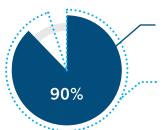
## **Consumer Attitudes**



## **Air Ambulance Care**



**90% of Americans** consider air ambulances a critical service in healthcare.

with 95% agreeing that these services help save lives.

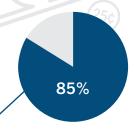
**82**% expect an air ambulance to be made available to them in case of a critical healthcare crisis requiring urgent treatment at a medical center.



A recent report from the Sierra Health Group calculated that air medical services could be put in-network for a monthly insurance premium

increase of \$1.70.

When Americans were asked if they'd be willing to pay this increase if it would guarantee access to these services at the price of their usual copay and deductible, **85% said yes.** 

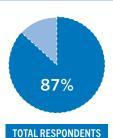


## **Health Claims and Claim Denials**

**87% of respondents—93% in rural areas—**believe health

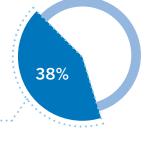
service such as an air medical transport by pushing back on

insurance companies should not deny coverage for a

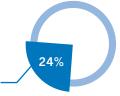


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RURAL RESPONDENTS





Among the 38% who have been denied, **four in ten have successfully appealed** and the insurance company paid.



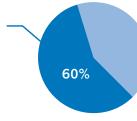
Almost **one quarter more** appealed and lost,

while another **24% simply 'gave up'** and paid as they felt the insurer was not going to change its mind.



decisions from the medical professionals who deemed the service necessary.

Furthermore, **nearly 60% of Americans** expect that any balance bills (the remaining balance billed to the patient after insurance



## **Voter Inclination**

coverage is applied) should be the responsibility of the insurer.

If a representative or senator backed legislation which favors insurance providers, **53% of respondents** say they would be less likely to vote for that representative.

