

How GOP Megabill Would Hike ACA Marketplace Premiums in Utah

If Congress ends marketplace premium tax credit improvements, eligible enrollees in Utah would pay on average \$672 more per year for marketplace health coverage—multiple times more per family.

366,900 residents had health insurance marketplace coverage in 2024, **76** percent more than in 2021. This includes:

~45,635 residents ages 55-64

~104,234 residents who are children

If Congress enacts the House-passed reconciliation bill, **59,764** enrollees would have to file new paperwork to stay covered.

Counties Hardest Hit:

Highest average loss of premium tax credits:

- Grand County: \$1,092 more per year
- Uintah County: \$1,056 more per year
- Washington County: \$1,020 more per year
- Wayne County: \$1,008 more per year
- Summit County: \$936 more per year

Highest number of enrollees that could be affected:

- Salt Lake County: 134,500
- Utah County: 95,500
- Davis County: 28,600
- Washington County: 25,700
- Weber County: 18,400

Rural Counties:

If Congress ends marketplace premium tax credit improvements, eligible enrollees in rural counties would pay on average **\$797** more per year for marketplace health coverage—multiple times more per family.

51,286 residents in rural counties had health insurance marketplace coverage in 2024, **58** percent more than in 2021. This includes:

~8,539 residents ages 55-64

~14,683 residents who are children

If Congress enacts the House-passed reconciliation bill, **9,215** enrollees in rural counties would have to file new paperwork to stay covered.



High Uninsured Counties:

If Congress ends marketplace premium tax credit improvements, eligible enrollees in high uninsured counties would pay on average **\$695** more per year for marketplace health coverage—multiple times more per family.

207,100 residents in high uninsured counties had health insurance marketplace coverage in 2024, **81** percent more than in 2021. This includes:

~28,319 residents ages 55-64

~54,065 residents who are children

If Congress enacts the House-passed reconciliation bill, **34,332** enrollees in counties with high rates of uninsurance would have to file new paperwork to stay covered.

High Diabetes Counties:

If Congress ends marketplace premium tax credit improvements, eligible enrollees in high diabetes counties would pay on average **\$797** more per year for marketplace health coverage—multiple times more per family.

14,100 residents in high diabetes counties had health insurance marketplace coverage in 2024, 62 percent more than in 2021.This includes:

~2,594 residents ages 55-64

~3,884 residents who are children

If Congress enacts the House-passed reconciliation bill, **2,592** enrollees in counties with high rates of diabetes would have to file new paperwork to stay covered.





High Primary Care Ratio Counties:

If Congress ends marketplace premium tax credit improvements, eligible enrollees in high primary care ratio counties would pay on average **\$699** more per year for marketplace health coverage—multiple times more per family. **220,700** residents in high primary care ratio counties had health insurance marketplace coverage in 2024, **69** percent more than in 2021. This includes:

~26,611 residents ages 55-64

~67,609 residents who are children

If Congress enacts the House-passed reconciliation bill, **37,006** enrollees in counties with a high primary care counties would have to file new paperwork to stay covered.

County Characteristics Definitions:

- **Rural:** Counties are classified as rural if they meet the definition of "Fully FORHP Rural Counties" by the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) <u>Federal Office of Rural Health Policy</u>.
- **High Uninsured:** Counties are classified as a high uninsured county if the number of people without health insurance is above the national average.
- **High Diabetes:** Counties are classified as a high diabetes county if their diabetes rate is above the national average.
- **High Primary Care Physician Ratio:** Counties are classified as a high primary care physician ratio county if the ratio of the county's population to primary care physicians is above the national average.

