



# Americans' Views on Replacing the ACA

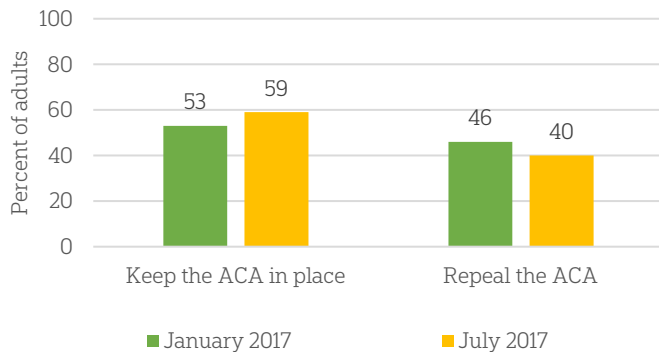
## FINDINGS FROM THE JULY 2017 AP-NORC NATIONAL POLL ON HEALTH CARE

- ✓ **In the wake of congressional Republicans' struggle to repeal and replace the Affordable Care Act (ACA), enthusiasm for dismantling President Obama's signature legislation is diminishing.**
  - Fifty-nine percent say they would like the ACA to be kept in place, an increase from 53 percent in January 2017.
  - Just 13 percent say the law should be repealed immediately, while 26 percent say it should be repealed only when a replacement is ready.
  - While Democrats and Republicans have remained consistent in their views toward dismantling the ACA, the percent of independents who want the legislation repealed has fallen to 42 percent from 56 percent in January.

- ✓ **Americans across the board want bipartisan negotiations on health care.**
  - Seventy-one percent of Americans say both that Republicans in Congress should negotiate with Democrats if they are unable to pass a bill on their own, and that Democrats should agree to negotiate if Republicans offer.
  - Majorities of all partisans support negotiations on both sides, including 77 percent of Democrats, 65 percent of independents, and 65 percent of Republicans.
  - However, Democrats are more amenable to members of their own party working with Republicans (81 percent) than Republicans are to congressional Republicans negotiating across the aisle (66 percent).

### Six in 10 Americans now say they would like the ACA to be kept in place, a slight increase from January 2017.

% who say they would like to ...

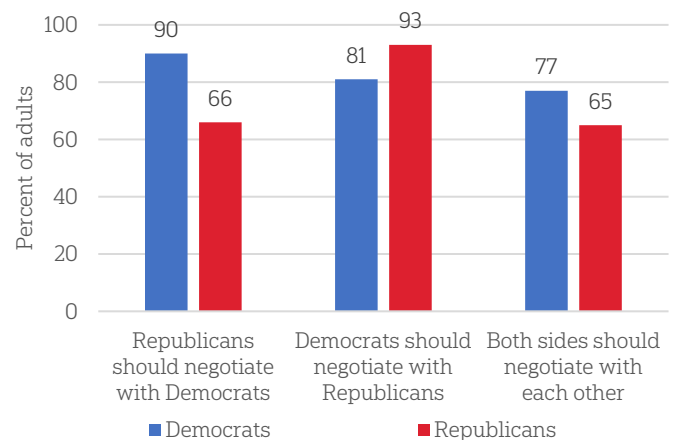


Question: Which comes closer to your opinion about what President Trump and Congress should do when it comes to the 2010 health care law, also known as Obamacare?

- ✓ **Half of Americans express support for the ACA.**
  - Fifty-one percent of Americans support the ACA, 33 percent oppose it, and 16 percent neither support nor oppose it.
  - Seventy-five percent of Democrats support the ACA while 70 percent of Republicans oppose it.

### Majorities of both Democrats and Republicans support bipartisan negotiations on a health care law.

% who say...



Questions: If Republicans in Congress are unable to pass a health care bill without the help of Democrats, should they stick to their positions even if it means not making changes to the current health care law, or open negotiations with Democrats?

If Republicans in Congress offer to negotiate with Democrats on a new health care bill, should the Democrats negotiate with the Republicans, or refuse to negotiate even if it means not making changes to the current health care law?