

# Federal enhanced premium tax credits

Congressional reauthorization is needed to keep people covered



**Set to expire at the end of 2025, federal enhanced premium tax credits are critical to ensuring health insurance coverage is accessible and affordable in Washington state.**

The American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 and the Inflation Reduction Act of 2022 temporarily enhanced the federally funded enhanced premium tax credits.

In Washington state, **enhanced premium tax credits have led to:**

- ▶ **Record enrollment** in qualified health plans.
- ▶ **Historically low uninsured rates.**
- ▶ **Increased affordability**, especially for older Washingtonians and rural residents.



**286,545**

Number of residents enrolled in qualified health plans (QHPs).



**216,375**

Number of QHP enrollees who are eligible for enhanced premium tax credits.



**\$1,330**

Average yearly decrease in premium costs with enhanced premium tax credits.



**\$1,910**

Average yearly decrease in premium costs for 55- to 64-year-old residents with enhanced premium tax credits.

**If Congress does not reauthorize enhanced premium tax credits before the end of 2025, Washingtonians will face steep premium increases and many will forgo coverage.**

The effect of enhanced premium tax credits expiring in Washington state:



**65%**

Amount net premiums will increase for enhanced premium tax credits recipients.



**\$285M**

Amount of lost federal funds from enhanced premium tax credits.



**80,000**

Number of enhanced premium tax credits recipients who will forgo coverage.