

Recent Changes Will Increase Health Costs and Decrease Coverage in Oklahoma

Without Congressional action, eligible enrollees in Oklahoma will pay on average \$696 more per year for marketplace health coverage—and multiple times more per family. These costs could be even higher, given <u>preliminary projected increases</u> in premiums for 2026 of 15 percent.

277,400 residents had health insurance marketplace coverage in 2024, **62** percent more than in 2021. This includes:

- ~61,051 residents ages 55-64
- ~31,570 residents who are children

Additionally, the new reconciliation law will require **75,025** enrollees to file new paperwork to stay covered.

Counties Hardest Hit:

Highest average loss of premium tax credits:

- Ellis County: \$1,044 more per year
- Texas County: \$1,008 more per year
- Roger Mills and Dewey County: \$876 more per year
- Woods County: \$852 more per year

Highest number of enrollees that could be affected:

- Oklahoma County: 55,200
- Tulsa County: 46,900
- Cleveland County: 16,300
- Canadian County: 9,600
- Comanche County: 6,800

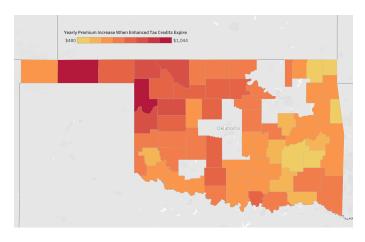
Rural Counties:

Without Congressional action, eligible enrollees in rural counties will pay on average \$687 more per year for marketplace health coverage—and multiple times more per family.

116,800 residents in rural counties had health insurance marketplace coverage in 2024, **67** percent more than in 2021. This includes:

- ~28,119 residents ages 55-64
- ~12,092 residents who are children

Additionally, the new reconciliation law will require **33,272** enrollees in rural counties to file new paperwork to stay covered.



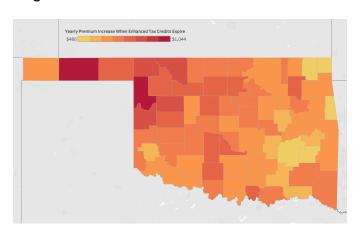
High Diabetes Rate Counties:

Without Congressional action, eligible enrollees in high diabetes rate counties will pay on average \$696 more per year for marketplace health coverage—and multiple times more per family. All of Oklahoma's counties are above average.

277,400 residents in high diabetes rate counties had health insurance marketplace coverage in 2024, **62** percent more than in 2021. This includes:

- ~61,051 residents ages 55-64
- ~31,570 residents who are children

Additionally, the new reconciliation law will require **75,025** enrollees in high diabetes rate counties to file new paperwork to stay covered.



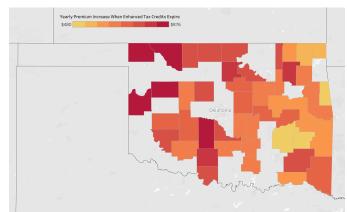
High Cancer Rate Counties:

Without Congressional action, eligible enrollees in high cancer rate counties will pay on average \$677 more per year for marketplace health coverage—and multiple times more per family.

150,700 residents in high cancer rate counties had health insurance marketplace coverage in 2024, **57** percent more than in 2021. This includes:

- ~34,103 residents ages 55-64
- ~16,603 residents who are children

Additionally, the new reconciliation law will require **40,011** enrollees in high cancer rate counties to file new paperwork to stay covered.



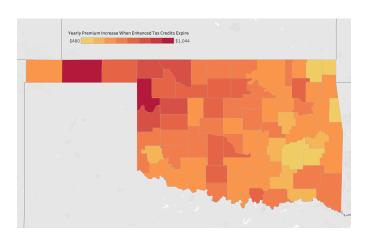
High Uninsured Rate Counties:

Without Congressional action, eligible enrollees in high uninsured rate counties will pay on average \$696 more per year for marketplace health coverage—and multiple times more per family. All of Oklahoma's counties are above average.

277,400 residents in high uninsured rate counties had health insurance marketplace coverage in 2024, **62** percent more than in 2021. This includes:

- ~61,051 residents ages 55-64
- ~31,570 residents who are children

Additionally, the new reconciliation law will require **75,025** enrollees in high uninsured rate counties to file new paperwork to stay covered.



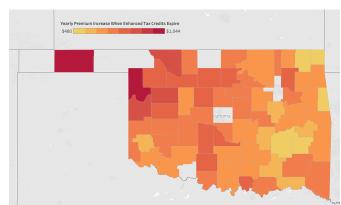
High Primary Care Ratio Counties:

Without Congressional action, eligible enrollees in high primary care ratio counties will pay on average \$700 more per year for marketplace health coverage—and multiple times more per family.

173,400 residents in high primary care ratio counties had health insurance marketplace coverage in 2024, **62** percent more than in 2021. This includes:

- ~40,485 residents ages 55-64
- ~19,442 residents who are children

Additionally, the new reconciliation law will require **48,587** 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) <u>Federal Office of Rural Health Policy</u>.
- **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.