

Total health spending per person

Alternate Name*

Total health spending in dollars per person

INDICATOR DESCRIPTION

Description*

This indicator measures total spending on health care in dollars per person in a given period of time.

Indicator Status*

Active

HQO Reporting tool/product

Public reporting

Dimension*

Effective

Type*

Process

DEFINITION AND SOURCE INFORMATION

Unit of Measurement*

Dollars per person

Calculation Methods*

Numerator divided by denominator.

Numerator including inclusion/exclusion*

Total spending on health care, both public and private sources, on medical services and goods, public health and prevention programs and administration in dollars in a given period of time. Total health spending can also be stratified by its two sectors: public spending and private spending. Public spending on health care is government spending on health care. Private spending on health care is private health insurance and out-of-pocket expenses. Together, public and private spending on health care make up total spending on health care.

Denominator including inclusion/exclusion*

The most recent revised population estimates from the Demography Division of Statistics Canada

Adjustment (risk, age/sex standardization)- detailed

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To compare spending over time in Ontario, constant (1997) dollars are used to adjust for both population growth and inflation, which varied over time. To compare spending levels between countries, Purchasing Power Parities (PPPs), which are the rates of currency conversion that equalize the purchasing power of different currencies, is used to eliminate differences in price levels between countries. Health spending per person is converted to a common currency (US dollar) and adjusted to take account of the differences in the purchasing power of the national currencies.

Data Source

OECD Health Statistics

National Health Expenditure Database (NHEX)

Data provided to HQO by

Canadian Institute for Health Information (CIHI)

Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD)

Reported Levels of comparability /stratifications (defined)

International comparison

Province

Time

OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION

Caveats and Limitations

OECD member countries are asked to report health spending according to concepts presented in the OECD manual "A System of Health Accounts (SHA)". Countries are at varying stages of reporting total health spending according to the boundary of health care proposed in the SHA manual. That means data presented in OECD Health Statistics 2020 is at the varying levels of comparability. This indicator most closely follows the health care boundaries proposed in the SHA and is believed to be fairly comparable, although some deviations from SHA definitions may still exist among sub-categories.

Comments Detailed

The data are obtained from National Health Expenditure Database (NHEX) or OECD database i.e. they are not calculated by Ontario Health.

TAGS

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Other

Process

Health expenditure

Effective

OECD Health Statistics

National Health Expenditure Database (NHEX)

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