

Table 94. National health expenditures, average annual percent change, and percent distribution, by type of expenditure: United States, selected years 1960–2016

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[Data are compiled from various sources by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services]

Type of national health expenditure	1960	1970	1975	1980	1990	2000	2009	2015	2016
Amount in billions (dollars)									
National health expenditures	27.2	74.6	133.3	255.3	721.4	1369.1	2495.4	3200.8	3337.2
Health consumption expenditures	24.7	67.0	121.1	235.5	674.1	1285.8	2356.5	3047.1	3179.8
Personal health care	23.3	63.1	113.2	217.0	615.3	1161.5	2114.6	2715.5	2834.0
Hospital care	9.0	27.2	51.2	100.5	250.4	415.5	779.6	1033.4	1082.5
Professional services	7.9	19.8	34.7	64.5	207.3	386.9	667.8	837.7	881.2
Physician and clinical services	5.6	14.3	25.3	47.7	158.4	288.2	497.7	631.0	664.9
Other professional services	0.4	0.7	1.3	3.5	17.3	36.6	67.0	87.8	92.0
Dental services	2.0	4.7	8.0	13.3	31.6	62.1	103.1	118.9	124.4
Other health, residential, and personal care	0.4	1.3	2.9	8.4	23.8	63.9	123.4	164.8	173.5
Home health care ¹	0.1	0.2	0.6	2.4	12.5	32.3	67.7	88.8	92.4
Nursing care facilities and continuing care retirement communities ¹	0.8	4.0	8.0	15.3	44.7	85.0	135.2	158.1	162.7
Retail outlet sales of medical products	5.0	10.6	15.8	25.9	76.5	177.8	340.9	432.7	441.7
Prescription drugs	2.7	5.5	8.1	12.0	40.3	121.0	252.7	324.5	328.6
Durable medical equipment	0.7	1.7	2.8	4.1	13.8	25.2	37.8	48.6	51.0
Other nondurable medical products	1.6	3.3	4.9	9.8	22.4	31.6	50.3	59.6	62.2
Government administration ²	0.1	0.7	1.5	2.8	7.2	17.1	29.5	42.1	43.8
Net cost of health insurance ³	1.0	1.9	3.4	9.3	31.6	64.2	138.2	207.7	219.8
Government public health activities ⁴	0.4	1.4	3.0	6.4	20.0	43.0	74.2	81.7	82.2
Investment	2.5	7.5	12.2	19.9	47.3	83.3	139.0	153.7	157.4
Research ⁵	0.7	2.0	3.4	5.4	12.7	25.5	45.4	46.5	47.7
Structures and equipment	1.8	5.6	8.8	14.4	34.6	57.8	93.6	107.2	109.7
Average annual percent change from previous year shown ⁶									
National health expenditures	...	10.6	12.3	13.9	10.9	6.6	6.9	4.2	4.3
Health consumption expenditures	...	10.5	12.6	14.2	11.1	6.7	7.0	4.4	4.4
Personal health care	...	10.5	12.4	13.9	11.0	6.6	6.9	4.3	4.4
Hospital care	...	11.7	13.5	14.4	9.6	5.2	7.2	4.8	4.7
Professional services	...	9.6	11.9	13.2	12.4	6.4	6.3	3.9	5.2
Physician and clinical services	...	9.9	12.0	13.5	12.7	6.2	6.3	4.0	5.4
Other professional services	...	6.3	13.0	21.1	17.4	7.8	6.9	4.6	4.7
Dental services	...	9.0	11.2	10.7	9.0	7.0	5.8	2.4	4.6
Other health, residential, and personal care	...	11.5	17.2	23.9	11.0	10.4	7.6	4.9	5.3
Home health care ¹	...	14.5	23.2	30.7	18.1	9.9	8.6	4.6	4.0
Nursing care facilities and continuing care retirement communities ¹	...	17.4	14.7	13.7	11.4	6.6	5.3	2.6	2.9
Retail outlet sales of medical products	...	7.7	8.4	10.4	11.4	8.8	7.5	4.1	2.1
Prescription drugs	...	7.5	7.9	8.4	12.8	11.6	8.5	4.3	1.3
Durable medical equipment	...	9.0	9.9	7.7	13.0	6.2	4.6	4.3	4.9
Other nondurable medical products	...	7.4	8.3	14.6	8.6	3.5	5.3	2.9	4.4
Government administration ²	...	30.0	15.1	13.2	10.0	9.0	6.3	6.1	4.0
Net cost of health insurance ³	...	6.4	12.6	22.0	13.0	7.4	8.9	7.0	5.8
Government public health activities ⁴	...	13.8	17.0	16.8	12.0	8.0	6.2	1.6	0.6
Investment	...	11.6	10.1	10.3	9.1	5.8	5.8	1.7	2.4
Research ⁵	...	10.9	11.5	10.0	8.9	7.2	6.6	0.4	2.6
Structures and equipment	...	11.9	9.6	10.4	9.2	5.3	5.5	2.3	2.3
Percent distribution									
National health expenditures	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Health consumption expenditures	90.8	89.9	90.9	92.2	93.4	93.9	94.4	95.2	95.3

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Type of national health expenditure	1960	1970	1975	1980	1990	2000	2009	2015	2016
National health expenditures—Con.	Percent distribution								
Personal health care	85.5	84.6	84.9	85.0	85.3	84.8	84.7	84.8	84.9
Hospital care	33.0	36.4	38.4	39.4	34.7	30.4	31.2	32.3	32.4
Professional services	29.1	26.5	26.0	25.3	28.7	28.3	26.8	26.2	26.4
Physician and clinical services	20.4	19.2	19.0	18.7	22.0	21.0	19.9	19.7	19.9
Other professional services	1.4	1.0	1.0	1.4	2.4	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.8
Dental services	7.3	6.3	6.0	5.2	4.4	4.5	4.1	3.7	3.7
Other health, residential, and personal care	1.6	1.7	2.2	3.3	3.3	4.7	4.9	5.1	5.2
Home health care ¹	0.2	0.3	0.5	0.9	1.7	2.4	2.7	2.8	2.8
Nursing care facilities and continuing care retirement communities ¹	3.0	5.4	6.0	6.0	6.2	6.2	5.4	4.9	4.9
Retail outlet sales of medical products	18.5	14.2	11.9	10.1	10.6	13.0	13.7	13.5	13.2
Prescription drugs	9.8	7.4	6.0	4.7	5.6	8.8	10.1	10.1	9.8
Durable medical equipment	2.7	2.3	2.1	1.6	1.9	1.8	1.5	1.5	1.5
Other nondurable medical products	6.0	4.5	3.7	3.8	3.1	2.3	2.0	1.9	1.9
Government administration ²	0.2	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.0	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.3
Net cost of health insurance ³	3.7	2.5	2.6	3.6	4.4	4.7	5.5	6.5	6.6
Government public health activities ⁴	1.4	1.8	2.2	2.5	2.8	3.1	3.0	2.6	2.5
Investment	9.2	10.1	9.1	7.8	6.6	6.1	5.6	4.8	4.7
Research ⁵	2.6	2.6	2.5	2.1	1.8	1.9	1.8	1.5	1.4
Structures and equipment	6.7	7.5	6.6	5.7	4.8	4.2	3.8	3.4	3.3
Personal health care	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Hospital care	38.6	43.1	45.3	46.3	40.7	35.8	36.9	38.1	38.2
Professional services	34.1	31.3	30.6	29.7	33.7	33.3	31.6	30.8	31.1
Physician and clinical services	23.9	22.7	22.4	22.0	25.7	24.8	23.5	23.2	23.5
Other professional services	1.7	1.2	1.2	1.6	2.8	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2
Dental services	8.5	7.5	7.1	6.1	5.1	5.3	4.9	4.4	4.4
Other health, residential, and personal care	1.9	2.1	2.5	3.9	3.9	5.5	5.8	6.1	6.1
Home health care ¹	0.2	0.3	0.5	1.1	2.0	2.8	3.2	3.3	3.3
Nursing care facilities and continuing care retirement communities ¹	3.5	6.4	7.1	7.0	7.3	7.3	6.4	5.8	5.7
Retail outlet sales of medical products	21.7	16.8	14.0	11.9	12.4	15.3	16.1	15.9	15.6
Prescription drugs	11.5	8.7	7.1	5.6	6.5	10.4	12.0	12.0	11.6
Durable medical equipment	3.2	2.8	2.5	1.9	2.2	2.2	1.8	1.8	1.8
Other nondurable medical products	7.0	5.3	4.4	4.5	3.6	2.7	2.4	2.2	2.2

... Category not applicable.

¹Includes expenditures for care in freestanding facilities only. Additional services of this type are provided in hospital-based facilities and are considered hospital care.

²Includes all administrative costs (federal and state and local employees' salaries; contracted employees, including fiscal intermediaries; rent and building costs; computer systems and programs; other materials and supplies; and other miscellaneous expenses) associated with insuring individuals enrolled in the following health insurance programs: Medicare, Medicaid, Children's Health Insurance Program, Department of Defense, Department of Veterans Affairs, Indian Health Service, workers' compensation, maternal and child health, vocational rehabilitation, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, and other federal programs.

³The net cost of health insurance is the difference between premiums earned and benefits incurred. That is, the amount of health insurance spending attributed to nonmedical benefit expenses, such as administrative costs, additions to reserves, rate credits and dividends, premium taxes, and profits. The net cost for private health insurance companies that insure the enrollees in Medicare, Medicaid, Children's Health Insurance Program, and workers' compensation (health portion only) are also included.

⁴Includes health care services delivered by government public health agencies.

⁵Research and development expenditures of drug companies and other manufacturers and providers of medical equipment and supplies are excluded. These are included in the expenditure class in which the product falls because such expenditures are covered by the payment received for that product.

⁶See Appendix II, Average annual rate of change (percent change).

NOTES: Percentages and average annual percent change are calculated using unrounded data. For more information on national health expenditure categories, sources, and methods, see "National Health Expenditure Accounts: Methodology Paper, 2016." Available from: <https://www.cms.gov/Research-Statistics-Data-and-Systems/Statistics-Trends-and-Reports/NationalHealthExpendData/downloads/dsm-16.pdf>. See Appendix I, National Health Expenditure Accounts (NHEA). Data have been revised and differ from previous editions of *Health, United States*.

SOURCE: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, Office of the Actuary, National Health Statistics Group, National Health Expenditure Accounts, National health expenditures. Available from: <https://www.cms.gov/Research-Statistics-Data-and-Systems/Statistics-Trends-and-Reports/NationalHealthExpendData/NationalHealthAccountsHistorical.html>. Accessed on January 18, 2018. See Appendix I, National Health Expenditure Accounts (NHEA).