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Medicare Advantage reform	-170	-136
 Other improvements and savings 	-109	-196
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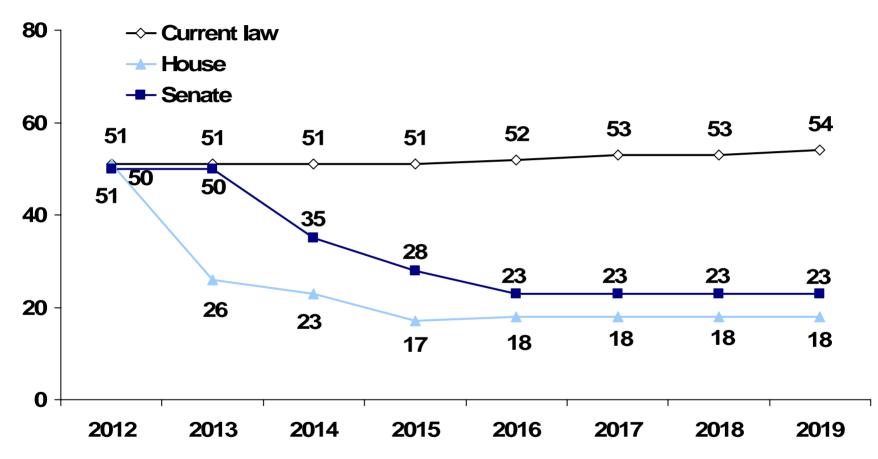
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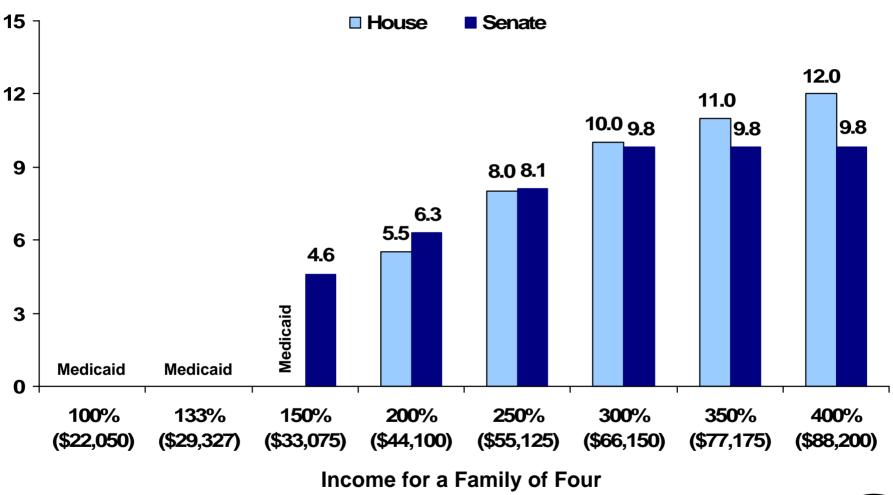
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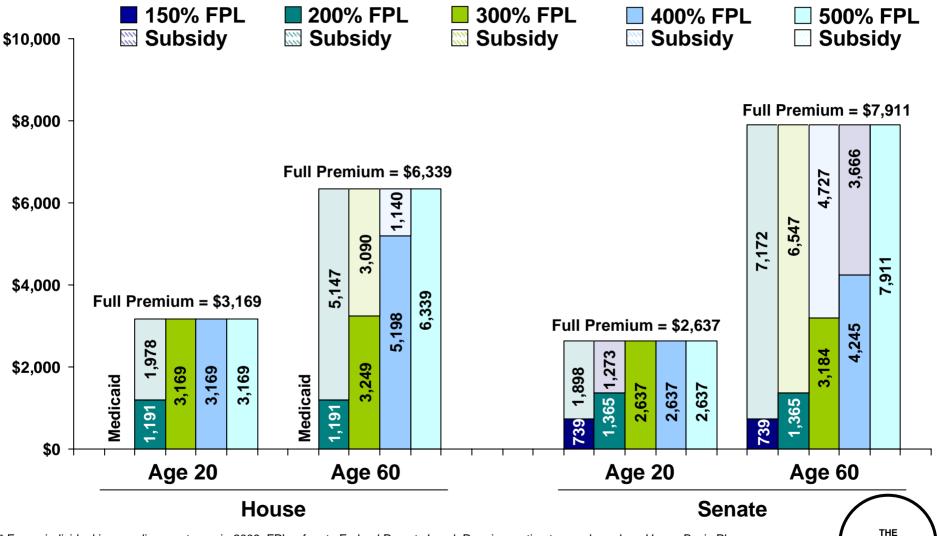


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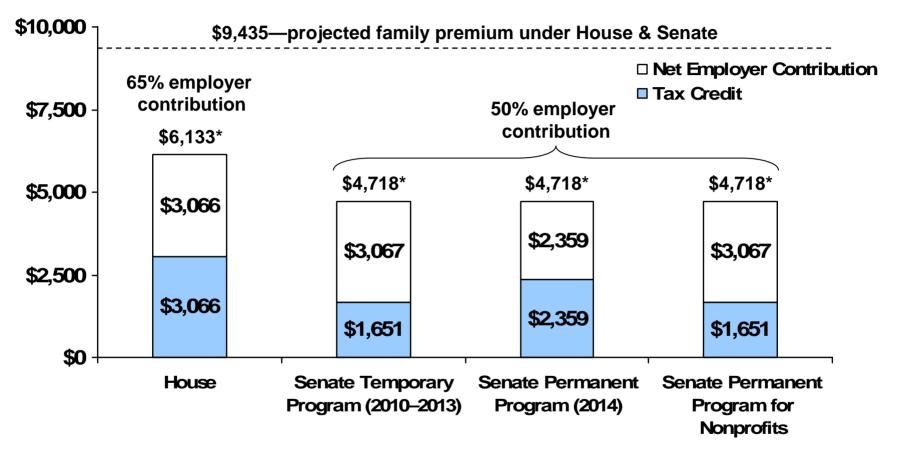
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Credit per employee



* To be eligible for tax credits, firms must contribute 65% of premiums per family under the House plan, and 50% under the Senate plan. Firms receive 50% of their contribution in tax credits under House, and 35% and later 50% of contribution under Senate.

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133	14,404	19,378	24,352	29,327			
150	16,245	21,885	27,465	33,075			
200	21,660	29,140	36,620	44,100			
250	27,075	36,425	45,775	55,125			
300	32,490	43,710	54,930	66,150			
350	37,905	50,995	64,085	77,175			
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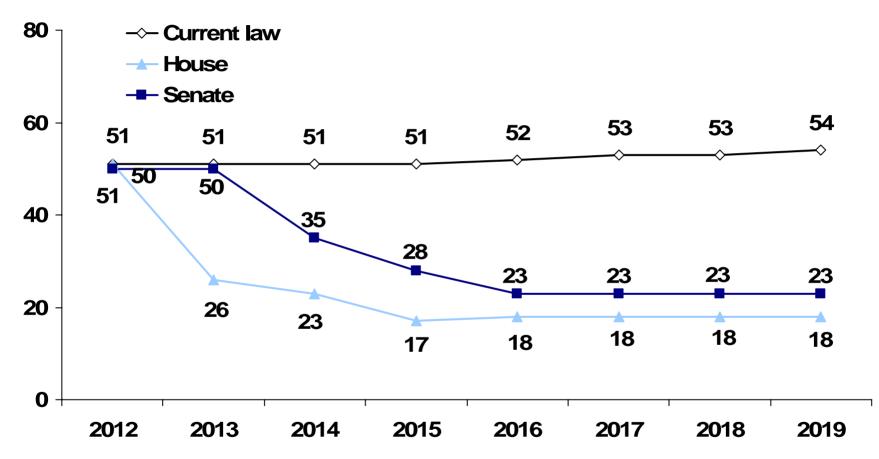
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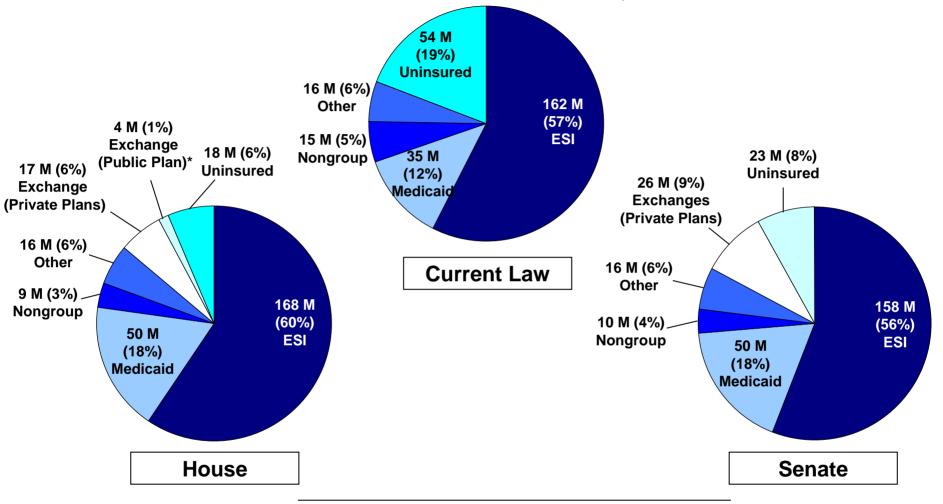
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Among 282 million people under age 65

* CBO estimates 20% of people enrolled in exchange will choose public plan under House bill. Employees whose employers provide coverage through the exchange are shown as covered by their employers (9 million in the House bill and 5 million in the Senate bill), thus about 30 million people would be enrolled through plans in the exchange under both bills. Note: ESI is Employer-Sponsored Insurance. Source: Revised Estimate of the Affordable Health Care for America Act, Congressional Budget Office Letter to the Honorable John Dingell, November 20, 2009, <u>http://www.cbo.gov/doc.cfm?index=10741</u>. The Congressional Budget Office Analysis of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, Incorporating the Manager's Amendment, Dec. 19, 2009, <u>http://cbo.gov/doc.cfm?index=10868</u>.

Exhibit 7. Essential Benefit Package Requirements Under House and Senate Bills

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Four levels of cost-sharing	Four levels of cost-sharing			
1 st tier (Basic) actuarial value: 70%	1 st tier (Bronze) actuarial value: 60%			
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4 th tier (Premium-Plus) actuarial value: 95% plus oral health and vision care	4 th tier (Platinum) actuarial value: 90%			
Annual out-of-pocket maximum	Out-of-pocket maximum			
\$5,000 for individuals, \$10,000 for families	capped at HSA level of			
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	\$11,900 for families			
	Young adult catastrophic policy,			
	covering preventive services, would be available			



Note: Actuarial values is the average percent of medical costs covered by a health plan. Source: Commonwealth Fund analysis of health reform proposals.

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House	Senate
Premium subsidy for purchase through exchange so contribution is limited, as share of income, to: 133%-150% FPL: 1.5%-3.0% 150%-200% FPL: 3.0%-5.5% 200%-250% FPL: 5.5%-8.0% 250%-300% FPL: 5.5%-8.0% 300%-350% FPL: 10.0%-10.0% 350%-400% FPL: 10.0%-11.0% (based on average premium of 3 lowest cost plans) If employer coverage contribution is <12% of income, not eligible for subsidies	Sliding-scale credits based on second-lowest-cost silver plan such that premium contributions are no greater than 2% of income for 100% FPL or less to 9.8% of income for 300%–400% FPL; if employer coverage contribution is <9.8% of income, not eligible for subsidies

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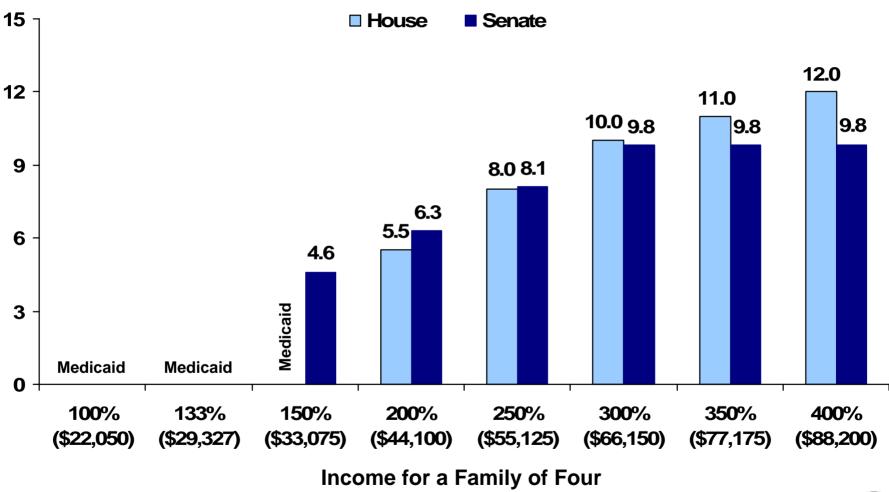
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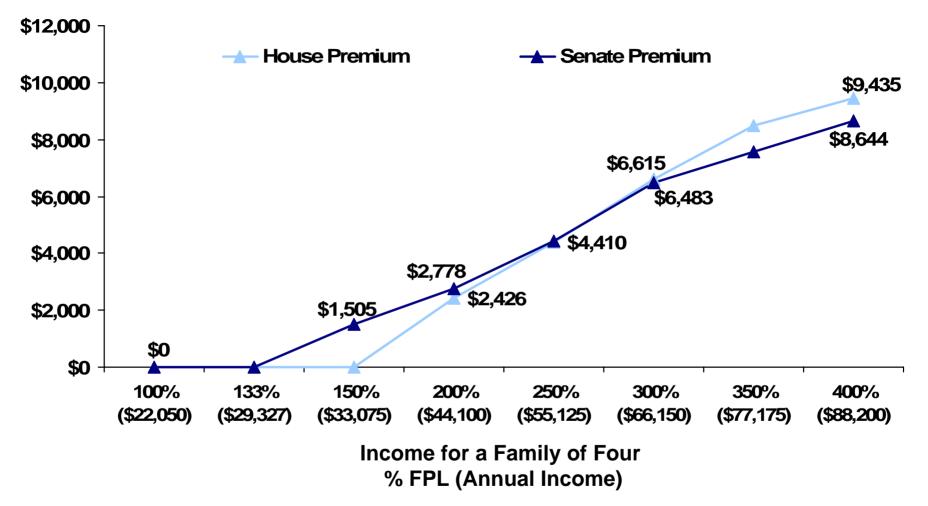




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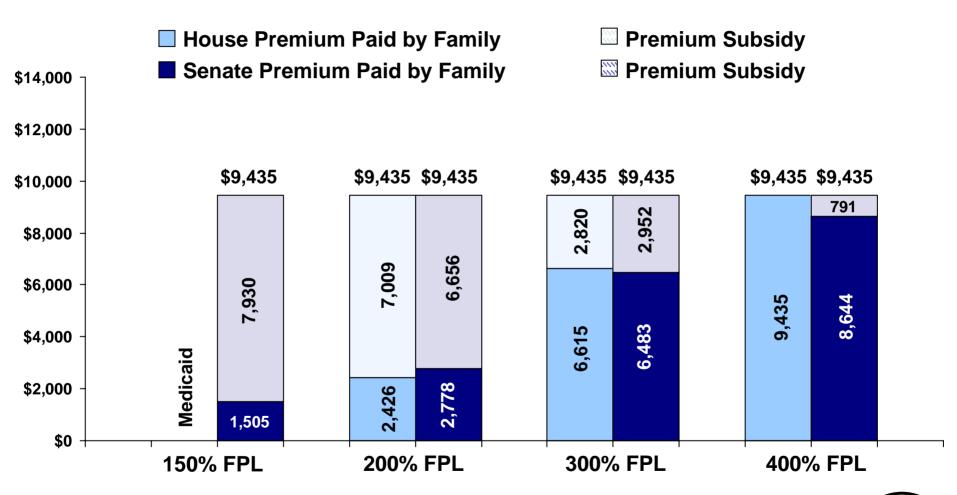
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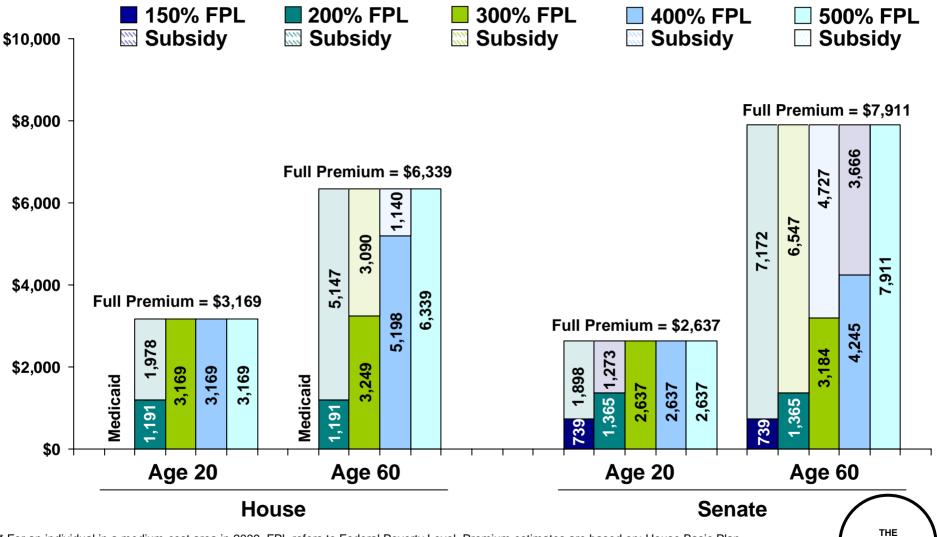


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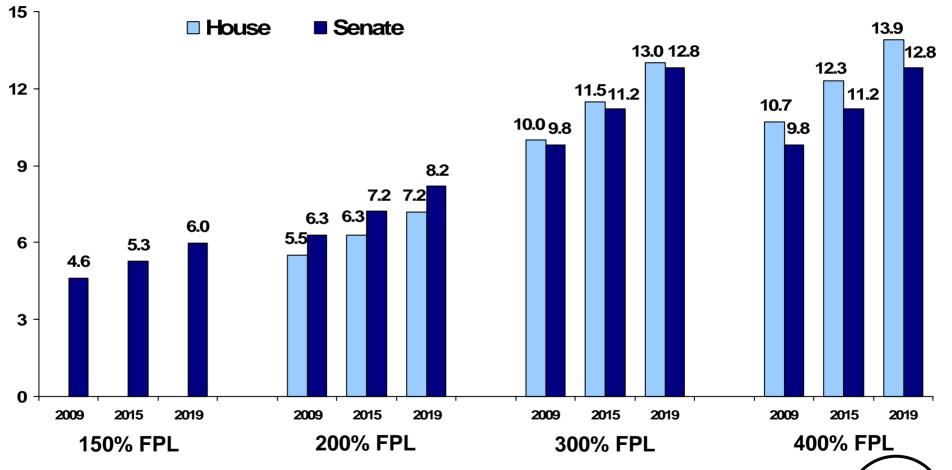
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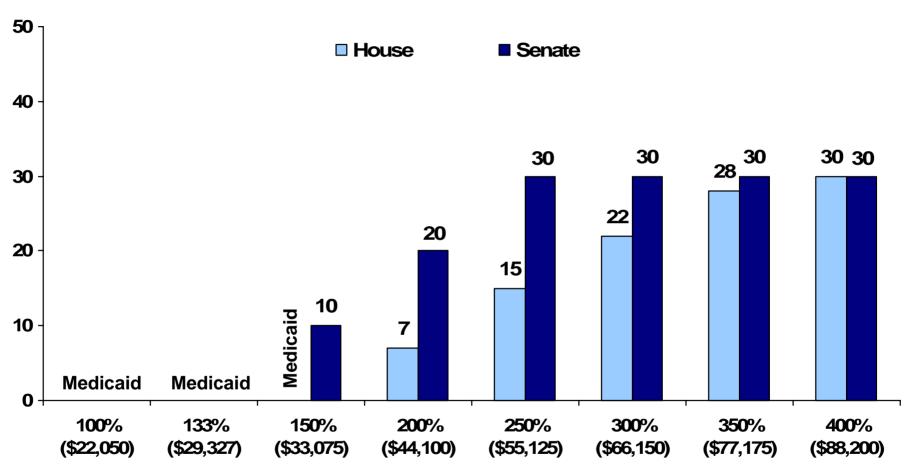
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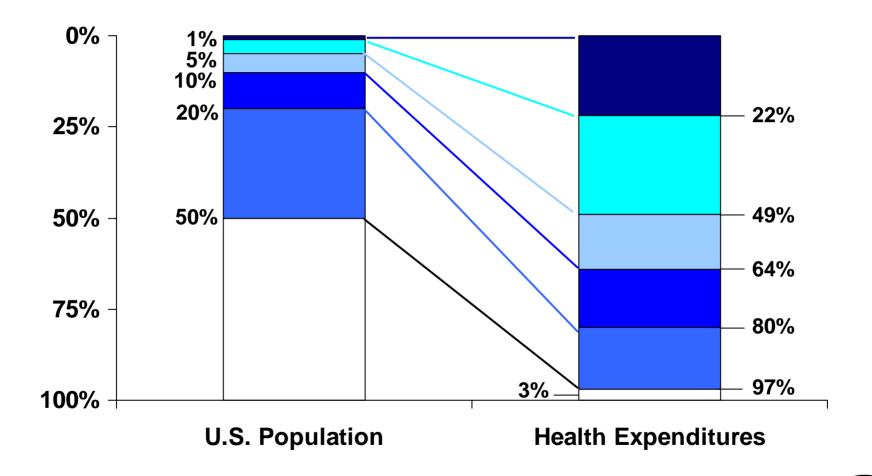
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		Silver Plan: Estimated Out-of-Pocket Expense					
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	96%–98%	\$27,675	\$5,950	\$1,983	\$1,983	\$2,975	\$3,967
	91%–95%	\$12,300	\$3,360	\$1,330	\$1,983	\$2,975	\$3,360
	81%–90%	\$6,560	\$2,212	\$756	\$1,912	\$2,212	\$2,212
	51%-80%	\$2,323	\$1,365	\$332	\$1,065	\$1,365	\$1,365
Bottom	<50%	\$246	\$246	\$125	\$246	\$246	\$246
		Actuarial Value	70%	90%	80%	74%	73%
		Out-of-Pocket Maximum	\$5,950	\$1,983	\$1,983	\$2,975	\$3,967
		Deductible	\$900	\$100	\$600	\$900	\$900
		Coinsurance	20%	10%	20%	20%	20%

Note: Since the Senate bill caps out-of-pocket spending for people at 200–400% of poverty at \$2,975 and \$3,967, this analysis assumes a Silver plan of .70 actuarial value with the out-of-pocket maximums, which increase the actuarial value of the plan. FPL refers to Federal Poverty Level. Actuarial value is the average percent of medical costs covered by a health plan.

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	96%–98%	\$27,675	\$5,000	\$500	\$1,000	\$2,000	\$4,000	\$5,000
	91%–95%	\$12,300	\$3,460	\$492	\$1,000	\$2,000	\$2,910	\$3,310
	81%–90%	\$6,560	\$2,312	\$262	\$706	\$1,234	\$1,762	\$2,162
	51%–80%	\$2,323	\$1,465	\$93	\$282	\$599	\$915	\$1,315
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		Actuarial Value	70%	97%	93%	85%	78%	72%
		Out-of-Pocket Maximum	\$5,000	\$500	\$1,000	\$2,000	\$4,000	\$5,000
		Deductible	\$1,000	—	\$50	\$250	\$450	\$850
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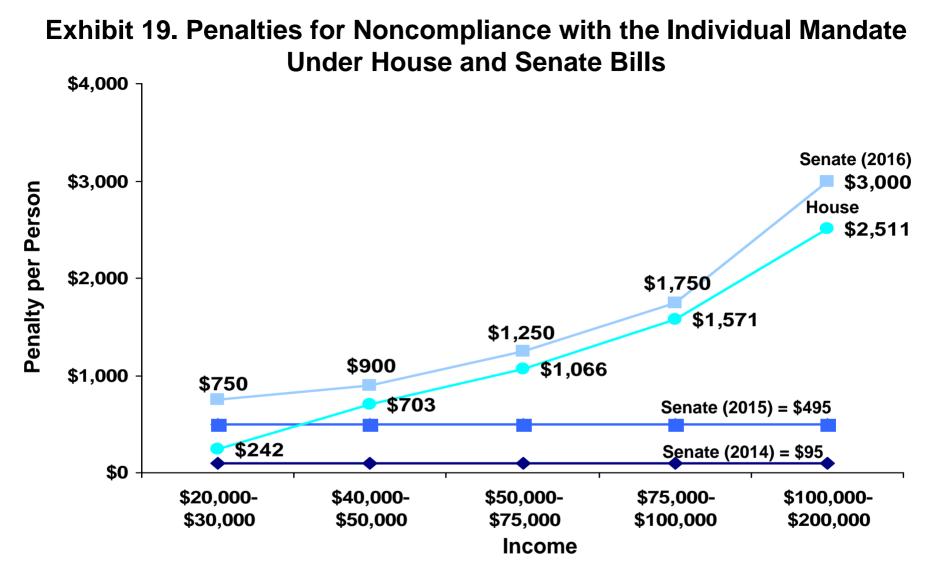
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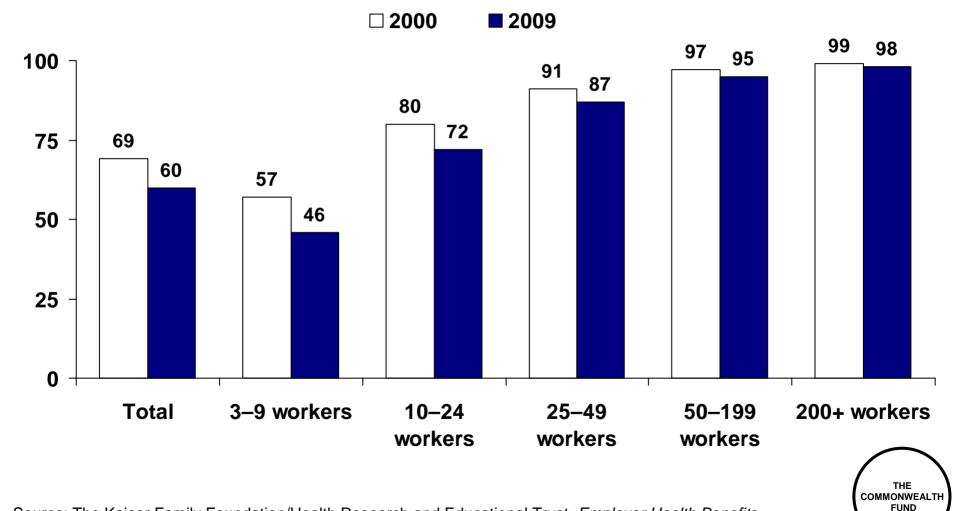
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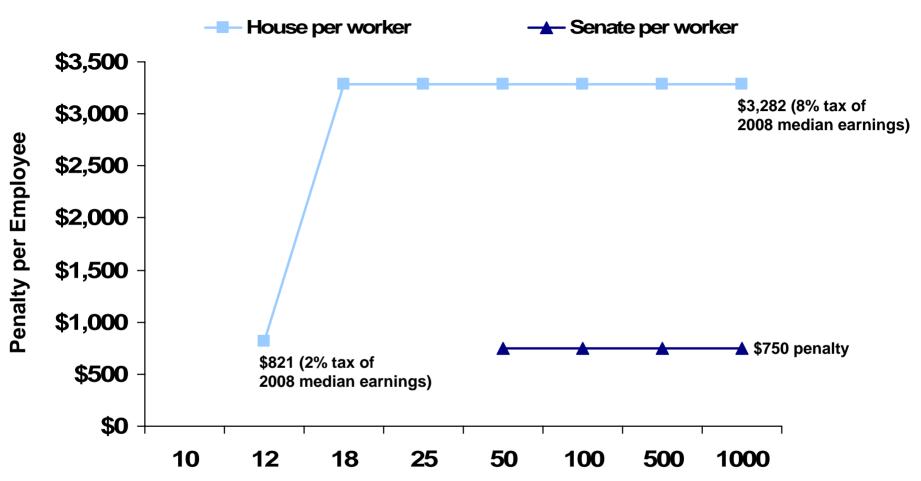
Exhibit 20. Employer Coverage Continues to Be Major Source of Coverage for Employees of Larger Firms But Has Declined Among Small Firms

Percent of firms offering health benefits



Source: The Kaiser Family Foundation/Health Research and Educational Trust, Employer Health Benefits, 2000 and 2009 Annual Surveys.

Exhibit 21. Penalties for Noncompliance with the Employer Mandate Under House and Senate Bills



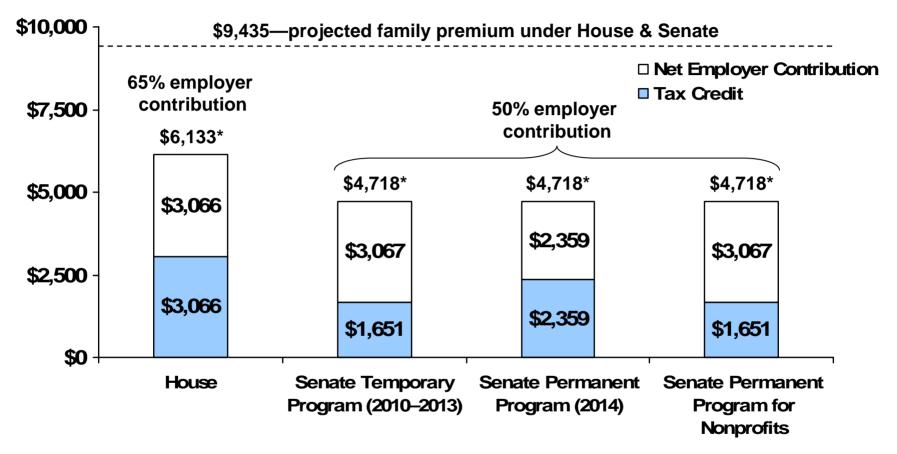
Note: House bill penalty is based on aggregate payroll. It is illustrated here using 2008 median earnings to estimate firm size. A firm with an aggregate payroll of \$500,000 will have an average of 12 workers and a firm with an aggregate payroll of \$750,000 will have an average of

18 workers. The payroll tax is implemented on a sliding scale from 2%–8% for payrolls between \$500,000 and \$750,000. The Senate bill penalty requires any employer with more than 50 full-time employees that does not offer coverage and has at least one full-time employee receiving the premium assistance tax credit to make a payment of \$750 per full-time employee. An employer with more than 50 employees that offers coverage that is deemed unaffordable or does not meet the minimum benefit standard and has at least one full-time employee receiving the premium assistance tax credit must pay the lesser of \$3,000 for each of those employees receiving the credit or \$750 for each of their full-time employees total. Firms are exempt if they have: a payroll less than \$500,000 (House), or fewer than 50 workers (Senate).

Data: Median earnings among workers working 50–52 weeks annually was \$41,030 (Table P–43, Historical Income Data, Current Population Survey). Source: Commonwealth Fund analysis of the proposals.

Exhibit 22. Small Business Tax Credits Under House and Senate Bills for Family Premiums

Credit per employee



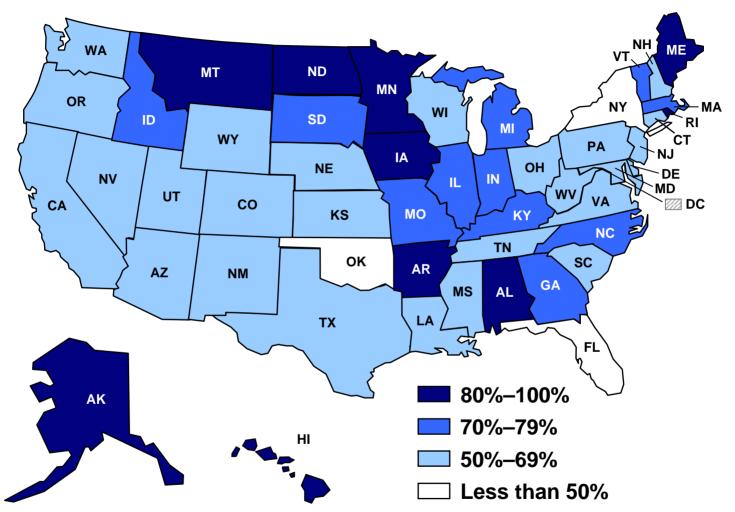
* To be eligible for tax credits, firms must contribute 65% of premiums per family under the House plan, and 50% under the Senate plan. Firms receive 50% of their contribution in tax credits under House, and 35% and later 50% of contribution under Senate.

Note: Projected premium for a family of four in a medium-cost area in 2009 (age 40). Premium estimates are based on: House Basic Plan, actuarial value = 0.70; Senate Silver Plan, actuarial value = 0.70. Actuarial value is the average percent of medical costs covered by a health plan.

Under the House bill, small firms are defined as those with fewer than 25 employees with average wages below \$40,000. The full credit is available to firms with fewer than 10 employees and average wages less than \$20,000; credits phase out up to 25 employees average wages of \$40,000. Under the Senate bill, small firms are defined as those with fewer than 25 employees with average wages below \$50,000. The full credit is available to firms with 10 or fewer employees and average wages less than \$25,000; credits phase out up to 25 employees average wages of \$50,000.

Source: Commonwealth Fund analysis of proposals. Premium estimates are from Kaiser Family Foundation Health Reform Subsidy Calculator, http://healthreform.kff.org/Subsidycalculator.aspx.

Exhibit 23. Concentrated Insurance Markets: Market Share of Two Largest Health Plans, by State, 2006



Note: Market shares include combined HMO+PPO products. For MS and PA share = top 3 insurers 2002–2003. No data are available for Washington, D.C.

Source: American Medical Association, *Competition in Health Insurance: A Comprehensive Study of U.S. Markets, 2008 Update*; MS and PA from J. Robinson, "Consolidation and the Transformation of Competition in Health Insurance," *Health Affairs*, Nov/Dec 2004; ND from D. McCarthy et al., "The North Dakota Experience: Achieving High-Performance Health Care Through Rural Innovation and Cooperation," The Commonwealth Fund, May 2008.