

Support for Policies to Protect Seniors from Government Rationing and Lower Drug Prices with Competition

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## KEY TAKEAWAYS

- Policies to protect seniors from government rationing and to improve competition to lower drug prices draw strong support.
- The support is on par with Biden's Medicare price negotiation policies in the Inflation Reduction Act and significantly higher than proposals to base Medicare prices on what they pay in Europe, where access to many newer medicines are limited to price controls.
- The findings show that advocates of free markets in prescription drugs have solutions to lower drug prices that compare favorably with government-centric proposals.


## Strong Support for Policies to Protect Seniors from Government Rationing and Improve Competition

## SUPPORT AS STRONG AS MEDICARE PRICE SETTING AND MUCH HIGHER THAN FOREIGN PRICE BENCHMARKS



## Appendix

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