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What's Really Going On With High Premiums

Obamacare is all about redistribution. The ACA forces people who buy their own coverage on or off the exchange to pay for people with uninsurable (or preexisting) conditions, thus individual insurance rates are astronomical.

The exchange is where people get subsidized premiums, after which they pay only about \$101 per month. Taxpayers pay the rest. Worker's wages are redistributed by the exchange to those who didn't earn them.

Pity taxpayers who buy their own insurance, get no subsidies, cover the costs of everyone's uninsurable conditions, and pay the premiums of those with lower incomes. No wonder people are going uninsured. We should not be surprised that they are skipping coverage.

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