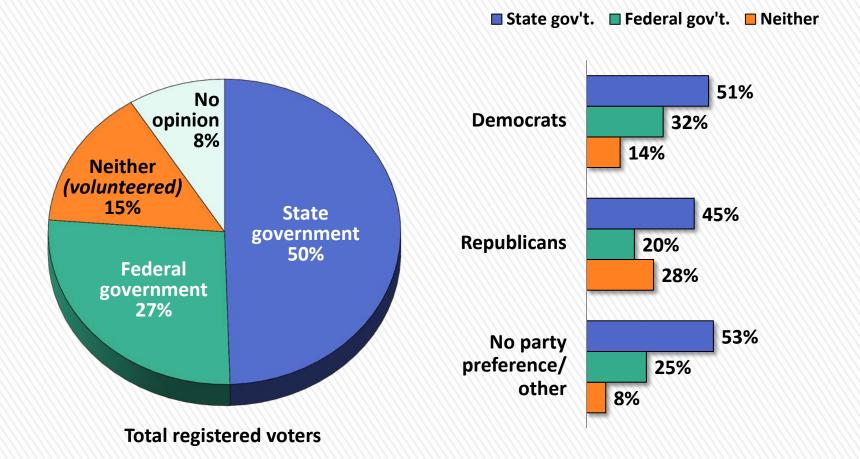
# Reported knowledge of the Affordable Care Act (2011 vs. 2013)



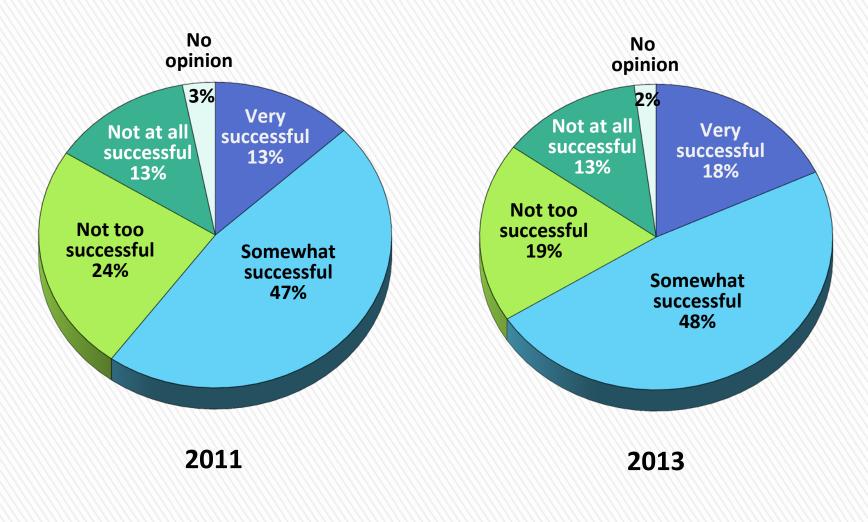
## Perceived impact of Affordable Care Act on California voters and their families once it's fully implemented (2012 vs. 2013)



## Who voters trust more to implement the ACA – the federal government or the state government



# Voter opinions of how successful California will be in implementing the Affordable Care Act (2011 vs. 2013)



## Voter opinions about how successful California will be in achieving specific goals of the ACA

### California will be...

Succes	sful 🔲 Not sud	ccesstul	<u>Democrat</u>	<u>Republica</u>
		66%	78%	49%
	32%		21	48
		64%	76%	47%
	32%		22	49
		63%	77%	44%
	33%		20	52
		61%	75%	39%
	36%		22	58
		60%	76%	38%
	37%		21	58
	50%		62%	30%
47%				

Encouraging more low and moderate income residents who are currently uninsured to get coverage

Obtaining the federal funds needed to fully implement the law

Establishing a one-stop place where it will be easy for consumers/small businesses to shop for health insurance online

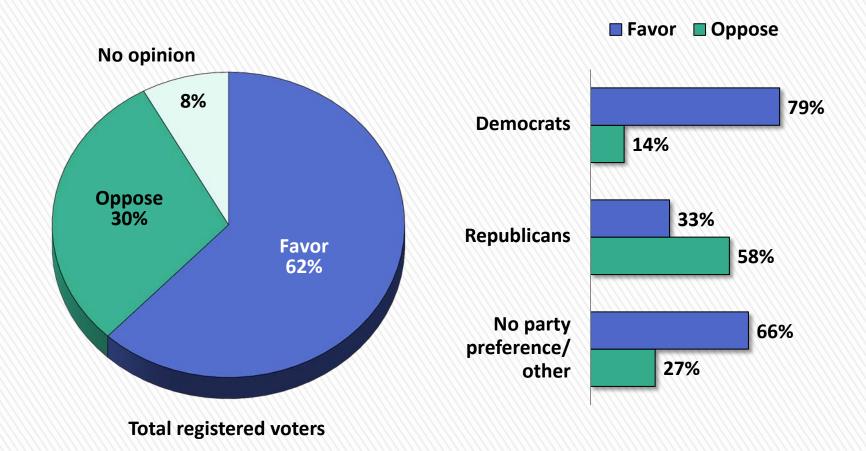
> Providing consumers with more insurance choices

Regulating the insurance market so the average Californian has better consumer protections

Limiting the rate increases that insurance companies charge to their customers each year

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## Voter opinions of the part of the ACA that expands the Medi-Cal health insurance program to cover more low-income adults\*

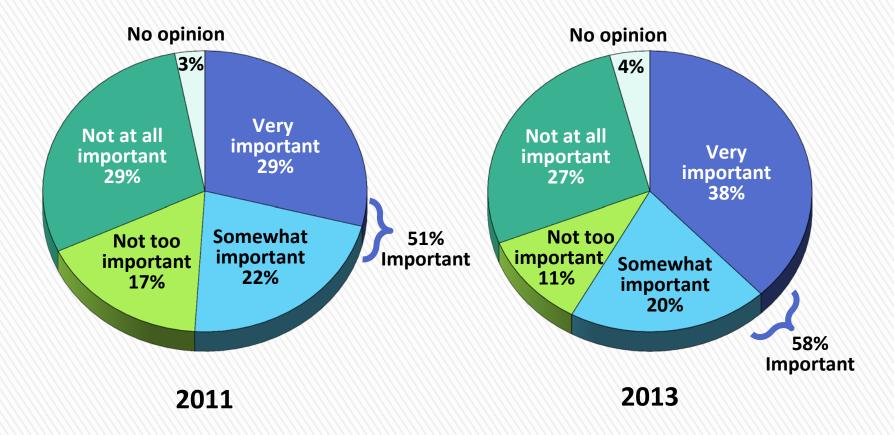


\* With the federal government initially paying the cost of expansion for 3 years and paying 90% of the cost after that, with state government paying the difference

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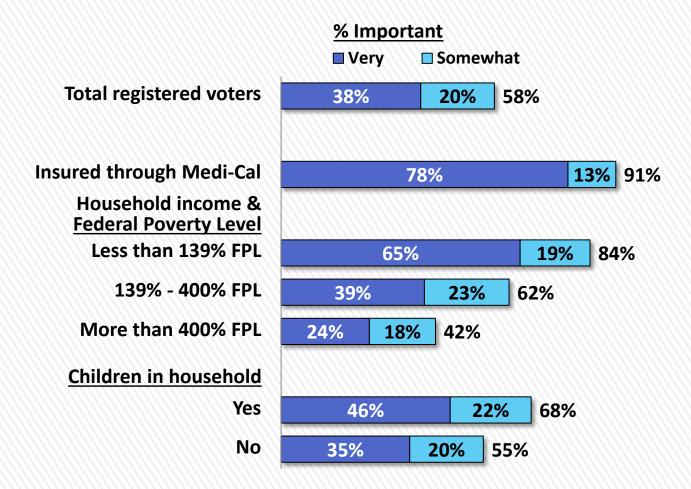
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## Importance of the state's Medi-Cal program to California voters and their families (2011 vs. 2013)

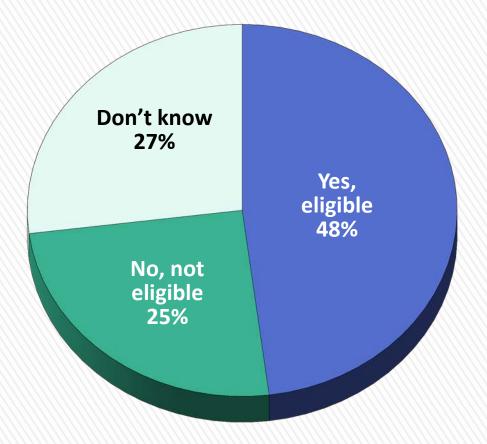


Note: Medi-Cal described as California's health program that provides health insurance and long-term care to certain low-income adults and children.

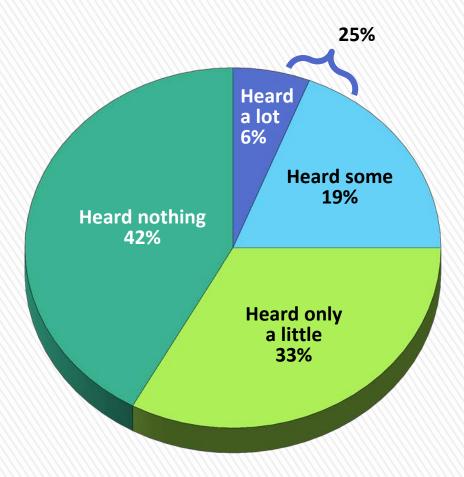
## Importance of Medi-Cal among Medi-Cal recipients, and by household income and presence of children



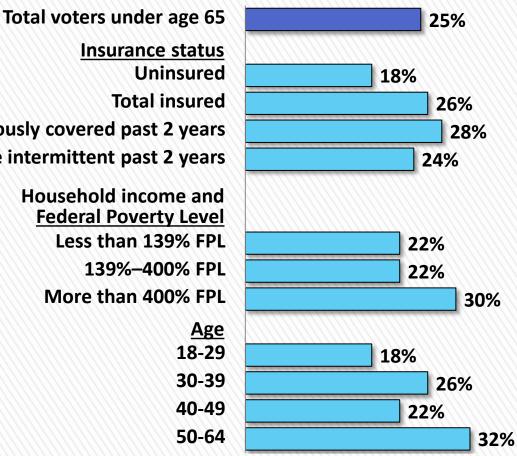
### Voter awareness of their eligibility to receive free health coverage under the expanded Medi-Cal program (among those under 65 whose income qualifies them for Medi-Cal who are not currently enrolled)



## Extent of voter awareness of the state's Covered California Health Insurance Exchange (among voters under age 65)



## Voters under age 65 who have heard a lot or some about Covered California – by insurance status, household income and age



### % Heard a lot or some

Insurance status Uninsured **Total insured Continuously covered past 2 years Coverage intermittent past 2 years** Household income and Federal Poverty Level Less than 139% FPL

139%-400% FPL

Voter awareness of their eligibility to receive tax credits when applying for insurance through Covered California (among voters eligible for tax credits not currently covered under an employer, union or government program)

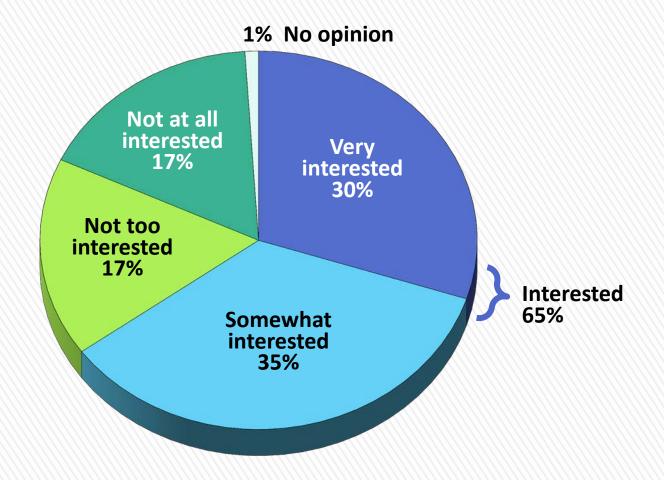


\* Includes voters under age 65 whose household income is 139%-400% of the Federal Poverty Level who are not currently covered for insurance through their employer or through a government program.

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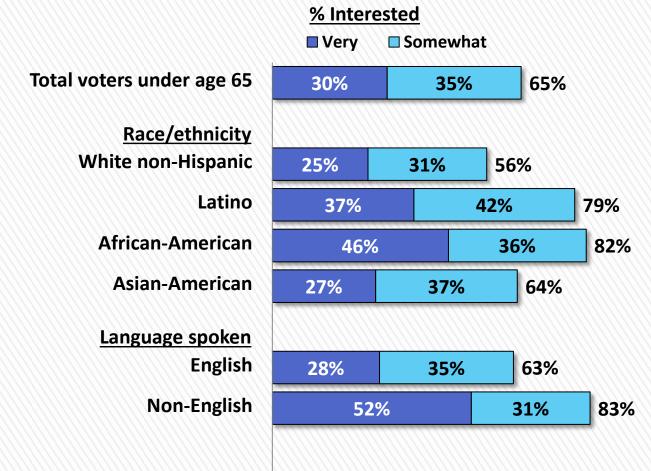
## Voter interest in learning more about Covered California and the kinds of health insurance plans and coverage options offered there (among voters under age 65)



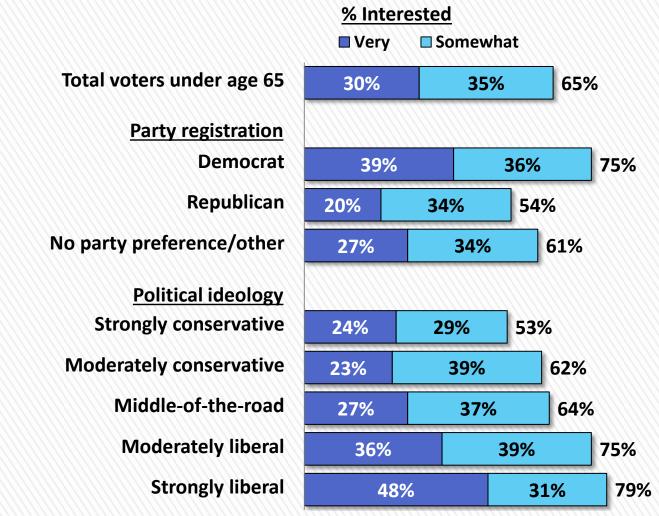
## Proportions of voters under age 65 interested in learning more about Covered California – by insurance status, household income and age

% Interested Somewhat ■ Verv Total voters under age 65 30% 35% 65% **Insurance status** Uninsured 48% 35% 83% **Total insured** 28% 63% 35% **Continuously covered past 2 years** 27% 60% 33% **Coverage intermittent past 2 years** 30% 40% 70% Household income and Federal Poverty Level Less than 139% FPL 36% 40% 76% 139%-400% FPL 32% 36% 68% More than 400% FPL 58% 27% 31% Age 18-29 17% 44% 61% 30-39 31% 33% 64% 40-49 35% 33% 68% 50-64 68% 37% 31%

## Proportions of voters under age 65 interested in learning more about Covered California – by race/ethnicity and language



## Proportions of voters under age 65 interested in learning more about Covered California – by party and political ideology



## Preferred language in which non-English-speaking voters would like to receive information about Covered California (among non-English speakers under age 65)

