



Terms used in official statistics



Social Assistance

Definition:

Is the institution of the social policy of the State which aims at providing individuals and families with possibilities to overcome difficult life situations that they are not able to overcome by themselves with the use of their own competence, resources and opportunities and supports them in their efforts aimed at satisfying their needs, and it shall allow them for living in conditions which conform to human dignity.

Social Assistance is organised by units of central and local administration in cooperation with organisations such as foundations, associations, the Catholic Church, other churches, religious groups, as well as natural and legal persons.

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Low-level terms:

- [Beneficiaries of social assistance at domicile](#)
- [Income criterion for people applying for social assistance](#)
- [Social assistance at domicile](#)

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