

Changes in Numbers of Contracts Approved and Participants of Defined Contribution Pension Plans

FY	Number of corporate-type plans approved	Number of participants in corporate plans (1,000 people)	Number of participants in private plans (people)
2001	70	88	443
2002	361	325	13,995
2003	845	708	28,225
2004	1,402	1,255	46,066
2005	1,866	1,733	63,303
2006	2,313	2,187	80,081
2007	2,710	2,711	93,036
2008	3,043	3,110	101,201

Source: Pension Bureau, MHLW

Note: The Defined Contribution Pension Act was enforced in October 2001. Private-type of DC pension plans was introduced in January 2002.