

# US Health Care Spending

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## US Health Spending

	2018	2019
Total Health Spending (in trillions)	\$3.6	\$3.8
Health Care as Share of GDP	17.6%	17.7%
Per Capita Spending	\$11,129	\$11,582
Growth in Total Spending (in billions)	\$163.8	\$165.7
Growth in Total Spending	4.7%	4.6%
Growth in Per Capita Spending	4.2%	4.1%

## Annual Spending per Enrollee

	2018	2019
Medicare	\$12,767	\$13,276
Medicaid	8,123	8,485
CHIP	2,654	2,807
All Private Health Insurance	5,745	5,927
• Employer-Sponsored Insurance	5,837	6,049
• Marketplace	7,129	7,095
• Other Direct Purchase	5,471	5,508

## Change in Enrollment

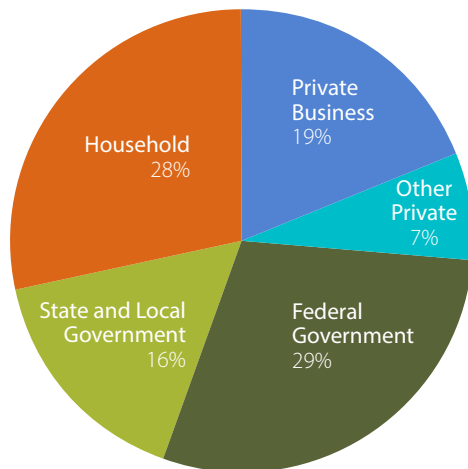
	2018	2019
Medicare	2.6%	2.6%
Medicaid	-0.9%	-1.5%
CHIP	2.6%	1.1%
All Private Health Insurance	-0.8%	0.5%
• Employer-Sponsored	-0.2%	0.7%
• Marketplace	1.4%	-0.9%
• Other Direct Purchase	-21.3%	-7.7%

Note: *Change* refers to percentage change in number of people covered from prior year.

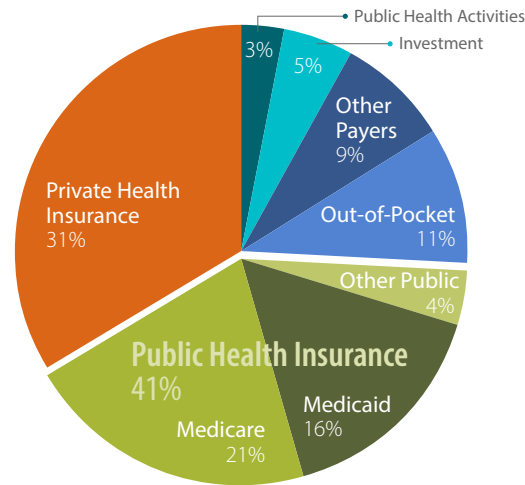
## Reference Points

	2018	2019
Federal Revenues as Share of GDP	16.3%	16.3%
GDP Growth	5.5%	4.0%
CPI Growth	2.4%	1.8%
Medical CPI Growth	2.0%	2.8%
Population Growth	0.5%	0.5%
Uninsured Population Growth	2.9%	3.8%
Insured Share of Population	90.6%	90.3%

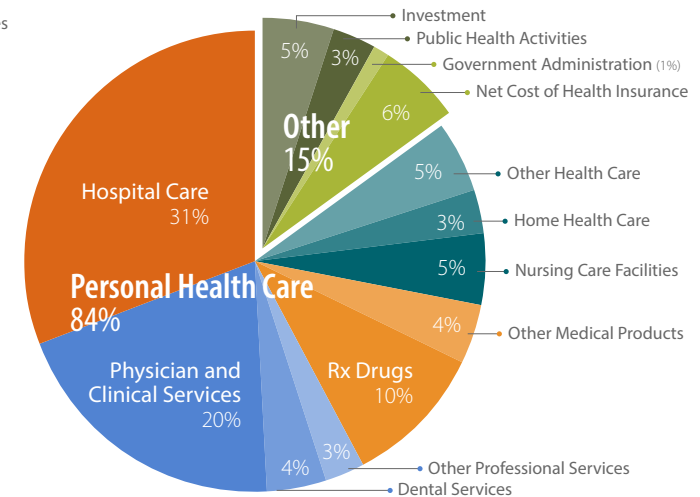
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PAYMENT SOURCES, 2019



SPENDING CATEGORIES, 2019



Notes: *Health spending* refers to national health expenditures except where noted. *GDP* is gross domestic product; *CPI* is consumer price index. *Marketplace* refers to individual health insurance purchased on federal- and state-run exchanges, such as [healthcare.gov](http://healthcare.gov) or Covered California. *Other Direct Purchase* includes insurance purchased on the private market that is not associated with marketplace, employer-sponsored, or Medigap plans. *Growth* refers to percentage growth from prior year. *Sponsors* are the entities that are ultimately responsible for financing the health care bill. *Other public* includes Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP), Department of Defense, and Department of Veterans Affairs spending. *Other payers* refers to other third-party payers and programs. Chart segments may not total 100% due to rounding.

Sources: [National Health Expenditure Data, Historical, 1960-2019](#), Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services; [Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers \(CPI-U\): US city average, all items](#), Bureau of Labor Statistics; and "Historical Budget Data" in *The Budget and Economic Outlook: 2021 to 2031*, Congressional Budget Office, February 2021.

## Growth Rates

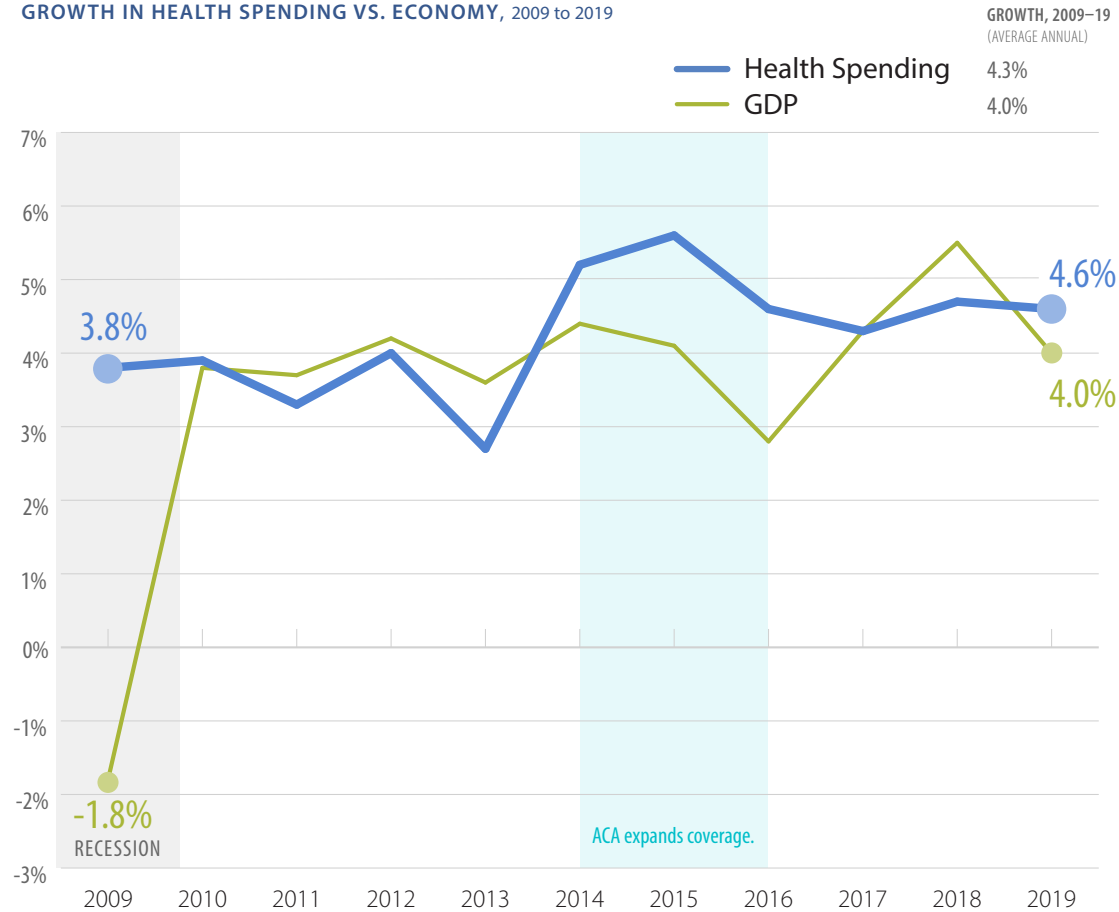
BY SPONSOR	2009-19	2018	2019
Private Business . . . . .	3.6%	5.7%	3.7%
Household . . . . .	4.0%	4.8%	4.5%
Other Private Revenues . . . . .	5.5%	2.4%	7.1%
Federal Government . . . . .	4.8%	5.4%	5.8%
State and Local Government . . . . .	4.2%	3.3%	2.4%

BY PAYER	2009-19	2018	2019
Out-of-Pocket . . . . .	3.2%	3.8%	4.6%
Private Health Insurance . . . . .	4.2%	5.6%	3.7%
Medicare . . . . .	4.8%	6.3%	6.7%
Medicaid . . . . .	5.1%	3.1%	2.9%
• Federal . . . . .	4.6%	3.4%	4.1%
• State and Local . . . . .	5.9%	2.6%	1.0%
Other Public Insurance . . . . .	4.8%	3.3%	6.1%
Other Payers . . . . .	4.5%	3.5%	4.4%
Public Health Activities . . . . .	2.8%	2.6%	3.5%
Investment . . . . .	3.2%	4.8%	6.0%

BY SPENDING CATEGORY	2009-19	2018	2019
Hospital Care . . . . .	4.5%	4.2%	6.2%
Physician and Clinical Services . . . . .	4.5%	4.0%	4.6%
Dental . . . . .	3.3%	4.8%	4.2%
Other Professional Services . . . . .	5.1%	7.5%	6.5%
Nursing Care Facilities . . . . .	2.5%	2.3%	3.3%
Home Health Care . . . . .	5.4%	5.5%	7.7%
Other Health Care . . . . .	4.7%	3.0%	1.2%
Prescription Drugs . . . . .	3.8%	3.8%	5.7%
Other Medical Products . . . . .	4.6%	4.2%	5.3%
Net Cost of Health Insurance . . . . .	5.9%	13.9%	-3.8%
Government Administration . . . . .	5.1%	5.1%	3.5%
Public Health Activities . . . . .	2.8%	2.6%	3.5%
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REFERENCE POINTS	2009-19	2018	2019
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Total Health Spending per Capita . . . . .	3.6%	4.2%	4.1%
GDP . . . . .	4.0%	5.5%	4.0%
CPI . . . . .	1.8%	2.4%	1.8%
Medical CPI . . . . .	2.9%	2.0%	2.8%

GROWTH IN HEALTH SPENDING VS. ECONOMY, 2009 to 2019



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