



More are uninsured; what to do.

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In the year prior to President Obama's passage of health care reform legislation, the number of people without health insurance grew by more than 4 million.

50.7 million Americans lacked health insurance in 2009 compared to 46.3 million uninsured Americans in 2008 , according to the new U.S. Census Bureau data.

This is the first year that the **number of people with health insurance has decreased**, since the Census Bureau began counting 23-years ago, federal officials said.

But with the new health care legislation, which passed earlier this year, many of the uninsured will have new options in the next few years.

What can you do now if you're uninsured? [Here's a rundown](#) of the government's website healthcare.gov, which you can use to find public, private and community programs in your area.

[The Foundation for Health Coverage Education](#) also offers assistance for finding health care coverage. If you'd prefer to speak to someone by phone, call the organization at 1-800.234.1317.

Check out CNN's coverage of [Health Care in America](#), including this list of [questions and answers](#) about health reform.

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