

Brazilian Unified Health System (SUS)



















Neglected potential, missed opportunities and social tragedy

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Name	Deaths - cumulative total ⇅	Deaths - cumulative total per 100,000 population
Global	6,320,599	81.09
 United States of America	1.003.894 	303,29
 Brazil	669.161 	314,81
 India	524.903 	38,04
 Russian Federation	380.643 	260,83
 Mexico	325.417 	252,39
 Peru	213.395 	647,2
 The United Kingdom	179.706 	264,72
 Italy	167.842 	281,42
 Indonesia	156.702 	57,29

Source: WHO Covid-19 Dashboard (June 22, 2022)

Potential, negligence and choices

- Public and national healthcare system
- Historically successful and recognized health policies
- Omissions, mistakes and intentionality
- Socioeconomic conditions

Obstacles and weaknesses

- SUS as a work in progress
 - Chronically underfinanced
 - Fragmentation, flexibilization and privatization
- Huge health inequalities
- Pandemic as a missed opportunity

SUS, actions and resources

- Anticipation and preparedness
- Social distancing
- Testing
- Services and quality
- Financial resources
- Human resources
- Vaccines and vaccination

- Politicization
- Long term legacy

Private sector

- Health expenditure:
Government (42%), Private (58%)
- Many initiatives to reduce participation in pandemic efforts
- Profit and expansion strategies
- Predominance of private expenditure
 - Incompatible with a prominent universal system
 - Low impact on health conditions

Thanks!

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