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Rhode Island

- **1,900** MedTech Jobs¹
- **31,369** Rhode Islanders enrolled in or renewed quality, affordable private health coverage for calendar year 2015 in the open enrollment period that began Nov 15, 2014 (as of Feb 21, 2015, which are the latest statistics available).²
- As many as **462,538** non-elderly Rhode Islanders have some type of pre-existing health condition, including **53,685** children. Today, most insurers can no longer deny coverage to anyone because of a pre-existing condition, like asthma or diabetes, under the health care law.³
- **374,000** people in Rhode Island, including **147,000** women and **89,000** children, are free from worrying about lifetime limits on coverage.³
- **710** Rhode Islanders with private insurance coverage benefited from **\$48,696** in refunds from insurance companies because of the ACA 80/20 rule.³
- The health care law expands mental health and substance use disorder benefits and federal parity protections for **172,099** Rhode Islanders.³
- Specific information showing increases in sales, stock prices, and related financial indicators for Boston Scientific and CR Bard are included in the 2015 report of the National Center for Health Research, Analysis of Impact of Device Excise Tax on U.S.-Based Medical Device Companies.⁴

¹ Jobs by State (Advamed) <http://www.lifechanginginnovation.org/jobs-by-state> (accessed Jun 25, 2015)

² Obamacare's special enrollment draws little interest (CNBC) <http://www.cnbc.com/id/102688259> (accessed July 1, 2015) and HHS March Enrollment Report http://aspe.hhs.gov/health/reports/2015/MarketPlaceEnrollment/Mar2015/ib_2015mar_enrollment.pdf (accessed July 1, 2015)

³ How the Health Care Law is Making a Difference for the People of Rhode Island (HHS) <http://www.hhs.gov/healthcare/facts/bystate/ri.html> (accessed Jun 25, 2015)

⁴ Analysis of Impact of Device Excise Tax on U.S.-Based Medical Device Companies (National Center for Health Research) <http://center4research.org/newsite/wp-content/uploads/2015/01/NCHR-Analysis-of-Impact-of-Device-Excise-Tax-on-US-Based-Medical-Device-Companies.pdf>