

# Poverty Status of Aged Persons Based on Family Income

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**Table 8.1**  
**By Social Security beneficiary status, marital status, race, Hispanic origin, sex, and age, 2004**

Sex and age	Number (thousands)	Percentage below poverty line	Percentage below 125% of poverty line	Sex and age	Number (thousands)	Percentage below poverty line	Percentage below 125% of poverty line
<b>All persons</b>				<b>By beneficiary status (cont.)</b>			
				<i>Nonbeneficiary</i>			
All persons				All persons			
55–61	22,214	9.1	11.9	55–61	20,192	8.4	10.8
62–64	7,317	9.8	13.4	62–64	4,102	9.6	11.8
65 or older	35,213	9.8	16.5	65 or older	4,168	25.4	30.2
Men				Men			
55–61	10,563	8.1	10.5	55–61	9,629	7.6	9.5
62–64	3,484	9.1	11.9	62–64	2,082	8.6	10.8
65 or older	15,151	7.0	12.2	65 or older	1,836	22.7	26.7
Women				Women			
55–61	11,651	10.0	13.2	55–61	10,562	9.2	12.0
62–64	3,834	10.5	14.6	62–64	2,020	10.6	12.9
65 or older	20,063	12.0	19.7	65 or older	2,333	27.5	33.0
<b>By beneficiary status</b>				<b>By marital status</b>			
<i>Beneficiary<sup>a</sup></i>				<i>Married</i>			
All persons				All persons			
55–61	2,023	16.0	23.1	55–61	15,124	5.5	7.5
62–64	3,215	10.1	15.3	62–64	5,072	4.9	7.2
65 or older	31,045	7.7	14.6	65 or older	19,278	4.5	8.1
Men				Men			
55–61	934	12.9	20.4	55–61	7,790	5.4	7.0
62–64	1,402	9.8	13.6	62–64	2,665	5.6	8.2
65 or older	13,315	4.8	10.2	65 or older	10,858	4.6	8.0
Women				Women			
55–61	1,089	18.5	25.4	55–61	7,333	5.6	7.9
62–64	1,814	10.3	16.6	62–64	2,407	4.1	6.0
65 or older	17,730	9.9	18.0	65 or older	8,420	4.4	8.1

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**By Social Security beneficiary status, marital status, race, Hispanic origin, sex, and age, 2004—Continued**

Sex and age	Number (thousands)	Percentage below poverty line	Percentage below 125% of poverty line	Sex and age	Number (thousands)	Percentage below poverty line	Percentage below 125% of poverty line
<i>By marital status (cont.)</i>				<i>By marital status (cont.)</i>			
<i>Nonmarried<sup>b</sup></i>				<i>Never married</i>			
All persons				All persons			
55–61	7,091	16.8	21.5	55–61	1,487	16.9	21.8
62–64	2,245	20.9	27.3	62–64	366	21.8	28.1
65 or older	15,935	16.2	26.7	65 or older	1,460	21.9	30.6
Men				Men			
55–61	2,773	15.7	20.2	55–61	747	15.3	22.4
62–64	819	20.4	24.2	62–64	158	19.5	23.3
65 or older	4,292	13.1	22.7	65 or older	670	22.6	33.9
Women				Women			
55–61	4,317	17.5	22.4	55–61	740	18.6	21.2
62–64	1,427	21.1	29.1	62–64	208	23.5	31.8
65 or older	11,643	17.4	28.2	65 or older	790	21.3	27.9
<i>Widowed</i>				<i>Divorced</i>			
All persons				All persons			
55–61	1,194	14.9	20.3	55–61	3,592	16.2	20.3
62–64	624	21.7	31.7	62–64	1,002	19.8	24.4
65 or older	10,682	14.5	25.5	65 or older	2,777	17.3	26.7
Men				Men			
55–61	221	13.6	21.3	55–61	1,466	15.7	18.1
62–64	123	24.9	28.4	62–64	397	20.0	23.9
65 or older	2,069	10.9	19.9	65 or older	1,070	12.0	21.5
Women				Women			
55–61	973	15.2	20.1	55–61	2,125	16.6	21.8
62–64	501	20.9	32.5	62–64	605	19.7	24.7
65 or older	8,613	15.4	26.9	65 or older	1,707	20.7	30.0

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**Table 8.1**  
**By Social Security beneficiary status, marital status, race, Hispanic origin, sex, and age, 2004—Continued**

Sex and age	Number (thousands)	Percentage below poverty line	Percentage below 125% of poverty line	Sex and age	Number (thousands)	Percentage below poverty line	Percentage below 125% of poverty line
<b>By race</b>				<b>Hispanic origin <sup>c</sup></b>			
<i>White alone</i>							
All persons				All persons			
55–61	18,737	8.1	10.7	55–61	1,776	13.9	19.4
62–64	6,254	8.7	11.8	62–64	540	17.3	23.7
65 or older	30,710	8.3	14.4	65 or older	2,194	18.7	30.0
Men				Men			
55–61	9,007	7.5	9.5	55–61	852	12.5	16.3
62–64	3,000	8.6	10.9	62–64	250	17.4	22.5
65 or older	13,314	5.8	10.4	65 or older	930	16.4	26.5
Women				Women			
55–61	9,729	8.7	11.7	55–61	924	15.2	22.3
62–64	3,254	8.9	12.6	62–64	290	17.2	24.8
65 or older	17,396	10.2	17.6	65 or older	1,264	20.4	32.6
<i>Black alone</i>							
All persons							
55–61	2,223	17.1	21.9				
62–64	686	18.7	25.5				
65 or older	2,958	23.9	35.1				
Men							
55–61	973	14.0	19.1				
62–64	299	16.7	22.2				
65 or older	1,154	17.4	27.6				
Women							
55–61	1,250	19.5	24.0				
62–64	387	20.2	28.0				
65 or older	1,804	28.0	39.8				

NOTE: The family money income of aged persons is compared with the official poverty lines of families in 2004.

- a. Social Security beneficiaries may be receiving retired-worker benefits, dependents' or survivors' benefits, disability benefits, transitionally insured benefits, or special age-72 benefits.
- b. Includes persons who are separated or are married but living apart from their spouse.
- c. Persons of Hispanic origin may be of any race.

Poverty Status of Persons 65 or Older Based on Family Income

**Table 8.2**  
**By Social Security beneficiary status, marital status, race, Hispanic origin, sex, and age, 2004**

Sex and age	Number (thousands)	Percentage below poverty line	Percentage below 125% of poverty line	Sex and age	Number (thousands)	Percentage below poverty line	Percentage below 125% of poverty line
<b>All persons</b>				<b>By beneficiary status</b>			
				<i>Beneficiary<sup>a</sup></i>			
All persons				All persons			
65-69	10,124	9.2	13.8	65-69	8,416	6.9	11.6
70-74	8,264	9.6	15.3	70-74	7,361	7.6	13.4
75-79	7,596	9.1	16.5	75-79	6,853	6.7	14.5
80 or older	9,229	11.3	20.4	80 or older	8,415	9.5	18.9
Men				Men			
65-69	4,814	7.0	10.9	65-69	3,984	4.7	8.5
70-74	3,652	7.6	12.3	70-74	3,273	5.5	10.4
75-79	3,227	6.2	12.3	75-79	2,922	4.0	10.4
80 or older	3,457	7.0	13.7	80 or older	3,136	5.1	11.9
Women				Women			
65-69	5,310	11.1	16.5	65-69	4,432	9.0	14.3
70-74	4,612	11.2	17.7	70-74	4,088	9.2	15.9
75-79	4,368	11.3	19.6	75-79	3,931	8.8	17.6
80 or older	5,772	13.9	24.5	80 or older	5,278	12.1	23.0

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**By Social Security beneficiary status, marital status, race, Hispanic origin, sex, and age, 2004—Continued**

Sex and age	Number (thousands)	Percentage below poverty line	Percentage below 125% of poverty line	Sex and age	Number (thousands)	Percentage below poverty line	Percentage below 125% of poverty line
<b>By beneficiary status (cont.)</b>				<b>By marital status</b>			
<i>Nonbeneficiary</i>				<i>Married</i>			
All persons				All persons			
65–69	1,708	20.2	25.0	65–69	6,756	4.3	7.2
70–74	903	26.2	30.7	70–74	4,996	4.5	7.6
75–79	742	31.1	34.6	75–79	4,111	4.4	8.5
80 or older	815	30.3	36.6	80 or older	3,415	5.0	9.7
Men				Men			
65–69	830	18.4	22.4	65–69	3,673	4.4	7.3
70–74	380	25.5	29.1	70–74	2,716	4.4	7.4
75–79	305	27.9	30.7	75–79	2,335	5.0	9.0
80 or older	321	25.7	31.5	80 or older	2,135	4.5	9.0
Women				Women			
65–69	879	21.8	27.5	65–69	3,083	4.2	7.2
70–74	523	26.7	31.9	70–74	2,280	4.6	7.9
75–79	437	33.4	37.4	75–79	1,776	3.7	7.9
80 or older	494	33.4	39.9	80 or older	1,281	5.9	10.9

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By Social Security beneficiary status, marital status, race, Hispanic origin, sex, and age, 2004—Continued

Sex and age	Number (thousands)	Percentage below poverty line	Percentage below 125% of poverty line	Sex and age	Number (thousands)	Percentage below poverty line	Percentage below 125% of poverty line
<b>By marital status (cont.)</b>				<b>By marital status (cont.)</b>			
<i>Nonmarried<sup>b</sup></i>				<i>Widowed</i>			
All persons				All persons			
65–69	3,368	18.9	27.0	65–69	1,448	17.9	26.4
70–74	3,268	17.4	27.1	70–74	2,020	14.9	24.5
75–79	3,485	14.7	25.9	75–79	2,410	13.6	25.5
80 or older	5,814	15.0	26.7	80 or older	4,804	13.8	25.7
Men				Men			
65–69	1,141	15.3	22.6	65–69	285	10.4	17.3
70–74	936	16.8	26.6	70–74	407	14.6	21.2
75–79	892	9.4	20.8	75–79	445	10.6	21.7
80 or older	1,323	11.0	21.2	80 or older	932	9.7	19.3
Women				Women			
65–69	2,227	20.7	29.3	65–69	1,163	19.8	28.6
70–74	2,332	17.6	27.3	70–74	1,613	15.0	25.3
75–79	2,592	16.5	27.6	75–79	1,965	14.3	26.4
80 or older	4,492	16.2	28.3	80 or older	3,872	14.8	27.2

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**Table 8.2**  
**By Social Security beneficiary status, marital status, race, Hispanic origin, sex, and age, 2004—Continued**

Sex and age	Number (thousands)	Percentage below poverty line	Percentage below 125% of poverty line	Sex and age	Number (thousands)	Percentage below poverty line	Percentage below 125% of poverty line
<b>By marital status (cont.) Never married</b>				<b>By marital status (cont.) Divorced</b>			
All persons				All persons			
65–69	464	24.9	33.0	65–69	1,141	17.3	25.0
70–74	354	26.5	34.5	70–74	658	15.1	25.1
75–79	329	13.6	22.7	75–79	559	17.5	27.4
80 or older	312	20.7	31.1	80 or older	418	20.6	32.9
Men				Men			
65–69	232	29.3	37.4	65–69	463	11.9	19.2
70–74	177	27.0	39.2	70–74	256	13.8	23.5
75–79	148	6.5	19.7	75–79	212	9.2	20.8
80 or older	113	22.6	37.1	80 or older	138	13.1	26.6
Women				Women			
65–69	233	20.6	28.6	65–69	679	21.1	28.9
70–74	178	26.0	29.9	70–74	402	15.9	26.2
75–79	181	19.4	25.2	75–79	347	22.6	31.5
80 or older	199	19.5	27.7	80 or older	280	24.3	36.0

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**Table 8.2**  
**By Social Security beneficiary status, marital status, race, Hispanic origin, sex, and age, 2004—Continued**

Sex and age	Number (thousands)	Percentage below poverty line	Percentage below 125% of poverty line	Sex and age	Number (thousands)	Percentage below poverty line	Percentage below 125% of poverty line
<b>By race</b>				<b>By race (cont.)</b>			
<i>White alone</i>				<i>Black alone</i>			
All persons				All persons			
65–69	8,591	7.6	11.7	65–69	1,001	20.2	28.4
70–74	7,163	7.8	13.0	70–74	714	25.0	35.3
75–79	6,741	7.5	14.2	75–79	573	25.7	39.7
80 or older	8,215	10.0	18.7	80 or older	669	26.5	40.8
Men				Men			
65–69	4,084	5.4	8.8	65–69	463	17.7	24.8
70–74	3,204	6.2	10.3	70–74	265	19.3	28.4
75–79	2,894	5.3	10.4	75–79	230	15.6	30.9
80 or older	3,132	6.2	12.5	80 or older	196	16.2	29.4
Women				Women			
65–69	4,506	9.6	14.4	65–69	538	22.4	31.5
70–74	3,959	9.1	15.1	70–74	449	28.4	39.4
75–79	3,847	9.1	17.1	75–79	344	32.5	45.6
80 or older	5,083	12.3	22.6	80 or older	473	30.7	45.6

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**Table 8.2**  
**By Social Security beneficiary status, marital status, race, Hispanic origin, sex, and age, 2004—Continued**

Sex and age	Number (thousands)	Percentage below poverty line	Percentage below 125% of poverty line
<i>Hispanic origin</i> <sup>c</sup>			
All persons			
65–69	750	19.0	29.5
70–74	566	19.1	28.9
75–79	428	18.9	30.2
80 or older	449	17.4	32.0
Men			
65–69	322	17.3	26.2
70–74	245	16.8	28.5
75–79	188	16.6	24.6
80 or older	174	13.7	26.5
Women			
65–69	428	20.2	32.0
70–74	321	20.9	29.2
75–79	240	20.7	34.7
80 or older	275	19.8	35.5

NOTE: The family money income of aged persons is compared with the official poverty lines of families in 2004.

- a. Social Security beneficiaries may be receiving retired-worker benefits, dependents' or survivors' benefits, disability benefits, transitionally insured benefits, or special age-72 benefits.
- b. Includes persons who are separated or are married but living apart from their spouse.
- c. Persons of Hispanic origin may be of any race.

Poverty Status of Persons 65 or Older Based on Family Income

Table 8.3

Social Security beneficiaries, by marital status, race, Hispanic origin, sex, and age, 2004

Sex and age	Number (thousands)	Percentage below poverty line	Percentage below 125% of poverty line	Sex and age	Number (thousands)	Percentage below poverty line	Percentage below 125% of poverty line
<b>All persons</b>				<b>By marital status</b>			
				<i>Married</i>			
All persons 65 or older	31,045	7.7	14.6	All persons 65 or older	16,957	2.6	6.1
65-69	8,416	6.9	11.6	65-69	5,655	2.6	5.4
70-74	7,361	7.6	13.4	70-74	4,475	2.5	5.7
75-79	6,853	6.7	14.5	75-79	3,722	2.6	6.6
80 or older	8,415	9.5	18.9	80 or older	3,105	3.0	7.4
Men 65 or older	13,315	4.8	10.2	Men 65 or older	9,566	2.7	6.1
65-69	3,984	4.7	8.5	65-69	3,051	2.6	5.5
70-74	3,273	5.5	10.4	70-74	2,438	2.5	5.5
75-79	2,922	4.0	10.4	75-79	2,126	2.9	7.0
80 or older	3,136	5.1	11.9	80 or older	1,952	2.7	7.0
Women 65 or older	17,730	9.9	18.0	Women 65 or older	7,391	2.6	6.1
65-69	4,432	9.0	14.3	65-69	2,603	2.5	5.3
70-74	4,088	9.2	15.9	70-74	2,037	2.5	5.9
75-79	3,931	8.8	17.6	75-79	1,597	2.2	6.1
80 or older	5,278	12.1	23.0	80 or older	1,153	3.4	8.1

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**Table 8.3**  
**Social Security beneficiaries, by marital status, race, Hispanic origin, sex, and age, 2004—Continued**

Sex and age	Number (thousands)	Percentage below poverty line	Percentage below 125% of poverty line	Sex and age	Number (thousands)	Percentage below poverty line	Percentage below 125% of poverty line
<b>By marital status (cont.)</b>				<b>By marital status (cont.)</b>			
<i>Nonmarried<sup>a</sup></i>				<i>Widowed</i>			
All persons 65 or older	14,088	13.9	24.9	All persons 65 or older	9,652	12.5	24.1
65–69	2,761	15.9	24.2	65–69	1,211	15.0	23.8
70–74	2,886	15.4	25.4	70–74	1,801	13.4	23.4
75–79	3,131	11.7	23.9	75–79	2,194	11.0	23.7
80 or older	5,310	13.3	25.6	80 or older	4,446	12.2	24.5
Men 65 or older	3,749	10.3	20.5	Men 65 or older	1,851	9.2	18.6
65–69	933	11.3	18.6	65–69	232	8.4	16.0
70–74	835	14.3	24.6	70–74	366	12.4	19.6
75–79	796	6.9	19.4	75–79	402	9.1	20.8
80 or older	1,185	9.0	19.9	80 or older	850	8.0	17.8
Women 65 or older	10,339	15.2	26.5	Women 65 or older	7,801	13.3	25.4
65–69	1,828	18.2	27.1	65–69	979	16.6	25.6
70–74	2,051	15.9	25.8	70–74	1,435	13.6	24.4
75–79	2,335	13.3	25.4	75–79	1,792	11.4	24.4
80 or older	4,125	14.5	27.2	80 or older	3,596	13.2	26.1

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Table 8.3

Social Security beneficiaries, by marital status, race, Hispanic origin, sex, and age, 2004—*Continued*

Sex and age	Number (thousands)	Percentage below poverty line	Percentage below 125% of poverty line	Sex and age	Number (thousands)	Percentage below poverty line	Percentage below 125% of poverty line
<b><i>By marital status (cont.) Never married</i></b>				<b><i>By marital status (cont.) Divorced</i></b>			
All persons 65 or older	1,150	17.3	27.0	All persons 65 or older	2,444	15.4	25.3
65–69	331	18.6	26.5	65–69	974	15.5	23.6
70–74	296	25.5	33.8	70–74	595	13.0	22.6
75–79	277	7.4	18.2	75–79	506	15.9	26.9
80 or older	246	16.9	29.3	80 or older	370	18.5	32.1
Men 65 or older	556	18.8	30.9	Men 65 or older	933	8.0	18.3
65–69	171	23.1	30.4	65–69	396	7.4	15.1
70–74	153	28.5	41.0	70–74	229	8.9	18.7
75–79	137	3.6	17.8	75–79	185	6.0	19.3
80 or older	95	17.2	34.4	80 or older	122	11.1	26.5
Women 65 or older	595	16.0	23.3	Women 65 or older	1,512	20.0	29.6
65–69	161	13.9	22.4	65–69	578	21.0	29.4
70–74	142	22.4	26.1	70–74	365	15.5	25.0
75–79	140	11.2	18.6	75–79	321	21.6	31.2
80 or older	151	16.7	26.1	80 or older	248	22.1	34.9

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**Table 8.3**  
**Social Security beneficiaries, by marital status, race, Hispanic origin, sex, and age, 2004—Continued**

Sex and age	Number (thousands)	Percentage below poverty line	Percentage below 125% of poverty line	Sex and age	Number (thousands)	Percentage below poverty line	Percentage below 125% of poverty line
<b>By race</b> <i>White alone</i>				<b>By race (cont.)</b> <i>Black alone</i>			
All persons 65 or older	27,507	6.4	12.9	All persons 65 or older	2,420	21.5	33.5
65–69	7,300	5.8	10.0	65–69	747	17.3	25.0
70–74	6,455	6.0	11.2	70–74	602	23.3	34.5
75–79	6,170	5.5	12.6	75–79	475	21.4	37.1
80 or older	7,582	8.3	17.3	80 or older	596	25.2	40.2
Men 65 or older	11,864	3.9	8.6	Men 65 or older	943	14.3	25.5
65–69	3,449	3.5	6.9	65–69	353	13.4	21.2
70–74	2,901	4.3	8.5	70–74	226	17.3	27.5
75–79	2,646	3.2	8.6	75–79	196	12.5	29.7
80 or older	2,868	4.5	10.9	80 or older	167	13.9	27.2
Women 65 or older	15,643	8.4	16.1	Women 65 or older	1,477	26.2	38.5
65–69	3,851	7.9	12.8	65–69	393	20.7	28.5
70–74	3,553	7.4	13.4	70–74	376	26.8	38.6
75–79	3,524	7.2	15.6	75–79	278	27.7	42.3
80 or older	4,714	10.6	21.2	80 or older	429	29.7	45.3

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**Table 8.3**

**Social Security beneficiaries, by marital status, race, Hispanic origin, sex, and age, 2004—Continued**

Sex and age	Number (thousands)	Percentage below poverty line	Percentage below 125% of poverty line
<i>Hispanic origin</i> <sup>b</sup>			
All persons 65 or older	1,680	14.3	26.7
65–69	530	15.3	25.0
70–74	439	14.8	26.2
75–79	348	13.0	26.6
80 or older	363	13.5	30.1
Men 65 or older	722	11.7	22.6
65–69	223	12.1	20.8
70–74	201	12.3	25.2
75–79	156	11.1	20.7
80 or older	142	10.8	23.9
Women 65 or older	958	16.3	29.8
65–69	307	17.7	28.1
70–74	238	17.0	27.0
75–79	192	14.5	31.3
80 or older	221	15.3	34.0

NOTE: The family money income of aged persons is compared with the official poverty lines of families in 2004.

- a. Includes persons who are separated or are married but living apart from their spouse.
- b. Persons of Hispanic origin may be of any race.