

Ohio's Runaway Medicaid Program

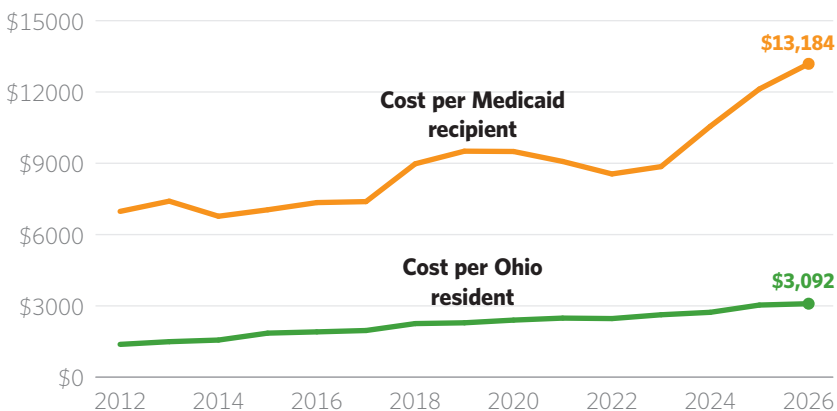
Since Gov. John Kasich expanded Ohio's Medicaid program under Obamacare, costs and enrollment have exploded. Average monthly costs have jumped more than 48 percent in just six years as more Ohioans joined the entitlement program. These costs pull resources from other vital government programs and increase Ohioans' dependence on a bankrupt federal government.

Ohio private sector
4.90 million

Ohioans enrolled in Medicaid
2.78 million (56.8%)

Ohio's Medicaid Costs per Capita Rising

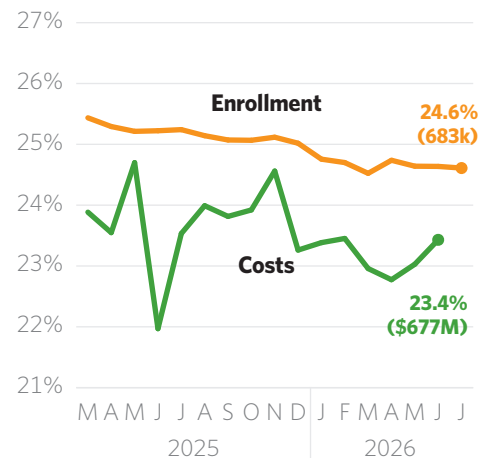
PER-CAPITA COSTS BY FISCAL YEAR



SOURCES: Ohio Department of Medicaid and Ohio Office of Budget and Management.
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Medicaid Expansion as Share of Total

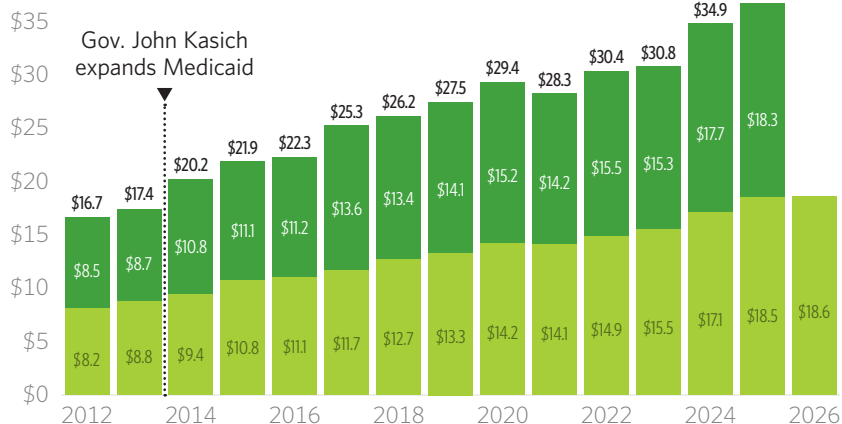


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Ohio's Growing Medicaid Costs

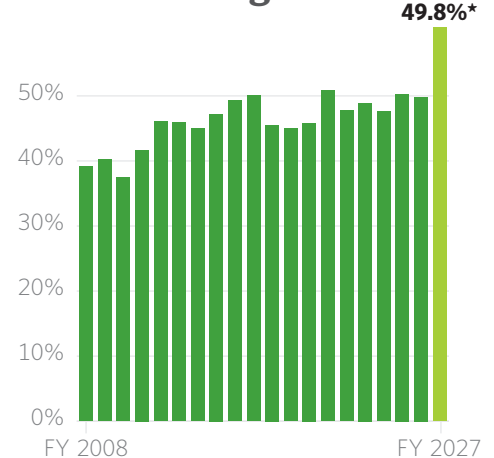
IN BILLIONS



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Medicaid Comprises Half of Ohio's Budget



* Through July 2026—1 month of FY 2027.
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