

Recent Changes Will Increase Health Costs and Decrease Coverage in Kansas

Without Congressional action, eligible enrollees in Kansas will pay on average **\$708** more per year for marketplace health coverage—and multiple times more per family. These costs could be even higher, given [preliminary projected increases](#) in premiums for 2026 of **15 percent**.

171,400 residents had health insurance marketplace coverage in 2024, **93** percent more than in 2021. This includes:

- ~**43,611** residents ages 55-64
- ~**15,228** residents who are children

Additionally, the new reconciliation law will require **40,115** enrollees to file new paperwork to stay covered.

Counties Hardest Hit:

Highest average loss of premium tax credits:

- Stanton County: \$2,016 more per year
- Kearny County: \$1,368 more per year
- Meade County: \$1,164 more per year
- Clark County: \$1,152 more per year
- Hamilton County: \$1,140 more per year

Highest number of enrollees that could be affected:

- Johnson County: 36,200
- Sedgwick County: 34,800
- Wyandotte County: 12,300
- Shawnee County: 9,900
- Douglas County: 6,500

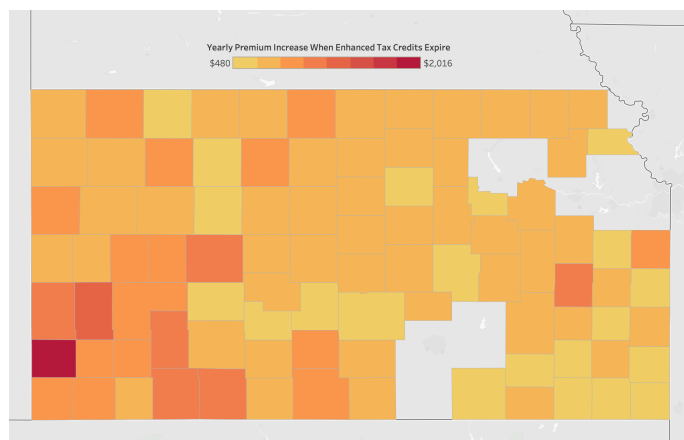
Rural Counties:

Without Congressional action, eligible enrollees in rural counties will pay on average **\$733** more per year for marketplace health coverage—and multiple times more per family.

57,909 residents in rural counties had health insurance marketplace coverage in 2024, **88** percent more than in 2021. This includes:

- ~**16,321** residents ages 55-64
- ~**3,563** residents who are children

Additionally, the new reconciliation law will require **13,865** enrollees in rural counties to file new paperwork to stay covered.



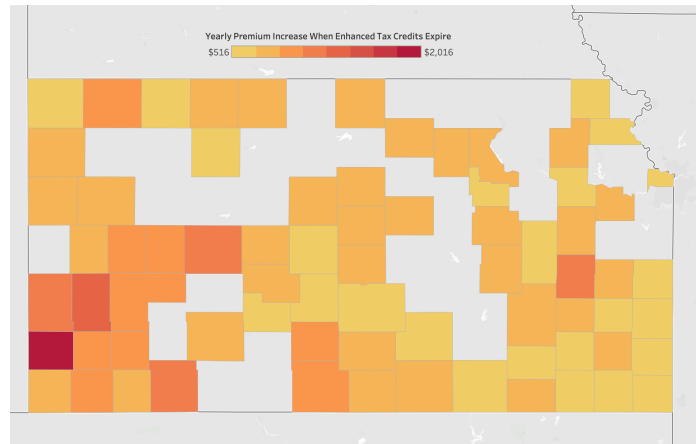
High Diabetes Rate Counties:

Without Congressional action, eligible enrollees in high diabetes rate counties will pay on average **\$664** more per year for marketplace health coverage—and multiple times more per family.

109,251 residents in high diabetes rate counties had health insurance marketplace coverage in 2024, **112 percent** more than in 2021. This includes:

- ~**27,666** residents ages 55-64
- ~**7,181** residents who are children

Additionally, the new reconciliation law will require **26,055** enrollees in high diabetes rate counties to file new paperwork to stay covered.



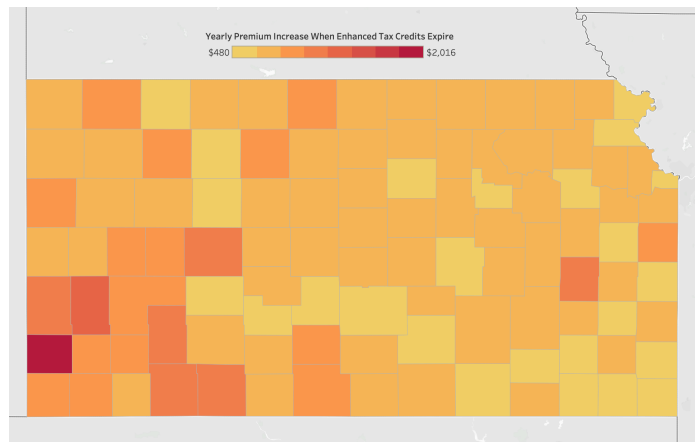
High Cancer Rate Counties:

Without Congressional action, eligible enrollees in high cancer rate counties in Kansas will pay on average **\$708** more per year for marketplace health coverage—and multiple times more per family. All counties in Kansas are above average.

171,400 residents in high cancer rate counties had health insurance marketplace coverage in 2024, **93 percent** more than in 2021. This includes:

- ~**43,611** residents ages 55-64
- ~**15,228** residents who are children

Additionally, the new reconciliation law will require **40,115** enrollees in high cancer rate counties to file new paperwork to stay covered.



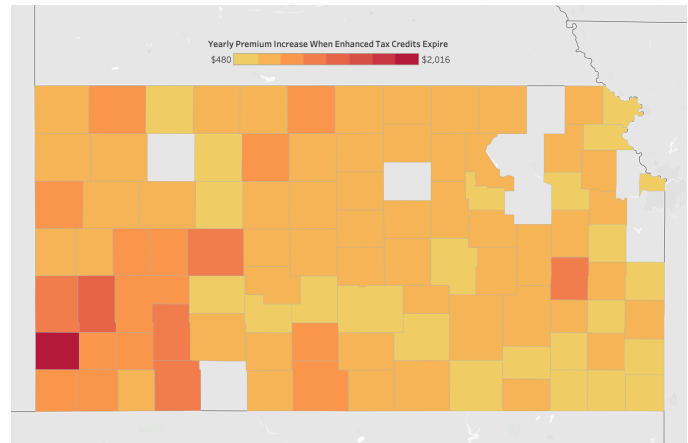
High Uninsured Rate Counties:

Without Congressional action, eligible enrollees in high uninsured rate counties will pay on average **\$675** more per year for marketplace health coverage—and multiple times more per family.

126,509 residents in high uninsured rate counties had health insurance marketplace coverage in 2024, **105** percent more than in 2021. This includes:

- ~**32,343** residents ages 55-64
- ~**8,632** residents who are children

Additionally, the new reconciliation law will require **30,000** enrollees in high uninsured rate counties to file new paperwork to stay covered.



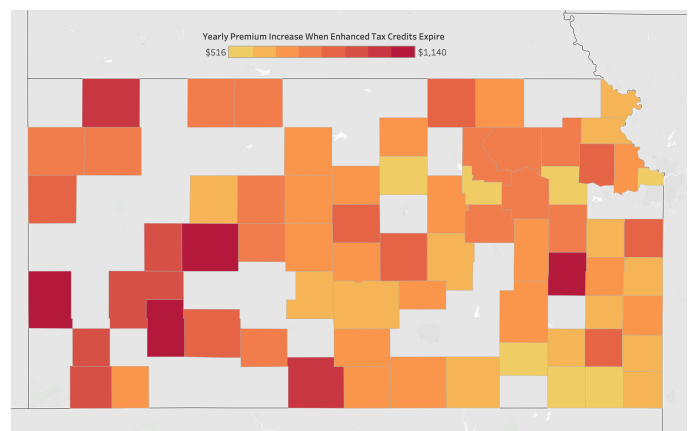
High Primary Care Ratio Counties:

Without Congressional action, eligible enrollees in high primary care ratio counties will pay on average **\$674** more per year for marketplace health coverage—and multiple times more per family.

79,083 residents in high primary care ratio counties had health insurance marketplace coverage in 2024, **107** percent more than in 2021. This includes:

- ~**21,055** residents ages 55-64
- ~**4,962** residents who are children

Additionally, the new reconciliation law will require **19,442** enrollees in high primary care ratio counties 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) [Federal Office of Rural Health Policy](#).
- **High Diabetes:** Counties with higher than the national average rates of diabetes.
- **Higher Cancer Prevalence:** Counties with higher than the national average prevalence rate of cancer.
- **High Uninsured:** Counties with a rate of people without health insurance above the national average.
- **High Primary Care Ratio:** Counties whose population to primary care physician ratio is above the national average, meaning fewer primary care providers per capita.