Survey: Hospital Consolidation Contributes to High Healthcare Costs for NV Small Business

March 21, 2023
Nevada Small Businesses Want Action

Nevada findings from the survey include:

- 41% of those surveyed say they have seen hospital consolidation in their region, with the number of hospitals shrinking.
- The biggest outcomes of those who have seen hospital consolidation are:
  - 63% see a loss of competition
  - 56% have fewer choices about where to receive care
  - 50% see longer waits
- 94% say that the consolidation of hospitals in their areas have made the overall availability and quality of healthcare services in their communities worse.
- 75% say the availability and cost of health insurance has been negatively impacted by hospital consolidation.
- 44% of small business owners say that hospital consolidation leads to a lack of competition making hospital services more expensive for employees, eating into their pay.
- 87% say it’s important that federal and state governments intervene in the consolidation of the health systems.
- 92% say that hospitals are unfairly charging high prices leading to high healthcare costs and it’s time for price regulation.
About Small Business for America’s Future

- Small Business for America’s Future is a national coalition of business owners and leaders working to provide small businesses a voice at every level of government.

- We’re committed to ensuring policymakers prioritize Main Street by advancing a just and equitable economic framework that works for small business owners, their employees and their communities.