## ₫ DATA FOR **PROGRESS**

## PROTECT OUR CARE

## PATIENTS FOR AFFORDABLE DRUGS NOW

From August 20 to 30, 2021, Data for Progress conducted a survey of 4,222 likely voters nationally using web panel respondents. The sample was weighted to be representative of likely voters by age, gender, education, race, and voting history. The survey was conducted in English. The margin of error is  $\pm 2$  percentage points.

N=4,222 unless otherwise specified. Some values may not add up to 100 due to rounding.

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[1] Do you have a favorable or unfavorable view of prescription drug companies?	Favorable		36%	30%	36%
	Unfavorable	58	56	61	57
	Don't know	8	8	9	7
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[2] In general, do you think that the costs of prescription drugs are reasonable or are unreasonable?	Daggarahla	460/	D	1 40/	R
	Reasonable				
			81	81	81
	Don't know	3	3	5	3
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[3] Some lawmakers in Congress are proposing giving Medicare the power to negotiate with drug companies to lower the price of prescription drugs for all Americans.	We should allow Medicare to negotiate to lower the prices of prescription drugs	86%	90%	84%	82%
When thinking about this proposal, which statement comes closest to your view, even if neither is exactly right?	We should not allow Medicare to negotiate to lower the prices of prescription drugs	8	5	8	11
	Don't know	6	5	8	7
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[4] When thinking about prescription drug prices, which statement comes closest to your view, even if neither is exactly right?	Medicare should be allowed to negotiate lower prices for prescription drugs for patients, because life-saving medications only work if patients can afford them. Pharmaceutical companies are making huge profits and will still be able to invest in finding new treatments	81%	85%	80%	77%
	If Medicare is allowed to negotiate lower prices for prescription drugs, it will undercut the drug companies' ability to invest in innovation and the research and development we need to create new life-saving medications. In the long run, this will only hurt				
	patients		9	12	15
	Don't know	7	6	8	8

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<b>[5]</b> When thinking about prescription drugs, what are you more concerned about, even if neither statement is exactly right?	I am more concerned that Congress will go too far in regulating the price of prescription drugs	18%	27%	37%
	I am more concerned that Congress won't do enough to rein in the cost of prescription drugs <b>67</b>	76	65	57
	Don't know	6	8	6
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<b>[6]</b> When thinking about the cost of prescription drugs, which statement comes closest to your view, even if neither is exactly right?	The cost of prescription drugs in the United States should be more in line with other countries. It's not right that Americans pay more than three times what people in other wealthy nations pay for the same brand name drugs. We need fairer prices for our prescription drugs	84%	78%	73%
	We shouldn't try to match the prices of prescription drugs in other countries. Prescription drugs cost more in the U.S. because this country leads the world in developing new life-saving medications. Americans aren't overpaying, the rest of the world is underpaying	12	15	20
	Don't know 6	5	6	6