

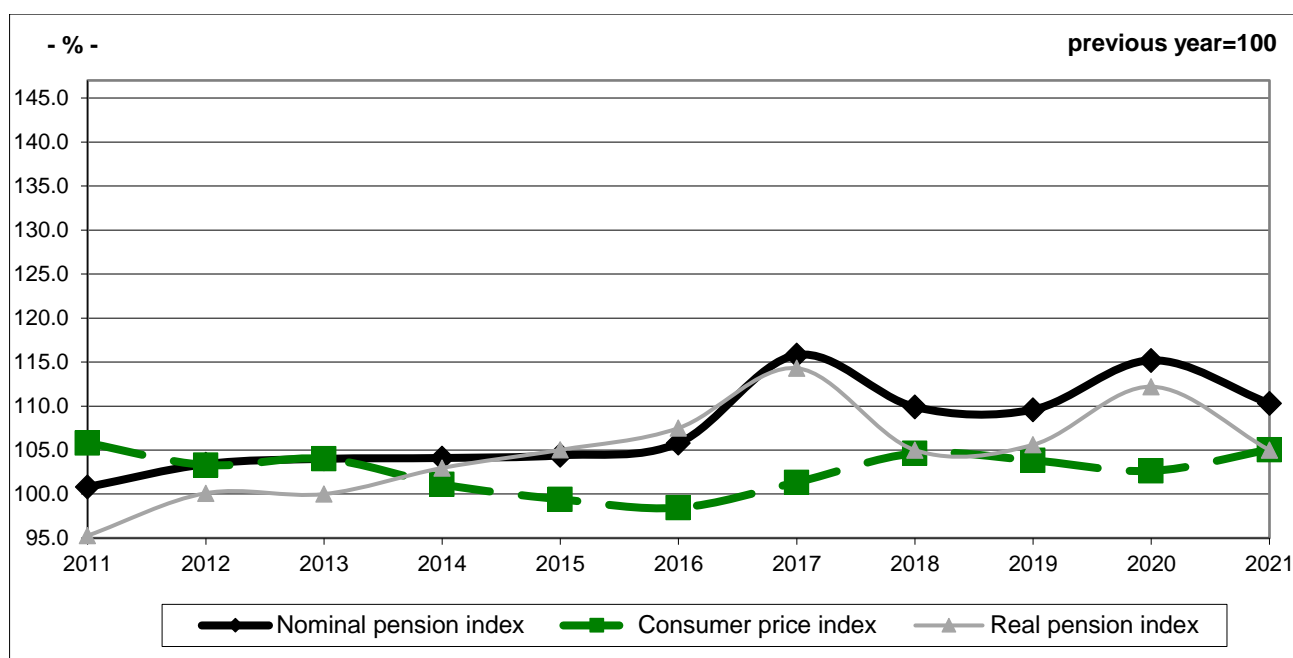
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## 49 THOUSANDS PENSIONERS LESS IN 2021 AS AGAINST OF THE PREVIOUS YEAR

In 2021:

- **the average number of pensioners** was 5079 thousands persons, decreasing with 49 thousands persons as against of the previous year; average number of state social insurance pensioners was 4654 thousands persons decreasing with 21 thousands persons as against of the previous year;
- **the average monthly pension** (is determined based on all amounts of pensions for all categories of pensioners –social insurance, invalidity, survivors etc.- paid by Pensions Houses<sup>1</sup>) was 1666 lei, increasing with 11.1% as against the previous year;
- **the average state monthly social insurance pension** was 1602 lei, and the ratio between the average nominal net pension of state social insurance for old age with full contribution stage (without tax and without health insurance contribution) and the average net earnings was 53.0% (as compared to 52.0% in the previous year);
- **the real pension index** as against of the previous year, calculated as the ratio between the nominal pension index (for calculation of real pension)\* and the consumer prices index, was 105.0%.

Evolution of nominal pension index and consumer price index during 2011-2021



[Data of the graph \(xls\).](#)

In 2021 compared with 2020 (table pag.2)

- As compared with the previous year average number of pensioners decreased with 49 thousands persons, and the average number state social insurance pensioners decreased with 21 thousands persons;
- Monthly average pension and average state monthly social insurance pension increased as compared with the previous year, with 11.1% respectively with 10.5%.

<sup>1</sup> Average monthly pension is determined based on the amounts paid pensioners by National House of Public Pensions, Ministry of Defense, Ministry of Internal Affairs, Romanian Intelligence Service, Ministry of Culture and National Identity, Insurance House of Lawyers.

**The average number of pensioners and average monthly pension\*\***

	Average number - thousands persons-		Average monthly pension -lei/month -	
	2020	2021	2020	2021
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5128</b>	<b>5079</b>	<b>1500</b>	<b>1666</b>
<i>Of which, by pension system:</i>				
<b>Social insurance</b>	<b>5127</b>	<b>5078</b>	<b>1500</b>	<b>1666</b>
Of which, state social insurance	4675	4654	1450	1602
<i>Of which, social insurance by categories of pension :</i>				
A) Old age	4021	4021	1680	1857
B) Anticipated	16	13	1814	2178
C) Partial anticipated	91	99	1440	1771
D) Disability	475	432	732	765
E) Survivor	524	513	817	894

[Data of the table \(xls\).](#)

**In 2021**

The social insurance pensioners represent the majority ( 99.98%) of the total number of pensioners.

The state social insurance pensioners represent 91.65% out of the total insurance pensioners.

By categories of pensions, the number of social insurance pensioners was represented mainly (79.2%) by the number of old age pensioners. The anticipated and partial anticipated old age categories of pensioners represented 2.2%.

The total ratio between the average number of state social insurance pensioners and the one of employees was of 9 to 10; this ratio varies widely at territorial level, from only 4 pensioners to 10 employees in Ilfov county, to 16 pensioners to 10 employees in Teleorman county, 14 to 10 in Giurgiu and Vaslui county, and 13 to 10 in Botoșani county.

The average state monthly social insurance pension shows significant territorial disparities, the gap between the minimum and maximum value being 851 lei (1273 lei in Botoșani county, 1281 lei in Giurgiu county, 1297 lei in Vrancea county as compared to 2124 lei in Hunedoara county, 2026 lei in Bucharest, and 1889 lei in Brașov county).

In 2021, the total number of beneficiaries of *EGO<sup>2</sup> no 6/2009 regarding the minimum guaranteed social pension* (social indemnity) was 943.7 thousands persons, of which:

- 793.1 thousands persons from state social insurance system, representing 17.0% out of the total pensioners of this category;
- 132.8 thousands persons from the former system of farmers representing 57.9% out of the total pensioners of this category;
- 17.8 thousands persons from military system, representing 2.4% out of the total of this category.

**Thousand Additional information:**

\*Real pension expresses the equivalent of goods and services that can be purchased or used with the average nominal net pension in a certain period of time compared to other periods, given the evolution of consumer prices index. The indicator is determined taking into account the amounts for pensions paid pensioners from state social insurance and for those from MAPN, MAI, SRI.

\*\* Average monthly pension is computed by dividing the entitled amounts of the paid pensioners from the reference year by the average number multiplied by 12 (months).

For a correct interpretation of the indicators, please refer to the [Methodological notes attached to the press release on homepage](#).

The next press release on the average number of pensioners and average monthly pension will be on 14<sup>th</sup> of June 2022. Press release archive: <https://insse.ro/cms/en/comunicate-de-presa-view>

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<sup>2</sup> According to art.7 of the Law no.118 / 2010 "... within the legal acts in force, the term guaranteed minimum social pension is replaced by the term social indemnity for pensioners" and from 1 March 2017, EGO no.6 / 18.02 .2009 was updated, with the introduction of social indemnity for pensioners in the military system, as well.