Healthcare Cost Drivers Forum

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Closing Remarks: Ted Doolittle
The U.S. spends more than other high-quality healthcare nations.
U.S. overall healthcare quality is not superior to other OECD nations.
Wealthy Nations – Health System Performance vs. Healthcare Spending


Note: Healthcare spend as a percent of GDP. OECD data for 2019. Performance scores based on standard deviation from 10-country average.
The U.S. does not use more healthcare services than other wealthy nations.
U.S. healthcare is more expensive because the underlying prices are higher.
Private Health Insurance Prices in 8 Countries

Figure 1: Medical Prices in 2017 as a Percent of US Prices