



Comparative Analysis for Performance Assessment of Health Organization in Thi Qar Province Using CRS and VRS Models

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## Abstract

Data envelopment analysis is an important tool that used to measure the relative efficiency for different organizations such as in banking, in education, and in health organizations. In this paper, we present a comparative study between two types of data envelopment models.

First, we calculate the relative efficiency using constant return to scale (CRS) model. Second, the relative efficiency and scale efficiency have calculated using variable return to scale (VRS) model. We have used a case study consists of eight hospitals with four inputs and three outputs for two years period i.e., 2020 and 2021. The study shows that most of the hospital get high score efficiency using VRS data envelopment model compared with CRS model, because most of the health organizations did not work in static environment and therefore it is better to deal with VRS model. Also, based on the VRS model we can calculate the scale efficiency for health organizations.

## Introduction

Performance evaluation is a crucial component of the broader performance management process. It is the practice of observing and evaluating, providing feedback, and implementing changes within an organization. It involves both a quantitative assessment and a very emotional experience. Primarily, it is a somewhat precise human procedure. When examining the motivation of work, there is a well-established principle that tasks that receive a bonus are more likely to be completed successfully. Consequently, managers possess many alternatives. The performance assessment process can prioritize either short-term or long-term targets, or a combination of both. Short-term goals, such as the final results of the current quarter, serve as The long-term aims encompass confirmation. objectives such as achieving a higher market share and securing regular business insurance from consumers. In order for strategic management to effectively evaluate performance, the strategies

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employed by the Organization or Strategic Business Unit must be linked to a competitive advantage, such as innovation, speed of innovation, improved quality, or cost control. Management by objectives (MBO), which is a common evaluation approach in the United States, but less prevalent in other countries like Japan and France. MBO primarily emphasizes outcomes rather than the methods employed to reach those outcomes. It typically has a limited time frame, although this is not always the case. In Japan, there is a stronger emphasis on evaluating performance based on psychological and behavioral factors rather than solely on tangible outcomes. Consequently, employees are categorized based on their level of effort, integrity, and loyalty. The essence of collaboration; the caliber of its client service. Alternatively, the non-parametric linear programming method called data envelopment analysis (DEA) is utilized to assess the relative efficiency of decisionmaking units based on their input and output. For further information on new formulations and

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applications of linear programming and DEA models, please refer to examples provided in references [1], [2], [3], [4], [5], [6], and [7]. This study employs a comparison between two types of DEA models, namely CRS and VRS, to assess the relative efficiency and scale efficiency of eight hospitals in Thiqar province. The assessment is based on four inputs and three outputs.

#### 1. The methodology of the research

## 1.1 The problem of the research

The uncertainty of determine the most suitable data envelopment models based on constant return to scale (CRS) and variable return to scale (VRS) models to assess the performance of the health organizations in ThiQar province. Also, the decision maker has not been understanding the factors influencing the relative efficiency scores in health care in ThiQar province including the scale efficiency.

#### 1.2 The aim of the research

The aims of the research are to assess the performance of the health organizations in ThiQar province using some qualitative approaches. Also, calculating both relative efficiency and scale efficiency using constant return to scale (CRS) and variable return to scale (VRS) models. Moreover, comparing the efficiency scores in both static and dynamic environments.

#### 1.3 The importance of the research

Determining the efficiency scores of the health organizations will help the decision maker to improve the resources allocation. In addition, qualitative approaches will determine the most influencing factors in both static and dynamic environments

province as follows for each hospital, we choose four inputs and three outputs as in Table 1and Table

which addresses the need for tailored evaluation methods that account for the dynamic nature of healthcare environments.

# 2. DEA models

There are two types of the data envelopment analysis the first one known as constant return to scale (CRS) and the second one known as variable return to scale (VRS) as in [11],[12],[13],[14]. The formulation of these two model are described as follows.

The constant return to scale (CRS) as follows:

$$\max \theta_{\pi} = \sum_{r=1}^{s} u_r y_{r\pi}$$
s.t.
$$\sum_{i=1}^{m} v_r x_{i\pi} = 1 \quad i = 1, \dots, m$$

$$\sum_{r=1}^{s} u_r y_{rj} \leq \sum_{i=1}^{m} v_r x_{ij} \quad r = 1, \dots, s$$

$$u_r, v_r \geq 0 \quad j=1, \dots, n$$

The variable returns to scale (VRT) has the following

$$\begin{split} &\operatorname{Min}_{\lambda} z_{o} \\ & \text{s.t.} \\ & \sum_{j=1}^{n} \lambda_{j} x_{ij0} \leq zo x_{ij0} \quad & \text{i=1,2,...,nr,} \\ & \sum_{j=1}^{n} \lambda_{j} y_{rj0} \leq y_{rj0} \quad & \text{r=1,2,...,t:} \\ & \lambda_{j} \geq 0 \quad & \text{j=1,2,...,ir,} \\ & \sum_{i=1}^{n} \lambda_{i} = 1 \end{split}$$

#### 3. Comparison between CRS and VRS models

To calculate the relative efficiency based on CRS ad VRS, we consider eight hospitals in Thiqar province as follows for each hospital, we choose four inputs and three outputs as in Table 1 and Table 2, Table 3, and Table 4 respectively. The data collected for 2020 and 2021.

## 3.1 DMUs Input and output data

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3.1 DMUs Input and output data

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|------------------------------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--|
| No.                          | Name  | Input1 | Input2 | Input3 | Input4 |  |
| 1                            | Unit1 | 5102   | 530    | 3076   | 400    |  |
| 2                            | Unit2 | 1800   | 105    | 688    | 124    |  |
| 3                            | Unit3 | 1990   | 194    | 597    | 124    |  |
| 4                            | Unit4 | 2153   | 125    | 1093   | 154    |  |
| 5                            | Unit5 | 1202   | 37     | 257    | 133    |  |
| 6                            | Unit6 | 533    | 104    | 360    | 169    |  |
| 7                            | Unit7 | 1809   | 98     | 1353   | 169    |  |
| 8                            | Unit8 | 1920   | 102    | 688    | 285    |  |

 Table 1: Input data for 2020

| Table 2. Output data for 2020 |       |         |         |         |  |
|-------------------------------|-------|---------|---------|---------|--|
| No.                           | Name  | Output1 | Output2 | Output3 |  |
| 1                             | Unit1 | 460215  | 10405   | 12948   |  |
| 2                             | Unit2 | 75163   | 4562    | 8351    |  |
| 3                             | Unit3 | 65714   | 7087    | 52638   |  |
| 4                             | Unit4 | 35465   | 7087    | 42638   |  |
| 5                             | Unit5 | 130757  | 9330    | 17615   |  |
| 6                             | Unit6 | 140778  | 10988   | 128323  |  |
| 7                             | Unit7 | 164015  | 12768   | 120482  |  |
| 8                             | Unit8 | 130691  | 6071    | 84119   |  |

# Table 2: Output data for 2020

# Table 3: Input data for 2021

| No. | Name  | Input1 | Input2 | Input3 | Input4 |
|-----|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| 1   | Unit1 | 5089   | 563    | 3200   | 220    |
| 2   | Unit2 | 1606   | 112    | 680    | 124    |
| 3   | Unit3 | 2006   | 199    | 542    | 124    |
| 4   | Unit4 | 2164   | 132    | 1102   | 154    |
| 5   | Unit5 | 1249   | 35     | 259    | 133    |
| 6   | Unit6 | 608    | 110    | 400    | 154    |
| 7   | Unit7 | 2222   | 89     | 1213   | 160    |
| 8   | Unit8 | 1961   | 105    | 600    | 222    |

# Table 4: Output data for 2021

| No. | Name  | Output1 | Output2 | Output3 |
|-----|-------|---------|---------|---------|
| 1   | Unit1 | 602676  | 10915   | 25356   |
| 2   | Unit2 | 132602  | 6322    | 17430   |
| 3   | Unit3 | 57952   | 10490   | 71439   |
| 4   | Unit4 | 40663   | 11012   | 51445   |
| 5   | Unit5 | 83960   | 2713    | 23977   |
| 6   | Unit6 | 138876  | 14910   | 141431  |
| 7   | Unit7 | 172658  | 10564   | 105353  |
| 8   | Unit8 | 127601  | 6322    | 87453   |

3.2. Results discussion

variable return to scale are given in the tables

The relative efficiency and scale efficiency below: calculated using constant return to scale and

 Table 5: 2020 Hospitals Efficiency

| DMUs                  | CRS -Efficiency | VRS –Efficiency | Scale Efficiency |
|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Unit1                 | 1               | 1               | 1                |
| Unit2                 | 0.60            | 1               | 0.60             |
| Unit3                 | 0.80            | 1               | 0.80             |
| Unit4                 | 0.62            | 0.86            | 0.71             |
| Unit5                 | 1               | 1               | 1                |
| Unit6                 | 1               | 1               | 1                |
| Unit7                 | 1               | 1               | 1                |
| Unit8                 | 0.73            | 0.76            | 0.97             |
| Average of efficiency | 0.84            | 0.95            | 0.97             |



Figure 1: 2020 Hospitals Efficiency

|                       | 1          | U          |            |
|-----------------------|------------|------------|------------|
| DMIL                  | CRS-       | VRS-       | Scale      |
| DMUS                  | Eficifency | Efficiency | Efficiency |
| HTH (Unit1)           | 1          | 1          | 1          |
| NHC(Unit2)            | 0.89       | 1          | 0.89       |
| HGH(Unit3)            | 0.87       | 1          | 0.87       |
| BHMH(Unit4)           | 0.70       | 0.80       | 0.80       |
| MMH(Unit5)            | 1          | 1          | 1          |
| RGH(Unit6)            | 1          | 1          | 1          |
| SGH(Unit7)            | 1          | 1          | 1          |
| SSGH(Unit8)           | 0.75       | 0.80       | 0.93       |
| Average of efficiency | 0.90       | 0.96       | 0.94       |





Figure 2: 2021 Hospitals Efficiency

## Conclusions

a comparative study for performance evaluation of health organizations in Thi Qar Province using two types of data envelopment analysis models have been presented. The study shows that six hospitals reach full efficiency during 2020 as well as 2021 using variables return to scale model while only four hospitals reach full efficiency using constant return to scale model. Also, the efficiency averages using VRS are 0.95 during 2020 and 0.96 during 2021 while the efficiency averages using CRS are 0.84 during 2020 and 0.90 during 2021. In addition, we conclude that variables return to scale model is more reliable than constant return to scale model since most the health organization work in dynamic environment which mean that did not work using optimal size.

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