



# Health Care

is the One Sector of the  
U.S. Economy Actually  
Creating Jobs

## Why Hurt It?



Voters think Congress should have three priorities:

1. Jobs.
2. Jobs.
3. Jobs.

Yet some in Congress are pushing for payment cuts that would not only hurt patient care, but also lead to major job losses in America's hospitals and their communities.

According to an independent analysis, nearly 200,000 jobs over the next decade will be lost if Congress enacts proposed Medicare cuts through the sequestration option.

Even without sequestration, Congress could still cut hospitals, which would mean job losses.

The health care sector was one bright spot in an otherwise dismal August jobs report: While America added zero net jobs, 30,000 new jobs were created in health care, including 8,000 hospital jobs.

Hospitals are the second-largest private sector employer, employing 5.4 million people nationwide and supporting scores of local businesses in communities everywhere.

While it considers ways to reduce the deficit, Congress should reject cuts that would hurt patients' care — and the one sector of the economy actually creating jobs.

## Don't Hurt Job-Creators: Stop Cuts that Threaten Patient Care and Hospital Jobs



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