

NE Fact Sheet: House Republicans' Cuts to Medicaid & SNAP Put Nebraskans At Risk of Losing Access to Health Care and Food

What's Happening: Don Bacon and House Republicans' budget proposal would take health care coverage and food assistance away from millions of working parents, kids, seniors, and people with disabilities by targeting two of Nebraska's most critical federally-funded programs - Medicaid and SNAP.

How will House Republicans' cuts to these programs impact Nebraskans?

MEDICAID PROVIDES HEALTH COVERAGE TO 324,000 NEBRASKANS

[41,000 Medicaid beneficiaries](#) are at risk of losing health care coverage in NE-02 alone.

Who relies on Medicaid for health coverage in Nebraska?

- 32% of [all children](#)
- 38% of [moms who just gave birth and their newborn babies](#)
- 39% of [working-age adults with disabilities](#)
- 54% of [people living in nursing homes](#)
- 12% of [Medicare beneficiaries](#)
- 12% of [adults aged 19-64](#)

Nebraskans who manage to keep their Medicaid could still lose health [benefits](#) such as:

- **Home- and community-based services (HCBS)** that allow the elderly and people with disabilities to receive services in their own homes or communities rather than institutional settings. In Nebraska, nearly 3,000 people are [on a waiting list](#) for Medicaid HCBS.
- **Dental services**
- **Hospice services**
- **Physical therapy**

CUTTING FEDERAL MEDICAID FUNDING WOULD DIRECTLY RAISE COSTS IN NE

How could health care costs for Nebraskans in NE-02 go up as a result of these cuts?

- Under the Republican budget plan, the 34,000 people who receive coverage under the Affordable Care Act in Rep. Don Bacon's district would see their average premium go up by [\\$1,080 per year](#) — a 76% increase.

SNAP PROVIDES FOOD SECURITY FOR 63,000 NEBRASKA HOUSEHOLDS

More than [23,000 households](#) are at risk of losing SNAP benefits in NE-02 alone.

How many children, seniors, and people with disabilities rely on SNAP for food and nutrition assistance in Nebraska's 2nd?

- 51% of NE-02 households participating in SNAP have a child
- 32% of NE-02 households participating in SNAP have an elderly person
- 57% of NE-02 households participating in SNAP have a person with a disability