

I. Summary of Social Expenditure and Social Benefit, FY 2013

Section 1 of the summary presents the total amount of the Social Expenditure based on the OECD standard and Social Benefit based on the ILO standard. Then, Section 2 shows data on the Social Expenditure in a way that allows international comparison. Social Expenditure includes expenses that are not directly transferred to individuals such as facility maintenance costs in addition to benefit payments. Finally, Section 3 presents data on Social Benefit shows benefits directly transferred to individuals and their source of revenue.

1. Total amount of Social Expenditure and Social Benefit

(1) Social Expenditure

- The total amount of Social Expenditure in fiscal year 2013 was 114,135.6 billion yen.
- Social Expenditure increased by 1.4% in fiscal year 2013 compared with the previous year. The percentage share of the Gross Domestic Product (GDP) was 23.63%.
- Average Social Expenditure per head of population was 896,600 yen, and the average expenditure per household was 2,249,700 yen.

(2) Social Benefit

- The total amount of Social Benefit was 110,656.6 billion yen.
- Social Benefit increased by 1.5% in fiscal year 2013 compared with the previous fiscal year. The percentage share of the GDP was 22.91%.
- Average Social Benefit per head of population was 869,300 yen, and the average expenditure per household was 2,181,100 yen.

Table 1 Total amount of Social Expenditure and Social Benefit

	FY2012	FY2013	Compared with the previous fiscal year	
			Amount of increase	Rate of increase
	Hundreds of millions of yen	Hundreds of millions of yen	Hundreds of millions of yen	%
Social Expenditure	1,125,446	1,141,356	15,911	1.4
Social Benefit	1,090,010	1,106,566	16,556	1.5

Note: Social Expenditure includes expenditure not directly spent on individuals such as expenditure on equipping facilities, in addition to Social Benefit. Refer to the Appendix 2 for further information.

Table 2 Social Expenditure and Social Benefit as a percentage of GDP and NI

	FY2012	FY2013	Increase from the previous fiscal year
	%	%	% points
Social Expenditure			
As a percentage of GDP	23.72	23.63	△0.09
As a percentage of NI	31.98	31.52	△0.45
Social Benefit			
As a percentage of GDP	22.97	22.91	△0.07
As a percentage of NI	30.97	30.56	△0.41

Source: GDP and Ni are based on the Cabinet Office's "Annual Report on National Accounts 2014".

Table 3 Social Expenditure and Social Benefit per person and per household

	FY2012	FY2013	Compared with the previous fiscal year	
			Amount of increase	Rate of increase
	1,000 yen	1,000 yen	1,000 yen	%
Social Expenditure				
Per person	882.6	896.6	14.0	1.6
Per household	2,272.5	2,249.7	△22.8	△1.0
Social Benefit				
Per person	854.8	869.3	14.5	1.7
Per household	2,200.9	2,181.1	△19.8	△0.9

Notes: Social Expenditure per household = (Average number of household member in households) x Social Expenditure per capita. The same method was used to calculate Social Benefit per household.

Source: The number of population is based on Statistics Bureau, Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications "Current Population Estimates as of October 1, 2013". Average number of people in households is based on Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare "Comprehensive Survey of Living Condition 2013".