

**Awards to Disabled Workers**

**Table 44.**  
**Distribution, by diagnostic group, sex, and age, 2006**

| Diagnostic group                               | Total         |          |         |             | Men      |          |         |             | Women    |          |         |             |
|--|---------------|----------|---------|-------------|----------|----------|---------|-------------|----------|----------|---------|-------------|
|  | All ages      | Under 35 | 35-49   | 50 or older | All ages | Under 35 | 35-49   | 50 or older | All ages | Under 35 | 35-49   | 50 or older |
|  | <b>Number</b> |          |         |             |          |          |         |             |          |          |         |             |
| Total  | 798,675       | 83,829   | 237,803 | 477,043     | 425,285  | 44,499   | 120,506 | 260,280     | 373,390  | 39,330   | 117,297 | 216,763     |
| Congenital anomalies                           | 1,170         | 480      | 336     | 354         | 620      | 251      | 164     | 205         | 550      | 229      | 172     | 149         |
| Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases | 27,272        | 1,749    | 7,246   | 18,277      | 14,345   | 809      | 3,660   | 9,876       | 12,927   | 940      | 3,586   | 8,401       |
| Infectious and parasitic diseases              | 10,165        | 1,345    | 5,179   | 3,641       | 7,129    | 941      | 3,822   | 2,366       | 3,036    | 404      | 1,357   | 1,275       |
| Injuries                                       | 31,231        | 4,655    | 9,846   | 16,730      | 20,723   | 3,352    | 6,694   | 10,677      | 10,508   | 1,303    | 3,152   | 6,053       |
| Mental disorders                               |               |          |         |             |          |          |         |             |          |          |         |             |
| Retardation                                    | 19,842        | 9,939    | 7,132   | 2,771       | 12,087   | 5,973    | 4,409   | 1,705       | 7,755    | 3,966    | 2,723   | 1,066       |
| Other  | 165,193       | 36,062   | 67,781  | 61,350      | 77,718   | 18,655   | 30,023  | 29,040      | 87,475   | 17,407   | 37,758  | 32,310      |
| Neoplasms                                      | 82,146        | 4,042    | 21,104  | 57,000      | 42,603   | 2,058    | 9,621   | 30,924      | 39,543   | 1,984    | 11,483  | 26,076      |
| Diseases of the—                               |               |          |         |             |          |          |         |             |          |          |         |             |
| Blood and blood-forming organs                 | 2,405         | 653      | 714     | 1,038       | 1,143    | 296      | 304     | 543         | 1,262    | 357      | 410     | 495         |
| Circulatory system                             | 85,636        | 2,175    | 15,999  | 67,462      | 58,330   | 1,192    | 10,237  | 46,901      | 27,306   | 983      | 5,762   | 20,561      |
| Digestive system                               | 18,655        | 1,199    | 6,690   | 10,766      | 11,315   | 516      | 3,941   | 6,858       | 7,340    | 683      | 2,749   | 3,908       |
| Genitourinary system                           | 18,414        | 2,415    | 6,578   | 9,421       | 11,286   | 1,303    | 4,033   | 5,950       | 7,128    | 1,112    | 2,545   | 3,471       |
| Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue   | 225,179       | 7,872    | 58,092  | 159,215     | 111,421  | 3,588    | 29,092  | 78,741      | 113,758  | 4,284    | 29,000  | 80,474      |
| Nervous system and sense organs                | 65,320        | 8,995    | 21,024  | 35,301      | 33,123   | 4,558    | 10,007  | 18,558      | 32,197   | 4,437    | 11,017  | 16,743      |
| Respiratory system                             | 32,577        | 747      | 5,655   | 26,175      | 16,753   | 296      | 2,484   | 13,973      | 15,824   | 451      | 3,171   | 12,202      |
| Skin and subcutaneous tissue                   | 1,731         | 243      | 649     | 839         | 798      | 98       | 311     | 389         | 933      | 145      | 338     | 450         |
| Other  | 1,862         | 228      | 638     | 996         | 888      | 109      | 294     | 485         | 974      | 119      | 344     | 511         |
| Unknown  | 9,877         | 1,030    | 3,140   | 5,707       | 5,003    | 504      | 1,410   | 3,089       | 4,874    | 526      | 1,730   | 2,618       |

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**Table 44.**  
**Distribution, by diagnostic group, sex, and age, 2006—Continued**

| Diagnostic group                               | Total          |          |       |             | Men      |          |       |             | Women    |          |       |             |
|--|----------------|----------|-------|-------------|----------|----------|-------|-------------|----------|----------|-------|-------------|
|  | All ages       | Under 35 | 35–49 | 50 or older | All ages | Under 35 | 35–49 | 50 or older | All ages | Under 35 | 35–49 | 50 or older |
|  | <i>Percent</i> |          |       |             |          |          |       |             |          |          |       |             |
| Total  | 100.0          | 100.0    | 100.0 | 100.0       | 100.0    | 100.0    | 100.0 | 100.0       | 100.0    | 100.0    | 100.0 | 100.0       |
| Congenital anomalies                           | 0.1            | 0.6      | 0.1   | 0.1         | 0.1      | 0.6      | 0.1   | 0.1         | 0.1      | 0.6      | 0.1   | 0.1         |
| Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases | 3.4            | 2.1      | 3.0   | 3.8         | 3.4      | 1.8      | 3.0   | 3.8         | 3.5      | 2.4      | 3.1   | 3.9         |
| Infectious and parasitic diseases              | 1.3            | 1.6      | 2.2   | 0.8         | 1.7      | 2.1      | 3.2   | 0.9         | 0.8      | 1.0      | 1.2   | 0.6         |
| Injuries                                       | 3.9            | 5.6      | 4.1   | 3.5         | 4.9      | 7.5      | 5.6   | 4.1         | 2.8      | 3.3      | 2.7   | 2.8         |
| Mental disorders                               |                |          |       |             |          |          |       |             |          |          |       |             |
| Retardation                                    | 2.5            | 11.9     | 3.0   | 0.6         | 2.8      | 13.4     | 3.7   | 0.7         | 2.1      | 10.1     | 2.3   | 0.5         |
| Other  | 20.7           | 43.0     | 28.5  | 12.9        | 18.3     | 41.9     | 24.9  | 11.2        | 23.4     | 44.3     | 32.2  | 14.9        |
| Neoplasms                                      | 10.3           | 4.8      | 8.9   | 11.9        | 10.0     | 4.6      | 8.0   | 11.9        | 10.6     | 5.0      | 9.8   | 12.0        |
| Diseases of the—                               |                |          |       |             |          |          |       |             |          |          |       |             |
| Blood and blood-forming organs                 | 0.3            | 0.8      | 0.3   | 0.2         | 0.3      | 0.7      | 0.3   | 0.2         | 0.3      | 0.9      | 0.3   | 0.2         |
| Circulatory system                             | 10.7           | 2.6      | 6.7   | 14.1        | 13.7     | 2.7      | 8.5   | 18.0        | 7.3      | 2.5      | 4.9   | 9.5         |
| Digestive system                               | 2.3            | 1.4      | 2.8   | 2.3         | 2.7      | 1.2      | 3.3   | 2.6         | 2.0      | 1.7      | 2.3   | 1.8         |
| Genitourinary system                           | 2.3            | 2.9      | 2.8   | 2.0         | 2.7      | 2.9      | 3.3   | 2.3         | 1.9      | 2.8      | 2.2   | 1.6         |
| Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue   | 28.2           | 9.4      | 24.4  | 33.4        | 26.2     | 8.1      | 24.1  | 30.3        | 30.5     | 10.9     | 24.7  | 37.1        |
| Nervous system and sense organs                | 8.2            | 10.7     | 8.8   | 7.4         | 7.8      | 10.2     | 8.3   | 7.1         | 8.6      | 11.3     | 9.4   | 7.7         |
| Respiratory system                             | 4.1            | 0.9      | 2.4   | 5.5         | 3.9      | 0.7      | 2.1   | 5.4         | 4.2      | 1.1      | 2.7   | 5.6         |
| Skin and subcutaneous tissue                   | 0.2            | 0.3      | 0.3   | 0.2         | 0.2      | 0.2      | 0.3   | 0.1         | 0.2      | 0.4      | 0.3   | 0.2         |
| Other  | 0.2            | 0.3      | 0.3   | 0.2         | 0.2      | 0.2      | 0.2   | 0.2         | 0.3      | 0.3      | 0.3   | 0.2         |
| Unknown  | 1.2            | 1.2      | 1.3   | 1.2         | 1.2      | 1.1      | 1.2   | 1.2         | 1.3      | 1.3      | 1.5   | 1.2         |

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Annual Award and Termination Transaction file, 100 percent data.

NOTES: Data exclude expedited reinstatement cases.

Effective 2001, the Social Security Administration initiated a special review of 130,000 Supplemental Security Income (SSI) recipients who are potentially eligible for Social Security disability benefits because of earnings while receiving SSI. Many of these claims awarded since 2001 were for individuals under the age of 35 who were diagnosed with a mental disorder.

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