

Wisconsin Economic Priority: LOWER HEALTH CARE COSTS

Wisconsin businesses are looking for lower costs. According to the latest *Wisconsin Employer Survey*, lowering health care costs and reducing the tax burden are essentially tied for the top thing state government should be doing to help the business community. As runaway inflation and spiking health care costs continue to place an undue burden on employers, job creators around Wisconsin are looking to policymakers for pro-growth reforms that will make Wisconsin a more competitive place to do business.

What is the one thing state government could do to help your business?

REDUCE TAXES	28%
MAKE HEALTH CARE MORE AFFORDABLE	27%
REDUCE / REFORM REGULATIONS	23%
REDUCE SPENDING	12%
EDUCATION REFORM	6%
OTHER	3%
TORT / LEGAL REFORM	1%

How much have your company's health care costs increased in the last year?

OVER 10%
39%

It is no surprise that Wisconsin businesses are looking for ways to lower health care costs. The same survey shows that four in 10 employers saw health care costs jump by more than 10 percent in the last year. Nearly 80 percent of those surveyed saw costs go up by six percent or more – making nationwide inflation trends even tougher in Wisconsin.

NO CHANGE.....	5%	11 TO 20% INCREASE....	30%
1 TO 5% INCREASE.....	17%	21 TO 30% INCREASE	6%
6 TO 10% INCREASE ...	39%	OVER 30% INCREASE	3%

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Do you support or oppose requiring health care providers to provide transparency in their pricing so consumers can make purchasing decisions based on value?

SUPPORT
100%

OPPOSE
1%

SUPPORT STRONGLY 85%

SUPPORT SOMEWHAT 15%

OPPOSE STRONGLY 0%

OPPOSE SOMEWHAT 1%

** Totals may not add up to 100% due to rounding.*

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