

# New Jersey

## *Under the second Trump administration*

Just over a year ago, the Trump administration and Republicans in Congress appropriated \$191 billion for immigration enforcement, while cutting \$911 billion from health care funding in the so-called One Big Beautiful Bill Act (OBBBA). At a time when Americans face an increasing affordability crisis, the cuts from this bill and other funding cuts from the Trump administration have already begun to affect American families, leading to millions losing health care, hospitals closing across the country, and billions poured into new immigration jails and ICE assaults on American cities.

### What has changed in New Jersey?

| Federal funding cuts & effects                                                                                                                   | Federal funding expansions & effects                                                                                                             |
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| <p><b>\$3.7 billion</b></p> <p>Projected loss in federal funding from changes to Medicaid, SNAP, ACA subsidies, and the RHTP (2029)</p>          | <p><b>\$129.3 million</b></p> <p>Spent by DHS buying 1 warehouse(s) or private prison(s) to expand ICE detention capacity, as of August 2026</p> |
| <p><b>57,000</b></p> <p>More people projected to become uninsured because of ACA subsidies expiring in 2026</p>                                  | <p><b>17,683</b></p> <p>ICE arrests, January 21, 2025 through August 6, 2026</p>                                                                 |
| <p><b>35,588</b></p> <p>Fewer people receiving SNAP food assistance, as of August 2026</p>                                                       | <p><b>11</b></p> <p>ICE detention facilities, July 2026</p>                                                                                      |
| <p><b>59,483</b></p> <p>Fewer people enrolled in Medicaid and CHIP compared to one year prior, April 2026</p>                                    | <p><b>986</b></p> <p>People held daily across those detention facilities on average, 2025–2026</p>                                               |
| <p><b>74</b></p> <p>Hospitals and medical facilities closed or closing, August 2026</p>                                                          |                                                                                                                                                  |
| <p><b>15,800</b></p> <p>Projected net health care jobs lost, combining the effects of changes to ACA, Medicaid, and the creation of the RHTP</p> |                                                                                                                                                  |
| <p><b>\$7.8 million</b></p> <p>Terminated DOJ (Office of Justice Programs) grant funding for Substance Use + Mental Health</p>                   |                                                                                                                                                  |

## What do these changes mean for the people of New Jersey?

- [Over 466,000 N.J. residents lost enhanced ACA tax credits this year. The impact extends even further healthcare](#), CBS, January 27, 2026: New Jersey families who never qualified for ACA subsidies are seeing their insurance premiums rise too as the people who did qualify drop their now unaffordable coverage and insurers spread the cost to those left in the market.
- [Food insecurity jumps 75% in New Jersey as more families seek help](#), NBC10 Philadelphia, August 18, 2026: Food banks and community kitchens in Camden, New Jersey are seeing an increase in demand. One provider explains, "This is because the SNAP benefits have been reduced ... and also some of the individuals have lost those benefits."
- [New Jersey immigrant called his mom from ICE detention to say he was sick. He died the next day](#), CNN, August 6, 2026: Edwin Lopez-Cornejo, who was detained at Delaney Detention Center, died after experiencing a medical emergency. He had previously told his family that he was not getting the medication he needed for his epilepsy, diabetes, and high blood pressure. Hospital records show that he was taken to receive medical care after his heart had already stopped.
- [Deaths of 3 ICE Detainees Prompt Questions About Medical Care](#), The New York Times, August 13, 2026: Three people detained at Delaney Hall, an ICE detention center in Newark that reopened in 2025, have died. The facility has been the center of human rights concerns, including medical neglect, overcrowding, and spoiled food.



Read the full 50 state report to learn more about how the Trump administration's cuts are harming American communities, and see the methodology and sources at <http://fwd.us/cuttinghealthcare>

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