

Estimates of National Medical Care Expenditure, FY 2012

Digest of the Summary Report

- 39.2117 trillion yen and 307,500 yen per capita -

8-Oct-2014 The results of the “Estimates of National Medical Care Expenditure, FY 2012” 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 treatment expenditures, dental treatment expenditures, pharmacy dispensing medical 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 2012 was 39.2117 trillion yen (an increase of 626.7 billion yen or 1.6% on the previous fiscal year). The per capita figure was 307,500 yen (an increase of 1.9% on the previous fiscal year).

(Figure 1, Table 1, Statistical Table 1)

- In terms of the breakdown by system, “public funded medical care benefits” accounted for 2.8925 trillion yen (7.4% of all systems), “health insurance benefits” 18.5826 trillion yen (47.4%), “medical care benefits for the latter-stage elderly” 12.6209 trillion yen (32.2%), and “patient funded” 4.9255 trillion yen (12.6%).

(Table 2, Statistical Table 2)

- In terms of the breakdown by source of funding, of ‘public funding’ 10.1134 trillion yen was from the “national treasury” (25.8% of all funding sources), and 5.0366 trillion yen from “local governments” (12.8%). Of ‘insurance premiums’, 7.9427 trillion yen (20.3%) was from “business owners”, and 11.1776 trillion yen (28.5%) from “insured persons”. Finally, in the category ‘Other’, 4.6579 trillion yen was “patient funding” (11.9%).

(Table 3, Statistical Table 3)

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