System	Fragmented social insurance model	Single-tiered universal pension model	Two-tiered universal pension model
	Japan's present system	Swedish model	Canadian model
Structure	Welfare Employee Civil servant pensions National Pension system adjustment taxes National Pension system:	Taxes: Pensions Premiums Minimum-guaranteed pension:	Taxes: Supplementary benefit payment Premiums Basic pension: financed by taxes,
	premiums (about 15,000 yen per month regardless of income level), 1/2 of benefits financed by taxes	financed by taxes, full amount paid to those with 40 years' residence whose income is below the threshold, loose income test	full amount paid to those with 40 years' residence; benefits reduced for high-income earners via tax return (claw-back)
	OPublic assistance: financed by taxes, based on means test		OSupplementary benefit: financed by taxes, based on income test
	● Employee and civil servant pensions: premiums (about 15% of earnings, shared equally with employers and employees), 1/2 of fixed-amount benefits financed by taxes, self-employed not covered	●Earnings-related pension: premiums (fixed rate of earnings), compulsory participation by self- employed	● Earnings-related pension: premiums (fixed rate of earnings), participation by self-employed optional