Table 4.OASI survivors benefits, by type of beneficiary, September 2005–September 2006

Month	All beneficiaries	Widow(er)s and parents ^a	Widowed mothers and fathers ^b	Children		
						Number (thousands)
2005						
September	6,649	4,593	179	1,877		
October	6,656	4,589	179	1,888		
November	6,662	4,586	180	1,896		
December	6,653	4,571	178	1,904		
2006						
January	6,617	4,539	166	1,912		
February	6,626	4,537	167	1,922		
March	6,635	4,534	169	1,932		
April	6,643	4,531	170	1,943		
May	6,649	4,530	171	1,948		
June	6,611	4,529	173	1,909		
July	6,554	4,523	171	1,860		
August	6,552	4,518	170	1,864		
September	6,562	4,518	172	1,872		
	Total monthly benefits (millions of dollars)					
2005						
September	5,487	4,183	124	1,179		
October	5,493	4,182	125	1,187		
November	5,501	4,182	125	1,194		
December	5,720	4,342	129	1,249		
2006						
January	5,691	4,314	119	1,258		
February	5,701	4,316	120	1,265		
March	5,711	4,317	121	1,273		
April	5,721	4,317	122	1,282		
May	5,728	4,319	123	1,286		
June	5,707	4,322	125	1,260		
July	5,669	4,319	125	1,225		
August	5,670	4,317	124	1,229		
September	5,680	4,320	126	1,235		
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Month	All beneficiaries	Widow(er)s and parents ^a	Widowed mothers and fathers ^b	Children	
	Average monthly benefit (dollars)				
2005					
September	825.20	910.80	695.30	628.30	
October	825.30	911.30	695.30	628.70	
November	825.80	911.90	697.10	629.80	
December	859.80	949.80	724.50	656.30	
2006					
January	860.10	950.50	714.60	658.10	
February	860.40	951.30	716.20	658.50	
March	860.80	952.00	717.70	659.10	
April	861.10	952.80	718.80	659.70	
May	861.50	953.50	720.00	660.20	
June	863.20	954.20	724.00	660.00	
July	865.00	954.90	729.00	658.90	
August	865.40	955.50	730.80	659.30	
September	865.70	956.10	732.00	659.70	

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.

a. Includes nondisabled widow(er)s aged 60 or older, disabled widow(er)s aged 50 or older, and dependent parents of deceased workers aged 62 or older.

b. A widow(er) or surviving divorced parent caring for the entitled child of a deceased worker who is under age 16 or is disabled.

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