

Recent Changes Will Increase Health Costs and Decrease Coverage in **Wyoming**

Without Congressional action, eligible enrollees in Wyoming will pay on average \$1,872 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.

42,300 residents had health insurance marketplace coverage in 2024, **58** percent more than in 2021. This includes:

- ~11,365 residents ages 55-64
- ~6,470 residents who are children

Additionally, the new reconciliation law will require 9,118 enrollees to file new paperwork to stay covered.

Counties Hardest Hit:

Highest average loss of premium tax credits:

- Teton County: \$2,304 more per year
- Sweetwater, Campbell and Hot Springs County: \$2,292 more per year
- Platte County: \$2,064 more per year
- Sublette County: \$2,064 more per year

Highest number of enrollees that could be affected:

- Laramie County: 5,400
- Natrona County: 5,100
- Park County: 3,600
- Teton County: 3,400
- Fremont County: 2,800

Rural Counties:

Without Congressional action, eligible enrollees in rural counties will pay on average \$1,943

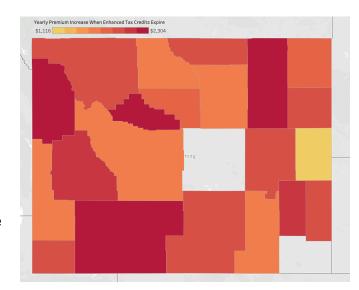
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coverage—multiple times more per family.

31,700 residents in rural counties had health insurance marketplace coverage in 2024, 58 percent more than in 2021. This includes:

- ~8,590 residents ages 55-64
- ~4,618 residents who are children

Additionally, the new reconciliation law will require 6,589 enrollees in rural counties to file new paperwork to stay covered.



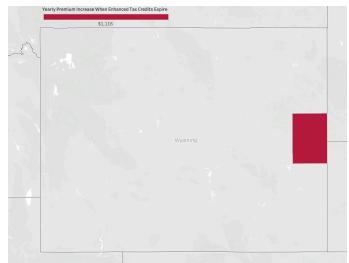
High Diabetes Rate Counties:

Without Congressional action, eligible enrollees in high diabetes rate counties will pay on average \$1,116 more per year for marketplace health coverage—multiple times more per family.

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

- ~49 residents ages 55-64
- ~ residents who are children

Additionally, the new reconciliation law will require **31** enrollees in high diabetes rate counties to file new paperwork to stay covered.



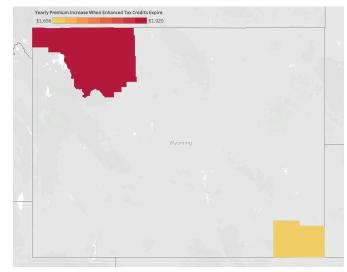
High Cancer Rate Counties:

Without Congressional action, eligible enrollees in high cancer rate counties will pay on average \$1,763 more per year for marketplace health coverage—multiple times more per family.

9,000 residents in high cancer rate counties had health insurance marketplace coverage in 2024, **58** percent more than in 2021. This includes:

- ~2,468 residents ages 55-64
- ~1,324 residents who are children

Additionally, the new reconciliation law will require **2,050** enrollees in high cancer rate counties to file new paperwork to stay covered.



High Uninsured Rate Counties:

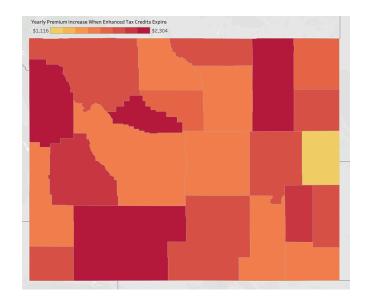
Without Congressional action, eligible enrollees in high uninsured rate counties will pay on average \$1,870 more per year for marketplace health coverage—multiple times more per

family. All of Wyoming's counties are above average.

42,300 residents in high uninsured rate counties had health insurance marketplace coverage in 2024, **58** percent more than in 2021. This includes:

- ~11,365 residents ages 55-64
- ~6,470 residents who are children

Additionally, the new reconciliation law will require **9,118** enrollees in high uninsured rate counties to file new paperwork to stay covered.



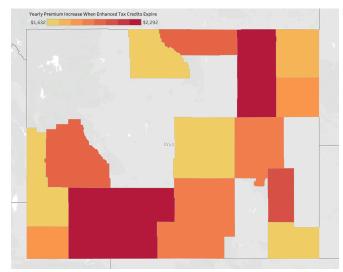
High Primary Care Ratio Counties:

Without Congressional action, eligible enrollees in high primary care ratio counties will pay on average \$1,856 more per year for marketplace health coverage—multiple times more per family.

26,900 residents in high primary care ratio counties had health insurance marketplace coverage in 2024, **66** percent more than in 2021. This includes:

- ~7,460 residents ages 55-64
- ~4,346 residents who are children

Additionally, the new reconciliation law will require **5,900** 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.