



Legislative Services Agency

State Capitol, 1007 E. Grand Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa 50319, 515.281.3566

Fiscal Services Division

Fiscal Update Article

FY 2028 Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) Rate

October 29, 2026

FY 2028 FMAP

The Bureau of Economic Analysis released final [State personal per capita income data](#) for 2025. This allows states to calculate the final federal fiscal year (FFY) 2028 Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) rates. The FFY 2028 FMAP rates are based on per capita personal incomes for calendar years 2023 through 2025. These rates are calculated on a federal fiscal year basis, but the numbers in this article have been blended to reflect State fiscal year (SFY) 2028. Iowa's SFY 2028 FMAP rate increased by 1.37% to 64.55%. This means for every dollar spent on the Medicaid program, the federal government will pay \$0.65 and Iowa will pay \$0.35. The FMAP change is 0.74% more on a State fiscal year basis than the preliminary estimate that was released in April 2026.

The FMAP increase indicates that Iowa's per capita personal income has not grown as quickly since 2023 compared to other states. This is the second year in a row that the FMAP has increased, following two years in which the FMAP rate decreased. Prior to the 1.04% total decrease from FY 2024 to FY 2026, the rate increased 9.22% in total from FY 2017 to FY 2024.

The 1.37% change in the FMAP rate means that the State will be responsible for an estimated \$63.9 million less in Medicaid expenditures in SFY 2028.

This figure shows the five-year change in the FMAP rate.

Five-Year State Regular Medicaid FMAP

State Fiscal Year	Federal Share	State Share	Federal % Change
FY 2024	63.88%	36.12%	1.00%
FY 2025	63.47%	36.53%	-0.41%
FY 2026	62.84%	37.16%	-0.63%
FY 2027	63.17%	36.83%	0.34%
FY 2028	64.55%	35.46%	1.37%

LSA Staff Contact

Louie Hoehle

(515.281.6561)

louie.hoehle@legis.iowa.gov