

## OECD-SOCR metadata on income replacement programmes – Cyprus\*

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\* Note by Turkey: The information in this document with reference to « Cyprus » relates to the southern part of the Island. There is no single authority representing both Turkish and Greek Cypriot people on the Island. Turkey recognizes the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC). Until a lasting and equitable solution is found within the context of United Nations, Turkey shall preserve its position concerning the “Cyprus issue”.

\* Note by all the European Union Member States of the OECD and the European Union: The Republic of Cyprus is recognized by all members of the United Nations with the exception of Turkey. The information in this document relates to the area under the effective control of the Government of the Republic of Cyprus.

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## INTRODUCTION

This note includes a comprehensive list of the social programmes included in the SOCR database, accessible via OECD.Stat [<http://stats.oecd.org/Index.aspx?DataSetCode=SOCR>].

Based on information collected in four rounds of the SOCR questionnaire, the database distinguishes between priority and optional programmes. Priority programmes have the following characteristics:

- They are main income replacement benefits, meaning they are not supplements but are typically received in their own right, independently of other benefits; and
- Their volume is significant or highly variable:
  - programmes with a significant number of recipients or expenditure (regardless whether open to new recipients or not); or
  - programmes open to new recipients that are highly sensitive to economic or social conditions.

All other programmes are considered as optional. For instance, very small programmes that are being phased out, as are benefit “top-ups” of unemployment benefits or pensions.

**Priority programmes are made publicly available through OECD.Stat**, optional programmes are not published. Programmes are organised by social protection branch (e.g. ‘OLD AGE’) and sub-branch (e.g. ‘Pensions’) under the form of programme tables. The aim of them is to include essential information needed by users to identify the benefit and to know methodological details that may be relevant for a correct interpretation of recipients figures.

Other sources of qualitative information on social benefits: [TaxBEN country policy descriptions](#), [MISSOC policy tables](#), [ESSPROS Qualitative](#).

Other OECD sources of information on social protection: [Social Expenditure \(SOCX\)](#), [Tax-Benefit model \(TaxBEN\)](#), [Family database](#), [Pensions at a Glance](#).

## OLD AGE

### Pensions

4 programmes reported

Programme Name [English]	<b>Social Insurance Scheme- Old Age Pension</b>
Programme Name [Original]	Σχέδιο Κοινωνικών Ασφαλίσεων: Σύνταξη γήρατος
Means-tested	No
Reporting unit for annual caseloads	Individual recipients, average or point-in-time
Other remarks	
Source	<a href="#">Social Insurance Services</a>

Programme Name [English]	<b>Social Pension + Pensions to Chairmen Village Commission + Other Governmental Social Protection</b>
Programme Name [Original]	Κοινωνική Σύνταξη + Σύνταξη Κοινοταρχών + Άλλες Κρατικές Κοινωνικές Παροχές
Means-tested	Yes
Reporting unit for annual caseloads	Individual recipients, average or point-in-time
Other remarks	
Source	<a href="#">Social Insurance Services</a>

Programme Name [English]	<b>Government, Civil Service Social Protection (Old Age)+ Local Government Scheme (Old Age and Anticipated Old Age)</b>
Programme Name [Original]	Κοινωνική Προστασία Δημοσίων Υπαλλήλων- σύνταξη γήρατος+ Κοινωνική Προστασία Δήμων-(σύνταξη γήρατος, Πρόωρη Σύνταξη Γήρατος)
Means-tested	No
Reporting unit for annual caseloads	Individual recipients, average or point-in-time
Other remarks	
Source	<a href="#">Statistical service</a>

Programme Name [English]	<b>Occupational Social Insurance Institutions: Old Age Pension+ Anticipated old age pension</b>
Programme Name [Original]	Ημιαυτόνομα Ιδρύματα Προνοίας: σύνταξη γήρατος + Πρόωρη Σύνταξη Γήρατος
Means-tested	No
Reporting unit for annual caseloads	Individual recipients, average or point-in-time
Other remarks	
Source	<a href="#">Statistical service</a>

## SURVIVORS

### Survivor Pensions

2 programmes reported

Programme Name [English]	<b>Widow's pension + Orphan's benefit + Missing Person allowance, Social Insurance Scheme</b>
Programme Name [Original]	Σύνταξη Χηρείας, επίδομα ορφάνιας, επίδομα αγνοουμένου, Πρόγραμμα Κοινωνικής Ασφάλισης
Means-tested	No
Reporting unit for annual caseloads	Individual recipients, average or point-in-time
Other remarks	
Source	<a href="#">Social Insurance Services</a>

Programme Name [English]	<b>Government Widow's and Survivors' pension: Civil Service Social Protection + Local Government Scheme</b>
Programme Name [Original]	Κοινωνική Προστασία Δημοσίων Υπαλλήλων + Κοινωνική Προστασία Δήμων
Means-tested	No
Reporting unit for annual caseloads	Individual recipients, average or point-in-time
Other remarks	
Source	<a href="#">Treasury of the Republic of Cyprus</a>

## INCAPACITY

### Disability Pensions

6 programmes reported

Programme Name [English]	<b>Social Insurance Scheme: Invalidity Pension</b>
Programme Name [Original]	Σχέδιο Κοινωνικών Ασφαλίσεων: Σύνταξη Ανικανότητας
Means-tested	No
Reporting unit for annual caseloads	Individual recipients, average or point-in-time
Other remarks	
Source	<a href="#">Social Insurance Services</a>

Programme Name [English]	<b>Other Governmental Social Protection: Severe Motor Disability Allowance</b>
Programme Name [Original]	Άλλες Κρατικές Κοινωνικές Παροχές: Επίδομα Βαριάς Μορφής Κινητικής Αναπηρίας
Means-tested	No
Reporting unit for annual caseloads	Individual recipients, average or point-in-time
Other remarks	
Source	<a href="#">Department for Social Inclusion of Persons with Disabilities</a>

Programme Name [English]	<b>Other Governmental Social Protection: Care Allowance Scheme for Paraplegic</b>
Programme Name [Original]	Άλλες Κρατικές Κοινωνικές Παροχές: Επίδομα Φροντίδας σε Άτομα με Παραπληγία
Means-tested	No
Reporting unit for annual caseloads	Individual recipients, average or point-in-time
Other remarks	
Source	<a href="#">Department for Social Inclusion of Persons with Disabilities</a>

Programme Name [English]	<b>Other Governmental Social Protection: Care Allowance Scheme for Quadriplegic</b>
Programme Name [Original]	Άλλες Κρατικές Κοινωνικές Παροχές: Επίδομα Φροντίδας σε Άτομα με Τετραπληγία
Means-tested	No
Reporting unit for annual caseloads	Individual recipients, average or point-in-time
Other remarks	
Source	<a href="#">Department for Social Inclusion of Persons with Disabilities</a>

Programme Name [English]	<b>Other Governmental Social Protection: Special Allowance for Blind Persons</b>
Programme Name [Original]	Άλλες Κρατικές Κοινωνικές Παροχές: Χορηγία Τυφλών
Means-tested	No
Reporting unit for annual caseloads	Individual recipients, average or point-in-time
Other remarks	
Source	<a href="#">Department for Social Inclusion of Persons with Disabilities</a>

Programme Name [English]	<b>Other Governmental Social Protection: Mobility Allowance.</b>
Programme Name [Original]	Άλλες Κρατικές Κοινωνικές Παροχές: Επίδομα Διακίνησης
Means-tested	No
Reporting unit for annual caseloads	Individual recipients, average or point-in-time
Other remarks	
Source	<a href="#">Department for Social Inclusion of Persons with Disabilities</a>

### **Paid Sick Leave**

2 programmes reported

Programme Name [English]	<b>Occupational Social Insurance Institutions + Employer Provider Social Protection + Social Insurance Scheme: Sickness + Injury benefits</b>
Programme Name [Original]	Ημιαυτόνομα Ιδρύματα Προνοίας + Υποχρεωτικές Παροχές Εργοδοτών προς εργαζομένους + Σχέδιο Κοινωνικών Ασφαλίσεων: (Επίδομα ασθενείας + επίδομα σωματικής βλάβης)
Means-tested	No
Reporting unit for annual caseloads	Full-year equivalent
Other remarks	
Source	<a href="#">Social Insurance Services</a>

Programme Name [English]	<b>Central Government Health Services + Local Government Scheme: Paid Sick Leave</b>
Programme Name [Original]	Κρατικές Υπηρεσίες Υγείας + Κοινωνική Προστασία Δήμων : (ασθένεια μετα απολαβών)
Means-tested	No
Reporting unit for annual caseloads	
Other remarks	No data available
Source	

## FAMILY

### Maternity and Parental Leaves

2 programmes reported

Programme Name [English]	<b>Social Insurance Scheme: Maternity allowance</b>
Programme Name [Original]	Σχέδιο Κοινωνικών Ασφαλίσεων: Επίδομα μητρότητας
Means-tested	No
Reporting unit for annual caseloads	Individual recipients, average or point-in-time
Other remarks	
Source	<a href="#">Social Insurance Services</a>

Programme Name [English]	<b>Other Governmental Social Protection: Mother's Benefit</b>
Programme Name [Original]	Άλλες Κρατικές Κοινωνικές Παροχές : Επίδομα μάνας
Means-tested	No
Reporting unit for annual caseloads	Individual recipients, average or point-in-time
Other remarks	Phased out in 2013.
Source	



## UNEMPLOYMENT

### Unemployment Compensations

1 programme reported

Programme Name [English]	<b>Social Insurance Scheme: Unemployment benefit</b>
Programme Name [Original]	Σχέδιο Κοινωνικών Ασφαλίσεων: Επίδομα Ανεργίας
Means-tested	No
Reporting unit for annual caseloads	Individual recipients, average or point-in-time
Other remarks	
Source	<a href="#">Social Insurance Services</a>

## OTHER SOCIAL

### Income Maintenance

2 programmes reported

Programme Name [English]	<b>Income support - General schemes : Local Government Scheme, Monetary Allowances to Distressed Persons, Other Governmental Social Protection</b>
Programme Name [Original]	Γενικά Σχέδια: Οικονομική Ενίσχυση, Κοινωνική Προστασία Δήμων, χρηματικά επιδόματα σε δυσπραγούντες, Άλλες Κρατικές Κοινωνικές Παροχές
Means-tested	Yes
Reporting unit for annual caseloads	Individual recipients, average or point-in-time
Other remarks	
Source	<a href="#">Social Welfare Services</a> , Welfare Benefits Administration Service

Programme Name [English]	<b>Income Support - Other schemes</b>
Programme Name [Original]	Άλλες Κρατικές Κοινωνικές Παροχές
Means-tested	Yes
Reporting unit for annual caseloads	Individual recipients, average or point-in-time
Other remarks	Includes Missing person's allowance , Social Insurance Scheme, Monetary Allowances and Relief to Inhabitants of Occupied Areas, Monetary Allowances to Displaced Persons, Other Governmental Social Protection. Figure refers to Monetary Allowances and Relief to Inhabitants of Occupied Areas.
Source	

## HOUSING

### Housing Benefits

1 programme reported

Programme Name [English]	<b>Housing: Rent Subsidy</b>
Programme Name [Original]	Στεγαστική Προστασία: Επιχορήγηση ενοικίου
Means-tested	Yes
Reporting unit for annual caseloads	Individual recipients, average or point-in-time
Other remarks	
Source	<a href="#">Social Welfare Services, Ministry of Interior</a> , Welfare Benefits Administration Service