FIGURE 1

Consumers are concerned about affordability

One in four Americans (25%) say the cost of health care is the biggest concern facing their family.¹









One in three Americans (33%) report that they could not access care in the last year because of cost.²

Between 2011 and 2016, workers' out-of-pocket health care costs grew faster than their earnings.³







Roughly one in four people (26%) taking prescription drugs report difficulty affording their medicine.⁴



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