



The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act Illinois: The Cost of Inaction

Illinois Families Suffer

Illinois insurance premiums skyrocket

- ✓ In 1997, family health insurance purchased through an employer cost \$5,462. [Medical Expenditure Panel Survey, accessed 6/15/2009]
- ✓ In 2006, the same family health insurance cost \$11,781. [Medical Expenditure Panel Survey, accessed 6/15/2009]
- ✓ By 2016, the same insurance is projected to cost \$25,409, a 116 percent increase over 2006, which will consume 49.5 percent of projected Illinois median family income. [New America Foundation, 11/2008; New America Foundation, accessed 6/15/2009]

More uninsured Illinoisans

- ✓ Every day, 270 Illinoisans lose their health insurance. [Center for American Progress, 3/23/2009]
- ✓ During the last two years, 3,485,000 Illinoisans under age 65 went without health insurance for some time, which is 30.8 percent of the under 65 population. [Families USA, 4/2009]
- ✓ In 2007, 1,737,876 Illinoisans under age 65 were uninsured for the entire year, which is 15.2 percent of the under 65 population. [Kaiser Family Foundation, accessed 8/5/2009]

Illinoisans pay higher premiums due to the uninsured

- ✓ Illinois families pay a “hidden tax” of \$1,200 on their health insurance premiums due to the unpaid costs of care for the uninsured. [Center for American Progress, 3/23/2009]

Fewer choices due to consolidated market

- ✓ The two largest health insurance companies in Illinois have a combined market share of 69 percent. [Health Care for America Now, 7/15/2009]

Illinois Businesses Suffer

Fewer Illinoisans have health coverage at work

- ✓ In 2002, 68.5 percent of Illinoisans under age 65 had employer-sponsored health insurance. [Kaiser Family Foundation, accessed 6/15/2009]
- ✓ In 2007, 65.6 percent of Illinoisans had coverage through their employer. [Kaiser Family Foundation, accessed 6/15/2009]

Fewer Illinois small businesses offer health coverage

- ✓ In 2000, 48.3 percent of small businesses were able to offer health insurance coverage to their employees. [Medical Expenditure Panel Survey, accessed 6/16/2009]
- ✓ In 2006, 41.1 percent of small businesses offered health benefits. [Medical Expenditure Panel Survey, accessed 6/16/2009]

Illinois Economy Suffers

Health care spending climbs

- ✓ In 2004, Illinois spent \$67.3 billion on health care. [Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), 9/2007; CMS 2/2007]
- ✓ This spending level represents \$5,293 per capita, and is 12.2 percent of the Gross State Product. [CMS, 9/2007; CMS 2/2007]

Lost economic output of the uninsured due to shorter lives and poorer health

- ✓ This year, the Illinois economy will lose \$4.7 billion - \$9.3 billion due to the shorter lives and poorer health of the uninsured. [Center for American Progress, 5/29/2009]