



# Health Coverage, Access, and Affordability Amid Federal Instability

Assembly and Senate Health Informational Hearing

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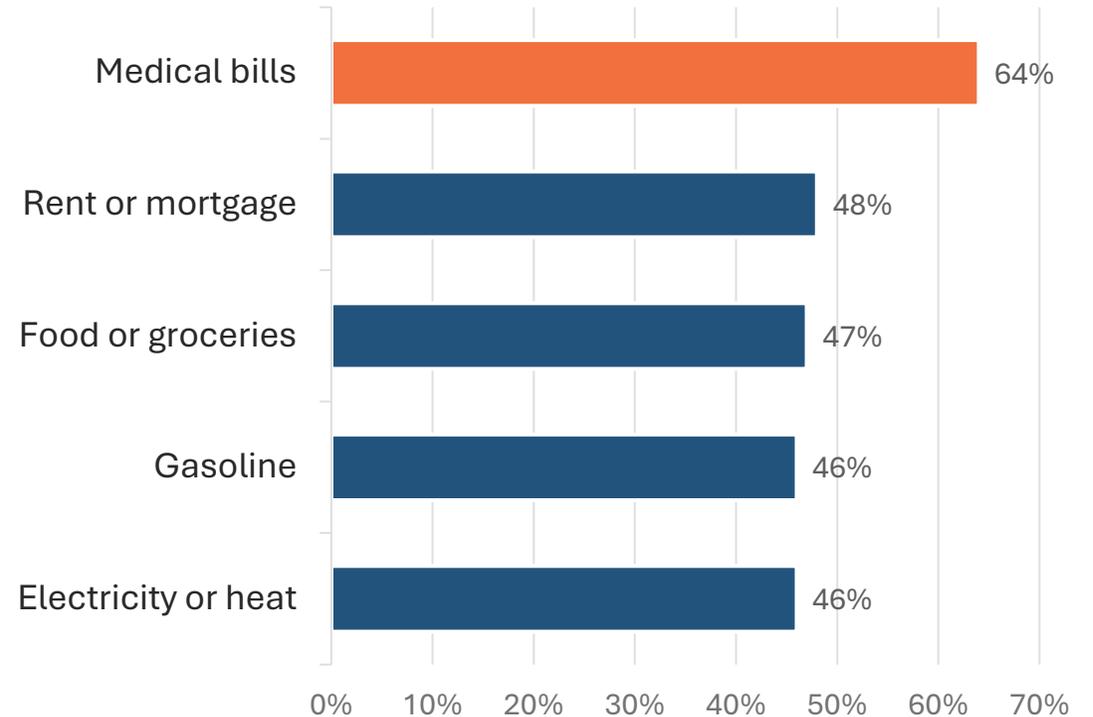
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# Health Care Costs Causing Economic Hardship for Large Majority of Californians

**Six in 10 Californians Skipped or Delayed Care Due to Cost Last Year**

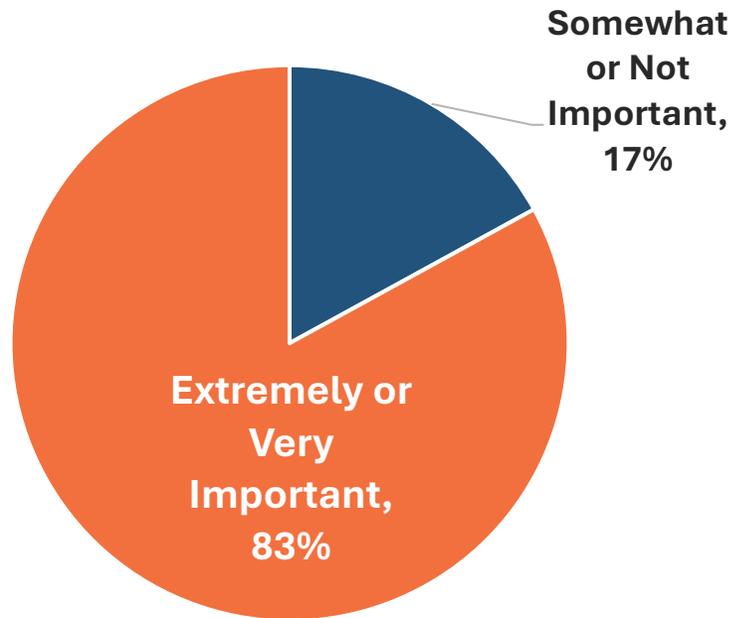


**Health Care Costs are Californians' #1 Worry**

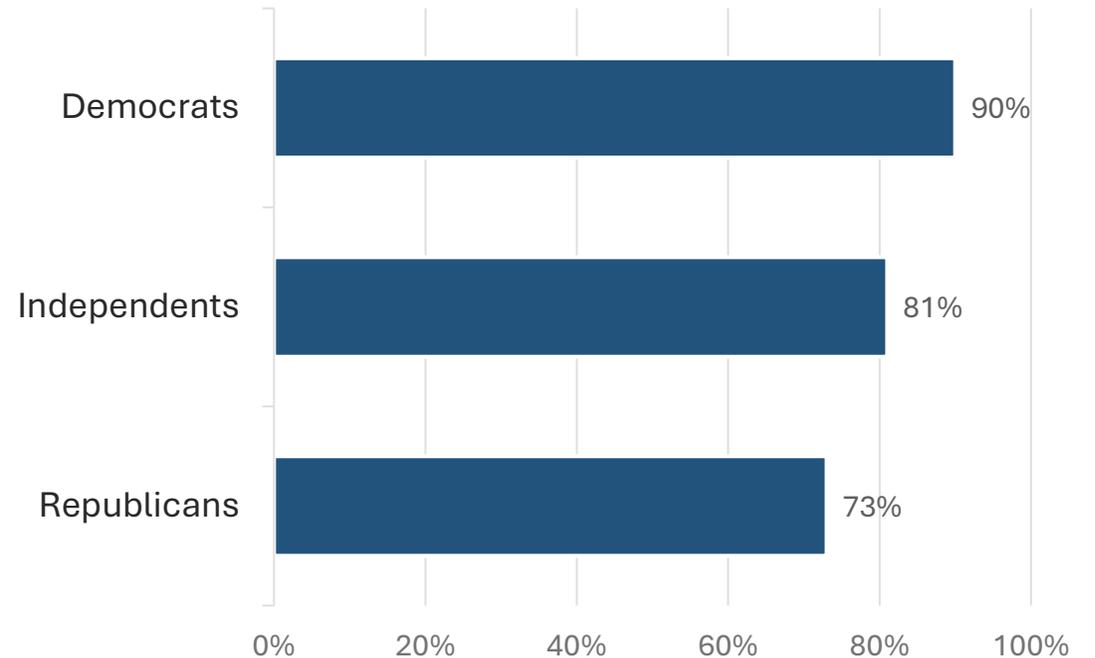


# Health Care Affordability is Californians' Top Policy Priority for the Legislature and Governor in 2026

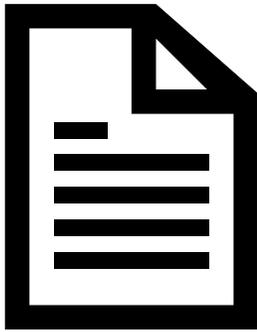
**Eight in 10 Californians Say Health Care Affordability is an Important Priority**



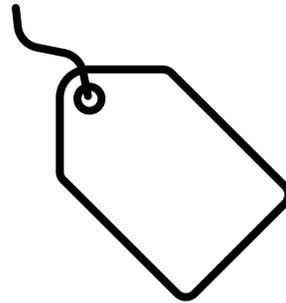
**Health Care Affordability Important to Republicans, Independents, and Democrats**



# System-Level Drivers of the Affordability Crisis



Paperwork  
(Administrative  
Complexity)  
28-35%



Prices  
(No Competition)  
26-30%



Prevention  
(Not Enough  
Primary Care)  
14-18%