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Trend Analysis of Health Expenditures in Turkey and Its Impact on Basic Health Indicators/ Türkiye’deki Sağlık Harcamalarının Trend Analizi ve Temel Sağlık Göstergelerine Etkisi

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ABSTRACT

Health spending is expenditure for the protection and development of health. Health spending aims to extend the life span of people and especially to increase the quality of life. For this purpose, the need for health services is increasing and expenditures are also increasing. Health spending, together with being an important criterion in determining economic growth and development levels, they vary according to the level of development of the countries. Health indicators (Average life expectancy, life expectancy at birth, infant and maternal mortality rate, infant mortality rate under five, number and characteristics of health care workers, number of doctors, number of hospital beds, per capita health expenditures etc.) are needed to examine the health levels of the countries and to obtain information about their development and to make country comparisons. In addition to getting information about health levels, problems and health services of the societies with health indicators, it is possible to measure the changes in health status over a certain period of time and make comparisons and comparisons between countries. It can also be used to identify trends and changes in health indicators over a certain period of time. The aim of this research is to examine the health expenditure situation in Turkey between 2000 and 2015 on the main health indicators and to make forecasts about the future by determining health expenditure trends. In the study, OECD and WHO data and T.C. Health Statistics of the Ministry of Health "trend analysis" method was used by taking advantage of the data of the year.

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