
Subject: Re: Dole

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In Canada, we essentially have two forms of the 'Dole' : 'Welfare, and 'Employment Insurance' .

'Welfare' or a 'Living Allowance' is pretty much the same thing as the 'Dole' , and is a Provincial jurisdiction.

Employment Insurance is the one I like. With 'EI' , as soon as someone gets a job, and is on the payroll, a portion of their weekly, or bi-weekly earnings is sent into a massive fund.

When the person loses their job, they get put on EI. Because they have paid into the fund, the money they receive can equal their previous salary, or be a major percentage of what they previously earned. EI lasts for a relatively short time, but enough for someone to find a new job. Once they are back in the workforce, they automatically begin paying into EI again.

From what I've seen, EI seems to work very nicely, in that the person is much more motivated to find a new job, because the EI payments will run out in a short time. Life on Welfare is comparatively 'dumpy' , but many people just seem to 'adjust' to it, and know that until the day they die, they'll be getting the same cheque from the government.

As our friend Caveman has said, he really can't afford to have a pint with the lads, and that just makes life boring, which in turn can make the person unmotivated to pull themselves out of the rut. With EI, a person will be able to run their vehicle to get around and go for interviews, buy decent food, and still be able to have a beer with the boys.

For what it's worth, our federal government has not paid into the EI program since 1990.

Lastly, troopr02 has no idea what depreciation is, nor does he even know what car he's driving. The 2001 C220 is NOT sold in Canada because it is a CDI. It's likely a C240, and if that's what it is, it's bluebooked for about 12-16K depending on mileage and features. If troop's parents DID pay \$37,000 for an seven to eight year old Benz, It'll prove to me that stupidity is indeed hereditary.
