

## Welfare Measures for Fatherless and Other Families

Income security	Provision of child rearing allowance	Fatherless families in which the parents are divorced (refer to the detailed data)	Recipients: 955,844 Eligible children: 1,480,655	At the end of FY2006 At the end of FY2006	Program to promote independence	Giving priority for approval when fatherless families apply to open retail stores in public facilities, etc	The number of stores: 1,390 * 3	
	Provision of the National Pension	Pension for fatherless families	Recipients: 2,272	* 2		Housing measures	Giving priority for approval when fatherless families submit applications to become tobacco retailers	The number of approval: 1,624 * 3
		Survivor's basic pension	Recipients: 119,894	* 2	Measures to independence		Special consideration is given to fatherless families on public housing	
	Provision of Employees' Pension	Survivor's pension (pension for spouses and children)	Recipients: 3,622,651	* 2		Livelihood guidance, etc.	① Fatherless family daily living support facilities ② Maternal and child welfare centers ③ Rest homes for fatherless families ④ Counselors for support self-sufficient living of fatherless family ⑤ Program to support fatherless family's daily life ⑥ Day-care measures (giving priority for admission to day-care centers)	The number of dorms: 278 * 1
								The number of center: 67 * 4
					The number of homes: 5 * 4			
Loans of welfare funds for mothers with dependent children	Offering low or no-interest loans to households having mothers with dependent children or to widows	No. of families provided with a loan: 48,635	* 1	Taxation	Tax measures	Income deduction for fatherless and other families	Widow's deduction, widower's deduction	
Loans of welfare funds for widows		1,277	* 1			System of deducting interest from taxable income	Income tax, residents' tax	

Source: Equal Employment, Children and Families Bureau, MHLW

Note: \* 1 is as of the end of FY 2007, \* 2 is as of the end of FY2001, \* 3 is as of the end of FY1999, \* 4 is as of October 2007, \* 5 is as of the end of FY2006