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Medicare in Alabama, 2021

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CMS is empowering people with Medicare with price and quality information to make informed choices that best meet their healthcare needs. 1,059,950 beneficiaries in Alabama are enrolled in Medicare.

In Alabama in 2021:

Medicare Advantage:
- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from $12.53 in 2020 to $11.06 in 2021. This represents a -11.74 percent change in average premium.
- 82 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2021, compared to 71 plans in 2020. This represents a 15.49 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- $0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a $0 monthly premium.
- 16 plans will be offering Medicare Advantage enrollees innovative benefits such as wellness and healthcare planning, reduced cost sharing, and rewards and incentives programs.
Part D:

- 10 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 12 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 32 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2021, compared to 30 plans in 2020. This represents a 6.70 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2020.
- 33 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- $7.30 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

2021 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates

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Medicare in Alaska, 2021

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In Alaska in 2021:

- 9 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 25 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2021, compared to 24 plans in 2020. This represents a 4.20 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2020.
- 32 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
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CMS is empowering people with Medicare with price and quality information to make informed choices that best meet their healthcare needs. 1,358,629 beneficiaries in Arizona are enrolled in Medicare.

In Arizona in 2021:

Medicare Advantage:

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from $12.50 in 2020 to $12.25 in 2021. This represents a -2.05 percent change in average premium.
- 120 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2021, compared to 105 plans in 2020. This represents a 14.29 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- $0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a $0 monthly premium.
- 5 plans will be offering Medicare Advantage enrollees innovative benefits such as wellness and healthcare planning, reduced cost sharing, and rewards and incentives programs.
Part D:

- 9 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 22 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 32 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2021, compared to 31 plans in 2020. This represents a 3.20 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2020.
- 25 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- $6.60 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

2021 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates

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In Arkansas in 2021:

Medicare Advantage:
- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from $15.06 in 2020 to $14.49 in 2021. This represents a -3.82 percent change in average premium.
- 84 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2021, compared to 66 plans in 2020. This represents a 27.27 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- $0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a $0 monthly premium.
- 4 plans will be offering Medicare Advantage enrollees innovative benefits such as wellness and healthcare planning, reduced cost sharing, and rewards and incentives programs.
Part D:
- 9 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 21 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 31 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2021, compared to 27 plans in 2020. This represents a 14.80 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2020.
- 34 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- $7.30 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

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In California in 2021:

Medicare Advantage:
- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from $22.39 in 2020 to $19.94 in 2021. This represents a -10.94 percent change in average premium.
- 424 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2021, compared to 372 plans in 2020. This represents a 13.98 percent change in plan options.
- 98 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- $0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 92 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a $0 monthly premium.
- 20 plans will be offering Medicare Advantage enrollees innovative benefits such as wellness and healthcare planning, reduced cost sharing, and rewards and incentives programs, and 1 plan will offer the Medicare hospice benefit through their plan.
Part D:

- 9 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 111 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 32 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2021, compared to 32 plans in 2020. This represents a 0 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2020.
- 32 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- $7.20 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

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In Colorado in 2021:

Medicare Advantage:

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from $17.20 in 2020 to $15.80 in 2021. This represents a -8.13 percent change in average premium.
- 80 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2021, compared to 73 plans in 2020. This represents a 9.59 percent change in plan options.
- 96 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- $0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 96 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a $0 monthly premium.
- 5 plans will be offering Medicare Advantage enrollees innovative benefits such as wellness and healthcare planning, reduced cost sharing, and rewards and incentives programs, and 3 plans will offer the Medicare hospice benefit through their plan.
Part D:

- 9 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 27 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 27 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2021, compared to 26 plans in 2020. This represents a 3.80 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2020.
- 21 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- $7.30 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

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In Connecticut in 2021:

Medicare Advantage:
- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from $22.72 in 2020 to $21.42 in 2021. This represents a -5.74 percent change in average premium.
- 47 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2021, compared to 41 plans in 2020. This represents a 14.63 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- $0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a $0 monthly premium.
Part D:

- 9 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 7 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 27 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2021, compared to 25 plans in 2020. This represents an 8 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2020.
- 34 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
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Medicare in Delaware, 2021

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CMS is empowering people with Medicare with price and quality information to make informed choices that best meet their healthcare needs. 214,191 beneficiaries in Delaware are enrolled in Medicare.

In Delaware in 2021:

Medicare Advantage:

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from $19.22 in 2020 to $19.53 in 2021. This represents a 1.63 percent change in average premium.
- 23 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2021, compared to 19 plans in 2020. This represents a 21.05 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- $0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a $0 monthly premium.
- 2 plans will be offering Medicare Advantage enrollees innovative benefits such as wellness and healthcare planning, reduced cost sharing, and rewards and incentives programs.
Part D:

- 9 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 3 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 27 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2021, compared to 27 plans in 2020. This represents a 0 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2020.
- 22 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- $7.30 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

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In the District of Columbia in 2021:

Medicare Advantage:

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from $35.22 in 2020 to $36.22 in 2021. This represents a 2.85 percent change in average premium.
- 15 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2021, compared to 12 plans in 2020. This represents a 25 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- $0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a $0 monthly premium.
- 1 plan will be offering Medicare Advantage enrollees innovative benefits such as wellness and healthcare planning, reduced cost sharing, and rewards and incentives programs.
Part D:

- 9 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
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- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2020.
- 62 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- $7.30 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

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Medicare in Florida, 2021

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CMS is empowering people with Medicare with price and quality information to make informed choices that best meet their healthcare needs. 4,656,189 beneficiaries in Florida are enrolled in Medicare.

In Florida in 2021:

Medicare Advantage:
- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from $8.05 in 2020 to $8.28 in 2021. This represents a 2.95 percent change in average premium.
- 527 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2021, compared to 474 plans in 2020. This represents a 11.18 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- $0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a $0 monthly premium.
- 45 plans will be offering Medicare Advantage enrollees innovative benefits such as wellness and healthcare planning, reduced cost sharing, and rewards and incentives programs.
Part D:

- 10 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 213 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 28 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2021, compared to 27 plans in 2020. This represents a 3.70 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2020.
- 27 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- $7.30 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

2021 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates

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October 2020

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- Beneficiaries should watch their mail for notices from Medicare with information about changes in 2021.
- Medicare health and drug plan 2021 Star Ratings will be available on Medicare.gov on or around October 8, 2020.
- Medicare Open Enrollment begins October 15, 2020.

December 2020

- Medicare Open Enrollment ends December 7, 2020.

January 2021

- Medicare health and drug plan coverage for 2021 begins January 1, 2021.

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Medicare in Georgia, 2021

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CMS is empowering people with Medicare with price and quality information to make informed choices that best meet their healthcare needs. 1,768,624 beneficiaries in Georgia are enrolled in Medicare.

In Georgia in 2021:

Medicare Advantage:

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from $14.77 in 2020 to $14.84 in 2021. This represents a 0.47 percent change in average premium.
- 149 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2021, compared to 127 plans in 2020. This represents a 17.32 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- $0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a $0 monthly premium.
- 10 plans will be offering Medicare Advantage enrollees innovative benefits such as wellness and healthcare planning, reduced cost sharing, and rewards and incentives programs, and 2 plans will offer the Medicare hospice benefit through their plan.
Part D:

- 9 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 18 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 32 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2021, compared to 28 plans in 2020. This represents a 14.30 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2020.
- 32 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- $7.30 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

2021 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates

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- Medicare Open Enrollment **begins October 15, 2020**.

**December 2020**

- Medicare Open Enrollment **ends December 7, 2020**.

**January 2021**

- Medicare health and drug plan coverage for 2021 **begins January 1, 2021**.

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Medicare in Hawaii, 2021

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In Hawaii in 2021:

Medicare Advantage:

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from $63.86 in 2020 to $57.28 in 2021. This represents a -10.30 percent change in average premium.
- 30 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2021, compared to 25 plans in 2020. This represents a 20 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- $0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a $0 monthly premium.
- 13 plans will be offering Medicare Advantage enrollees innovative benefits such as wellness and healthcare planning, reduced cost sharing, and rewards and incentives programs, and 5 plans will offer the Medicare hospice benefit through their plan.
Part D:

- 9 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 5 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 26 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2021, compared to 25 plans in 2020. This represents a 4 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2020.
- 25 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- $5.70 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

2021 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates

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December 2020

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###
Medicare in Idaho, 2021

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In Idaho in 2021:

Medicare Advantage:

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from $42.62 in 2020 to $35.65 in 2021. This represents a -16.37 percent change in average premium.
- 75 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2021, compared to 68 plans in 2020. This represents a 10.29 percent change in plan options.
- 94 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- $0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 93 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a $0 monthly premium.
- 12 plans will be offering Medicare Advantage enrollees innovative benefits such as wellness and healthcare planning, reduced cost sharing, and rewards and incentives programs, and 5 plans will offer the Medicare hospice benefit through their plan.
Part D:

- 9 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 24 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 28 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2021, compared to 28 plans in 2020. This represents a 0 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2020.
- 23 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- $7.30 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

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Medicare in Illinois, 2021

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In Illinois in 2021:

**Medicare Advantage:**
- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from $16.96 in 2020 to $14.76 in 2021. This represents a -13 percent change in average premium.
- 147 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2021, compared to 126 plans in 2020. This represents a 16.67 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- $0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a $0 monthly premium.
- 4 plans will be offering Medicare Advantage enrollees innovative benefits such as wellness and healthcare planning, reduced cost sharing, and rewards and incentives programs.
Part D:

- 9 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 50 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 31 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2021, compared to 28 plans in 2020. This represents a 10.70 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2020.
- 26 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- $7.30 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

**2021 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates**

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Medicare in Indiana, 2021

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CMS is empowering people with Medicare with price and quality information to make informed choices that best meet their healthcare needs. 1,280,707 beneficiaries in Indiana are enrolled in Medicare.

In Indiana in 2021:

Medicare Advantage:

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from $17.81 in 2020 to $16.07 in 2021. This represents a -9.77 percent change in average premium.
- 126 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2021, compared to 94 plans in 2020. This represents a 34.04 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- $0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a $0 monthly premium.
- 13 plans will be offering Medicare Advantage enrollees innovative benefits such as wellness and healthcare planning, reduced cost sharing, and rewards and incentives programs, and 2 plans will offer the Medicare hospice benefit through their plan.
Part D:

- 9 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 47 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 30 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2021, compared to 28 plans in 2020. This represents a 7.10 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2020.
- 24 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- $7.30 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

2021 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates

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CMS is empowering people with Medicare with price and quality information to make informed choices that best meet their healthcare needs. 637,393 beneficiaries in Iowa are enrolled in Medicare.

In Iowa in 2021:

Medicare Advantage:
- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from $9.46 in 2020 to $9.86 in 2021. This represents a 4.14 percent change in average premium.
- 55 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2021, compared to 39 plans in 2020. This represents a 41.03 percent change in plan options.
- 97 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- $0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 96 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a $0 monthly premium.
- 1 plan will be offering Medicare Advantage enrollees innovative benefits such as wellness and healthcare planning, reduced cost sharing, and rewards and incentives programs.
Part D:
- 9 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 27 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 28 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2021, compared to 29 plans in 2020. This represents a -3.40 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2020.
- 19 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- $7.30 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

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Medicare in Kansas, 2021

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CMS is empowering people with Medicare with price and quality information to make informed choices that best meet their healthcare needs. 545,781 beneficiaries in Kansas are enrolled in Medicare.

In Kansas in 2021:

Medicare Advantage:
- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from $12.36 in 2020 to $10.46 in 2021. This represents a -15.40 percent change in average premium.
- 79 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2021, compared to 69 plans in 2020. This represents a 14.49 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- $0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a $0 monthly premium.
- 3 plans will be offering Medicare Advantage enrollees innovative benefits such as wellness and healthcare planning, reduced cost sharing, and rewards and incentives programs.
Part D:

- 9 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 15 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 29 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2021, compared to 28 plans in 2020. This represents a 3.60 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2020.
- 20 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- $7.30 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

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Medicare in Kentucky, 2021

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CMS is empowering people with Medicare with price and quality information to make informed choices that best meet their healthcare needs. 942,126 beneficiaries in Kentucky are enrolled in Medicare.

In Kentucky in 2021:

Medicare Advantage:
- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from $21.07 in 2020 to $17.07 in 2021. This represents a -18.97 percent change in average premium.
- 98 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2021, compared to 81 plans in 2020. This represents a 20.99 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- $0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a $0 monthly premium.
- 27 plans will be offering Medicare Advantage enrollees innovative benefits such as wellness and healthcare planning, reduced cost sharing, and rewards and incentives programs, and 2 plans will offer the Medicare hospice benefit through their plan.
Part D:
- 9 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 23 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 30 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2021, compared to 28 plans in 2020. This represents a 7.10 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2020.
- 33 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- $7.30 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

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Medicare in Louisiana, 2021

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CMS is empowering people with Medicare with price and quality information to make informed choices that best meet their healthcare needs. 884,146 beneficiaries in Louisiana are enrolled in Medicare.

In Louisiana in 2021:

Medicare Advantage:
- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from $14.23 in 2020 to $13.86 in 2021. This represents a -2.63 percent change in average premium.
- 94 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2021, compared to 83 plans in 2020. This represents a 13.25 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- $0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a $0 monthly premium.
- 7 plans will be offering Medicare Advantage enrollees innovative benefits such as wellness and healthcare planning, reduced cost sharing, and rewards and incentives programs.
Part D:
- 9 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 30 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 26 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2021, compared to 26 plans in 2020. This represents a 0 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2020.
- 37 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- $7.20 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

2021 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates

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Medicare in Maine, 2021

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In Maine in 2021:

**Medicare Advantage:**
- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from $19.80 in 2020 to $20.67 in 2021. This represents a 4.36 percent change in average premium.
- 52 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2021, compared to 53 plans in 2020. This represents a -1.89 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- $0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a $0 monthly premium.
- 6 plans will be offering Medicare Advantage enrollees innovative benefits such as wellness and healthcare planning, reduced cost sharing, and rewards and incentives programs.
Part D:
- 9 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 20 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 28 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2021, compared to 26 plans in 2020. This represents a 7.70 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2020.
- 35 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- $7.10 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

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CMS is empowering people with Medicare with price and quality information to make informed choices that best meet their healthcare needs. 1,056,436 beneficiaries in Maryland are enrolled in Medicare.

In Maryland in 2021:

Medicare Advantage:
- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from $51.12 in 2020 to $48.14 in 2021. This represents a -5.82 percent change in average premium.
- 41 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2021, compared to 31 plans in 2020. This represents a 32.26 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- $0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a $0 monthly premium.
- 1 plan will be offering Medicare Advantage enrollees innovative benefits such as wellness and healthcare planning, reduced cost sharing, and rewards and incentives programs.
Part D:

- 9 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 7 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 27 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2021, compared to 27 plans in 2020. This represents a 0 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2020.
- 28 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- $7.30 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

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January 2021

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Medicare in Massachusetts, 2021

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CMS is empowering people with Medicare with price and quality information to make informed choices that best meet their healthcare needs. 1,351,586 beneficiaries in Massachusetts are enrolled in Medicare.

In Massachusetts in 2021:

Medicare Advantage:

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from $62.56 in 2020 to $57.70 in 2021. This represents a -7.77 percent change in average premium.
- 106 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2021, compared to 108 plans in 2020. This represents a -1.85 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- $0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a $0 monthly premium.
- 6 plans will be offering Medicare Advantage enrollees innovative benefits such as wellness and healthcare planning, reduced cost sharing, and rewards and incentives programs, and 1 plan will offer the Medicare hospice benefit through their plan.
Part D:

- 9 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 20 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 27 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2021, compared to 25 plans in 2020. This represents an 8 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2020.
- 32 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- $7.20 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

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In Michigan in 2021:

Medicare Advantage:
- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from $43.93 in 2020 to $38.00 in 2021. This represents a -13.50 percent change in average premium.
- 169 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2021, compared to 156 plans in 2020. This represents an 8.33 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- $0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a $0 monthly premium.
- 13 plans will be offering Medicare Advantage enrollees innovative benefits such as wellness and healthcare planning, reduced cost sharing, and rewards and incentives programs.
Part D:

- 9 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 48 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 29 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2021, compared to 30 plans in 2020. This represents a -3.30 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2020.
- 23 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- $6.90 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

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In Minnesota in 2021:

Medicare Advantage:
- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from $86.74 in 2020 to $81.79 in 2021. This represents a -5.71 percent change in average premium.
- 91 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2021, compared to 85 plans in 2020. This represents a 7.06 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- $0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a $0 monthly premium.
- 4 plans will be offering Medicare Advantage enrollees innovative benefits such as wellness and healthcare planning, reduced cost sharing, and rewards and incentives programs.
Part D:

- 9 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 40 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 28 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2021, compared to 29 plans in 2020. This represents a -3.40 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2020.
- 20 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- $7.30 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

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In Mississippi in 2021:

Medicare Advantage:
- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from $25.55 in 2020 to $22.17 in 2021. This represents a -13.24 percent change in average premium.
- 54 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2021, compared to 40 plans in 2020. This represents a 35 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- $0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a $0 monthly premium.
- 5 plans will be offering Medicare Advantage enrollees innovative benefits such as wellness and healthcare planning, reduced cost sharing, and rewards and incentives programs.
Part D:

- 9 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 11 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 27 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2021, compared to 25 plans in 2020. This represents an 8 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2020.
- 41 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- $7.30 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

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CMS is empowering people with Medicare with price and quality information to make informed choices that best meet their healthcare needs. 1,247,001 beneficiaries in Missouri are enrolled in Medicare.

In Missouri in 2021:

Medicare Advantage:
- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from $9.80 in 2020 to $9.59 in 2021. This represents a -2.21 percent change in average premium.
- 122 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2021, compared to 97 plans in 2020. This represents a 25.77 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- $0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a $0 monthly premium.
- 4 plans will be offering Medicare Advantage enrollees innovative benefits such as wellness and healthcare planning, reduced cost sharing, and rewards and incentives programs.
Part D:
- 9 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 28 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 29 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2021, compared to 28 plans in 2020. This represents a 3.60 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2020.
- 24 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- $7.20 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

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Medicare in Montana, 2021

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CMS is empowering people with Medicare with price and quality information to make informed choices that best meet their healthcare needs. 237,162 beneficiaries in Montana are enrolled in Medicare.

In Montana in 2021:

Medicare Advantage:
- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from $48.58 in 2020 to $42.42 in 2021. This represents a -12.69 percent change in average premium.
- 19 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2021, compared to 15 plans in 2020. This represents a 26.67 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- $0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a $0 monthly premium.
- 1 plan will be offering Medicare Advantage enrollees innovative benefits such as wellness and healthcare planning, reduced cost sharing, and rewards and incentives programs.
Part D:

- 9 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 2 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 28 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2021, compared to 29 plans in 2020. This represents a -3.40 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2020.
- 22 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
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Medicare in Nebraska, 2021

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CMS is empowering people with Medicare with price and quality information to make informed choices that best meet their healthcare needs. 353,755 beneficiaries in Nebraska are enrolled in Medicare.

In Nebraska in 2021:

Medicare Advantage:
- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from $12.68 in 2020 to $12.76 in 2021. This represents a 0.60 percent change in average premium.
- 31 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2021, compared to 27 plans in 2020. This represents a 14.81 percent change in plan options.
- 96 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- $0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 92 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a $0 monthly premium.
- 2 plans will be offering Medicare Advantage enrollees innovative benefits such as wellness and healthcare planning, reduced cost sharing, and rewards and incentives programs.
Part D:

- 9 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 6 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 28 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2021, compared to 29 plans in 2020. This represents a -3.40 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2020.
- 19 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- $7.30 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

2021 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates

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October 2020

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December 2020

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Medicare in Nevada, 2021

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In Nevada in 2021:

Medicare Advantage:

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from $4.83 in 2020 to $3.93 in 2021. This represents a -18.63 percent change in average premium.
- 77 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2021, compared to 50 plans in 2020. This represents a 54 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- $0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a $0 monthly premium.
- 10 plans will be offering Medicare Advantage enrollees innovative benefits such as wellness and healthcare planning, reduced cost sharing, and rewards and incentives programs.
Part D:
- 9 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 17 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 29 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2021, compared to 28 plans in 2020. This represents a 3.60 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2020.
- 24 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- $7.20 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

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December 2020
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Medicare in New Hampshire, 2021

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CMS is empowering people with Medicare with price and quality information to make informed choices that best meet their healthcare needs. 306,948 beneficiaries in New Hampshire are enrolled in Medicare.

In New Hampshire in 2021:

Medicare Advantage:

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from $32.85 in 2020 to $26.11 in 2021. This represents a -20.51 percent change in average premium.
- 39 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2021, compared to 40 plans in 2020. This represents a -2.50 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- $0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a $0 monthly premium.
- 5 plans will be offering Medicare Advantage enrollees innovative benefits such as wellness and healthcare planning, reduced cost sharing, and rewards and incentives programs.
Part D:
- 9 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 18 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 28 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2021, compared to 26 plans in 2020. This represents a 7.70 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2020.
- 20 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- $7.10 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

2021 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates

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**In New Jersey in 2021:**

**Medicare Advantage:**
- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from $24.50 in 2020 to $23.26 in 2021. This represents a -5.03 percent change in average premium.
- 84 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2021, compared to 74 plans in 2020. This represents a 13.51 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- $0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a $0 monthly premium.
- 8 plans will be offering Medicare Advantage enrollees innovative benefits such as wellness and healthcare planning, reduced cost sharing, and rewards and incentives programs.
Part D:

- 9 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 18 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 30 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2021, compared to 28 plans in 2020. This represents a 7.10 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2020.
- 22 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- $7.30 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

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Medicare in New Mexico, 2021

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In New Mexico in 2021:

Medicare Advantage:
- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from $16.47 in 2020 to $13.26 in 2021. This represents a -19.48 percent change in average premium.
- 47 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2021, compared to 38 plans in 2020. This represents a 23.68 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- $0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a $0 monthly premium.
- 3 plans will be offering Medicare Advantage enrollees innovative benefits such as wellness and healthcare planning, reduced cost sharing, and rewards and incentives programs, and 3 plans will offer the Medicare hospice benefit through their plan.
Part D:

- 9 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 9 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 27 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2021, compared to 26 plans in 2020. This represents a 3.80 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2020.
- 35 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- $6.20 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

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Medicare in New York, 2021

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In New York in 2021:

Medicare Advantage:
- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from $33.21 in 2020 to $32.84 in 2021. This represents a -1.13 percent change in average premium.
- 276 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2021, compared to 261 plans in 2020. This represents a 5.75 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- $0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a $0 monthly premium.
- 29 plans will be offering Medicare Advantage enrollees innovative benefits such as wellness and healthcare planning, reduced cost sharing, and rewards and incentives programs, and 1 plan will offer the Medicare hospice benefit through their plan.
Part D:

- 8 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 44 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 28 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2021, compared to 27 plans in 2020. This represents a 3.70 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2020.
- 35 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- $7.30 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

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Medicare in North Carolina, 2021

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CMS is empowering people with Medicare with price and quality information to make informed choices that best meet their healthcare needs. 2,029,697 beneficiaries in North Carolina are enrolled in Medicare.

In North Carolina in 2021:

Medicare Advantage:
- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from $18.25 in 2020 to $17.47 in 2021. This represents a -4.26 percent change in average premium.
- 126 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2021, compared to 112 plans in 2020. This represents a 12.50 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- $0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a $0 monthly premium.
- 10 plans will be offering Medicare Advantage enrollees innovative benefits such as wellness and healthcare planning, reduced cost sharing, and rewards and incentives programs.
Part D:
- 9 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 52 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 31 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2021, compared to 28 plans in 2020. This represents a 10.70 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2020.
- 27 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- $7.20 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

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Medicare in North Dakota, 2021

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CMS is empowering people with Medicare with price and quality information to make informed choices that best meet their healthcare needs. 134,576 beneficiaries in North Dakota are enrolled in Medicare.

In North Dakota in 2021:

Medicare Advantage:
- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from $65.07 in 2020 to $50.62 in 2021. This represents a -22.20 percent change in average premium.
- 19 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2021, compared to 14 plans in 2020. This represents a 35.71 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- $0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a $0 monthly premium.
Part D:

- 9 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 3 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 28 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2021, compared to 29 plans in 2020. This represents a -3.40 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2020.
- 18 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- $7.30 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

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Medicare in Ohio, 2021

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CMS is empowering people with Medicare with price and quality information to make informed choices that best meet their healthcare needs. 2,378,285 beneficiaries in Ohio are enrolled in Medicare.

In Ohio in 2021:

Medicare Advantage:

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from $21.85 in 2020 to $20.69 in 2021. This represents a -5.29 percent change in average premium.
- 202 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2021, compared to 178 plans in 2020. This represents a 13.48 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- $0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a $0 monthly premium.
- 14 plans will be offering Medicare Advantage enrollees innovative benefits such as wellness and healthcare planning, reduced cost sharing, and rewards and incentives programs, and 1 plan will offer the Medicare hospice benefit through their plan.
Part D:
- 9 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 56 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 30 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2021, compared to 28 plans in 2020. This represents a 7.10 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2020.
- 24 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- $7.30 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

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- Beneficiaries should watch their mail for notices from Medicare with information about changes in 2021.
- Medicare health and drug plan 2021 Star Ratings will be available on Medicare.gov on or around October 8, 2020.
- Medicare Open Enrollment begins October 15, 2020.

December 2020
- Medicare Open Enrollment ends December 7, 2020.

January 2021
- Medicare health and drug plan coverage for 2021 begins January 1, 2021.

###
Medicare in Oklahoma, 2021

Medicare continues to offer seniors and people with disabilities with flexibility and choices while providing high quality healthcare services. The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), under the Trump Administration’s leadership, has taken several actions to improve the Medicare Advantage and Part D prescription drug programs that have resulted, overall, in an increase in plan choices and benefits, and lower costs in these popular programs. Delivering on President Trump’s Executive Orders on Protecting and Improving Medicare, CMS has expanded opportunities for people with Medicare to choose Medicare Advantage plans that are providing more access to telehealth services, or for those people with diabetes to enroll in a plan that offers a broad set of insulins for no more than $35 per month per prescription.

CMS is empowering people with Medicare with price and quality information to make informed choices that best meet their healthcare needs. 751,324 beneficiaries in Oklahoma are enrolled in Medicare.

In Oklahoma in 2021:

Medicare Advantage:

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from $16.43 in 2020 to $14.65 in 2021. This represents a -10.82 percent change in average premium.
- 57 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2021, compared to 44 plans in 2020. This represents a 29.55 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- $0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a $0 monthly premium.
- 8 plans will be offering Medicare Advantage enrollees innovative benefits such as wellness and healthcare planning, reduced cost sharing, and rewards and incentives programs.
Part D:
- 9 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 11 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 30 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2021, compared to 29 plans in 2020. This represents a 3.40 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2020.
- 29 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- $7.80 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

**2021 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates**

Medicare Open Enrollment runs from October 15, 2020, to December 7, 2020. People with Medicare should take the opportunity to review their healthcare needs for the upcoming year and determine if changes to their current coverage are necessary. By shopping available plans and comparing costs, beneficiaries may be able to find a Medicare health or drug plan with better coverage or a lower premium in 2021. The Medicare Plan Finder allows users to compare pricing between Original Medicare, Medicare prescription drug plans, Medicare Advantage plans, and Medicare Supplement Insurance (Medigap) policies.

*September 2020*
- Health and drug plans begin notifying enrollees about changes to their plans in 2020.

*October 2020*
- Beneficiaries can begin shopping and comparing plans on Medicare.gov starting October 1, 2020.
- Beneficiaries should watch their mail for notices from Medicare with information about changes in 2021.
- Medicare health and drug plan 2021 Star Ratings will be available on Medicare.gov on or around October 8, 2020.
- Medicare Open Enrollment **begins October 15, 2020**.

*December 2020*
- Medicare Open Enrollment **ends December 7, 2020**.

*January 2021*
- Medicare health and drug plan coverage for 2021 **begins January 1, 2021**.

###
Medicare in Oregon, 2021

Medicare continues to offer seniors and people with disabilities with flexibility and choices while providing high quality healthcare services. The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), under the Trump Administration’s leadership, has taken several actions to improve the Medicare Advantage and Part D prescription drug programs that have resulted, overall, in an increase in plan choices and benefits, and lower costs in these popular programs. Delivering on President Trump’s Executive Orders on Protecting and Improving Medicare, CMS has expanded opportunities for people with Medicare to choose Medicare Advantage plans that are providing more access to telehealth services, or for those people with diabetes to enroll in a plan that offers a broad set of insulins for no more than $35 per month per prescription.

CMS is empowering people with Medicare with price and quality information to make informed choices that best meet their healthcare needs. 885,102 beneficiaries in Oregon are enrolled in Medicare.

In Oregon in 2021:

Medicare Advantage:
- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from $48.18 in 2020 to $44.04 in 2021. This represents a -8.60 percent change in average premium.
- 128 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2021, compared to 121 plans in 2020. This represents a 5.79 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- $0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a $0 monthly premium.
- 8 plans will be offering Medicare Advantage enrollees innovative benefits such as wellness and healthcare planning, reduced cost sharing, and rewards and incentives programs.
Part D:
- 9 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 16 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 29 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2021, compared to 28 plans in 2020. This represents a 3.60 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2020.
- 24 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- $6.30 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

2021 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates

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  - Health and drug plans begin notifying enrollees about changes to their plans in 2020.

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  - Beneficiaries can begin shopping and comparing plans on Medicare.gov starting October 1, 2020.
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  - Medicare health and drug plan 2021 Star Ratings will be available on Medicare.gov on or around October 8, 2020.
  - Medicare Open Enrollment begins October 15, 2020.

- **December 2020**
  - Medicare Open Enrollment ends December 7, 2020.

- **January 2021**
  - Medicare health and drug plan coverage for 2021 begins January 1, 2021.

###
Medicare in Pennsylvania, 2021

Medicare continues to offer seniors and people with disabilities with flexibility and choices while providing high quality healthcare services. The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), under the Trump Administration’s leadership, has taken several actions to improve the Medicare Advantage and Part D prescription drug programs that have resulted, overall, in an increase in plan choices and benefits, and lower costs in these popular programs. Delivering on President Trump’s Executive Orders on Protecting and Improving Medicare, CMS has expanded opportunities for people with Medicare to choose Medicare Advantage plans that are providing more access to telehealth services, or for those people with diabetes to enroll in a plan that offers a broad set of insulins for no more than $35 per month per prescription.

CMS is empowering people with Medicare with price and quality information to make informed choices that best meet their healthcare needs. 2,773,770 beneficiaries in Pennsylvania are enrolled in Medicare.

In Pennsylvania in 2021:

Medicare Advantage:

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from $44.65 in 2020 to $38.97 in 2021. This represents a -12.70 percent change in average premium.
- 246 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2021, compared to 241 plans in 2020. This represents a 2.07 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- $0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a $0 monthly premium.
- 29 plans will be offering Medicare Advantage enrollees innovative benefits such as wellness and healthcare planning, reduced cost sharing, and rewards and incentives programs.
Part D:

- 10 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 77 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 33 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2021, compared to 31 plans in 2020. This represents a 6.50 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2020.
- 25 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- $7.30 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

2021 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates

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**October 2020**

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**December 2020**

- Medicare Open Enrollment ends December 7, 2020.

**January 2021**

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Medicare in Rhode Island, 2021

Medicare continues to offer seniors and people with disabilities with flexibility and choices while providing high quality healthcare services. The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), under the Trump Administration’s leadership, has taken several actions to improve the Medicare Advantage and Part D prescription drug programs that have resulted, overall, in an increase in plan choices and benefits, and lower costs in these popular programs. Delivering on President Trump’s Executive Orders on Protecting and Improving Medicare, CMS has expanded opportunities for people with Medicare to choose Medicare Advantage plans that are providing more access to telehealth services, or for those people with diabetes to enroll in a plan that offers a broad set of insulins for no more than $35 per month per prescription.

CMS is empowering people with Medicare with price and quality information to make informed choices that best meet their healthcare needs. 224,443 beneficiaries in Rhode Island are enrolled in Medicare.

In Rhode Island in 2021:

Medicare Advantage:
- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from $27.04 in 2020 to $25.03 in 2021. This represents a -7.42 percent change in average premium.
- 26 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2021, compared to 21 plans in 2020. This represents a 23.81 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- $0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a $0 monthly premium.
- 2 plans will be offering Medicare Advantage enrollees innovative benefits such as wellness and healthcare planning, reduced cost sharing, and rewards and incentives programs.
Part D:

- 9 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 13 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 27 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2021, compared to 25 plans in 2020. This represents an 8 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2020.
- 29 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- $7.20 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

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December 2020
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January 2021
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Medicare in South Carolina, 2021

Medicare continues to offer seniors and people with disabilities with flexibility and choices while providing high quality healthcare services. The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), under the Trump Administration’s leadership, has taken several actions to improve the Medicare Advantage and Part D prescription drug programs that have resulted, overall, in an increase in plan choices and benefits, and lower costs in these popular programs. Delivering on President Trump’s Executive Orders on Protecting and Improving Medicare, CMS has expanded opportunities for people with Medicare to choose Medicare Advantage plans that are providing more access to telehealth services, or for those people with diabetes to enroll in a plan that offers a broad set of insulins for no more than $35 per month per prescription.

CMS is empowering people with Medicare with price and quality information to make informed choices that best meet their healthcare needs. 1,100,624 beneficiaries in South Carolina are enrolled in Medicare.

In South Carolina in 2021:

Medicare Advantage:

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from $13.98 in 2020 to $13.49 in 2021. This represents a -3.54 percent change in average premium.
- 96 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2021, compared to 88 plans in 2020. This represents a 9.09 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- $0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a $0 monthly premium.
- 5 plans will be offering Medicare Advantage enrollees innovative benefits such as wellness and healthcare planning, reduced cost sharing, and rewards and incentives programs.
Part D:

- 9 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 18 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 29 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2021, compared to 28 plans in 2020. This represents a 3.60 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2020.
- 26 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- $7.30 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

2021 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates

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###
Medicare in South Dakota, 2021

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CMS is empowering people with Medicare with price and quality information to make informed choices that best meet their healthcare needs. 180,290 beneficiaries in South Dakota are enrolled in Medicare.

In South Dakota in 2021:

Medicare Advantage:
- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from $48.12 in 2020 to $41.64 in 2021. This represents a -13.48 percent change in average premium.
- 18 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2021, compared to 16 plans in 2020. This represents a 12.50 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- $0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a $0 monthly premium.
Part D:

- 9 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 4 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 28 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2021, compared to 29 plans in 2020. This represents a -3.40 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2020.
- 19 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- $7.30 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

2021 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates

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January 2021
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###
Medicare in Tennessee, 2021

Medicare continues to offer seniors and people with disabilities with flexibility and choices while providing high quality healthcare services. The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), under the Trump Administration’s leadership, has taken several actions to improve the Medicare Advantage and Part D prescription drug programs that have resulted, overall, in an increase in plan choices and benefits, and lower costs in these popular programs. Delivering on President Trump’s Executive Orders on Protecting and Improving Medicare, CMS has expanded opportunities for people with Medicare to choose Medicare Advantage plans that are providing more access to telehealth services, or for those people with diabetes to enroll in a plan that offers a broad set of insulins for no more than $35 per month per prescription.

CMS is empowering people with Medicare with price and quality information to make informed choices that best meet their healthcare needs. 1,380,678 beneficiaries in Tennessee are enrolled in Medicare.

In Tennessee in 2021:

Medicare Advantage:
- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from $21.72 in 2020 to $20.82 in 2021. This represents a -4.14 percent change in average premium.
- 117 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2021, compared to 97 plans in 2020. This represents a 20.62 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- $0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a $0 monthly premium.
- 9 plans will be offering Medicare Advantage enrollees innovative benefits such as wellness and healthcare planning, reduced cost sharing, and rewards and incentives programs.
Part D:

- 10 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 41 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 32 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2021, compared to 30 plans in 2020. This represents a 6.70 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2020.
- 30 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- $7.30 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

2021 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates

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December 2020
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January 2021
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###
Medicare in Texas, 2021

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CMS is empowering people with Medicare with price and quality information to make informed choices that best meet their healthcare needs. 4,272,049 beneficiaries in Texas are enrolled in Medicare.

In Texas in 2021:

Medicare Advantage:
- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from $12.43 in 2020 to $11.42 in 2021. This represents a -8.15 percent change in average premium.
- 289 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2021, compared to 231 plans in 2020. This represents a 25.11 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- $0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a $0 monthly premium.
- 20 plans will be offering Medicare Advantage enrollees innovative benefits such as wellness and healthcare planning, reduced cost sharing, and rewards and incentives programs.
Part D:

- 9 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 68 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 35 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2021, compared to 30 plans in 2020. This represents a 16.70 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 95 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2020.
- 29 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- $7.30 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

2021 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates

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###
Medicare in Utah, 2021

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CMS is empowering people with Medicare with price and quality information to make informed choices that best meet their healthcare needs. 413,193 beneficiaries in Utah are enrolled in Medicare.

In Utah in 2021:

**Medicare Advantage:**
- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from $22.93 in 2020 to $20.06 in 2021. This represents a -12.52 percent change in average premium.
- 41 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2021, compared to 32 plans in 2020. This represents a 28.13 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- $0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a $0 monthly premium.
- 7 plans will be offering Medicare Advantage enrollees innovative benefits such as wellness and healthcare planning, reduced cost sharing, and rewards and incentives programs, and 3 plans will offer the Medicare hospice benefit through their plan.
Part D:

- 9 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 14 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 28 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2021, compared to 28 plans in 2020. This represents a 0 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2020.
- 17 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- $7.30 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

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**December 2020**

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**January 2021**

- Medicare health and drug plan coverage for 2021 **begins January 1, 2021**.

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Medicare in Vermont, 2021

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CMS is empowering people with Medicare with price and quality information to make informed choices that best meet their healthcare needs. 151,195 beneficiaries in Vermont are enrolled in Medicare.

In Vermont in 2021:

Medicare Advantage:

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from $29.60 in 2020 to $25.69 in 2021. This represents a -13.21 percent change in average premium.
- 23 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2021, compared to 13 plans in 2020. This represents a 76.92 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- $0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a $0 monthly premium.
- 3 plans will be offering Medicare Advantage enrollees innovative benefits such as wellness and healthcare planning, reduced cost sharing, and rewards and incentives programs.
Part D:

- 9 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 4 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 27 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2021, compared to 25 plans in 2020. This represents an 8 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2020.
- 27 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- $7.20 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

2021 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates

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- Health and drug plans begin notifying enrollees about changes to their plans in 2020.

October 2020
- Beneficiaries can begin shopping and comparing plans on Medicare.gov starting October 1, 2020.
- Beneficiaries should watch their mail for notices from Medicare with information about changes in 2021.
- Medicare health and drug plan 2021 Star Ratings will be available on Medicare.gov on or around October 8, 2020.
- Medicare Open Enrollment begins October 15, 2020.

December 2020
- Medicare Open Enrollment ends December 7, 2020.

January 2021
- Medicare health and drug plan coverage for 2021 begins January 1, 2021.

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Medicare in Virginia, 2021

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In Virginia in 2021:

Medicare Advantage:

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from $20.93 in 2020 to $19.60 in 2021. This represents a -6.35 percent change in average premium.
- 119 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2021, compared to 113 plans in 2020. This represents a 5.31 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- $0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a $0 monthly premium.
- 13 plans will be offering Medicare Advantage enrollees innovative benefits such as wellness and healthcare planning, reduced cost sharing, and rewards and incentives programs, and 2 plans will offer the Medicare hospice benefit through their plan.
Part D:

- 9 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 37 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 30 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2021, compared to 29 plans in 2020. This represents a 3.40 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2020.
- 25 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- $7.30 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

2021 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates

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January 2021

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CMS is empowering people with Medicare with price and quality information to make informed choices that best meet their healthcare needs. 1,398,832 beneficiaries in Washington are enrolled in Medicare.

In Washington in 2021:

Medicare Advantage:
- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from $42.69 in 2020 to $39.34 in 2021. This represents a -7.85 percent change in average premium.
- 157 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2021, compared to 140 plans in 2020. This represents a 12.14 percent change in plan options.
- 98 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- $0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 96 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a $0 monthly premium.
- 26 plans will be offering Medicare Advantage enrollees innovative benefits such as wellness and healthcare planning, reduced cost sharing, and rewards and incentives programs.
Part D:
- 9 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 55 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 29 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2021, compared to 28 plans in 2020. This represents a 3.60 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2020.
- 25 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- $6.30 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

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Medicare in West Virginia, 2021

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CMS is empowering people with Medicare with price and quality information to make informed choices that best meet their healthcare needs. 442,467 beneficiaries in West Virginia are enrolled in Medicare.

In West Virginia in 2021:

Medicare Advantage:
- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from $36.81 in 2020 to $32.30 in 2021. This represents a -12.24 percent change in average premium.
- 44 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2021, compared to 42 plans in 2020. This represents a 4.76 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- $0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a $0 monthly premium.
- 12 plans will be offering Medicare Advantage enrollees innovative benefits such as wellness and healthcare planning, reduced cost sharing, and rewards and incentives programs.
Part D:

- 10 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 4 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 33 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2021, compared to 31 plans in 2020. This represents a 6.50 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2020.
- 33 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- $7.30 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

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CMS is empowering people with Medicare with price and quality information to make informed choices that best meet their healthcare needs. 1,201,201 beneficiaries in Wisconsin are enrolled in Medicare.

In Wisconsin in 2021:

Medicare Advantage:
- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from $34.75 in 2020 to $33.65 in 2021. This represents a -3.15 percent change in average premium.
- 115 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2021, compared to 105 plans in 2020. This represents a 9.52 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- $0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a $0 monthly premium.
- 5 plans will be offering Medicare Advantage enrollees innovative benefits such as wellness and healthcare planning, reduced cost sharing, and rewards and incentives programs.
Part D:

- 9 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 40 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 31 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2021, compared to 30 plans in 2020. This represents a 3.30 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2020.
- 22 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- $7.30 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

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Medicare in Wyoming, 2021

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CMS is empowering people with Medicare with price and quality information to make informed choices that best meet their healthcare needs. 113,852 beneficiaries in Wyoming are enrolled in Medicare.

In Wyoming in 2021:

Medicare Advantage:
- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from $58.08 in 2020 to $56.84 in 2021. This represents a -2.13 percent change in average premium.
- 6 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2021, compared to 5 plans in 2020. This represents a 20 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- $0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a $0 monthly premium.
Part D:

- 9 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 28 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2021, compared to 29 plans in 2020. This represents a -3.40 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2020.
- 19 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- $7.30 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

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Medicare in American Samoa, 2021

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CMS is empowering people with Medicare with price and quality information to make informed choices that best meet their healthcare needs. 4,757 beneficiaries in American Samoa are enrolled in Medicare.

In American Samoa in 2021:

- 1 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2021, compared to 1 plans in 2020. This represents a 0 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 47 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- $57.50 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

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Medicare in Guam, 2021

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CMS is empowering people with Medicare with price and quality information to make informed choices that best meet their healthcare needs. 17,891 beneficiaries in Guam are enrolled in Medicare.

In Guam in 2021:

- 2 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2021, compared to 2 plans in 2020. This represents a 0 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 3 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- $50.50 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

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Medicare in the Northern Mariana Islands, 2021

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CMS is empowering people with Medicare with price and quality information to make informed choices that best meet their healthcare needs. 2,658 beneficiaries in the Northern Mariana Islands are enrolled in Medicare.

In the Northern Mariana Islands in 2021:

- 1 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2021, compared to 1 plans in 2020. This represents a 0 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 12 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- $46.00 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

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In the Northern Mariana Islands in 2021:

- 1 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2021, compared to 1 plans in 2020. This represents a 0 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 12 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- $46.00 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

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Medicare in Puerto Rico, 2021

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CMS is empowering people with Medicare with price and quality information to make informed choices that best meet their healthcare needs. 755,083 beneficiaries in Puerto Rico are enrolled in Medicare.

In Puerto Rico in 2021:

Medicare Advantage:
- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from $0.99 in 2020 to $0.77 in 2021. This represents a -22.57 percent change in average premium.
- 50 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2021, compared to 47 plans in 2020. This represents a 6.38 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- $0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a $0 monthly premium.
- 29 plans will be offering Medicare Advantage enrollees innovative benefits such as wellness and healthcare planning, reduced cost sharing, and rewards and incentives programs, and 26 plans will offer the Medicare hospice benefit through their plan.
Part D:
- 2 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 17 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 6 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2021, compared to 6 plans in 2020. This represents a 0 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2020.
- 2 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- $23.20 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

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September 2020
- The “2021 Medicare & You” Handbook is sent to every person with Medicare. The handbook can be accessed online at: https://www.medicare.gov/forms-help-resources/medicare-you-handbook/download-medicare-you-in-different-formats.
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October 2020
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Medicare in the U.S. Virgin Islands, 2021

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CMS is empowering people with Medicare with price and quality information to make informed choices that best meet their healthcare needs. 20,255 beneficiaries in the U.S. Virgin Islands are enrolled in Medicare.

In the U.S. Virgin Islands in 2021:

- 1 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan are available in 2021, compared to 1 plan in 2020. This represents a 0 percent change in plan options. All Medicare beneficiaries have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 3 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
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