

AARP

Washington State Long-Term Care Trust Act Survey

Questionnaire Annotation

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Market: Statewide Washington

Screening Criteria: Age 18+, current resident of WA, registered voter in WA

7 minutes

Voter list, 30% cell phone/70% landline

n=600 (n=200 AARP members, n=200 age 50+, n=200 age 18-49)

All data have been weighted according to U.S. Census voting and registration data, released May 2017, and AARP member penetration.

S1. Our study is interested in the opinions of certain age groups. Could you please tell me your age as of your last birthday? [IN YEARS] _____

%	n=613
0	Under 18 [TERMINATE]
9	18-24
15	25-34
23	35-49
12	50-55
20	56-64
13	65-74
8	75+
0	Don't know/ refused [TERMINATE]

S2. And are you registered to vote in Washington state?

%	n=613
100	Yes
0	No [TERMINATE]
0	Don't know/ refused [TERMINATE]

It is estimated that about half of older Americans will need assistance with activities of daily living such as bathing, dressing, and getting in and out of bed at some point in their lives. The cost for this assistance is not covered by Medicare and can be very expensive.

The Washington State Legislature is currently considering a bill called the "Long Term Care Trust Act" that would provide a \$100 per day benefit (up to a maximum of 365 days) that could be used to pay for assistance with activities of daily living. The benefit would be funded by a 1/2 percent payroll tax paid by all workers, which means someone earning \$50,000 a year would pay about \$21 dollars a month. To qualify for the benefit, workers would have to pay into the fund for a total of ten years and need help with three or more activities of daily living like bathing, dressing, and getting in and out of bed. Individuals currently retired or out of the work force would not pay into the system and would not be eligible for the benefit.

Q1. How much do you support or oppose the concept of Washington state creating a Long Term Care Trust that would help Washingtonians pay for help with activities of daily living as they age? [READ LIST]

%	n=613
30	Strongly support
44	Somewhat support
10	Somewhat oppose
11	Strongly oppose
6	Don't know/ refused (DO NOT READ)

Q2. How much do you support or oppose creating the Long Term Care Trust if it means all workers would contribute to the trust through a one-half percent payroll tax? For example, if you earn \$50,000 annually, you would pay about \$21 dollars a month. [READ LIST]

%	n=613
25	Strongly support
36	Somewhat support
16	Somewhat oppose
18	Strongly oppose
5	Don't know/ refused (DO NOT READ)

Q3. If the election were held today and the Long-Term Care Trust Act was on the ballot, how likely would you be to vote for it? [READ LIST]

%	n=613
29	Very likely
34	Somewhat likely
13	Not very likely
19	Not at all likely
6	Don't know/ refused (DO NOT READ)

Q4. One change being considered to the Long Term Care Trust Act is to allow current retirees the option to voluntarily pay a monthly premium to become eligible. How much do you support or oppose giving current retirees the option to pay a monthly premium to become eligible to receive benefits? [READ LIST]

%	n=613
35	Strongly support
36	Somewhat support
13	Somewhat oppose
12	Strongly oppose
5	Don't know/ refused (DO NOT READ)

D1. Record gender. [ASK ONLY IF ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY: “To ensure it is recorded accurately, could you please state your gender?”]

%	n=613
47	Male
53	Female
0	Don't know/ refused

D2. How would you rate your own political ideology? Would you consider yourself to be....? [READ LIST]

%	n=613
10	Very conservative
19	Conservative
32	Moderate
20	Liberal
12	Very liberal
7	Don't know/ refused (DO NOT READ)

D3. Are you or your spouse a member of AARP?

%	n=613
24	Yes
74	No
2	Don't know/ refused

D4. We realize income is a private matter and so rather than ask you anything specific about your income, 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 2017. Was it...? [READ LIST IN ORDER UNTIL STOPPED]

%	n=613
9	Less than \$15,000
14	\$15,000 to less than \$30,000
10	\$30,000 to less than \$40,000
13	\$40,000 to less than \$50,000
9	\$50,000 to less than \$60,000
10	\$60,000 to less than \$75,000
12	\$75,000 to less than \$100,000
9	\$100,000 to less than \$150,000
6	\$150,000 or more
8	Don't know/ refused (DO NOT READ)