

Building ~~up~~ on Esping-Andersen's approach of conceptualizing welfare states according to their level of labor commodification ~~of labour~~, the French state fits in embodies the Conservative-conservative approach to social policy and welfare. The aim of the French social protection system is income maintenance ~~(Palier 2000: 116)~~ rather than the ~~It is more than~~ simple poverty alleviation ~~which is~~ found in the Anglo-Saxon system or universalistic distribution, which is representative ~~for of~~ the Northern Social-Democratic system ~~(Palier 2000: 116)~~. ~~Since the entitlement depends on the contribution history paid by workers, most benefits are earnings-related.~~

The French welfare state ~~is is largely~~ based on a set of non-state private agencies. There is both a compulsory scheme to which everyone must be affiliated as well as a supplementary scheme (couverture complémentaire or mutuelle) that covers costs that are not reimbursed by the general plan. ~~The~~ *Sécurité Sociale* (Social Protection) is a compulsory health insurance policy divided into four main sectors: 1) healthcare and work accidents/diseases; 2) health/illness/injury (including occupational

Comment [A1]: Citations are conventionally positioned just before punctuation (commas, periods, semicolons, colons or question marks), regardless of what is being referenced.

Comment [A2]: This sentence marked a slight shift in theme from a general overview to a more detailed description of the system.

Comment [A3]: We added a qualifier based on the transformations.

Comment [A4]: This was repositioned because the *Sécurité Sociale* is described as the compulsory form.

Comment [A5]: Please note that we have amended these based on our own research. Unemployment is not one of the four main branches. Please see: <https://www.diplomatie.gouv.fr/fr/services-aux-citoyens/preparer-son-retour-en-france/assurance-maladie/article/la-securite-sociale>

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[injuries and diseases](#)); [3](#) old age and retirement; ~~unemployment insurance~~ and [4](#) family (CNAV 2010). ~~There is a compulsory scheme anyone must be affiliated to and a complementary one (mutuelle).~~ [Most benefits are earnings-related, and the amount of the entitlement depends on the workers' contribution history.](#)

Comment [A6]: This was moved from the first paragraph because it is closely related to this section.

~~But The~~ [However, the previously](#) Bismarckian nature of the French welfare state has been transformed into a state-run one by some structural changes. ~~This reform relies mainly on~~ [A prominent element of these reforms is the *Revenu de solidarité active*](#)

Comment [A7]: We began a new paragraph here because there is a shift in the theme from the main sectors and the earnings related benefits to the means-tested, non-contributory government scheme.

~~(RSA; Active Solidarity Income) a, a re-insertion policy (*Revenu Minimum d'Insertion*), which is~~ non-contributory means-tested scheme. ~~It~~ [that](#) guarantees a [minimum income for unemployed and underemployed workers](#) ~~least level of resources~~. In order to be eligible for this scheme, a [person of non-French nationality](#) ~~has to~~ [must be in the possession of](#) [possess](#) a *carte de séjour* and ~~has to have~~ [have](#) lived in France for [at least](#) five years. ~~An~~ [Thus, some](#) unemployed North-Africans [who is](#) ~~are~~ not eligible for ~~a~~ [other](#) unemployment benefits ~~is therefore eligible~~ [can obtain](#) ~~for the RM~~ [RSA](#), which ~~is of~~ [provides an income of](#) [€559.74](#) ~~460~~ a month (~~Service-~~

Comment [A8]: In fact, the Revenu Minimum d'Insertion system ceased around 2009. It has been replaced by Revenu de solidarité active.

Comment [A9]: This is the updated amount from this site <https://www.service-public.fr/particuliers/vosdroits/N19775>

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~~Public.fr 2019 Rmi Fr. 2010~~), as well as ~~He is also eligible for~~ housing benefits and health protection. ~~He/she is~~Such persons are exonerated from paying council tax and ~~he/she can~~are also be eligible for a phone bill reduction ~~of the phone bill~~. However, a North African immigrant who has not been in France for a sufficient period to be eligible for RSA is subject to experiencing severe economic insecurity ~~appears if the North-African immigrant has not been in France for enough time.~~

Comment [A10]: We have used this as reference for this change Service-Public.fr . 2019, Revenu de solidarité active (RSA). <https://www.service-public.fr/particuliers/vosdroits/N19775>

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