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2008 Survey of Hawai'i Residents Age 50+ on Prescription Drug Affordability

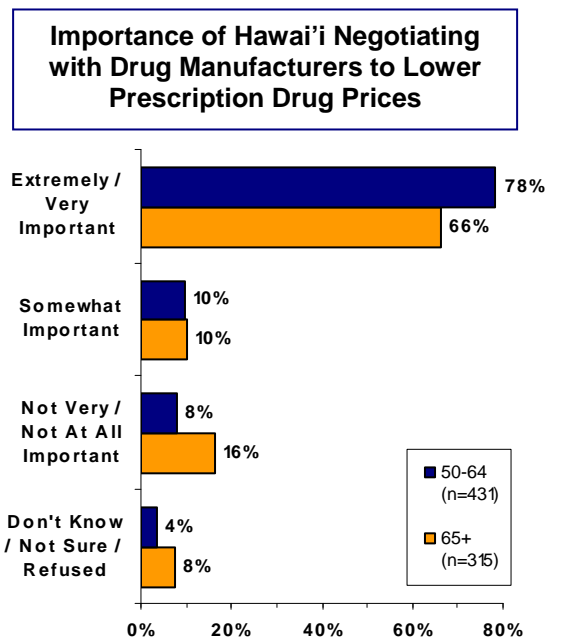
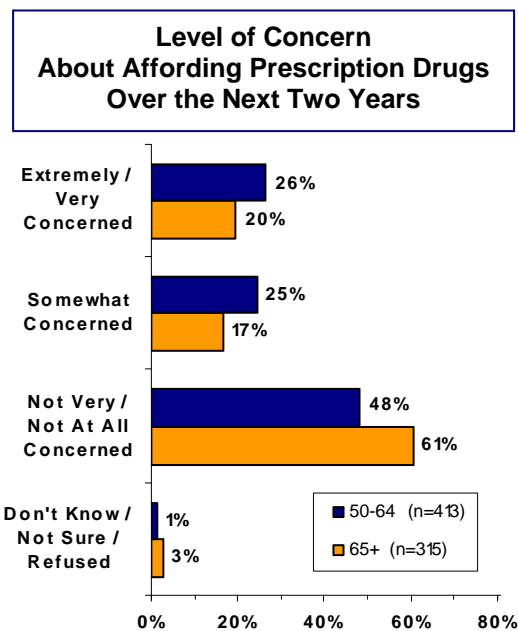
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AARP's Hawai'i State Office, in response to its commitment to ensure affordable, quality health and long-term care for all residents, commissioned this survey to explore Hawai'i residents' concerns about and experiences regarding prescription drug affordability. The survey also examined residents' opinions on Hawai'i negotiating with drug manufacturers to lower prescription drug prices.

The results presented are based on 777 random-digit dial telephone interviews completed between December, 2007 and January, 2008 among residents of Hawai'i age 50 and older. The overall response rate for this survey is 34 percent with a cooperation rate of 87 percent. The sampling error for this survey is ± 3.5 percent.

Survey in Brief:

- Like many Americans age 50 and older, Hawai'i residents are concerned about the rising cost of prescription drugs, with those under 65 being significantly more concerned than those 65+.
- One likely cause for concern regarding prescription drug costs among those 50 to 64 is their disproportionate experience of out-of-pocket costs increasing over the past five years.
 - ✓ 46% of Hawai'i residents age 50-64 claim their out-of-pocket prescription drug costs have increased over the past five years compared to only 38% of those 65 and older.
- Perhaps most telling about the impact of rising prescription drug costs on older Hawai'i residents, and particularly women and those with lower household incomes, are the difficult decisions some have made when faced with the cost of a particular prescription.
 - ✓ One out of ten residents have:
 - delayed filling a prescription or decided not to fill it at all because of the cost
 - taken a smaller dosage of medication in order to make it last longer.
 - cut back on food, fuel, or utilities such as electricity in order to afford the cost of a prescription.
- Despite the majority of Hawai'i residents reporting some type of health care coverage that pays all or part of the cost of their prescription drugs, a significant portion spend upwards of \$50 per month on prescription drugs.
- Though there is no simple solution to arresting the rising cost of prescription drugs, the majority of Hawai'i residents would support the State negotiating with drug manufacturers to lower prices.



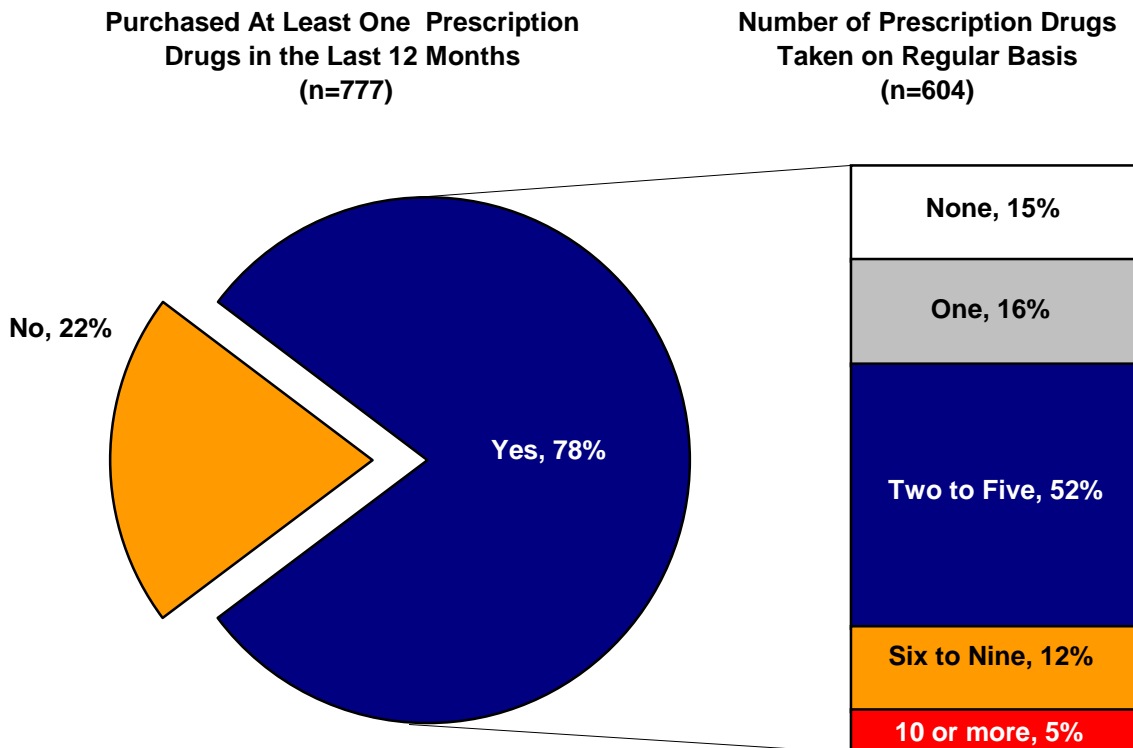
INTRODUCTION: Many of those age 50 and older depend on prescription drugs as an essential part of therapeutic medicine. Yet, as the results from this survey reveal, many find it difficult to afford the medications they need. This report details Hawai'i residents' concerns about and experiences with prescription drug affordability, particularly their out-of-pocket costs and the subsequent decisions they often make regarding their health and overall well-being. This report also examines residents' opinions on the State negotiating with drug manufacturers to lower prescription drug prices.

METHODOLOGY: 777 random-digit dial telephone interviews were completed in December 2007 and January 2008 among residents of Hawai'i age 50 and older yielding a response rate of 34 percent and a cooperation rate of 87 percent. The sampling error for this survey is ±3.5 percent. Data were weighted to represent the actual distribution of age and gender among Hawai'i residents age 50 and older.

FOUR OUT OF FIVE HAWAI'I RESIDENTS AGED 50 OR OLDER NEED ACCESS TO AFFORDABLE PRESCRIPTION DRUGS

Nearly four out of five Hawai'i residents age 50 or older (78%) report purchasing at least one prescription drug in the last 12 months. In fact, two out of three (65%) of those who have purchased a prescription drug in the last 12 months say they take at least two prescription drugs on a regular basis. One out of six (17%) say they take six or more per month. Fortunately, the majority of Hawai'i residents (85%) report having some kind of health care coverage that helps pay for these prescription drugs.

Prescription Drug Use Among Hawai'i Residents Age 50+

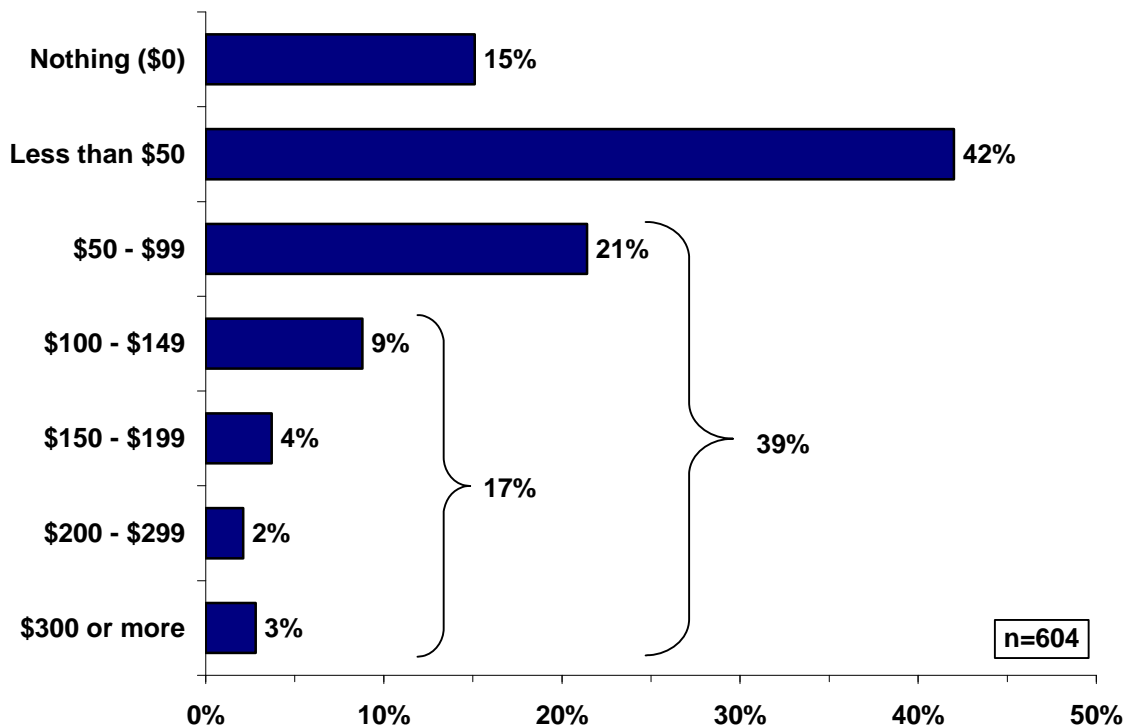


PRESCRIPTION DRUGS ARE A SIGNIFICANT MONTHLY EXPENSE FOR MANY HAWAI'I RESIDENTS AGE 50 AND OLDER.

Two-fifths (39%) of those having bought a prescription in 2007 say they spent at least \$50 on prescription drugs in the month of October alone. One out of six (17%) spent at least \$100 in that month. Once more, the majority of Hawai'i residents (83%) say they paid this much or more for prescription drugs in prior months of 2007.

According to nearly one-half of those interviewed (46%), their out-of-pocket costs for prescription drugs have increased over the past five years largely due to increases in the actual cost of these drugs (rather than their need to purchase more drugs, though some report both causes).

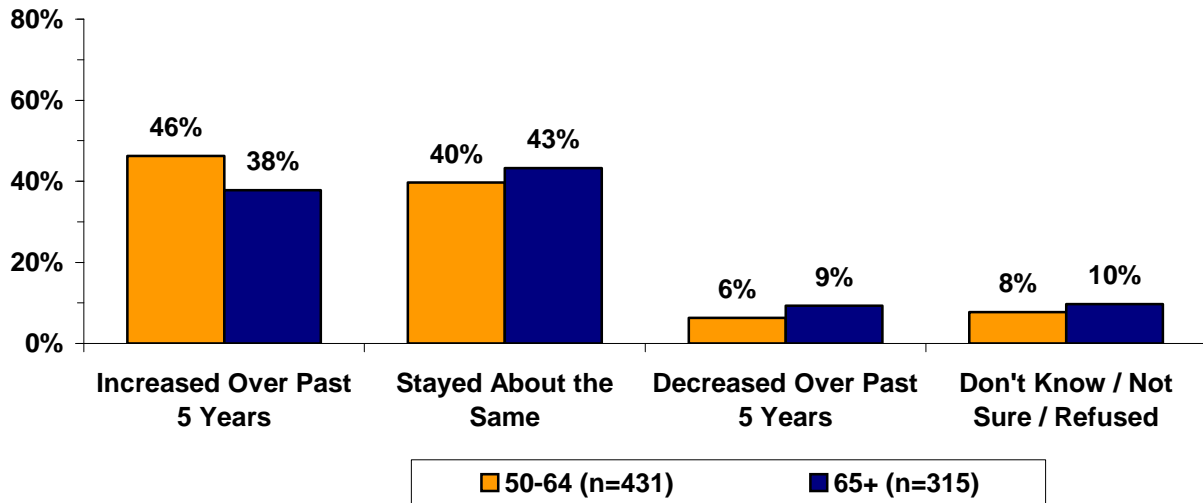
Amount Spent By Hawai'i residents Age 50+ in October 2007 on Prescription Drugs



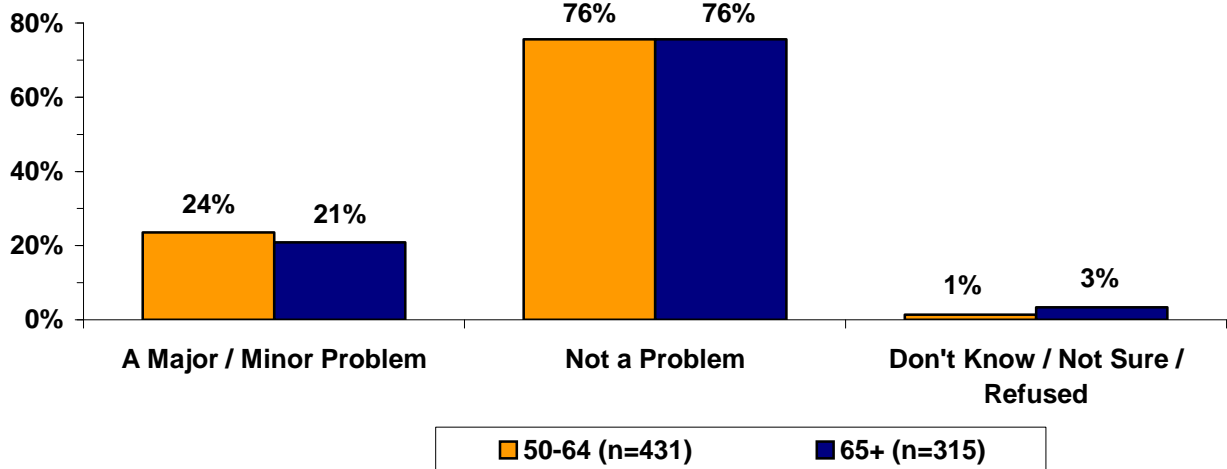
HAWAI'I RESIDENTS AGE 50-64 APPEAR TO BE BEARING THE BRUNT OF RISING PRESCRIPTION DRUG COSTS

Hawai'i residents between the ages of 50 and 64 are more likely to feel the burden of increasing prescription drug costs than are those 65 and older, despite taking significantly fewer prescription drugs on a regular basis. Nearly one-half of adults age 50 to 64 (46%) say their out-of-pocket costs have increased over the past five years compared to only two out of five residents age 65 and older (38%). However, at least one-fifth of both of these age groups claim that over the last 12 months, paying for prescription drugs has been either a major or minor problem.

Change in Out-of-Pocket Prescription Drug Costs



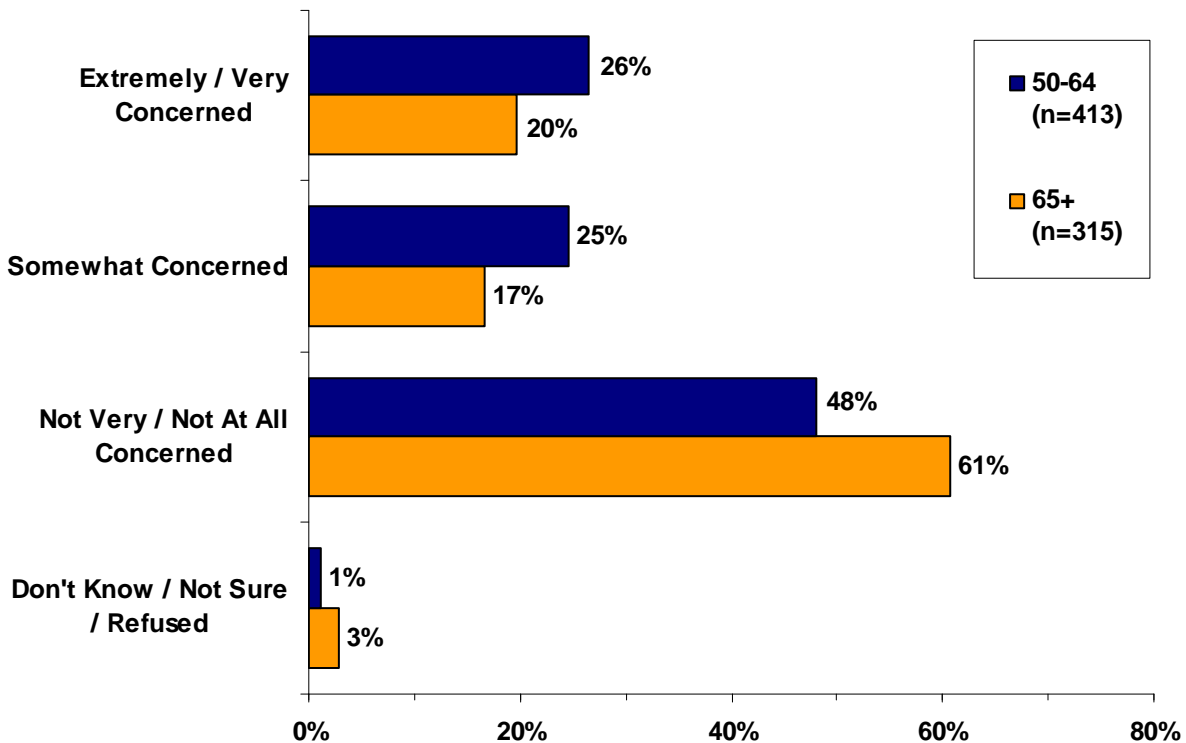
Difficulty in Paying for Prescription Drugs in Last 12 Months



CONCERN ABOUT AFFORDING PRESCRIPTION DRUGS OVER THE NEXT TWO YEARS IS HIGHEST AMONG HAWAI'I RESIDENTS 50-64.

One out of four Hawai'i residents ages 50-64 (26%) say they are either extremely concerned or very concerned about being able to afford needed prescription drugs over the next two years. In comparison, one out of five residents age 65 or older (20%) indicate they are concerned about affording the prescription drugs they need. Conversely, three out of five adults 65 and older (61%) explicitly say they are not concerned about affording prescription drugs in the future compared to less than half of those 50 to 64 (48%).

Level of Concern About Affording Prescription Drugs Over the Next Two Years

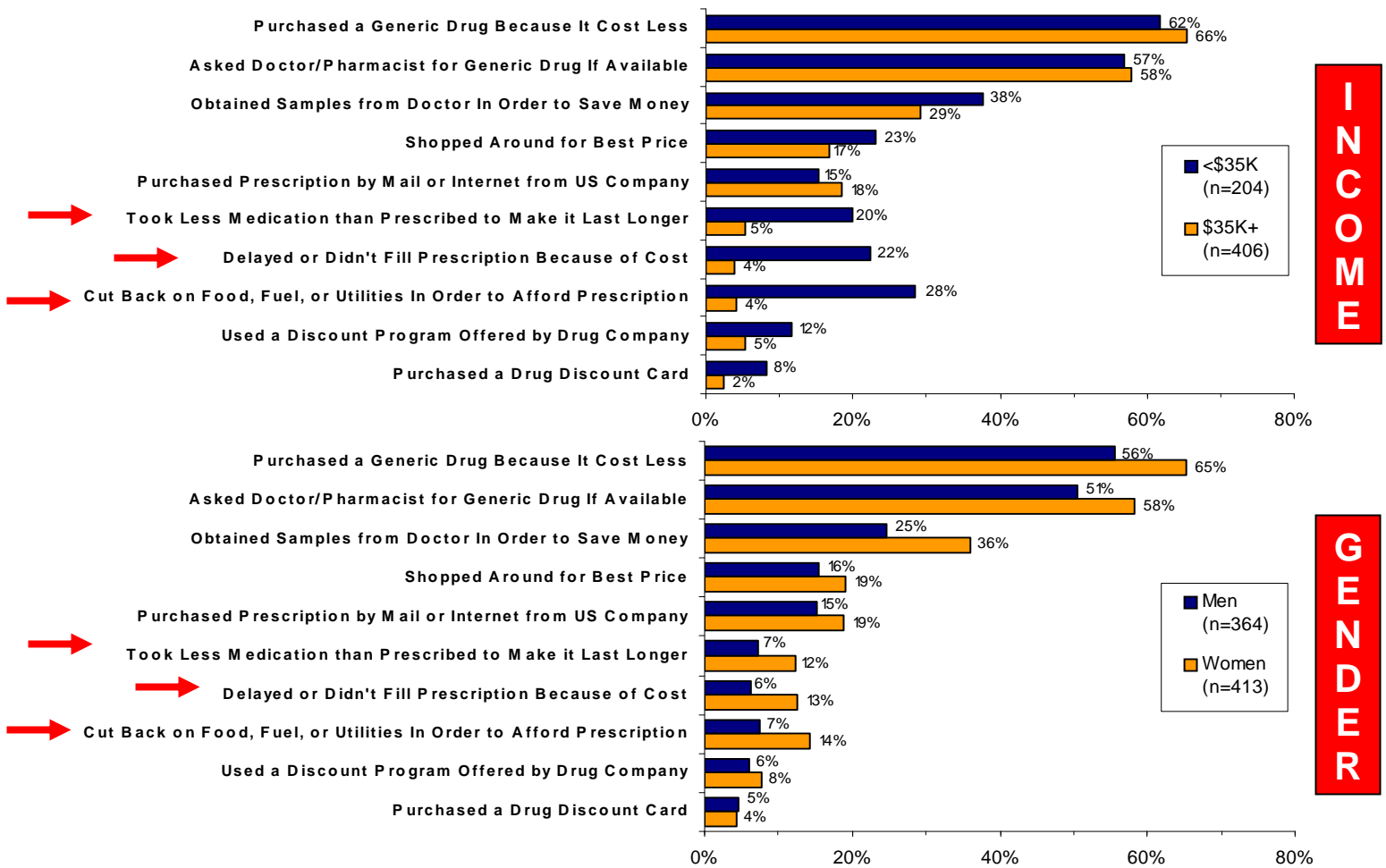


OLDER HAWAI'I RESIDENTS, PARTICULARLY WOMEN AND THOSE WITH LOWER HOUSEHOLD INCOMES, ARE HAVING TO MAKE DIFFICULT CHOICES BECAUSE OF THE HIGH COST OF PRESCRIPTION DRUGS

The majority of Hawai'i residents age 50 and older look to generic drugs as means to assuage the cost of prescription drugs. However, women are significantly more likely than men to seek out generics.

Of greater concern is the significant proportion of Hawai'i residents who are either female or have an annual household income below \$35,000 and have made potentially dangerous decisions as a result of the high cost of prescription drugs. For example, nearly three out of ten Hawai'i residents with a household income of less than \$35,000 (28%) have cut back on food, fuel, or utilities such as electricity in order to afford a prescription. At least one out of five have taken less than the recommended dosage of their prescription in order to make it last longer (20%) or delayed or decided not to fill a prescription because of the cost (22%). In all three of these instances, those with a household income less than \$35K are at least four times more likely than those with household incomes of \$35K or more to have engaged in these behaviors. There is a similar, though more understated, pattern among women in Hawai'i when compared to men.

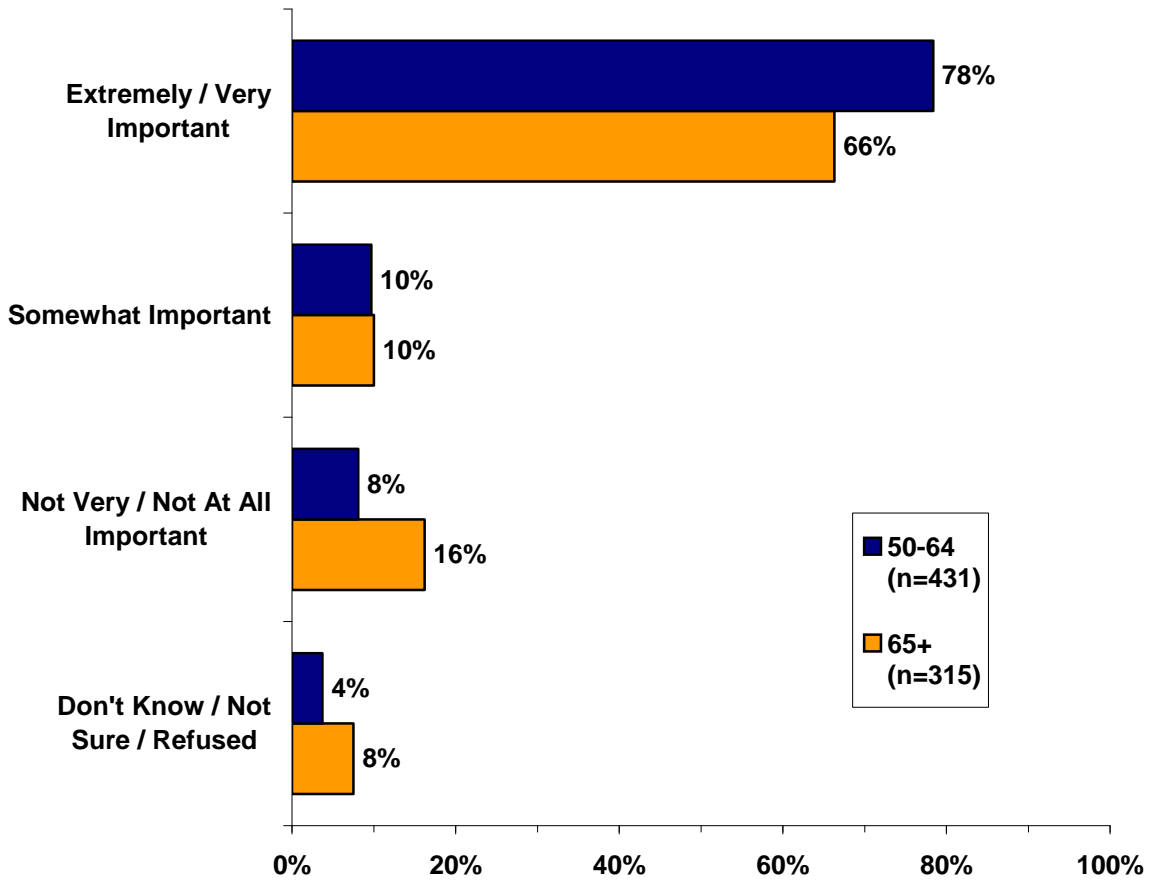
**Actions Taken in Past 12 Months Regarding Prescription Drugs
Shown Separately by Income and Gender**



HAWAI'I RESIDENTS BELIEVE THE STATE SHOULD NEGOTIATE WITH DRUG MANUFACTURERS

Three-fourths of Hawai'i residents (73%) believe it is either extremely or very important for Hawai'i to negotiate with drug manufacturers in order to lower prescription drug prices and save consumers money. Adults age 50 to 64 are significantly more likely than those 65 and older to see this as important (78% vs. 66%). Conversely, adults 65 and older are twice as likely to say that this type of negotiation is not important (16% vs. 8% of those 50 to 64).

Importance of Hawai'i Negotiating with Drug Manufacturers to Lower Prescription Drug Prices

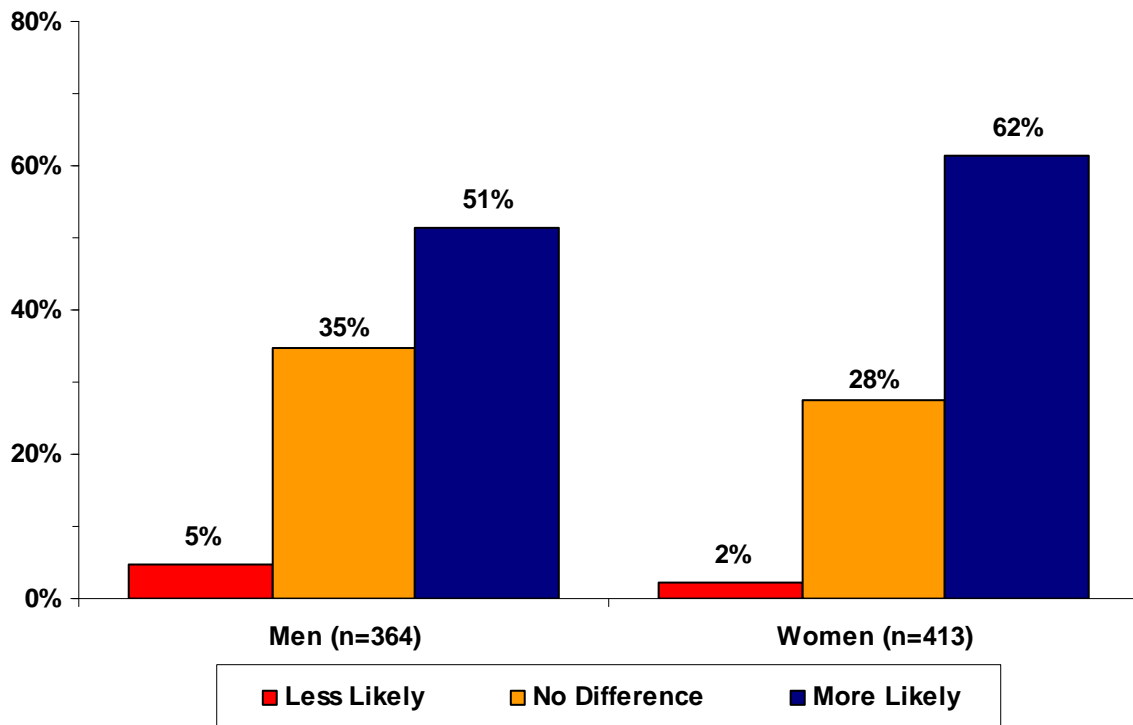


HAWAI'I RESIDENTS ARE MORE LIKELY TO VOTE FOR A CANDIDATE THAT SUPPORTS NEGOTIATING WITH PRESCRIPTION DRUG MANUFACTURERS

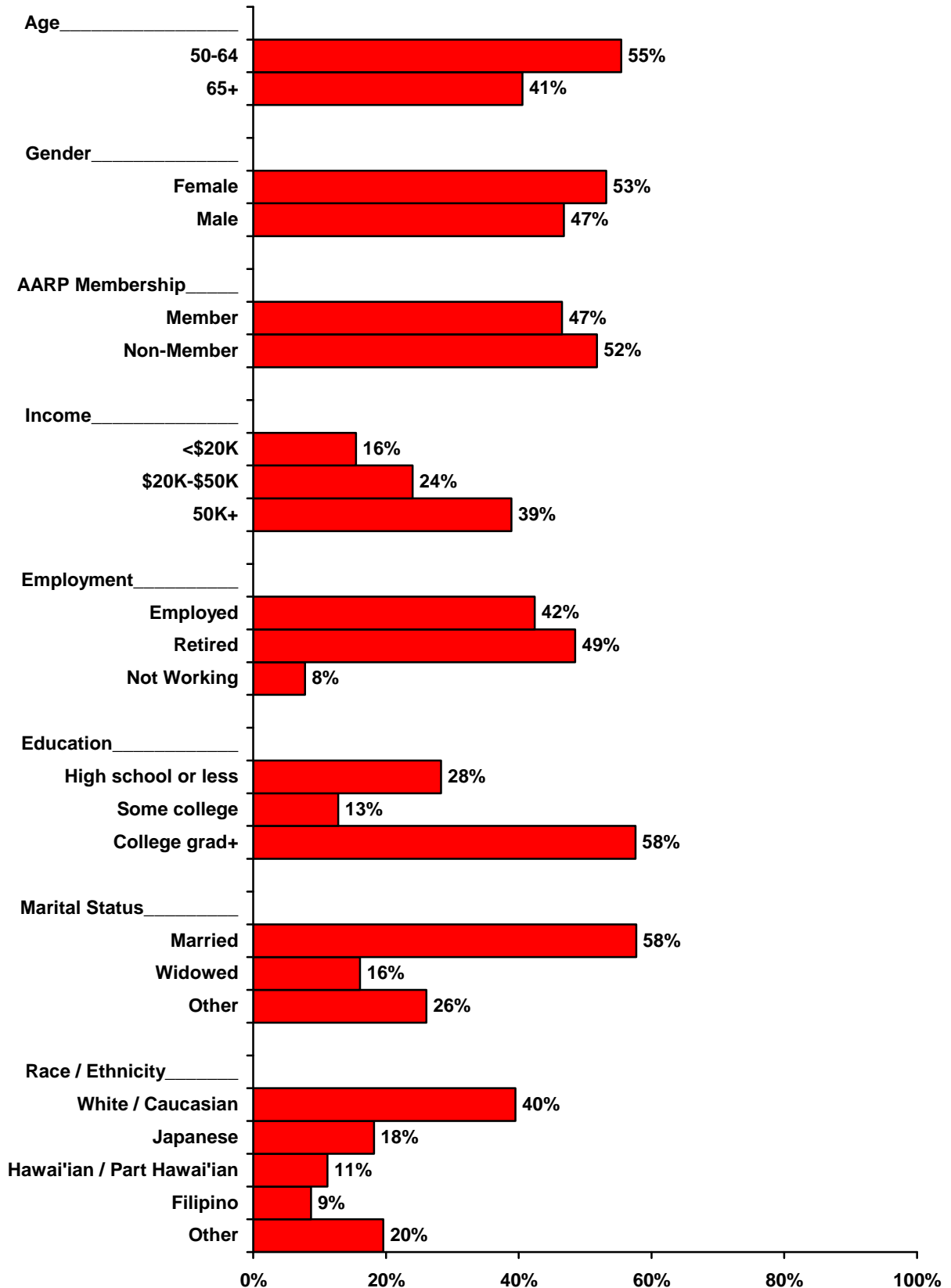
Nearly three out of five Hawai'i residents age 50 and older (57%) say they would be more likely to vote for a candidate for state office who supported Hawai'i negotiating with drug manufacturers to lower prescription drug prices. Three out of ten say it would not make a difference. Women are significantly more likely than men to say supporting Hawai'i's negotiation with drug manufacturers would make them more likely to vote for a candidate.

In all, three out of four adults 50 and older (77%) say they vote most of the time, with two out of three (67%) saying they always vote.

Impact of Candidate Support for Negotiating Lower Drug Prices on Likelihood of Voting for Candidate



Respondent Demographics



ANNOTATED QUESTIONNAIRE

**2008 SURVEY OF HI RESIDENTS AGE 50+ ON
PRESCRIPTIONS DRUG AFFORDABILITY
(n=777)**

[INTRODUCTION]

Hello, may I please speak with...?

[WHEN RESPONDENT OR THEIR SPOUSE IS ON THE PHONE, CONTINUE WITH:] Hello, this is _____ from [RESEARCH COMPANY]. I am calling on behalf of A-A-R-P. We are calling tonight to talk to residents of [INSERT STATE] to find out their thoughts and opinions about some important issues facing the state. [USE ANY OR ALL OF THE FOLLOWING AS NECESSARY: This is not a sales call and you will not be asked to buy anything either now or later. We would really like to include your opinions in our study. I assure you that all of your answers will remain completely confidential. The survey should take only about 10 minutes to complete.]

SCREENING [INSERT QUESTIONS SELECTING THOSE AGE 50 OR OLDER] SURVEY CORE

1. Have you bought a prescription drug for you, your spouse, or a dependent child within the last 12 months, that is since last November?

Base: Total N=777	<u>%</u>
Yes	78
No [GO TO Q2A]	22
DON'T KNOW / NOT SURE [DO NOT READ] [GO TO Q2A]	1
REFUSED [DO NOT READ] [GO TO Q2A]	-

2. In a typical month, how many different prescription drugs do you take on a regular basis?

Base: bought a prescription drug n=604	<u>%</u>
None / Zero	15
One	16
Two to Five	52
Six to Nine	12
Ten or more	5
Refused [DO NOT READ]	1

3a1. Do you have any kind of health care coverage, including health insurance or government plans such as Medicare, Medicaid, or military benefits?

Base: Total n=777	<u>%</u>
Yes	92
No → [SKIP TO Q3c1]	8
DON'T KNOW / NOTE SURE [DO NOT READ] → [SKIP TO Q3c1]	<0.5
REFUSED [DO NOT READ] → [SKIP TO Q3c1]	-

3a2. Does your current healthcare coverage pay all or part of the cost of your prescription drugs?

Base: have a health care coverage n=716	<u>%</u>
Yes	91
No	8
DON'T KNOW / NOTE SURE [DO NOT READ]	1
REFUSED [DO NOT READ]	<0.5

PROGRAMMERS: CREATE A NEW VARIABLE/COLUMN THAT MAPS THE RESPONSES TO THE ORIGINAL 3a TO THE NEW 3a1 & 3a2, SO THAT THOSE WHO SAID YES TO THE ORIGINAL 3a, ARE CODED AS BOTH A 'YES' FOR 3a1 AND A YES FOR 3a2. THOSE WHO WERE CODED AS 'NO' ON 3a SHOULD BE CODED AS A 'NO' FOR 3a1 AND SHOULD BE MISSING ON 3a2 BECAUSE THEY WOULD HAVE SKIPPED THIS QUESTION.

PROGRAMMERS: PLEASE CREATE A NEW VARIABLE/COLUMN THAT RECORDS FOR ALL RESPONDENTS (WHETHER OR NOT THEY WERE ASKED Q3a2) WHETHER THEY HAVE Rx COVERAGE THROUGH A HEALTHCARE PLAN OR NOT.

3b. [IF Q3a=YES] Do you have...

[INTERVIEWERS: IF RESPONDENT GIVES NAME OF INSURER, SUCH AS A SPECIFIC COMPANY, ASK WHETHER 1) THEY PAY FOR THE POLICY ON THEIR OWN, 2) IT IS PAID FOR BY AN EMPLOYER OR PREVIOUS EMPLOYER, OR 3) IF IT IS A GOVERNMENT PROGRAM SUCH AS MEDICARE.]

[INTERVIEWERS: IF RESPONDENT DOES NOT KNOW ANYTHING BUT THE NAME OF THE COMPANY PROVIDING THE INSURANCE, PROCEED THROUGH THE QUESTIONS ANYWAY. RECORD COMPANY NAME IN "OTHER" WHICH IS THE LAST ITEM IN LIST.]

[IF NECESSARY: EXPLAIN TO RESPONDENT THAT YOU ARE REQUIRED TO GO THROUGH THE LIST BECAUSE WE HAVE FOUND THAT SOMETIMES PEOPLE FORGET THEY HAVE AN ADDITIONAL SOURCE OF COVERAGE AND WE WANT TO BE SURE OUR DATA IS AS ACCURATE AS POSSIBLE.]

	Yes	No	DK	Refused
	%	%	%	%
Base: Have healthcare coverage n=716				
a. A health care plan sponsored by a current employer? IF YES AND <65 ASK: "Do you have any other type of coverage?" [IF NO OR NOT SURE, SKIP TO Q3c1a, OTHERWISE CONTINUE TO 'b']	36	64	<0.5	<0.5
b. A health care plan sponsored by your spouse's current employer? IF YES AND <65 ASK: "Do you have any other type of coverage?" [IF NO OR NOT SURE, SKIP TO Q3c1a, OTHERWISE CONTINUE TO 'c']	12	87	1	<0.5
c. A health care plan sponsored by a previous employer (or spouse's previous employer), such as a retirement benefit or COBRA?	29	70	1	<0.5
d. Medicare, the program that provides health insurance primarily to people age 65 and older? [INTERVIEWERS: IF RESPONDENT ONLY KNOWS THE NAME OF THE COMPANY PROVIDING THEIR INSURANCE AND DOES NOT KNOW IF THIS IS A MEDICARE PLAN OR IF THEY HAVE MEDICARE, SIMPLY RECORD "NOT SURE" AND THEN ENTER THE NAME GIVEN BY RESPONDENT IN "OTHER" WHICH IS THE LAST ITEM.]	46	53	1	<0.5
Base: Have medicare n=328 IF YES TO MEDICARE: Do you also have a Medicare supplement plan, such as one that pays the co-payments and deductibles of Medicare?	50	43	7	-
Base: Have Medicare n=328 IF YES TO MEDICARE: Do you also have a Medicare Part D plan that covers prescription drugs?	56	38	6	-
e. Veterans Administration or military benefits?	13	86	1	<0.5
f. Medicaid, the program that provides health insurance and long-term care to certain low-income individuals?	11	88	1	<0.5
g. An individually purchased health care policy on your own? IF YES AND <65 ASK: "Do you have any other type of coverage?" [IF NO OR NOT SURE, SKIP TO Q3c1a, OTHERWISE CONTINUE TO 'g']	18	82	1	<0.5
h. Any other insurance coverage or policy? [RECORD]	9	90	1	<0.5
i. No insurance at all [VOLUNTEERED]	-	-	-	-

3c1. [ASK ONLY FOR HAWAII] **Are you familiar with ‘Hawaii Rx Plus’ which is a free, statewide program allowing low-income residents, regardless of age, to purchase prescription drugs at discount prices?**

Base: Total n=777	<u>%</u>
Yes	33
No → SKIP TO Q3c3	66
DON'T KNOW / NOTE SURE [DO NOT READ] → SKIP TO Q3c3	1
REFUSED [DO NOT READ] → SKIP TO Q3c3	-

3c2. [ASK ONLY FOR HAWAII] **Do you do you use the Hawaii Rx Plus discount card?**

Base: Hawaii Respondents familiar with ‘Hawaii RX Plus’ n=255	<u>%</u>
Yes	5
No	94
DON'T KNOW / NOTE SURE [DO NOT READ]	<0.5
REFUSED [DO NOT READ]	-

3c3. **Do you** [IF Q3c2a OR Q3c2b = YES, ADD “also”] **have a prescription drug discount card from a pharmacy or pharmaceutical company?**

Base: Total n=777	<u>%</u>
Yes → [SKIP TO Q4]	14
No	85
DON'T KNOW / NOTE SURE [DO NOT READ]	1
REFUSED [DO NOT READ]	-

3d. [ASK ONLY IF Q3a ≠ YES AND Q3c ≠ YES] **Just to confirm, it sounds like you do not have any kind of discount card or insurance coverage that pays all or part of your prescription drug costs and so you pay full price retail price for your prescription drugs. Is this correct?**

Base: Do not have discount insurance card or insurance coverage n=94	<u>%</u>
Yes	64
No	33
DON'T KNOW / NOTE SURE [DO NOT READ]	3
REFUSED [DO NOT READ]	-

4. [READ ONLY IF YES TO MEDICARE PART D (Q3b = 5) or MEDICARE PRIVATE PLAN (Q3b=8)] **Many Medicare drug plans have what is called a “coverage gap” or “doughnut hole”—a point where the plan stops paying for prescriptions and individuals are required to pay the full cost of their drugs for awhile. Have you ever reached the coverage gap with your Medicare drug plan and had to pay full price for your prescription drugs?**

Base: Have Medicare n=328	<u>%</u>
Yes	8
No	87
DON'T KNOW / NOT SURE [DO NOT READ]	5
REFUSED [DO NOT READ]	-

5. [SKIP IF Q1 ≠ YES] Next I'd like you to estimate how much money you spent on prescription drugs last month, that is in October 2007. Would you say you spent...[READ OPTIONS IF NECESSARY]?

Base: bought a prescription drug n=604	<u>%</u>
Nothing (\$0)	15
Less than \$50	42
At least \$50 but less than \$100	21
At least \$100 but less than \$150	9
At least \$150 but less than \$200	4
At least \$200 but less than \$300	2
Or would you say you spent \$300 or more last month on prescription drugs?	3
DON'T KNOW / NOT SURE [DO NOT READ]	4
REFUSED [DO NOT READ]	1

6. And would you say the amount of money you spent on prescriptions drugs in October 2007 is about the same amount as you spent in previous months this year, more than you spent in previous months this year, or less than you spent in previous months?

Base: Total n=777	<u>%</u>
More	11
About the Same	72
Less	10
DON'T KNOW / NOT SURE [DO NOT READ]	6
REFUSED [DO NOT READ]	1

7. Thinking about what you currently pay in out-of-pocket prescription drug costs, would you say this amount has...

Base: Total n=777	<u>%</u>
Increased over the past five years,	43
Decreased over the past five years,	8
Or would you say it has stayed about the same over the past five years?	41
DON'T KNOW / NOT SURE [DO NOT READ]	8
REFUSED [DO NOT READ]	<0.5

8. And is this because you have needed to purchase more prescription drugs than in the previous years, because the costs of the actual prescription drugs has increased, or both?

Base: Increased over the past 5 years n=332	<u>%</u>
Needed More Drugs	14
Cost of Drugs Increased	41
Both	29
Some Other Reason [Please Specify: _____] [VOLUNTEERED]	10
DON'T KNOW / NOT SURE [DO NOT READ]	5
REFUSED [DO NOT READ]	-

9. In the last 12 months or since last November, has paying for prescription drugs been a major problem, a minor problem, or not a problem for you?

Base: Total n=777	<u>%</u>
A major problem	7
A minor problem	15
Not a problem	76
DON'T KNOW / NOT SURE [DO NOT READ]	2
REFUSED [DO NOT READ]	<0.5

10. Many people face difficult decisions when buying prescription drugs. In the last 12 months, have you done any of the following? [ROTATE ITEMS A THROUGH J]

Base: Total n=777	Yes	No	Don't Know/Not sure	Refused
	<u>%</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>%</u>
a. not filled or delayed getting a prescription filled because you didn't have enough money to pay for it	10	90	1	<0.5
b. taken less medicine than your doctor prescribed to make it last longer	10	89	1	<0.5
c. cut back on items such as food, fuel, electricity, or utilities to be able to afford a prescription drug	11	88	1	<0.5
d. asked your doctor or pharmacist for generic prescription drugs instead of brand name drugs when generics are available	55	44	1	<0.5
e. obtained samples from your physician in order to save money	31	69	<0.5	<0.5
f. purchased a generic drug because it cost less	61	38	2	<0.5
g. used a discount program offered by a drug company	7	91	2	<0.5
h. purchased a drug discount card	4	94	2	<0.5
i. shopped around for the best price	17	82	1	<0.5
j. purchased your prescription drugs by mail or internet from a company in the US because they cost less	17	82	1	<0.5

11. Have you ever decided to purchase a generic drug instead of the brand name drug your doctor prescribed because it was cheaper?

Base: Total n=777	<u>%</u>
Yes	48
No	49
DON'T KNOW / NOT SURE [DO NOT READ]	3
REFUSED [DO NOT READ]	<0.5

12. Have you ever decided not to fill a prescription because you didn't have or didn't want to spend the money?

Base: Total n=777	<u>%</u>
Yes	13
No	87
DON'T KNOW / NOT SURE [DO NOT READ]	1
REFUSED [DO NOT READ]	<0.5

13. How concerned are you about being able to afford the cost of needed prescription drugs over the next two years? Would you say you are....[READ OPTIONS]

Base: Total n=777	<u>%</u>
Extremely concerned	9
Very concerned	14
Somewhat concerned	21
Not very concerned	21
Not at all concerned	32
DON'T KNOW / NOT SURE [DO NOT READ]	2
REFUSED [DO NOT READ]	<0.5

HAWAII QUESTIONS

HI1. Now I would like to ask your opinion about some legislative issues.

Since 2002, the Hawaii Department of Human Services has been allowed to negotiate prices with drug manufacturers in order to lower the cost of prescription drugs for those in the 'Hawaii Rx Plus' state prescription drug program. However, no negotiations have ever taken place although the law was changed in 2007 to mandate negotiations for bulk purchasing of prescription drugs.

How important is it to you that Hawaii negotiate with drug manufacturers to lower prescription drug prices in order to save consumers money?

Base: Total n=777	<u>%</u>
Extremely important	41
Very important	32
Somewhat important	10
Not too important	4
Not at all important	8
DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE (DO NOT READ)	5
REFUSED (DO NOT READ)	1

HI2. If a candidate for state office supported Hawaii negotiating with drug manufacturers to lower prescription drug prices in order to save consumers money, would you be more likely or less likely to vote for that candidate, or would it not make a difference in how you vote?

Base: Total n=777	<u>%</u>
More likely	57
Less likely	3
Would not make a difference	31
DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE (DO NOT READ)	8
REFUSED (DO NOT READ)	2

DEMOGRAPHICS

The following questions are for statistical classification purposes only and will be kept entirely confidential.

D1. Record respondent's gender

Base: Total n=777	%
Male	47
Female	53

D2. What is your age as of your last birthday? [IN YEARS] _____

Base: Total n=777	%
50-59	40
60-74	34
75+	22
Refused	4

D3. What is your marital status? Are you currently...[READ OPTIONS]

Base: Total n=777	%
Married	58
Not Married, but Living with partner or significant other	4
Separated	1
Divorced	12
Widowed	16
Or are you...Currently single and Never Been Married?	8
NOT SURE [DO NOT READ]	-
REFUSED [DO NOT READ]	1

D4. [IF D3 = 1 ASK: "Are you or your spouse currently a member of A-A-R-P?" IF D3 = 2 ASK: "Are you or your partner currently a member of A-A-R-P?" OTHERWISE ASK: "Are you currently a member of A-A-R-P?"]

Base: Total n=777	%
Yes	47
No	52
DON'T KNOW	1
REFUSED	<0.5

D5. What is the highest level of education that you completed? [READ OPTIONS]

Base: Total n=777	%
0 to 12 th grade, but with no diploma	6
High school graduate or equivalent	23
Post high school education, but with no degree	13
2 year college degree	17
4 year college degree	22
Post-graduate study, but with no degree	6
Graduate or professional degree	13
DON'T KNOW	<0.5
REFUSED	1

D6. In general, how often do you go online to access the Internet or World Wide Web or to send and receive email? Would you say several times a day, about once a day, 3-5 days a week, 1-2 days a week, once every few weeks, less often than every few weeks, or do you never go online to use the Internet or check email? [READ OPTIONS & ACCEPT MULTIPLE ANSWERS]

Base: Total n=777	<u>%</u>
Several Times a Day	26
About Once a Day	20
3-5 Days a Week	4
1-2 Days a Week	5
Once every few weeks	3
Once a Month or Less,	2
Never go online	39
DON'T KNOW	1
REFUSED	1

D7. Thinking about state elections for [INSERT STATE] Governor and Legislators in the last ten years, which of the following best describes your voting behavior? Would you say you vote...?

Base: Total n=777	<u>%</u>
Always	67
Most of the time	10
About half the time	3
Seldom,	4
Never vote.	12
DON'T KNOW	1
REFUSED	2

D8. How would you rate your health overall?

Base: Total n=777	<u>%</u>
Excellent	18
Very good	33
Good	31
Fair	13
Poor	5
Don't know	<0.5
Refused	1

D9. Which of the following best describes your current employment status? Are you currently....?

Base: Total n=777	<u>%</u>
Self-employed full-time,	10
Self-employed part-time,	5
Employed full-time	21
Employed part-time	6
Retired and not working at all	49
Unemployed, but looking for work	2
Not in the labor force for other reasons	6
DON'T KNOW	<0.5
REFUSED	1

D10. [IF D9 = 3 OR 4] Does your current employer offer retiree health benefits?

Base: Employed full or part time n=216	<u>%</u>
Yes	58
No	37
Not sure [DO NOT READ]	5
REFUSED [DO NOT READ]	-

D11. [IF D9 = 3 OR 4] Are you employed by the state or federal government?

Base: Employed full or part time n=216	<u>%</u>
Yes	34
No	66
Not sure [DO NOT READ]	-
REFUSED [DO NOT READ]	-

D12. Are you of Hispanic, Spanish, or Latino origin or descent?

Base: Total n=777	<u>%</u>
Yes	7
No	91
Not sure [DO NOT READ]	<0.5
REFUSED [DO NOT READ]	1

D13. [FOR HAWAII ONLY] What is your race?

Base: Total n=777	<u>%</u>
White/Caucasian	40
Black/African American	1
Chinese	3
Filipino	9
Hawaiian/part Hawaiian	11
Japanese	18
Other [Please Specify: _____]	16
Not sure [DO NOT READ]	<0.5
REFUSED [DO NOT READ]	2

D14. We realize income is a private matter and so rather than ask anything specifics, I'd like to ask you to please stop me when I get to the category that includes your household's income before taxes in 2006.

Base: Total n=777	<u>%</u>
Less than \$10,000	8
\$10,000 to less than \$20,000	8
\$20,000 to less than \$35,000	11
\$35,000 to less than \$50,000	13
\$50,000 to less than \$60,000	8
\$60,000 to less than \$75,000	8
\$75,000 and above	24
Not sure [DO NOT READ]	7
REFUSED [DO NOT READ]	15

D15. What is your 5-digit zip code? _____

D16. In what county do you live? _____ THANKS AND HAVE A GOOD DAY / NIGHT!



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