

Ryan Elijah Overview

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Backup below.

Ryan Elijah Message #1

Ryan Elijah holds thousands of dollars' worth of stocks in data center developers, and he has proudly announced his intention to trade more stocks while serving in Congress. He also supports a new law that gives more than \$80 billion in tax breaks to data center developers, which are driving up our energy costs, straining our energy grid, polluting our water, and buying up our land. Ryan Elijah will go to Congress and enrich himself while the rest of us pay more.

Ryan Elijah Holds Thousands Of Dollars' Worth Of Stocks In Data Center Developers,

2026: Elijah Reported Holding Up To \$195,000 Of Stock And Stock Options In Companies That Developed Or Used Data Centers

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2026: Elijah Reported Owning Between \$16,016 And \$240,000 In Stocks And Stock Options In Companies Who Developed Or Operated Data Centers. [U.S. House Clerk, Ryan Elijah 2026 Personal Financial Disclosure Amendment, filed [9/16/26](#)]

2026: Elijah Reported Stock Ownership In Data Center Developers			
Asset	Owner	Min. Value	Max. Value
Amazon.com Inc. [ST]	SP	\$1,001	\$15,000
Apple Inc. [ST]	SP	\$1,001	\$15,000
CoreWeave Inc. [ST]		\$1,001	\$15,000
Meta Platforms Inc. [ST]	SP	\$1,001	\$15,000
NVIDIA Corporation [ST]		\$1,001	\$15,000
NVIDIA Corporation [OP]*		\$1,001	\$15,000
Palantir Technologies Inc. [ST]		\$1,001	\$15,000
Palantir Technologies Inc. [ST]		\$1,001	\$15,000
Tesla Inc. [ST]		\$1,001	\$15,000
Tesla Inc. [ST]	SP	\$1,001	\$15,000
UnitedHealth Group Inc. [ST]		\$1,001	\$15,000
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UnitedHealth Group Inc. [ST]	SP	\$1,001	\$15,000
Total:		\$13,013	\$195,000

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NOTE: [ST] stood for stock. [OP] stood for stock option. "SP" in the Owner column indicates his spouse owns it.

Amazon Had More Than 900 Data Centers

Bloomberg: Amazon Had More Than 900 Data Center Facilities Worldwide, And Was “Best Known For Sprawling Data Center Hubs In Virginia And Oregon. “Amazon.com Inc.’s data center operation is much larger than commonly understood, totaling more than 900 facilities in more than 50 countries, according to documents reviewed by Bloomberg and investigative website SourceMaterial. Amazon Web Services is best known for sprawling data center hubs in Virginia and Oregon. But those sorts of enormous complexes, which the company owns or operates through long-term leases, don’t account for its full footprint. The cloud unit also stashes server racks in hundreds of so-called colocation facilities, renting space that as of last year provided about a fifth of the computing power at Amazon’s disposal, according to the documents.” [Bloomberg, [11/24/25](#)]

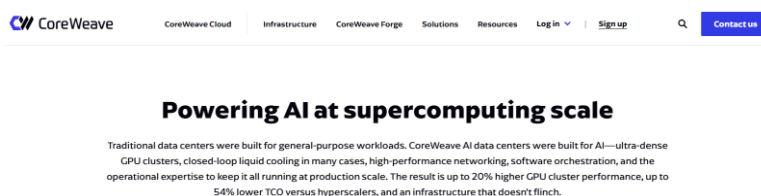
Apple Operated Six Data Centers In The U.S.

Datacenters.Com: Apple Operated Six Data Centers In The United States. According to Datacenters.com, Apple operated six data centers in the U.S., including in Newton, NC; Newark, CA; Prineville, OR; Mesa, AZ; Waukegan, IA; and Reno, NV. [Datacenters.org, accessed [8/14/26](#)]

Charlotte Observer: Apple Was One Of The First Companies To Build A Data Center In The U.S., And Its North Carolina Data Center Facility Was Used As A Model For Investors Looking To Build Data Centers Elsewhere. “Microsoft’s billion-dollar investment commitment has the chance to increase as it did with the county’s agreement with Apple, which built its largest data center in Maiden in 2010. That was also one of the first centers in the county. [...] Apple opened its center in Maiden, which is about 40 miles northwest of Charlotte. Apple said it would invest \$1 billion into the region. That’s grown to \$6 billion, Millar said. [...] And in 2006, the county began pursuing data center investments to replace the downturn of its textile, furniture and coaxial cable industries. The county even hosted data center information exchanges, where it would invite investors to look at Apple’s complex and see whether they could build similar centers, Millar said.” [Charlotte Observer, [6/25/26](#)]

CoreWeave Touted Building Data Centers Specifically For AI

CoreWeave Website: “Coreweave AI Data Centers Were Built For AI.” “Traditional data centers were built for general-purpose workloads. CoreWeave AI data centers were built for AI—ultra-dense GPU clusters, closed-loop liquid cooling in many cases, high-performance networking, software orchestration, and the operational expertise to keep it all running at production scale. The result is up to 20% higher GPU cluster performance, up to 54% lower TCO versus hyperscalers, and an infrastructure that doesn't flinch.” [CoreWeave, AI Data Centers, accessed [10/12/26](#)]



The screenshot shows the CoreWeave website. The header includes the CoreWeave logo and navigation links: CoreWeave Cloud, Infrastructure, CoreWeave Forge, Solutions, Resources, Log in, Sign up, and a Contact us button. The main content area features the heading "Powering AI at supercomputing scale" followed by a paragraph describing their AI-optimized data centers. The paragraph states: "Traditional data centers were built for general-purpose workloads. CoreWeave AI data centers were built for AI—ultra-dense GPU clusters, closed-loop liquid cooling in many cases, high-performance networking, software orchestration, and the operational expertise to keep it all running at production scale. The result is up to 20% higher GPU cluster performance, up to 54% lower TCO versus hyperscalers, and an infrastructure that doesn't flinch."

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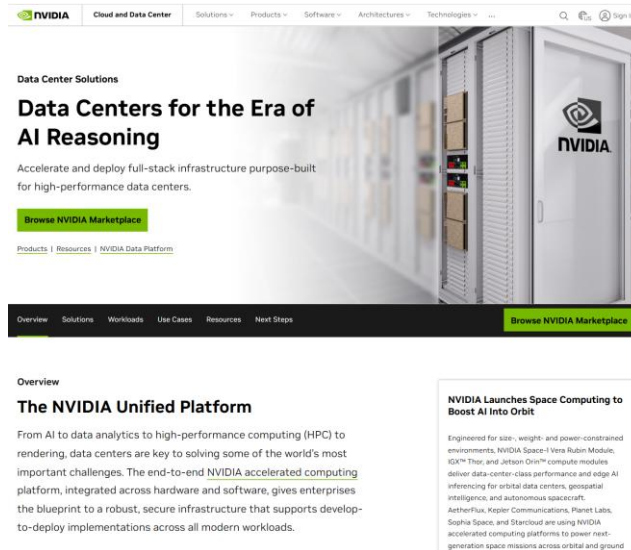
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Nvidia Reported \$75.2 Billion In Data Center-Related Sales During The First Quarter Of 2027

2026: Nvidia Marketed Its Accelerated Computing Platform As A Full-Stack Data Center Solution And Said “Data Centers Are Key To Solving Some Of The World’s Most Important Challenges.” “Data Centers for the Era of AI Reasoning. Accelerate and deploy full-stack infrastructure purpose-built for high-performance data centers. Overview. The NVIDIA Unified Platform. From AI to data analytics to high-performance computing (HPC) to rendering, data centers are key to solving some of the world’s most important challenges. The end-to-end NVIDIA accelerated computing platform, integrated across hardware and software, gives enterprises the blueprint to a robust, secure infrastructure that supports develop-to-deploy implementations across all modern workloads.” [Nvidia, accessed [8/3/26](#)]



[Nvidia, accessed [8/3/26](#)]

2026: Data Centers Made Up 92% Of Nvidia’s Revenue In The First Fiscal Quarter Of 2027. “Just a few years ago, Nvidia's largest revenue source was gaming. The AI build-out changed that, as data centers have made up an increasingly larger share of its sales. In its fiscal first quarter of 2027, which ended April 26, 2026, it reported total revenue of \$81.6 billion, with data center sales accounting for 92% (\$75.2 billion) of that. While Nvidia and other chipmakers reached new highs earlier this year, investors have grown concerned about a potential slowdown in AI infrastructure spending. Here's why Nvidia CEO Jensen Huang argues that there's still plenty of money to be made -- and answers whether the company's reliance on AI spending is an issue.” [Motley Fool, [7/3/26](#)]

Palantir Announced It Was Partnering With Nvidia And Another Company To Speed Up AI Data Center Construction

Reuters Headline: “Palantir Teams With Nvidia, Centerpoint Energy For Software To Speed Up AI Data Center Construction.” [Reuters, [12/4/25](#)]

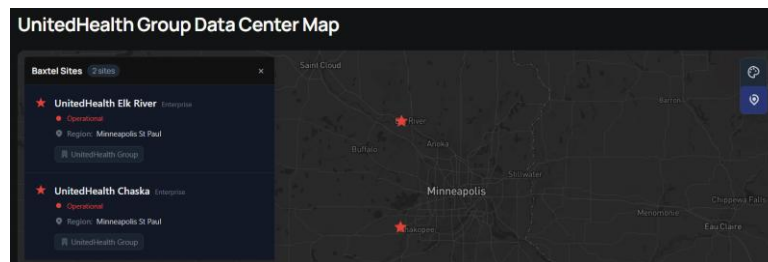
Palantir Technologies Announced It Was Partnering With Two Other Companies To Develop New Software, Chain Reaction, Which Would Help Firms That Were Building AI Data Centers. “Palantir Technologies (PLTR.O), Nvidia (NVDA.O), and U.S. utility CenterPoint Energy (CNP.N), on Thursday said they are developing a new software platform to accelerate the building of new artificial intelligence data centers. The new software system will be called Chain Reaction. It will seek to help firms that are building AI data centers, which can consume as much electricity as a small city, with permitting, supply chain and construction challenges. Executives involved in the project said Chain Reaction will use AI tools to help its customers.” [Reuters, [12/4/25](#)]

Tesla Megapacks Helped Power One Of Elon Musk's Company's Colossus Data Centers

Elon Musk's Company Installed Tesla Megapacks To Help Power Its Colossus Data Centers. "SpaceX ramped up spending on energy products from CEO Elon Musk's other trillion-dollar company, Tesla, during the period ending June 30, 2026, financial filings revealed. Musk's aerospace and defense tech conglomerate purchased \$295 million worth of Tesla Megapacks, or battery energy storage systems, that SpaceXAI has been installing to help power its Colossus data centers in the Greater Memphis area." [CNBC, [8/5/26](#)]

UnitedHealth Group Operated Two Data Centers In The U.S.

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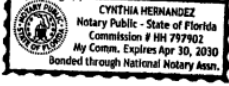


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I swear or affirm that I am a candidate for the office of <u>Representative in Congress</u> <u>7</u> <div style="text-align: center; font-size: x-small;">(Office) (District #)</div>	
I am qualified under the Constitution and the laws of the United States to hold the office to which I desire to be nominated or elected; I have qualified for no other public office in the state, the term of which office or any part thereof runs concurrent with the office I seek; and I will support the Constitution of the United States.	
I swear or affirm, in addition to being a citizen of the United States, that: (Check applicable box.) ☒ I am not a citizen of another country. ☐ I am a citizen of another country, specifically _____	
Statement of Party: I am a member of the <u>Republican</u> Party; I have been a registered member of this political party, for which I am seeking nomination as a candidate, for at least 365 consecutive days preceding the beginning of qualifying before the general election for which I seek to qualify; and I have paid the assessment levied against me, if any, by the executive committee of the above-stated political party.	
Statement of Legal Name Change: I have not legally changed my name through a petition pursuant to s. 68.07, F.S., during the 365-day period preceding the beginning of qualifying. (This does not apply to any change of name in proceedings for dissolution of marriage or adoption of children or based on a change of name conducted with a marriage certificate.)	
Statement of Outstanding Fines, Fees, or Penalties: (Check applicable box. If you do owe more than \$250, you must also specify the amount owed and each entity that levied the same on page 2 of this form.) ☒ I do not owe outstanding fines, fees, or penalties that cumulatively exceed \$250, for any violations of s. 8, Art. II of the State Constitution, the Code of Ethics for Public Officers and Employees under part III of chapter 112, any local ethics ordinance governing standards of conduct and disclosure requirements, or chapter 106. (s. 99.021(1)(d), F.S.)	
Statement of Stock Trading: (Check all applicable boxes.) ☐ I do not intend to trade stocks, if elected, in a manner other than through a trust or similar mechanism which strictly limits my ability to influence or exercise control over decisions regarding the management of assets. ☒ I did not previously hold federal office. ☐ I did previously hold federal office and I did not trade stocks while in federal office in a manner other than through a trust or similar mechanism which strictly limits my ability to influence or exercise control over decisions regarding the management of assets.	
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Politico: Elijah Checked Off A Box On His Qualifying Form He Intended To Trade Stocks While In Office.
“Former Fox 35 Orlando host RYAN ELIJAH, Republican candidate for Florida’s 7th District, is among a small number of House candidates who checked off a box on his qualifying form saying that he intended to trade stocks while in office. His financial disclosure shows he has between \$50,000 to \$100,000 in a retirement account that includes shares in Palantir, Tesla and UnitedHealth Group. Asked about the decision, Elijah replied: ‘I checked the box in the interest of full transparency, that I don’t yet know how my retirement account will be managed, but will do so according to the law and with full transparency. What I do know is insider trading in Washington must stop, members of Congress should not have an advantage over the rest of America because they sit on a committee with potentially non-public information.’” [Politico, [9/11/26](#)]

He Also Supports A New Law That Gives More Than \$80 Billion In Tax Breaks To Data Center Developers,

Elijah Praised The One Big Beautiful Bill, Which Provided \$83 Billion In Tax Breaks To Data Center Developers

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- **American Prospect: Data Center Developers Received \$83 Billion In Tax Breaks From The Big Beautiful Bill.** “As the *Prospect* reported on Monday, just six companies, all of them related to the AI build-out, received \$83 billion in tax breaks last year thanks to the extension of various corporate tax benefits in the One Big Beautiful Bill Act. Like nearly all Republicans, Barrett voted for that bill, which enabled Microsoft, Google, Amazon, Meta, and Nvidia to spend more funds on building data centers.” [American Prospect, [8/20/26](#)]

Which Are Driving Up Our Energy Costs, Straining Our Energy Grid, Polluting Our Water, And Buying Up Our Land.

Data Centers Were Increasing Electricity Costs, Draining And Polluting The Local Water Supply, And Replacing Agricultural Land

AI Data Centers Were Increasing Electricity Costs

HEADLINE: “Data Center Power Demands Are Contributing To Higher Energy Bills.” [EESI, [2/24/26](#)]

Bloomberg: Electricity Cost 267% More “Than It Did Five Years Ago In Area Near Data Centers.” “Wholesale electricity costs as much as 267% more than it did five years ago in areas near data centers. That’s being passed on to customers.” [Bloomberg, [9/29/25](#)]

In 2025, Data Centers Used More Electricity Than All But 10 Countries Combined

Headline: “Energy, Water Use And Pollution Of AI And Data Centers Rival Most Countries” [PBS, [6/4/26](#)]

2025: Data Centers Used 448 Trillion Watt-Hours Of Electricity, More Than All But 10 Countries Of The World Combined. “The environmental footprint of data centers already rivals some of the world's largest countries, according to a United Nations University report, which also predicts their water and energy use and pollution will double in just four years as use of artificial intelligence grows. Last year, global data centers used 448 trillion watt-hours of electricity, more than all but 10 countries of the world, said the report issued Wednesday. That electricity use produced about 208 million tons (189 million metric tons) of carbon dioxide, about the same amount as Argentina, and producing that much energy consumed about 1.2 trillion gallons (4.5 trillion liters) of water, according to the report on the environmental consequences of AI's energy use.” [PBS, [6/4/26](#)]

AI Data Centers Were Draining And Polluting Water Supplies

Bloomberg: Data Centers “Consume Immense Amounts Of Water.” “Each time you ask an AI chatbot to summarize a lengthy legal document or conjure up a cartoon squirrel wearing glasses, it sends a request to a data center and strains an increasingly scarce resource: water. The data centers that power artificial intelligence consume immense amounts of water to cool hot servers and, indirectly, from the electricity needed to run these facilities.” [Bloomberg, [5/8/25](#)]

- **Forbes: Data Centers Were “Projected To Consume Between 16 Billion And 33 Billion Gallons” Of Water Annually By 2028.** “In 2023, U.S. data centers consumed an estimated 17 billion gallons of water, according to federal and industry analyses compiled by the Energy Department and Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory. Hyperscale facilities alone are projected to consume between 16 billion and 33 billion gallons annually by 2028.” [Forbes, [1/11/26](#)]

Nature Forward: “Data Centers Can Introduce Several Types Of Pollutants Into Water Systems.” [Nature Forward, [2/4/26](#)]

- **July 2026: A Toxic Chemical From A Data Center Was Found In The Water Supply In Cheyenne, Wyoming.** “As the use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) expands worldwide, companies are scrambling to construct data centers to keep up with soaring demand for services. Much has been reported about how these data centers use significant quantities of water for cooling, but a recent incident in Wyoming has highlighted a new concern for local water supplies. In the City of Cheyenne near the border with Colorado, a rare bacterium called *Cupriavidus gilardii* was detected in the City’s reclaimed water system in February after wastewater from the construction and commissioning of a Meta AI data center entered the city’s wastewater network. The finding resulted in a temporary shutdown of parts of the system while officials carried out remediation work.” [Forbes, [7/9/26](#)]
- **HEADLINE: “Meta AI Data Center Linked To Rare Bacteria In City’s Water System.”** [Forbes, [7/9/26](#)]

Data Center Developers Planned To Buy Huge Tracts Of Land In Florida

TechRadar Headline: “A Hyperscaler Wants To Buy A Site Almost 3X Bigger Than Central Park In Osceola County, Florida — As Its Residents Worry About A Future Surrounded By Data Centers.” [TechRadar, [10/3/26](#)]

Florida Power & Light Was Considering Replacing The Agricultural Land Of Indiantown With A Data Center. “For much of its existence, Indiantown has derived its identity from the land. The tiny community between Lake Okeechobee and Palm Beach is part of Florida’s heartland, a bountiful agricultural region encircling the state’s largest lake. Here, ranchers and farmers raise cattle, rice, sod, vegetables such as lettuce, celery, corn and, most notably, sugarcane. The region has remained relatively untouched by the explosive growth and development that has enveloped much of modern Florida. Now, Indiantown is bracing for a new potential crop: hyperscale data centers. Next to the pastureland where McAllister and her siblings once played, Florida Power & Light (FPL) is considering constructing one of the massive facilities on a swath of some 5,700 acres. Called Tesoro Groves, the development would replace rows of sugarcane and wetlands inhabited by alligators, which are listed federally as threatened. Solar panels and a transmission line are currently on the property, although FPL has provided few details of its plans for the site.” [Inside Climate News, [5/25/26](#)]

Ryan Elijah Message #2

Ryan Elijah proudly backed a law that allows insurance companies to jack up premiums and cut over a trillion dollars in Medicaid funding, is kicking millions of Floridians off their healthcare, and could raise health insurance premiums for seniors by at least \$1,200.

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The One Big Beautiful Bill Let ACA Tax Credits Expire, Which Caused Insurers To Raise Their Premiums

The One Big Beautiful Bill Made Health Care More Expensive For Nearly 5 Million Florida Residents That Got Coverage From ACA Marketplace Plans

2025: Nearly 5 Million Floridians Were Enrolled In ACA Marketplace Plans. [KFF, [4/2/25](#)]

Number Of Florida Residents Enrolled In ACA Marketplace Plans In 2025	
State	ACA Marketplace Enrollees
Florida	4,735,415

[KFF, [4/2/25](#)]

KFF Health System Tracker: Insurers That Participated In The ACA Marketplaces Raised Premiums On Average By 20% In 2026. “For 2026, across 312 insurers participating in the ACA Marketplaces from the 50 states and the District of Columbia, this analysis shows a median proposed premium increase of 18%, which is about 11 percentage points higher than last year. This is the largest rate change insurers have requested since 2018, the last time that policy uncertainty contributed to sharp premium increases. On average, ACA Marketplace insurers are raising premiums by about 20% in 2026. Based on a more detailed analysis of available documents from insurers in 19 states and the District of Columbia, like in prior years, growth in health care prices stood out as a key factor driving costs in 2026. Insurers cite increasing cost and utilization of high-priced drugs as well as general market factors, such as increasing labor costs and inflation, as contributing to premium increases.” [KFF Health System Tracker, [8/6/25](#)]

The One Big Beautiful Bill Did Not Extend Enhanced Premium Tax Credits For ACA Marketplace Plans. “The OBBBA did not extend enhanced premium tax credits for ACA marketplace plans. As a result, when open enrollment begins on November 1, 2025, 20 million marketplace enrollees will see their premium costs spike.” [Center for American Progress, [7/29/25](#)]

- **The Majority Of Insurers Took Into Account The Potential Expiration Of Enhanced Premium Tax Credits For Their Rate Increases.** “In addition to rising healthcare costs, the majority of insurers are also taking into account the potential expiration of enhanced premium tax credits in their premium rate increases for the next year. The expiration of enhanced tax credits will lead to out-of-pocket premiums for ACA marketplace enrollees increasing by an average of more than 75%, with insurers expecting healthier enrollees to drop coverage. That, in turn, increases underlying premiums. Other federal policy changes, like the implementation of tariffs and the ACA Marketplace Integrity and Affordability rule were also discussed, though to a lesser extent.” [KFF Health System Tracker, [8/6/25](#)]
- **The Majority Of Insurers Assumed Enhanced Tax Credits Would Expire At The End Of 2025, Which Caused Them To Raise Their Rates By An Average Of 4%.** “Uncertainty over federal policy changes has forced insurers to make some assumptions when developing their rates for 2026. Commonly mentioned by insurers is the impact of the expiration of enhanced premium tax credits, which are scheduled to sunset at the end of 2025, unless extended by Congress. The majority of insurers have assumed that enhanced tax credits will expire at the end of this year, driving rates an average of 4 percentage points higher than they otherwise would be. These increased rates are due to insurers anticipating that some healthier members will leave the ACA Marketplaces when their subsidies decrease, creating an enrollee base that is less healthy and more expensive on average.” [KFF Health System Tracker, [8/6/25](#)]
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The Average ACA Premium Cost Among Enrollees Could Rise By 132% Or \$521 Annually In Florida. “As the federal government nears a shutdown, a central issue in the government funding fight is health care costs. Premium tax credits (PTCs) help lower the cost of comprehensive insurance coverage for more than 20 million people who buy health insurance on their own through the Affordable Care Act marketplaces. [...] The Urban Institute estimated that among subsidized enrollees, the annual 2025 premium was \$460, though without the enhanced tax credits it would have been \$1,087 even if enrollees were to switch into the lowest-cost plan within their chosen metal tier. That represents a 136 percent increase. In other words, the average premium net of financial assistance would more than double if enhanced PTCs are not extended. These increases in the average net premium would vary by state, with some states seeing even higher increases: In Alaska, the average premium cost among enrollees with financial assistance will increase 346 percent, or \$909 annually. In California, the average premium cost among enrollees with financial assistance will increase 122 percent, or \$1,000 annually. In Florida, the average premium cost among enrollees with financial assistance will increase 132 percent, or \$521 annually.” [Center For American Progress, [9/29/25](#)]

The One Big Beautiful Bill Made About \$1 Trillion In Cuts To Medicaid, Slashed Local Hospital Revenue, And Would Kick More Than 1.6 Million Floridians Off Their Health Insurance

The One Big Beautiful Bill Made The Largest Cuts To Medicaid In The Program’s History

The Hill: Republicans Passed “The Largest Cuts To Medicaid Since The Program Began In The 1960s.” “Senate Republicans on Tuesday passed the largest cuts to Medicaid since the program began in the 1960s, a move that would erode the social safety net and cause a spike in the number of uninsured Americans over the next decade. The tax and spending bill is projected to cost more than \$3 trillion during that time, but it would be partially paid for with about \$1 trillion in cuts to Medicaid. Almost 12 million lower-income Americans would lose their health insurance by 2034, according to the Congressional Budget Office (CBO).” [The Hill, [7/1/25](#)]

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The One Big Beautiful Bill Would Take Health Insurance Away From More Than 14 Million People

KFF: “CBO Estimates Show That The Number Of Uninsured People Will Increase By More Than 14 Million In 2034.” [KFF, [8/20/25](#)]

Rolling Stone Headline: “Congress Officially Passes Trump’s Bill To Kick Millions Off Medicaid.” [Rolling Stone, [7/3/25](#)]

The One Big Beautiful Bill Was Estimated To Kick More Than 1.6 Million Floridians Off Their Health Insurance

September 2025: The Joint Economic Committee Minority Estimated More Than 1.6 Million People Across Florida Would Lose Health Insurance By 2034 Due To Congressional Republicans’ Cuts To Medicaid And The ACA. “According to the nonpartisan Congressional Budget Office (CBO)’s most recent analysis, President

Trump and Congressional Republicans’ cuts to Medicaid and the Affordable Care Act (ACA) would result in 16 million people losing their health insurance by 2034. Using CBO’s analysis released June 4 and other research, the Joint Economic Committee – Minority calculated new estimates of the number of people who would lose health insurance.” [Joint Economic Committee Minority, Press Release, [September 2025](#)]

Florida: Health Insurance Losses From Cuts To Medicaid And The Affordable Care Act Under The One Big Beautiful Bill		
Est. Number of People Losing Affordable Care Act Coverage	Est. Number of People Losing Medicaid Coverage	Est. Total Number of People Losing Insurance
1,606,300	79,927	1,686,227

[Joint Economic Committee Minority, Press Release, [September 2025](#)]

Seniors Would See Their Premiums Increase By At Least \$1,200 On Average, And Seniors Would Face Higher Out-Of-Pocket Costs, Because Of The One Big Beautiful Bill

The One Big Beautiful Bill Made Health Care More Expensive For Seniors On Medicare

HEADLINE: “House Republicans’ Big, ‘Beautiful’ Bill Would Make Health Care More Expensive For Americans With Medicare And Other Insurance.” [Center for American Progress, [6/12/25](#)]

- **Costs Would Increase For Americans With Medicaid, Medicare, ACA Marketplace Plans, And Job-Based Insurance.** “The House Republican-passed tax and budget reconciliation bill would increase health care costs for many Americans with Medicaid, Medicare, ACA marketplace plans, and job-based insurance. Individuals and families could face steep increases in premiums, deductibles, and other out-of-pocket expenses, amounting to thousands of dollars per year.” [Center for American Progress, [6/12/25](#)]

CBPP: The Republican Reconciliation Bill Would Terminate Cost-Sharing Assistance For 1.4 Million Seniors Dually Eligible For Medicaid And Medicare Resulting In Higher Out-Of-Pocket Costs. “The House Republicans’ bill includes provisions that will add burdens for seniors, contributing to coverage losses and higher costs. One such provision would block implementation of a rule designed to make it easier for low-income seniors and people with disabilities who receive Medicare to access Medicare Savings Programs, a part of state Medicaid programs that help pay people’s Medicare premiums and cost-sharing charges. According to data from the nonpartisan Congressional Budget Office (CBO), roughly 1.4 million people who are dually eligible for Medicaid and Medicare would no longer receive this cost-sharing assistance and would therefore face increased out-of-pocket costs under the bill.” [Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, [6/6/25](#)]

The One Big Beautiful Bill Made Health Care More Expensive For Older Americans On ACA Marketplace Plans

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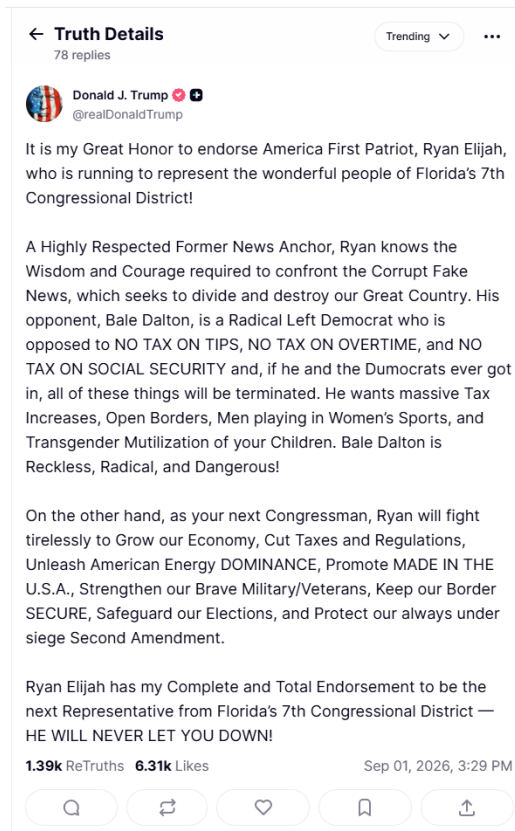
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NPR: Trump’s “One Big Beautiful Bill” Encompassed Much Of His Second-Term Agenda. “President Trump muscled a 900-page package through a closely divided Congress — and that might have been the easy part. The tax and policy bill, which Trump dubbed the ‘One Big Beautiful Bill,’ encompasses much of his second-term agenda.” [NPR, [7/11/25](#)]

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Institute On Taxation And Economic Policy: The House-Passed Reconciliation Bill Would Give The Richest 1% Of Americans \$117 Billion In Net Tax Cuts In 2026. “The House of Representatives today narrowly passed a massive tax and spending reconciliation bill that now heads to President Trump’s desk. Please see below for a statement from ITEP and our latest updated analysis of how the bill’s tax provisions will affect families at different income levels nationally and in every state. [...] The richest 1 percent of Americans would receive a total of \$117 billion in net tax cuts in 2026. The middle 20 percent of taxpayers on the income scale, a group that has 20 times the number of taxpayers as the richest 1 percent, would receive less than half that much, \$53 billion in net tax cuts that year.” [Institute on Taxation and Economic Policy, [7/3/24](#)]

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economy. More than half of Americans count grocery costs as a major stress in their lives. Low-income and middle-income Americans, hit the hardest by rising grocery costs, are changing where they shop and what they buy. Companies are also taking extreme measures to appeal to shoppers strained by higher prices, such as bringing back paper coupons.” [CNN, [9/20/25](#)]

- **Axios Headline: “Grocery Inflation Highest Since 2022 As Trump Tariffs Pile Up.”** [Axios, [9/11/25](#)]

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“Homebuilders are bracing for the next wave of pricing pressures in the housing market as new federal tariffs ripple through supply chains. [...] Recent developments suggest the pressure could intensify. Axios affirmed this month that tariffs are helping drive national construction costs higher, part of a broader squeeze on the housing market. A July Reuters survey found tariffs could increase U.S. homebuilding costs by 4 percent to 10 percent, depending on region and materials—a projection that mirrors what Southwest Florida builders are already reporting. The national effective tariff rate remains elevated at historic levels, and while Canada announced it will remove some retaliatory tariffs on U.S. goods, lumber and metals are still excluded. For a region where construction is among the largest industries, the burden may continue to fall on builders, suppliers, and, eventually, buyers. As Mast says, ‘Every \$1,000 increase in the price of a home cuts out 100 prospective families,’ he says.” [Sarasota Magazine, [8/22/25](#)]

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August 2026: Elijah Supported Trump’s War In Iran

VIDEO: Elijah Supported Trump’s War In Iran, Called For Regime Change In Iran, Adding “If We Don’t Get That, The Problem Is We’re Back Here Again.” ELIJAH: “So at the outset of this, Secretary of State Marco Rubio said, "There's an imminent threat. Once there's an imminent threat, you have to go forward. Here's the problem. I've said this a lot at our events. They can't match our military strength. What they can match is the

resolve of the American people, and they've done that through the media in many cases, trying to get public opinion. They also know midterms are coming, and unfortunately, that message gets to them. And they know while they can't match our military; they can match our resolve. So it's an issue. We got to finish the job. We've got to make sure IRGC cannot be trusted. You're dealing with a country where the people are great. The people in leadership are not, and they cannot be trusted. We've got to finish the job. We have to make sure the straits open. If we can get a regime change, if we don't get that, the problem is we're back here again. So it'd be nice to see that job finished, and certainly with midterms coming up, it'd be nice sooner rather than later.” [FL07 GOP Primary Debate, 46:58, [8/5/26](#)] (VIDEO)

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NBC News: According To U.S. Officials, The Defense Department’s Internal Overall Cost Estimate Of The Iran War Was At Around \$80 To \$100 Billion. “The cost of the war with Iran could be more than triple the most recent estimate of roughly \$30 billion, according to three U.S. officials and three people familiar with the internal cost estimates. The Defense Department’s internal overall cost estimate is \$80 billion to \$100 billion when the costs of repairing damaged U.S. bases, replacing destroyed aircraft and fully replenishing expended American weaponry are factored in, according to the sources.” [NBC News, [7/14/26](#)]

Axios Headline: “Iran War Drives \$100 Billion In Extra Energy Costs For U.S. Consumers.” [Axios, [9/7/26](#)]

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Excess Spending On Gas Since The Start Of The War With Iran		
State	Increase In Total Gasoline Spending Since Feb. 28	Increase In Household Gasoline Spending Since Feb. 28
Florida	+\$3,887,817,941	+\$472

[Joint Economic Committee Minority, [7/13/26](#)]

July 2026: ABC News Headline: “Gas Prices Top \$4 A Gallon As Iran War Escalates.” [ABC News, [7/20/26](#)]

- **July 2026: ABC News: “Gas Prices In The United States Topped \$4 Per Gallon On Average Monday As An Escalation Of The Iran War Renewed Fears Of A Global Oil Shortage.”** “Gas prices in the United States topped \$4 per gallon on average Monday as an escalation of the Iran war renewed fears of a global oil shortage. Prices at the pump have jumped 13 cents per gallon, or 3%, over the past week, AAA data showed, with the average price per gallon now at \$4.003. The recent cost rise brings gasoline prices back to a level achieved soon after the Iran war began in late February. The Middle East conflict prompted Iranian closure of the Strait of Hormuz, the maritime trading route that facilitates transportation of about one-fifth of global oil

supply. The historic oil disruption sent gasoline prices surging.” [ABC News, [7/20/26](#)]

May 2026: The Iran War Was Expected To Drive Diesel Prices To “An All-Time High,” Which Raised Costs For Everyday Goods

May 2026: Politico: “Diesel Fuel Costs Are Also Poised To Set An All-Time High In The U.S., Which In Turn Is Expected To Drive Up Prices For Everything From Groceries To Postage.” “Most Americans are focused on the cost of gasoline at the station up the street — but diesel fuel costs are also poised to set an all-time high in the U.S., which in turn is expected to drive up prices for everything from groceries to postage. A spike in diesel fuel affects a wide array of commodities that need to move across the country – including for home building, manufacturing and much more. And it couldn’t come at a worse time for President Donald Trump and Republicans, just months ahead of the contentious midterm election season in which Democrats are expected to take back the House and possibly the Senate amid intensifying voter anger over the rising cost of living and the unpopular war in Iran.” [Politico, [5/6/26](#)]

- **Politico: The “Inflationary Impact Of High Diesel” Affected “The Cost Of Everything From Eggs To Sneakers,” And Resulted In Price Increases That Were “Passed Along To Consumers.”** “Beyond the impacts to the cost of everything from eggs to sneakers, the inflationary impact of high diesel fuel lasts much longer in the economy than gasoline prices, said John Auers, analyst at consulting firm RBN Energy. Trucking, rail and freight companies sign long-term supply contracts for their diesel, meaning that a higher price will be baked into their costs – and passed along to consumers — for months at a time.” [Politico, [5/6/26](#)]

May 2026: Politico: Increases In Fuel Prices, Including Diesel, Were Largely Due To The Iran War And The Subsequent Closure Of Hormuz. “When fuel prices hit record highs under Biden, it was largely due to post-Covid supply disruptions and because Russia’s war on Ukraine threatened global energy markets. The current price increase is largely due to the U.S. and Israel attack on Iran and the subsequent closure of Hormuz. Diesel prices in February, before U.S. and Israeli forces attacked Iran, were about \$3.75.” [Politico, [5/6/26](#)]