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BASE=TOTAL SAMPLE	600 100%	180 30%	166 28%	114 19%	45 8%	44 7%	28 5%	23 4%	131 22%	86 14%	62 10%	115 19%	128 21%	79 13%	135 23%	237 40%	222 37%	288 48%	312 52%	47 8%	148 25%	187 31%	103 17%	114 19%
**D/S (LIMIT - DON'T LIMIT)	138 23%	52 29% Cd	26 15%	20 17%	15 34% Cd	10 23%	10 36% cd	6 24%	51 39% JKLMN	16 19%	14 23%	22 20%	15 12%	18 23% m	34 25%	63 27% Q	37 17%	91 31% S	47 15%	-12 -25%	1 -	74 40% TUX	47 45% TUX	28 25% TU
LIMIT MEDICAL MALPRACTICE LAWSUITS	336 56%	105 58%	88 53%	60 53%	28 61%	25 58%	16 56%	14 62%	83 64% m	46 53%	35 57%	62 54%	65 51%	46 58%	74 55%	138 58%	120 54%	180 63% S	156 50%	18 37%	67 45%	121 65% TUx	68 66% TUx	62 55%
DON'T LIMIT	198 33%	53 29%	63 38% g	40 35%	12 28%	15 35%	6 20%	9 38%	32 24%	30 35%	21 33%	39 34%	49 39% I	27 35%	40 30%	75 32%	83 37%	90 31%	109 35%	30 63% VWX	66 44% VWX	47 25%	21 21%	34 30% w
DON'T KNOW	60 10%	20 11% H	11 7% H	14 12% H	5 11% h	3 7%	7 24% cH	- -	15 11%	10 12%	5 8%	14 12%	11 8%	6 7%	20 15% q	23 10%	16 7%	17 6%	43 14% R	- -	16 11% T	16 9% T	12 11% T	16 14% T
REFUSED	6 1%	2 1%	3 2%	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	1 1%	- -	1 1%	- -	3 3%	- -	2 1%	1 -	2 1%	2 1%	4 1%	- -	- -	2 1%	2 2%	1 1%

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	GENDER/AGE					PARTY REG			PARTY REG/GENDER						IDEOLOGY			RACE			
	TOTAL (A)	MEN 18-44 (B)	MEN 45+ (C)	WOMEN 18-44 (D)	WOMEN 45+ (E)	GOP (F)	DEM (G)	IND (H)	GOP MEN (I)	GOP WOMEN (J)	DEM MEN (K)	DEM WOMEN (L)	IND MEN (M)	IND WOMEN (N)	LIB (O)	MOD (P)	CONS (Q)	BLACK (R)	WHITE (S)	HISP- ANIC (T)	OTHER (U)
BASE=TOTAL SAMPLE	600 100%	125 21%	163 27%	139 23%	173 29%	198 33%	282 47%	120 20%	102 17%	96 16%	117 19%	165 28%	69 12%	51 8%	98 16%	228 38%	249 42%	108 18%	466 78%	8 1%	10 2%
**D/S (LIMIT - DON'T LIMIT)	138 23%	18 14% D	73 45% BDE	3 2% BD	44 26% BD	67 34% G	32 11% G	39 33% G	39 38% KLN	27 29% KLN	17 15% KLN	15 9% JKLN	34 50% JKLN	5 10% JKLN	15 15% JKLN	36 16% OP	98 39% OP	-23 -21% OP	157 34% RU	3 43% Ru	1 7% R
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DON'T KNOW	60 10%	5 4%	11 7%	18 13% b	25 15% BC	14 7%	31 11% h	15 13% h	7 7%	7 8%	3 3%	27 17% IjK	7 10% K	9 17% K	10 11%	23 10%	25 10%	13 12%	45 10%	2 24%	1 6%
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Please tell me if you agree or disagree with the following statement: Doctors sometimes order extra, unnecessary tests that end up driving up medical costs in order to avoid frivolous medical malpractice suits.

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