



# What Kentuckians Think About

Access to Affordable, Quality Healthcare for all Americans

Results From The Health Foundation of Greater Cincinnati  
and the Foundation for a Healthy Kentucky

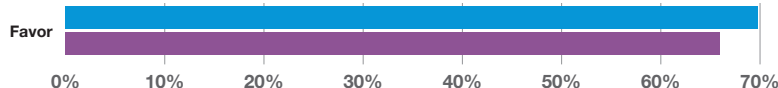


Nine in ten Kentuckians (91%) favor providing access to affordable, quality healthcare to all Americans, according to the 2008 *Kentucky Health Issues Poll*. Of those who favor providing access, the majority favor it even if it means raising taxes (72%) or a major role for the federal government (70%). These rates are slightly higher than the national rates from the 2007 *Herndon Alliance Survey*.

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■ Kentuckians (2008 Kentucky Health Issues Poll)  
■ Nation (2007 Herndon Alliance Survey)

The 2008 *Poll* asked Kentuckians specific questions about access to affordable, quality healthcare. Over 80% of Kentuckians agreed that:

- the government should guarantee that everyone has access to affordable, quality healthcare (67% strongly agree, 19% agree somewhat);
- the government has a responsibility to guarantee that people get quality, affordable healthcare (62% strongly agree, 22% agree somewhat);
- people have a right to the very best healthcare they can find when they or their families need it (77% agree strongly, 16% agree somewhat); and
- quality, affordable healthcare coverage is a fundamental human right (56% strongly agree, 27% agree somewhat).

Kentuckians *more* and *less* likely within demographic groups to strongly agree that the government should guarantee that everyone has access to affordable, quality healthcare

Demographic Group	% who strongly agree
Kentucky	67%
<b>Sex</b>	
Female	73%
Male	61%
<b>Education</b>	
Less than high school	77%
College graduate	49%
<b>Family Income</b>	
Below 100% FPG <sup>1</sup>	76%
Above 200% FPG	60%
<b>Health Insurance</b>	
Uninsured	76%
Insured	65%

<sup>1</sup> 100% of the federal poverty guidelines (FPG) in 2007 was an annual income of \$20,650 for a family of 4.

Kentuckians *more* and *less* likely within demographic groups to strongly agree that people have a right to the very best healthcare they can find when they or their families need it

Demographic Group	% who strongly agree
Kentucky	77%
<b>Ethnicity</b>	
White	79%
African American	61%
<b>Age</b>	
30 and over	82%
18 to 29	65%
<b>Education</b>	
Less than high school	84%
College graduate	65%
<b>Family Income</b>	
Below 100% FPG <sup>1</sup>	87%
Above 200% FPG	77%

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