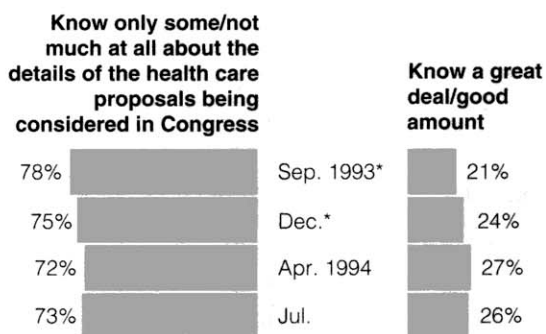


HEALTH CARE UPDATE

Just about a quarter of Americans say they know a great deal or a good amount about the health care proposals being considered by Congress. Six in 10 say Congress should continue to debate and act next year. More broadly, only a quarter think the system should be left as it is.

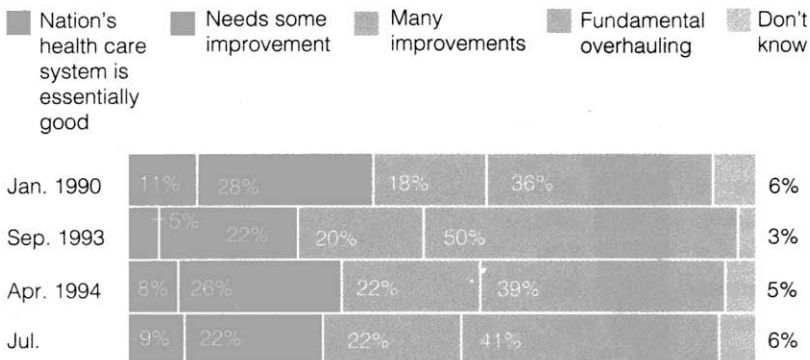
Question: **How much do you know about the details of the health care proposals that are currently being considered by Congress: a great deal, a good amount, only some, or not much at all?**



July subgroups

Group	Know only some/not much at all about the details of the health care proposals being considered in Congress	Know a great deal/good amount
Rep.	70%	29%
Dem.	74%	25%
Ind.	71%	29%

Question: **On another subject, do you think the nation's health care system is basically sound, or not? (If "sound") Would you say it's essentially good, or it needs some improvement? (If "unsound") Would you say it needs many improvements, or does it need a fundamental overhauling?**

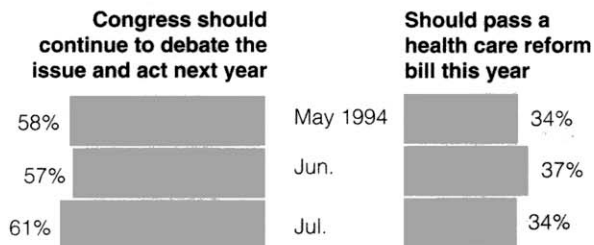


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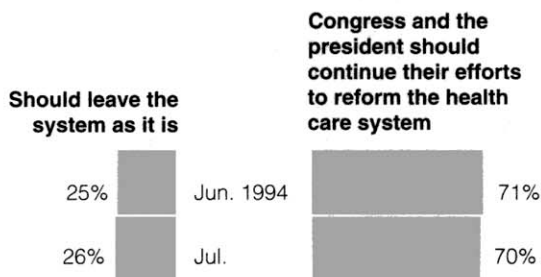
Group	Nation's health care system is essentially good	Needs some improvement	Many improvements	Fundamental overhauling	Don't know
Rep.	15%	24%	25%	32%	
Dem.	4%	16%	22%	48%	
Ind.	8%	28%	22%	39%	

Note: *Respondents were asked how much they knew about the details of President Clinton's health care proposals.
Source: Surveys by the Los Angeles Times, latest that of July 23-26, 1994.

Question: **Do you think Congress should pass a health care reform bill this year, or continue to debate the issue and act next year?**



Question: **Do you believe that Congress and the president should continue their efforts to reform the health care system, or would you prefer that they leave the system as it is now?**



Note: These two questions were asked of split samples.
Source: Surveys by NBC News/Wall Street Journal, latest that of July 23-26, 1994.