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Although funding for the Italian national health service has grown in nominal terms since 2023, it has lost around 18.8 billion euros in that period in terms of the amount of money needed to keep its share of funding stable in relation to GDP, the GIMBE health institute said in a report on Wednesday.

It added that an additional 32 billion euros in funding will be needed over the next three years to avert the danger of the burden of health-care spending being increasingly shifted to citizens.

"Nominal funding has certainly increased, yet the share of national wealth allocated to the National Health Service has shrunk," said Gimbe President Nino Cartabellotta.

"It is a phenomenon of 'invisible cuts: not nominal cuts, but fewer resources than the national health service would have received had the health-service-fund-to-GDP ratio from 2022 remained unchanged".

The report said the national health service fund increased by 17,5 billion euros between 2023 and 2026, going from 125.4 billion in 2022 to 142..9 billion 2026 this year.

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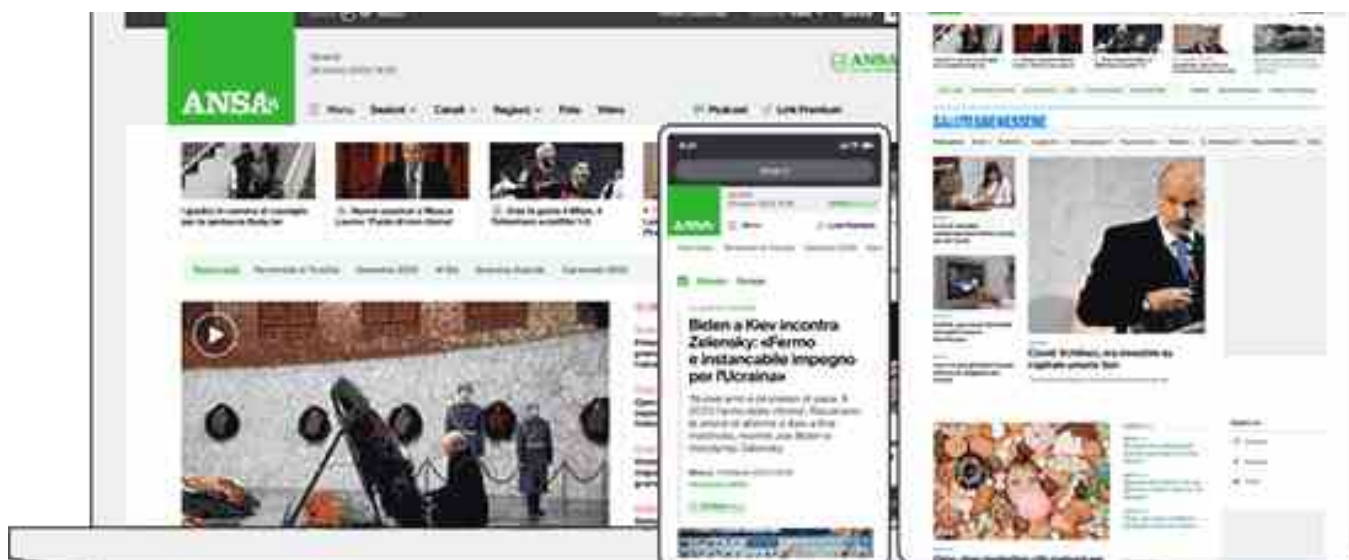
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