

Press Release



AAF Research: ACA Marketplaces Face Highest-Ever Premium Hikes, High Churn

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The American Action Forum has released detailed and nationally comprehensive research examining insurance plans and premiums in the Affordable Care Act marketplaces. Key findings include:

- Premiums for benchmark plans from 2017 that are still offered for 2018, even if not as the benchmark, will rise by an average of 29 percent—the highest average increase since the ACA began;
- Only 17 percent of all rating areas will have the same benchmark plan as 2017;
- The average 2018 benchmark plan premium will be 36 percent higher than the average 2017 benchmark plan; and
- The lowest-cost bronze premium and the lowest-cost gold premium will both increase on average by about 20 percent.

[Click here](#) to read the research.