

Colorado Respondents Struggle to Afford Health Care: Selected Results from the Consumer Health Care Experience State Survey (CHES)



83% of respondents reported being "worried" or "very worried" about affording some aspect of health care in

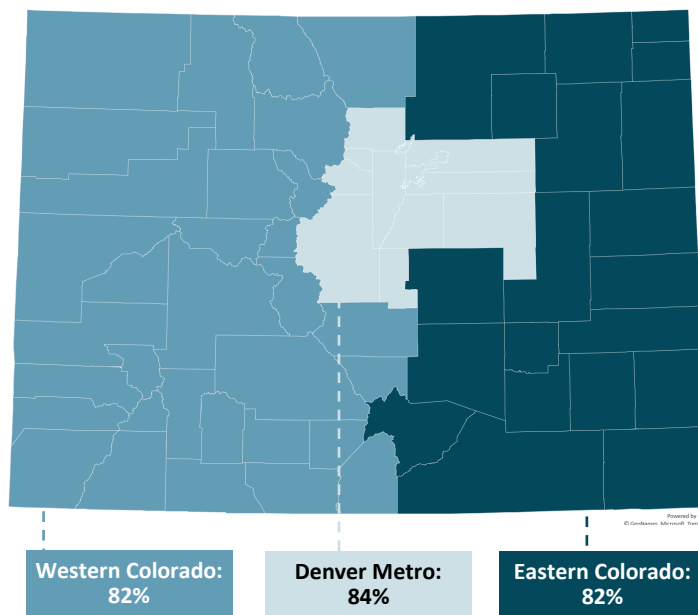


70% of respondents experienced at least one health care affordability burden in the past year.



68% of respondents reported delaying or going without health care due to cost in the last twelve months.

Percent who Reported Experiencing any Health Care Affordability Worry in the Past Year, by Region



94% of respondents said that they believe the government should require hospitals and doctors to provide up-front patient cost estimates, including 94% of Republican respondents, 94% of Democrat respondents, and 93% of unaffiliated respondents.

94% of respondents agreed that the government should require drug companies to provide advanced notice of price increases and information to justify those increases, including 93% of Republican respondents, 95% of Democrat respondents, and 92% of unaffiliated respondents.

91% of respondents said that they believe the government should authorize the Attorney General to take legal action to prevent price gouging or unfair prescription drug price increases, including 86% of Republican respondents, 95% of Democrat respondents, and 90% of unaffiliated respondents.

86% of respondents said that they believe the government should establish standard payments to hospitals for specific procedures, including 85% of Republican respondents, 91% of Democrat respondents, and 84% of unaffiliated respondents.

86% of respondents said that they believe the government should strengthen policies to drive more competition in health care markets in order to improve choice and access, including 85% of Republican respondents, 88% of Democrat respondents, and 84% of unaffiliated respondents.