# **Are HSAs Here to Stay?**

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# The rapid growth of high-deductible plans and health savings accounts

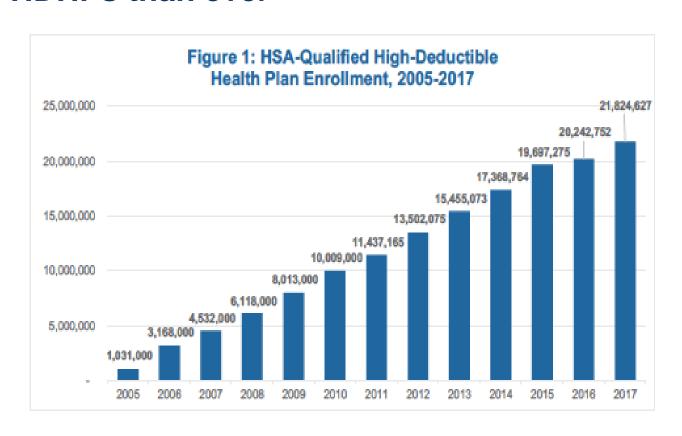
# Health savings accounts grow as valuable financial planning tools



Health Savings Accounts and High Deductible Health Plans Grow as Valuable Financial Planning Tools

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# **Key finding #1: More Americans enrolled in HSAs** and HDHPs than ever



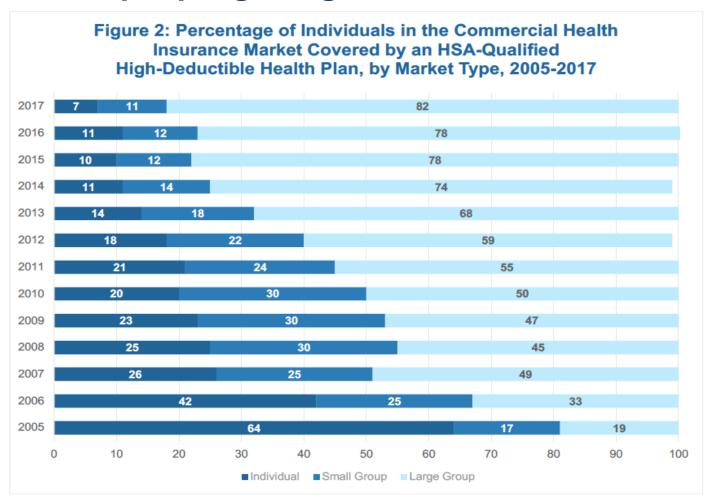
# More than half of employers offer an HDHP

- 2016: 52% offer a traditional plan + HDHP
- 2018: 65% offer a traditional plan + HDHP

Key finding #2: Nearly double-digit increase in Y-o-Y enrollment

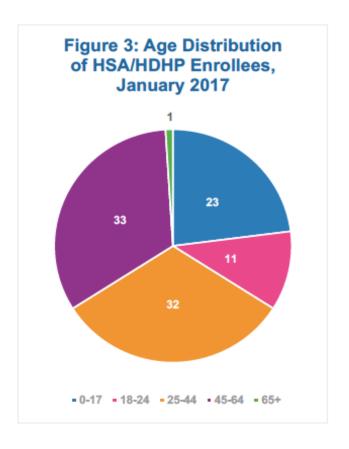
9.2% increase over AHIP 2016 survey

#### Where are people getting insurance?

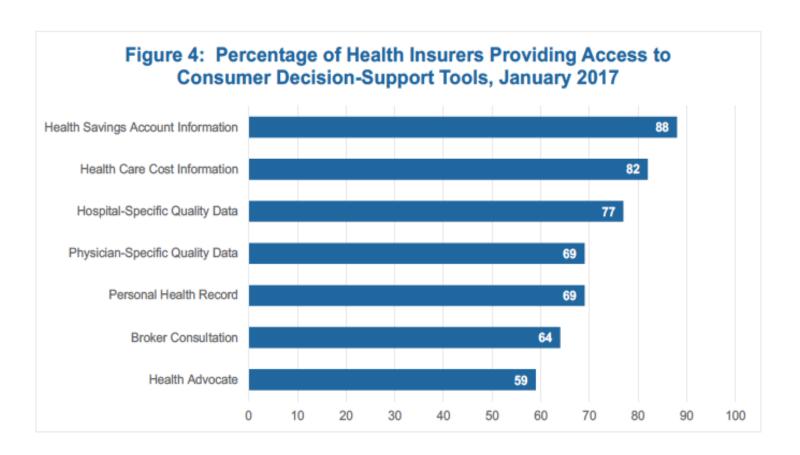


#### Who's choosing the HSA/HDHP?

- Under age 18: 23%
- Age 18-24: 11%
- Age 25-44: 32%
- Age 45-65: 33%
- Over age 65: 1%



#### **Key finding #3: Online tools are critical to member success**



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#### Most common tools:

- Health and wellness resources: 98%
- HSA information: 88%
- Health care cost information: 82%
- Access to personal records: 69%

# Provider search and quality tools

- Provider networks: 93%
- Hospital-specific quality data: 77%
- Physician-specific quality data: 69%



#### **Key finding #4: More changes needed to further promote** the value

- Chronic Disease Management Act (H.R. 4978/S. 2410): Remove the financial barriers to getting consistent care for chronic illness
- Bipartisan HSA Improvements Act (H.R. 5138): Offer more choice and flexibility
  - Increase HSA contribution limits
  - Expand HSA eligibility to more plans
  - Allowing pre-deductible coverage at onsite and retail clinics
  - Expand access to telemedicine services and over-the-counter medications without a prescription
  - Allowing HSAs to be used for wellness activities



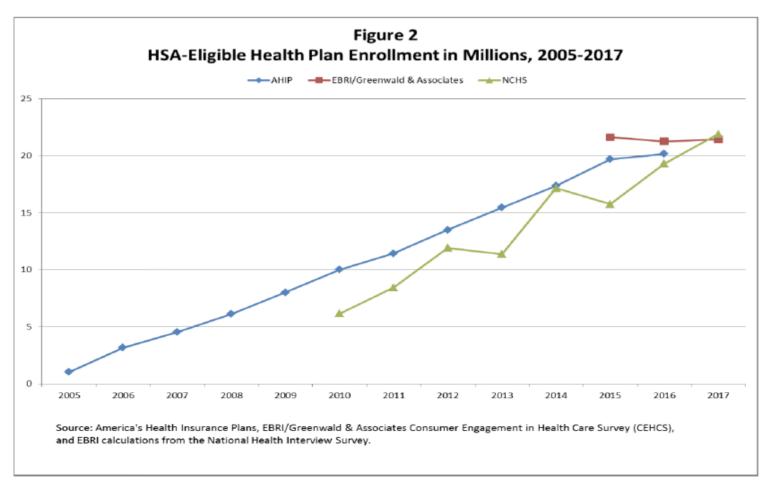
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# Has enrollment peaked?

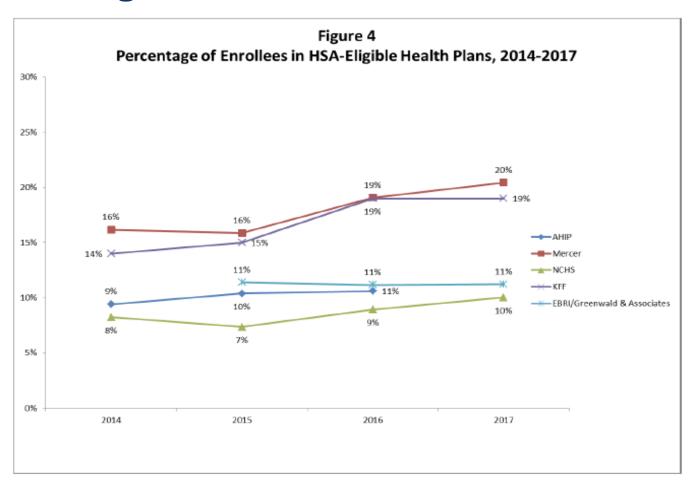
# Has enrollment in HSA-eligible health plans stalled?



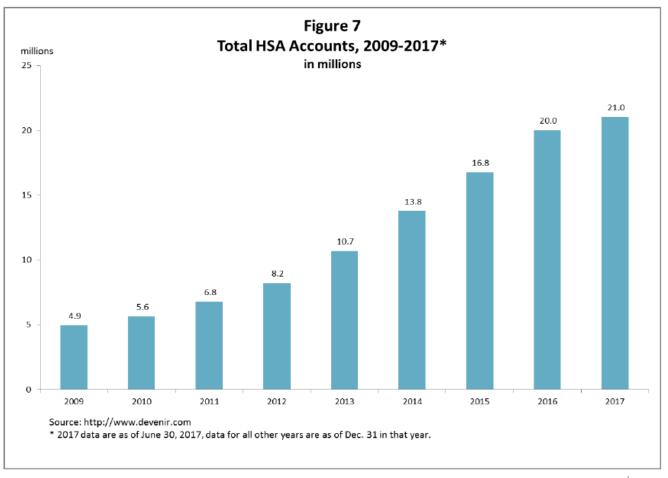
#### Significant growth in HSA and HSA-eligible plan enrollment



### However, growth has slowed.



#### HSAs show growth despite declines in HDHP enrollment



#### What's going on?

- Disenrollment from HSA-eligible health plan
- HSAs can be maintained after disenrollment from an HDHP

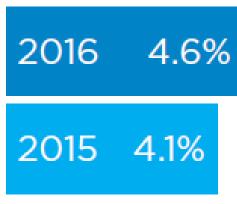


Deposits are higher than ever, but account balances are only increasing slightly.

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Average Account Balance

2017	\$1,741
2016	\$1,472

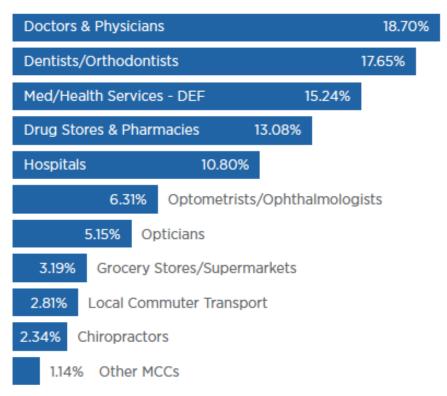
#### Growth in Total Spending per Person



"Spending growth in each year from 2012 to 2016 was almost entirely due to price increases, particularly in administered drugs, emergency room (ER) visits, and surgical hospital admissions."

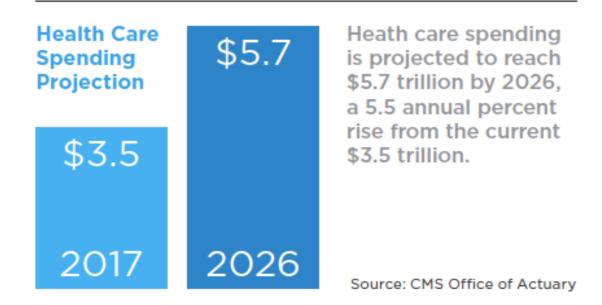
Source: 2016 Health Care Cost and Utilization Report, HCCI

#### UMB Customer MCC Spend Chart Oct 2016 - Oct 2017





#### **HSA Trends**

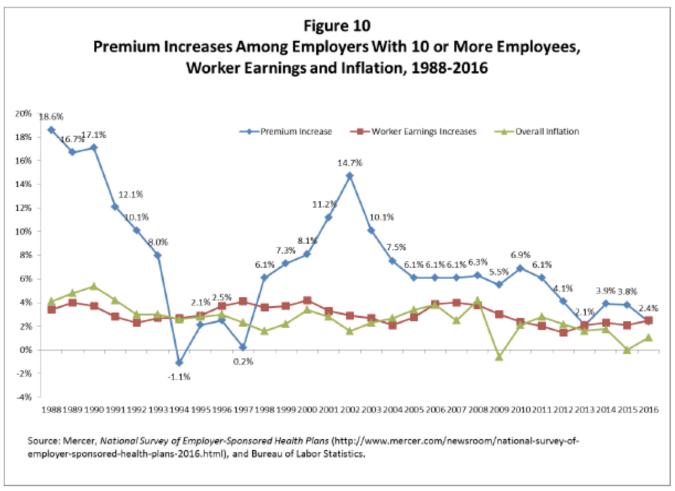




# What's holding back HDHP enrollment?

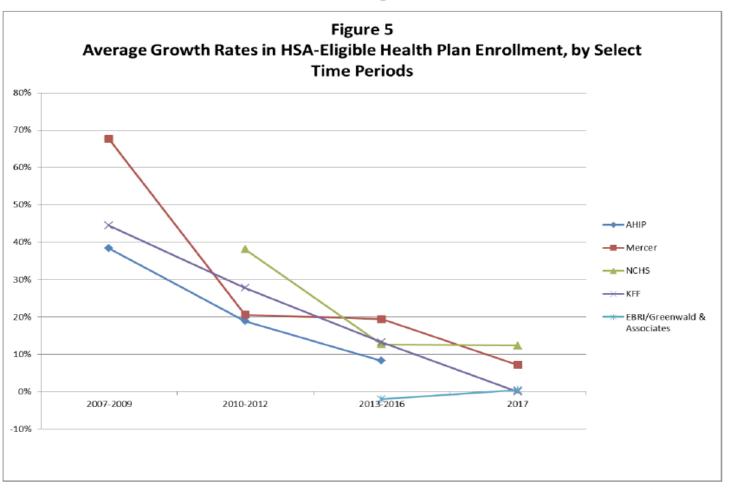
# Limiting factors

## Lower health premiums + low unemployment



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## What happens in Washington matters



# Limiting factors

#### Other factors:

- Fears about skipping preventative care
- Lack of flexibility for employers



# **Kick-starting the HDHP stall**

### Premium isn't the only consideration:

- Consider voluntary benefits
- Employer contributions to HSAs
- Smart decision support tools = smarter decisions

# Enrolling is only half the battle



# Thank you!

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