UNINSURED RATE INCREASED NATIONALLY AND IN FOURTEEN STATES IN 2017

New data from the ACS show that the nation’s uninsured rate increased significantly in 2017, rising from 8.6% in 2016 to 8.7% in 2017. This is the first year since 2010 that there has been an increase in the national uninsurance rate. Uninsurance also rose significantly in 14 states in 2017 while falling significantly in three. Thirty-three states and the District of Columbia saw no significant change in uninsurance in 2017.

PERCENTAGE-POINT CHANGES IN STATE UNINSURED RATES, 2016-2017

*States excluded from the bar graph above did not see statistically significant changes in uninsured rates between 2016 and 2017.

Note: All year-over-year changes are statistically significant at the 90 percent confidence level.