Financing Global Health 2016

Trends in spending

- Health spending tends to increase exponentially with economic development.
- While these trends are observed on average, across all countries, country-specific health financing varies dramatically.

Health spending source by GDP per person, 2014

There are large disparities in the financial resources for health available around the globe

Health spending and projected increases by World Bank income group, 1995-2040

*Spending is in 2015 purchasing power parity dollars. Note: Because countries change income groups over time, the chart uses 2017 income groups for all years.
HIV/AIDS remains an epidemic, but DAH for HIV/AIDS has declined by $100 million per year since 2010. With access to treatment, HIV/AIDS is a chronic condition requiring ongoing management.

If the 11.4% growth rate in DAH from 2000 to 2010 had continued from 2010 and 2016, an additional $82 billion would have been devoted to improving health, over the last six years.

The US gave 33.9% of total DAH, and the UK gave 10.9%.

The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation was the largest single private contributor, donating 7.8% of total DAH.

DAH from private philanthropies, including the Gates Foundation, amounted to 17.8% of total DAH.

Note: 2016 estimates are preliminary. DAH includes both financial and in-kind contributions for activities aimed at improving health in low- and middle-income countries.

*2015 and 2016 are preliminary estimates.

†The majority of countries did not reach their goals for MDGs 4 and 5 (reducing child and maternal mortality).

Note: Health assistance for which we have no health focus area information is designated as "unidentified." "Other" captures DAH for which we have project-level information but which is not identified as funding any of the health focus areas tracked.

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Note: Continued growth scenario for DAH is modeled from 2011 to 2016, as based on the average annual percent increase from 2000 to 2010. The difference between DAH disbursed and DAH with continued growth is captured by the white boxes and the funding levels reported therein.