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The Trump-Republican Cost Of Living Crisis

Donald Trump promised to lower prices on day one. He lied.

Instead, his tariffs, which amount to a national sales tax, and Republicans' Big Ugly Law are driving up costs and squeezing family budgets.

Under Trump, billionaires win. Everyone else loses.

\$3,500

Average additional cost to American families for basic living expenses due to inflation under Donald Trump

Source: Joint Economic Committee Minority (through June 2026)

\$1,745

Average hit to American families due to Trump's tariff taxes during his first year in office

Source: Joint Economic Committee Minority

Trump and Republicans are giving billionaires new tax breaks — paid for by cutting health care and food assistance for working Americans.

Over 8 million

Americans have already lost health coverage under the Affordable Care Act (ACA), Medicaid, and the Children’s Health Insurance Program within the first year of the Big Ugly Law

Source: [Protect Our Care](#)

Over 4 million

Americans have already lost Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) access within the first year of the Big Ugly Law

Source: [Center on Budget and Policy Priorities](#)

15 million

Americans, in total, will lose their health insurance due to Republicans’ decision to end enhanced ACA tax credits, and once all of the cuts in the Big Ugly Law take full effect

Source: *Congressional Budget Office*

Nearly \$1 trillion

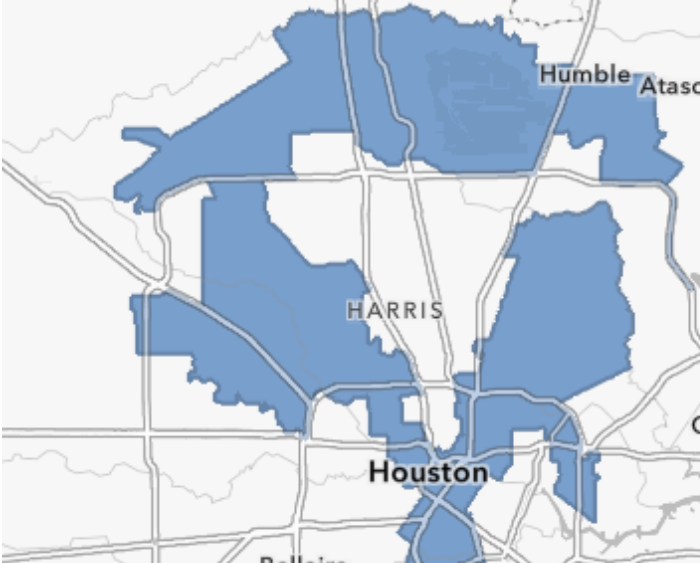
In cuts to Medicaid as a result of Republicans’ Big Ugly Law

Source: *Congressional Budget Office*

Over \$1,000 annually

Average additional cost for 22 million Americans due to Republicans’ decision to end enhanced ACA tax credits

Source: *KFF* ([1](#),[2](#))



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Your Congressional District

TX-18

Rep. Christian D. Menefee

(Democratic)



HIGHER COSTS FOR BASIC NEEDS

IN TEXAS

+ \$2,300

average additional cost to Texas families for basic living expenses under Donald Trump and Congressional Republicans

+ \$274

average housing cost increase for Texas families under Donald Trump and Congressional Republicans

+ \$553

average additional amount spent by Texas families on gasoline since Trump's Iran war began (a total of \$5.7 billion)

Source: [Joint Economic Committee](#) (through May 2026)

IN TX-18

+ \$53

average increase in electricity costs for families in TX-18 under Donald Trump and Congressional Republicans in 2025

Source: [Co-Equal](#)

IN TX-18

IN TEXAS

\$972

average cost for one month of groceries in TX-18

Source: [Urban Institute](#)

\$21,574

average cost for one year of child care for two children in Texas

Source: [Urban Institute](#)



AMERICANS GOING BANKRUPT

IN TEXAS

33,884

individuals or families in Texas filed for bankruptcy in 2025 (19.8 percent increase over 2024)

Source: [House Budget Committee Democrats](#)



HIGHER COSTS FOR HEALTH CARE

IN TX-18

125,000

people in TX-18 are seeing their health care costs rise because of Republicans’ decision to end enhanced Affordable Care Act tax credits

Source: [Co-Equal](#)

The Republican Health Care Crisis will send premiums skyrocketing:



For a 60 year old couple earning \$85,600 a year
annual premiums will rise by

▲ **\$22,900**

▲ **328%**



For a family of four earning \$66,000 a year
(ages 45, 45, 15, and 10)

annual premiums will rise by

▲ **\$2,651**

▲ **219%**



For a family of four earning \$133,750 a year
(ages 45, 45, 15, and 10)

annual premiums will rise by

▲ **\$13,570**

▲ **122%**

Source: [Keep Americans Covered](#)



FAMILIES LOSING HEALTH CARE

IN TX-18

55,011

people will lose health coverage because of Republican cuts to Medicaid (also known in Texas as STAR+PLUS) in the Big Ugly Law and Republicans’ decision to end enhanced Affordable Care Act tax credits

3,111

people in TX-18 will lose access to health coverage because of Republican cuts to Medicaid in the Big Ugly Law

51,900

people in TX-18 will lose access to health coverage because of Republicans’ decision to end enhanced Affordable Care Act tax credits and Republicans’ new red tape

Source: [Joint Economic Committee House Minority](#)



FAMILIES LOSING FOOD ASSISTANCE

IN TEXAS

392,637

people in Texas have lost Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) coverage since the enactment of Republicans’ Big Ugly Law

Source: [Center on Budget and Policy Priorities](#)

Note: Due to redistricting in 2024, Congressional district data for North Carolina, Georgia, Louisiana, Alabama, and New York may not be an exact match. Congressional district data reflects current boundaries, not any districts that were redrawn in 2025.

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