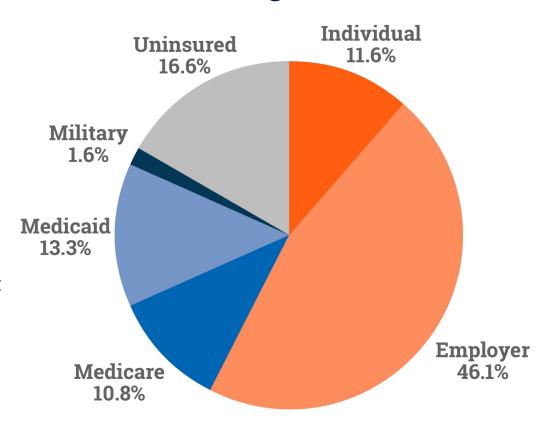
Marketplace Health Coverage: Why Texas is Set to Lose the Most

September 2025



How Texans Get Their Coverage

- 80% of private market coverage is employer-based
- 84% of Texas workers have an employer that provides coverage
- 77% of employer plans are self-funded (not regulated by TDI)
- Individual market coverage has grown popular as subsidies improve affordability
- Uninsured Texans cite employment as the top reason for not having health coverage
- 70% of the uninsured are employed but less likely to have consistent, full-time jobs



Keep Health Care Costs Affordable for Texans: Renew the Enhanced Tax Credits

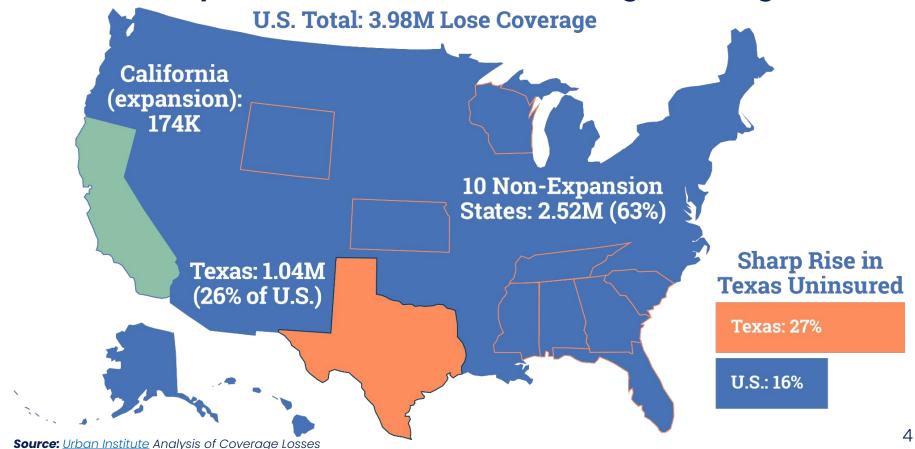
If Enhanced Premium Tax Credits Expire, Texas Is Hit Hardest

- **Why Texas?:** State relied on the private individual market instead of Medicaid expansion.
- **Coverage Losses:** 1.04M Texans lose coverage 26% of all U.S. losses.
- **Family Costs:** Average family premiums up \$2,000/year for over <u>3 million Texans</u> that rely on tax credits.

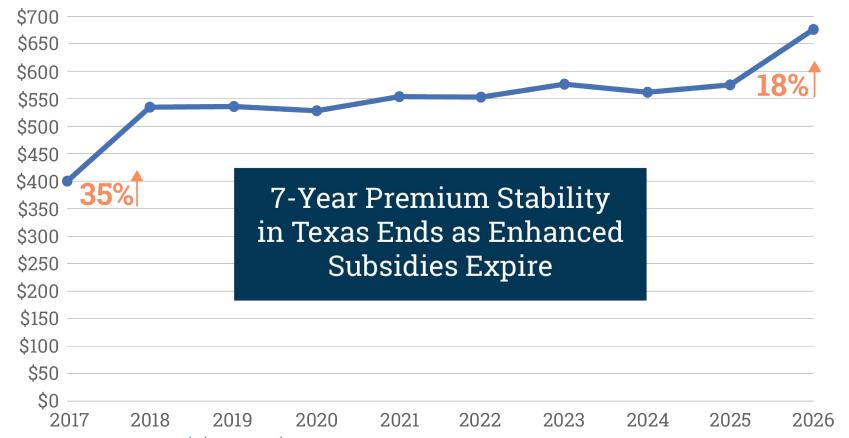


- Uninsured Spike: Texas uninsured rate jumps from 16% → 20% (27%↑)
- **Who's Hit:** Self-employed, entrepreneurs, and small-business workers those groups make up half of the Texas workforce & marketplace coverage
- Before 2022: Coverage was out of reach for many Texans without enhanced credits.
- Deadline: Without Congressional action, Texans will receive premium notices soon, and face sticker shock on Nov. 1 open enrollment.

Non-Expansion States Bear the Burden Led by More Than 1M Texans Losing Coverage



Price Increases Return as Healthier Texans Drop Coverage



Note: Full price monthly premiums (w/o tax credits) shown, actual increases are greater as shown on next slides. **Source:** KFF, Single Marketplace Avg. Monthly Premium Before Tax Credits.

Ending Enhanced Subsidies Doubles Health Care Costs

For a single 40 year old Earning \$35k a year





Annual Premiums would increase by \$1,215 105%

For a 60 Year Old Couple Earning \$82.8k a year





Annual Premiums would increase by \$18.335 263%

For a Family of Four Earning \$64k a year

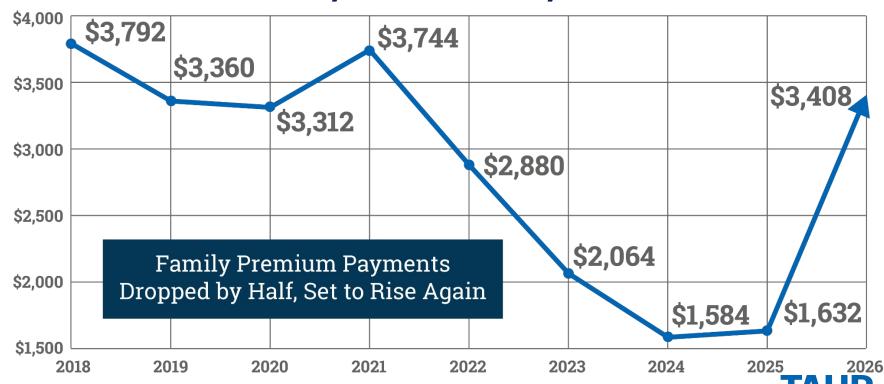




Annual Premiums would increase by \$2,355 166%

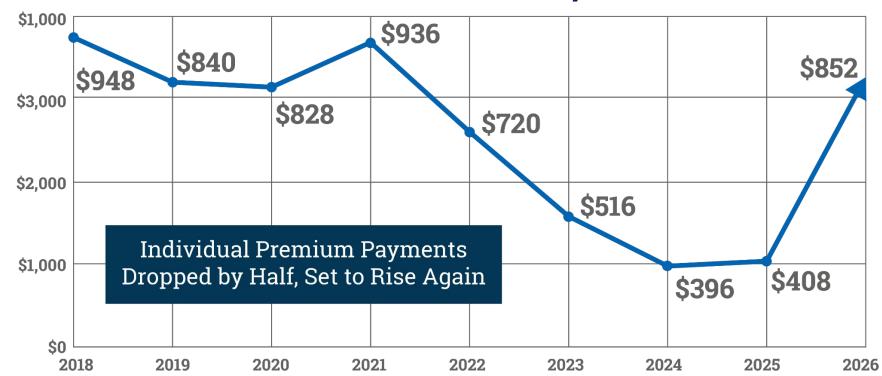


Sharp Rise in Texans Avg. Annual Family Premium Payments



Note: Excludes deductibles, copays, & coinsurance. 2026 projected in Texas if eAPTCs expire. **Source:** <u>KFF</u> avg. annual premium family of four; <u>KFF</u> change in premium if eAPTCs expire

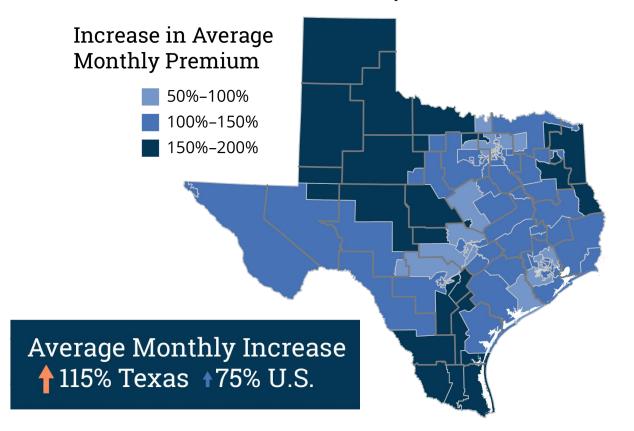
Sharp Rise in Texans Avg. Annual Individual Premium Payments



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Ending Enhanced Tax Credits Raises Premiums Most in South, West & Rural Texas



South Texas Premiums Increase:

173% (TX-28, TX-15, TX-34)

West Texas & Panhandle Premiums Increase:

150% (TX-13, TX-9, TX-11, TX-23)

Rural East Texas Premiums Increase:

183% (TX-1)



Ending Premium Tax Credits Leaves a Gap Larger Than the OBBA Tax Cuts

60 Year Old Couple Earning \$82.8k



Families Pay More: \$17,371



Family of Four Earning \$64k



Families Pay More: \$1,879



Family of Four Earning \$129.8k



Families Pay More: \$8,197



Source: Keep Americans Covered <u>Texas Analysis</u>

How Much More a Family of Four Pays in Premiums Each Year



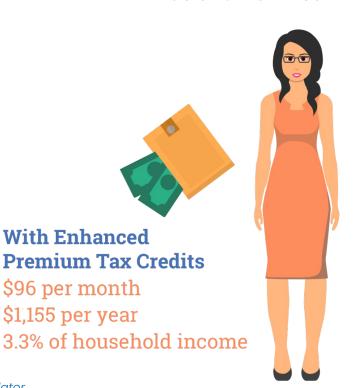
Note: Amounts shown are the avg. national increase in a family premium payment if enhanced tax credits expire. Figures do not include deductibles, copays, or coinsurance.

Source: CMS Health Insurance Marketplaces 2024 Open Enrollment Report, Table 8



Ending Enhanced Subsidies Doubles Health Care Costs

Single 40 year Old With a \$35K Annual Income Basic "Silver" Health Insurance Plan





Without Enhanced
Premium Tax Credits

\$197 per month

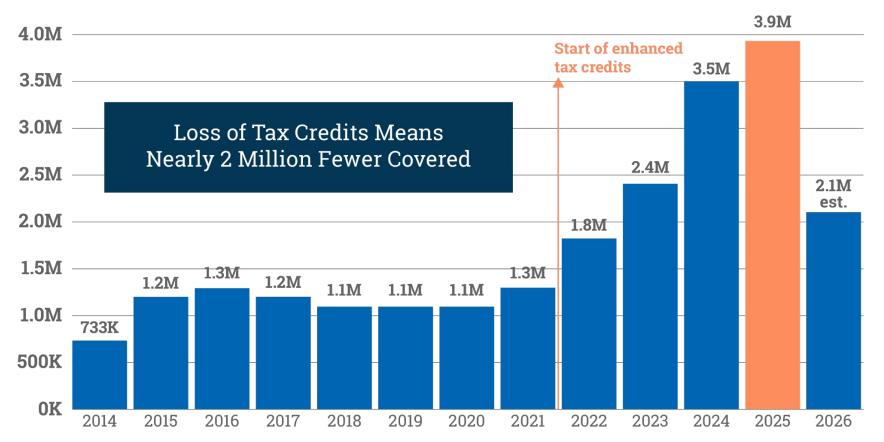
\$2,370 per year

6.77% of household income

105% increase

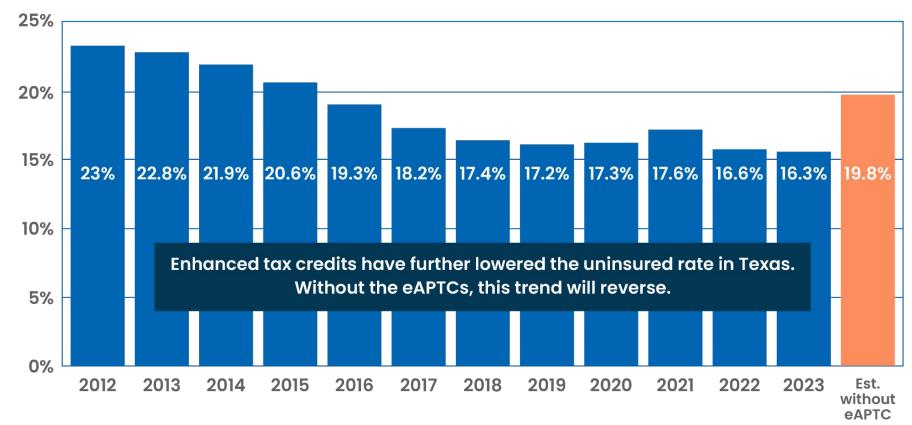


New Tax Credits Made Coverage Affordable for Texans

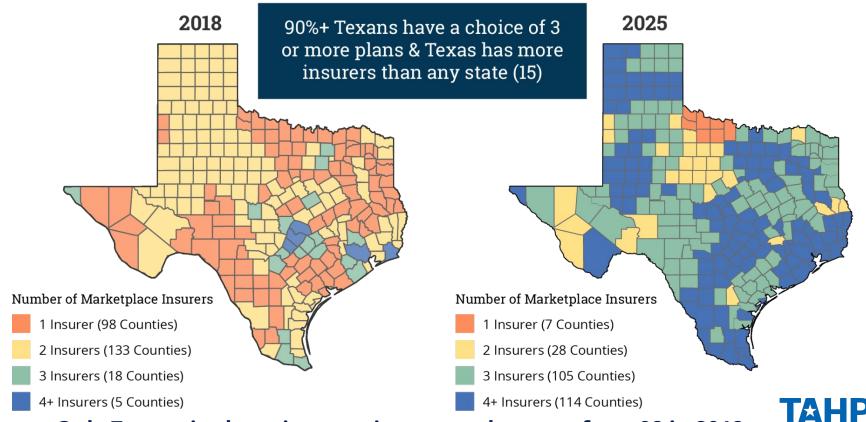


Source: <u>KFF</u> Coverage by State, <u>Urban Institute</u> Analysis of Coverage Losses

Tax Credits Helped More Texans Get Covered



Enhanced Tax Credits Led to More Competition, Lower Prices



Only 7 counties have just one insurer, a decrease from 98 in 2018

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Overwhelming Bi-Partisan Support for Premium Tax Credits & Their Extension

- ~80% of voters support premium tax credits.
 - Backed by 68% of Trump voters, 78% of swing voters
- 72% want extension when told premiums could double or 5M families could lose coverage.

- Support for tax credits is highest (86%) among those with marketplace experience, but also strong (77%) among those without.
- 91% of voters say it's important as many Americans as possible are covered.
- Source: Fabrizio & Ward Poll, July 2025



Coverage Creates Access to Preventive Care

Private Coverage Creates Access to Preventive Care

- Breast Cancer Screenings: Twice as likely to get screened vs. uninsured
- Colon Cancer Screenings: Uninsured are 60% less likely to get screened
- Cervical Cancer Screenings: 80% higher rates of screening vs. uninsured

Marketplace Enrollees & Preventive Care

 Marketplace enrollees get preventive care at the same rate as those covered at work (55% to 57%)



Minority Groups Have Gained the Most in Coverage & Have the Greatest Need

- Screening Rates Reflect Need for Coverage: Hispanic men 60% less likely to get prostate cancer screening, Hispanic women 12% less likely to get cervical cancer screening. Rural Black & Hispanic women 33%/22% less likely to get mammograms.
- Marketplace Coverage Gains: Hispanic & Black enrollees have the greatest gains in coverage under enhanced tax credits (104% & 116%)



Coverage Protects Against Catastrophic Costs

High Cost of Care Without Insurance: Without insurance, medical costs can quickly escalate into significant financial burdens, including debt or bankruptcy.

- NICU Admissions: \$77K median cost
- Colorectal Cancer Treatment: As high as \$300,000
- Heart Bypass Surgery: Average \$151,000
- Hospital Stays: Average 3-day stay costs \$30,000
- **Median New Drug Price 2024:** \$370,000, up 35% from 2022 (2008 was \$2,000)



Source: Health Care Cost Institute, Amer. Jour. Cardiology, Public Health, Healthcare.gov, Reuters Survey



OBBBA Reforms Stepped Up Protection for Fraud & Abuse

New rules & the "One Big Beautiful Bill Act" made changes to address concerns

- End to Self-Attested Income: If no tax data is available or data shows an income under 100% FPL, additional proof is now required.
- Past Due Payment Collections: Insurers are now allowed to halt coverage until enrollees catch up on an overdue balance.
- **Minimum Premium for Auto-Enrollment:** \$5/month premium if the individual is auto-re enrolled in a \$0 monthly premium plan.



- **Open Enrollment Period Shortens:** November 1 to December 15 (previously November 1 to January 15).
- End of Ongoing Low Income Special Enrollment: Enrollees under 150% FPL no longer get an endless open enrollment period.
- Repayment Cap Removed: If actual income is higher than projected income, enrollees will owe back all of the extra tax credits they received. Right now, the repayment amount is capped.

