

Effects of the House and Senate Health Care Bills: A Look at the Estimates

Senate Bill — 10 new taxes raising \$398.1 billion in revenue³

	CMS ¹	Lewin ²
Number of Americans that remain uninsured	23 million	22 million
Number of newly-insured Americans added to Medicaid	18 million	13.7 million
Percentage of newly insured that will fall into Medicaid	53%	50%
Number of Americans that will lose their current employer-sponsored coverage	17 million	16.1 million
Number of Americans that will pay a penalty for not obtaining insurance	18 million	8.1 million
Total amount of cuts to Medicare	\$541 billion	\$497 billion
Increase in overall national health spending	\$222 billion	\$305 billion
Increase in deficit	n/a	\$196 billion

House Bill — 11 new taxes raising \$560.5 billion in revenue³

	CMS ¹	Lewin ²	Rand ⁴
Number of Americans that remain uninsured	23 million	19.5 million	24 million
Number of newly-insured Americans added to Medicaid	21 million	11.8 million	10 million
Percentage of newly insured that will fall into Medicaid	62%	40%	34%
Number of Americans that will lose their current employer-sponsored coverage	12 million	18.1 million	n/a
Number of Americans that will pay a penalty for not obtaining insurance	18 million	10.8 million	n/a
Total amount of cuts to Medicare	\$571 billion	\$436 billion	n/a
Increase in overall national health spending	\$289 billion	\$425 billion	n/a
Increase in deficit	n/a	\$77 billion	n/a

Notes

1 – Estimates are for the 2010–2019 ten-year window.

2 – Estimates pertaining to coverage are for 2011. Estimates of cost impacts are for the 2010–2019 ten-year window.

3 – Estimates are for the 2010–2019 ten-year window.

4 – Estimates are for the 2010–2019 ten-year window and are for the initial version of H.R.3962.

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