# Responding to Population Aging by Enhancing the Sense of Happiness of Senior Citizens

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### Overview of Dalian

Located at the southern tip of the Liaodong Peninsula, Dalian is an important city in North China in terms of port, trade, industry and tourism. Despite a history of just over a hundred years, this young city has high level of aging degree.





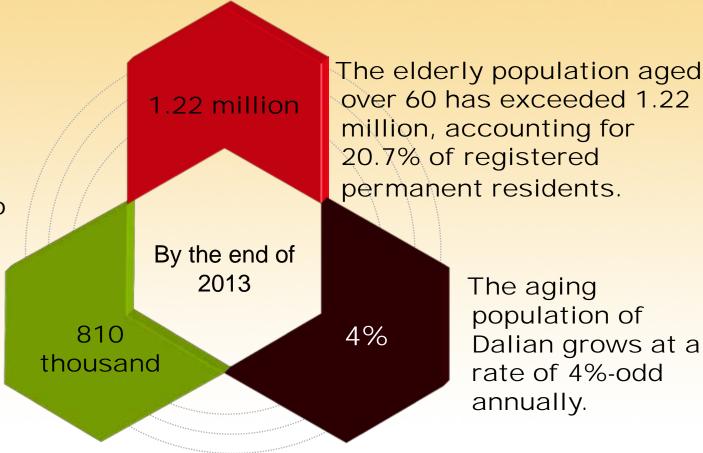






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#### Features of Elderly Population in Dalian





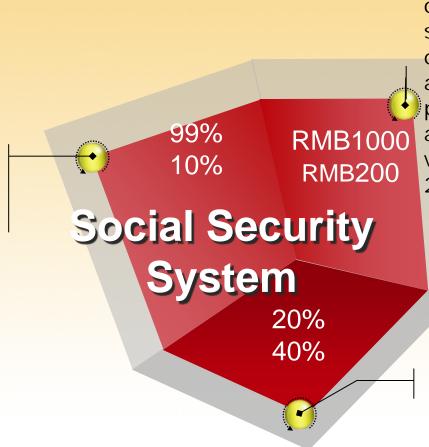




In recent years, guided by the governing principle of formulating beneficial programs and supportive policies, and perfecting subsidizing measures, Dalian municipal government has been implementing a series of favorable aged projects. As a result, the city's old-age service has upgraded a lot and service models are more diversified. Elderly people's livelihood have been improved with reference to daily care, medical service, learning opportunities, recreation and self-accomplishment.

Accelerating the construction of old-age social security system to improve the social security level for elderly people in a comprehensive way

The participating rate of the new rural cooperative medical system in Dalian reaches 99%. All the urban residents in Dalian benefit from social pension insurance and medical insurance. The allowances have been increased by 10%.



The city has established old age allowance system. Currently, each centenarian receive allowance of RMB 1000 per month; each person aged 90-99 is provided with allowance of RMB 200 per month;

The allowances dispensed to people aged 70-79 and above 80 that live in straitened circumstances have been increased by 20% and 40% on the basis of the original level respectively.

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## Government Guarantee

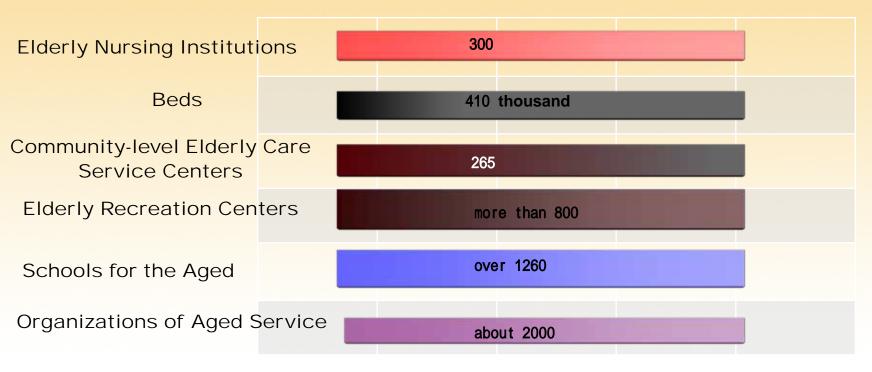
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Free or half prices of public transportation and scenic spots tickets.

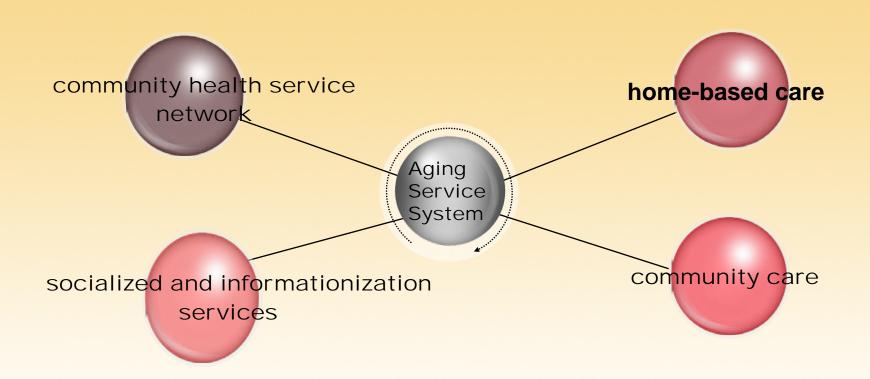
Various pension service allowances

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Starting from the year of 2010, Dalian has invested more than 2 billion RMB in the construction and renovation of elderly nursing institutions.



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An old-age service system based on home-based care, supported by community care, supplemented by institutional care, underpinned by socialized and informationization services has gradually come into being. This system features large amount of elderly institutions with Chinese characteristics.

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Daunting tasks in the development of the aging cause and the silver industry.

- Mechanisms of aged service industry and silver industry are yet to be enhanced
- Products for elderly people are insufficient
- Professional nursing personnel are far from enough



By the year of 2020, all the elderly people in Dalian will enjoy a variety of services, such as daily care, medical care, spiritual support, emergency rescue and information services.



#### Strengthening the talent training



Talent training system with combination of diploma education and vocational training will be established. Colleges and universities as well as secondary vocational schools will be encouraged to offer majors and courses relévant to aging service, and the graduates will enjoy employment supportive policiés.



Government Subsidy

Dalian Municipal Government will subsidize professional trainings.



Improve living standards and social status

We are aimed to improve aged nursing personnel's living standards and social status through increasing their salaries, extending government stimulus and social honors.



Improve the investment and financing policies

Perfect land supply policies to guarantee the land use of aged nursing facilities

Preferential tax policies and administrative charge reduction and exemption policies regarding silver industry will be enhanced

Sustaining policies will be perfected to give priority to the delivery of the special fund for the construction of major projects of silver industry

Talent training and employment policies will be improved

#### The silver industry boasts a promising future in China

Now that our city hosts Dalian International Senior Industry Expo every year, I would like to avail myself of this opportunity to extend a sincere invitation to all the distinguished guests present today so that we will be able to carry on cooperations and renew our friendship.

