

Context: Macroeconomic situation

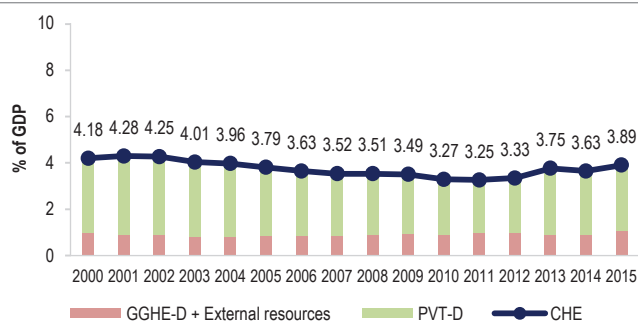
Population (million)	2016	1 324.2
General financing		
GDP (trillion current US\$)	2016	2.264
GDP per capita (current US\$)	2016	1 709.4
GDP annual growth (%)	2016	7.1
Total government revenue* as % of GDP	2013	12.6
Population living below poverty line at \$1.90 a day (2011 PPP) (% of population)	2011	21.23
Health financing		
CHE as % of GDP	2015	3.93
CHE per capita (current US\$)	2015	63.94
GGHE-D as % of GDP	2015	0.92
GGHE-D per capita (current US\$)	2015	14.91
Out-of-pocket payment as % of CHE	2015	67.78

CHE: current expenditure on health; GDP: gross domestic product; GGHE-D: domestic general government health expenditure
* Total taxes and other revenues received by the national government (excluding grants)

Since 2000, how has health financing changed?

Overall spending on health

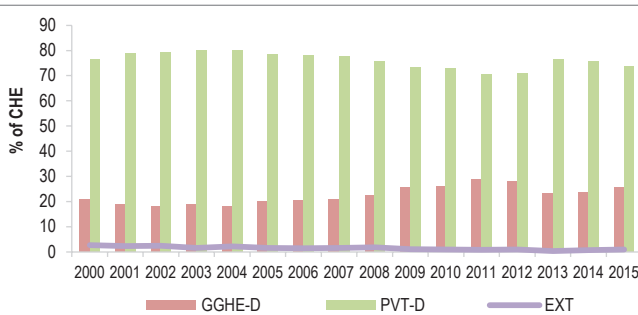
Fig. 1: Current expenditure on health as a % of GDP, 2000–2015



CHE: current expenditure on health; GDP: gross domestic product; GGHE-D: domestic general government health expenditure; PVT-D: domestic private health expenditure
* PVT-D refers to spending on health including voluntary health insurance schemes, enterprise financing schemes and household out-of-pocket payment

Sources of health revenue

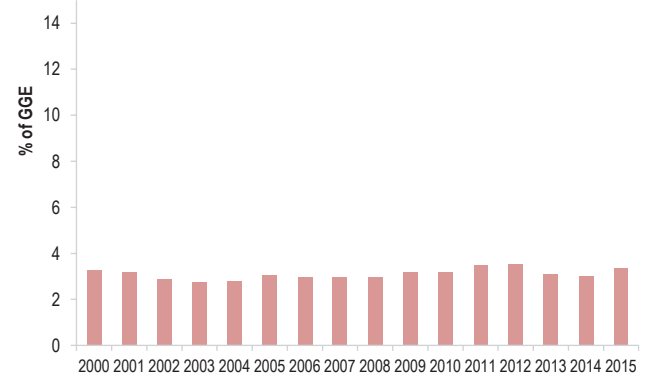
Fig. 2: Share of revenues for health as a % of current expenditure on health, 2000–2015



CHE: current expenditure on health; GGHE-D: domestic general government health expenditure; PVT-D: domestic private health expenditure; EXT: external health expenditure

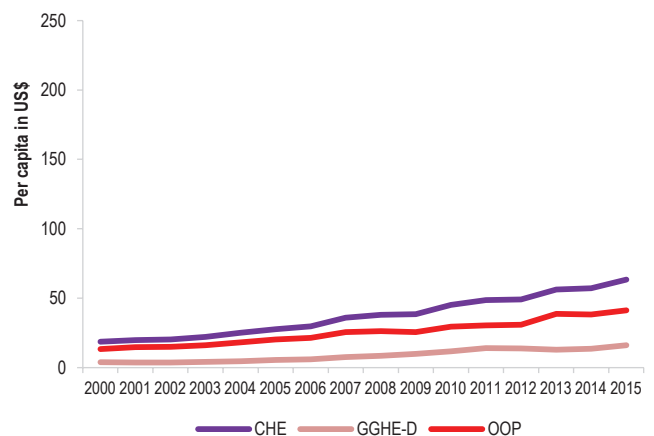
Government spending on health

Fig. 3: Domestic general government expenditure on health (GGHE-D) as a % of general government expenditure (GGE), 2002–2015



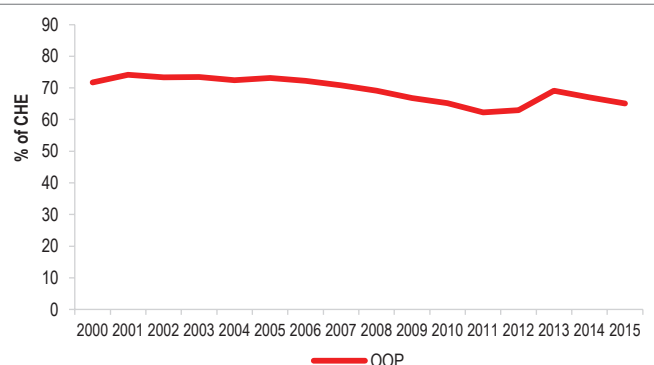
Spending per person on health (\$), by source

Fig. 4: Current expenditure on health (CHE), domestic general government health expenditure (GGHE-D), out-of-pocket (OOP) payment, per capita US\$, 2000–2015



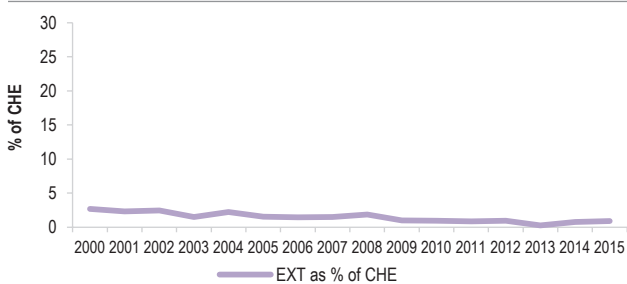
Share of OOP expenditure (%)

Fig. 5: OOP payment as a % of current expenditure on health (CHE), 2000–2015



Funding for health by donors

Fig. 6: External expenditure on health (EXT) as a % of current expenditure on health (CHE), 2000–2015



How many households experience financial hardship from health-care expenditure?

Table 1: Catastrophic health expenditure and impoverishment due to health spending, 2011

Population	Catastrophic expenditure		Impoverishment due to OOP	
	Threshold = 10%	Threshold = 25%	Poverty line = PPP\$ 1.90	Poverty line = PPP\$ 3.10
%	17.33	3.89	4.21	4.56
Headcount	216.11	48.51	52.50	56.86

Source: India: National Sample Survey, sixty-eighth round. Household Consumer Expenditure, 2011. Calculations by staff of the WHO Regional Office for South-East Asia.

Key messages

- **Current expenditure on health (CHE)** as a share of gross domestic product (GDP) has been stable since 2000, averaging 3.84%. Private expenditure as a share of CHE is three times more than government's.
- **Government spending on health** as a share of total government spending averages 3% of general spending.
- **Out-of-pocket (OOP) expenditure** has decreased from the highest around 74% of CHE to 65% in 2015, but is still fairly high, averaging 69.3% of CHE.
- **High OOP payments contribute to a serious lack of financial protection.** In 2011, 17% spent more than 10% of their total budget on health, translating to 216 million people; in addition, 52.5 million of the population were pushed below the poverty line of PPP\$ 1.90 per capita per day.

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Health financing flows

Fig. 7: Health financing flow

