

UNDERSTANDING VOTER ATTITUDES TOWARD HOSPITALS & HEALTH CARE

A new public opinion poll of likely voters nationwide highlights their attitudes towards hospitals, the health care industry, and key public policies.

72%



of likely voters have a favorable opinion of hospitals

75%



believe hospitals play an important role in educating & training the nation's physicians

74%



believe hospitals are the leading provider of advanced, specialized care for patients with chronic and complex conditions

65%



believe hospitals provide access to care 24/7 for anyone who needs it, regardless of their circumstances or ability to pay

Likely voters blame the following **most** for rising health care costs:



Pharmaceutical companies



Health insurance companies



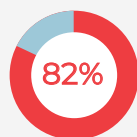
Inflation / Supply chain



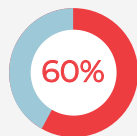
Federal government



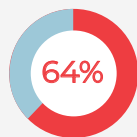
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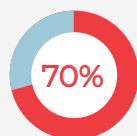
The vast majority believe that the federal government should provide **adequate funding** to ensure hospitals serving rural and underserved communities remain open and are not at risk of closure.



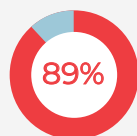
The majority **support** hospitals, clinics, and doctor's offices being able to consolidate.



Most believe hospitals that operate as part of a larger or regional network generally deliver **higher quality care**.



Most likely voters would be **less** likely to vote for their member of Congress in the next election if they supported policies that cut funding for local hospitals.



A majority would be willing to **take action** to support policies that would ensure access to quality care at hospitals.



Methodology: Public opinion survey of n=1,000 likely voters plus a 200-rural likely voter over-sample conducted online by LSG November 6-14, 2023; MOE +/-3%

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