

Estimates of National Medical Care Expenditure, FY 2010

Digest of the Summary Report

- Record high of 37.4202 trillion yen, or 292,200 yen per capita --

27-Sep-2012 The results of the “Estimates of National Medical Care Expenditure, FY 2010” have now been tabulated and released by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare.

The “Estimates of National Medical Care Expenditure” is an estimate of expenditure on treatment of diseases and injuries covered by health insurance and treated by medical institutions in a given fiscal year. Here, expenditure means the total of public funding and medical expenditure paid by patients, as well as payments through health insurance, etc.

“Estimates of National Medical Care Expenditure” includes medical care expenditures, dispensing expenditures, food and living care expenditures during admission, and home-visit nursing medical expenditures, but does not include expenditure not covered by health insurance, or expenditure which is not for the treatment of disease or injury such as uncomplicated pregnancy and delivery or immunization.

[Key Survey Results]

- National Medical Care Expenditure for FY 2010 was 37.4202 trillion yen, an increase of 1.4135 trillion yen (3.9%) on the previous fiscal year. The per capita figure was 292,200 yen, a 3.5% increase on the previous fiscal year. Both are record highs.

(Figure 1, Table 1, Statistical Table 1)

- In terms of the breakdown by system, “health insurance benefits” accounted for 17.895 trillion yen (47.8% of all systems), “medical care benefits for the latter-stage elderly” 11.6876 trillion yen (31.2%), “public funded medical care benefits” 2.6447 trillion yen (7.1%), “patient funded” 5.0103 trillion yen (13.4%), and “special relief for patient funded element” 0.1826 trillion yen (0.5%).

(Table 2, Statistical Table 2)

- In terms of the breakdown by source of funding, of ‘public funding’ 9.7038 trillion yen was from the “national treasury” (25.9% of all funding sources), and 4.5572 trillion yen from “local governments” (12.2%). Of ‘insurance premiums’, 7.538 trillion yen (20.1%) was from “business owners”, and 10.5939 trillion yen (28.3%) from “insured persons”. Finally, in the category ‘Other’, 4.7525 trillion yen was “patient funding” (12.7%).

(Table 3, Statistical Table 3)

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