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Estimated 2012 Medicaid savings in 10 costliest states

In a recently released report, [Well and Well-Off: Decreasing Medicaid and Health-Care Costs by Increasing Educational Attainment](#), the [Alliance for Excellent Education](#) asserts that Medicaid costs could be reduced significantly by improving the high-school completion rate.

The chart below shows the projected savings for the 10 costliest Medicaid states in 2012 if high school non-completion had been cut by 50 percent.

State	Projected savings
New York	\$1,022,894,992
California	\$1,021,936,768
Texas	\$547,104,606
Florida	\$286,641,147
Illinois	\$265,398,885
Pennsylvania	\$262,222,281
Ohio	\$175,944,212
Massachusetts	\$166,408,785
New Jersey	\$161,030,990
North Carolina	\$156,847,932

Source: [Alliance for Excellent Education](#)

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