

Statistics agency: State-funded treatment bill surges 21.1% (Al Masry Al Youm, June 25)

As many as 2.5 million patients received state-paid treatment in 2017, at a total cost of EGP 6.1 billion compared with EGP 5.1 billion spent on 2.3 million patients in 2016, an increase of 21.1%, according to the Central Agency for Public Mobilization and Statistics. The number of public hospitals grew by 2.1% in 2017 to 676 versus 662 in 2016. In addition, the number of private hospitals jumped by 7.6% to 1,049 in 2017.