

Trump Administration moves ahead with harmful Clean Cars rollback

Rollback would increase pollution and fuel costs, put Americans at unnecessary risk

With all eyes focused on the health and economic crisis gripping our nation, the Trump administration is recklessly pressing ahead with rollbacks of public health and environmental safeguards –including an imminently expected rollback of our nation’s successful [Clean Car Standards](#).

Trump administration set to eviscerate standards

The U.S. Clean Car Standards require, on average, about a 5 percent reduction in annual fleetwide greenhouse gas pollution. Reports indicate that the Trump administration is planning to eviscerate these standards, requiring **only 1.5% annual improvement**.

New modeling shows huge costs to health, consumers and security from this action

A new EDF analysis, carried out with EPA’s own modeling tools, shows the Trump administration’s rollback of the Clean Car Standards will have serious adverse impacts on human health, fuel costs and energy security.

Between now and mid-century, the rollback will result in unnecessary health harms. These include an estimated total of:

- **18,500 premature deaths**
- **250,000 more asthma attacks**
- **350,000 more other respiratory ailments**
- **One million lost workdays**
- **\$190 billion in costs because of those health harms**



By the year 2040, this rollback will mean:

- **An additional 1.5 billion metric tons of climate pollution** – an amount equivalent to the total pollution from 68 coal plants operating for five years
- **142 billion more gallons of additional gasoline used**
- Americans will **pay \$244 billion more** at the gas pump.

Clean Cars standards have wide support

The U.S. Clean Car Standards were adopted with the full support of the auto industry when our nation was in a recession over a decade ago, as a pathway to cleaner and safer technology, innovation, and competitiveness.

A [bipartisan coalition of 24 governors](#) urged the Trump administration not to take this action. An American Lung Association poll found that more than [two-thirds of Americans support](#) the Clean Car Standards.

Dirtier cars mean less jobs

The Trump administration’s own analysis found that its proposal to roll back the clean car standards was a job *loser*, costing 60,000 jobs ([Table VII-5; page 43265 and 43266](#)). Independent [analysis by Blue Green Alliance](#) showed an even worse outcome, with the rollback costing as many as 200,000 domestic jobs.