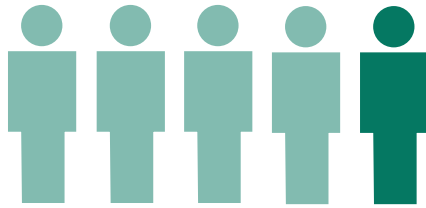


# Medicaid Expansion in North Carolina

**2,082,054**

Individuals Enrolled in Medicaid, December 2018<sup>i</sup>



That's  
**1 in 5**  
North Carolinians<sup>ii</sup>



**\$335 million**

Estimated annual cost of expansion<sup>vi</sup>  
(although many states exceed estimated costs)<sup>vii</sup>



**\$14.6 Billion**

North Carolina's Total Medicaid Expenses in Fiscal Year 2018<sup>iii</sup>

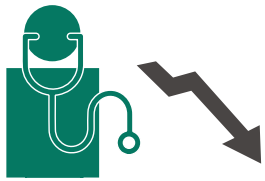


State Appropriation<sup>iv</sup> :  
**\$3.7 Billion**  
– That's nearly 16% of the state's \$23 billion General Fund budget<sup>v</sup>



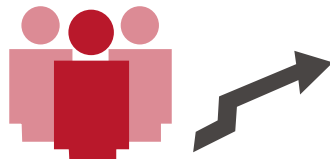
**+ 30%**

An estimated **630,000** North Carolinians would become eligible through expansion<sup>viii</sup>. This would be a 30 percent increase in program enrollment.



**1,300**

fewer physicians are Medicaid care providers in fiscal year 2018 than in fiscal year 2003<sup>x</sup>.



In that same period, almost **1,000,000** new people enrolled in Medicaid<sup>xi</sup>. Adding an additional 630,000 new patients to an already overcrowded system with dwindling providers could create a significant access to care for current Medicaid enrollees.



**78%**

of those eligible through expansion are:

- Able-bodied
- Working-age adults
- Without dependent children<sup>ix</sup>

## The \$335 million annual expansion cost equals:



**4.3 times**

the annual state budget of the Department of Environmental Quality



**37 times**

the annual state budget of the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs<sup>xiv</sup>



**5.6%**

Reduction in annual state contribution to K-12 education salaries<sup>xiii</sup>



**93,710**

North Carolinians that could drop out of the labor force as a result of Medicaid expansion<sup>xii</sup>. The "Welfare Cliff" causes people to opt out of work for fear of losing government benefits.

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