



Prescription Drug

Pricing Poll, conducted

for Prescription Justice by Zogby Analytics

*Margin of error +/- 3.1

- 1. Question:** President Donald Trump recently told reporters that pharmaceutical companies 'are getting away with murder' in relation to high drug prices and how much the federal government pays for medications. Do you agree with President Trump's assessment?

Response	Frequency	Valid Percent	Political Ideology		
			Democrat	Republican	Independent
Yes, I strongly agree with the president	475	47.5%	45.2%	58.5%	37.9%
Yes, I somewhat agree with the president	280	28%	30.1%	26.9%	26.4%
No, I somewhat disagree with the president	54	5.4%	5.1%	4.6%	6.7%
No, I strongly disagree with the president	58	5.8%	9.0%	2.6%	5.2%
I don't know	134	13.4 %	10.5%	7.4%	23.9%
Total	1001	100%	100%	100%	100%

- 2. Question:** Currently, there is a gray area in U.S. law and policy about purchasing pharmaceuticals from outside the U.S. -- U.S. law prohibits the importation of prescription medications for personal use, under most circumstances, but the FDA has a policy of not enforcing that prohibition against individual consumers. Would you be in favor of a change in the law to allow consumers to purchase medicines from Canada or other countries?

Response	Frequency	Valid Percent	Political Ideology		
			Democrat	Republican	Ind
Yes, I strongly favor changing the law	282	28.1%	33.1%	26.1%	24.1%
Yes, I somewhat favor changing the law	240	24.0%	26.6%	27.4%	16.1%
No, I somewhat oppose changing the law, but think the current personal use policy makes sense	78	7.8%	6.6%	7.2%	10.1%
No, I strongly oppose changing the law, and I would change the personal use policy as well	74	7.4%	7.8%	8.3%	6.0%
Don't know/No opinion	327	32.6%	25.9%	31.1%	43.1%



Total	1001	100%	100%	100%	100%
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3. Question: Why do you support a change in the law? (NOTE Said YES to Q2)

Response	Frequency	Valid Percent	Political Ideology		
			Democrat	Republican	Independent
Prescription drugs in the U.S. cost too much	272	52.0%	57.9%	47.5%	47.5%
Consumers should be free to make their own healthcare decisions	182	34.8%	32.2%	40.4%	31.7%
We can purchase other goods from overseas, why can't we buy prescription drugs	52	10.1%	9.3%	7.4%	15.4%
It is more convenient to buy from Canadian or other international online pharmacies	8	1.5%	.5%	1.8%	2.9%
Other	8	1.6%	.2%	2.9%	2.5%
Total	1001	100%	100%	100%	100%

4. Question: What do you think should happen with prescription drugs in the U.S.?

Response	Frequency	Valid Percent	Political Ideology		
			Democrat	Republican	Independent
Nothing, the system works pretty well	100	10%	8.4%	11.6%	10.4%
The system needs modest reforms to keep prices more reasonable	445	44.4%	48.7%	48.0%	34.8%
The system needs a major overhaul; prices are out of line	456	45.5%	43.0%	40.3%	54.8%
Total	1001	100%	100%	100%	100%



5. **Question:** Have you ever been prescribed a specific medication by your doctor, but did not have it filled because of the cost?

	Frequency	Valid Percent	Political Ideology		
			Democrat	Republican	Independent
Yes	296	29.6%	34.0%	28.0%	25.5%
No	660	65.9%	62.1%	71.2%	65.1%
I don't know	45	4.5%	3.9%	.8%	9.5%
Total	1001	100%	100%	100%	100%

6. **Question:** Have you ever had to make a choice between filling a prescription and paying for some other necessity like food or housing costs?

Response	Frequency	Valid Percent	Political Ideology		
			Democrat	Republican	Independent
No	753	75.2%	72.4%	77.6%	76.6%
Yes, I've had to choose between filling a prescription and paying for other necessities	248	24.8%	27.6%	22.4%	23.4%
Total	1001	100%	100%	100%	100%

7. **Question:** How would you characterize the cost of prescription drugs in the U.S.?

Response	Frequency	Valid Percent	Political Ideology		
			Democrat	Republican	Independent
Way too high	497	49.6%	56.3%	44.6%	46.6%
High	292	29.1%	26.5%	30.6%	31.0%
Expensive, but worth it	98	9.8%	7.8%	11.2%	10.8%
About right	87	8.7%	7.5%	12.6%	5.7%
Would be willing to pay more	4	.4%	.3%	.9%	0%
Low, prescriptions should cost more	24	2.4%	1.6%	.1%	6.0%
Total	1001	100%	100%	100%	100%

8. **Question:** How would you characterize pharmaceutical companies that operate in the U.S.? (Choose all that apply)

Response	Frequency	Valid Percent	Political Ideology		
			Democrat	Republican	Independent



They provide lifesaving medications	389	38.9%	39.3%	45.6%	30.6%
They make significant investments in R&D for medications	269	26.8%	21.6%	32.7%	27.0%
They charge too much for medications	561	56%	60.8%	57.5%	48.1%
They price gouge and put profits over patients	515	51.5%	59.4%	46.8%	46.5%
No opinion	141	14.1%	8.5%	10.6%	25.5%
Total	1001	100%	100%	100%	100%

9. Question: Have you, or anyone you know, ever imported prescription medication(s) for personal use from a Canadian or other international online pharmacy?

Response	Frequency	Valid Percent	Political Ideology		
			Democrat	Republican	Independen
Yes, I currently get my prescription medications from a Canadian or other international online pharmacy	42	4.2%	4.8%	4.9%	2.5%
Yes, I have imported prescription medications for my own use from a Canadian or other international online pharmacy in the past	68	6.8%	7.4%	7.9%	4.6%
No, I have never imported prescription medications from an international online pharmacy.	736	73.6%	75.5%	76.1%	68.1%
I don't know	155	15.5%	12.2%	11.1%	24.8%
Total	1001	100%	100%	100%	100%



10. Question: Which of the following describe why you purchased your medication from a Canadian or other International online pharmacy? (Choose all that apply) (NOTE said YES to Q9)

Response	Frequency	Valid Percent	Political Ideology		
			Democrat	Republican	Indepen
I have better access to prescription medication through international online pharmacies	37	34.0%	54.2%	19.2%	18.8%
It costs less for me to shop for prescription medications outside the U.S.	61	56.1%	42.0%	71.6%	56.3%
It is more convenient to order online and have my medications sent directly to my house.	19	17.0%	15.8%	7.1%	39.9%
I could not afford my medication(s) otherwise.	20	18.1%	14.6%	21.6%	18.7%
Total	109	100%	100%	100%	100%

11. Question: Did the online pharmacy require a valid prescription from your doctor or other healthcare provider? (NOTE said yes to Q9)

Response	Frequency	Valid Percent	Political Ideology		
			Democrat	Republican	Indepe
Yes	83	76.2%	72.4%	88.2%	60.0%
No	26	23.8%	27.6%	11.8%	40.0%
Total	109	100%	100%	100%	100%

Demographics

	Political Affiliation	Race
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Demographic Information	Democrat	Republican	Independent	White	Hispanic	African American
# of Respondents	380	330	290	664	127	117