Table 2.
OASI retirement benefits, by type of beneficiary, May 2004–May 2005

Month	All beneficiaries	Retired workers	Spouses	Children			
	Number (thousands)						
2004							
May	32,767	29,682	2,593	493			
June	32,792	29,718	2,589	484			
July	32,823	29,766	2,585	472			
August	32,842	29,788	2,581	474			
September	32,893	29,839	2,579	476			
October	32,919	29,866	2,575	478			
November	32,960	29,907	2,572	481			
December	33,005	29,953	2,569	483			
2005							
January	33,140	30,086	2,566	487			
February	33,199	30,145	2,563	491			
March	33,234	30,181	2,558	495			
April	33,268	30,216	2,554	499			
May	33,261	30,222	2,549	490			
	Total monthly benefits (millions of dollars)						
2004							
May	28,893	27,469	1,202	221			
June	28,935	27,517	1,201	217			
July	28,985	27,574	1,200	212			
August	29,021	27,611	1,198	213			
September	29,081	27,669	1,198	214			
October	29,118	27,707	1,196	215			
November	29,210	27,797	1,196	217			
December	30,054	28,602	1,227	225			
2005							
January	30,233	28,778	1,227	228			
February	30,308	28,853	1,226	230			
March	30,357	28,902	1,224	232			
April	30,407	28,952	1,222	234			
May	30,414	28,965	1,220	230			

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Month	All beneficiaries	Retired workers	Spouses	Children			
	Average monthly benefit (dollars)						
2004							
May	881.80	925.50	463.80	448.70			
June	882.40	925.90	463.90	448.90			
July	883.10	926.40	464.10	448.40			
August	883.70	926.90	464.30	449.20			
September	884.10	927.30	464.30	449.90			
October	884.50	927.70	464.40	450.50			
November	886.20	929.40	465.10	452.10			
December	910.60	954.90	477.80	465.00			
2005							
January	912.30	956.50	478.10	466.80			
February	912.90	957.10	478.30	467.70			
March	913.40	957.60	478.40	468.40			
April	914.00	958.20	478.50	469.20			
May	914.40	958.40	478.50	469.30			

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Master Beneficiary Record, 100 percent data.

NOTES: Data are for the end of the specified month.

Some Social Security beneficiaries are entitled to more than one type of benefit. In most cases, they are dually entitled to a worker benefit and a higher spouse or widow(er) benefit. If both benefits are financed from the same trust fund, the beneficiary is usually counted only once in the statistics, as a retired-worker or a disabled-worker beneficiary, and the benefit amount recorded is the larger amount associated with the auxiliary benefit. If the benefits are paid from different trust funds the beneficiary is counted twice, and the respective benefit amounts are recorded for each type of benefit.

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