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PUBLIC HEALTH EXPENDITURE AND ECONOMIC GROWTH IN NIGERIA: AN ERROR CORRECTION MODEL

Abstract:

This study examines the impact of public health expenditure on economic growth in Nigeria from 1986-2014. Time series data and econometrics tools were used to test for the stationarity, causality and co-integration while Ordinary Least Squares (OLS) and Error Correction Model (ECM) were adopted to estimate the long-run and short run impact of public health expenditure on economic growth in Nigeria. The OLS regression result shows that there is a positive relationship between public health expenditure and economic growth in Nigeria at the long run. Similarly, the Error Correction Model (ECM) result shows that public health expenditure has short run impact on economic growth in Nigeria. This implies that public health expenditure has that potency to faster economic growth in Nigeria but government health expenditure and per capita income have little or no significant impact of economic growth in Nigeria this may be due to inequitable availability of health care services, poor public and private partnership, poor physical infrastructure and equipment; poor human resources availability and management, inadequate drug supplies, high level of political interference, financial constraints and funds mismanagement, resource allocation and lack of effective regulation or legislation to mention few. Therefore, government should put in place monitoring and evaluation mechanism to ensure that the money released is utilised for the right project in the health sector for effective health service delivery and for sustainable economic growth in Nigeria.

Keywords: Public, Health, Expenditure, Economic Growth, Per Capita Income

I. INTRODUCTION

Good health care system is a primary and essential part of human need in any country. According to the World Health Organization (WHO, 2016), fifty percent of economic growth gaps between developed and developing is attributable to ill-health and low life expectancy. Developed countries spend a high proportion of their Gross Domestic Product (GDP) on health care because they believe that their resident health can serve as a major driver for economic activities and development. Health just like education plays a vital role in the development of human capital. (Aigbedion, Anyanwu & Aiyedogbon, 2015). Thus, for the manpower and resources of a nation to be utilised to harness other resources of a nation, the population must be healthy.

Without good health, productivity will be low and to ensure adequate productivity, the majority of the population needs to be protected from illnesses. A strong and healthy labour force is an essential factor in development; it signifies not only absence of disease, but also a high life expectancy and absence of disability and discomfort. In an effort to increase their share of public resources spent on health, In April 2001, heads of state of African Union countries met in Abuja and pledged to prioritise the development of the health sector by allocating at least 15 per cent of their annual budgets to improve the sector as increase in health investment generates increase in health delivery which provides basis for human capital development as an essential ingredient for economic growth.

In spite of this commitment and goals of the current national policy on health, a preview of the trends of budgetary allocations over the years shows that the federal government has been allocating between 5 per cent and 6 per cent of the budget to health, and it has never exceeded that at any point in time while Rwanda, Swaziland, Ethiopia, Malawi, the Central African Republic and Togo have since kept to the promise of the Abuja declaration (Ogundipe & Lawal, 2011). To this end, governments in Nigeria, over the years have been making frantic efforts at ensuring that there is an increase in the level of public expenditure on health. In 1970, recurrent expenditure on health was N12.48 million. This figure rose astronomically to N52.78 million and N132.02 million in 1980 and 1985 respectively. This trend continues as the expenditure rose steadily from N 575.3 million in 1989 to N68.20millions 1991 and further to N 72290.07 million and N 98.200 million in 2007 and 2008 respectively (National Bureau of Statistics, 2010). While the average total expenditure on health is about 194.4 billion between 2010 and 2015 (CBN, 2016). The aforementioned scenario clearly underscores the fact that health care expenditure in Nigeria has been on the increase over the years.

However, in the midst of all these increase, much impact has not been made in the area of reduction of infant, under five and maternal mortalities since 1970. For instance, the Nigeria's rate of infant mortality (91 per 1000 live births) is among the highest in the world, and the immunisation coverage has dropped below thirty percent while the mortality rate for children under age five is 192 deaths per one thousand (National Bureau of Statistics, 2016). By year 2016, it was reported that more than one hundred and thirty four thousand women died from pregnancy complications. In addition, the life expectancy ratio on the average has been on the decline over the study period. It should however be noted that despite the increase in government expenditure in health care in Nigeria, the contribution of

this to health is still marginally low whereas the extent and magnitude of its impact on economic growth is undetermined. Therefore, this study is to examine the impact public health expenditure on economic growth in Nigeria.

II. LITERATURE REVIEW AND THEORETICAL FRAMEWORK

a. Conceptual Review on Health Care and Economic Growth

Health is a multifaceted concept and thus it is very difficult to define it precisely. General notion about health is the absence of illness due to physiological and organic deficiencies. It is mainly concerned with an individual body's mechanical ability and functioning of basic parts and organs of human body. The broad definition of health, however, does not mean mere absence of disease but it encompasses the whole range of personal, physiological, mental, social and even moral well-being of a person (Martins, 2005). The World Health Organization (2016) recently defines health as "a state of complete physical, mental and social wellbeing and not merely the absence of disease or infirmity". Therefore, health in actual sense is the adequacy of physical and mental capacity of a person to enjoy life to the fullest possible extent and to reach his maximum level of productive capacity.

Health as human capital affects growth directly through, for example, its impact on labour productivity and the economic burden of illness. Bloom, Canning and Sevilla (2003) describe how healthy populations tend to have higher productivity due to their greater physical energy and mental clearness. According to them, healthier individuals might affect the economy in four ways: (a) they might be more productive at work and so earn higher incomes; (b) they may spend more time in the labour force, as less healthy people take sickness absence or retire early; (c) they may invest more in their own education, which will increase their productivity; and (d) they may save more in expectation of a longer life, for example, for retirement increasing the funds available for investment in the economy. Health is so important as both a source of human welfare and a determinant of overall economic growth.

According to Haller (2012) economic growth is the process of increasing the sizes of national economies (the macro-economic indications), especially the GDP per capita, in an ascendant but not necessarily linear direction, with positive effects on the economic-social sector, while development

shows how growth impacts on the society by increasing the standard of life. To him economic growth can be positive, zero or negative. Positive economic growth is recorded when the annual average rhythms of the macro-indicators are higher than the average rhythms of growth of the population. When the annual average rhythms of growth of the macro-economic indicators, particularly GDP, are equal to those of the population growth, zero economic growth is attained. Negative economic growth appears when the rhythms of population growth are higher than those of the macro-economic indicators.

b. Empirical Review

Bhargava, Jamison, and Murray (2001); Bloom, Canning and Sevilla (2003); Gupta and Mitra (2003); Baldacci (2004) and Martins (2005); Philips (2005); Aguayo-Rico and Iris (2005); Greiner (2005), Lustig, (2006); Agenor (2007) conducted for other countries all emphasised that health expenditure is positively related to economic growth.

Moreover, some empirical evidence also emerged from Nigeria. For example, Olaniyi and Adams (2000) descriptively analysed the adequacy of the levels and composition of public expenditures and conclude that education and health expenditures have faced lesser cuts than external debt services and defence, but allocations to education and health sectors are inadequate when related to the benchmark and the performance of other countries. Also, Chete and Adeoye (2002), studied the empirical mechanics through which human capital influences economic growth in Nigeria. They attempted to achieve this objectives using Vector Auto Regression analysis (VAR) and Ordinary Least Square (OLS) to capture these influences. They however concluded that there is an unanticipated positive impact of human capital on growth which the various Nigerian governments since the post-independence have appreciated by prodigious expansion of educational infrastructure across the country.

Similarly, Dauda (2011) examines the relationship between health expenditure and economic growth for Nigeria spanning from 1970-2009 by employing descriptive statistics, Johansen Co-integration technique and Error Correction Model (ECM), the author suggest that health expenditure is positive and statistically significant but the coefficients of the second and third lags are negative and statistically significant. The results of ECM is statistically significant and has the expected negative

sign with the coefficient of 40 per cent implying that the speed of adjustment from short run to long run is 40 per cent. Arguing in same line, Ogundipe and Lawal (2011) also examined the impact of health expenditure on economic growth in Nigeria. Using the OLS technique, they found a negative effect of total health expenditure on growth.

Aigbedion, Anyanwu and Aiyedogbon (2015) examined the impact of public and private partnership on health care delivery on economic growth in Nigeria from 1986 to 2014. The study used Ordinary Least Squares and Error Correction Model in the analysis. Their results shows that there is a positive relationship between health care delivery and economic growth and the study also shows that both public and private health expenditure have positive impact on economic growth in Nigeria.

In another study, Aluko and Aluko (2017) analysed the determinants of health outcomes between the high and the low income families in the Nigeria society and their impact on economic growth. With the use of panel data, the study engaged the one-way error component panel modelling technique. The result of this study shows the existence of a correlation between income inequality and mortality rates across income quintiles.

c. Theoretical Framework

The study adopted the framework Wagner (1883) which stated the Law of the increasing extension of state activity'. He asserted that there is a long-run propensity for the scope of government to increase with higher levels of economic development. Wagner's hypothesis deals with the growing relative importance of government activity and has come to be known as Wagner's Law. According to Wagner, there are three reasons to expect an expanding scope of public activity: first, as nations develop there is an increased complexity of legal relations and communications along with greater urbanisation and population density and it forces government to produce the regulatory framework that accompany the greater intricacy of relations among economic agents. Second, as income increases, societies demand more education, entertainment, a more equitable distribution of income, and generally more public services.

Finally, the technological needs of an industrialised society require larger amounts of capital infrastructure than are forthcoming from the private sector, hence the need for government to step in to

fill in the gap. The study adopted this framework because the Wagner's law is suitable in developing country like Nigeria

III. METHODOLOGY

a. Sources of Data and Methods of Data Analysis

This study utilised the annual time series data spanning 34 years from 1980 to 2014. The data was obtained from the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) Statistical Bulletin Publication (2015), National Bureau of Statistics (NBS) Annual Abstract of Statistics for various years and World Bank online Databank. The data were for the following variables Real Gross Domestic Product (RGDP), Government Expenditure on Health (GEH), Life Expectancy at Birth (LEB), Per Capita Income (PCY). (See, Appendix 1 for detail of the data). This study used the Ordinary Least Squares multiple regression model to examine the long-run impact of the health sector on economic growth in Nigeria. While the Error Correction Model was used to examine the short-run impact of health sector on economic growth in Nigeria.

b. Model Specification

The study adopted the public health expenditure model of Basairini and Scarpetta (2001). In order to determine the impact of public health expenditure on economic growth and they have their model as:

$$Y_t = f(\text{HEX}, \text{LEB}) \quad 3.1$$

Where Y_t is the output (GDP), HEX is the public health expenditure and LEB is Life Expectancy at Birth. Based on the objective of the study the model was modified by adding a variable (Per Capita Income in Nigeria) therefore, the model for the study is stated as:

$$\text{RGDP} = f(\text{GEH}, \text{LEB}, \text{PCY}) \quad 3.2$$

Equation 2 shows the impact and functional relationship between the dependent variable Real Gross Domestic Product (RGDP) and the independent variables that is Government Expenditure Health (GEH), Life Expectancy in Nigeria (LEB) and Per Capita Income in Nigeria (PCY). The model shows the mathematical functions of the economic variables. To express the equation as an econometric equation there is the need for a constant (α), Parameters ($\beta_1, \beta_2, \beta_3$) and the error term (ε_t) in the equation. Therefore, the equation 3.2 can be expressed as an econometric model as follows:

$$\text{RGDP} = \alpha + \beta_1 \text{GEH} + \beta_2 \text{LEB} + \beta_3 \text{PCY} + \varepsilon_t \quad 3.3$$

Equation 3 expressed the multiple regression model with different economic variables and with different economic units or values. In regression analysis the logs of variables are routinely taken, not necessarily for achieving a normal distribution of the predictors and/or the dependent variable but for interpretability. The standard interpretation of coefficients in a regression analysis is that a one unit change in the independent variable results in the respective regression coefficient change in the expected value of the dependent variable while all the predictors are held constant. Interpreting a log transformed variable can be done in such a manner; however, such coefficients are routinely interpreted in terms of percent change. Therefore, the model can be expressed by taking the natural log of the economic variables (independent and dependent variables) and adding the log to each variables as given below.

$$\log \text{RGDP} = \alpha + \beta_1 \log \text{GEH} + \beta_2 \log \text{LEB} + \beta_3 \log \text{PCY} + \varepsilon_t \quad 3.4$$

The equation 3.4 is the econometric model for aggregate regression analysis for this study and this is estimated using econometric tool (Ordinary Least Squares) and Statistical package (E-views). The a-prior expectation for the independent variables is given as $\beta_1, \beta_2, \beta_3 > 0$ which means all independent variables are expected to be positive signed.

c. The Error Correction Model Specification

The building of Error Correction Model (ECM) starts with the basic structure of Error Correction Model (ECM) which is stated as:

$$\Delta Y_t = \alpha + \Delta X_{t-1} + EC_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t \quad 3.5$$

Where EC is the error correction component of the model and measures the speed at which prior deviations from equilibrium are corrected. ΔY is the National Income that is Gross Domestic Product which is used as a proxy for economic growth in Nigeria. The X present the ten endogenous variables i.e (GEH, LEN, PCY) which are Government Expenditure on Health (GEH), Life Expectancy in Nigeria (LEN), Per Capita Income in Nigeria (PCY), and ΔX_{t-1} this present the lag (period one) of the variables,

220 To formulate Error Correction Model (ECM) it will begins with the Ordinary Least Squares (OLS),
 221 the Ordinary Least Squares for multiple model is formulated as follows:

$$222 \quad RGDP = \alpha + \beta_1 GEH + \beta_2 LEN + \beta_3 PCY + \varepsilon_t \quad 3.6$$

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224 From the equation above the Error Correction Model (ECM) is formulated as follows:

$$225 \quad RGDP = \alpha_0 + \beta_2 GEH + \beta_3 LEN + \beta_4 PCY + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \beta_{t\Delta} GEH_{t-1} + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \beta_{t\Delta} LEN_{t-1} + \\ 226 \quad \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \beta_{t\Delta} PCY_{t-1} + X_{t-2} + \dots + X_{t-n} - ECM_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t \quad 7$$

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228 The model above is used to adjust the estimation until the ECM turned negative. The negative sign of
 229 coefficient of the error correction term ECM (-1) shows the statistical significance of the equation in
 230 terms of its associated t-value and probability value.

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232 IV. PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION OF RESULTS

233 a. Descriptive Analysis of Variables

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235 The analysis continued in this section with the descriptive statistic of the variables. In this section, the
 236 descriptive statistic for all the variables are presented and analyzed. The results for the Mean, a
 237 measure of central tendency, Standard Deviation, a measure of dispersion or variability, maximum or
 238 peak value and minimum or lowest value is as presented in table 4.2 below.

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240 **Table 4.2: Descriptive Analysis of Variables**

Description	RGDP	GEH	LEN	PCY
Mean	432653.8	47229.58	47.82500	892.2556
Median	306456.3	10621.25	46.30000	411.0500
Maximum	1102738.	231800.0	52.70000	3421.200
Minimum	31546.80	52.79000	45.50000	153.1000
Standard Deviation	273242.0	69351.14	2.380321	954.2055
Skewness	0.932921	1.523323	1.006192	1.561281
Kurtosis	2.745171	3.966408	2.412546	4.035272
Jarque Bera	5.319456	15.32399	6.592191	16.23327
Probability	0.069967	0.000470	0.037027	0.000299
Observation	36	36	36	36

241 **Source: Authors' computation from E-views, 2017**

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From the table 4.2, the highest value for Real Gross Domestic Product (RGDP) during the period of study is ₦1102738billion this occurred in 2015 as shown in the table of data presentation. Also, peak value for Government Expenditure Health (GEH), Life Expectancy in Nigeria (LEN) and Per Capita Income in Nigeria (PCY) are ₦231800; 52.7percent and ₦3421.2respectively. However, the lowest value for Gross Domestic Product (GDP) during the period of study is ₦31546.8billion. Also, lowest value for Government Expenditure Health (GEH), Life Expectancy in Nigeria (LEN) and Per Capita Income in Nigeria (PCY) was ₦52.79; 45.5percent and ₦153.1 respectively. On the average the values of the variables; RGDP is ₦432653.8billion. Government Expenditure Health (GEH), Life Expectancy in Nigeria (LEN) and Per Capita Income in Nigeria (PCY) also have average value of ₦47229.58; 47.8 percent and ₦892.2 respectively as indicated by their mean values.

b. Unit Root Test

Table 4.3: Augmented Dickey-Fuller and Philips-Perron Test Results

Variables	ADF Statistic	Order	Philips-Perron Test	Order
RGDP	-6.821653	(1)1	-6.053365	(1)1
GEH	-5.694410	(1)1	-6.949803	(1)1
LEN	-6.214226	(1)1	-4.264826	(1)1
PCY	-7.539774	(1)1	-5.652097	(1)1
5% Critical Value (1)1 (3.0199)			5% Critical Value (1)1 (-3.0114)	

Source: Authors' E-views 7.0 Computation (2017)

Table 4.3 shows the stationarity test of the variables used in the study and from the table both Augmented Dickey-Fuller and Philips-Perron test results revealed that the variables are stationary at first order at 5 percent level of significance.

c. Co-integration Test

Table 4.4: Co-integration Rank Test (Trace) for all the Variables

	Likelihood	5 Percent	1 Percent	Hypothesized
Eigenvalue	Ratio	Critical Value	Critical Value	No. of CE(s)
0.839411	94.92720	47.21	54.46	None **
0.499491	32.74430	29.68	35.65	At most 1 *
0.165043	9.211865	15.41	20.04	At most 2
0.086582	3.079105	3.76	6.65	At most 3

Notes: Superscript * denotes rejection of the null hypothesis of no co-integration at the 5% level of significance, while ** indicates MacKinnon-Haug-Michelis (1999) p-values. Maximum Eigenvalue test indicates 2 co-integrating equation(s) at 5% level of significance.

Source: Authors' E-views 7.0 Computation (2017)

From Tables 4.4 we observe that both the trace test and maximum Eigenvalue statistics indicate 1 co-integrating equation at the 5% level of significance. Based on the these evidence, we can safely reject the null hypothesis of no co-integrating vectors and conveniently accept the alternative hypothesis of the presence of co-integrating vectors among all the variables in our model of study. This implies that long-run relationships exist among the variables that have entered the specified model of study.

d. Pairwise Granger Causality Test

Table 4.5: Pairwise Granger Causality Test

Null Hypothesis:	Obs	F-Statistic	Probability
RGDP does not Granger Cause GEH	34	7.13541	0.00302
RGDP does not Granger Cause PCY		9.39231	0.00072
LEN does not Granger Cause GEH		11.2003	0.00025
GEH does not Granger Cause PCY		3.94664	0.03048
LEN does not Granger Cause PCY		12.3888	0.00013

Source: Authors' E-views 7.0 Computation (2017)

Table 4.5 above shows Pairwise Granger Causality tests. From the results, all the listed pair of variables have causal relationships among them. That is, there is a causal relationship among the variables given the probability values of the variables at 5 percent level of significance. Therefore, the null hypotheses which stated that there are no causal relationships among variables are rejected.

e. Ordinary Least Squares Model

Table 4.6: Long Run Regression Results

Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistics	Prob.
C	C	-40.46689	12.65633	-3.197364
LOG(GEH)	LOG(GEH)	0.095911	0.032203	2.978331
LOG(LEN)	LOG(LEN)	14.16170	3.546101	3.993598
LOG(PCY)	LOG(PCY)	-0.370999	0.144467	-2.568055
R-Squared	0.8697			
Adjusted R ²	0.8575			
F-statistics	71.206			
DW	1.6			

Author's E-views 7.0 Computation (2017)

The R^2 of 0.86 percent indicates that 86 percent of the variations in the dependent variable are explained by variations in the independent variables and the Durbin Watson statistic of 1.6 suggests that the model is free from serial auto correlation. The F-statistics of 71.2 shows that the model has a good fit in explaining variation in real gross domestic product in Nigeria and meaning that health sectors has good fit in determining the variation in economic growth in Nigeria.

The result shows that government expenditure on health and life expectancy in Nigeria are positively related to real gross domestic product in Nigeria and they were statistically significant at 5 percent level of significance. While per capita income in Nigeria is negatively related to real gross domestic product in Nigeria and it is statistically significant at 5 percent level of significance.

f. The Error Correction Model

Table 4.7: The Error Correction Model Results

Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistics	Prob.
C	-13.66043	1.672464	-8.167844	0.0000
LOG(GEH)	0.101046	0.009428	10.71755	0.0000
LOG(LEN)	6.615649	0.448523	14.74984	0.0000
D(LOG(PCY(-2)))	0.135147	0.058676	2.303292	0.0289
ECM(-1)	-0.163778	0.101736	1.609832	0.0087
R-Squared	0.983			
Adjusted R^2	0.981			
F-statistics	416.89			
DW	1.7			

Author's E-views 7.0 Computation (2017)

From Table 4.7, the coefficient of the error correction term is 0.16 which implies that the speed of adjustment is approximately 16 percent per quarter that is there is short run relationship between the dependent and independent variables. The negative sign and significant coefficient is an indication that co-integrating relationship exists among the variables. The size of the coefficient on the error correction term (ECT) denotes that 16 percent of the disequilibrium caused previous year's shock converges back to the long run equilibrium in the current year.

In the result, the government expenditure on health, life expectancy in Nigeria and per capita income in Nigeria at lag two were positively related to real gross domestic product in Nigeria. They were all statistically significant at 5 percent level of significance. This means that the variables are fit in explaining variations in real gross domestic product in Nigeria.

Also, from the error correction model in Table 4.7, the coefficient determination (R^2) is 0.98, which indicates that about 98 per cent of the systematic variation in real gross domestic product growth rate in Nigeria is accounted for by the variables taken together. The F-value of 416.89 is significant at 1 per cent level of significance, which further suggests a linear relationship between the government expenditure on health, life expectancy in Nigeria, per capita income in Nigeria and real gross domestic product in Nigeria. While the D.W. statistics of 1.7 shows absence of auto-correlation.

V. CONCLUSION AND SUMMARY OF MAJOR FINDINGS

The result revealed that there is short and long run linear relationship between government health expenditure and economic growth in Nigeria and the result shows that government health expenditure has positive impact on economic growth in Nigeria. This agreed with the works of Bloom, Canning and Sevilla (2003) and Ogundipe and Lawal (2011) that show positive impact of health expenditure on economic growth in Nigeria. This implies that government health expenditure is a tool to faster economic growth in Nigeria. The result also shows that life expectancy in Nigeria has a positive impact on economic growth in Nigeria and this result agreed with the work of Aigbedion, Anyanwu & Aiyedogbon (2015). Therefore, life expectancy in Nigeria is a determinant of economic growth in Nigeria.

Furthermore, the result shows that per capita income in Nigeria has negative impact on economic growth in Nigeria and this agreed with the work of Philips (2005) which said that poor per capita income and health care can constrained economic growth. This implies that poor per capita income has a negative impact on economic growth. Finally, the result revealed that per capita income in Nigeria is poor in Nigeria and that life expectancy in Nigeria and health expenditure in Nigeria though positive and significant cannot be justified from what is on ground in reality therefore, the study recommends some policy measures to improve the impact of health sector expenditure on economic growth in Nigeria.

VI. RECOMMENDATIONS

The following policy recommendations were raised from the study findings and discussion which are:

- i. Government should increase the health sector budget annually to enable the sector provide the needed physical facilities and human resources for effective health delivery in Nigeria.
- ii. Government should design a mechanism for feedback as a mean of evaluation to make sure monies released for health care services are used for what it is meant for. This will help to improve the impact of public health expenditure on economic growth.
- iii. Government should create jobs and business opportunities in the country in order to improve the per capita income in Nigeria and this will also enable individuals to have access to quality health care services in the country.

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APPENDIX I

Table 4.1: Data for Regression

Year	RGDP	GEH	LEN	PCY
1980	31546.8	52.79	45.5	871.1
1981	205222.1	84.46	45.9	806.5
1982	199685.3	95.95	46.1	661.2
1983	185598.1	82.79	46.2	444.6
1984	183563.0	101.55	46.3	348.5
1985	201036.3	258.60	46.3	344.1
1986	205971.4	262.71	46.3	240.6
1987	204806.5	225.01	46.3	272.5
1988	219875.6	1458.80	46.2	256.4
1989	236729.6	3011.80	46.1	260.0
1990	267550.0	2402.80	46.1	321.7
1991	265379.1	1256.30	46.1	279.3
1992	271365.5	291.30	46.1	291.3
1993	274833.3	8882.38	46.1	153.1
1994	275450.6	7382.7	46.1	171.0
1995	281407.4	9746.4	46.1	263.3
1996	293745.4	11496.1	46.2	314.7
1997	302022.5	3891.1	46.2	314.7
1998	310890.1	4742.2	46.3	273.9
1999	312183.5	16638.7	46.4	299.4
2000	329178.7	15218.0	46.6	377.5
2001	356994.3	24522.2	46.9	350.3
2002	433203.5	40621.4	47.2	457.4
2003	477533.0	33267.9	47.6	510.3
2004	527576.0	34197.1	48.1	645.8
2005	561931.4	55661.6	48.7	804.0
2006	595821.6	58686.5	49.8	1014.7
2007	634251.1	72290.0	49.8	1131.1
2008	672202.6	98200.0	50.3	1376.9
2009	716949.7	90202.6	50.8	1092.0
2010	776330.0	99100.0	51.3	2315.0
2011	834400.0	231800.0	51.7	2514.1
2012	888890.0	197900.0	52.1	2739.9
2013	950110.0	179990.0	52.5	2979.8
2014	988564.0	194960.0	52.7	3,203.3
2015	1102738.0	201283.0	52.7	3,421.2

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