

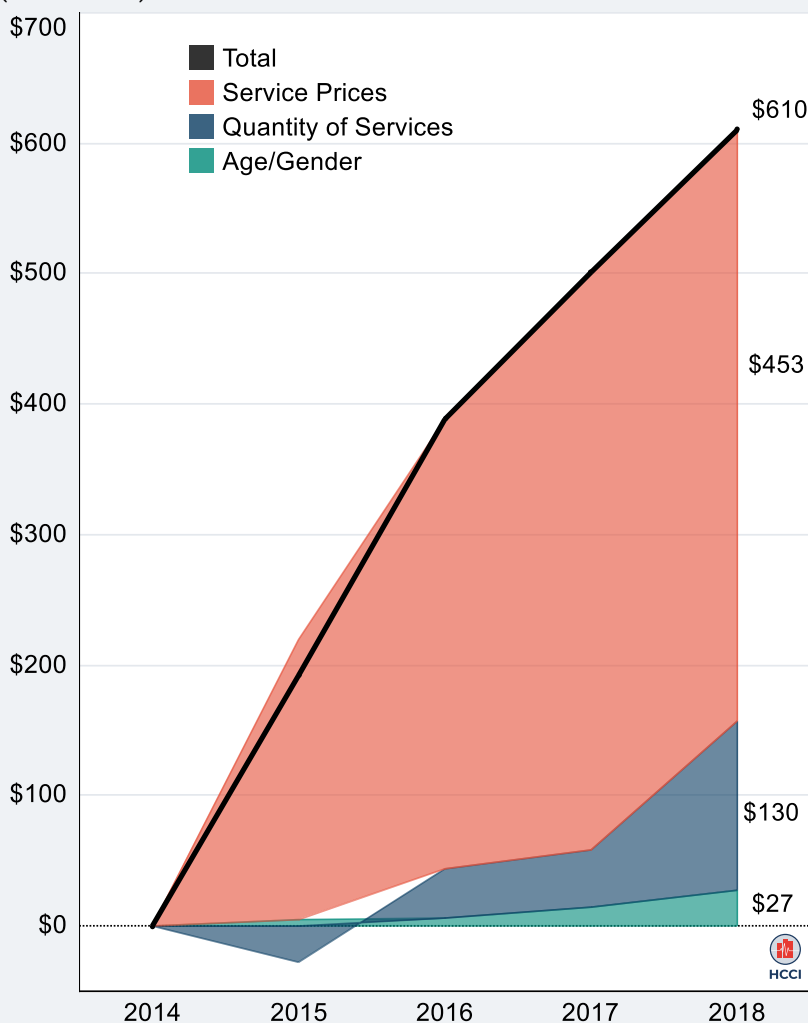


## What Drove Higher Spending

After adjusting for inflation, spending rose by \$610 per person between 2014 and 2018. Higher prices for medical services were responsible for about three-quarters of the spending increase.

### Breakdown of Growth in Spending per Person

(2018 dollars)



### Service Prices.

Higher prices accounted for **74%** of total spending increases above inflation over the 5-year period - an average of **\$453** per person.

### Quantity of Services.

Increased utilization of medical services, which was concentrated in 2018, accounted for **21%** of spending growth after inflation - an average of **\$130** per person.

### Age/Gender.

Demographic shifts in the employer-insured population accounted for **4%** of post-inflation spending growth over the 5-year period - an average of **\$27** per person.