

# All Virginia Lawmakers Have a Stake in Expanding Medicaid



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## Uninsured Virginians are in every district across the commonwealth

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Virginia lawmakers should provide needed health care coverage to hundreds of thousands of Virginians who live and work in the communities they represent by expanding access to health care through Medicaid.

This issue brief provides estimates of the number of low-income, uninsured Virginians who reside in the localities associated with each Virginia House and Senate district. As the numbers show, hundreds – even thousands – of residents in the localities served by every member stand to gain coverage through Medicaid expansion.

### Opportunity for Coverage

Under the Affordable Care Act (ACA), Virginia can allow those earning up to 138 percent of the federal poverty level (FPL) – about \$26,000 for a family of three – to get health insurance through Medicaid. The expanded eligibility would primarily help parents and other working adults who aren't offered coverage through their jobs and can't afford coverage on their own.

If Virginia expands coverage, the federal government will pay for 100 percent of the costs in the first three years (2014-2016), and no less than 90 percent after that. Federal funding for Medicaid expansion in Virginia would total more than \$22 billion over the next nine years (2014-2022), with Virginia chipping in far less.

### Lawmakers Should Expand Medicaid

Virginia lawmakers need to vote to accept the federal dollars already allocated to the state for Medicaid expansion, so that thousands of people in their districts can get the coverage they need to be healthy and productive. (See Tables 1 and 2, on pages 3-7.)

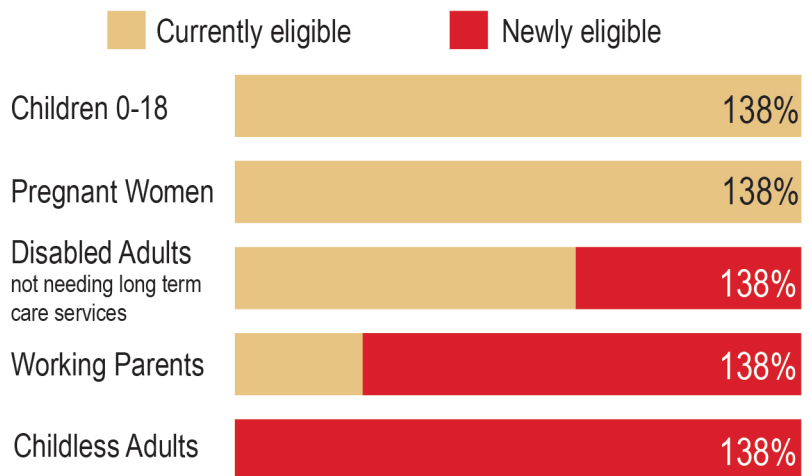
Many of the people who could get coverage are working in the most important parts of the state's economy – tourism, retail trade, and construction – and yet they struggle to get the coverage they need. That's because their jobs often

don't offer health insurance or pay them enough to afford coverage even if it is offered.

The choice is clear: Virginia lawmakers should do what's best for their constituents and expand Medicaid as soon as possible.

### How Does Expansion Change Eligibility?

New coverage groups will be added and the income eligibility will increase up to 138% of the federal poverty level for most adults.



Source: DMAS

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### **Determining the Number of Uninsured**

Each year, the U.S. Census Bureau produces annual estimates of health insurance coverage by locality. The most recent data are available for 2011. Using the Census Bureau estimates, those eligible for coverage through Medicaid expansion, namely people ages 19 to 64 who have incomes below 138 percent FPL and lack health insurance, were identified for each locality.

Locality-based estimates were then added together for each member to arrive at the number of uninsured people who will be newly eligible for coverage in the communities that the members' districts include.

Data limitations prohibit calculating more precise estimates of eligibility by legislative district. Many members' districts cut across local boundaries, and so the estimates in Tables 1 and 2 may include some Virginians who live near, but not in, a member's district. With the level of data available, it is impossible to know how a particular locality's uninsured population is distributed within the locality and, thus, what share of the uninsured population is represented by a particular elected member of the House or Senate in a locality that is split between two or more legislative districts.

For example, Delegate Steve Landes' district includes parts of Albemarle, Augusta, and Rockingham County, and as a result, the three localities that he represents have 9,750 uninsured adults eligible for coverage through Medicaid expansion.

<b>Number Who Could Gain Coverage Through Medicaid Expansion in the Localities in Delegate Landes' District</b>	
<b>Locality</b>	<b>Uninsured Adults Eligible Through Medicaid Expansion</b>
Albemarle County	3,400
Augusta County	2,860
Rockingham County	3,490
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,750</b>

One consequence of using the locality based data without further breakdown is that multiple members are listed as representing some localities, and especially more populous localities such as Fairfax County. As a result, the number of individuals eligible for Medicaid through expansion should not be summed across districts to arrive at a statewide estimate.

Overall, the state's Medicaid office estimates that as many as 400,000 Virginians could be eligible for coverage through expansion.

**Table 1. Number Who Could Gain Coverage Through Medicaid Expansion in the Localities in Each Senate District**

<b>Senators</b>	<b>District</b>	<b>Uninsured Adults Eligible Through Medicaid Expansion*</b>	<b>Localities in Senators' Districts</b>
Alexander, Kenneth C.	5	20,430	Chesapeake City, Norfolk City
Barker, George L.	39	51,370	Alexandria City, Fairfax County, Prince William County
Black, Richard H.	13	19,470	Loudoun County, Prince William County
Carrico, Charles W., Sr.	40	13,120	Bristol City, Grayson County, Lee County, Scott County, Smyth County, Washington County, Wise County, Wythe County
Colgan, Charles J.	29	16,970	Manassas City, Manassas Park City, Prince William County
Cosgrove, John A.	14	32,110	Chesapeake City, Franklin City, Isle of Wight County, Portsmouth City, Southampton County, Suffolk City, Virginia Beach City
Deeds, R. Creigh	25	10,790	Albemarle County, Alleghany County, Bath County, Buena Vista City, Charlottesville City, Covington City, Highland County, Lexington City, Nelson County, Rockbridge County
Ebbin, Adam P.	30	44,280	Alexandria City, Arlington County, Fairfax County
Edwards, John S.	21	16,300	Giles County, Montgomery County, Roanoke City, Roanoke County
Favola, Barbara A.	31	44,880	Arlington County, Fairfax County, Loudoun County
Garrett, Thomas A.	22	12,610	Amherst County, Appomattox County, Buckingham County, Cumberland County, Fluvanna County, Goochland County, Louisa County, Lynchburg City, Prince Edward County
Hanger, Emmett W., Jr.	24	12,520	Augusta County, Culpeper County, Greene County, Madison County, Rockingham County, Staunton City, Waynesboro City
Howell, Janet D.	32	38,710	Arlington County, Fairfax County
Locke, Mamie E.	2	21,230	Hampton City, Newport News City, Portsmouth City, York County
Lucas, L. Louise	18	20,030	Brunswick County, Chesapeake City, Emporia City, Franklin City, Greensville County, Isle of Wight County, Portsmouth City, Southampton County, Suffolk City, Surry County, Sussex County
Marsden, David W.	37	32,500	Fairfax County
Marsh, Henry L., III	16	31,350	Chesterfield County, Dinwiddie County, Hopewell City, Petersburg City, Prince George County, Richmond City
Martin, Stephen H.	11	11,690	Amelia County, Chesterfield County, Colonial Heights City
McDougle, Ryan T.	4	11,760	Caroline County, Essex County, Hanover County, King George County, Lancaster County, Middlesex County, Northumberland County, Richmond County, Spotsylvania County, Westmoreland County
McEachin, A. Donald	9	30,480	Charles City County, Hanover County, Henrico County, Richmond City
McWaters, Jeffrey L.	8	14,660	Virginia Beach City
Miller, John C.	1	22,180	Hampton City, James City County, Newport News City, Suffolk City, Williamsburg City, York County
Newman, Stephen D.	23	14,280	Bedford City, Bedford County, Botetourt County, Campbell County, Craig County, Lynchburg City, Roanoke County

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<b>Norment</b> , Thomas K., Jr.	3	16,760	Gloucester County, Hampton City, Isle of Wight County, James City County, King and Queen County, King William County, New Kent County, Poquoson City, Suffolk City, York County
<b>Obenshain</b> , Mark D.	26	11,530	Harrisonburg City, Page County, Rappahannock County, Rockbridge County, Shenandoah County, Warren County
<b>Petersen</b> , J. Chapman	34	33,210	Fairfax City, Fairfax County
<b>Puckett</b> , Phillip P.	38	20,170	Bland County, Buchanan County, Dickenson County, Montgomery County, Norton City, Pulaski County, Radford City, Russell County, Smyth County, Tazewell County, Wise County
<b>Puller</b> , Linda T.	36	48,940	Fairfax County, Prince William County, Stafford County
<b>Reeves</b> , Bryce E.	17	14,400	Albemarle County, Culpeper County, Fredericksburg City, Louisa County, Orange County, Spotsylvania County
<b>Ruff</b> , Frank M., Jr.	15	18,300	Brunswick County, Campbell County, Charlotte County, Danville City, Dinwiddie County, Halifax County, Lunenburg County, Mecklenburg County, Nottoway County, Pittsylvania County, Prince George County
<b>Saslaw</b> , Richard L.	35	38,290	Alexandria City, Fairfax County, Falls Church City
<b>Smith</b> , Ralph K.	19	19,740	Bedford County, Carroll County, Floyd County, Franklin County, Montgomery County, Roanoke County, Salem City, Wythe County
<b>Stanley</b> , William M. "Bill"	20	18,930	Carroll County, Danville City, Franklin County, Galax City, Halifax County, Henry County, Martinsville City, Patrick County, Pittsylvania County
<b>Stosch</b> , Walter A.	12	14,910	Hanover County, Henrico County
<b>Stuart</b> , Richard H.	28	22,340	King George County, Prince William County, Spotsylvania County, Stafford County, Westmoreland County
Vacant**	6	31,160	Accomack County, Mathews County, Norfolk City, Northampton County, Virginia Beach City
Vacant**	33	38,670	Fairfax County, Loudoun County
<b>Vogel</b> , Jill Holtzman	27	18,520	Clarke County, Culpeper County, Fauquier County, Frederick County, Loudoun County, Stafford County, Winchester City
<b>Wagner</b> , Frank W.	7	27,830	Norfolk City, Virginia Beach City
<b>Watkins</b> , John C.	10	26,230	Chesterfield County, Powhatan County, Richmond City

\*Uninsured nonelderly adults up to 138 percent FPL residing in localities

\*\*These seats were unfilled at the time this report was released

Source: TCI analysis of United States Census Bureau data

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**Table 2. Number Who Could Gain Coverage Through Medicaid Expansion in the Localities in Each House District**

Delegates	District	Uninsured Adults Eligible Through Medicaid Expansion*	Localities in Delegates' Districts
Adams, Les R.	16	7,810	Henry County, Martinsville City, Pittsylvania County
Albo, David B.	42	32,500	Fairfax County
Anderson, Richard L. "Rick"	51	13,310	Prince William County
Austin, Terry L.	19	4,980	Alleghany County, Bedford City, Bedford County, Botetourt County, Covington City
BaCote, Mamye E.	95	15,080	Hampton City, Newport News City
Bell, Richard P. "Dickie"	20	6,280	Augusta County, Highland County, Nelson County, Staunton City, Waynesboro City
Bell, Robert B. III	58	8,600	Albemarle County, Fluvanna County, Greene County, Rockingham County
Berg, Mark J.	29	6,610	Frederick County, Warren County, Winchester City
Brink, Robert H.	48	38,710	Arlington County, Fairfax County
Bulova, David L.	37	33,210	Fairfax City, Fairfax County
Byron, Kathy J.	22	13,140	Bedford County, Campbell County, Franklin County, Lynchburg City
Campbell, Jeffrey L.	6	5,390	Carroll County, Smyth County, Wythe County
Carr, Betsy B.	69	25,430	Chesterfield County, Richmond City
Chafin, Ben, Jr.	4	7,570	Dickenson County, Russell County, Washington County, Wise County
Cline, Ben L.	24	6,380	Amherst County, Augusta County, Bath County, Buena Vista City, Lexington City, Rockbridge County
Cole, Mark L.	88	10,740	Fauquier County, Fredericksburg City, Spotsylvania County, Stafford County
Comstock, Barbara J.	34	38,670	Fairfax County, Loudoun County
Cox, M. Kirkland "Kirk"	66	10,970	Chesterfield County, Colonial Heights City
Dance, Rosalyn R.	63	16,140	Chesterfield County, Dinwiddie County, Hopewell City, Petersburg City, Prince George County
Davis, Glenn, Jr.	84	14,660	Virginia Beach City
DeSteph, Bill, Jr.	82	14,660	Virginia Beach City
Edmunds, James E., II	60	6,780	Campbell County, Charlotte County, Halifax County, Prince Edward County
Fariss, C. Matthew	59	8,690	Albemarle County, Appomattox County, Buckingham County, Campbell County, Nelson County
Farrell, Peter F.	56	18,970	Goochland County, Henrico County, Louisa County, Spotsylvania County
Filler-Corn, Eileen	41	32,500	Fairfax County
Fowler, Buddy, Jr.	55	7,710	Caroline County, Hanover County, Spotsylvania County
Futrell, Michael T.	2	16,450	Prince William County, Stafford County
Garrett, T. Scott	23	8,890	Amherst County, Bedford County, Lynchburg City
Gilbert, C. Todd	15	8,660	Page County, Rockingham County, Shenandoah County, Warren County
Greason, Thomas A. "Tag"	32	6,170	Loudoun County
Habeeb, Gregory D.	8	10,050	Craig County, Montgomery County, Roanoke County, Salem City

<b>Delegates</b>	<b>District</b>	<b>Uninsured Adults Eligible Through Medicaid Expansion*</b>	<b>Localities in Delegates' Districts</b>
<b>Head</b> , Christopher T. "Chris"	17	10,210	Botetourt County, Roanoke City, Roanoke County
<b>Helsel</b> , Gordon C., Jr.	91	7,750	Hampton City, Poquoson City, York County
<b>Herring</b> , Charmiele L.	46	5,570	Alexandria City
<b>Hester</b> , Daun S.	89	13,170	Norfolk City
<b>Hodges</b> , M. Keith	98	3,770	Essex County, Gloucester County, King and Queen County, King William County, Mathews County, Middlesex County
<b>Hope</b> , Patrick A.	47	6,210	Arlington County
<b>Howell</b> , Algie T., Jr.	90	27,830	Norfolk City, Virginia Beach City
<b>Howell</b> , William J.	28	4,710	Fredericksburg City, Stafford County
<b>Hugo</b> , Timothy D.	40	45,800	Fairfax County, Prince William County
<b>Ingram</b> , Riley E.	62	25,500	Chesterfield County, Henrico County, Hopewell City, Prince George County
<b>James</b> , Matthew	80	28,150	Chesapeake City, Norfolk City, Portsmouth City, Suffolk City
<b>Joannou</b> , Johnny S.	79	17,790	Norfolk City, Portsmouth City
<b>Jones</b> , S. Chris	76	10,360	Chesapeake City, Suffolk City
<b>Keam</b> , Mark L.	35	32,500	Fairfax County
<b>Kilgore</b> , Terry G.	1	5,040	Lee County, Norton City, Scott County, Wise County
<b>Knight</b> , Barry D.	81	21,920	Chesapeake City, Virginia Beach City
<b>Kory</b> , Kaye	38	32,500	Fairfax County
<b>Krupicka</b> , K. Rob	45	44,280	Alexandria City, Arlington County, Fairfax County
<b>Landes</b> , R. Steven "Steve"	25	9,750	Albemarle County, Augusta County, Rockingham County
<b>LaRock</b> , Dave A.	33	9,640	Clarke County, Frederick County, Loudoun County
<b>Leftwich</b> , James A., Jr.	78	7,260	Chesapeake City
<b>LeMunyon</b> , James M.	67	38,670	Fairfax County, Loudoun County
<b>Lewis</b> , Lynwood W., Jr.	100	16,170	Accomack County, Norfolk City, Northampton County
<b>Lingamfelter</b> , L. Scott	31	15,080	Fauquier County, Prince William County
<b>Lopez</b> , Alfonso H.	49	38,710	Arlington County, Fairfax County
<b>Loupassi</b> , G. M. "Manoli"	68	38,130	Chesterfield County, Henrico County, Richmond City
<b>Marshall</b> , Daniel W., III	14	9,620	Danville City, Henry County, Pittsylvania County
<b>Marshall</b> , Robert G. "Bob"	13	14,380	Manassas Park City, Prince William County
<b>Mason</b> , Monty	93	13,120	James City County, Newport News City, Williamsburg City, York County
<b>Massie</b> , James P. "Jimmie", III	72	12,700	Henrico County
<b>McClellan</b> , Jennifer L.	71	27,920	Henrico County, Richmond City
<b>McQuinn</b> , Delores L.	70	38,130	Chesterfield County, Henrico County, Richmond City
<b>Miller</b> , Jackson H.	50	15,890	Manassas City, Prince William County
<b>Minchew</b> , J. Randall	10	9,640	Clarke County, Frederick County, Loudoun County
<b>Morefield</b> , James W. "Will"	3	5,570	Bland County, Buchanan County, Russell County, Tazewell County
<b>Morris</b> , Rick L.	64	7,490	Franklin City, Isle of Wight County, Prince George County, Southampton County, Suffolk City, Surry County, Sussex County

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<b>Morrissey</b> , Joseph D.	74	28,270	Charles City County, Henrico County, Richmond City
<b>O'Bannon</b> , John M., III M.D.	73	12,700	Henrico County
<b>O'Quinn</b> , Israel D.	5	7,290	Bristol City, Galax City, Grayson County, Smyth County, Washington County
<b>Orrock</b> , Robert D. "Bobby", Sr.	54	5,500	Caroline County, Spotsylvania County
<b>Peace</b> , Christopher K.	97	3,330	Hanover County, King William County, New Kent County
<b>Plum</b> , Kenneth R. "Ken"	36	32,500	Fairfax County
<b>Pogge</b> , Brenda L.	96	3,350	James City County, York County
<b>Poindexter</b> , Charles D.	9	7,650	Franklin County, Henry County, Patrick County
<b>Ramadan</b> , David I.	87	19,470	Loudoun County, Prince William County
<b>Ransone</b> , Margaret B.	99	4,260	Caroline County, King George County, Lancaster County, Northumberland County, Richmond County, Westmoreland County
<b>Rasoul</b> , S.	11	6,650	Roanoke City
<b>Robinson</b> , Roxann L.	27	10,210	Chesterfield County
<b>Rush</b> , Nick	7	8,780	Floyd County, Montgomery County, Pulaski County
<b>Rust</b> , Thomas Davis	86	38,670	Fairfax County, Loudoun County
<b>Scott</b> , Edward T.	30	4,220	Culpeper County, Madison County, Orange County
<b>Sickles</b> , Mark D.	43	32,500	Fairfax County
<b>Simon</b> , Marcus	53	32,720	Fairfax County, Falls Church City
<b>Spruill</b> , Lionell, Sr.	77	10,360	Chesapeake City, Suffolk City
<b>Stolle</b> , Christopher P., M.D.	83	27,830	Norfolk City, Virginia Beach City
<b>Surovell</b> , Scott A.	44	32,500	Fairfax County
<b>Taylor</b> , Scott W.	85	14,660	Virginia Beach City
<b>Torian</b> , Luke E.	52	13,310	Prince William County
<b>Toscano</b> , David J.	57	6,830	Albemarle County, Charlottesville City
<b>Tyler</b> , Roslyn C.	75	7,080	Brunswick County, Dinwiddie County, Emporia City, Franklin City, Greensville County, Isle of Wight County, Lunenburg County, Southampton County, Surry County, Sussex County
<b>Villanueva</b> , Ronald A. "Ron"	21	21,920	Chesapeake City, Virginia Beach City
<b>Ward</b> , Jeion A.	92	5,970	Hampton City
<b>Ware</b> , R. Lee, Jr.	65	12,230	Chesterfield County, Fluvanna County, Goochland County, Powhatan County
<b>Watts</b> , Vivian E.	39	32,500	Fairfax County
<b>Webert</b> , Michael J.	18	5,890	Culpeper County, Fauquier County, Rappahannock County, Warren County
<b>Wilt</b> , Tony O.	26	8,460	Harrisonburg City, Rockingham County
<b>Wright</b> , Thomas C. "Tommy", Jr.	61	4,960	Amelia County, Cumberland County, Lunenburg County, Mecklenburg County, Nottoway County
<b>Yancey</b> , David E.	94	9,110	Newport News City
<b>Yost</b> , Joseph R.	12	10,190	Giles County, Montgomery County, Pulaski County, Radford City

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