



Ohioans' views about Medicaid expansion

Medicaid expansion has been debated in Ohio this year. Ohio's governor supports expansion and is encouraging the legislature to expand Medicaid.

Majority supports Medicaid expansion

The **Ohio Health Issues Poll (OHIP)** asked, "Generally speaking, do you favor or oppose expanding Medicaid to provide health insurance to more low-income uninsured adults?" A majority of Ohio adults favors expansion. More than 6 in 10 Ohio adults (63%) support Medicaid expansion in the state. A majority of Ohio registered voters (61%) favors expansion as well.

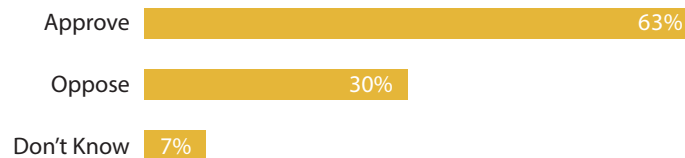
Support of Medicaid expansion tied to party affiliation

The issue of Medicaid expansion is politically charged. More than 8 in 10 Democrats (82%) and 5 in 10 Independents (52%) support

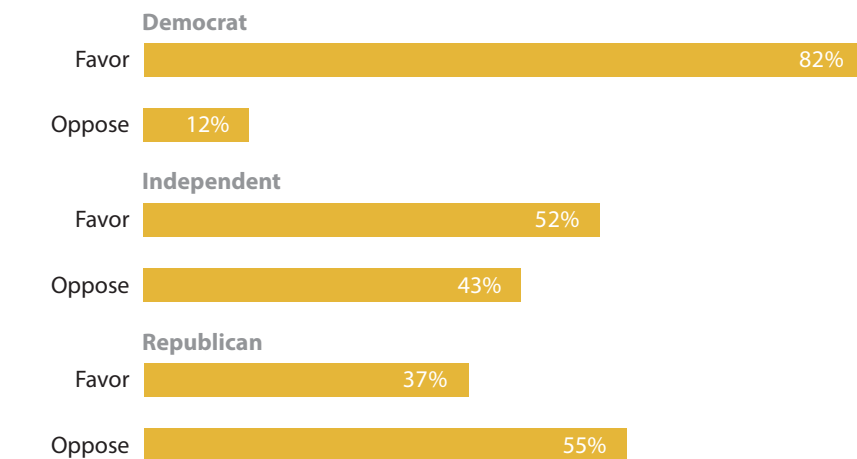
expansion. However, fewer than 4 in 10 Republicans (37%) support Medicaid expansion. Republicans

are the only subgroup tracked by OHIP who do not have majority support for Medicaid expansion.

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Medicaid expansion approval by party identification (Percentages do not add to 100% because the response "don't know" is not included)



These findings unless otherwise noted are from Interact for Health's Ohio Health Issues Poll (OHIP) conducted May 19-June 2, 2013, by the Institute for Policy Research at the University of Cincinnati. A random sample of 868 adults throughout Ohio was interviewed by telephone. This included interviews conducted by both landline telephone and cell phone. In 95 of 100 cases, statewide estimates will be accurate to $\pm 3.3\%$. There are other sources of variation inherent in public opinion studies such as non-response, question wording or context effects that can introduce error or bias. For more information about OHIP, please visit www.interactforhealth.org/ohio-health-issues-poll. If you have questions about the data in this document, please contact Jennifer Chubinski, Director of Community Research, at 513-458-6608 or jchubinski@interactforhealth.org.