Social protection statistics
Child support beneficiaries in 2015

Total number of beneficiaries realizing the right to child support in 2015 was 8,992 and number of children realizing the right to child support in the same year was 17,936. Out of that number, 77 children in institutions for children without parental care are beneficiaries of child support.

Compared to 2014 year, number of beneficiaries realizing the right to child support decreased by 10%, and number of children beneficiaries decreased by 7% in 2015.

The total funds paid for year 2015 amount to 4,184,462 €, which is an decrease of 10%, comparing to previous year. The largest share in total assets belong to Podgorica, 954,585 € or 23%, while the least funds are paid to the municipality Zabljak 6,850 € or 0.1%. 
Graph 1. Child support beneficiaries 2011-2015

Graph 2. Child support by municipalities 2015
METHODOLOGICAL EXPLANATIONS

Data in this Release were obtained through the annual report of Ministry of Labour and Social Welfare of Montenegro, and refer to number of beneficiaries, number of children realizing the right to child support and disbursed funds. Data refer to the average number of holders of rights to child allowance and the average number of children using child benefits. Funds are paid on annual basis.

According to the Law on Social and Child Protection entitled to child benefit can be achieved:
- Child allowance beneficiaries;
- A child with a physical, mental or sensory disability, who can be trained to live and work independently;
- A child with a physical, mental or sensory disability, which cannot be trained for independent life and work;
- Children without parental care.

The child allowance is paid in a monthly amount to the parent or guardian or the person from whom the child was entrusted to the care, education and training.

Allowance for a child without parental care, which is placed in an institution, shall be paid on behalf of a child to an authorized person at the facility and it is used for the needs of the child.

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