

Texas

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 Texas?

Federal funding cuts & effects	Federal funding expansions & effects
\$12.6 billion Projected loss in federal funding from changes to Medicaid, SNAP, ACA subsidies, and the RHTP (2029)	\$189.1 million Spent by DHS buying 2 warehouse(s) or private prison(s) to expand ICE detention capacity, as of August 2026
1,382,000 More people projected to become uninsured because of ACA subsidies expiring in 2026	142,488 ICE arrests, January 21, 2025 through August 6, 2026
651,954 Fewer people receiving SNAP food assistance, as of August 2026	507 Active 287(g) agreements between local agencies and ICE, as of August 21, 2026
235,987 Fewer people enrolled in Medicaid and CHIP compared to one year prior, April 2026	139 ICE detention facilities, July 2026
15 Hospitals and medical facilities closed or closing, August 2026	17,118 People held daily across those detention facilities on average, 2025–2026
56,300 Projected net health care jobs lost, combining the effects of changes to ACA, Medicaid, and the creation of the RHTP	

\$2 million

Terminated DOJ (Office of Justice Programs) grant funding for Community Safety + Violence Intervention

What do these changes mean for the people of Texas?

- [Texans are tightening their budgets to pay for health insurance after subsidies expired](#), Houston Public Media, January 27, 2026: Many Texans are making difficult tradeoffs to pay for their health insurance with the expiration of ACA subsidies, including switching to lower quality plans with higher premiums.
- [Even as SNAP resumes, new federal work rules threaten access for some Texans](#), Texas Tribune, June 11, 2026: A young man who aged out of foster care and lost his job because of an illness is worried he will lose his SNAP benefits because of work requirement changes under the OBBBA. "They'll probably take it away from me," he said.
- [Lawmakers renew push to close Dilley as number of detained children rises](#), Texas Public Radio, July 28, 2026: The number of people detained at the Dilley Family Detention Center has climbed to over 500, including more than 100 children.
- [Exclusive: Migrant families paint grim picture of life in Texas ICE detention facility, new court documents show](#), CNN, December 11, 2025: Children and families detained at the Dilley Family Detention Center report grim conditions and treatment, including limited access to drinking water, denial of medical care, worms and mold in the food, and prolonged stays. A lawyer who has visited the facility several times shares, "Families tell us that their children are weak, faint, pale and often crying because they are so hungry."
- [ICE officer fatally shoots man while conducting traffic stop in Houston, agency says](#), CNN, July 8, 2026: 52-year-old Lorenzo Salgado Araujo, a Houston homebuilder, was shot by ICE during a traffic stop on his way to a construction site with his crew. Salgado Araujo had been living in the U.S. for nearly 35 years.



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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