



Health Expenditure Data in Brief

The following table presents a summary of preliminary estimates of health expenditures for 2022 and 2023, and actual health spending figures for 2021.

Health spending data category and component	Unit description	Period of latest data	Latest data	Data for previous period	Annual percentage change from previous period
Total					
Health spending, current price	Billions of dollars	2023	343.8	334.4	2.8%
Health spending per capita, current price	Dollars	2023	8,740.4	8,589.9	1.8%
Health spending, constant price	Billions of dollars	2023	187.9	186.9	0.5%
Health spending per capita, constant price	Dollars	2023	4,776.7	4,802.0	-0.5%
Total health expenditure as a percentage of GDP	Percentage	2023	12.1	12.0	0.6%
By health spending category					
Hospitals share of total health spending	Percentage	2023	25.6	25.3	1.2%
Drugs share of total health spending	Percentage	2023	13.9	13.7	1.3%
Physicians share of total health spending	Percentage	2023	13.8	13.3	4.0%
By sector					
Public-sector share of total spending	Percentage	2023	71.0	71.8	-1.1%
Private-sector share of total spending	Percentage	2023	29.0	28.2	2.7%
Out-of-pocket expenditure per capita	Dollars	2021	1,168.2	1,072.0	9.0%
Private insurance expenditure per capita	Dollars	2021	938.8	824.2	13.9%





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Total health expenditure per capita					
Newfoundland and Labrador	Dollars	2023	10,333	9,892	4.5%
Prince Edward Island	Dollars	2023	9,036	8,391	7.7%
Nova Scotia	Dollars	2023	9,737	9,366	4.0%
New Brunswick	Dollars	2023	8,413	8,096	3.9%
Quebec	Dollars	2023	8,785	8,747	0.4%
Ontario	Dollars	2023	8,245	8,191	0.7%
Manitoba	Dollars	2023	8,616	8,375	2.9%
Saskatchewan	Dollars	2023	9,112	8,997	1.3%
Alberta	Dollars	2023	9,041	8,812	2.6%
British Columbia	Dollars	2023	9,182	8,779	4.6%
Yukon	Dollars	2023	15,696	15,737	-0.3%
Northwest Territories	Dollars	2023	21,750	21,330	2.0%
Nunavut	Dollars	2023	23,652	21,549	9.8%
Provincial/territorial spending by age					
Cost per capita for infants (younger than age 1)	Dollars	2021	15,537	14,578	6.6%
Cost per capita for youths (age 1 to 14)	Dollars	2021	2,421	2,197	10.2%
Cost per capita for those age 15 to 64	Dollars	2021	4,026	3,736	7.7%
Cost per capita for seniors (age 65 and older)	Dollars	2021	12,920	12,464	3.7%

Note

GDP: Gross domestic product.

Sources

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