

Kansas Statewide Survey

**Key findings from a statewide survey
of 500 likely voters in Kansas,
conducted February 18-21, 2016.**



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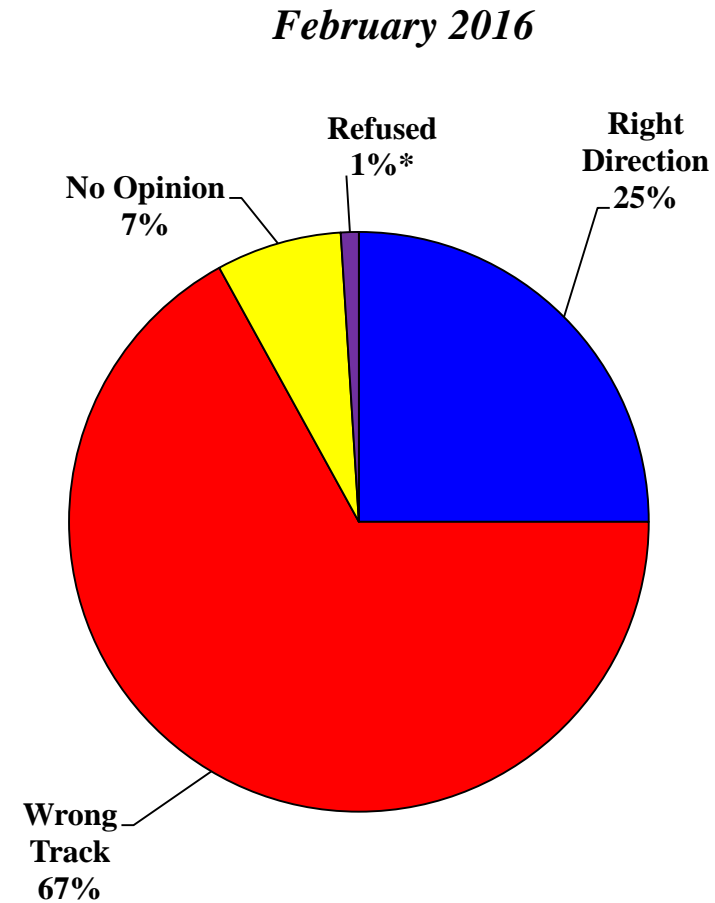
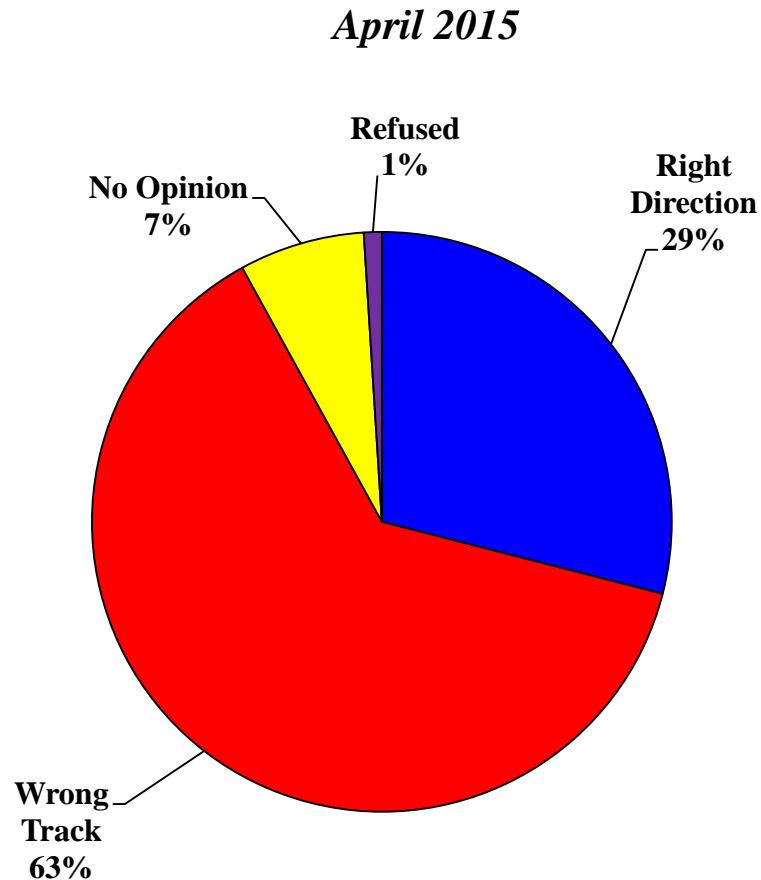
Methodology

Public Opinion Strategies is pleased to present the key findings of a statewide telephone survey conducted in Kansas. The survey was completed February 18-21, 2016 among 500 likely voters, including 200 cell phone respondents, and has a margin of error of +4.38%.

Glen Bolger was the principal researcher on this project. Kyle Clark was the project director, and Ryan Garikes provided analytical support.

Likely voters in Kansas are pessimistic about the direction of the state

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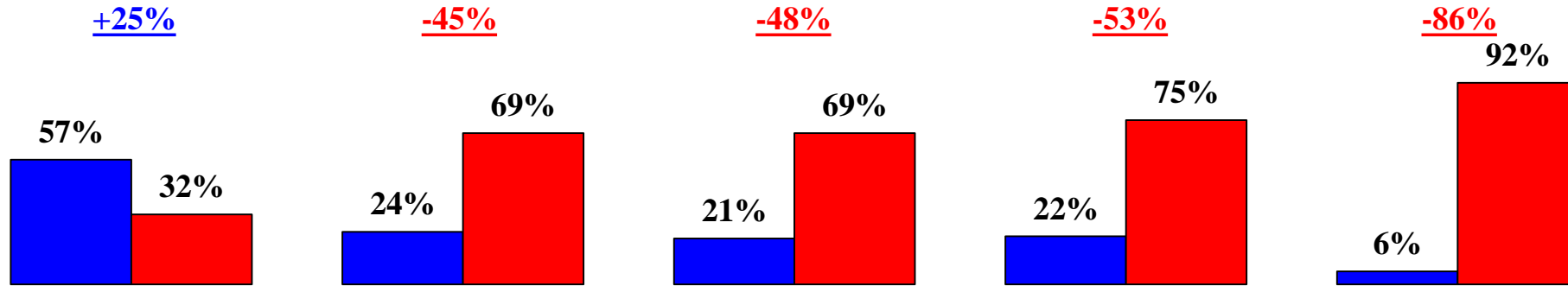
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Base Republicans are no longer confident Kansas is headed in the right direction

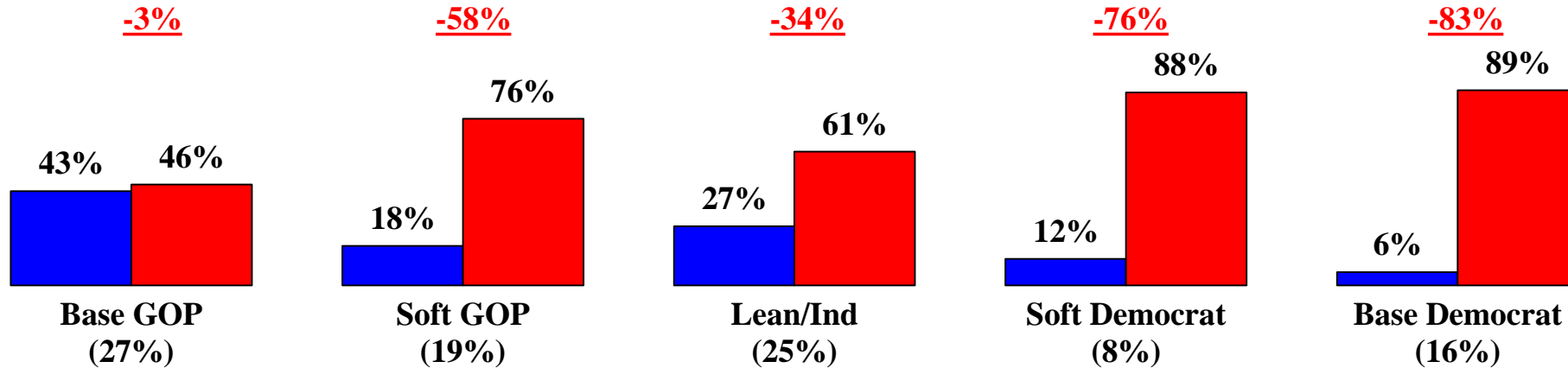
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By Party

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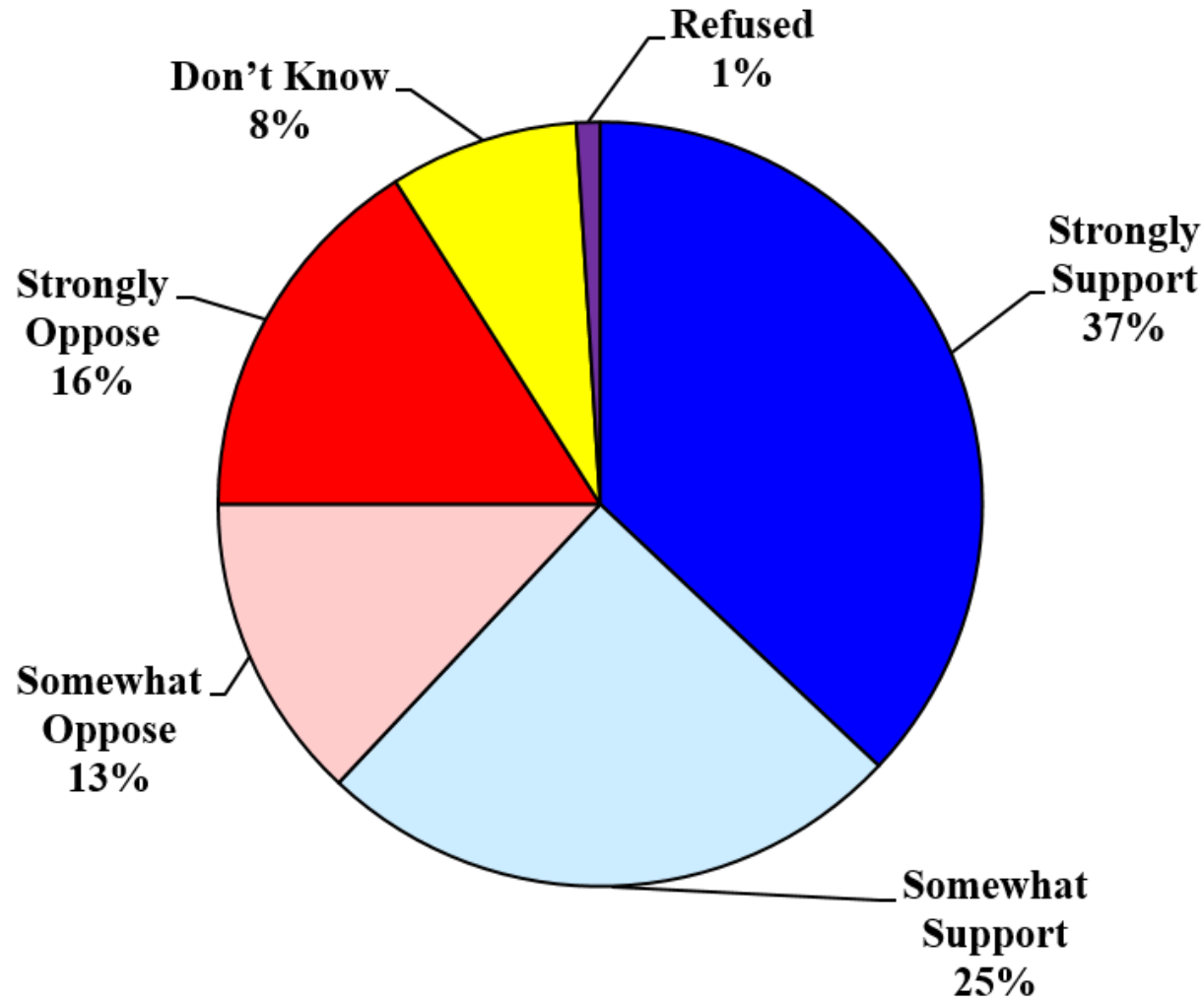
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■ Right Direction ■ Wrong Track

Most Kansans Support Expanding KanCare

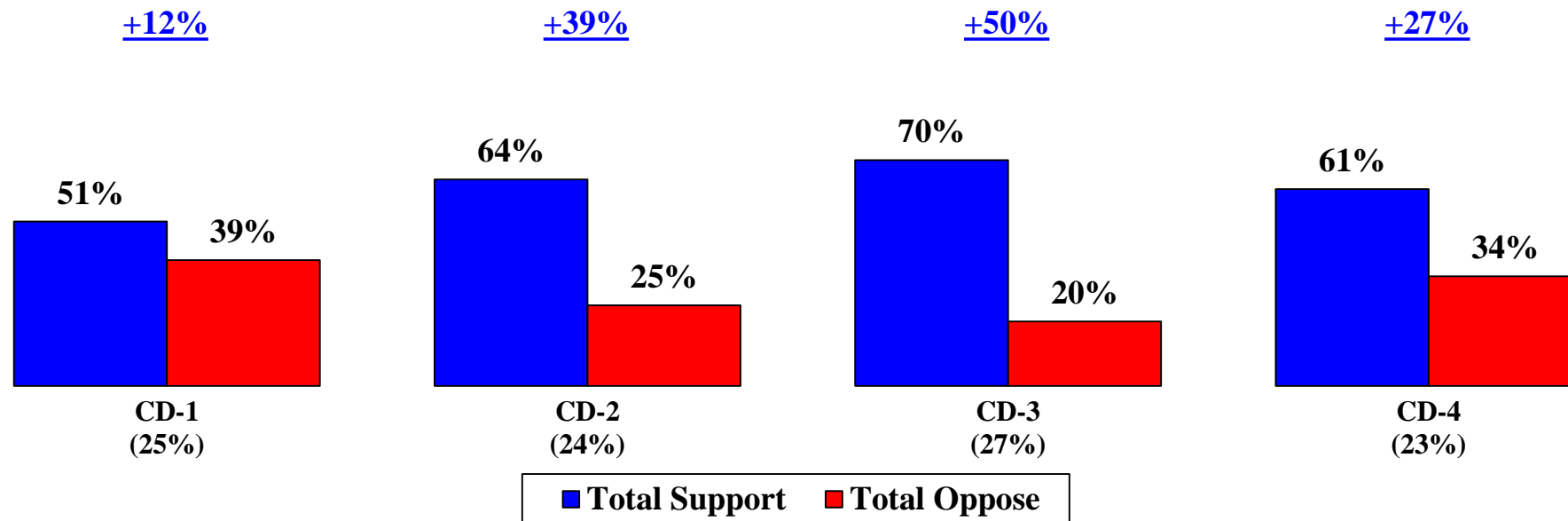
“As you may know, Medicaid is a federal and state health insurance program for low-income people and some other needy populations. It is funded by state and federal funds. The federal health reform law allows states to expand Medicaid to cover individuals who have an income level up to fifteen thousand six hundred fifty-four dollars annually or one hundred thirty eight percent of the federal poverty level. It is estimated this expansion would provide coverage to an additional one hundred fifty thousand Kansans. Do you support or oppose expanding the Kansas Medicaid program, also known as KanCare?”



Total Support:	62%
Total Oppose:	29%

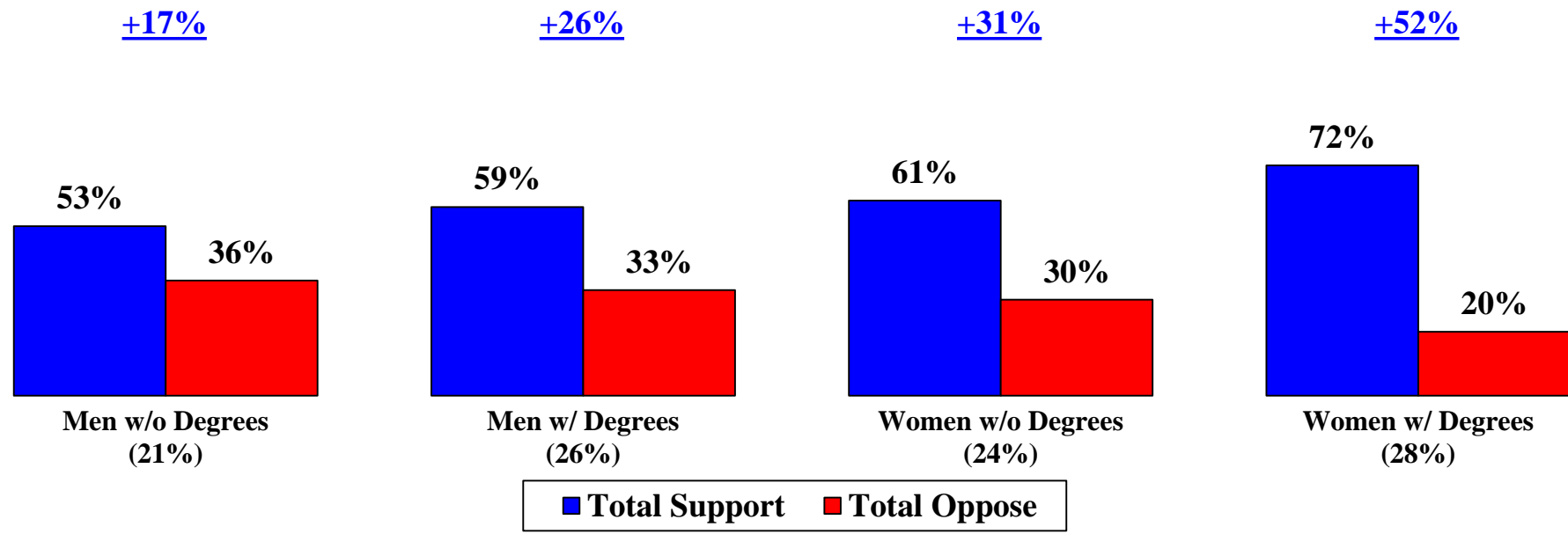
A majority of voters support expanding KanCare in all four Congressional districts

KanCare Expansion by Congressional District

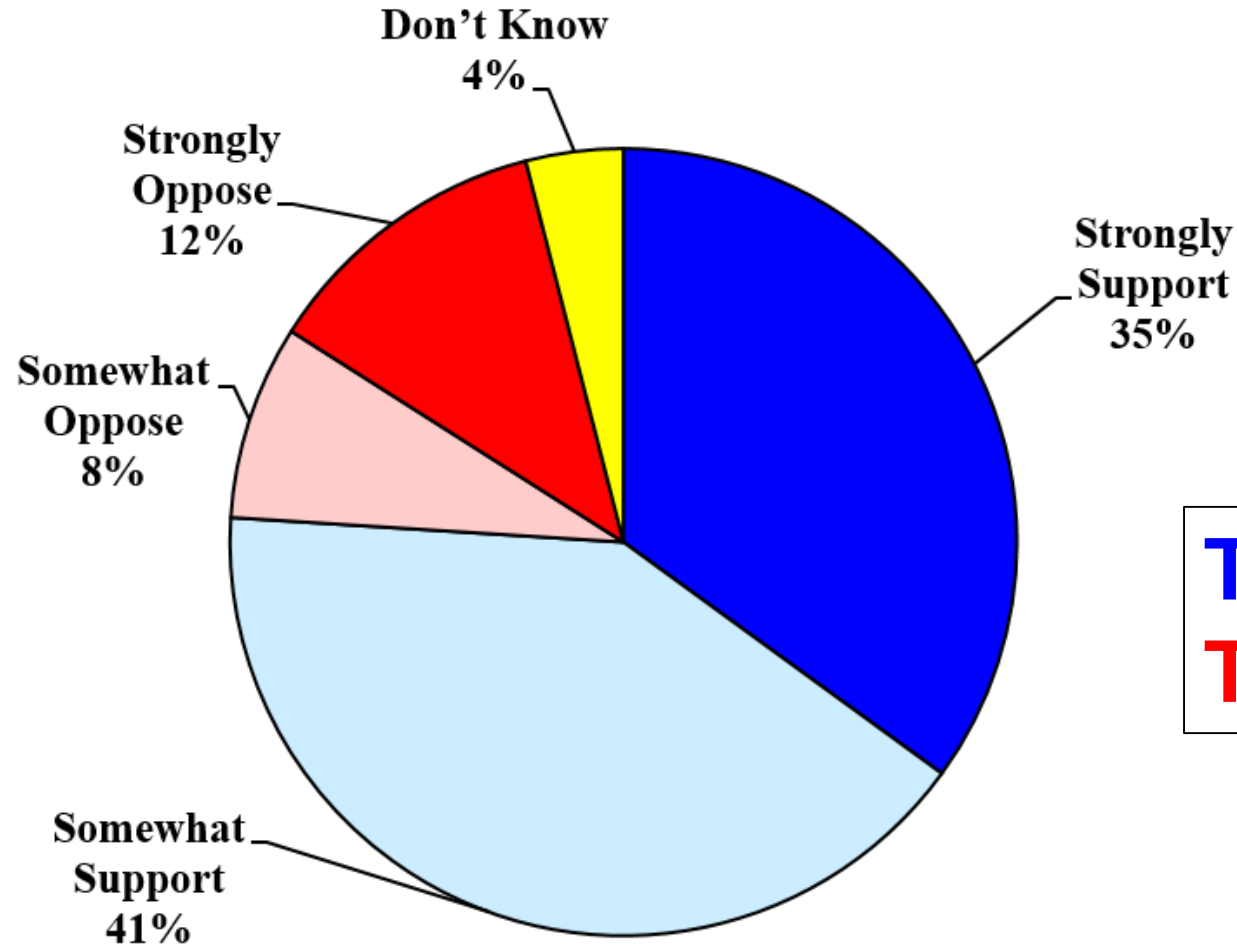


Women and Men, with and without Degrees Support Expanding KanCare

KanCare Expansion by Education/Gender



Kansans overwhelmingly support a budget-neutral program within KanCare

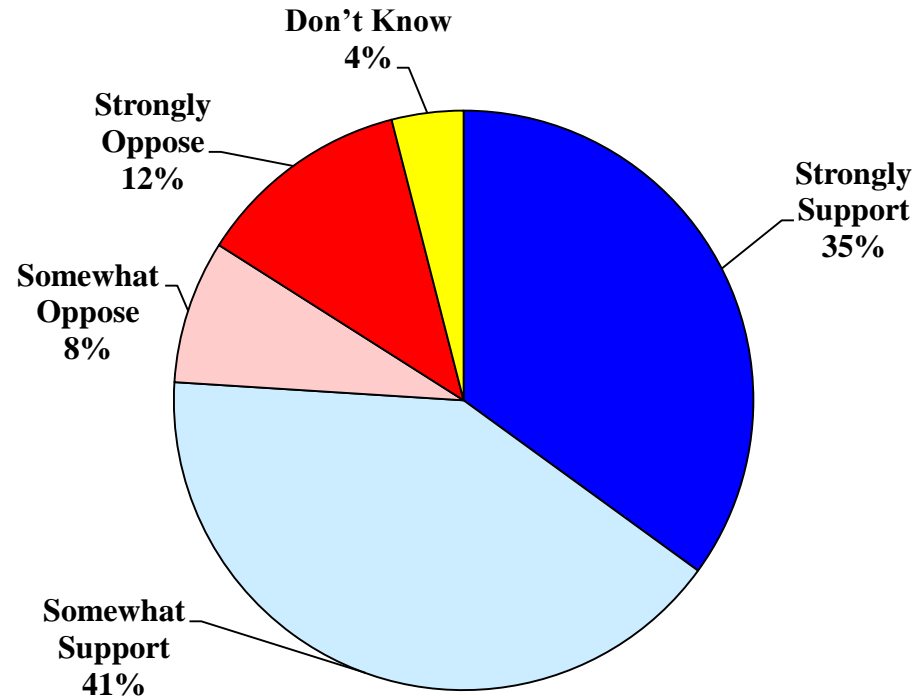


Total Support:	76%
Total Oppose:	20%

All Parties Support a Unique Kansas Solution to Expanding KanCare

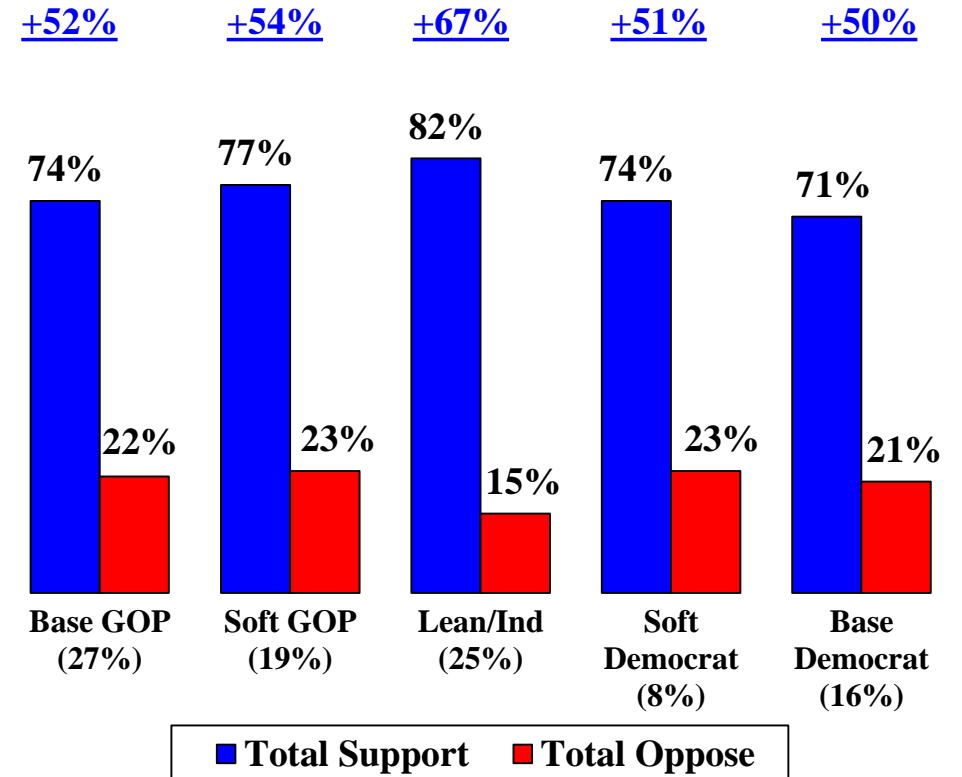
“In January 2016, the Kansas Legislature was presented with new legislation that proposes a new, budget-neutral program – a bridge within the current KanCare program that would make health care coverage accessible for approximately one hundred fifty thousand Kansans who do not earn enough to afford private insurance today. This program has eligibility requirements. Participants must be legal residents or U.S. citizens and full-time residents of the state of Kansas. Participants must work twenty or more hours per week; those who do not work at least twenty hours a week must be involved in work training, or they must be a student or stay-at-home parent to be eligible. Participants must demonstrate personal responsibility by paying a portion of the cost of their health care. Knowing this, do you support or oppose this program that expands KanCare?”

Total Support: 76%
Total Oppose: 20%



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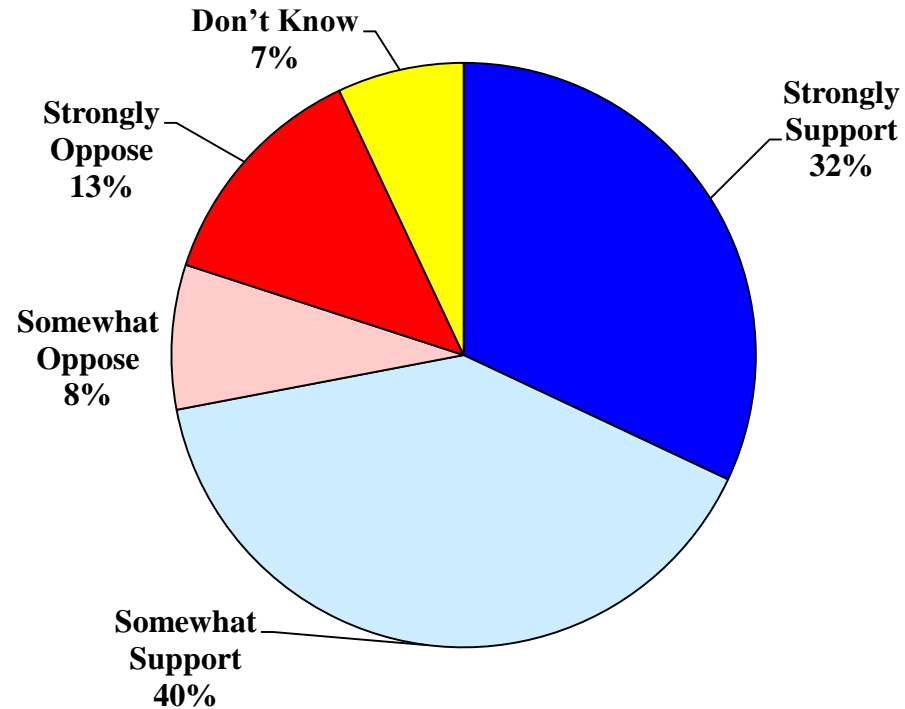
The Bridge to a Healthy Kansas by Party



Voters are pleased to know KanCare is not part of Obamacare but a unique Kansas solution

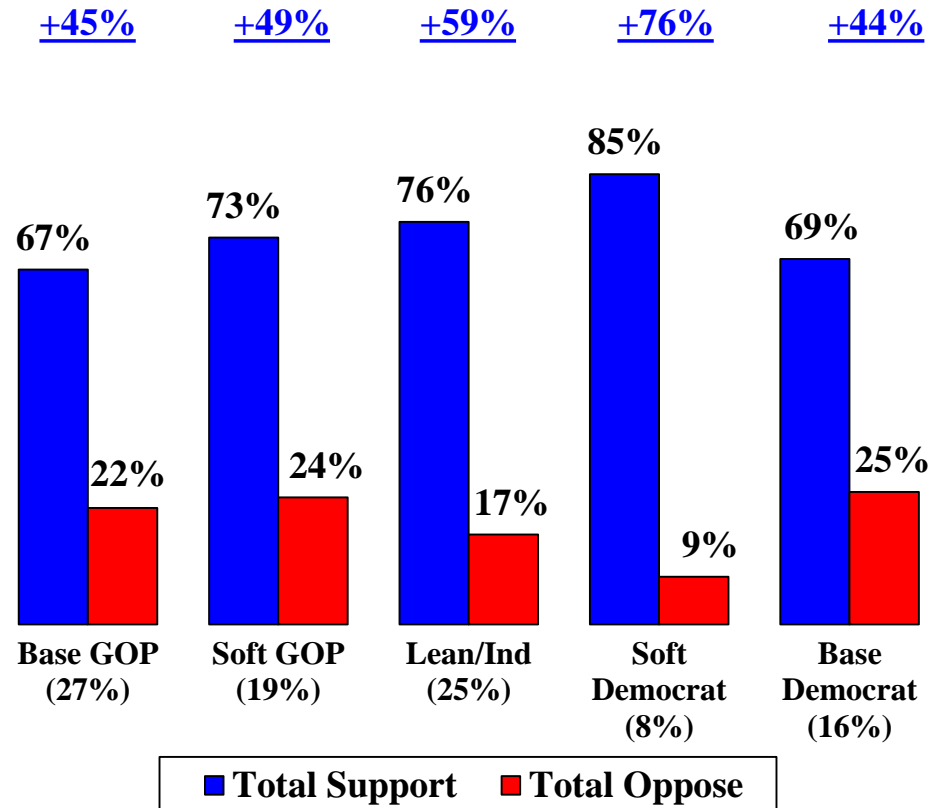
“This legislation to expand KanCare is not Obamacare, but a unique Kansas solution that is budget-neutral and does not require use of State General Funds. In fact, according to independent, third-party analyses, it is more likely to produce a net financial gain for Kansas. This program creates a path to health and personal responsibility for one hundred fifty thousand low-income, hardworking Kansans. Knowing this, do you support or oppose this legislation?”

Total Support: 72%
Total Oppose: 20%*



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Unique Kansas Solution by Party



For more information about this statewide survey:



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