

OECD-SOCR metadata on income replacement programmes - Denmark

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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 OECD sources of qualitative information on social benefits: [Country policy descriptions](#).

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

OLD AGE

Pensions

2 programmes reported

Programme Name [English]	Old age pension
Programme Name [Original]	Folkepension
Means-tested	No
Reporting unit for annual caseloads	Individual recipients, average or point-in-time ¹
Other remarks	Includes recipients outside of Denmark.
Source	StatBank Denmark Database

Programme Name [English]	ATP
Programme Name [Original]	Arbejdsmarkedets Tillægspension
Means-tested	No
Reporting unit for annual caseloads	
Other remarks	No data available
Source	

¹ In Denmark, point-in-time figures correspond to the number of recipients on the 1st January of the next year. For example, the number recipients of the “Old-age pension” in 2014 refers to the number of recipients on 1st January 2015.

INCAPACITY

Disability Pensions

2 programmes reported

Programme Name [English]	Disability Pensions/Early retirement pension
Programme Name [Original]	Nye førtidspensionister, Højeste førtidspension, Forhøjet alm. førtidspension, Alm. førtidspension, Mellemste førtidspension og Invaliditetsydelse
Means-tested	No
Reporting unit for annual caseloads	Individual recipients, average or point-in-time
Other remarks	Includes recipients outside of Denmark.
Source	StatBank Denmark Database

Programme Name [English]	FlexJob/Flex allowance
Programme Name [Original]	Fleksjob/Fleksydelse
Means-tested	No
Reporting unit for annual caseloads	Individual recipients, average or point-in-time
Other remarks	
Source	StatBank Denmark Database

Paid Sick Leave

1 programme reported

Programme Name [English]	Sickday Benefit
Programme Name [Original]	Sygedagpenge
Means-tested	No
Reporting unit for annual caseloads	Full benefit-length equivalent
Other remarks	
Source	StatBank Denmark Database

FAMILY

Maternity and Parental Leave

1 programme reported

Programme Name [English]	Maternity Benefit
Programme Name [Original]	Barselsdagpenge
Means-tested	No
Reporting unit for annual caseloads	Individual recipients, average or point-in-time
Other remarks	
Source	StatBank Denmark Database

UNEMPLOYMENT

Unemployment Compensations

3 programmes reported

Programme Name [English]	Unemployment Benefit
Programme Name [Original]	Ledige dagpengemodtagere
Means-tested	No
Reporting unit for annual caseloads	Individual recipients, average or point-in-time
Other remarks	
Source	StatBank Denmark Database

Programme Name [English]	Social assistance - jobseekers
Programme Name [Original]	Nettoledige kontanthjælpsmodtagere
Means-tested	Yes
Reporting unit for annual caseloads	Individual recipients, average or point-in-time
Other remarks	
Source	StatBank Denmark Database

Programme Name [English]	Unemployment benefit (flexjob)
Programme Name [Original]	Ledighedsydelse
Means-tested	No
Reporting unit for annual caseloads	Individual recipients, average or point-in-time
Other remarks	Temporary benefit for unemployed persons with a permanently reduced capacity to work, who have been admitted to the "flexible -job" scheme.
Source	StatBank Denmark Database

Early retirement for labour market reasons

1 programme reported

Programme Name [English]	Early retirement pay
Programme Name [Original]	Efterløn
Means-tested	No
Reporting unit for annual caseloads	Individual recipients, average or point-in-time
Other remarks	
Source	StatBank Denmark Database

OTHER SOCIAL

Income Maintenance

2 programmes reported

Programme Name [English]	Cash benefits - non-jobseekers
Programme Name [Original]	Kontanthjælpsmodtagere, der hverken er jobparate eller aktiverede
Means-tested	Yes
Reporting unit for annual caseloads	Individual recipients, average or point-in-time
Other remarks	Recipients of cash benefits, not ready to work or to participate in training programme.
Source	StatBank Denmark Database

Programme Name [English]	Social Assistance - integration programmes for foreigners
Programme Name [Original]	Kontanthjælp og integrationsydelse til udlændinge
Means-tested	Yes
Reporting unit for annual caseloads	Individual recipients, average or point-in-time
Other remarks	The benefit was discontinued in 2015.
Source	StatBank Denmark Database

HOUSING

Housing Benefits

2 priority programmes reported

Programme Name [English]	Lower rent subsidy
Programme Name [Original]	Boligsikring
Means-tested	Yes
Reporting unit for annual caseloads	Individual recipients, average or point-in-time
Other remarks	
Source	StatBank Denmark Database

Programme Name [English]	Highest rent subsidy
Programme Name [Original]	boligyldelse
Means-tested	Yes
Reporting unit for annual caseloads	Individual recipients, average or point-in-time
Other remarks	
Source	StatBank Denmark Database