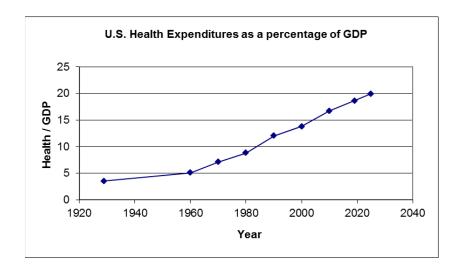
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A.1 U.S. Health Care Expenditures, Uses and Sources

A.1.1 Projected Total expenditures in 2019

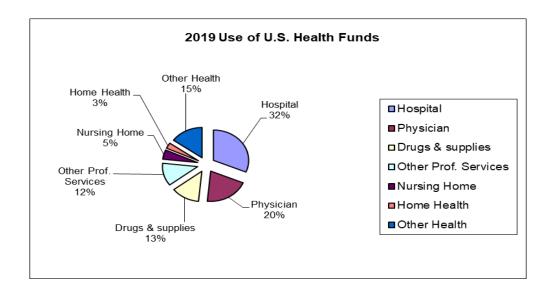
- \$3,800 billion (i.e. \$3.8 trillion)
- \$11,600 per capita (Based on population of 328 million)
- 17.7% of GDP (Based on GDP of \$21,400 billion).

Total Expenditures have risen dramatically and continuously over past 100 years.



A.1.2 Use of Funds in 2019

- 65% of funds are used in hospital care, physician services, and drugs & products.
- Other health is government administration, net cost of privarte insurance, public health and research. Other professional services includes dental services.
- 8.6 million practioners and technical + 6.4 million support (Includes 1,000,000 physicians; 3,350,000 registered nurses).

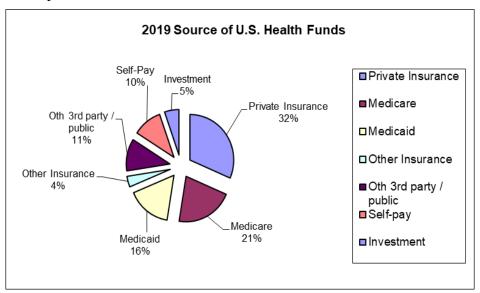


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A.1.3 Source of Funds in 2019

- Approximately 50% public (Medicare/Medicaid) and 50% private.
- Only 11% is out-of-pocket (self-pay including coinsurance and deductibles).
- These figures understate government role as they ignore the tax deductibility of health insurance premiums.



A.2 Trends in U.S. Health Care

- Expenditures rose dramatically and continuously over the past 100 years. U.S. has the largest expenditures in the world, due to higher base and higher growth rates.
- Utilization: More physician visits.
 Little change in hospital days but much more labor-intensive.
- Expenditures:

Switch from physician (36% of total in 1929), drugs (18% in 1929) and dental (12%). Switch to hospital (18% of total in 1929) and nursing home.

• Sources:

Huge switch away from out-of-pocket (81% of total in 1929). Huge switch to insurance, both private and government. Insurance is central and recently changed from fee-for-service to managed care.

- Prices: Medical care annual inflation rate 1950-on is about 2.0% above all items CPI.
- Quality: Viewed as high, though sometimes too high (technology) and others not high enough (hospital infection/errors).
- Access: In 2015 29 million (9% of population) lack health insurance.
 Obama reforms implemented 2014 major change reduced uninsurance.
- Covid-19 Pandemic led to 9.7% incrase in spenfing in 2020 to \$4.1 trillion and 19.7% og GDP. Federal expenditures increased 36%.