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What do Americans think of Obamacare today?

Republican lawmakers have tried repeatedly to overturn Obamacare since the health law's passage in 2010. But be careful what you wish for.

From 20 January, the party will control the White House and both chambers of Congress for the first time in a decade.

The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act aims to decelerate the growth of US health spending, which is the highest in the world.

Why is it so controversial?

government, to buy such coverage through**gouvernement-run websites**

The programme offers subsidies to make health insurance more affordable and aims to reduce the cost of insurance by bringing younger, healthier people into the medical coverage system.

Obamacare also requires businesses with more than 50 full-time employees to offer health insurance.

Individual mandate

There are about 20 million Americans who now have health insurance under the law.

But the programme has been rocked over the past year by swingeing premium hikes and a trio of national insurers abandoning the online marketplaces.

The individual mandate is also highly unpopular because many uninsured Americans who end up paying penalties to the US tax authorities are low-to-moderate income workers juggling rent, car payments or student loans.

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