

The Affordable Care Act Is a Lifeline for Millions of Californians

In *Texas v. United States*, the Supreme Court could strike down parts or all of the ACA, devastating Californians who rely on this law for their health care.



What the ACA has meant for California

3.8 million

low-income adults now have coverage through Medi-Cal

1.5 million

people receive financial assistance to make coverage more affordable

93%

of all Californians now have health insurance

2 million

young adults under 26 years old have coverage through their parents' plans

0 monetary caps that insurance companies can set for yearly spending on someone's benefits

10 benefits mandated to be covered by all plans, including hospitalization, maternity care, and pediatric services



What's at risk



Health

- **Millions of Californians** losing access to health care services
- **Massive delays in care** that lead to more advanced disease burdens and more costly treatment
- **7 million Californians** could be denied coverage due to pre-existing conditions
- **900,000 Californians** could be denied coverage *due to COVID-19* as a pre-existing condition
- **Elimination of value-based** care incentives and a return to a volume-driven system
- **\$4,200 annual increase** in out-of-pocket costs for individual insurance market enrollees



Financial

- **269,000 jobs** statewide
- **\$15-18 billion** in federal funding for Medi-Cal
- **\$29.3 billion** in state GDP
- **\$2.2 billion** in lost state and local tax revenue

Source: <https://laborcenter.berkeley.edu/methods-california-could-lose-269000-jobs-if-the-aca-is-overturned/>