

4 Major Social Insurances
Understanding and Performance
of Integrated Collection Projects

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### Introduction and Operation of the Four Major Social Insurances

- The introduction of the four major social insurances in South Korea was based on social and economic needs.
- After their introduction, they were managed and operated separately by the respective ministries.

1967.7.1.

Workers'
Compensation
Insurance

1977.7.1.

**Health Insurance** 

1988.1.1.

National Pension Plan 1995.7.1.

**Employment Insurance** 

2008.7.1.

Elderly
Long-term care
insurance



### Management and Operation of the Four Major Social Insurances

Health Insurance | Long-Term Care Insurance for the Elderly **Ministry of Health and** National Pension Plan Welfare Supervisory **Authorities Ministry of Employment** Employment Insurance | Workers' Compensation Insurance and Labor **National Health** Health Insurance | Long-term Care Insurance for the Elderly **Insurance Service** Operating **National Pension Service** National Pension Plan **Entities Korea Labor Welfare** Employment Insurance | Workers' Compensation Insurance Service



Process of Integrating the Collection Duties of the Four Major Social Insurances

Issues

- Inefficiency in insurance administration due to overlapping tasks.
- ⇒ Inconvenience for individuals, as they had to visit multiple social insurance agencies for different services.
- ➤ In order to solve the problem, academia, the National Assembly, and the government began discussions on the integration of social insurance after 1995.

1995~2003
Phase of discussion on integration

2005~2008

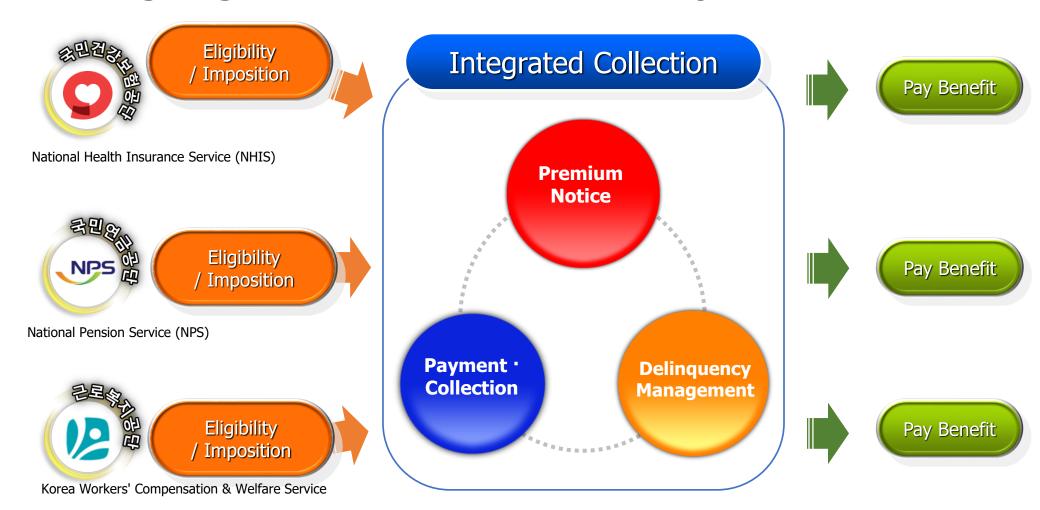
Phase of preparation for integration

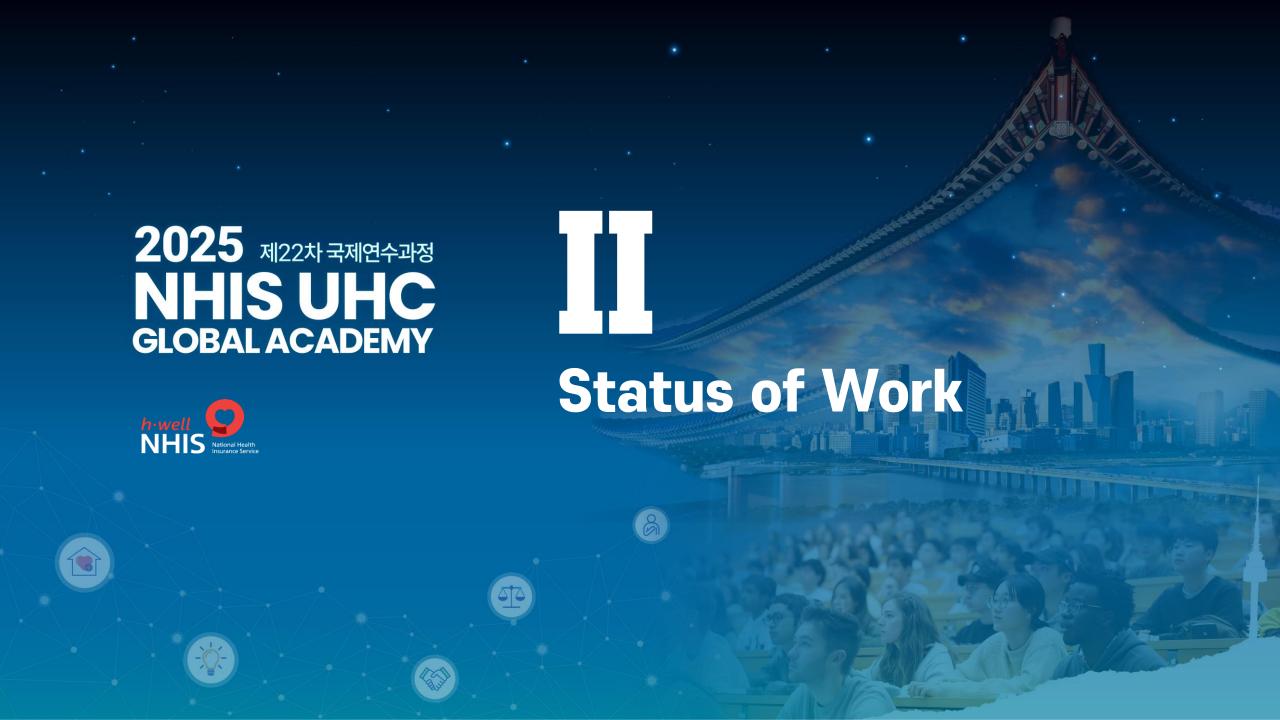
2009~2011
Phase of implementation of integration

✓ As of January 2011, the National Health Insurance Service (NHIS) was tasked with the integrated collection of the four major social insurances.



Process of Integrating the Collection Duties of the Four Major Social Insurances







### Division of Integrated Collection Duties

**Notification Management** 

 Issuing notifications to payers (workplaces → businesses, regional → household owners) regarding the type of insurance, the amount to be paid, the location, and the payment deadline.

**Collection Management** 

 Collecting the notified insurance premiums through financial institutions and transferring the collected funds to the relevant accounts of organizations like the National Health Insurance Service, National Pension Service, Employment Insurance Fund, and Industrial Accident Insurance Fund.

Arrears Management  Managing the collection of unpaid contributions after the final notification, including approval for collection measures such as seizure or public auction, as well as handling inheritances and other legal processes to recover the outstanding amounts.



### Disclaimer Management

### **Insurance Premium Notification**

Notify the payers of the type of insurance, the amount to be paid, and the payment deadline and location.

#### **Combined Notification**

Multiple insurance premium notifications are combined and sent together

- -If the payer's information (business name, address, etc.) is identical.
- -For health insurance and national pension regional subscribers, the notifications are combined if the resident registration number and address are identical

\* As of 2024, an average of 1.06 million cases per month are combined, with a combination rate of 56.0%.

#### **Integrated Notification**

Insurance premiums for all four major social insurances are combined into a single notification for businesses that are subject to combined reporting.

- \* As of 2011, 48,000 cases (5.0%)
- $\rightarrow$  As of 2024, 900,000 cases (90.1%)

#### **Electronic Notification**

For those who prefer email or mobile notifications, the notification is sent electronically instead of as a physical OCR form.



### Notification Management

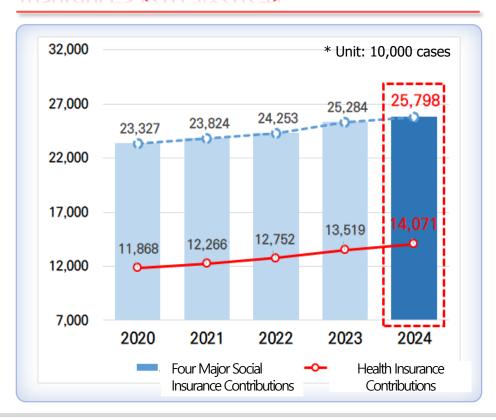
### Combined bills



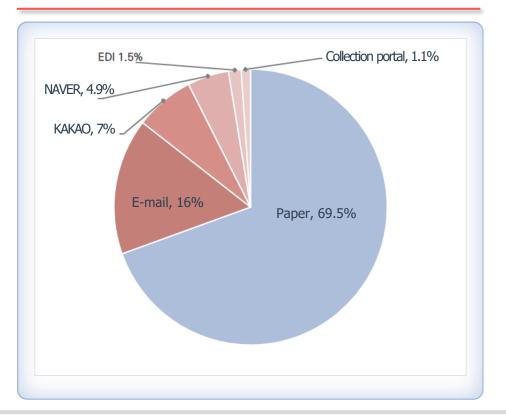


### Notification Management

Status of Notifications for the Four Major Insurances (2019~2024)

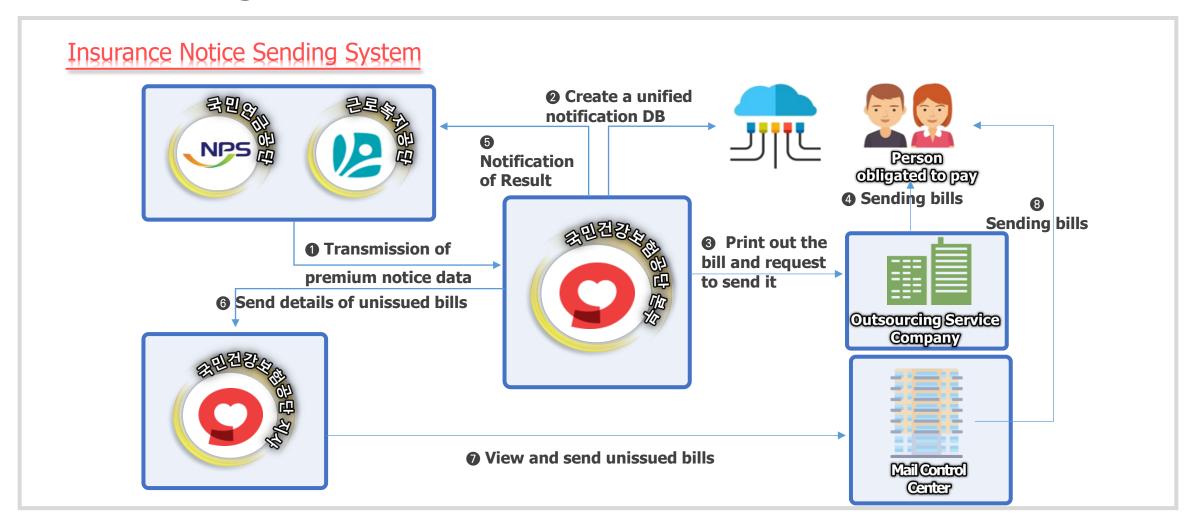


Status of Notification Types (As of the end of 2024)





### Disclaimer Management





### Storage Management

## Insurance premium collection

• According to Article 112, Paragraph 1 of the National Health Insurance Act, the collection of health and long-term care insurance premiums, as well as other entrusted insurance premiums, is delegated to financial institutions.

#### **Online Payment**

Payments can be made through the NHIS official website, the social insurance integrated collection portal, or the mobile app

(The Health Insurance)

#### **Automatic Transfer**

Automatic deductions from bank accounts or credit cards.

- (For regular payments) The 10th of each month or the end of the month.
- (Re-billing) 25th of every month

#### **Virtual Account**

Using virtual accounts provided by public institutions, financial institutions, and internet banking to make premium payments

#### **Electronic Payment**

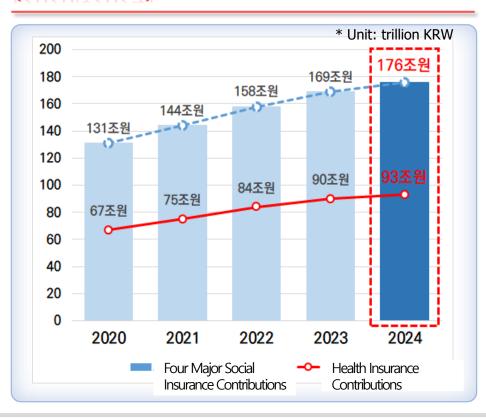
Payments through bank branches, CD/ATMs, internet banking, mobile banking, payment agencies, unmanned kiosks, etc.

- Financial institutions relay the collected premiums to the relevant public institutions through the payment clearing system.
- The public institutions deposit the premiums into the accounts of their respective funds (revenue).
- Insurance payment reflection is done in real time (electronic payments, virtual accounts, credit cards, etc.), and automatic transfers are processed on D+1.

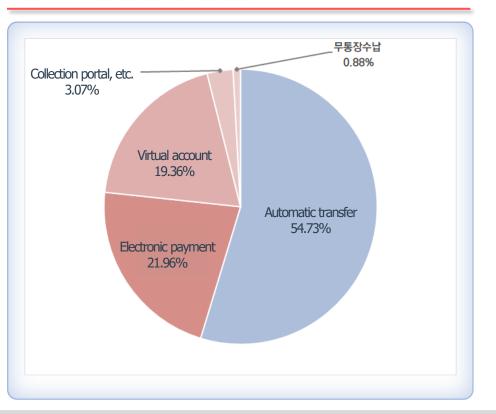


### Storage Management

## Storage Status (2020~2024)



## Collection by Channel (As of the end of 2024)





### Arrears Management

### **Insurance Premium Arrears Collection**

#### Seizure

Seizure of specific assets of the debtor to ensure the recovery of unpaid insurance premiums through legal or factual measures.

\*\* Includes vehicles, real estate, bank accounts, securities accounts, private insurance, etc.

## Public Auction

Sale of seized assets to recover the amount owed

\* The National Health Insurance Service either handles this directly or delegates it to the Korea Asset Management Corporation.

#### Disclosure of Personal Information

Public disclosure of delinquent payers with a high amount of overdue payments on websites, highlighting the need for fairness in insurance contributions.

\* Disclosure of delinquent business type to improve the effectiveness of personal information

## **Provision of Arrears Data**

Providing the data on the arrears of the four major insurance premiums to a comprehensive credit information center to penalize financial transactions
Raising awareness of grants and voluntary payment of arrears

#### Settlement

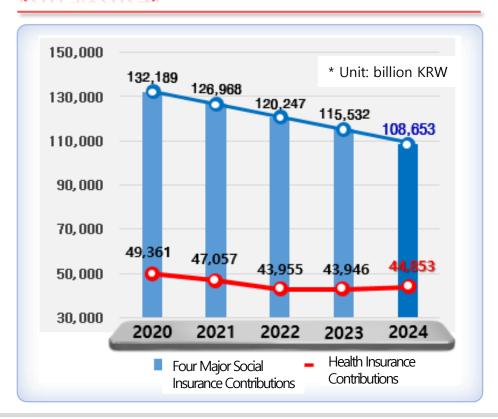
Settlement of unrecoverable insurance premium arrears after administrative and legal procedures have been exhausted, targeting individuals unable to pay due to long-term hardships.

\* Applicable cases: individuals receiving medical aid, recipients of social welfare, bankrupt or dissolved businesses, etc.

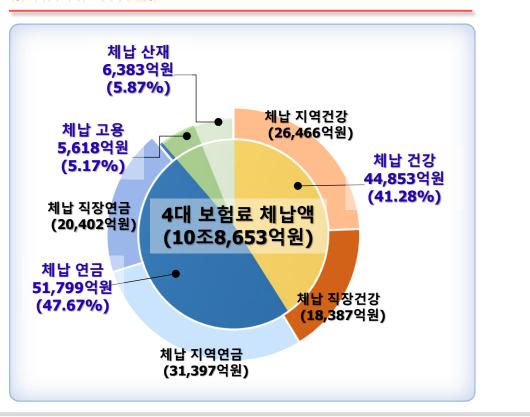


### Arrears Management

## Changes in Arrears (2019~2024)



## Analysis of Arrears (End of 2024)







### Enhancing Personnel and Cost Efficiency

### **Quantitative Results**

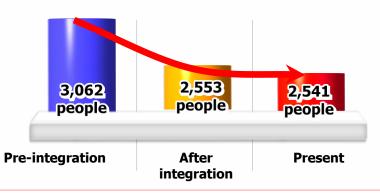
#### **Personnel Efficiency**

- Efficiency of collection Personnel
  - $-3,062 \rightarrow 2,541$

[Reduction of 521 collection personnel]

#### Labor

**Annual savings of KRW 34.5 billion** 

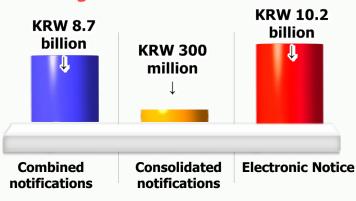


#### **Notification Issuance Efficiency**

- Efficiency in the method of issuing integrated notifications
- Combined, consolidated, and electronic notifications.

### **Savings in administrative costs**

**Annual savings of KRW 19.2 billion** 





## Highest collection performance

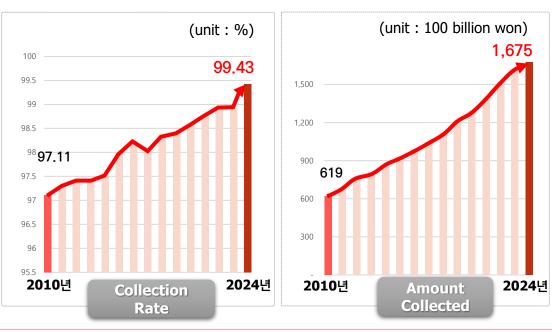
### **Quantitative Results**

#### **Collection Status**

(unit: %, %p, 100 billion won) Collection Category **Amount Collected** Rate (year) 2010 97.11 619 2011 97.31 681 2012 97.42 757 97.42 808 2013 2021 98.77 1,389 2022 98.95 1.517 2023 98.94 1,620 99.43 2024 1,675 Increment 2.32↑ **1,056**<sup>↑</sup> (Pre-integration

#### **Collection Performance**

 Through the integration of the four major insurance systems (collection, payment, notification management), the collection rate increased by 2.32 percentage points compared to pre-integration.





### Highest collection performance

### **Quantitative Results**

#### **Automatic Transfer Application Rate**

Annual fee reduction of 28.4 billion KRW (from 200 KRW per transaction at financial institutions → 40 KRW per automatic transfer)

Category (%)	Health		Pension		Employment	Worker's
	Self-Employed	Workplace	Self-Employed	Workplace	Employment	Comp.
Dec. 2024 Increment (%p)	68.93 (16.22↑)	85.76 (25.86↑)	87.12 (29.7↑)	83.10 (25.57↑)	68.47 (56.47↑)	67.74 (55.74†)
2010	52.71	59.90	57.42	57.53	12.00	12.00

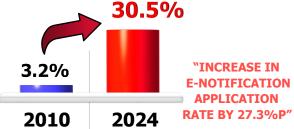
#### **Electronic Notification Application Rate**

Increasing in the application rate for electronic notifications via email, mobile, EDI, and the collection portal (4 channels).

 Category
 target
 Number
 ratio
 Increment

 Dec 2024
 2,046
 623
 30.5

 2010
 1,859
 59
 3.2





## Maximizing Synergy in the Collection of the Four Major Insurances

### **Quantitative Results**

Activating the discovery of new collection areas through the expansion of linkages with related institutions' data

- ('20) 26 institutions with 37 data types → ('24) 31 institutions with 47 data types
   → ('25) 25 institutions with 40 data types
  - \* Mechanical Equipment, Information & Communication Financial Cooperative (deposit and employment certificates), National Tax Service Sales Agency Data

## **Expanding the provision of arrears information to Korean credit information agencies to enhance collection of overdue payments**

- Provision of information on the arrears of the four major insurances to Korea Credit Information Services, leading to restrictions on credit ratings and financial transactions.
  - (Employment & Industrial Accident Insurance) Providing information on high-value overdue business owners ('08)
  - (Health & National Pension Insurance) Initial provision of information on delinquent business owners ('22.8), and \*regional delinquent payers ('23.8)
  - \* Exception for settlement exclusions aimed at minimizing burdens on low-income people, targeting those with consistent income or asset ownership.



### Maximizing Synergy in the Collection of the Four Major Insurances

### **Quantitative Results**

#### Diversification of Notification and Collection Methods for the Four Major Insurance Premiums, Enhancing Convenience for Payers

- Expansion of electronic notifications → Reducing inconvenience for the public and cutting related management costs
- Expansion of collection methods from 6 to 7 types and virtual account settlement institutions (from 4 to 16)
- Protection of vulnerable groups by adding sound QR codes to printed notifications for visually impaired individuals

## Provision of 'One-Stop Service' through the Health Insurance app, from Insurance Inquiry to Payment Result Confirmation

- (Target users) Expanded to cover all four major insurance types for business owners (Previously limited to self-employed health and pension insurance)
- (Methods) Credit card payment, partial monthly payment, and the introduction of notifications through messenger services such as Notification Talk.

#### **Promoting Unmanned Civil Service and Strengthening Payment Services for Public Convenience**

- Implementation of unmanned certificate issuance services (e.g., health and pension insurance certificates, payment confirmation documents.
- Operation of non-face-to-face service kiosks at government offices and branches (229 locations) '24.2.15. termination of counter payment
- Complete transition from standard OCR notices to electronic payment notices ... Jan. 26, 2024.



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