

## For employers in the red, workers would prefer pink

Nearly half of employees would rather see colleagues get the pink slip than lose their health benefits, says a survey from Guardian.

Asked to choose between layoffs or eliminating their health benefits if their employer had to take drastic action to stay in business:

46% of employees would choose **LAYOFFS**

44% would elect to drop their **HEALTH BENEFITS**

57% of employees are willing to take a **SALARY CUT** or forgo future raises to maintain their current level of insurance coverage or retirement contributions.

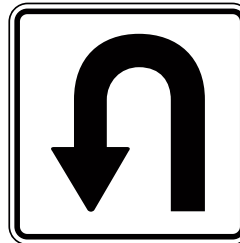
### WHICH WAY TO TURN?



26% of employees would **GO WITHOUT INSURANCE** if they lost their benefits due to unemployment.



18% would elect **COBRA**

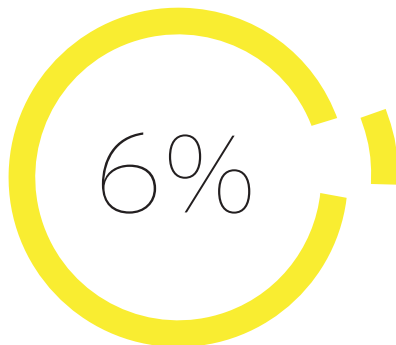


19% would **PURCHASE HEALTH INSURANCE** on their own if they lost their jobs

71% significantly underestimate or **DON'T KNOW** the **COST** of individual health coverage in comparison to group coverage.



### I DO ... OR DON'T



Nearly 10% of full-time employees are postponing **DIVORCE**

6% are accelerating **MARRIAGE** to obtain or keep their benefits.

