NATIONAL DENTAL EXPENDITURES DECREASED by 6.3% from $176 billion in 2021 to $165 billion in 2022 (constant 2022 dollars).

IN CONSTANT DOLLARS, 2022 DENTAL SPENDING IS SIMILAR TO 2019 SPENDING. From 2019 to 2022, the share of dental spending from government programs increased from 13% to 17%.

GOVERNMENT PROGRAM SPENDING INCREASED BY 7.3% FROM 2021 TO 2022, LARGELY DUE TO MEDICARE. Private health insurance spending decreased by 3.5%. Out-of-pocket spending decreased by 4.6%. Other spending decreased by 75% due to a drop in pandemic-related government spending.

Sources: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis. Note: Expenditures adjusted for inflation using the GDP implicit price deflator. In the second graph, the ‘Other’ category includes the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) and the Provider Relief Fund (PRF). It does not include the Economic Injury Disaster Loan (EIDL) program. The ‘Government Programs’ category includes Medicaid, Medicare, CHIP, Department of Defense, and Department of Veterans Affairs.

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