COLORADO HEALTH FOUNDATION 2022 PULSE SURVEY
320-1003 WT - PHASE 2
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Hello, I'm _____ from _____, a public opinion research company. We are not telemarketers trying to sell anything, or ask for a donation of any type. We're conducting a public opinion survey about issues that concern people in Colorado. May I speak to the youngest adult **(ROTATE) male/female** resident of the household? **(IF RESPONDENT ANSWERS IN SPANISH OR PREFERS TO ANSWER IN SPANISH, PLEASE TRANSFER TO A BILINGUAL INTERVIEWER.**)

A.   Before we begin, I need to know if I have reached you on a cell phone, and if so, are you in a place where you can talk safely without endangering others?

        Yes, cell and can talk safely -- 92%
        Yes, cell and cannot talk safely ------------------------------- **TERMINATE**
        No, not on cell ---8%
        (DON'T READ) DK/NA/REFUSED----------------------- **TERMINATE**

1.   First, do you live in Colorado?
                                Yes --100%
                                No --------------------------------------**TERM.**
                                (DON'T READ) DK/NA------------**TERM.**

2.   Does anyone in your household work for a radio station, a television station, a newspaper, an elected official, or as an official political campaign worker?

                                Yes -------------------------------------**TERM.**
                                No --100%
                                (DON'T READ) DK/NA------------**TERM.**

3.   Which county do you live in? **(OPEN-ENDED, THEN CODE/DROP-DOWN ONLINE)**

4.   What is your ZIP Code? **(OPEN-ENDED)** ____ ____ ____ ____ ____

THESE FIRST QUESTIONS ARE TO MAKE SURE WE ARE REACHING A REPRESENTATIVE GROUP OF COLORADANS.

5.   What is your age?

Under 18 ----------------------- **TERMINATE**
18-24 ---9%
25-29 -- 10%
30-34 -- 10%
35-39 -- 10%
40-44 ---8%
45-49 ---8%
50-54 ---8%
55-59 ---8%
60-64 ---8%
65-69 ---7%
70-74 ---6%
75+ --8%
Prefer not to say ---------------------------1%

6.   What is your gender?

Male-- 48%
Female-------------------------------------- 48%
Non-binary----------------------------------2%
(DON'T READ) DK/NA------------------3%

7.   With which racial or ethnic group do you identify yourself: **(READ LIST, ACCEPT MULTIPLE RESPONSES)**

African/African American/Black ---------------------------3%
Asian/Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander ------------------4%
Hispanic/Latino --- 18%
White/Caucasian -- 70%
American Indian/Native American/Indigenous -----------5%
Middle Eastern and North African-------------------------0%
Multiracial ---4%
Other (**Specify____**)-------------------------------------1%
(DON'T READ) DK/NA -----------------------------------6%

(IF Q7 = CODE 2, ASIAN AMERICAN/PACIFIC ISLANDER) (n=108)
8.   More specifically, would you say that you are: **(READ LIST AND ACCEPT MULTIPLE RESPONSES):**

> Chinese ------------------------------------- 19%
> Filipino -------------------------------------- 14%
> Indian or South Asian--------------------- 20%
> Japanese ------------------------------------ 12%
> Korean--------------------------------------- 20%
> Vietnamese---------------------------------- 17%
> Native Hawaiian ----------------------------6%
> Pacific Islander-----------------------------5%
> Other (**Specify___)**--------------------------5%
> **(DON'T READ)** DK/NA/Refused ----- 17%

(IF Q7= CODE 3, HISPANIC/LATINO) (n=550)
9.   More specifically, would you say that you identify as: **(READ LIST AND ACEPT MULTIPLE RESPONSES):**

> Mexican, Mexican American or Chicano------------------------ 67%
> Puerto Rican ---7%
> Cuban ---2%
> Central American (for example, Guatemalan, Salvadoran) -----6%
> South American (for example, Colombian, Ecuadorian) --------3%
> Caribbean (for example, Dominican) ------------------------------1%
> Another Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin (**Specify**) ------- 10%
> **(DON'T READ)** DK/NA/REFUSED--------------------------- 10%

(IF Q7= CODE 1, AFRICAN AMERICAN/BLACK) (n=95)
10.   More specifically, would you say that you identify as: **(READ LIST AND ACCEPT MULTIPLE RESPONSES):**

> African American------------------------- 53%
> Black------------------------------------- 50%
> African ----------------------------------- 10%
> Afro Caribbean ------------------------------0%
> Afro Latino -----------------------------------5%
> Afro Asian ------------------------------------1%
> Other (**Specify___)**-------------------------1%
> **(DON'T READ)** DK/NA/Refused -------6%

(RESUME ASKING ALL RESPONDENTS)

11.   Do you have health insurance? **(IF YES, ASK:** What is your primary health insurance plan? **(READ CODES 1-8)**

Plan through your employer ------------- 37%
Plan through spouse's employer -------- 10%
Plan through parents -----------------------4%
Plan you purchased yourself--------------7%
Medicare ----------------------------------- 17%
Medicaid/Health First Colorado -------- 10%
Military/Veterans' Administration--------3%
Another plan--------------------------------3%
No health insurance ------------------------6%
(DON'T KNOW/NA)----------------------2%

12.   [OMITTED]

THE NEXT QUESTIONS ARE ABOUT LIFE IN COLORADO.

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13.   [OMITTED]

14.   I'd like to read you some problems facing Colorado that people have mentioned. For each one I read, please tell me whether you think it is an extremely serious problem, a very serious problem, somewhat serious problem, or not too serious a problem in Colorado. **(RANDOMIZE)**

		EXT SER PROB	VERY SER PROB	SMWT SER PROB	NOT TOO SER PROB	(DON'T READ) DK/NA	*EXT/ VERY*
[ ]a.	[OMITTED]						
(SPLIT SAMPLE A ONLY)							
[ ]b.	[OMITTED]						
[ ]c.	[OMITTED]						
[ ]d.	[OMITTED]						
[ ]e.	[OMITTED]						
[ ]f.	[OMITTED]						
[ ]g.	**(T)** The cost of health care	38%	29%	22%	10%	2%	*67%*
[ ]h.	[OMITTED]						
(SPLIT SAMPLE B ONLY)							
[ ]i.	[OMITTED]						
[ ]j.	[OMITTED]						
[ ]k.	[OMITTED]						
[ ]l.	**(T)** Drug and alcohol use	28%	30%	26%	12%	4%	*58%*
[ ]m.	**(T)** Mental health	30%	33%	28%	7%	2%	*63%*
[ ]n.	[OMITTED]						
[ ]o.	[OMITTED]						

(RESUME ASKING ALL RESPONDENTS)

15.   [OMITTED]

16.   Next, please tell me whether you - or someone you know - has been treated unfairly in any of the following situations here in Colorado as a result of their race or ethnicity: **(RANDOMIZE)**

		YES	NO	(DON'T READ) DK/NA
[ ]a.	[OMITTED]			
[ ]b.	[OMITTED]			
[ ]c.	[OMITTED]			
[ ]d.	When seeking health care services	21%	64%	16%

THE NEXT QUESTIONS ARE ABOUT YOUR PERSONAL CIRCUMSTANCES. I'D LIKE TO REMIND YOU THAT THIS SURVEY IS CONFIDENTIAL.

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17.   [OMITTED]

18.   [OMITTED]

(RANDOMIZE Q19-Q22)

19.   [OMITTED]

20.   **(T)** Thinking ahead over the next year, how worried are you that you or someone else in your household will be without health insurance coverage? **(READ LIST)**

TOTAL WORRIED	**37%**
Very worried	17%
Somewhat worried	20%
TOTAL NOT WORRIED	**61%**
Not too worried	25%
Not at all worried	36%
(DON'T READ) DK/NA	2%

21.   [OMITTED]

22.   [OMITTED]

23.   In the last 12 months, have you experienced any of the following? **(RANDOMIZE)**

		YES	NO	(DON'T READ) DK/NA
[ ]a.	[OMITTED]			
[ ]b.	**(T)** Postponed medical or dental care	45%	54%	1%

24.   [OMITTED]

25.   [OMITTED]

26.   [OMITTED]

27.   [OMITTED]

28.   [OMITTED]

29.   In the last year, have you experienced mental health strain such as anxiety, depression, loneliness, or stress?

Yes	61%
No	36%
(DON'T READ) DK/NA	3%

(ASK IF Q30 = CODE 1 IN Q29 ONLY) (n=1819)

30.   Now, here are some reasons that some people who live in Colorado have been unable to get access to the mental health care they needed. For each one, please tell me if this was a major challenge, minor challenge, or not a challenge for you or a family member in accessing mental health services. **(RANDOMIZE)**

		MAJOR CHALL	MINOR CHALL	NOT A CHALL	(DK/NA)	MAJOR/ MINOR
[ ]a.	Unsure how to find a mental health care provider	24%	26%	43%	7%	50%
[ ]b.	The services were too expensive out of pocket	47%	20%	23%	11%	66%
[ ]c.	There were no available appointments, or the wait to get services was too long	32%	26%	26%	17%	57%
[ ]d.	Concerns about privacy or having to disclose too much personal information	20%	22%	52%	6%	42%
[ ]e.	Concerns about being judged by family members, friends, or coworkers	19%	19%	57%	5%	38%
[ ]f.	Not being able to find a mental health care provider who would be understanding of your or your family member's background or experiences	24%	26%	38%	12%	50%
[ ]g.	Not feeling comfortable speaking to a stranger about mental health concerns	20%	29%	45%	6%	49%

(RESUME ASKING ALL RESPONDENTS)

31.   Here are some actions that some people say will improve mental health in Colorado. After I read each one, please tell me how effective you think it will be in improving mental health: very effective, somewhat effective, or not too effective. **(RANDOMIZE)**

		VERY EFF	SMWT EFF	NOT TOO EFF	(DK/NA)	*VERY/ SMWT*
[ ]a.	Creating more options for people to access mental health care where they live	51%	33%	10%	5%	*85%*
[ ]b.	Requiring health insurance companies to cover more mental health services <u>without</u> requiring copays	54%	26%	15%	5%	*80%*
[ ]c.	Pairing mental health professionals with law enforcement to respond to mental health emergency calls	46%	31%	18%	6%	*77%*

(ROTATE Q26-Q28 WITH Q29-Q31 AND Q32-Q34)

NOW I WOULD LIKE TO ASK ABOUT YOUR USE OF ALCOHOL OR DRUGS OVER THE PAST YEAR.

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32.   In the past year, would you say the amount of alcohol or drugs you consume has: **(READ LIST)**

Increased ----------------------------------- 13%
Stayed the same --------------------------- 52%
Decreased --------------------------------- 27%
(DON'T READ) DK/NA -----------------7%

33.   And in the past year, have you ever felt worried about the amount of alcohol or drugs you consume?

Yes -- 13%
No --- 83%
(DON'T READ) DK/NA -----------------4%

34.   Here are some actions that some people say will address increasing rates of alcohol and drug use in Colorado. After I read each one, please tell me how effective you think it will be in decreasing alcohol and drug use: very effective, somewhat effective, or not too effective. **(RANDOMIZE)**

		VERY EFF	SMWT EFF	NOT TOO EFF	(DK/NA)	*VERY/ SMWT*
[ ]a.	Investing in programs to prevent people from abusing alcohol and drugs	30%	38%	27%	5%	*68%*
[ ]b.	Making treatment for addiction more affordable and more easily available	50%	31%	14%	5%	*81%*
[ ]c.	Connecting people trying to recover from addiction with support from other people like them	42%	39%	12%	7%	*81%*
[ ]d.	Sending people to treatment, not to jails or prisons, if they've committed a crime related to alcohol or drug use	35%	32%	27%	6%	*67%*

HERE ARE MY LAST QUESTIONS, AND THEY ARE FOR STATISTICAL PURPOSES ONLY.

35.   Next, which of the following best describes your current employment status?

Employed full-time ------------------------ 51%
Employed part-time ------------------------7%
Self-employed -------------------------------9%
Gig worker-----------------------------------1%
Homemaker----------------------------------3%
Retired--------------------------------------- 19%
Student--3%
Unemployed ---------------------------------6%
(DK/NA) -------------------------------------2%

36.   Some people are registered to vote in Colorado, but many others, for a variety of reasons, are not. Are you currently registered to vote in Colorado? **(IF YES, ASK:** With which political party are you registered?)

Registered as a Democrat --------------- 26%
Registered as a Republican -------------- 21%
Registered as Unaffiliated ---------------- 40%
Registered with another party -------------2%
Not registered to vote ----------------------3%
(DON'T READ) DK/Refused -----------7%

(ASK Q37 IF CODE 1-4 IN Q36) (n=2668)
37.   How likely are you to vote in the November 2022 election? **(READ LIST)**

Definitely will vote ------------------------------ 83%
Probably will vote -----------------------------------9%
50-50 chance --5%
Probably will not vote -----------------------------2%
Definitely will not vote ----------------------------0%
(DON'T READ) DK/Refused --------------------0%

38.   OMITTED

39.   What was the last level of school you completed?

High school or less ------------------------ 23%
Some college/Business/
 Vocational school ------------------------ 31%
College graduate -------------------------- 27%
Post-graduate work/
 Professional school ---------------------- 16%
(DON'T READ) Refused ----------------- 2%

40.   I don't need to know the exact amount, but I'm going to read you some categories for household income. Would you please stop me when I have read the category indicating the total combined income for all the people in your household before taxes in 2021?

Less than $20,000 ------------------------- 7%
$20,000 to less than $30,000 ------------- 4%
$30,000 to less than $40,000 ------------- 5%
$40,000 to less than $50,000 ------------- 6%
$50,000 to less than $75,000 ------------ 13%
$75,000 to less than $90,000 ------------- 8%
$90,000 to less than $100,000 ------------ 5%
$100,000 to less than $150,000 --------- 17%
More than $150,000 --------------------- 19%
(DON'T READ) Refused --------------- 16%

41.   How many <u>adults</u> currently live in your household, including yourself? **(ENTER NUMBER, CODE 99 FOR REFUSED)**

1 -- 19%
2 -- 40%
3 -- 16%
4 --- 9%
5+--- 4%
BLANK ---------------------------------- 12%

42.   Do you speak a language other than English at home?

Yes -- 21%
No --- 76%
DON'T READ) DK/Refused ------------- 3%

43.   Do you live with one or more disabilities?

Yes -- 22%
No --- 73%
DON'T READ) DK/Refused ------------ 6%

44.   Were you born in the U.S. or in another country?

Born in U.S.-------------------------------- 92%
Born in another country -------------------6%
(DON'T READ) DK/Refused ------------1%

45.   Which of the following best describes your sexual orientation? **(READ LIST)**

Heterosexual / Straight ------------------- 82%
Gay / Lesbian ------------------------------3%
Bisexual -------------------------------------5%
Other --2%
Prefer not to say ---------------------------8%
(DON'T READ) N/A ---------------------0%

46.   And do you identify as transgender?

Yes ---1%
No --------------------------------------- 94%
(DON'T READ) DK/NA------------------5%

THANK AND TERMINATE

LANGUAGE (BY OBSERVATION):

English --------------------------------------- 95%
Spanish ---------------------------------------5%

COUNTY
Adams---12%
Arapahoe--------------------------------------10%
Boulder-- 4%
Denver ---15%
Douglas --------------------------------------- 3%
El Paso---13%
Jefferson -------------------------------------10%
Larimer --------------------------------------- 5%
Pueblo--- 3%
Weld-- 6%
All other --------------------------------------18%

MEDIA MARKET
Denver ---------------------------------------65%
Colorado Springs-Pueblo -------------------17%
Other --18%

REGION
Eastern Plains --------------------------------3%
Colorado Springs -------------------------- 13%
Pueblo --3%
Larimer Weld ------------------------------ 11%
Denver Metro ------------------------------ 56%
Western Slope------------------------------ 14%

MODE OF INTERVIEW
Phone --------------------------------------- 45%
Online emails------------------------------- 43%
Online texts-----------------------------------8%
Online convenience sample ------------------1%
Online postcards -----------------------------2%

A/B SPLIT SAMPLE
Split A --------------------------------------- 49%
Split B --------------------------------------- 51%