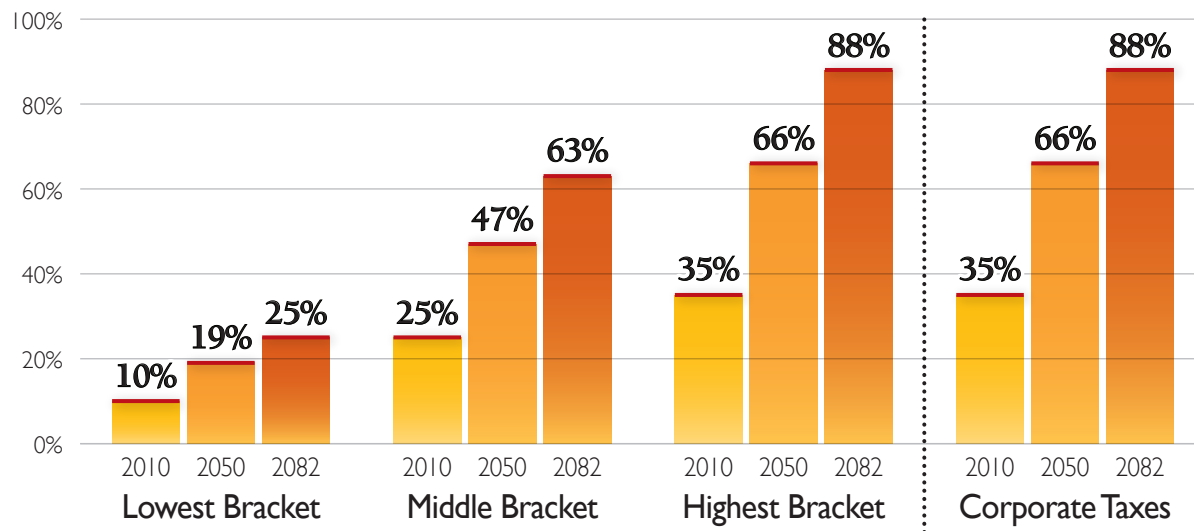


Hiking Taxes to Pay for Entitlements Would Require Doubling Tax Rates

The cost of Medicare, Medicaid, and Social Security is rising substantially. Paying for this spending solely through federal income tax increases would require more than a twofold increase of current tax rates, even for the lowest tax bracket.

MARGINAL INCOME TAX RATES



Source: Congressional Budget Office.