

## Welfare Measures for Fatherless and Other Families

Income security	Provision of childcare allowance	Fatherless families in which the parents are divorced (refer to the detailed data)	Recipients: 966,266 At the end of FY2008 Eligible children: 1,489,015 At the end of FY2008	Measures to independence	Program to promote independence	Giving priority for approval when fatherless families apply to open retail stores in public facilities, etc. Giving priority for approval when fatherless families submit applications to become tobacco retailers	The number of stores: 1,390 *3 The number of approval: 1,624 *3	
	Provision of the National Pension	Pension for fatherless families	Recipients: 39 *2		Housing measures	Special consideration is given to fatherless families concerning publicly operated housing		
		Survivor's basic pension	Recipients: 106,315 *2		Livelihood guidance, etc.	① Fatherless family daily living support facilities ② Maternal and child welfare centers ③ Rest homes for fatherless families ④ Introduction of counselor to 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: 64 *4 The number of homes: 5 *4 The number of counselors: 1,553 *1	
	Provision of Employees' Pension	Survivor's pension (pension for spouses and children)	Recipients: 4,690,742 *2				The number of times service is provided: 4,166 *5	
	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: 47,781 *1		Taxation	Tax measures	Income deduction for fatherless and other families System of deducting interest from taxable income	Widow's deduction, widower's deduction Income tax, residents' tax
	Loans of welfare funds for widows		1,244 *1					

Source: Equal Employment, Children and Families Bureau, MHLW

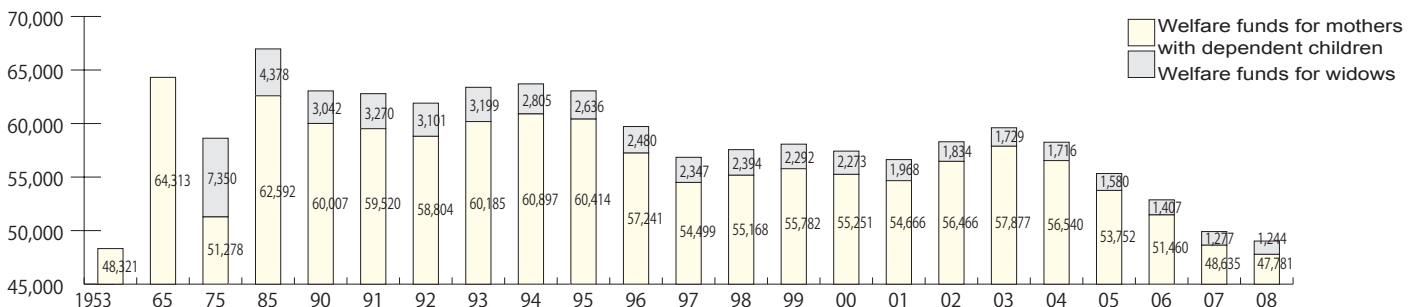
Note: \* 1 is as of the end of FY 2008, \* 2 is as of the end of FY2007, \* 3 is as of the end of FY1999, \* 4 is as of October 2008,

### Detailed Date 1 Childcare Allowance

Purpose	To promote the welfare of children by contributing to the stability and independence of families which are fatherless due to divorce, etc.																				
Recipient	A mother or other persons having custody of, and childcare (18 or younger, who has not yet reached March 31 after his/her 18th birthday, or one under 20 with specific disabilities) who does not share a common household income with the father due to the parents divorce, etc. Child care whose parents are divorced and not living with mother, and the father living together the child																				
Monthly allowance amounts	One child: ¥41,720 Two children: ¥46,720 Additional amount for the third child and after: ¥3,000																				
Income restrictions	Recipient's earnings for the previous year of less than ¥1,300,000 (two-person household) When the income is between ¥1,300,000 and ¥3,650,000, the amount of the allowance shall be reduced by ¥10 to ¥31,870 by the unit of ¥10 according to income. For guardians bringing up orphans, etc., earnings for the previous year of less than ¥6,100,000 (6-person household)																				
Method of provision	Based on the application by the person qualified to receive the allowance, the prefectural governor, mayor or head of town or village establishing a welfare office gives authorization and payment is made through a financial institution three times a year (April, August and December).																				
Provision situation (as of the end of FY 2007)	Number of recipients: 966,266 Breakdown by reason for receiving allowance <table style="margin-left: 20px;"> <tr> <td rowspan="2">Lifelong separation:</td> <td>Divorce:</td> <td>845,543</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Others:</td> <td>1,503</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Bereavement:</td> <td></td> <td>8,629</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Unmarried mother:</td> <td></td> <td>78,245</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Disabled father:</td> <td></td> <td>2,615</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Deserted:</td> <td></td> <td>4,318</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Others:</td> <td></td> <td>25,413</td> </tr> </table>	Lifelong separation:	Divorce:	845,543	Others:	1,503	Bereavement:		8,629	Unmarried mother:		78,245	Disabled father:		2,615	Deserted:		4,318	Others:		25,413
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### Detailed Date 2 Changes in the Number of Loans from Welfare Funds for Mothers with Dependent Children and Widow



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