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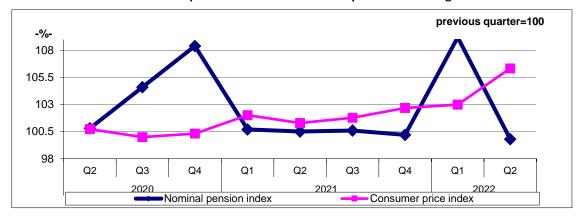
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# THE AVERAGE MONTHLY PENSION INCREASED (+0.3%) IN FIRST QUARTER 2022 AS AGAINST OF THE PREVIOUS QUARTER

# In the second quarter of 2022:

- the average number of pensioners was 5003 thousands persons, decreasing with 21 thousands persons as against of the previous quarter; average number of state social insurance pensioners was 4604 thousands persons, decreasing with 13 thousands persons as against of the previous quarter;
- 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 Houses¹) was 1851 lei, increasing with 0.3% as against the previous quarter;
- the average state monthly social insurance pension was 1774 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 51.8% (as compared to 54.4% in the previous quarter);
- the real pension index as against of the previous quarter, calculated as the ratio between the nominal pension index (for calculation of real pension)\* and the consumer prices index, was 93.9%.

#### Evolution of nominal pension index and consumer price index during 2020-2022



## Data of the graph (xls).

## Second quarter of 2022 compared with second quarter of 2021 (table pag.2)

- As compared with the second quarter of the previous year average number of pensioners decrease with 82 thousands persons, and the average number state social insurance pensioners decrease with 53 thousands persons;
- Monthly average pension and average state monthly social insurance pension increased as compared with the second quarter of the previous year, with 11.4% respectively 10.8%.

# Second quarter of 2022 compared with first quarter of 2021 (table pag.2)

- The average number of pensioners decreased with 21 thousands persons as against of the previous quarter, while the average number of state social insurance pensioners decreased with 13 thousands persons;
- The average monthly pension and the average state monthly social insurance pension increased as against of the previous quarter, with 0.3% respectively 0.1%.

<sup>&</sup>lt;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, Insurance House of Lawyers.

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

	Average number			Average monthly pension		
	- thousands persons-			-lei/month -		
	Q.II 2021	Q.I 2022	Q.II 2022	Q.II 2021	Q.I 2022	Q.II 2022
TOTAL	5085	5024	5003	1661	1846	1851
Of which, by pension system:						
Social insurance	5084	5023	5002	1661	1846	1852
Of which, state						
social insurance	4657	4617	4604	1601	1772	1774
Of which, social insurance by categories of pension :						
A) Old age	4023	3989	3982	1852	2052	2057
B) Anticipated	14	11	10	2171	2477	2480
C) Partial						
anticipated	98	103	102	1751	2067	2100
D) Disability	435	417	409	768	826	818
E) Survivor	514	503	499	893	996	995

## Data of the table (xls).

## Second quarter 2022

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

The state social insurance pensioners represent 92.0% out of the total insurance pensioners.

By categories of pensions, the number of social insurance pensioners was represented mainly (79.6%) 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 8 to 10; this ratio varies widely at territorial level, from only 4 pensioners to 10 employees in Bucharest and Ilfov county, to 15 pensioners to 10 employees in Teleorman county, 14 to 10 in Vaslui county.

The average state monthly social insurance pension shows significant territorial disparities, the gap between the minimum and maximum value being 945 lei (1409 lei in Botoşani county, 1419 lei in Giurgiu county, 1427 lei in Vrancea county as compared to 2354 lei Hunedoara county, 2249 lei in Bucharest, and 2085 lei in Brasov county).

In the second quarter of 2022, the total number of beneficiaries of EGO<sup>2</sup> no 6/2009 regarding the minimum guaranteed social pension (social indemnity) was 1156.5 thousands persons, of which:

- 1023.6 thousands persons from state social insurance system, representing 22.2% out of the total pensioners of this category;
- 126.4 thousands persons from the former system of farmers representing 64.3% out of the total pensioners of this category;
- 6.5 thousands persons from military system, representing 3.3% 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 quarter by the average monthly number multiplied by 3 (months).

For a correct interpretation of the indicators, please refer to the <u>Methodological notes attached to the press release</u> on homepage.

The next press release on the average number of pensioners and average monthly pension will be on 19<sup>th</sup> of December 2022. Press release archive: <a href="http://www.insse.ro/cms/en/comunicate-de-presa-view">http://www.insse.ro/cms/en/comunicate-de-presa-view</a>.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;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.