



FYI | Which Is Better: Being Uninsured in the US or Being Insured by the Government in Canada?

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by John Goodman**

This is from a [study](#) by June and David O'Neill for the Cato Institute:

- Among US women age 40 to 64, 87% of those with insurance had a mammogram within 5 years, compared to 65% of those without insurance.
- The rate for Canadian women is 65% - the same as for uninsured women in the US.
- Canadian women also have the same rate of screening for cervical cancer as uninsured US women (80%), over five years. Among insured US women, the rate is 92%.
- Among uninsured US men, 31% were screened for prostate cancer, compared with 16% in Canada. For insured US men, the rate is 52%.



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Charlie Says:

[July 24th, 2009 at 12:50 pm](#)

Gotta love that. Not only would a federal takeover of health care limit many of our rights ([Link](#)), it would do it while providing less service.

Ken Says:

[July 24th, 2009 at 1:05 pm](#)

Terrific post.

Larry C. Says:

[July 24th, 2009 at 2:00 pm](#)

Thes results are really stunning. Thanks.

Greg Says:

[July 24th, 2009 at 5:02 pm](#)

John, tell June and David this is very helpful information.

Vicki Says:

[July 27th, 2009 at 7:37 am](#)

Somebody needs to let the president in on these finding.

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