

# SOCIAL SECURITY STATISTICS

2010 – 2014

## 1. INTRODUCTION

This issue of the 'Economic and Social Indicators' presents statistics on the main social security benefits provided by the Ministry of Social Security, National Solidarity and Reform Institutions for the period January 2010 to December 2014. Social Security benefits are classified as:

- ❖ Non-contributory benefits financed by government and are payable to every Mauritian citizen under certain conditions and
- ❖ Contributory benefits payable only to, or on behalf of, those persons who have contributed to the National Pensions Fund (NPF)

Social Security Statistics are reported on a calendar (January to December) year basis instead of the financial (July to June) year basis as from year 2010. This follows Government decision taken in July 2008 to change reporting period of Government account from year ending 30<sup>th</sup> June to year ending 31<sup>st</sup> December.

Thus for 2014 the number of beneficiaries relates to December 2014 while the amount paid refers to calendar year, January to December 2014. Figures for 2014 are also subject to revision in future issues as additional information becomes available.

Detailed explanatory notes on the different benefits are given at section 10.

## 2. HIGHLIGHTS – REPUBLIC OF MAURITIUS

- a. Expenditure on **Social Security and Welfare** amounted to Rs. 26,028 million in 2013, representing 26.7% of total government expenditure and 7.1% of the Gross Domestic Product (GDP) at market prices.
- b. At the end of 2014, the number of beneficiaries of **Basic Retirement Pension** reached 184,487, 3.8% more than at the end of 2013. The cost to Government was Rs. 9,960 million, 14.0% higher than in 2013.
- c. There were 20,302 **Basic Widow's Pensioners** at the end of 2014 compared to 20,511 one year ago, showing a decrease of 1.0%. However, due to increases in the rates payable, the amount disbursed increased by 9.1% to reach Rs. 1,040 million during year 2014.
- d. The number of **Basic Invalid's Pensioners** at the end of 2014 was 30,715, compared to 30,930 a year ago. The total amount disbursed in 2014 rose by 10.6% to reach Rs. 1,679 million.
- e. At end 2014, the number of beneficiaries of **Basic Orphan's Pension** stood at 372 compared to 374 at end 2013 and expenditure increased to Rs. 27.7 million, from Rs 26.5 million in 2013.
- f. **Social Aid** benefits were paid to 21,246 families as at December 2014, i.e., an increase of 3.3% over 2013. Amount paid registered a 3.7% increase to reach Rs. 764 million in 2014.
- g. A **forty years' projection** indicates that the number of Basic Retirement Pensioners would reach around 343,000 in 2054 from 184,487 in 2014 and the amount disbursed is expected to increase from Rs. 10 billion to Rs. 18.5 billion.

## 3. EXPENDITURE ON SOCIAL SECURITY AND WELFARE – (TABLE 1)

### **Overall expenditure exceeds Rs 26 billion in 2013**

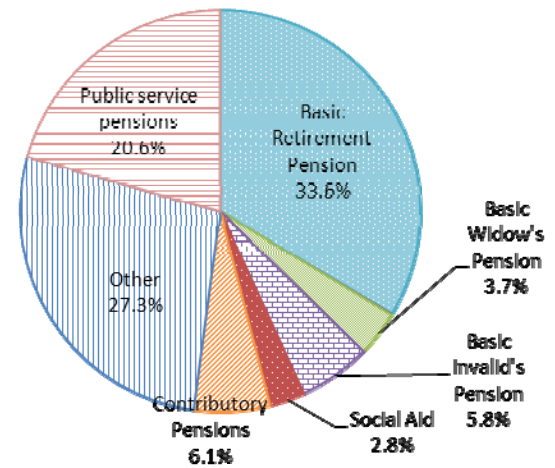
Government expenditure on Social Security and Welfare consists of expenditure and transfers made by government for the social welfare of the community, in line with the recommendations of the Government Finance Statistics Manual 2001 of the International Monetary Fund. It covers all expenses made by the Ministry of Social Security, National Solidarity & Reform Institutions and the Ministry of Gender Equality, Child Development & Family Welfare together with components of social

welfare of all government organizations as well as Local Government.

Expenditure on Social Security and Welfare increased by 14.7% from Rs. 22,691 million in 2012 to 26,028 million in 2013. In 2013, it represents 26.7% of total government expenditure and 7.1% of the Gross Domestic Products (GDP) at market prices.

The main components were the Basic Retirement Pension with a share of 33.6%, followed by Public Service Pensions, 20.6%.

**Figure 1 - Components of government expenditure on social security and welfare, Year 2013**



#### 4. NON-CONTRIBUTORY BENEFITS

These benefits include:

- ❖ Basic pensions which cater for the elderly, the invalids, the widows and the orphans irrespective of their economic status;
- ❖ Allowances such as Social Aid, Food Aid, Unemployment Hardship Relief and Funeral Grant which are payable to the low-income group of the population; and
- ❖ Inmates allowance and indoor relief payable to, or on behalf of, those Mauritian residing in government-subsidized institutions such as old-people homes, infirmaries and orphanages.

The pension rates payable for non-contributory benefits are given at table 11.

#### 4.1 BASIC PENSIONS

##### 4.1.1 Basic Retirement Pension – BRP (Table 2.1)

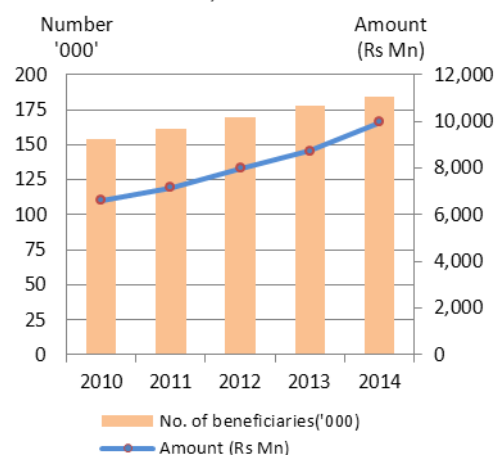
###### *An average increase of some 7,700 beneficiaries each year since 2010*

Basic Retirement Pension, also known as old-age pension, is payable to every Mauritian citizen aged 60 years and above, subject to certain residency conditions.

The number of old-age pensioners, which stood at 177,721 as at end 2013 increased by 3.8% to reach 184,487 as at end 2014. The old-age pension cost government Rs. 9,959.6 million during 2014 representing an increase of 14% over 2013.

A forty years' projection indicates that Basic Retirement Pensioners would increase to reach around 342,700 in 2054 and the amount disbursed is expected to increase to Rs. 18.5 billion (Table 10).

**Figure 2 - BRP beneficiaries and amount paid, Republic of Mauritius, 2010 - 2014**



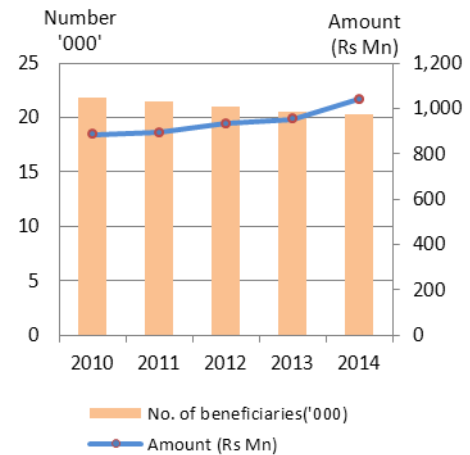
#### 4.1.2 Basic Widow's Pension – BWP (Table 2.1)

##### *Expenditure on the increase despite fewer beneficiaries*

Basic Widow's Pension is payable to widows aged 15 to 59 years who were either civilly and/or religiously married to their late husband. The number of beneficiaries of Widow's pension decreased by 1%, from 20,511 as at December 2013 to 20,302 as at December 2014.

On the other hand, government expenditure on such Pension, which was Rs. 952.6 million during 2013, rose by 9.1% to reach Rs. 1,039.6 million during 2014, due to higher rate of pension.

Figure 3 - BWP beneficiaries and amount disbursed, Republic of Mauritius, 2010 - 2014



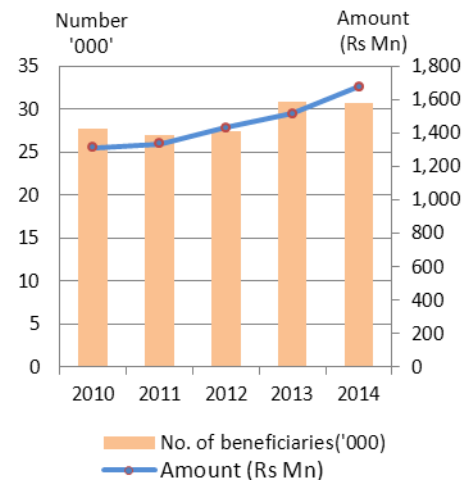
#### 4.1.3 Basic Invalid's Pension – BIP – (Table 2.1)

##### *Number of invalid pensioners remained at around 31,000*

The Basic Invalid's Pension is payable to any person aged 15 to 59 years if certified by a Medical Board that the person is either permanently or substantially incapacitated to work to a degree of 60% or more for at least 12 months. The number of such beneficiaries decreased from 30,930 as at December 2013 to 30,715 as at December 2014, showing a slight decrease of 0.7%.

The total amount spent on Basic Invalid's Pension rose by 10.6% from Rs. 1,517.4 million in 2013 to Rs. 1,678.7 million in 2014.

Figure 4 - BIP beneficiaries and amount disbursed, Republic of Mauritius, 2010 - 2014



#### 4.1.4 Basic Orphan's Pension (BOP) – (Table 2.1)

Basic Orphan's Pension is payable to all orphans under the age of 15, or under 20 years, if they are in full-time education.

The number of beneficiaries of Basic Orphan's Pension in the Republic of Mauritius decreased from 374 in December 2013 to 372 in December 2014. Its cost amounted to Rs. 27.7 million in 2014 representing a 4.7% increase over 2013.

#### 4.1.5 Child's Allowance – (Table 2.1)

Child's allowance is payable to children of beneficiaries of Basic Retirement Pension, Basic Widow's Pension and Basic Invalid's Pension in respect of a child below 15 years, or below 20 years, if in full-time education. The total number of children benefiting from Child's allowance decreased by 9.5% from 18,022 in December 2013 to 16,311 in December 2014. Out of this total, 60% were children of Basic Invalid's pensioners followed by those of Basic Widow's Pensioners (36%).

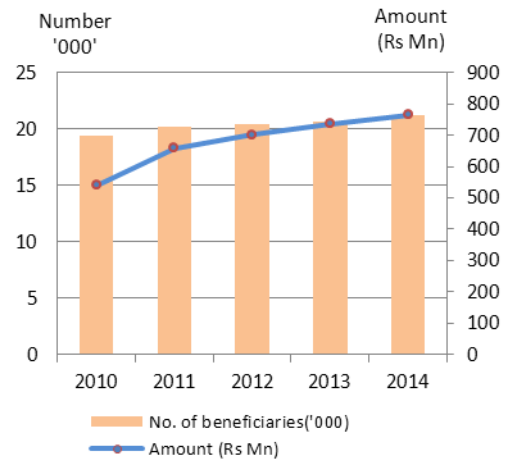
## 4.2 OTHER NON - CONTRIBUTORY SOCIAL BENEFITS – (TABLES 3 & 4)

### 4.2.1 Social Aid

#### *Over 21,000 beneficiaries in 2014*

Social Aid is an income-tested scheme. It is payable to the head of a family who is incapable of earning his living adequately and who has insufficient means to support himself and his dependents. The total number of families benefiting from such assistance increased by 3.3% from 20,570 in December 2013 to 21,246 in December 2014. Consequently, the total amount paid to beneficiaries increased by 3.7% to reach Rs. 764.2 million in 2014.

Figure 5 - Social Aid beneficiaries and amount paid, Republic of Mauritius, 2010 - 2014



### 4.2.2 Income Support for the purchase of rice and flour

In order to support needy Mauritians for the purchase of rice and flour, a Food Aid Scheme and an Income Support Scheme was introduced when government subsidy on rice and flour was discontinued.

The number of persons who were benefiting from Food Aid scheme or Income Support Scheme was 93,150 in December 2014 and the total amount paid in 2014 was Rs. 292.2 million.

### 4.2.3 Indoor Relief

Indoor relief is the grant paid to an institution in respect of every person residing in the institution, if that person would have otherwise benefited from a basic pension or from Social Aid. The number of beneficiaries decreased from 690 in December 2013 to 677 in December 2014. However, the amount paid under that scheme increased by 15.8% from Rs. 54.6 million in 2013 to Rs. 63.2 million in 2014.

### 4.2.4 Inmate's Allowance

Inmate's Allowance refers to the pocket money given to certain residents of government-subsidized institutions and of the government psychiatric hospital, Brown Sequard Hospital. In December 2014, 809 persons received such allowance as compared to 828 in December 2013 representing a decrease of 2.3%. The amount spent under this item increased by 10.1% from Rs 8.1 million in 2013 to Rs 8.9 million in 2014.

### 4.2.5 Unemployment Hardship Relief

The Unemployment Hardship Relief (UHR) is payable to unemployed heads of families whose family income is not sufficient to meet the needs of the members. The number of beneficiaries of UHR increased by 8.1%, from 816 in December 2013 to 882 in December 2014 and the amount paid to these beneficiaries rose by 16% from Rs 22.5 million in 2013 to Rs 26.1 million in 2014.

### 4.2.6 Funeral Grant

A funeral grant is meant to cover funeral expenses of persons from low-income families. The number of payments for funeral expenses increased from 3,091 during 2013 to 3,218 during 2014. The amount disbursed increased from Rs 13.9 million to Rs 14.6 million during the same period.

## 5. NATIONAL PENSION FUND, NATIONAL SAVINGS FUND AND CONTRIBUTORY BENEFITS

### 5.1 THE NATIONAL PENSIONS FUND – (TABLE 5)

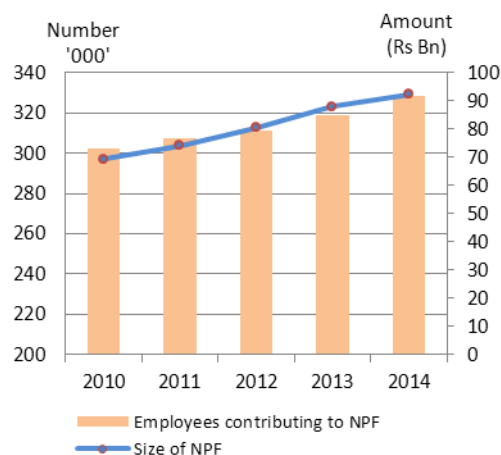
#### *Size of NPF reached Rs 92 billion in 2014 compared to Rs 69 billion in 2010*

The National Pension Scheme, introduced in April 1976, provides for the payment of contributory pensions to those employees of the private sector who have contributed to the National Pensions Fund (NPF).

In 2014, there were around 328,600 employees who have contributed to the NPF while contributions received from both employees and employers amounted to Rs. 3,012.1 million.

As at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2014, total net assets (size of fund) of the National Pension Fund was around Rs. 92 billion.

Figure 6 - No. of employees contributing to NPF and size of fund, Republic of Mauritius, 2010 - 2014



### 5.2 THE NATIONAL SAVINGS FUND – (TABLE 6)

#### *More than 402,000 employees covered by the NSF*

The National Savings Fund (NSF) has been set up in 1995 to replace the Employees Welfare Fund. The objectives of the National Savings Fund are:

- ❖ To provide for the payment of a lump sum to every employee on his retirement at the age of 60 or earlier, or to the beneficiary on his death; and
- ❖ To set up and operate for the benefit of employees, such schemes, including loan schemes, as may be prescribed.

The number of employees covered by the Fund rose from around 378,800 in 2013 to 402,200 in 2014, showing an increase of 6.2%. At the same time, the total contribution received, exclusive of surcharge, rose by 13%, from Rs. 1,314.9 million in 2013 to Rs. 1,485.4 million in 2014.

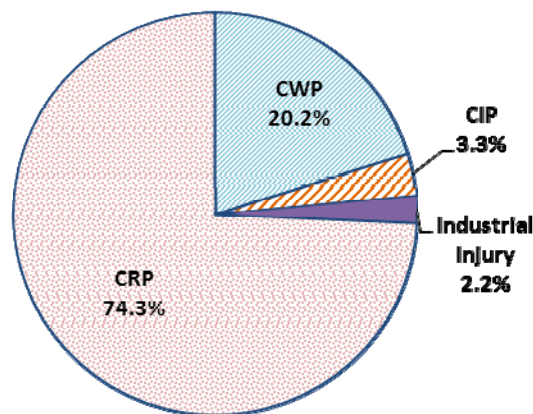
### 5.3 CONTRIBUTORY BENEFITS

Contributory benefits are payable only to, or on behalf of, those persons who have contributed to the National Pensions Fund (NPF). The contributory pensions include old age, invalidity, widows and orphans pensions in addition to industrial injury allowances.

In the case of contributory benefits, the allowances payable vary according to the amount contributed to the NPF by the insured worker. For those persons whose contributions were marginal, government guarantees a minimum contributory pension.

In 2014, amount disbursed on Contributory Retirement Pension (CRP) represented the main component with 74.3% of the total, followed by Contributory Widows Pension (CWP) with 20.2% (Table 7(b) and Figure 7).

**Figure 7 : Percentage distribution of amount disbursed by contributory benefits, Year 2014**



### **5.3.1 Contributory Pensions – (Tables 7(a) - (b))**

#### **5.3.1.1 Contributory Retirement Pension (CRP)**

The Contributory Retirement Pension is payable to a person on reaching the age of 60 years, if that person has contributed to the National Pension Fund. The number of beneficiaries of this type of pension rose from 72,221 in December 2013 to reach 78,185 in December 2014, showing a rise of 8.3%. Consequently, an increase of 11.9% was noted in the amount disbursed, from Rs. 1,176 million to Rs. 1,316.1 million.

#### **5.3.1.2 Contributory Widow's Pension (CWP)**

The Contributory Widow's Pension is payable to a widow whose late husband had contributed to the National Pensions Fund. The total number of widows who benefited from such a pension increased by 5.4%, from 23,263 in December 2013 to 24,512 in December 2014. The amount paid thus went up from Rs. 322.1 million in 2013 to Rs. 358.4 million in 2014, showing an increase of 11.3%.

#### **5.3.1.3 Contributory Invalid's Pension (CIP)**

A person is entitled to a Contributory Invalid's Pension if he/she has previously contributed to the National Pension Fund and suffers from a permanent incapacity of at least 60%. The number of such beneficiaries rose by 3.5%, from 9,469 in December 2013 to 9,799 in December 2014. The amount paid increased by 7.4% from Rs. 54.7 million in 2013 to Rs. 58.8 million in 2014.

#### **5.3.1.4 Contributory Orphan's Pension (COP)**

The Contributory Orphan's pension is payable to orphans under the age of 15 years (or 18 years if the child is at school), if any of the deceased parents had contributed to the National Pension Fund. During 2014 the number of orphans benefiting from this pension was 173 against 168 in 2013, whilst the amount disbursed was Rs 0.3 million, slightly lower than the amount of Rs. 0.4 million disbursed during the previous year.

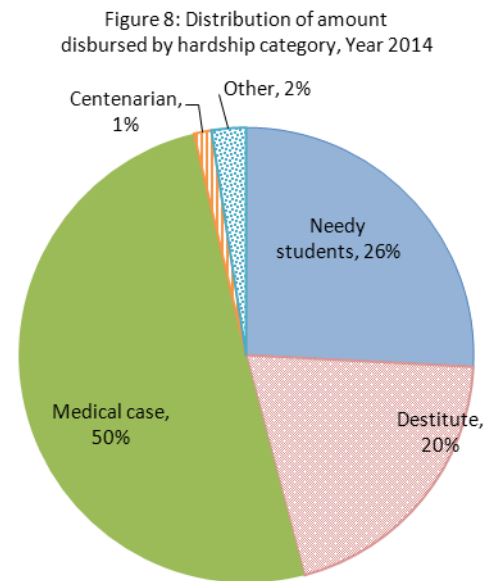
#### **5.3.1.5 Industrial Injury Benefits**

This comprises only those cases who, being insured under the NPF, have been awarded Industrial Injury Allowance in respect of work accidents. The number of cases of Industrial Injury decreased from 822 in December 2013 to 797 in December 2014. The total amount paid decreased from Rs 39.4 million in 2013 to Rs 38.2 million in 2014.

## 6. THE NATIONAL SOLIDARITY FUND – (TABLE 8(a) – (b))

The National Solidarity Fund started operating on 1 June 1991 with the objective to provide financial assistance to:

- ❖ Mauritian citizens residing in Mauritius who require surgical operations that can only be performed abroad.
- ❖ Those undergoing Severe Personal Hardships such as tragic accidents, needy students, victims of natural calamities, multiple births, medical cases, etc.



During the year 2014, the National Solidarity Fund assisted 2,987 cases compared to 1,775 in 2013. During that period, the amount spent has more than doubled, from Rs. 14.7 million to Rs. 34.2 million.

## 7. PROJECTED NUMBER OF BASIC PENSION BENEFICIARIES AND THEIR RELATED FUTURE COSTS (TABLES 9 – 10)

Assumptions used in the projections of the number of beneficiaries of basic pensions and their eventual costs are given at section 11.

The **pensioner support ratio**, defined as the number of persons of working age (15-59 years) per old age pensioner (aged 60 years and over), which stood at 4.6 in 2014 is expected to fall to about 1.6 by 2054.

The **index of ageing** defined as the number of persons aged 60 years and over per 100 children aged less than 15 years would increase to 280.9 in 2054, from 70.4 in 2014.

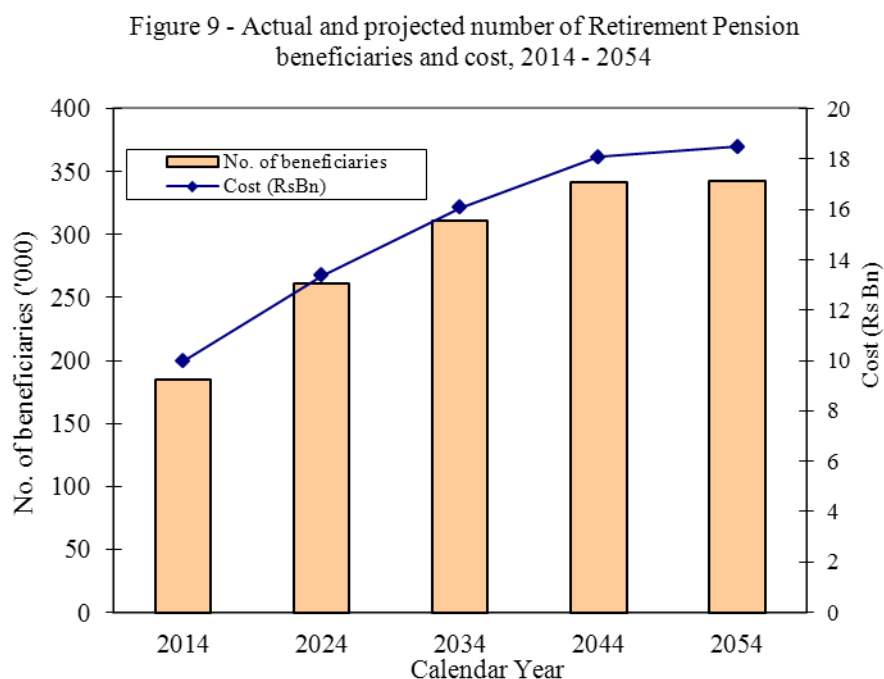
The number of beneficiaries of Basic Retirement Pension is expected to reach 342,700 in 2054, from 184,487 as at December 2014.

There were 20,302 beneficiaries of Basic Widow's Pension in December 2014. This is expected to decrease to about 17,600 in the next four decades. During that time, the number of beneficiaries of Basic Invalid's Pension would decrease from 30,715 to around 23,500.

Based on rates applicable in 2014, the amount to be disbursed by government on Basic Retirement pension (including Enhanced Basic Retirement Pension and Child's Allowance) is expected to almost double, from Rs 9,960 million in 2014 to Rs 18,489 million in some forty years, due to the ageing of the population.



Figure 9 shows the evolution in the number of beneficiaries and the future cost of the Basic Retirement Pension.



As for the other pensions, namely, Basic Widow's pensions, Basic Invalid's pensions and Basic Orphan's pensions, the future costs are expected to amount to Rs 1,993 million within the next forty years compared to Rs 2,747 million in 2014.

## 8. LIST OF TABLES

The following tables together with the web version of this publication can be downloaded from Statistics Mauritius website at <http://statsmauritius.govmu.org>. From the homepage click on 'Statistics by subject' followed by 'Social security', then select the appropriate publication under the heading 'Publications – Economic and Social Indicators'.

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*Table 2.1 - 2.3 – No. of beneficiaries of basic pensions and amount paid by island, 2010 - 2014*

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## 9. NOTES

### 9.1 RELEASE OF DATA ON SOCIAL SECURITY

This publication is a yearly issue to be released by end of August according to an advance calendar posted on Statistics Mauritius website (<http://statsmauritius.govmu.org>). The next issue is scheduled for August 2016. This indicator will also be followed by a more comprehensive report on the same subject and period, with release scheduled for May 2016.

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## 10 EXPLANATORY NOTES

### 10.1 NON – CONTRIBUTORY BENEFITS

#### 10.1.1 Enhanced Basic Retirement Pension

The Enhanced Basic Retirement Pension is an additional allowance payable to old-age pensioners who are either

- ❖ totally blind, or
- ❖ suffer from total paralysis, or
- ❖ need the constant care of another person

#### 10.1.2 Additional Basic Invalid Pension

Basic Invalid Pensioners, who need the constant care and attention of another person, benefit from an additional allowance known as the Carer's Allowance.

#### 10.1.3 Guardian Allowance (GA)

A Guardian's allowance is also paid to the person looking after one or more orphans. However, only one allowance is payable per guardian irrespective of the number of orphans under his/her care.

#### 10.1.4 Child's Allowance

Child's allowance is payable to children of beneficiaries of Basic Retirement Pension, Basic Widow's Pension and Basic Invalid's Pension in respect of a child below 15 years, or below 20 years, if in full-time education. Child's allowance is payable for up to three dependent children. It is to be noted that child allowance is payable even after discontinuation of pensions to the parents for some reasons (e.g. when the widowed mother got married).

### 10.1.5 Social Aid

Social Aid is an income-tested scheme. It is payable to the head of a family who is incapable of earning his living adequately and who has insufficient means to support himself and his dependents. Social Aid is payable to the poorer section of the population, including the dependents of prisoners and abandoned spouses, especially those with dependent children. The allowance payable is calculated as the difference between the total income and the expected overall expenditure of the family.

### 10.1.6 Income Support for the purchase of rice and flour

In order to support needy Mauritians for the purchase of rice and flour, the Food Aid Scheme was introduced in May 1993 when government subsidy on rice and flour was temporarily discontinued. Under the Food Aid Scheme, a monthly stipend is given to every needy Mauritian for the purchase of rice and flour. The beneficiaries are:

- ❖ All recipients of Social Aid and their dependents
- ❖ All those receiving the Unemployment Hardship Relief
- ❖ All needy beneficiaries of a basic pension under the National Pensions Act, i.e. beneficiaries of Basic Retirement Pension, Basic Widow's Pension, Basic Invalid's Pension and Basic Orphan's Pensions, who would have qualified to receive social aid if the basic pensions were not payable

The monthly stipend increased from Rs 30 in May 1993 to Rs 50 in October 2004, then to Rs 85 as from 1 July 2006 and later to Rs100 as from 1 July 2008.

In addition, as from 1 July 2006 with the government discontinuation of subsidy on rice and flour, an Income Support Scheme was introduced whereby a monthly allowance of Rs 40 is given to:

- ❖ Any head of household and his/her dependents whose average monthly electricity consumption does not exceed 75 KWh and who are not in receipt of Food Aid.
- ❖ Any beneficiary of basic pension and his/her dependents (under the National Pensions Act) and who would have been eligible to receive social aid if he/she was not in receipt of that basic pension.

This allowance also increased to Rs 100 as from 1 July 2008.

### 10.1.7 Inmate's Allowance

Inmate's Allowance refers to the pocket money given to certain residents of government-subsidized institutions and of the government psychiatric hospital, Brown Sequard Hospital.

### 10.1.8 Unemployment Hardship Relief

The Unemployment Hardship Relief (UHR) is payable to unemployed heads of families whose family income is not sufficient to meet the needs of the members. The head should be

- (i) Registered as unemployed at the Employment Exchange
- (ii) Be willing and able to take up employment and
- (iii) Be actively looking for work

A disabled person, who can work but has not been able to find a job, receives an Unemployment Hardship Relief in addition to his Basic Invalid's Pension.

### 10.1.9 Funeral Grant

A funeral grant is meant to cover funeral expenses of persons from low-income families.

## 10.2 CONTRIBUTORY BENEFITS

### 10.2.1 The National Pension Scheme

The National Pension Scheme was introduced in April 1976. It provides for the payment of contributory pensions to those employees of the private sector who have contributed to the National

Pensions Fund (NPF). All employees working for employers with more than 10 employees had to join the Scheme as from July 1978. Other employees joined the Scheme as from January 1980, except household workers for whom the operative date was July 1980. The self-employed were also eligible to join the Scheme as from July 1980 on a voluntary basis.

Contributions to the Scheme are payable at the rate of 10.5% by millers and large employers of the Sugar Industry (those having at least 100 arpents under sugar cane cultivation); other employers pay contribution at the rate of 6%. For all employees, the contribution rate is 3%. Contributions are not payable on bonus, overtime pay and allowances. The minimum monthly remuneration on which contributions are payable was Rs 900 for household employees and Rs 1,440 for other employees during the financial year 2008/2009. During that period, as from a monthly remuneration of Rs 9,435 a flat contribution is applicable for both categories.

### **10.2.2 The National Savings Fund**

The National Savings Fund has been set up in 1995 to replace the Employees Welfare Fund. The objectives of the National Savings Fund are:

- ❖ To provide for the payment of a lump sum to every employee on his retirement at the age of 60 or earlier, or to the beneficiary on his death; and
- ❖ To set up and operate for the benefit of employees, such schemes, including loan schemes, as may be prescribed.

This Fund is compulsory in respect to all employees, except non-citizens, of both public and private sector. Contributions to the Fund were payable at the rate of 2.5% by employers. As from February 2009, following the proclamation of the Employment Rights Act, the contribution increased to 3.5%, comprising of 2.5% from employers and 1% from employees of the Private Sector and those of parastatal bodies. This additional 1% contribution is being used to pay part of the Transitory Unemployment Benefit (TUB) to laid-off workers.

### **10.2.3 Industrial Injury Benefits**

The different types of allowances payable in respect of a work accident affecting an employee insured under the National Pension Scheme are:

- ❖ Industrial Injury allowance as a result of a total temporary incapacity, subject to medical evidence.
- ❖ Disablement pension due to a permanent incapacity (partial or total).
- ❖ Survivor's Pension as a result of the death.
- ❖ Constant attendance allowance resulting in a total temporary incapacity or a 100% disability and requiring the constant attendance of another person.
- ❖ Dependent's pension, orphan's pension, child allowance, clinical expenses, clothing expenses, hospital expenses, artificial aid.

## **10.3 THE NATIONAL SOLIDARITY FUND**

The National Solidarity Fund started operating under the aegis of the Ministry of Social Security and National Solidarity on 1 June 1991. Initially, its objectives were to provide financial assistance to:

- ❖ Mauritian citizens residing in Mauritius who require surgical operations that can only be performed abroad.
- ❖ Those undergoing Severe Personal Hardships.

Since November 1999, with the creation of the "Trust Fund for Overseas Treatment" operating under the aegis of the Ministry of Health, all surgical operations cases are referred there. The National Solidarity Fund has then widened the scope of its activities under the "Severe Personal Hardship Scheme" to cover also tragic accidents, needy students, victims of natural calamities, multiple births, medical cases, etc.

The sources of revenue of the Fund are manifold. These include:

- ❖ Contribution from the General Public
- ❖ Contribution from Ministries and Departments
- ❖ Interests on investment
- ❖ Unclaimed prizes and unclaimed winning tickets from e.g. Automatics Systems Ltd., Mauritius Turf Club and commercial promotions.

## **11. ASSUMPTIONS USED IN THE PROJECTIONS OF BASIC PENSIONS AND THEIR FUTURE COSTS**

The future costs of basic pensions are calculated on the basis of the pension rates of 2014 (flat rate) and the latest population projection based on the estimated population as at June 2014, which was worked out by Statistics Mauritius.

### **11.1 Basic Retirement Pension (including Severely Handicapped Pension and Child's Allowance)**

- ❖ The beneficiaries of Basic Retirement Pension (BRP) are assumed to be the projected population aged 60 years and over based on estimated population as at 30 June 2014.
- ❖ The proportion of beneficiaries of BRP who were severely handicapped (BRP/SH) by age group and sex in December 2014 has been assumed to remain constant in the future.
- ❖ The proportion of children receiving Child's Allowance (BRP cases) by age group and sex in December 2014 has been assumed to remain constant in the future.

### **11.2 Basic Widow's Pension (including Child's Allowance)**

- ❖ The proportion of women receiving Basic Widow's Pension (BWP) by age group in December 2014 has been assumed to remain constant in the future.
- ❖ The proportion of children receiving Child's Allowance (BWP cases) by age group and sex in December 2014 has been assumed to be the same for the next 40 years.

### **11.3 Basic Invalid's Pension (including Carer's Allowance and Child's Allowance)**

- ❖ The proportion of pensioners receiving Basic Invalid's Pension (BIP) by age group and sex in December 2014 has been assumed to remain constant in the future.
- ❖ It has been assumed that the proportion of BIP beneficiaries who obtain an additional pension (Carer's Allowance) by age group and sex remains the same as in December 2014.
- ❖ The proportion of children receiving Child's Allowance (BIP cases) by age group and sex in December 2014 has been assumed to remain constant in the future.

### **11.4 Basic Orphan's Pension (including Guardian's Allowance)**

- ❖ The proportion of children receiving Basic Orphan's Pension (BOP) by age group and sex in December 2014 has been assumed to remain constant in the future.
- ❖ The proportions of children receiving Basic Orphan's Pension (BOP) who attended full time education and those not attending full time education by age group and sex have been assumed to be the same as in December 2014
- ❖ The proportion of Basic Orphan's Pension beneficiaries per guardian has been assumed to remain the same as in December 2014.

## **Statistics Mauritius**

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**Table 1 - Government Expenditure on Social Security & Welfare - Republic of Mauritius,**

**2010 - 2013**

Government expenditure on Social Security & Welfare	Jan to Dec 2010	Jan to Dec 2011	Jan to Dec 2012	Jan to Dec 2013
Amount (Rs. Mn) <sup>1/</sup>	20,614.0	21,715.0	22,691.1	26,028.3
% of total government expenditure	26.4	27.3	26.9	26.7
% of GDP at market prices	6.9	6.7	6.6	7.1

<sup>1/</sup> Including amount spent under "Welfare" and paid by other Ministries

**Table 2.1 - No. of beneficiaries of basic pensions and amount paid, Republic of Mauritius**

*(a) No. of beneficiaries by pension type as at December 2010-2014*

Pension type	No. of beneficiaries				
	December 2010	December 2011	December 2012	December 2013	December 2014 <sup>1/</sup>
Basic Retirement Pension (Old age pension) <i>of whom</i>	153,870	161,219	169,847	177,721	184,487
<i>Severely handicapped</i> <sup>2/</sup>	16,881	16,527	16,663	16,810	16,812
Basic Widow's Pension	21,815	21,503	21,000	20,511	20,302
Basic Invalid's Pension <i>of whom</i>	27,679	26,928	27,361	30,930	30,715
<i>Severely handicapped</i> <sup>3/</sup>	7,374	6,669	6,687	6,588	6,485
Basic Orphan's Pension	369	371	368	374	372
Guardian's Allowance	313	318	317	323	321
Child's Allowance	<b>18,556</b>	<b>18,590</b>	<b>18,255</b>	<b>18,022</b>	<b>16,311</b>
<i>of whom children of beneficiaries of:</i>					
<i>Basic Retirement Pension</i>	251	245	244	268	255
<i>Basic Widow's Pension</i>	7,208	7,023	6,687	6,401	5,809
<i>Basic Invalid's Pension</i>	10,546	10,781	10,810	10,851	9,775
<i>Other</i> <sup>4/</sup>	551	541	514	502	472

<sup>1/</sup> provisional

<sup>2/</sup> drawing the Enhanced Basic Retirement Pension

<sup>3/</sup> drawing Additional Basic Invalid's Pension (Carer's Allowance)

<sup>4/</sup> these are children who were previously children of beneficiaries of Basic Retirement Pension or Basic Widow's Pension or Basic Invalid's Pension

*(b) Amount paid by pension type, calendar years 2010-2014*

Pension type	Amount paid (Rs million)				
	Jan to Dec 2010	Jan to Dec 2011	Jan to Dec 2012	Jan to Dec 2013	Jan to Dec 2014 <sup>2/</sup>
Basic Retirement Pension (including Enhanced Basic Retirement Pension and Child's Allowance)	6,612.3	7,170.8	7,980.9	8,736.6	9,959.6
Basic Widow's Pension (including Child's Allowance)	885.5	893.8	934.2	952.6	1,039.6
Basic Invalid's Pension (including Carer's Allowance and Child's Allowance)	1,312.3	1,335.5	1,431.4	1,517.4	1,678.7
Basic Orphan's Pension <sup>1/</sup> (including Guardian's Allowance)	23.4	24.3	24.7	26.5	27.7

<sup>1/</sup> includes allowances to children who were previously children of beneficiaries of Basic Retirement Pension or Basic Widow's Pension or Basic Invalid's Pension

<sup>2/</sup> provisional

**Table 2.2 - No. of beneficiaries of basic pensions and amount paid, Island of Mauritius**

*(a) No. of beneficiaries by pension type as at December 2010-2014*

Pension type	Number of beneficiaries				
	December 2010	December 2011	December 2012	December 2013	December 2014 <sup>1/</sup>
Basic Retirement Pension (Old age pension)	149,908	157,144	165,684	173,462	180,136
<i>of whom</i>					
<i>Severely handicapped</i> <sup>2/</sup>	16,230	15,817	15,991	16,198	16,158
Basic Widow's Pension	21,380	21,086	20,572	20,088	19,878
Basic Invalid's Pension	26,818	26,158	26,607	30,250	29,980
<i>of whom</i>					
<i>Severely handicapped</i> <sup>3/</sup>	7,119	6,448	6,424	6,321	6,163
Basic Orphan's Pension	319	324	322	327	326
Guardian's Allowance	275	280	278	282	279
Child's Allowance	<b>17,856</b>	<b>17,902</b>	<b>17,607</b>	<b>17,431</b>	<b>15,715</b>
<i>of whom children of beneficiaries of:</i>					
<i>Basic Retirement Pension</i>	241	234	234	256	242
<i>Basic Widow's Pension</i>	6,981	6,811	6,485	6,188	5,600
<i>Basic Invalid's Pension</i>	10,112	10,344	10,404	10,509	9,429
<i>Other</i> <sup>4/</sup>	522	513	484	478	444

<sup>1/</sup> provisional

<sup>2/</sup> drawing the Enhanced Basic Retirement Pension

<sup>3/</sup> drawing Additional Basic Invalid's Pension (Carer's Allowance)

<sup>4/</sup> these are children who were previously children of beneficiaries of Basic Retirement Pension or Basic Widow's Pension or Basic Invalid's Pension

*(b) Amount paid by pension type, calendar years 2010-2014*

Pension type	Amount paid (Rs million)				
	Jan to Dec 2010	Jan to Dec 2011	Jan to Dec 2012	Jan to Dec 2013	Jan to Dec 2014 <sup>2/</sup>
Basic Retirement Pension (including Enhanced Basic Retirement Pension and Child's Allowance)	6,431.7	6,978.6	7,772.1	8,518.0	9,727.3
Basic Widow's Pension (including Child's Allowance)	867.2	875.8	916.0	932.3	1,018.5
Basic Invalid's Pension (including Carer's Allowance and Child's Allowance)	1,270.9	1,297.1	1,387.1	1,478.2	1,634.2
Basic Orphan's Pension <sup>1/</sup> (including Guardian's Allowance)	21.0	21.9	22.5	23.8	25.0

<sup>1/</sup> includes allowances to children who were previously children of beneficiaries of Basic Retirement Pension or Basic Widow's Pension or Basic Invalid's Pension

<sup>2/</sup> provisional



**Table 2.3 - No. of beneficiaries of basic pensions and amount paid, Island of Rodrigues**

*(a) No. of beneficiaries by pension type as at December 2010-2014*

Pension type	Number of beneficiaries				
	December 2010	December 2011	December 2012	December 2013	December 2014 <sup>1/</sup>
Basic Retirement Pension (Old age pension) <i>of whom</i>	3,962	4,075	4,163	4,259	4,351
<i>Severely handicapped</i> <sup>2/</sup>	651	710	672	612	654
Basic Widow's Pension	435	417	428	423	424
Basic Invalid's Pension <i>of whom</i>	861	770	754	680	735
<i>Severely handicapped</i> <sup>3/</sup>	255	221	263	267	322
Basic Orphan's Pension	50	47	46	47	46
Guardian's Allowance	38	38	39	41	42
Child's Allowance	<b>700</b>	<b>688</b>	<b>648</b>	<b>591</b>	<b>596</b>
<i>of whom children of beneficiaries of:</i>					
<i>Basic Retirement Pension</i>	10	11	10	12	13
<i>Basic Widow's Pension</i>	227	212	202	213	209
<i>Basic Invalid's Pension</i>	434	437	406	342	346
<i>Other</i> <sup>4/</sup>	29	28	30	24	28

<sup>1/</sup> provisional

<sup>2/</sup> drawing the Enhanced Basic Retirement Pension

<sup>3/</sup> drawing Additional Basic Invalid's Pension (Carer's Allowance)

<sup>4/</sup> these are children who were previously children of beneficiaries of Basic Retirement Pension or Basic Widow's Pension or Basic Invalid's Pension

*(b) Amount paid by pension type, calendar years 2010-2014*

Pension type	Amount paid (Rs million)				
	Jan to Dec 2010	Jan to Dec 2011	Jan to Dec 2012	Jan to Dec 2013	Jan to Dec 2014 <sup>2/</sup>
Basic Retirement Pension (including Enhanced Basic Retirement Pension and Child's Allowance)	180.6	192.2	208.8	218.6	232.3
Basic Widow's Pension (including Child's Allowance)	18.3	18.0	18.2	20.3	21.1
Basic Invalid's Pension (including Carer's Allowance and Child's Allowance)	41.4	38.4	44.3	39.2	44.4
Basic Orphan's Pension <sup>1/</sup> (including Guardian's Allowance)	2.4	2.4	2.2	2.7	2.7

<sup>1/</sup> includes allowances to children who were previously children of beneficiaries of Basic Retirement Pension or Basic Widow's Pension or Basic Invalid's Pension

<sup>2/</sup> provisional

**Table 3 - Number of beneficiaries of other non-contributory social benefits and amount paid,  
Republic of Mauritius**

*(a) No. of beneficiaries by type of benefit as at December 2010 - 2014*

Type of benefit	Number of beneficiaries				
	December 2010	December 2011	December 2012	December 2013	December 2014 <sup>3/</sup>
Social Aid <sup>1/</sup>	19,432	20,191	20,447	20,570	21,246
Food aid (inclu. Income support)	96,028	76,200	87,200	96,100	93,150
Indoor Relief (Capitation Grant)	662	669	662	690	677
Inmate's Allowance	720	724	728	828	809
Unemployment Hardship Relief	479	589	611	816	882
Funeral Grant <sup>2/</sup>	3,359	3,044	3,133	3,091	3,218

<sup>1/</sup> refers to the number of cases who benefit from Social Aid for themselves and for members of their family

<sup>2/</sup> refers to the number of payments during the calendar year

<sup>3/</sup> provisional

*(b) Amount paid by type of benefit for calendar years 2010 - 2014*

Type of benefit	Amount paid (Rs million)				
	Jan to Dec 2010	Jan to Dec 2011	Jan to Dec 2012	Jan to Dec 2013	Jan to Dec 2014 <sup>3/</sup>
Social Aid <sup>1/</sup>	540.6	658.9	702.2	736.8	764.2
Food aid <sup>2/</sup> (inclu. Income support)	130.6	235.2	267.9	295.3	292.2
Indoor Relief (Capitation Grant)	44.1	46.6	51.0	54.6	63.2
Inmate's Allowance	5.6	5.9	6.8	8.1	8.9
Unemployment Hardship Relief	6.2	13.8	16.3	22.5	26.1
Funeral Grant	14.2	12.8	13.5	13.9	14.6

<sup>1/</sup> includes amount paid on (i) subsidy on HSC and SC examination fees

(ii) assistance to professional fishermen and food aid in Rodrigues

<sup>2/</sup> excludes amount spent for Rodrigues which is included in "Social aid"

<sup>3/</sup> provisional

**Table 4 - Number of cases of Social Aid paid by district as at December 2010-2014**

District/ Island	Dec 2010	Dec 2011	Dec 2012	Dec 2013	Dec 2014 <sup>1/</sup>
Port-Louis	3,864	3,980	4,100	4,125	3,888
Pamplemousses	2,115	2,273	2,481	2,496	2,411
Riviere du Rempart	1,294	1,143	1,047	1,053	1,347
Flacq	1,870	1,920	1,595	1,605	1,888
Grand-Port	1,430	1,286	1,223	1,230	1,134
Savanne	830	987	1,010	1,016	1,095
Plaine Wilhems	4,124	4,408	4,400	4,426	4,538
Moka	802	839	871	876	915
Black River	910	866	895	900	959
<b>Island of Mauritius</b>	<b>17,239</b>	<b>17,702</b>	<b>17,622</b>	<b>17,728</b>	<b>18,175</b>
<b>Island of Rodrigues</b>	<b>2,193</b>	<b>2,489</b>	<b>2,825</b>	<b>2,842</b>	<b>3,071</b>
<b>Republic of Mauritius</b>	<b>19,432</b>	<b>20,191</b>	<b>20,447</b>	<b>20,570</b>	<b>21,246</b>

<sup>1/</sup> Provisional

**Table 5 - Contribution to the National Pensions Fund (NPF), 2010 - 2014**

	Jan to Dec 2010	Jan to Dec 2011	Jan to Dec 2012	Jan to Dec 2013	Jan to Dec 2014 <sup>2/</sup>
No. of employers <sup>1/</sup> contributing to the Fund (000)	19.1	19.5	20.0	19.9	20.0
No. of employees contributing to the Fund (000)	302.2	307.4	311.4	318.7	328.6
Amount contributed by employers and employees (Rs Mn)	2,108.2	2,317.8	2,477.7	2,696.5	3,012.1
Surcharge paid by employers (Rs Mn)	4.3	5.2	4.7	5.5	6.4
Size of the NPF (Rs Mn) as at end of financial year	69,392.8	74,142.0	80,414.4	87,890.9	92,300.0

<sup>1/</sup> including the self employed and those who have contributed at least once during the financial year

<sup>2/</sup> provisional

**Table 6 - Contribution to the National Savings Fund (NSF), 2010 -2014**

	Jan to Dec 2010	Jan to Dec 2011	Jan to Dec 2012	Jan to Dec 2013	Jan to Dec 2014 <sup>1/</sup>
No. of employers contributing to Fund ('000)	18.9	19.2	19.7	19.6	19.8
No. of employees belonging to the Fund ('000)	367.2	375.4	378.2	378.8	402.2
Amount contributed by employers (RsMn) <sup>2/</sup>	1,035.0	1,137.1	1,222.3	1,314.9	1,485.4
Surcharge paid by employers (RsMn)	1.9	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.9
No. of beneficiaries of Lump Sum:	5,990	7,581	8,099	7,697	7,915
of which Voluntary Retirement Scheme (VRS)	120	136	681	63	152
Total Lump Sum paid (RsMn)	206.8	278.1	316.3	369.7	396.3
of which VRS (RsMn)	4.7	7.1	38.0	4.2	11.8
Size of Fund (RsMn) as at end of financial year	12,774.0	14,273.5	16,130.3	17,640.0	18,800.0

<sup>1/</sup> provisional

**Table 7(a) - Number of beneficiaries of contributory pensions as at December 2010 - 2014, Republic of Mauritius**

Pension type	December 2010	December 2011	December 2012	December 2013	December 2014 <sup>1/</sup>
Contributory Retirement Pension	54,880	60,000	66,069	72,221	78,185
Contributory Widow's Pension <sup>2/</sup>	19,670	20,851	21,940	23,263	24,512
Contributory Invalid's Pension	7,363	7,688	8,305	9,469	9,799
Contributory Orphan's Pension	134	139	155	168	173
Industrial Injury Benefits	913	866	841	822	797

<sup>1/</sup> provisional

**Table 7(b) -Amount paid to beneficiaries of contributory pensions 2010 - 2014 Republic of Mauritius**

Pension type	Amount paid (Rs million)				
	Jan to Dec 2010	Jan to Dec 2011	Jan to Dec 2012	Jan to Dec 2013	Jan to Dec 2014 <sup>1/</sup>
Contributory Retirement Pension	783.5	885.7	1,027.3	1,176.0	1,316.1
Contributory Widow's Pension	222.0	248.6	285.8	322.1	358.4
Contributory Invalid's Pension	37.5	41.4	48.0	54.7	58.8
Contributory Orphan's Pension	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.3
Industrial Injury Benefits	34.7	35.5	42.5	39.4	38.2

<sup>1/</sup> provisional

**Table 8(a) - No. of cases receiving assistance from the National Solidarity Fund (NSF) by type, 2010-2014, Republic of Mauritius**

Contingency	Number of cases				
	Jan to Dec 2010	Jan to Dec 2011	Jan to Dec 2012	Jan to Dec 2013	Jan to Dec 2014
Medical treatment abroad (Air ticket only)	-	-	-	-	-
Personal Hardship Scheme :	1,798	1,602	1,912	1,775	2,987
- Multiple births	-	1	-	-	1
- Fire victims	5	-	-	-	-
- Natural calamities	-	-	-	115	18
- Tragic accidents	16	17	14	13	10
- Needy students	804	543	718	658	937
- Repatriation of mortal remains	5	3	6	1	8
- Destitute	464	608	654	499	965
- Medical case	455	387	484	444	1,005
- Centenarian	39	40	34	45	43
- Sale by levy (Hardship case)	10	3	2	-	-
Other	19	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,817</b>	<b>1,602</b>	<b>1,912</b>	<b>1,775</b>	<b>2,987</b>

**Table 8(b) - Amount disbursed by the National Solidarity Fund (NSF) by type, 2010-2014, Republic of Mauritius**

Contingency	Amount paid (Rs 000)				
	Jan to Dec 2010	Jan to Dec 2011	Jan to Dec 2012	Jan to Dec 2013	Jan to Dec 2014
Medical treatment abroad (Air ticket only)	-	-	-	-	-
Personal Hardship Scheme:	20,573	15,336	17,577	14,730	34,234
- Multiple births	-	30	-	30	30
- Fire victims	29	-	-	-	-
- Natural calamities	-	-	-	314	101
- Tragic accidents	349	425	340	325	350
- Needy students	6,698	4,698	6,401	5,611	8,837
- Repatriation of mortal remains	150	85	150	50	333
- Destitute	3,293	3,402	3,350	2,510	6,870
- Medical case	7,055	5,696	6,378	5,408	17,263
- Centenarian	390	400	340	450	430
- Sale by levy (Hardship case)	2,609	600	618	32	20
Other	114	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>20,687</b>	<b>15,336</b>	<b>17,577</b>	<b>14,730</b>	<b>34,234</b>

**Table 9 - Projected mid year population<sup>1/</sup> by broad age group and sex, Republic of Mauritius, 2014- 2054**

Age-group (years)	2014			2019			2024			2029			2034		
	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes
Under 15	129.2	125.2	<b>254.4</b>	112.6	109.5	<b>222.1</b>	101.4	98.6	<b>200.0</b>	95.8	93.1	<b>188.9</b>	90.6	88.0	<b>178.6</b>
15 - 59	415.9	411.5	<b>827.3</b>	415.5	409.5	<b>825.0</b>	404.9	397.1	<b>802.0</b>	388.4	378.7	<b>767.1</b>	374.1	362.5	<b>736.6</b>
60 & over	79.0	100.2	<b>179.2</b>	97.9	120.7	<b>218.7</b>	118.1	143.3	<b>261.5</b>	133.6	161.4	<b>295.0</b>	140.7	170.2	<b>310.9</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>624.0</b>	<b>636.9</b>	<b>1,260.9</b>	<b>626.1</b>	<b>639.7</b>	<b>1,265.8</b>	<b>624.4</b>	<b>639.1</b>	<b>1,263.5</b>	<b>617.8</b>	<b>633.2</b>	<b>1,251.0</b>	<b>605.4</b>	<b>620.7</b>	<b>1,226.1</b>
Pensioner support ratio <sup>2/</sup>	5.3	4.1	<b>4.6</b>	4.2	3.4	<b>3.8</b>	3.4	2.8	<b>3.1</b>	2.9	2.3	<b>2.6</b>	2.7	2.1	<b>2.4</b>
Index of ageing <sup>3/</sup>	61.1	80.0	<b>70.4</b>	86.9	110.2	<b>98.5</b>	116.5	145.3	<b>130.8</b>	139.5	173.4	<b>156.2</b>	155.3	193.4	<b>174.1</b>

Age-group (years)	2039			2044			2049			2054		
	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes
Under 15	83.3	80.9	<b>164.3</b>	75.2	73.0	<b>148.2</b>	67.8	65.7	<b>133.5</b>	62.0	60.1	<b>122.0</b>
15 - 59	354.3	341.1	<b>695.4</b>	332.5	316.8	<b>649.3</b>	314.1	297.4	<b>611.5</b>	289.5	271.8	<b>561.2</b>
60 & over	149.1	179.0	<b>328.1</b>	155.6	186.0	<b>341.6</b>	155.0	183.9	<b>338.8</b>	157.8	184.9	<b>342.7</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>586.7</b>	<b>601.0</b>	<b>1,187.7</b>	<b>563.3</b>	<b>575.7</b>	<b>1,139.0</b>	<b>536.8</b>	<b>547.0</b>	<b>1,083.8</b>	<b>509.2</b>	<b>516.8</b>	<b>1,026.0</b>
Pensioner support ratio <sup>2/</sup>	2.4	1.9	<b>2.1</b>	2.1	1.7	<b>1.9</b>	2.0	1.6	<b>1.8</b>	1.8	1.5	<b>1.6</b>
Index of ageing <sup>3/</sup>	179.0	221.3	<b>199.7</b>	206.9	254.8	<b>230.5</b>	228.6	279.9	<b>253.8</b>	254.5	307.7	<b>280.9</b>

<sup>1/</sup> In thousands and based on 2011 Population Census data

<sup>2/</sup> Number of persons of working age (15-59 years) per old-age pensioner (aged 60 years and over)

<sup>3/</sup> Number of persons aged 60 years and over per 100 children below 15 years

**Table 10 - Projected number of beneficiaries and estimated future costs of basic pension,  
Republic of Mauritius, 2014 - 2054**

*(a) Actual & projected no. of beneficiaries <sup>1/</sup> by pension type as at December, 2014- 2054* ('000)

Pension type	Actual number Dec 2014	Projected number of beneficiaries							
		2019	2024	2029	2034	2039	2044	2049	2054
Basic Retirement Pension	184.5	218.7	261.5	295.0	310.9	328.1	341.6	338.8	342.7
<i>of whom</i>									
<i>Severely handicapped <sup>2/</sup></i>	16.8	18.7	22.4	26.7	31.0	34.8	37.8	39.3	40.1
Basic Widow's Pension	20.3	21.0	20.6	20.2	20.9	20.4	19.1	19.1	17.6
Basic Invalid's Pension	30.7	30.9	30.4	29.7	29.3	28.2	26.6	25.6	23.5
<i>of whom</i>									
<i>Severely handicapped <sup>3/</sup></i>	6.5	6.5	6.4	6.2	6.1	5.8	5.5	5.3	4.9
Basic Orphan's Pension	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Guardian's Allowance	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Child's Allowance	<b>16.3</b>	<b>14.8</b>	<b>13.0</b>	<b>11.6</b>	<b>10.9</b>	<b>10.3</b>	<b>9.5</b>	<b>8.6</b>	<b>7.7</b>
<i>of whom children of beneficiaries of:</i>									
<i>Basic Retirement Pension</i>	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1
<i>Basic Widow's Pension</i>	5.8	5.3	4.6	4.1	3.8	3.6	3.4	3.1	2.7
<i>Basic Invalid's Pension</i>	9.8	8.8	7.8	7.0	6.6	6.2	5.7	5.1	4.6
<i>Other <sup>4/</sup></i>	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2

<sup>1/</sup> provisional

<sup>2/</sup> drawing the Enhanced Basic Retirement Pension

<sup>3/</sup> drawing Additional Basic Invalid's Pension (Carer's Allowance)

<sup>4/</sup> children of previous beneficiaries of Basic Retirement Pension or Basic Widow's Pension or Basic Invalid's Pension

*(b) Actual & estimated future costs (Rs Mn) by pension type, 2014-2054* (Rs Mn)

Pension type	Actual amount 2014 <sup>1/</sup>	Estimated future costs at 2014 pension rates							
		2019	2024	2029	2034	2039	2044	2049	2054
Basic Retirement Pension (including Enhanced Basic Retirement Pension and Child's Allowance)	9,960	11,222	13,371	15,135	16,062	17,123	18,084	18,150	18,489
Basic Widow's Pension (including Child's Allowance)	1,040	970	943	919	945	921	862	854	789
Basic Invalid's Pension (including Carer's Allowance and Child's Allowance)	1,679	1,606	1,565	1,523	1,497	1,436	1,354	1,296	1,192
Basic Orphan's Pension <sup>2/</sup> (including Guardian's Allowance)	28	23	20	18	17	16	15	13	12

<sup>1/</sup> provisional

<sup>2/</sup> includes also allowances to children of previous beneficiaries of Basic Retirement Pension or Basic Widow's Pension or Basic Invalid's Pension



**Table 11 - Non-contributory benefits by type and rate payable, 2010-2014**

Pension type	Monthly amount payable (Rs)				
	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Basic Retirement Pension (BRP) :					
(60-69) years	3,048	3,146	3,350	3,494	3,623
(70-89) years	3,048	3,146	3,350	3,494	3,623
(90-99) years	9,067	9,357	9,975	10,404	10,789
100 years and over	10,292	10,621	11,320	11,807	12,300
Basic Widow's Pension (BWP)	2,745	2,833	3,020	3,150	3,267
Basic Invalid's Pension (BIP)	2,745	2,833	3,020	3,150	3,267
Basic Orphan's Pension (BOP)					
(i) Under 15 years and not in full time education	1,520	1,569	1,673	1,745	1,810
(ii) 3 years and up to 20 years and in full time education	2,798	2,888	3,079	3,211	3,330
Guardian's Allowance:(Under the National Pensions Act)	670	691	737	769	798
Child's Allowance:(Under the National Pensions Act)					
(0 - 9) years	890	918	979	1,021	1,059
(10-19) years	953	983	1,048	1,093	1,133
Enhanced Basic Retirement Pension <sup>1/</sup> :					
(60-69) years	4,969	5,128	5,463	5,698	5,909
(70-89) years	4,969	5,128	5,463	5,698	5,909
(90-99) years	10,988	11,339	12,088	12,608	13,075
100 years and over	12,213	12,603	13,433	14,011	14,586
Additional Basic Invalid's Pension (Carer's Allowance)	1,662	1,715	1,828	1,907	1,978
Social Aid (minimum amount payable)	741	765	815	850	882
Food Aid	119	246	246	257	267
Income Support (as from 1 July 2006)	119	246	246	257	267
Inmate's Allowance : (a) Charitable Institutions	471	486	518	540	560
(b) Brown Sequard Hospital:					
Under 60 years	686	708	755	788	817
(60-69) years	762	786	838	874	906
(70-89) years	762	786	838	874	906
(90-99) years	2,267	2,339	2,494	2,601	2,697
Unemployment Hardship Relief (Minimum)	194	200	213	222	230
Minimum Contributory Retirement Pension	412	425	453	472	490
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Indoor Relief :					
Under 60 years	168	173	184	192	199
(60-89) years	184	190	203	212	220
(90-99) years	475	490	522	544	564
100 years and over	490	506	539	562	583

<sup>1/</sup> Inclusive of Basic Retirement Pension