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## **Highlights 2007**

### **Size and Scope of the Supplemental Security Income Program**

- About 7.4 million people received federally administered payments in December 2007.
- The average monthly payment in December 2007 was \$468.
- Total payments for the year were more than \$41 billion, including about \$4 billion in federally administered state supplementation.

### **Profile of Recipients**

- The majority were female (56 percent).
- Fifteen percent were under age 18, 57 percent were aged 18 to 64, and 27 percent were aged 65 or older.
- Most (83 percent) were eligible on the basis of a disability.
- Almost 5 out of 10 recipients under the age of 65 were diagnosed with a mental disorder.
- More than half (56 percent) had no income other than their SSI payment.
- Thirty-five percent of SSI recipients also received Social Security benefits.
- Of the people receiving SSI benefits, about 2 percent were residing in a Title XIX institution where Medicaid was paying more than half of the cost.
- Despite their disabilities, about 357,000 recipients (5.7 percent) were working in December 2007.

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## Preface

Since 1974, the Supplemental Security Income (SSI) program has guaranteed a minimum level of income for needy aged, blind, or disabled individuals. Each year, we issue a report that presents data on the SSI program and the people who receive benefits from it. The report covers such topics as:

- federal benefit rates and total annual payments;
- federally administered payments;
- recipients of Social Security, SSI, or both;
- children under age 18;
- noncitizens;
- diagnoses of recipients under age 65;
- recipients who work;
- applications;
- awards;
- outcomes of applications for disability benefits; and
- suspension of benefits.

Effective with this year, the reports *Children Receiving SSI* and *SSI Disabled Recipients Who Work* are being discontinued. Tables from those reports are now included in this report.

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## Notes

All payments are federally administered payments.

All years are calendar years unless otherwise specified.

Numbers in the text and tables may not add to totals because of rounding.

Monthly data shown in tables are for the end of the given month.

Due to the inclusion of tables formerly in the reports *Children Receiving SSI* and *SSI Disabled Recipients Who Work*, all tables previously numbered 16 or higher have been renumbered.

The table entitled "Recipients terminated, by age and reason for termination" was not produced this year.

For consistency of data presentation across tables, the category "Unknown" has been added to data groupings in several tables.

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## Background

The Supplemental Security Income (SSI) program is a nationwide federal assistance program administered by the Social Security Administration (SSA) that guarantees a minimum level of income for needy aged, blind, or disabled individuals. In December 2007, 7.4 million individuals received federally administered monthly SSI benefits (including federally administered state supplementary payments) averaging \$468.

### History of the SSI Program

Entitlement programs for the aged, blind, or disabled have their roots in the original Social Security Act of 1935. That act established an old-age social insurance program to be administered by the federal government and an old-age means-tested assistance program to be administered by the states. Similar programs for the blind or disabled were added to the act in later years. Means-tested assistance was intended to supplement the incomes of individuals who were ineligible for Social Security or whose benefits could not provide a basic living.

This means-tested assistance, also known as categorical adult assistance, actually comprised three separate programs—Old-Age Assistance (OAA), Aid to the Blind (AB), and Aid to the Permanently and Totally Disabled (APTD). Despite substantial federal financing, those programs were essentially state programs; federal law established only broad guidelines and assistance. Federal financing was open-ended in the sense that the federal government would provide matching funds to support whatever payment levels the states established. Federal law specified no maximum or minimum standards. Consequently, each state was responsible for setting its own standards for determining who would receive assistance and how much they would receive. As a result, eligibility requirements and variations of payment levels differed from state to state.

Beginning in the early 1960s, this state-operated, federally assisted welfare system drew criticism from within and outside of government. Some of the criticism was directed at the crazy-quilt eligibility requirements and payment levels. Other criticism centered on specific requirements, such as lien laws and provisions that required certain relatives to bear responsibility for the maintenance of needy family members. The disparity in the degree of federal financial support provided to states was also an acknowledged problem.

Responding to these concerns, Congress passed and the president approved the SSI program (Public Law 92-603, enacted October 30, 1972), which

reversed the historic federal and state roles with regard to adult assistance. Under the new arrangement, SSI would provide a uniform federal income floor, and optional state programs would supplement that floor. The new program was historic in that it shifted from the states to the federal government the responsibility for determining who would receive assistance and how much assistance they would receive.

### The Basic Plan

The main objective of the SSI program is to provide the basic cash support of needy aged, blind, or disabled individuals. Congress designed the SSI program on the basis of the following principles:

- Eligibility requirements and benefit standards that are nationally uniform and eligibility determinations that are based on objective criteria
- An assistance source of last resort for the aged, blind, or disabled whose income and resources are below specified levels
- Incentives and opportunities for recipients who are able to work or to be rehabilitated that would allow them to reduce their dependency on public assistance
- An efficient and economical method of administering the program to provide assistance
- Inducements to encourage states to provide supplementation of the basic federal benefit and protection for former recipients of state adult assistance programs who were converted to the SSI program
- Appropriate coordination of the SSI program with the Food Stamp program, medical assistance programs, and other programs

### Uniform Standards and Objective Criteria

Before the SSI program, eligibility of aged, blind, or disabled individuals for federally funded adult assistance depended on the state in which they lived. Benefit amounts also varied from state to state. The SSI program replaced the state-run programs of assistance with a program having nationally uniform standards and objective eligibility criteria, which include the following:

- A uniform limitation on the dollar amount or value of income and resources that an individual can have and still qualify for federal assistance. The countable income limits for individuals and couples
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are equal to their respective federal benefit rates and hence are increased annually according to changes in the cost of living. The resource limit is \$2,000 in countable resources for individuals and \$3,000 for couples.

- Sixty-five as the minimum age requirement for assistance based on age.
- A uniform definition of disability and blindness. The definitions for individuals 18 years of age or older are the same as those used for the Social Security Disability Insurance program. To be considered disabled, an individual must have a medically determinable physical or mental impairment that is expected to last (or has lasted) at least 12 continuous months or to result in death and (1) if 18 or older, prevents him or her from doing any substantial gainful activity, or (2) if under 18, results in marked and severe functional limitations.<sup>1</sup> However, individuals for whom addiction to drugs or alcoholism is a contributing factor material to the determination of their disabilities are not eligible for benefits.<sup>2</sup> To be considered blind, an individual must have central visual acuity of 20/200 or less in the better eye with the use of a correcting lens or have tunnel vision of 20 degrees or less.
- Uniform standards for citizenship and residency. To be eligible for SSI, an individual must be a citizen (or national) of the United States, an American Indian born in Canada who is under section 289 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA), an American Indian born outside the United States who is a member of a federally recognized Indian tribe under section 4(e) of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act, a noncitizen who was receiving SSI benefits on August 22,

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1. Substantial gainful activity (SGA) is used to describe a level of work activity that is substantial (that is, involves the performance of significant physical or mental duties that are productive) and gainful (that is, performed for remuneration or profit). Generally, earnings from work activity of more than \$900 a month in 2007 were evidence of ability to engage in SGA. Applicants who earned more than \$900 a month would generally not be considered disabled. However, SSI recipients who earned more than \$900 a month could continue to be eligible for SSI. (See the section Incentives for Work and Opportunities for Rehabilitation.) The SGA level of \$900 was increased to \$940 effective January 1, 2008, according to the increase in the national average wage index.

The definition of disability for individuals under age 18 reflects amendments made by Public Law 104-193, the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996. Prior law required a medically determinable physical or mental impairment of comparable severity to that required for individuals aged 18 or older.

2. The provision reflects amendments made by Title I of Public Law 104-121, the Senior Citizens' Right to Work Act of 1996, enacted March 29, 1996.

1996, or a qualified alien in one of the following categories:<sup>3</sup>

- certain noncitizens who are blind or disabled and were lawfully residing in the United States on August 22, 1996;
- refugees (eligibility limited to the 7-year period after their arrival in the United States);
- asylees (eligibility limited to the 7-year period after the date they are granted asylum);
- noncitizens who have had their deportations withheld under section 243(h) of the INA as in effect before April 1, 1997, or who have had their removals withheld under section 241(b)(3) of the INA (eligibility limited to the 7-year period after the date that deportation or removal is withheld);
- Cuban and Haitian entrants under section 501(e) of the Refugee Education Assistance Act of 1980 (eligibility limited to the 7-year period after the date they are granted entrant status);
- Amerasian immigrants admitted pursuant to section 584 of the Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs Appropriations Act of 1988 and subsequent amendments (eligibility limited to the 7-year period after their arrival in the United States);
- noncitizen active-duty armed forces personnel, honorably discharged veterans, and their spouses and dependent children; or
- lawful permanent residents who have earned or can be credited (from their spouses or parents) with 40 qualifying quarters of earnings.

Note that qualified alien status includes noncitizens who have been battered or subjected to extreme cruelty in the United States by a spouse or parent (or a member of the spouse's or parent's family) with whom they live and who have an approved petition, or have a petition pending, setting forth a prima facie case for adjustment of their immigration status.

Finally, certain noncitizens may be eligible for SSI regardless of their immigration status if they have been determined to be victims of severe forms of trafficking

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3. These standards reflect amendments made by Public Law 104-193, the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996, as amended by Public Law 104-208, Public Law 105-33, and Public Law 105-306. Prior law permitted SSI eligibility for individuals who were residents of the United States, citizens or nationals of the United States, aliens lawfully admitted for permanent residence in the United States, or aliens permanently residing in the United States under color of law.

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in persons in the United States.<sup>4</sup> Such individuals are treated for SSI purposes as refugees, that is, they are eligible for SSI for 7 years after a determination is made that they are trafficking victims.<sup>5</sup>

In addition to having to be a U.S. citizen (or national) or in one of the potentially eligible noncitizen categories, an individual must reside in the 50 states, the District of Columbia, or the Northern Mariana Islands—areas referred to here collectively as the United States. An individual also must be physically present in the United States for 30 consecutive days if he or she had been outside the United States for 30 or more consecutive days.

There are two exceptions to the residency and physical presence requirements:

- Blind or disabled children who are citizens of the United States may continue to be eligible for payments if they are living outside the United States with a parent who is on duty as a member of the U.S. armed forces. This exception also applies to blind and disabled children of military personnel who are born overseas, become blind or disabled overseas, or applied for SSI benefits while overseas.
- Students studying abroad for not more than 1 year may continue to be eligible for payments if the studies are sponsored by a U.S. educational institution but cannot be conducted in the United States.

## Assistance of Last Resort

As a means-tested program, SSI takes into account all income and resources that an individual has or can obtain. The amount of an individual's countable income and resources are the measure of his or her need for assistance.

### Income

The amount of an individual's income is used to determine both eligibility for, and the amount of, his or her SSI benefit. As countable income increases, an individual's SSI benefit amount decreases. Generally, ineligibility for SSI occurs when countable income equals the federal benefit rate plus the amount of applicable feder-

ally administered state supplementary payment (state supplementation is discussed later).

The monthly federal benefit rate is reduced dollar for dollar by the amount of the individual's "countable" income—that is, income minus all applicable exclusions. The result of this computation determines SSI eligibility and the amount of the monthly benefit payable. The benefit rates are adjusted annually (in January) to reflect changes in the cost of living.

When an individual lives in the household of another and receives support and maintenance in kind (that is, generally, room and board) from the householder, the federal SSI benefit rate is reduced by one-third in lieu of counting the actual value of the support and maintenance as unearned income. The value of food or shelter-related items the individual receives in kind from persons other than the householder (including in-kind assistance from outside the household in which the individual lives) is counted as unearned income, up to an amount equal to one-third of the applicable federal benefit rate plus \$20.<sup>6</sup>

SSI law defines two kinds of income—earned and unearned. Earned income is wages, net earnings from self-employment, remuneration for work in a sheltered workshop, royalties on published work, and honoraria for services. All other income is unearned. The distinction between earned and unearned income is significant because different exclusions apply to each type of income.

However, not everything an individual receives is considered to be income. Generally, if the item received cannot be used as, or to obtain, food or shelter, it will not be considered as income. For example, if someone pays an individual's medical bills or offers free medical care, or if the individual receives money from a social services agency that is a repayment of an amount he or she previously spent, that value is not considered income to the individual. In addition, some items that are considered to be income are excluded when determining the amount of an individual's benefit (see Box 1).

### Resources

The value of an individual's resources is used to determine whether he or she is eligible for SSI in a given month. SSI law states that eligibility is restricted to individuals who have countable resources, determined

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4. Trafficking of persons is generally defined as the recruitment, harboring, transportation, provision, or obtaining of a person for labor or services through the use of force, fraud, or coercion for the purpose of subjection to involuntary servitude, peonage, debt bondage, or slavery.

5. Public Law 106-386, the Victims of Trafficking and Violence Protection Act of 2000, enacted October 28, 2000.

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6. SSA simplified the SSI program (70 FR 6340) by generally eliminating clothing from the definition of income and from the definition of in-kind support and maintenance, effective February 7, 2005.

monthly, that do not exceed \$2,000 (\$3,000 for a couple). The law does not define what resources are but does stipulate what items are not considered resources.

Regulations state that a resource is cash or other liquid asset or any real or personal property that individuals (or their spouses) own and could convert to cash to be used for their support and maintenance. This definition is consistent with the general philosophy of the SSI program that only items that can be used for an individual's food or shelter should be used in determining his or her eligibility and benefit amount. Not all resources an individual owns are counted. The value of an item may be totally excluded or counted only to the

extent that its value exceeds specified limits (see Box 1).

If an individual disposes of resources at less than fair market value within the 36-month period before applying for SSI or at any time thereafter, the individual may be penalized. The penalty is a loss of benefits for a number of months (up to a 36-month maximum) obtained by dividing the uncompensated value of disposed-of resources by the federal benefit rate plus the maximum state supplementary payment, if any, applicable to the individual's living arrangement. The penalty does not apply if, among other things, the individual can show that the resources were disposed of exclusively for a purpose other than establishing SSI eligibility.

**Box 1.  
Income and Resource Exclusions**

**Income Exclusions**

The principal earned income exclusions are

- the first \$65 per month plus one-half of the remainder,
- impairment-related work expenses of the disabled and work expenses of the blind,
- income set aside or being used to pursue a plan to achieve self-support by a disabled or blind individual, and
- infrequent or irregularly received income (\$30 or less a quarter).

The principal unearned income exclusions are

- the first \$20 per month,<sup>a</sup>
- income set aside or being used to pursue a plan to achieve self-support by a disabled or blind individual,
- state- or locally funded assistance based on need,
- rent subsidies under programs administered by the Department of Housing and Urban Development and the value of food stamps, and
- infrequent or irregularly received income (\$60 or less a quarter).

**Resource Exclusions**

The principal resource exclusions are

- the home and land appertaining to it, regardless of value;

- life insurance policies whose total face value does not exceed \$1,500;
- burial funds not in excess of \$1,500 each for an individual and spouse (plus accrued interest);
- household goods and personal effects;<sup>b</sup>
- an automobile if used for transportation for the beneficiary or a member of the beneficiary's household;<sup>c</sup>
- property essential to self-support;
- resources set aside to fulfill a plan to achieve self-support; and
- amounts deposited into an individual development account, including matching funds and interest earned on such amounts, under the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program or the Assets for Independence Act.

a. Any portion of the \$20 amount not used to exclude unearned income may be used to exclude earned income.  
 b. The \$2,000 value limit was removed effective February 7, 2005 (70 FR 6340).  
 c. SSA also changed the evaluation of automobiles as an excludable resource, effective February 7, 2005 (70 FR 6340). Under the old rules, one automobile could be excluded (regardless of value) if necessary for employment, medical treatment, or essential daily activities. If not excludable under this criteria, the current market value of one automobile (up to \$4,500) could be excluded. The new exclusion, applicable to any one automobile used for transportation, simplifies the evaluation of this resource.

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## Filing for Other Benefits

As the "program of last resort," SSI benefits are provided to eligible individuals only to the extent that their needs are not met by other sources. After evaluating all other income and resources, SSI pays what is necessary to bring an individual to the statutorily prescribed income "floor." In keeping with this principle, SSI law requires that SSI applicants file for other payments for which they may be entitled, such as annuities, pensions, retirement or disability benefits, workers' compensation, and unemployment insurance benefits.

SSA must provide an individual with written notice of potential eligibility for other benefits and of the requirement to take all appropriate steps to pursue those benefits. The individual has 30 days from receipt of the notice to file for the benefits involved.

## Eligibility Issues for Residents of Public Institutions or Medical Facilities and Personal Needs Allowance

State and local governments—rather than the federal government—traditionally have taken the financial responsibility for residents of their public institutions. The SSI program continues this long-standing public assistance policy. People who are residents of public institutions for a full calendar month are generally ineligible for SSI unless one of the following exceptions applies:

- The public institution is a medical treatment facility and Medicaid pays more than 50 percent of the cost of care or, in the case of a child under age 18, Medicaid, private health insurance, or both pay more than 50 percent of the cost of care.
- The public institution is a publicly operated community residence serving no more than 16 residents.
- The public institution is an emergency shelter for the homeless (payments are limited to no more than 6 months in any 9-month period).
- The recipient was eligible under section 1619(a) or section 1619(b) for the month preceding the first full month in the public institution and is permitted by the institution to retain any benefits (payable for up to 2 months).
- A physician certifies that the recipient's stay in a medical facility is likely not to exceed 3 months and that continued SSI eligibility is needed to maintain and provide for the expenses of the home to which the individual will return.

When individuals enter medical treatment facilities in which more than half of the bill is paid by the

Medicaid program, their monthly federal payment standard is generally reduced to \$30, beginning with the first full calendar month they are in the facility. In the case of an individual under age 18, the \$30 payment standard is also applicable if more than half of the bill is paid by private insurance or a combination of Medicaid and private insurance. In these cases, the SSI program provides up to \$30 a month, which is intended to take care of small comfort items not provided by the institution.

## Deeming

In certain situations, the income and resources of others are counted in determining whether an individual's income and resources fall below the levels established by law. This process is called *deeming* and is applied in cases in which an eligible individual lives with an ineligible spouse, an eligible child lives with an ineligible parent, or an eligible noncitizen has a sponsor.<sup>7</sup> In concept, the practice takes into account the responsibility of the ineligible spouse or parent or the sponsor to provide for the basic needs of the eligible individual.

**Spouse-to-Spouse Deeming.** When an eligible individual lives in the same household with a spouse who is not eligible for SSI, the ineligible spouse's income and resources are deemed to be available to the eligible individual. In determining the amount of income and resources available to the eligible individual, all applicable exclusions are used. In addition, a living allowance is provided for the ineligible spouse and for any ineligible children under age 18 living in the household. The allowance reduces the amount of income to be deemed. Spouse-to-spouse deeming is intended to result in the same amount of income being available to the couple as would be available if both members of the couple were aged, blind, or disabled and eligible for SSI.

Deeming does not apply when the eligible individual is not living in the same household as the ineligible spouse. However, if the ineligible spouse's absence is temporary or is due solely to an active-duty assignment as a member of the U.S. armed forces, deeming continues to apply.

**Parent-to-Child Deeming.** A child under age 18 is subject to deeming from an ineligible natural or adoptive parent (and that parent's spouse, if any) living in the same household. Certain amounts of the parent's income are excluded, living allowances are provided for

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7. Deeming also applies to an individual who lives with an essential person (a concept carried over from the former state assistance plans). However, there are fewer than 100 of these cases remaining.

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the parent(s), and an allocation is set aside for each ineligible child under age 18 (under age 21 if a student) who is living in the household. Deeming from an eligible parent to a child continues if the parent is absent from the household but the absence is temporary or is due solely to active-duty assignment as a member of the U.S. armed forces. A child living in a household in which all members are receiving public assistance benefits is not considered to be receiving any support, and deeming does not apply.

**Sponsor-to-Alien Deeming.** The income and resources of noncitizens are deemed to include those of their sponsors. The way the income and resources are deemed and the length of the deeming period depend on whether the sponsor signed a legally enforceable affidavit of support, as required by Public Law 104-208, or the previous version of the affidavit. Generally, individuals who entered the country before 1998 did so under the old version of the affidavit.<sup>8</sup>

Under the old version of the affidavit, deeming of the sponsor's income and resources lasts until the non-citizen has been in the United States for 3 years.<sup>9</sup> Living allowances equal to the federal benefit rate are provided for the sponsor, and allowances equal to one-half of the federal benefit rate are provided for each of the sponsor's dependents. Allowances are also provided for the sponsor and his or her family members in determining deemed resources. These allowances reduce the amount of the sponsor's income and resources deemed to the noncitizen.

For noncitizens admitted into the United States under a legally enforceable affidavit of support, deeming generally applies until the noncitizen becomes a U.S. citizen. Deeming ends before citizenship if the noncitizen has earned, or can be credited with, 40 qualifying quarters of earnings. Children and spouses of workers may be credited with quarters earned by the worker. A quarter otherwise earned after 1996 does not count as one of the required 40 if the noncitizen or worker received federal means-tested public benefits during the relevant period.

Also for this group of noncitizens, deeming does not apply for specified periods if the noncitizens or their children or parents have been battered or subjected to extreme cruelty while in the United States or if spon-

sors left the noncitizens indigent by not providing them with sufficient support.

## **Incentives for Work and Opportunities for Rehabilitation**

SSI benefits provide a basic level of assistance for individuals who are blind or disabled with limited earnings ability because of their impairments. Nonetheless, for recipients who want to work, the SSI program is designed to encourage and support their work attempts to help them achieve greater degrees of independence. The SSI program includes a number of work incentive provisions that enable recipients who are blind or disabled to work and retain benefits or to increase their levels of work activity without the loss of SSI disability status or Medicaid. These incentives provide higher amounts of income or resource exclusions as recognition of the expenses associated with working or as inducements to seek rehabilitation services and support for work efforts.

### **Earned Income Exclusion**

The first \$65 (\$85 if the individual has no income other than earnings) of any monthly earned income plus one-half of remaining earnings are excluded for SSI benefit computation purposes. This general earned income exclusion is intended to help offset expenses incurred when working. It ensures that SSI recipients who are working will be rewarded for their efforts by having greater total income than those who do not work.

### **Impairment-Related Work Expense Exclusion**

The cost of certain impairment-related services and items that a disabled (but not blind) individual needs to work are excluded from earned income in determining SSI eligibility and benefit amounts.

In calculating these expenses, amounts equal to the costs of certain attendant care services, medical devices, equipment, prostheses, vehicle modifications, residential modifications to accommodate wheelchairs, and similar items and services are deductible from earnings. The costs of routine drugs and routine medical services are not deductible, unless they are necessary to control the disabling condition.

### **Work Expenses of the Blind Exclusion**

Any expenses relating to work that a blind individual has are excluded from earned income in determining SSI eligibility and benefit amounts. Unlike an impairment-related work expense, a deductible expense need not be directly related to the worker's blindness; it need

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8. The Immigration and Naturalization Service began using the new, legally enforceable affidavits on December 19, 1997. However, if a potential immigrant had a visa issued before that date, the sponsor would sign an old affidavit even if the affidavit was signed after December 19, 1997.

9. For a temporary period—January through September 1996—the deeming period was 5 years.

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only be an ordinary and necessary work expense of the worker.

Some frequently excluded work expenses include transportation to and from work, meals consumed during work hours, job equipment, licenses, income or FICA taxes, and costs of job training.

### **Sheltered Workshop Exclusion**

Remuneration for services performed in sheltered workshops or activity centers is treated as earned income. The first \$65 (\$85 if the individual has no income other than earnings) per month plus one-half of the remainder is excluded.

### **Student Earned Income Exclusion**

The student earned income exclusion is an additional exclusion for an individual who is under the age of 22 and regularly attending school. It is intended to help defray the cost of educational training. Under current regulations, up to \$1,550 of earned income per month but no more than \$6,240 per year may be excluded.<sup>10</sup>

### **Plan to Achieve Self-Support**

A plan to achieve self-support (PASS) allows a disabled or blind individual to set aside income and resources to get a specific type of job or to start a business. The plan may involve setting aside funds for education or vocational training, to purchase work-related equipment, or to pay for transportation related to the work goal. The income and resources that are set aside are excluded under the SSI income and resources tests.

The individual must have a feasible work goal and a specific savings or spending plan. The individual also must provide a clearly identifiable accounting for the funds that are set aside. The PASS is time limited and must be approved by SSA. The individual must then follow the plan and negotiate revisions as needed. SSA monitors the approved plan by reviewing it periodically to ensure the individual's progress toward attaining the work goal.

### **Special Provisions for Disabled People Who Work**

These work incentives are generally referred to by their section number in the Social Security Act, section 1619. Under section 1619(a), disabled individuals who would cease to be eligible because they earn more than the substantial gainful activity level can receive special cash benefits as long as they

- continue to have the disabling condition,
- have income under the amount that would cause ineligibility for any payment under SSI income counting rules, and
- meet all other nondisability requirements for SSI payment.

In many states, being a recipient of the special benefit permits the individual to be eligible for Medicaid benefits.

Under section 1619(b), "SSI recipient" status for Medicaid eligibility purposes also is provided to an individual

- whose earnings preclude any SSI payment but are not sufficient to provide a reasonable equivalent of the SSI, social services, and Medicaid benefits that the individual would have in the absence of earnings and
- whose ability to continue working would be seriously inhibited by the loss of social services and Medicaid benefits.

To qualify for extended Medicaid coverage under section 1619(b), an individual must

- have a disabling condition,
- need Medicaid to work,
- not be able to afford equivalent medical coverage and publicly funded personal or attendant care that would be lost without assistance,
- meet all nondisability requirements for SSI payment other than earnings, and
- have received a regular SSI cash payment in a previous month within the current period of eligibility. (In some states, the individual must have qualified for Medicaid in the month preceding the first month of eligibility under section 1619.)

In determining whether individuals' earnings are not sufficient to provide them with the equivalent benefits they would be eligible for if they stopped working, their earnings are compared with a threshold amount for their state of residence. Section 1619(b) status continues if the earnings are below the threshold. If earnings exceed the state threshold, an individualized assessment of the need for Medicaid is made, and 1619(b) status may continue.

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10. Under current regulations, this exclusion will be increased in subsequent years on the basis of changes in the cost of living.

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## **Vocational Rehabilitation and the Ticket to Work Program**

Since the beginning of the SSI program, SSA has made provision for blind or disabled individuals who are receiving SSI benefits to be referred to state Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) agencies. If the state VR agency does not accept the referral, SSA can refer recipients to an alternate provider to receive vocational rehabilitation services. SSA reimburses the VR agency or alternate provider for services that result in the individual's working at the level of substantial gainful activity for a continuous period of 9 months, and in certain other limited situations.

The Ticket to Work and Work Incentives Improvement Act of 1999 established a Ticket to Work program under which a disabled beneficiary is able to obtain vocational rehabilitation, employment, and other support services from a qualified private or public provider. Providers of such services in this new setting are referred to as employment networks (ENs). In addition, the Ticket legislation provided for a new procedure for compensating the ENs under an outcome or outcome-milestone payment system. By expanding the pool of providers and giving the providers incentives for achieving success, this program seeks to expand a disabled beneficiary's access to these services for assistance in finding, entering, and retaining employment and reducing his or her dependence on cash benefits. Regulations issued by the commissioner of Social Security became effective January 2002. Beginning in 2002, the Ticket to Work program was gradually phased in, and it has been in operation nationwide since November 2003.

Individuals receiving SSI benefits who improve medically and are therefore no longer considered disabled or blind can continue to receive SSI benefits if they are actively participating in the Ticket to Work program or another approved VR program and if continuing or completing the program would increase the likelihood that they would be permanently removed from the SSI rolls. SSI benefits and Medicaid generally continue until the rehabilitation services are completed or until the individual ceases to participate in the program.

### **Expedited Reinstatement**

A disabled or blind individual whose eligibility for SSI payments was ended because of earnings can request expedited reinstatement of his or her SSI benefits without filing a new application. To qualify for expedited reinstatement, the individual must make the request within 60 months after the eligibility ended and must have a disabling medical condition that (1) is the same

as or related to the disabling medical condition that led to the previous period of eligibility and (2) prevents him or her from performing substantial gainful activity. In determining whether the individual is disabled or blind, the medical review standard is applied. Normal non-medical requirements for SSI eligibility still apply.

An individual requesting expedited reinstatement may receive up to 6 months of provisional benefits while the request is pending. These benefits generally are not considered an overpayment if the request is denied. Provisional benefits may include Medicaid but do not include any state supplementary payments. Provisional benefits may be received as well by the individual's spouse at a couple's rate if the spouse was previously eligible for SSI as a spouse.

## **Administration of the SSI Program**

The framers of Supplemental Security Income chose the Social Security Administration to administer the program because the basic system for paying monthly benefits to a large number of individuals was already in place in the form of the Social Security program.

### **Application Process**

Individuals can make appointments to apply for SSI benefits at any one of the approximately 1,300 SSA field offices around the country or through SSA teleservice centers. The claims process includes the application interview, the obtaining of necessary evidence and documentation, and the adjudication of the claim. Many individuals file for benefits under the SSI and the Old-Age, Survivors, and Disability Insurance programs at the same time. Potential claimants initially contact SSA by phone or mail or in person. Field office personnel conduct an interview with the claimant, the claimant's representative, or both.

SSA corroborates information provided by applicants for SSI through independent or collateral sources. Generally, the basic responsibility for obtaining evidence lies with the claimant, although SSA often gives advice on ways to obtain the needed information. Because of the special circumstances of the SSI population (for example, financial need, old age, or illness), SSA makes special efforts to assist claimants in obtaining the necessary proofs.

With regard to disability and blindness claims, SSA makes determinations of all of the nonmedical eligibility factors, and each state's Disability Determination Services (DDS) makes determinations of the medical eligibility factors.



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Applicants and recipients are required to report events and changes of circumstances that may affect their SSI eligibility and benefit amounts. Such reports are required, for example, when an individual has a change in the amount of income or resources, changes living arrangements, or leaves the United States. Failure or delay in submitting a required report can result in a penalty being assessed against the individual's SSI benefit.

### **Determinations of Eligibility**

SSI applications have no retroactivity and become effective in the month after the month of filing or the month after all eligibility requirements are met, whichever is later. Eligibility for benefits is determined on a current monthly basis. SSI recipients are required to have their nonmedical eligibility factors redetermined periodically, generally every 1 to 6 years depending on their specific situation.

In addition to these nonmedical reviews, medical reviews are conducted on disabled or blind recipients to determine whether they continue to be disabled or blind. For administrative efficiency the medical reviews are done most often on disabled or blind recipients whose medical conditions are considered likely to improve. Medical reviews are required for disabled or blind recipients, for example, under the following circumstances:

- when earnings of recipients exceed the substantial gainful activity level
- at least once every 3 years for recipients under the age of 18 whose medical conditions are considered likely to improve
- within 12 months after birth for recipients whose low birth weight is a contributing factor material to the determination of their disability unless the commissioner determines that the impairment is not expected to improve within 12 months of the child's birth
- within 1 year after attainment of the age of 18 and using the adult eligibility criteria for recipients whose eligibility for SSI benefits was established under the disabled child eligibility criteria

### **Representative Payees**

When SSI recipients are incapable of managing their benefits, SSA appoints representative payees for them, and their SSI benefits are sent to the representative payees. In many cases the representative payee is a spouse, parent, or other close relative who will act in the recipient's best interest. In some cases, an SSA-approved organization may be appointed, and some

organizations have been authorized by SSA to collect a fee from the benefit for acting as payee. The fee cannot exceed the lesser of 10 percent of the benefit amount or a specified amount (\$35 a month in 2008, \$68 a month for disabled recipients who also have a drug addiction or alcoholism condition).

Representative payees may use an SSI recipient's benefit only for the use and benefit of the recipient and must account for all benefits received. Representative payees also are required to report any changes that may affect SSI recipients' eligibility and payment amount and may be held liable for certain overpayments that occur.

### **Appeal Rights**

Recipients must be informed in writing in advance of adverse actions that SSA plans to take and must be given the opportunity to request that their benefits continue pending a decision at the first level of appeal.

### **Attorney Fees**

At any time, an individual may appoint a representative in any dealings with the Social Security Administration. If such a representative is an attorney, he or she must be in good standing, have the right to practice law before a court, not be disqualified or suspended from acting as a representative in dealings with Social Security, and not be prohibited by any law from acting as a representative. If the individual is not an attorney, he or she must meet qualifications specified by the commissioner (for example, be of good character and able to provide valuable service to claimants).

A representative may charge and receive a fee for his or her services, but the Social Security Administration generally decides how much the fee will be. Although the Social Security Act does not establish a maximum fee, most attorneys use an options process that limits their maximum fee to the lesser of 25 percent of the retroactive payment or \$5,300.<sup>11</sup>

### **Advance Payments**

The SSI program has provisions that help respond to the immediate needs of new claimants. These procedures are in addition to state and local programs designed to help those in need pending decisions on their SSI status.

**Emergency Advance Payments.** A new claimant who faces a financial emergency and who has a strong like-

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11. Fee agreements before February 1, 2002, were limited to the lesser of 25 percent of the retroactive payment or \$4,000.

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likelihood of being found eligible may receive up to 1 month of SSI benefits—the federal payment amount plus any applicable state supplement. The amount paid is recovered from later SSI payments (in full from the first payment or in increments over no more than a 6-month period, depending on the circumstances). However, if the claim is subsequently not allowed because of not finding disability or blindness, repayment is waived. If the claim is disallowed for other reasons, the amount paid is an overpayment and is processed as such.

**Presumptive Disability or Blindness.** Up to 6 months of payments may be made to an individual applying for benefits on the basis of disability or blindness when the available evidence reflects a high degree of probability that the impairment will meet the definition of disability or blindness and the individual is otherwise eligible. These payments are not considered overpayments if the individual is later determined not to be disabled or blind.

## State Supplementation

In designing the SSI program, Congress recognized that states, in many instances, would want to provide a higher level of income maintenance than was available under the federal program. At the same time, states were given the option to either provide no supplementation to the federal assistance payments or supplement those payments on the basis of their views of the needs of their citizens. They were mandated to ensure that their citizens would not receive lower benefits under the federal program than they had under the former state program.

### Types of State Supplementation

State supplementation can be optional or mandatory.

**Optional State Supplementary Payment Programs.** For individuals who first became eligible for SSI in 1974 or later, each state could supplement federal payments to whatever extent it found appropriate with respect to the needs of its citizens and the resources of the state. Currently, 46 states have optional state supplementary payment programs.

Some states provide supplementary payments to all individuals eligible for SSI benefits; others may limit them to certain SSI recipients, such as the blind or residents of domiciliary care facilities, or may extend them to persons ineligible for SSI because of excess income. States' flexibility in setting supplementary payments, however, has been significantly restricted by mandatory passalong provisions (described below).

**Mandatory State Supplementary Payment Programs.** States are required to maintain the income levels from December 1973 of individuals who were transferred from the former state adult assistance programs to the SSI program in 1974, except for Texas, which has a constitutional bar against mandatory state supplementation.<sup>12</sup> Because of the increases in federal benefits, only a few individuals continue to receive mandatory state supplementary payments.

### Administration of State Supplementary Payments

A state may administer its supplementary program or enter into an agreement under which SSA will make eligibility determinations and payments on behalf of the state. Under state administration, the state pays its own program benefits and absorbs the full administrative costs. Under federal administration, states are required to pay SSA a fee of \$9.95 for each supplementary payment issued in fiscal year 2008. Fees are projected to rise in succeeding fiscal years, based on changes in the consumer price index.

States that administer their own supplementary payment programs establish their own eligibility criteria. States with federally administered programs must adhere to SSI eligibility criteria in all aspects except additional income exclusions.

### Mandatory Passalong

It was originally the view of Congress that increases in the federal SSI benefit rate would eventually replace state supplementary payments. However, public reaction to states reducing their supplementary payment amounts when SSI payments were increased led Congress to mandate that states pass along SSI benefit increases resulting from cost-of-living adjustments.

To meet the passalong requirement, a state may either maintain each state payment level from year to year (the *payment levels* method), or it may spend the same amount of money, in the aggregate, that it spent for supplementary benefits in the 12-month period preceding the increase in the SSI benefit rate (the *total expenditures* method).

### Coordination with Other Programs

SSI benefits are not the only form of assistance available to needy aged, blind, or disabled individuals. Medicaid, food stamps, and temporary state assistance are also important in keeping individuals from sliding fur-

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12. The requirement does not affect West Virginia, since SSI federal benefit rates in 1973 exceeded the applicable income standards under the state's adult assistance programs.

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ther into poverty. SSA plays a limited but important role in helping states with regard to administration of the Medicaid and Food Stamp programs, and provisions in the SSI statute ensure that payments made by states or under the Social Security program are not duplicated by SSI benefits.

### **Windfall Offset**

If a person receives SSI payments and is later determined to be entitled to retroactive Social Security benefits, such retroactive benefits are reduced by the amount of SSI payments the person would not have been eligible for had the Social Security benefits been paid in the month they were due. This process, called the *windfall offset*, was enacted to prevent windfall payments to individuals when Social Security and SSI payments were paid for the same period.

### **Medicaid Determinations**

Generally, SSI recipients are categorically eligible for Medicaid. A state may use SSI eligibility criteria for determining Medicaid eligibility, or it may use its own criteria as long as the criteria are no more restrictive than the state's January 1972 medical assistance standards. Forty states use SSI criteria, and 11 states use eligibility criteria that are more restrictive than those of the SSI program.

States also may enter into agreements with SSA for SSA to make Medicaid eligibility determinations on their behalf as long as the eligibility requirements of the state's Medicaid plans are the same as those for the SSI program. Under these agreements, SSA determines only when an individual is eligible for Medicaid; SSA does not determine Medicaid ineligibility. SSA has agreements with 33 states to determine eligibility for Medicaid.

Continued Medicaid eligibility is provided for certain Social Security beneficiaries who lose SSI eligibility because of either an entitlement to Social Security benefits or an increase in Social Security benefits resulting from

- cost-of-living adjustments
- actuarial increases in widow(er)s benefits before age 60
- changes in the definition of disability for widow(er)s benefits
- increases in disabled adult child benefits

### **Food Stamp Applications**

SSI recipients in all states, except California, may be eligible for food stamps. Under agreements entered into by the secretary of agriculture and SSA, Social Security offices notify Social Security and SSI applicants and recipients of their potential benefits under the Food Stamp program and make food stamp applications available to them.<sup>13</sup>

The law also provides for Social Security offices to take food stamp applications from potentially eligible or eligible SSI households that are not already receiving food stamps and do not have a food stamp application pending. Food stamp applications from SSI households may be taken in connection with initial SSI claims or at the time of a redetermination. Food stamp applicants have the option of applying at Social Security offices or at state food stamp offices if expedited service is required. Social Security offices forward the food stamp application and any supporting documents to the local food stamp offices within 1 day of taking the application. Eligibility is determined by the food stamp office.

### **Interim Assistance Reimbursement**

SSA may enter into agreements under which states or local governments are reimbursed for basic needs assistance provided during the period that an eligible individual's SSI application for benefits was pending or the individual's SSI benefits were suspended and subsequently reinstated (the interim period). Thirty-nine states have interim assistance agreements with SSA.

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13. California "cashes out" food stamps, and SSI recipients receive a cash payment in their state supplementary payment in lieu of food stamps.

# Federal Benefit Rates and Total Annual Payments

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**Table 1.**  
**Monthly federal SSI benefit rates, 1974–2008 (in dollars)**

Starting date	Individual		Couple		Medicaid facility	Essential person increment
	Own household	Another's household	Own household	Another's household		
January 1974	140.00	93.34	210.00	140.00	25.00	70.00
July 1974	146.00	97.34	219.00	146.00	25.00	73.00
July 1975	157.70	105.14	236.60	157.74	25.00	78.90
July 1976	167.80	111.87	251.80	167.87	25.00	84.00
July 1977	177.80	118.54	266.70	177.80	25.00	89.00
July 1978	189.40	126.27	284.10	189.40	25.00	94.80
July 1979	208.20	138.80	312.30	208.20	25.00	104.20
July 1980	238.00	158.67	357.00	238.00	25.00	119.20
July 1981	264.70	176.47	397.00	264.67	25.00	132.60
July 1982	284.30	189.54	426.40	284.27	25.00	142.50
July 1983	304.30	202.87	456.40	304.27	25.00	152.50
January 1984	314.00	209.34	472.00	314.67	25.00	157.00
January 1985	325.00	216.67	488.00	325.34	25.00	163.00
January 1986	336.00	224.00	504.00	336.00	25.00	168.00
January 1987	340.00	226.67	510.00	340.00	25.00	170.00
January 1988	354.00	236.00	532.00	354.67	25.00	177.00
January 1989	368.00	245.34	553.00	368.67	30.00	184.00
January 1990	386.00	257.34	579.00	386.00	30.00	193.00
January 1991	407.00	271.34	610.00	406.67	30.00	204.00
January 1992	422.00	281.34	633.00	422.00	30.00	211.00
January 1993	434.00	289.34	652.00	434.67	30.00	217.00
January 1994	446.00	297.34	669.00	446.00	30.00	223.00
January 1995	458.00	305.34	687.00	458.00	30.00	229.00
January 1996	470.00	313.34	705.00	470.00	30.00	235.00
January 1997	484.00	322.67	726.00	484.00	30.00	242.00
January 1998	494.00	329.34	741.00	494.00	30.00	247.00
January 1999	500.00	333.34	751.00	500.67	30.00	250.00
January 2000 <sup>a</sup>	513.00	342.00	769.00	512.67	30.00	257.00
January 2001 <sup>a</sup>	531.00	354.00	796.00	530.67	30.00	266.00
January 2002	545.00	363.34	817.00	544.67	30.00	273.00
January 2003	552.00	368.00	829.00	552.67	30.00	277.00
January 2004	564.00	376.00	846.00	564.00	30.00	282.00
January 2005	579.00	386.00	869.00	579.34	30.00	290.00
January 2006	603.00	402.00	904.00	602.67	30.00	302.00
January 2007	623.00	415.34	934.00	622.67	30.00	312.00
January 2008	637.00	424.67	956.00	637.34	30.00	319.00

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Office of the Chief Actuary.

a. Data reflect the correction of an error in the consumer price index.

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## Federal Benefit Rates and Total Annual Payments

**Table 2.**  
**Total payments, by eligibility category and source of payment, selected years, 1974–2007**  
 (in thousands of dollars)

Year	Total	Federal SSI	Federally administered state supplementation
<i>All recipients</i>			
1974	5,096,813	3,833,161	1,263,652
1975	5,716,072	4,313,538	1,402,534
1980	7,714,640	5,866,354	1,848,286
1985	10,749,938	8,777,341	1,972,597
1990	16,132,959	12,893,805	3,239,154
1995	27,037,280	23,919,430	3,117,850
1996	28,252,474	25,264,878	2,987,596
1997	28,370,568	25,457,387	2,913,181
1998	29,408,208	26,404,793	3,003,415
1999	30,106,132	26,805,156	3,300,976
2000	30,671,699	27,290,248	3,381,451
2001	32,165,856	28,705,503	3,460,353
2002	33,718,999	29,898,765	3,820,234
2003	34,693,278	30,688,029	4,005,249
2004	36,065,358	31,886,509	4,178,849
2005	37,235,843	33,058,056	4,177,787
2006	38,888,961	34,736,088	4,152,873
2007	41,204,645	36,884,066	4,320,579
<i>Aged</i>			
1974	2,414,034	1,782,742	631,292
1975	2,516,515	1,842,980	673,535
1980	2,617,023	1,860,194	756,829
1985	2,896,671	2,202,557	694,114
1990	3,559,388	2,521,382	1,038,006
1995	4,239,222	3,374,772	864,450
1996	4,282,498	3,449,407	833,091
1997	4,303,529	3,479,948	823,581
1998	4,166,231	3,327,856	838,375
1999	4,445,687	3,524,355	921,332
2000	4,540,046	3,597,516	942,530
2001	4,664,076	3,708,527	955,549
2002	4,802,792	3,751,491	1,051,301
2003	4,856,875	3,758,070	1,098,805
2004	4,907,225	3,773,901	1,133,324
2005	4,964,627	3,836,625	1,128,002
2006	5,115,911	3,953,106	1,162,804
2007	5,301,277	4,113,424	1,187,853

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**Table 2.**  
**Total payments, by eligibility category and source of payment, selected years, 1974–2007**  
 (in thousands of dollars)—*Continued*

Year	Total	Federal SSI	Federally administered state supplementation
<i>Blind</i>			
1974	125,791	91,308	34,483
1975	127,240	92,427	34,813
1980	185,827	131,506	54,321
1985	259,840	195,183	64,657
1990	328,949	238,415	90,534
1995	367,441	298,238	69,203
1996	364,791	298,897	65,894
1997	367,845	302,656	65,189
1998	358,187	291,050	67,137
1999	382,323	309,295	73,028
2000	385,926	312,238	73,688
2001	398,624	323,895	74,729
2002	416,454	335,405	81,049
2003	409,293	325,878	83,415
2004	412,810	327,446	85,364
2005	414,147	330,591	83,556
2006	409,287	326,230	83,057
2007	418,835	336,789	82,046
<i>Disabled</i>			
1974	2,556,988	1,959,112	597,876
1975	3,072,317	2,378,131	694,186
1980	4,911,792	3,874,655	1,037,137
1985	7,593,427	6,379,601	1,213,826
1990	12,244,622	10,134,007	2,110,615
1995	22,430,612	20,246,415	2,184,197
1996	23,605,189	21,516,579	2,088,610
1997	23,709,831	21,685,421	2,024,410
1998	24,883,782	22,785,879	2,097,903
1999	25,278,121	22,971,506	2,306,615
2000	25,745,710	23,380,477	2,365,233
2001	27,125,707	24,695,630	2,430,077
2002	28,531,939	25,844,055	2,687,884
2003	29,453,803	26,630,775	2,823,028
2004	30,745,406	27,785,246	2,960,160
2005	31,857,069	28,890,840	2,966,229
2006	33,363,762	30,456,751	2,907,011
2007	35,484,533	32,433,853	3,050,680

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Office of Financial Management, Division of Finance.

NOTE: Totals for "Aged," "Blind," and "Disabled" are derived. The derivation creates slight discrepancies between the sum of the group totals and the "All recipients" total.

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**Table 3.**  
**Recipients, by age, December 1974–2007**

Year	Total	Under age 18		Aged 18–64		Aged 65 or older	
		Number	Percentage of total	Number	Percentage of total	Number	Percentage of total
1974	3,996,064	70,900	1.8	1,503,155	37.6	2,422,009	60.6
1975	4,314,275	107,026	2.5	1,699,394	39.4	2,507,855	58.1
1976	4,235,939	125,412	3.0	1,713,594	40.5	2,396,933	56.6
1977	4,237,692	147,355	3.5	1,736,879	41.0	2,353,458	55.5
1978	4,216,925	165,899	3.9	1,747,126	41.4	2,303,900	54.6
1979	4,149,575	177,306	4.3	1,726,553	41.6	2,245,716	54.1
1980	4,142,017	190,394	4.6	1,730,847	41.8	2,220,776	53.6
1981	4,018,875	194,890	4.8	1,702,895	42.4	2,121,090	52.8
1982	3,857,590	191,570	5.0	1,655,279	42.9	2,010,741	52.1
1983	3,901,497	198,323	5.1	1,699,774	43.6	2,003,400	51.3
1984	4,029,333	211,587	5.3	1,780,459	44.2	2,037,287	50.6
1985	4,138,021	227,384	5.5	1,879,168	45.4	2,031,469	49.1
1986	4,269,184	241,198	5.6	2,010,458	47.1	2,017,528	47.3
1987	4,384,999	250,902	5.7	2,118,710	48.3	2,015,387	46.0
1988	4,463,869	255,135	5.7	2,202,714	49.3	2,006,020	44.9
1989	4,593,059	264,890	5.8	2,301,926	50.1	2,026,243	44.1
1990	4,817,127	308,589	6.4	2,449,897	50.9	2,058,641	42.7
1991	5,118,470	397,162	7.8	2,641,524	51.6	2,079,784	40.6
1992	5,566,189	556,470	10.0	2,910,016	52.3	2,099,703	37.7
1993	5,984,330	722,678	12.1	3,148,413	52.6	2,113,239	35.3
1994	6,295,786	841,474	13.4	3,335,255	53.0	2,119,057	33.7
1995	6,514,134	917,048	14.1	3,482,256	53.5	2,114,830	32.5
1996	6,613,718	955,174	14.4	3,568,393	54.0	2,090,151	31.6
1997	6,494,985	879,828	13.5	3,561,625	54.8	2,053,532	31.6
1998	6,566,069	887,066	13.5	3,646,020	55.5	2,032,983	31.0
1999	6,556,634	847,063	12.9	3,690,970	56.3	2,018,601	30.8
2000	6,601,686	846,784	12.8	3,744,022	56.7	2,010,880	30.5
2001	6,688,489	881,836	13.2	3,811,494	57.0	1,995,159	29.8
2002	6,787,857	914,821	13.5	3,877,752	57.1	1,995,284	29.4
2003	6,902,364	959,379	13.9	3,953,248	57.3	1,989,737	28.8
2004	6,987,845	993,127	14.2	4,017,108	57.5	1,977,610	28.3
2005	7,113,879	1,036,498	14.6	4,082,870	57.4	1,994,511	28.0
2006	7,235,583	1,078,977	14.9	4,152,130	57.4	2,004,476	27.7
2007	7,359,525	1,121,017	15.2	4,221,920	57.4	2,016,588	27.4

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

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**Table 4.**  
**By type of payment, sex, eligibility category, and age, December 2007**

Type of payment and sex	Total	Category			Age		
		Aged	Blind	Disabled	Under 18	18-64	65 or older
<b>Number</b>							
All payments	7,359,525	1,204,512	71,727	6,083,286	1,121,017	4,221,920	2,016,588
Male	3,226,839	388,411	32,735	2,805,693	736,294	1,860,129	630,416
Female	4,132,686	816,101	38,992	3,277,593	384,723	2,361,791	1,386,172
Federal SSI	7,061,234	1,101,440	66,611	5,893,183	1,118,633	4,073,723	1,868,878
Male	3,092,311	349,104	30,210	2,712,997	734,741	1,783,156	574,414
Female	3,968,923	752,336	36,401	3,180,186	383,892	2,290,567	1,294,464
State supplementation	2,302,130	595,555	30,048	1,676,527	226,010	1,176,744	899,376
Male	998,052	211,498	13,698	772,856	149,225	540,700	308,127
Female	1,304,078	384,057	16,350	903,671	76,785	636,044	591,249
<b>Total payments (thousands of dollars)</b>							
All payments	3,735,792	465,272	36,571	3,233,949	660,768	2,290,670	784,354
Male	1,695,029	153,230	16,571	1,525,228	434,373	1,014,636	246,020
Female	2,040,763	312,042	20,000	1,708,721	226,395	1,276,034	538,334
Federal SSI	3,357,680	362,064	29,477	2,966,139	642,355	2,087,346	627,979
Male	1,527,220	114,275	13,348	1,399,597	422,334	916,067	188,819
Female	1,830,460	247,789	16,129	1,566,542	220,021	1,171,279	439,159
State supplementation	378,112	103,208	7,094	267,810	18,413	203,324	156,376
Male	167,809	38,954	3,224	125,631	12,039	98,569	57,201
Female	210,304	64,253	3,871	142,179	6,374	104,755	99,175
<b>Average monthly payment <sup>a</sup> (dollars)</b>							
All payments	468.36	384.15	500.22	484.67	555.28	484.22	386.94
Male	481.15	392.31	495.00	493.31	556.02	483.09	388.05
Female	458.39	380.27	504.60	477.29	553.86	485.11	386.44
Federal SSI	437.05	327.06	435.15	457.67	541.07	455.65	334.48
Male	450.62	325.59	432.91	466.95	541.84	452.90	327.01
Female	426.51	327.74	437.01	449.77	539.59	457.78	337.79
State supplementation	156.56	171.69	229.27	149.87	76.41	159.91	172.30
Male	159.32	182.56	227.92	151.73	75.72	168.40	183.91
Female	154.45	165.71	230.41	148.28	77.74	152.72	166.25

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

a. Averages are not obtained simply by dividing the total dollars by the number of recipients. Averages exclude payments made in the current month for prior-month eligibility, such as back pay for new awards, so that large retroactive payments do not distort the averages.

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**Table 5.**  
**Recipients by selected characteristics, eligibility category, and age, December 2007**

Characteristic	Total	Category			Age		
		Aged	Blind	Disabled	Under 18	18-64	65 or older
<i>Number</i>							
All recipients	7,359,525	1,204,512	71,727	6,083,286	1,121,017	4,221,920	2,016,588
Sex							
Male	3,226,839	388,411	32,735	2,805,693	736,294	1,860,129	630,416
Female	4,132,686	816,101	38,992	3,277,593	384,723	2,361,791	1,386,172
Living arrangement							
Own household	5,915,319	1,082,243	60,631	4,772,445	140,434	3,924,046	1,850,839
Another's household	364,119	102,431	4,306	257,382	46,126	201,436	116,557
Parent's household	934,737	...	5,098	929,639	918,521	16,216	...
Medicaid institution	135,724	18,618	1,649	115,457	15,462	72,555	47,707
Unknown	9,626	1,220	43	8,363	474	7,667	1,485
<i>Average monthly payment (dollars)</i>							
All recipients	\$468.36	\$384.15	\$500.22	\$484.67	\$555.28	\$484.22	\$386.94
Sex							
Male	481.15	392.31	495.00	493.31	556.02	483.09	388.05
Female	458.39	380.27	504.60	477.29	553.86	485.11	386.44
Living arrangement							
Own household	465.96	385.63	504.40	483.70	604.61	495.43	393.10
Another's household	418.03	425.06	485.61	414.06	407.41	417.63	422.93
Parent's household	563.74	...	608.85	563.50	563.78	561.69	...
Medicaid institution	34.48	37.18	36.24	34.05	37.36	33.41	35.19
Unknown	489.07	458.60	415.00	499.58	388.25	521.36	477.67

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

NOTE: ... = not applicable.

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**Table 6.**  
**Recipients, by type of representative payee, eligibility category, and age, December 2007**

Type of payee	Total	Category			Age		
		Aged	Blind	Disabled	Under 18	18-64	65 or older
All recipients	7,359,525	1,204,512	71,727	6,083,286	1,121,017	4,221,920	2,016,588
Without payee	4,635,572	1,160,559	52,317	3,422,696	915	2,777,545	1,857,112
With payee	2,723,953	43,953	19,410	2,660,590	1,120,102	1,444,375	159,476
Natural or adoptive parents	1,584,442	361	11,587	1,572,494	917,494	664,952	1,996
Spouse	57,125	1,927	211	54,987	37	47,805	9,283
Natural, adoptive, or stepchild	98,470	18,868	650	78,952	420	49,755	48,295
Grandparent	106,259	31	630	105,598	75,070	31,136	53
Other relative	367,388	10,638	2,417	354,333	80,191	244,057	43,140
Nonmental institution	130,800	6,085	1,289	123,426	6,424	98,777	25,599
Mental institution	76,982	1,058	707	75,217	2,562	67,823	6,597
Financial organization	3,980	40	18	3,922	156	3,632	192
Social agency	130,348	2,052	1,058	127,238	18,867	101,142	10,339
Public official	15,295	501	80	14,714	1,383	11,689	2,223
Other	152,864	2,392	763	149,709	17,498	123,607	11,759

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

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**Table 7.**  
**Recipients, by type of income, eligibility category, and age, December 2007**

Type of income	Total	Category			Age		
		Aged	Blind	Disabled	Under 18	18-64	65 or older
All recipients <sup>a</sup>	7,359,525	1,204,512	71,727	6,083,286	1,121,017	4,221,920	2,016,588
No other income	4,096,403	425,321	37,959	3,633,123	834,311	2,515,291	746,801
Earned income	276,640	18,008	4,176	254,456	3,021	245,689	27,930
Unearned income							
Social Security benefits	2,568,637	689,877	26,681	1,852,079	80,539	1,339,554	1,148,544
Veterans' benefits	56,884	22,871	415	33,598	1,155	20,003	35,726
Income based on need	22,422	288	51	22,083	15,097	7,008	317
Workers' compensation	4,828	413	14	4,401	14	3,817	997
Support from absent parents	146,499	1	830	145,668	142,411	4,087	1
Pensions	59,814	39,958	360	19,496	42	12,001	47,771
Support and maintenance	316,538	89,017	2,526	224,995	53,010	152,944	110,584
Asset income <sup>b</sup>	176,142	63,442	2,380	110,320	8,415	78,411	89,316
Other <sup>c</sup>	75,416	12,629	685	62,102	3,641	53,638	18,137

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

- a. The sum of the entries may be greater than the total because some recipients may receive more than one type of unearned income or both earned and unearned income.
- b. Includes income received as rent, interest, dividends, and royalties.
- c. Does not include income deemed from a spouse or parent.

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**Table 8.**  
**Recipients, by receipt of Social Security, type of income, eligibility category, and age, December 2007**

Type of income	Total	Category			Age		
		Aged	Blind	Disabled	Under 18	18-64	65 or older
<b>Number</b>							
All recipients	7,359,525	1,204,512	71,727	6,083,286	1,121,017	4,221,920	2,016,588
With Social Security							
No other income	2,199,765	551,409	22,963	1,625,393	69,611	1,168,225	961,929
Earned income only	101,056	10,514	1,406	89,136	262	84,273	16,521
Unearned income only <sup>a</sup>	258,093	126,292	2,164	129,637	10,613	79,758	167,722
Both earned and unearned income <sup>a</sup>	9,723	1,638	148	7,937	53	7,298	2,372
Without Social Security							
No other income	4,086,523	425,207	37,920	3,623,396	831,148	2,508,771	746,604
Earned income only	149,987	4,704	2,379	142,904	2,038	140,383	7,566
Unearned income only <sup>a</sup>	538,504	83,596	4,504	450,404	206,624	219,477	112,403
Both earned and unearned income <sup>a</sup>	15,874	1,152	243	14,479	668	13,735	1,471
<b>Average monthly payment (dollars)</b>							
All recipients	468.36	384.15	500.22	484.67	555.28	484.22	386.94
With Social Security							
No other income	232.33	227.04	266.38	233.64	414.89	224.74	228.39
Earned income only	234.74	218.43	259.23	236.34	354.22	236.60	223.70
Unearned income only <sup>a</sup>	203.33	187.32	237.93	218.91	362.17	216.80	187.44
Both earned and unearned income <sup>a</sup>	223.27	198.87	251.59	227.96	267.84	227.90	208.70
Without Social Security							
No other income	612.35	621.03	658.72	610.85	587.49	619.97	617.82
Earned income only	490.64	451.51	508.47	491.63	496.37	491.81	467.54
Unearned income only <sup>a</sup>	508.96	545.21	570.27	501.63	483.92	513.92	545.23
Both earned and unearned income <sup>a</sup>	432.25	375.64	477.97	435.97	397.59	438.39	390.06

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

a. Includes recipients with in-kind unearned income.

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**Table 9.**  
**Recipients, by state or other area, eligibility category, and age, December 2007**

State or area	Total	Category			Age		
		Aged	Blind	Disabled	Under 18	18-64	65 or older
All areas	7,359,525	1,204,512	71,727	6,083,286	1,121,017	4,221,920	2,016,588
Alabama	165,521	15,577	894	149,050	29,090	103,655	32,776
Alaska	11,440	2,062	94	9,284	1,165	7,243	3,032
Arizona	100,724	13,561	825	86,338	18,449	58,116	24,159
Arkansas	95,802	8,529	754	86,519	21,145	56,873	17,784
California	1,247,232	365,340	20,875	861,017	102,144	602,927	542,161
Colorado	58,498	8,764	514	49,220	7,495	36,621	14,382
Connecticut	54,197	6,684	456	47,057	7,099	34,257	12,841
Delaware	14,401	1,263	97	13,041	3,441	8,519	2,441
District of Columbia	22,102	1,926	142	20,034	4,490	13,422	4,190
Florida	431,015	99,352	2,661	329,002	82,435	204,595	143,985
Georgia	208,016	26,096	1,895	180,025	36,259	121,309	50,448
Hawaii	23,262	6,338	200	16,724	1,606	13,135	8,521
Idaho	23,697	1,830	201	21,666	4,444	15,882	3,371
Illinois	261,901	30,502	2,327	229,072	44,997	158,162	58,742
Indiana	104,366	5,639	880	97,847	22,781	69,184	12,401
Iowa	44,659	3,406	728	40,525	7,502	30,225	6,932
Kansas	40,405	3,201	331	36,873	7,685	26,263	6,457
Kentucky	184,378	12,692	1,328	170,358	29,096	122,125	33,157
Louisiana	162,271	16,223	1,558	144,490	31,491	96,987	33,793
Maine	33,328	2,247	225	30,856	3,707	24,370	5,251
Maryland	97,858	15,155	615	82,088	15,816	57,304	24,738
Massachusetts	178,856	45,229	3,708	129,919	20,247	110,014	48,595
Michigan	228,068	16,437	1,642	209,989	39,043	152,215	36,810
Minnesota	78,401	10,371	723	67,307	12,027	48,948	17,426
Mississippi	122,745	13,239	935	108,571	22,987	71,262	28,496
Missouri	121,876	8,829	950	112,097	20,992	81,393	19,491
Montana	15,629	1,090	124	14,415	2,238	10,886	2,505
Nebraska	23,052	2,025	242	20,785	3,715	15,426	3,911
Nevada	35,548	9,092	664	25,792	6,570	19,322	9,656
New Hampshire	15,119	852	160	14,107	2,089	11,189	1,841
New Jersey	156,374	33,859	911	121,604	23,239	81,152	51,983
New Mexico	56,387	8,404	478	47,505	8,117	32,391	15,879
New York	648,908	135,334	2,920	510,654	75,387	340,415	233,106
North Carolina	205,604	23,345	1,741	180,518	39,919	119,099	46,586
North Dakota	8,003	895	70	7,038	1,040	5,250	1,713
Ohio	257,874	15,094	1,776	241,004	44,872	175,599	37,403
Oklahoma	85,102	7,437	747	76,918	15,381	54,544	15,177
Oregon	64,031	8,012	651	55,368	8,606	41,791	13,634
Pennsylvania	333,531	27,796	2,075	303,660	64,360	208,343	60,828
Rhode Island	31,101	3,855	189	27,057	4,224	19,579	7,298
South Carolina	105,519	11,229	1,311	92,979	19,139	62,698	23,682
South Dakota	12,961	1,570	98	11,293	2,144	7,813	3,004
Tennessee	163,142	15,239	1,497	146,406	23,665	105,518	33,959
Texas	544,605	108,006	6,606	429,993	105,084	275,659	163,862
Utah	24,472	2,347	248	21,877	4,625	15,687	4,160

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**Table 9.**  
**Recipients, by state or other area, eligibility category, and age, December 2007—Continued**

State or area	Total	Category			Age		
		Aged	Blind	Disabled	Under 18	18–64	65 or older
Vermont	13,920	1,117	87	12,716	1,732	9,686	2,502
Virginia	140,419	19,985	1,194	119,240	23,272	82,468	34,679
Washington	121,577	15,225	893	105,459	15,716	77,823	28,038
West Virginia	78,931	3,817	560	74,554	9,196	57,757	11,978
Wisconsin	96,038	7,879	879	87,280	17,958	62,264	15,816
Wyoming	5,832	386	38	5,408	845	4,148	839
Outlying area							
Northern Mariana Islands	827	130	10	687	251	407	169

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

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**Table 10.**  
**Average monthly payment, by state or other area, eligibility category, and age, December 2007**  
**(in dollars)**

State or area	Total	Category			Age		
		Aged	Blind	Disabled	Under 18	18-64	65 or older
All areas	468.36	384.15	500.22	484.67	555.28	484.22	386.94
Alabama	418.48	195.87	396.34	441.88	549.39	438.28	239.47
Alaska	425.74	293.77	426.61	455.16	501.44	459.69	316.83
Arizona	446.95	322.65	441.68	466.58	544.70	462.62	334.94
Arkansas	413.07	179.47	390.60	436.33	547.33	424.75	216.49
California	590.75	528.78	651.85	615.57	658.76	626.28	538.50
Colorado	422.00	337.40	424.21	437.11	514.75	439.09	330.71
Connecticut	443.70	357.60	445.85	455.91	540.75	456.12	357.13
Delaware	437.12	288.24	416.11	451.57	523.00	441.62	299.93
District of Columbia	480.50	301.06	430.81	498.03	550.57	501.94	336.40
Florida	434.19	350.88	425.92	459.44	537.67	449.20	353.68
Georgia	417.14	243.74	425.10	442.17	540.25	443.93	264.21
Hawaii	483.84	402.51	486.93	514.61	515.31	521.75	419.61
Idaho	425.09	238.92	430.99	440.82	519.32	433.65	261.59
Illinois	466.90	370.92	455.58	479.80	553.61	476.90	373.70
Indiana	442.68	254.48	414.42	453.84	543.66	440.08	272.79
Iowa	413.38	234.95	404.14	428.63	521.99	422.21	258.22
Kansas	426.35	274.53	428.26	439.51	530.02	430.45	286.97
Kentucky	435.04	206.25	430.13	452.08	553.47	454.28	260.18
Louisiana	432.53	216.49	416.81	456.95	554.50	454.32	256.17
Maine	408.78	196.53	423.32	424.10	526.50	428.42	234.65
Maryland	451.81	353.11	433.87	470.17	527.93	472.97	354.19
Massachusetts	479.43	412.47	515.95	501.82	579.82	491.37	410.66
Michigan	465.91	328.06	449.02	476.82	556.54	473.71	337.82
Minnesota	446.22	368.84	448.13	458.16	531.22	449.96	377.35
Mississippi	412.96	186.43	376.47	440.94	549.62	439.45	236.53
Missouri	428.03	248.66	420.51	442.22	547.22	435.07	270.31
Montana	419.22	209.50	445.82	434.85	533.16	435.73	245.52
Nebraska	407.38	248.14	437.68	422.55	522.81	415.04	268.59
Nevada	439.17	349.48	494.19	469.48	527.11	454.89	347.76
New Hampshire	420.47	282.53	428.52	428.75	505.56	427.66	281.00
New Jersey	453.22	387.20	429.78	471.71	545.43	468.98	387.31
New Mexico	420.48	267.71	435.79	447.40	549.81	450.97	292.38
New York	498.49	407.16	476.73	522.79	572.19	529.69	429.07
North Carolina	405.94	211.45	398.72	431.12	530.08	425.14	250.36
North Dakota	379.67	230.44	440.77	398.16	499.38	398.41	250.13
Ohio	460.42	303.92	426.20	470.48	555.84	466.36	318.30
Oklahoma	428.75	231.15	420.43	447.97	541.83	444.92	256.09
Oregon	438.08	325.15	448.94	454.39	534.71	453.39	330.96
Pennsylvania	468.14	311.90	439.37	482.61	543.33	481.15	344.24
Rhode Island	469.07	340.25	426.05	487.67	593.28	483.13	359.25
South Carolina	411.50	212.03	405.17	435.72	533.50	434.30	252.75
South Dakota	395.20	224.21	426.92	418.80	507.39	417.21	258.53
Tennessee	419.11	210.04	437.40	440.68	542.90	444.35	254.69
Texas	409.77	274.01	431.71	443.60	537.88	436.88	282.20
Utah	430.02	357.44	427.42	437.89	490.72	433.90	348.55

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**Table 10.**  
**Average monthly payment, by state or other area, eligibility category, and age, December 2007**  
**(in dollars)—Continued**

State or area	Total	Category			Age		
		Aged	Blind	Disabled	Under 18	18–64	65 or older
Vermont	427.50	221.35	413.96	445.67	575.59	443.63	262.73
Virginia	421.31	306.69	421.26	440.54	525.21	439.29	309.03
Washington	463.30	403.74	449.15	472.04	533.62	471.92	400.37
West Virginia	442.93	199.82	427.49	455.40	544.97	462.08	271.92
Wisconsin	435.49	271.27	438.90	450.31	542.44	440.20	295.83
Wyoming	406.27	195.71	392.11	421.44	510.56	420.58	231.63
Outlying area							
Northern Mariana Islands	507.44	359.56	459.60	535.60	588.09	509.78	380.49

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

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**Table 11.**  
**Recipients and their average income, by type of income and marital status, December 2007**

Type of income	Eligible individual with no spouse		Eligible individual with eligible spouse				Eligible individual with ineligible spouse			
	Number	Average income (dollars)	Individual		Spouse		Individual		Spouse	
			Number	Average income (dollars)	Number	Average income (dollars)	Number	Average income (dollars)	Number	Average income (dollars)
Total <sup>a</sup>	6,487,662	...	280,217	...	280,217	...	311,429	...	311,429	...
No other income	3,616,386	...	141,941	...	148,540	...	184,204	...	138,339	...
With income	2,871,276	438	138,276	434	131,677	377	127,225	451	173,090	917
Earned income only	141,842	382	1,738	700	2,315	601	4,114	634	98,749	1,198
Unearned income only	2,610,313	431	134,449	424	126,290	362	120,767	437	64,589	450
Both earned and unearned income	119,121	668	2,089	857	3,072	835	2,344	876	9,752	1,167
With earned income <sup>a</sup>	260,963	321	3,827	546	5,387	516	6,458	577	108,501	1,173
Wages	240,967	330	2,719	667	3,866	618	4,445	697	85,009	1,292
Self-employment income	20,821	198	1,132	244	1,550	253	2,056	306	24,870	701
With unearned income <sup>a</sup>	2,729,434	431	136,538	425	129,362	362	123,111	436	74,341	423
Social Security benefits	2,235,854	476	117,851	462	113,769	386	101,163	482	37,994	522
Veterans' benefits	49,240	211	782	258	632	208	6,230	172	7,380	470
Income based on need	23,578	191	71	130	383	129	1,009	113	22,533	133
Workers' compensation	3,975	388	228	392	213	474	412	509	801	750
Support from absent parents	145,097	210	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Pensions	46,501	174	6,493	142	4,712	129	2,108	171	2,461	290
Support and maintenance	266,569	150	17,128	112	15,637	112	17,204	134	841	134
Asset income <sup>b</sup>	149,826	6	12,089	5	8,294	4	5,933	12	3,686	31
Other <sup>c</sup>	70,089	199	1,815	155	1,725	153	3,181	257	6,883	532

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

NOTE: ... = not applicable.

- a. The sum of the entries may be greater than the total because some recipients may receive more than one type of earned or unearned income or both earned and unearned income.
- b. Includes income received as rent, interest, dividends, and royalties.
- c. Does not include income deemed from a spouse or parent.

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**Table 12.**  
**Recipients as a percentage of resident population, by state, December 2007**

State	Resident population <sup>a</sup>	Recipients	
		Number	Percentage of resident population
United States	301,621,157	<sup>b</sup> 7,358,698	2.4
Alabama	4,627,851	165,521	3.6
Alaska	683,478	11,440	1.7
Arizona	6,338,755	100,724	1.6
Arkansas	2,834,797	95,802	3.4
California	36,553,215	1,247,232	3.4
Colorado	4,861,515	58,498	1.2
Connecticut	3,502,309	54,197	1.5
Delaware	864,764	14,401	1.7
District of Columbia	588,292	22,102	3.8
Florida	18,251,243	431,015	2.4
Georgia	9,544,750	208,016	2.2
Hawaii	1,283,388	23,262	1.8
Idaho	1,499,402	23,697	1.6
Illinois	12,852,548	261,901	2.0
Indiana	6,345,289	104,366	1.6
Iowa	2,988,046	44,659	1.5
Kansas	2,775,997	40,405	1.5
Kentucky	4,241,474	184,378	4.3
Louisiana	4,293,204	162,271	3.8
Maine	1,317,207	33,328	2.5
Maryland	5,618,344	97,858	1.7
Massachusetts	6,449,755	178,856	2.8
Michigan	10,071,822	228,068	2.3
Minnesota	5,197,621	78,401	1.5
Mississippi	2,918,785	122,745	4.2
Missouri	5,878,415	121,876	2.1
Montana	957,861	15,629	1.6
Nebraska	1,774,571	23,052	1.3
Nevada	2,565,382	35,548	1.4
New Hampshire	1,315,828	15,119	1.1
New Jersey	8,685,920	156,374	1.8
New Mexico	1,969,915	56,387	2.9
New York	19,297,729	648,908	3.4
North Carolina	9,061,032	205,604	2.3
North Dakota	639,715	8,003	1.3
Ohio	11,466,917	257,874	2.2
Oklahoma	3,617,316	85,102	2.4
Oregon	3,747,455	64,031	1.7
Pennsylvania	12,432,792	333,531	2.7
Rhode Island	1,057,832	31,101	2.9
South Carolina	4,407,709	105,519	2.4
South Dakota	796,214	12,961	1.6
Tennessee	6,156,719	163,142	2.6
Texas	23,904,380	544,605	2.3
Utah	2,645,330	24,472	0.9

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**Table 12.**  
**Recipients as a percentage of resident population, by state, December 2007—Continued**

State	Resident population <sup>a</sup>	Recipients	
		Number	Percentage of resident population
Vermont	621,254	13,920	2.2
Virginia	7,712,091	140,419	1.8
Washington	6,468,424	121,577	1.9
West Virginia	1,812,035	78,931	4.4
Wisconsin	5,601,640	96,038	1.7
Wyoming	522,830	5,832	1.1

SOURCES: U.S. Census Bureau and Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

- a. Population estimates for the United States as of July 1, 2007, as reported by the U.S. Census Bureau.
- b. Excludes 827 recipients in the Northern Mariana Islands.

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**Table 13.**  
**Foreign-born recipients, by region, country of origin, eligibility category, and age, December 2007**

Region and country of origin	Total	Category		Age		
		Aged	Blind and disabled	Under 18	18-64	65 or older
All areas	1,595,765	772,304	823,461	18,325	509,023	1,068,417
North America	192,399	27,220	165,179	11,611	116,938	63,850
U.S. territories	184,243	25,102	159,141	11,367	112,294	60,582
Puerto Rico	178,921	24,480	154,441	10,673	108,897	59,351
Other <sup>a</sup>	5,322	622	4,700	694	3,397	1,231
Other	8,156	2,118	6,038	244	4,644	3,268
Latin America	608,446	309,417	299,029	2,439	187,863	418,144
Mexico	272,894	137,185	135,709	782	84,407	187,705
Cuba	96,266	52,872	43,394	373	23,770	72,123
Dominican Republic	71,060	25,666	45,394	498	30,398	40,164
Other	168,226	93,694	74,532	786	49,288	118,152
Africa	25,532	10,894	14,638	673	11,122	13,737
Somalia	6,299	2,551	3,748	173	2,895	3,231
Cape Verde Islands	1,575	1,021	554	6	450	1,119
Ethiopia	3,383	1,204	2,179	34	1,709	1,640
Other	14,275	6,118	8,157	460	6,068	7,747
Asia	508,974	306,081	202,893	1,372	118,971	388,631
Vietnam	107,416	47,861	59,555	161	32,954	74,301
China	82,379	70,597	11,782	94	5,425	76,860
Laos	34,320	6,944	27,376	78	18,978	15,264
Philippines	70,584	57,330	13,254	142	8,847	61,595
Other	214,275	123,349	90,926	897	52,767	160,611
Middle East	38,879	17,821	21,058	370	10,954	27,555
Lebanon	9,491	4,570	4,921	24	2,225	7,242
Syria	7,034	3,236	3,798	13	1,555	5,466
Turkey	3,469	2,111	1,358	17	578	2,874
Other	18,885	7,904	10,981	316	6,596	11,973
Former Soviet Republics	129,594	64,972	64,622	540	24,800	104,254
Europe	84,452	32,954	51,498	1,144	35,403	47,905
Portugal	7,518	4,153	3,365	12	2,231	5,275
Italy	6,337	2,690	3,647	40	2,273	4,024
United Kingdom	8,176	2,522	5,654	109	4,287	3,780
Poland	8,145	4,761	3,384	28	1,997	6,120
Former Yugoslavia	11,284	4,034	7,250	114	4,699	6,471
Other	42,992	14,794	28,198	841	19,916	22,235
Other or unknown areas	7,489	2,945	4,544	176	2,972	4,341

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

NOTE: Foreign-born means born in an area not served by the Supplemental Security Income program.

a. Includes American Samoa, Guam, and Virgin Islands.

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## **Recipients of Social Security, SSI, or Both**

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**Table 14.**  
**Persons aged 18–64 receiving benefits on the basis of disability and their total and average**  
**monthly payments, by type of beneficiary, December 1996–2007**

Year	Total	Social Security only				SSI only	Both Social Security and SSI			
		Total	Workers	Widow(er)s	Adult children		Total	Workers	Widow(er)s	Adult children
<b>Number</b>										
1996	7,689,664	4,122,152	--	--	--	2,559,750	1,007,762	--	--	--
1997	7,811,748	4,250,155	--	--	--	2,550,105	1,011,488	--	--	--
1998	8,086,259	4,440,264	--	--	--	2,618,615	1,027,380	--	--	--
1999	8,399,309	4,703,774	--	--	--	2,650,586	1,044,949	--	--	--
2000	8,599,465	4,850,835	--	--	--	2,690,446	1,058,184	--	--	--
2001	8,791,338	4,979,844	4,495,477	87,833	396,534	2,732,020	1,079,474	772,562	35,222	271,690
2002	9,106,014	5,228,262	4,738,246	87,900	402,116	2,768,782	1,108,970	801,351	34,671	272,948
2003	9,445,573	5,492,325	4,997,137	87,203	407,985	2,811,647	1,141,601	833,269	34,101	274,231
2004	9,773,201	5,756,093	5,257,314	89,874	408,905	2,850,815	1,166,293	858,850	33,072	274,371
2005	10,081,625	5,998,755	5,491,980	86,422	420,353	2,880,931	1,201,939	893,437	32,302	276,200
2006	10,362,419	6,210,289	5,698,494	85,259	426,536	2,928,034	1,224,096	915,832	31,443	276,821
2007	10,627,905	6,405,985	5,888,133	83,481	434,371	2,966,648	1,255,272	942,011	30,876	282,385
<b>Total payments (millions of dollars)</b>										
1996	4,878	3,072	--	--	--	1,222	584	--	--	--
1997	5,106	3,245	--	--	--	1,257	604	--	--	--
1998	5,379	3,444	--	--	--	1,313	622	--	--	--
1999	5,680	3,691	--	--	--	1,346	643	--	--	--
2000	6,058	3,975	--	--	--	1,408	675	--	--	--
2001	6,509	4,299	3,976	65	258	1,491	719	530	22	167
2002	6,920	4,629	4,294	67	268	1,544	747	554	22	171
2003	7,416	5,024	4,674	69	281	1,603	790	592	22	176
2004	7,980	5,464	5,096	72	296	1,686	829	626	22	180
2005	8,604	5,974	5,584	75	315	1,724	906	696	22	187
2006	9,172	6,439	6,029	77	334	1,778	955	739	23	193
2007	9,734	6,817	6,389	77	351	1,886	1,031	805	23	203

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## Recipients of Social Security, SSI, or Both

**Table 14.**

**Persons aged 18–64 receiving benefits on the basis of disability and their total and average monthly payments, by type of beneficiary, December 1996–2007—Continued**

Year	Total	Social Security only				SSI only	Both Social Security and SSI			
		Total	Workers	Widow(er)s	Adult children		Total	Workers	Widow(er)s	Adult children
<i>Average monthly payment<sup>a</sup> (dollars)</i>										
1996	624.80	744.60	--	--	--	456.00	546.90	--	--	--
1997	637.80	762.80	--	--	--	458.10	557.10	--	--	--
1998	649.90	775.00	--	--	--	467.90	564.30	--	--	--
1999	662.50	784.10	--	--	--	477.60	576.70	--	--	--
2000	689.30	818.80	--	--	--	489.00	594.90	--	--	--
2001	722.84	862.60	883.70	744.80	650.00	506.80	615.20	618.40	595.10	608.70
2002	744.40	884.60	905.40	764.40	666.00	522.50	625.20	626.90	608.30	622.20
2003	768.50	914.10	934.80	790.80	687.30	533.50	638.20	639.90	620.90	635.10
2004	796.80	947.80	967.80	804.80	722.50	545.90	655.20	657.10	639.10	651.40
2005	832.80	993.70	1,014.50	863.10	748.10	558.20	675.90	677.70	659.90	672.30
2006	867.90	1,036.50	1,057.60	900.00	781.70	578.30	697.40	699.20	680.70	693.20
2007	892.70	1,063.67	1,084.50	928.75	806.96	595.75	713.90	715.15	700.48	709.89

SOURCES: Social Security Administration, Disabled Beneficiaries and Dependents Master Beneficiary Record file and the Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

NOTES: Social Security counts include disabled workers, disabled widow(er)s, and disabled adult children. SSI counts include recipients of federal SSI, federally administered state supplementation, or both.

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a. Averages are not obtained simply by dividing the total dollars by the number of recipients. Averages exclude payments made in the current month for prior-month eligibility, such as back pay for new awards, so that large retroactive payments do not distort the averages.

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**Table 15.**  
**Persons aged 18–64 receiving both Social Security and SSI on the basis of disability and their average monthly Social Security benefit and SSI payment, by state or other area and type of beneficiary, December 2007**

State or area	Number of SSI recipients with Social Security disability				Average monthly Social Security benefit (dollars)				Average monthly SSI payment (dollars)			
	Total	Workers	Widow(er)s	Adult children	Total	Workers	Widow(er)s	Adult children	Total	Workers	Widow(er)s	Adult children
All areas <sup>a</sup>	1,255,272	942,011	30,876	282,385	494.89	510.05	488.45	445.58	219.02	205.52	212.03	264.30
Alabama	33,702	24,218	1,087	8,397	476.45	499.43	481.10	410.12	187.40	169.16	180.94	240.39
Alaska	1,932	1,542	40	350	465.58	483.78	457.65	386.43	191.65	175.82	204.18	259.87
Arizona	15,764	12,215	326	3,223	467.31	482.55	456.65	411.05	194.04	181.83	195.54	239.85
Arkansas	19,912	14,739	617	4,556	477.01	499.05	486.06	405.56	189.28	172.03	180.13	245.48
California	197,276	155,212	3,765	38,299	587.98	597.82	565.83	550.62	310.89	294.49	318.11	376.10
Colorado	11,947	9,578	181	2,188	477.17	490.55	470.52	420.02	186.23	175.78	197.63	230.35
Connecticut	9,545	7,121	246	2,178	464.83	485.74	433.35	401.03	194.61	177.90	222.06	245.32
Delaware	2,656	2,027	44	585	479.42	482.39	490.89	468.34	191.65	183.11	166.52	222.85
District of Columbia	2,429	1,908	65	456	477.56	496.69	462.47	400.00	224.98	213.75	225.59	271.70
Florida	59,182	44,739	1,352	13,091	470.05	487.23	480.38	410.81	190.59	177.08	189.25	236.48
Georgia	35,920	25,514	1,194	9,212	480.43	501.48	485.05	422.31	182.48	166.30	177.80	227.30
Hawaii	3,127	2,124	67	936	529.74	523.86	486.61	545.68	296.92	240.28	255.53	424.93
Idaho	5,352	4,244	81	1,027	472.56	484.66	467.75	423.19	193.85	184.61	187.19	232.37
Illinois	35,792	26,992	906	7,894	455.12	469.16	470.26	405.65	205.96	195.16	199.05	243.44
Indiana	22,098	17,554	410	4,134	464.42	475.10	487.26	417.52	198.17	190.16	193.63	232.08
Iowa	11,366	8,835	174	2,357	474.74	486.64	493.47	429.15	198.27	192.23	180.88	221.98
Kansas	9,218	7,192	143	1,883	471.67	483.72	470.42	426.20	190.89	181.76	199.81	224.75
Kentucky	34,563	25,590	1,280	7,693	468.57	491.40	463.73	394.28	195.85	178.03	206.00	252.77
Louisiana	25,843	16,952	1,082	7,809	457.31	484.16	478.28	396.58	203.93	182.91	184.57	251.87
Maine	9,070	6,904	165	2,001	469.27	487.50	490.60	405.18	191.82	178.77	164.30	238.71
Maryland	14,147	10,709	307	3,131	471.37	484.69	480.68	425.68	192.50	184.70	182.53	219.70
Massachusetts	35,522	28,020	662	6,840	517.06	541.18	488.75	422.14	216.28	202.06	247.82	270.80
Michigan	45,710	33,504	881	11,325	476.35	478.33	476.44	470.55	205.46	196.42	192.11	232.96
Minnesota	15,262	11,912	190	3,160	462.41	475.33	467.74	414.17	193.84	184.63	203.99	227.43
Mississippi	22,447	15,431	865	6,151	470.64	501.19	484.19	392.59	194.36	169.40	180.99	258.44
Missouri	27,319	20,778	679	5,862	463.15	478.79	466.27	407.87	197.14	185.11	200.09	239.01
Montana	3,745	2,832	77	836	472.30	480.32	433.23	449.25	193.05	183.18	232.23	222.19
Nebraska	5,859	4,417	73	1,369	471.87	488.35	469.97	419.44	189.74	176.89	226.31	228.71
Nevada	5,245	4,335	87	823	496.77	507.41	469.41	444.58	182.34	174.70	198.91	220.13
New Hampshire	4,198	3,282	54	862	475.25	489.33	528.31	419.84	187.05	176.96	163.94	225.82
New Jersey	23,101	17,157	476	5,468	496.60	510.30	479.52	455.67	201.81	188.90	213.74	240.76
New Mexico	9,687	7,374	228	2,085	460.89	480.35	474.03	391.98	196.60	181.02	192.82	251.04
New York	92,390	66,097	2,267	24,026	536.28	537.16	502.29	537.10	251.96	233.25	238.66	304.25
North Carolina	40,086	29,171	1,063	9,852	473.96	493.43	481.00	416.39	186.76	171.95	184.24	230.25
North Dakota	2,141	1,521	37	583	457.81	471.28	440.31	424.36	193.79	183.37	205.97	219.76
Ohio	46,781	36,404	1,182	9,195	454.85	466.42	462.39	408.28	205.94	197.89	207.31	237.48
Oklahoma	16,313	12,418	446	3,449	458.60	473.13	469.63	405.79	199.51	188.63	193.99	238.67
Oregon	13,089	10,402	205	2,482	474.49	486.21	476.06	425.58	187.85	177.48	198.78	230.08
Pennsylvania	52,846	38,932	1,348	12,566	473.74	486.82	479.27	433.14	210.47	197.15	195.78	252.75
Rhode Island	6,669	5,244	109	1,316	514.32	532.87	495.27	442.39	207.84	193.08	220.28	265.31
South Carolina	19,950	13,613	719	5,618	468.19	487.78	485.16	419.18	189.70	175.16	176.29	226.16
South Dakota	2,911	2,030	59	822	452.93	470.62	437.22	411.36	196.71	183.21	191.74	229.68
Tennessee	32,639	23,522	1,176	7,941	469.55	489.38	466.57	412.30	193.40	178.89	195.48	235.30
Texas	76,898	57,464	2,423	17,011	466.41	485.74	472.28	401.46	194.71	179.85	189.97	244.68
Utah	4,771	3,708	67	996	455.47	470.31	467.13	401.09	199.83	188.04	218.09	241.16

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**Table 15.**

**Persons aged 18–64 receiving both Social Security and SSI on the basis of disability and their average monthly Social Security benefit and SSI payment, by state or other area and type of beneficiary, December 2007—Continued**

State or area	Number of SSI recipients with Social Security disability				Average monthly Social Security benefit (dollars)				Average monthly SSI payment (dollars)			
	Total	Workers	Widow(er)s	Adult children	Total	Workers	Widow(er)s	Adult children	Total	Workers	Widow(er)s	Adult children
Vermont	4,013	3,017	69	927	512.23	523.52	524.81	475.10	209.74	200.51	188.54	240.92
Virginia	25,497	18,405	713	6,379	466.92	485.93	476.34	411.78	192.07	178.35	184.83	231.92
Washington	21,117	17,024	320	3,773	474.51	485.89	479.41	423.50	191.40	182.54	179.92	231.78
West Virginia	14,841	10,306	538	3,997	461.73	486.84	478.61	395.29	200.39	182.04	189.45	248.73
Wisconsin	21,624	16,396	294	4,934	467.60	479.14	463.12	429.80	191.69	182.82	201.26	220.42
Wyoming	1,460	1,178	21	261	464.08	475.95	423.24	415.02	190.40	179.01	256.10	235.31
Outlying area												
Northern Mariana Islands	79	b	b	b	374.35	b	b	b	261.67	b	b	b

SOURCES: Social Security Administration, Disabled Beneficiaries and Dependents Master Beneficiary Record file and the Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

NOTE: SSI counts include recipients of federal SSI, federally administered state supplementation, or both. They do not include beneficiaries whose own Social Security number is not on the Master Beneficiary Record. Social Security beneficiaries who are entitled to both a primary and a secondary benefit are counted only once in this table.

- a. Includes 221 persons not distributed by state or area.
- b. Data not shown to avoid disclosure of information for particular individuals.

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**Table 16.**  
**Recipients and average monthly payment, by SSA administrative region and state or other area,**  
**December 2007**

Region and state or area	Number	Average monthly payment <sup>a</sup> (dollars)
All areas	1,121,017	555.28
Boston	39,098	565.00
Connecticut	7,099	540.75
Maine	3,707	526.50
Massachusetts	20,247	579.82
New Hampshire	2,089	505.56
Rhode Island	4,224	593.28
Vermont	1,732	575.59
New York	98,626	565.89
New Jersey	23,239	545.43
New York	75,387	572.19
Philadelphia	120,575	537.62
Delaware	3,441	523.00
District of Columbia	4,490	550.57
Maryland	15,816	527.93
Pennsylvania	64,360	543.33
Virginia	23,272	525.21
West Virginia	9,196	544.97
Atlanta	282,590	540.89
Alabama	29,090	549.39
Florida	82,435	537.67
Georgia	36,259	540.25
Kentucky	29,096	553.47
Mississippi	22,987	549.62
North Carolina	39,919	530.08
South Carolina	19,139	533.50
Tennessee	23,665	542.90
Chicago	181,678	550.97
Illinois	44,997	553.61
Indiana	22,781	543.66
Michigan	39,043	556.54
Minnesota	12,027	531.22
Ohio	44,872	555.84
Wisconsin	17,958	542.44
Dallas	181,218	542.74
Arkansas	21,145	547.33
Louisiana	31,491	554.50
New Mexico	8,117	549.81
Oklahoma	15,381	541.83
Texas	105,084	537.88
Kansas City	39,894	536.94
Iowa	7,502	521.99
Kansas	7,685	530.02
Missouri	20,992	547.22
Nebraska	3,715	522.81

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**Table 16.**  
**Recipients and average monthly payment, by SSA administrative region and state or other area,**  
**December 2007—Continued**

Region and state or area	Number	Average monthly payment <sup>a</sup> (dollars)
Denver	18,387	509.05
Colorado	7,495	514.75
Montana	2,238	533.16
North Dakota	1,040	499.38
South Dakota	2,144	507.39
Utah	4,625	490.72
Wyoming	845	510.56
San Francisco	129,020	633.78
Arizona	18,449	544.70
California	102,144	658.76
Hawaii	1,606	515.31
Nevada	6,570	527.11
Northern Mariana Islands	251	588.09
Seattle	29,931	530.58
Alaska	1,165	501.44
Idaho	4,444	519.32
Oregon	8,606	534.71
Washington	15,716	533.62

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

a. Includes federally administered state supplementation payments.

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**Table 17.**  
**Percentage distribution of recipients, by monthly payment, December 2007**

Payment (dollars)	Percentage of total
Total	
Number	1,121,017
Percent	100.0
None <sup>a</sup>	0.2
Under 50	2.1
50–99	0.9
100–199	2.4
200–299	3.1
300–399	4.5
400–499	11.5
500–599	11.1
600–622	2.4
623	61.8

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

a. Persons receiving only a federally administered state supplementary payment on December 1, 2007.

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**Table 18.**  
**Recipients, by selected characteristics, December 2007**

Characteristic	Number	Percentage of total
Total	1,121,017	100.0
Age		
Under 1 year	19,953	1.8
1	29,836	2.7
2	35,529	3.2
3	41,331	3.7
4	47,631	4.2
5	53,655	4.8
6	60,294	5.4
7	65,457	5.8
8	67,711	6.0
9	70,767	6.3
10	71,277	6.4
11	72,345	6.5
12	74,154	6.6
13	78,022	7.0
14	81,289	7.3
15	84,044	7.5
16	84,957	7.6
17	82,765	7.4
Sex		
Male	736,294	65.7
Female	384,723	34.3
Citizenship status		
Citizen	1,118,319	99.8
Noncitizen	2,698	0.2
Living arrangements		
Own household	140,434	12.5
Another's household	46,126	4.1
Parent's household	918,521	81.9
Medicaid institution	15,462	1.4
Unknown	474	0

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

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**Table 19.**  
**Recipients, by diagnostic group and age, December 2007**

Diagnostic group	All ages	Under 3	3-5	6-12	13-17
	<b>Number</b>				
All recipients under age 18	1,121,017	85,318	142,617	482,005	411,077
Congenital anomalies	57,998	13,415	13,719	20,551	10,313
Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases	7,289	802	1,319	2,801	2,367
Infectious and parasitic diseases	2,129	83	163	715	1,168
Injuries	5,969	614	1,016	2,295	2,044
Mental disorders					
Retardation	178,283	994	8,221	64,121	104,947
Other	561,569	6,680	59,148	275,619	220,122
Neoplasms	12,051	819	2,633	5,569	3,030
Diseases of the—					
Blood and blood-forming organs	12,711	746	2,002	5,630	4,333
Circulatory system	5,653	1,191	1,446	1,839	1,177
Digestive system	7,471	2,218	2,286	2,039	928
Genitourinary system	3,092	333	465	1,185	1,109
Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue	7,887	646	1,123	3,027	3,091
Nervous system and sense organs	93,363	6,531	14,622	40,157	32,053
Respiratory system	29,726	2,802	7,601	13,486	5,837
Skin and subcutaneous tissue	1,468	148	337	652	331
Other	107,287	43,582	22,123	31,747	9,835
Unknown	27,071	3,714	4,393	10,572	8,392
	<b>Percent</b>				
All recipients under age 18	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Congenital anomalies	5.2	15.7	9.6	4.3	2.5
Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases	0.7	0.9	0.9	0.6	0.6
Infectious and parasitic diseases	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.3
Injuries	0.5	0.7	0.7	0.5	0.5
Mental disorders					
Retardation	15.9	1.2	5.8	13.3	25.5
Other	50.1	7.8	41.5	57.2	53.5
Neoplasms	1.1	1.0	1.8	1.2	0.7
Diseases of the—					
Blood and blood-forming organs	1.1	0.9	1.4	1.2	1.1
Circulatory system	0.5	1.4	1.0	0.4	0.3
Digestive system	0.7	2.6	1.6	0.4	0.2
Genitourinary system	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.3
Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.6	0.8
Nervous system and sense organs	8.3	7.7	10.3	8.3	7.8
Respiratory system	2.7	3.3	5.3	2.8	1.4
Skin and subcutaneous tissue	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1
Other	9.6	51.1	15.5	6.6	2.4
Unknown	2.4	4.4	3.1	2.2	2.0

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

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**Table 20.**  
**Recipients, by diagnostic group and sex, December 2007**

Diagnostic group	Total		Male		Female	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
All recipients under age 18	1,121,017	100.0	736,294	100.0	384,723	100.0
Congenital anomalies	57,998	5.2	31,171	4.2	26,827	7.0
Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases	7,289	0.7	3,777	0.5	3,512	0.9
Infectious and parasitic diseases	2,129	0.2	1,077	0.1	1,052	0.3
Injuries	5,969	0.5	3,490	0.5	2,479	0.6
Mental disorders						
Retardation	178,283	15.9	110,566	15.0	67,717	17.6
Other	561,569	50.1	412,496	56.0	149,073	38.7
Neoplasms	12,051	1.1	6,641	0.9	5,410	1.4
Diseases of the—						
Blood and blood-forming organs	12,711	1.1	7,186	1.0	5,525	1.4
Circulatory system	5,653	0.5	3,071	0.4	2,582	0.7
Digestive system	7,471	0.7	4,046	0.5	3,425	0.9
Genitourinary system	3,092	0.3	1,848	0.3	1,244	0.3
Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue	7,887	0.7	3,855	0.5	4,032	1.0
Nervous system and sense organs	93,363	8.3	52,189	7.1	41,174	10.7
Respiratory system	29,726	2.7	19,030	2.6	10,696	2.8
Skin and subcutaneous tissue	1,468	0.1	754	0.1	714	0.2
Other	107,287	9.6	58,729	8.0	48,558	12.6
Unknown	27,071	2.4	16,368	2.2	10,703	2.8

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

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**Table 21.**  
**Adult recipients who first became eligible for SSI before age 18, by year of first eligibility and age in December 2007**

Year of first eligibility	All ages	Age in December 2007				
		18-21	22-29	30-39	40-49	50 or older <sup>a</sup>
Total						
Number	766,129	232,879	280,922	163,133	84,717	4,478
Percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1974-1976	9.0	...	...	11.3	54.7	100.0
1977-1980	9.4	...	1.8	23.1	34.4	...
1981-1984	8.9	...	10.3	18.5	10.4	...
1985-1989	14.7	8.2	20.5	21.6	0.5	...
1990-1994	32.5	36.9	43.7	24.8	...	...
1995-1999	14.9	25.5	19.0	0.7	...	...
2000-2004	8.9	23.7	4.6	...	...	...
2005-2007	1.7	5.7	...	...	...	...

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

NOTE: ... = not applicable.

a. Those under the age of 18 in 1974 would be no older than 51 in 2007.

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**Table 22.**  
**Recipients and average monthly amount of child's income, by type of income, December 2007**

Type of income	Number	Percent	Average monthly amount (dollars)
Total	1,121,017	100.0	...
No earned or unearned income <sup>a</sup>	797,417	71.1	...
With income <sup>b</sup>	323,600	28.9	217
Earned income only	1,982	0.2	400
Unearned income only	320,579	28.6	214
Both earned and unearned income	1,039	0.1	591
With unearned income <sup>c</sup>	321,618	28.7	214
Social Security	80,539	7.2	209
Veterans'	1,155	0.1	86
Income based on need	17,462	1.6	212
Support from absent parents	142,411	12.7	209
Asset income	8,415	0.8	3
Other	3,697	0.3	404
In-kind income	99,328	8.9	172

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

NOTE: ... = not applicable.

- a. The percentage of children receiving the full federal benefit rate, as shown in Table 17, is smaller than the percentage of those with no income, as shown here, because of the effect of parental deemed income in the payment computation.
- b. Does not include income deemed from parents in the household.
- c. The sum of the entries may be greater than the total because some recipients may receive more than one type of unearned income.

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**Table 23.**  
**Recipients, by number of parents in the household, December 2007**

Parents in household	Number	Percentage of total
Total	1,121,017	100.0
No parents <sup>a</sup>	137,500	12.3
One parent	745,121	66.5
Two parents	238,396	21.3

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

NOTE: The total of children with one or two parents in the household differs slightly from the number of children living in a parent's household in Table 18. This is because the data in Table 18 represent only households in which a parent is the head of the household, whereas the data in this table include children living with parents who are not the head of the household.

- a. Children with no parents in the household reside independently, with other relatives or nonrelatives, or in institutions or in foster care. Deeming does not apply in these situations.

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**Table 24.**  
**Recipients with one parent in the household, by type and monthly amount of parental income, December 2007**

Parental income	All children living with one parent		Children living with—			
			Mother only		Father only	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total	745,121	100.0	701,614	100.0	43,507	100.0
No parental income	341,170	45.8	324,750	46.3	16,420	37.7
Parental income <sup>a</sup>	403,951	54.2	376,864	53.7	27,087	62.3
Earned income	263,324	35.3	244,427	34.8	18,897	43.4
Unearned income	163,835	22.0	154,521	22.0	9,314	21.4
Total income (dollars)						
None	341,170	45.8	324,750	46.3	16,420	37.7
Under 200	68,859	9.2	66,855	9.5	2,004	4.6
200–399	32,614	4.4	31,070	4.4	1,544	3.5
400–599	35,979	4.8	33,986	4.8	1,993	4.6
600–999	82,968	11.1	77,803	11.1	5,165	11.9
1,000 or more	183,531	24.6	167,150	23.8	16,381	37.7
Earned income (dollars)						
None	481,797	64.7	457,187	65.2	24,610	56.6
Under 200	4,951	0.7	4,670	0.7	281	0.6
200–399	10,235	1.4	9,806	1.4	429	1.0
400–599	18,619	2.5	17,866	2.5	753	1.7
600–999	55,311	7.4	53,057	7.6	2,254	5.2
1,000 or more	174,208	23.4	159,028	22.7	15,180	34.9
Unearned income (dollars)						
None	581,286	78.0	547,093	78.0	34,193	78.6
Under 200	79,754	10.7	77,407	11.0	2,347	5.4
200–399	27,083	3.6	25,731	3.7	1,352	3.1
400–599	20,369	2.7	18,957	2.7	1,412	3.2
600–999	30,277	4.1	27,159	3.9	3,118	7.2
1,000 or more	6,352	0.9	5,267	0.8	1,085	2.5

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

a. The sum of the entries may be greater than the total because some parents may receive both earned and unearned income.

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**Table 25.**  
**Recipients with two parents in the household, by type and monthly amount of parental income, December 2007**

Parental income	All children living with two parents		Mother		Father	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total	238,396	100.0	238,396	100.0	238,396	100.0
No parental income	42,099	17.7	153,335	64.3	72,961	30.6
Parental income <sup>a</sup>	196,297	82.3	85,061	35.7	165,435	69.4
Earned income	163,012	68.4	58,425	24.5	133,648	56.1
Unearned income	54,392	22.8	30,466	12.8	40,159	16.8
Total income (dollars)						
None	42,099	17.7	153,335	64.3	72,961	30.6
Under 200	7,232	3.0	16,281	6.8	7,750	3.3
200–399	6,455	2.7	7,625	3.2	5,208	2.2
400–599	7,836	3.3	8,526	3.6	8,022	3.4
600–999	22,420	9.4	17,000	7.1	22,575	9.5
1,000 or more	152,354	63.9	35,629	14.9	121,880	51.1
Earned income (dollars)						
None	75,384	31.6	179,971	75.5	104,748	43.9
Under 200	1,602	0.7	2,418	1.0	1,624	0.7
200–399	2,542	1.1	3,807	1.6	2,206	0.9
400–599	4,437	1.9	5,399	2.3	3,751	1.6
600–999	13,625	5.7	12,495	5.2	11,163	4.7
1,000 or more	140,806	59.1	34,306	14.4	114,904	48.2
Unearned income (dollars)						
None	184,004	77.2	207,930	87.2	198,237	83.2
Under 200	12,640	5.3	16,639	7.0	10,533	4.4
200–399	8,381	3.5	4,454	1.9	4,886	2.0
400–599	7,443	3.1	3,553	1.5	5,250	2.2
600–999	15,850	6.6	4,882	2.0	12,862	5.4
1,000 or more	10,078	4.2	938	0.4	6,628	2.8

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

a. The sum of the entries may be greater than the total because some parents may receive both earned and unearned income.

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**Table 26.**

**Recipients with one or more parents who have income and average monthly amount of parental income, by type of income, December 2007**

Type of income	All children with parental income		Children with parental income from—			
	Number	Average monthly amount (dollars)	Mother		Father	
			Number	Average monthly amount (dollars)	Number	Average monthly amount (dollars)
Total <sup>a</sup>	600,248	1,292	461,925	974	192,522	1,689
Earned income	426,336	1,611	302,852	1,289	152,545	1,943
Unearned income <sup>b</sup>	218,227	406	184,987	323	49,473	583
Social Security	79,736	616	62,342	516	24,298	696
Other pensions	4,986	403	2,943	312	2,626	415
Public income-maintenance	92,683	142	87,871	130	10,551	162
Asset income	13,723	48	10,595	34	4,345	68
Other	38,215	622	28,262	527	10,339	857

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

- a. The sum of the entries may be greater than the total because some parents may receive more than one type of earned or unearned income or both earned and unearned income.
- b. The sum of the entries may be greater than the total because some parents may receive more than one type of unearned income.

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**Table 27.**  
**Recipients subject to deeming, by factors affecting parental deemed income, December 2007**

Deeming factors	All children living with parent(s)		Children living with—			
			One parent		Two parents	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total	983,517	100.0	745,121	75.8	238,396	24.2
<b><i>No deemed income used in child's payment computation</i></b>						
Subtotal	812,733	100.0	643,453	100.0	169,280	100.0
No parental income	383,269	47.2	341,170	53.0	42,099	24.9
Parent(s) receive public income-maintenance payments	92,683	11.4	79,924	12.4	12,759	7.5
Income less than deeming allocations <sup>a</sup>	33,246	4.1	25,167	3.9	8,079	4.8
Income less than exclusions <sup>b</sup>	303,535	37.3	197,192	30.6	106,343	62.8
<b><i>Deemed income used in child's payment computation</i></b>						
Subtotal	170,784	100.0	101,668	100.0	69,116	100.0
Parent(s) with—						
Earned income only	130,534	76.4	76,302	75.1	54,232	78.5
Unearned income only	22,381	13.1	17,649	17.4	4,732	6.8
Both earned and unearned income	15,075	8.8	5,555	5.5	9,520	13.8
Manually computed deemed income	2,794	1.6	2,162	2.1	632	0.9

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

a. Includes allocations for ineligible children and SSI-eligible aliens sponsored by parents.

b. Includes the general income exclusion (\$20), the earned income exclusion (\$65 plus one-half of the remaining earned income), and the parental living allowance.

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**Table 28.**  
**Recipients, by eligibility category, December 1982–2007**

Year	Total		Aged		Blind and disabled	
	Number	Percentage of all SSI recipients	Number	Percentage of all SSI recipients	Number	Percentage of all SSI recipients
1982	127,900	3.3	91,900	5.9	36,000	1.6
1983	151,200	3.9	106,600	7.0	44,600	1.9
1984	181,100	4.5	127,600	8.3	53,500	2.1
1985	210,800	5.1	146,500	9.7	64,300	2.4
1986	244,300	5.7	165,300	11.2	79,000	2.8
1987	282,500	6.4	188,000	12.9	94,500	3.2
1988	320,300	7.2	213,900	14.9	106,400	3.5
1989	370,300	8.1	245,700	17.1	124,600	4.0
1990	435,600	9.0	282,400	19.4	153,200	4.6
1991	519,660	10.2	329,690	22.5	189,970	5.2
1992	601,430	10.8	372,930	25.4	228,500	5.6
1993	683,150	11.4	416,420	28.2	266,730	5.9
1994	738,140	11.7	440,000	30.0	298,140	6.2
1995	785,410	12.1	459,220	31.8	326,190	6.3
1996	724,990	11.0	417,360	29.5	307,630	5.9
1997	650,830	10.0	367,200	27.0	283,630	5.5
1998	669,630	10.2	364,980	27.4	304,650	5.8
1999	684,930	10.4	368,330	28.2	316,600	6.0
2000	692,590	10.5	364,470	28.3	328,120	6.2
2001	695,650	10.4	364,550	28.9	331,100	6.1
2002	703,515	10.4	364,827	29.1	338,688	6.1
2003	696,772	10.1	356,298	28.9	340,474	6.0
2004	676,979	9.7	342,220	28.3	334,759	5.8
2005	680,397	9.6	344,166	28.3	336,231	5.7
2006	674,250	9.3	339,073	28.0	335,177	5.6
2007	663,210	9.0	330,665	27.5	332,545	5.4

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

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**Table 29.**  
**Recipients, by selected characteristics and citizenship status, December 2007**

Characteristic	Citizens		Noncitizens	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total	6,696,315	100.0	663,210	100.0
Age				
Under 18	1,118,319	16.7	2,698	0.4
18–29	831,865	12.4	12,905	1.9
30–39	624,005	9.3	19,299	2.9
40–49	983,847	14.7	39,053	5.9
50–59	1,118,784	16.7	80,324	12.1
60–64	456,690	6.8	55,148	8.3
65–74	811,858	12.1	203,369	30.7
75 or older	750,947	11.2	250,414	37.8
Sex				
Male	2,976,305	44.4	250,534	37.8
Female	3,720,010	55.6	412,676	62.2
Living arrangement				
Own household	5,331,440	79.6	583,879	88.0
Another's household	298,759	4.5	65,360	9.9
Parent's household	932,111	13.9	2,626	0.4
Medicaid institution	125,062	1.9	10,662	1.6
Unknown	8,943	0.1	683	0.1
Income				
Social Security	2,352,448	35.1	216,188	32.6
Worker beneficiary	1,637,570	24.5	160,974	24.3
Auxiliary beneficiary	714,878	10.7	55,214	8.3
Earnings	267,389	4.0	9,251	1.4
SSI payment				
Federal SSI only	4,779,829	71.4	277,566	41.9
State supplementation only	260,833	3.9	37,458	5.6
Both federal SSI and state supplementation	1,655,653	24.7	348,186	52.5

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

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**Table 30.**  
**Recipients, by state or other area, eligibility category, and age, December 2007**

State or area	Total	Category		Age		
		Aged	Blind and disabled	Under 18	18-64	65 or older
All areas	663,210	330,665	332,545	2,698	206,729	453,783
Alabama	778	404	374	4	234	540
Alaska	793	322	471	9	317	467
Arizona	9,884	4,622	5,262	38	3,324	6,522
Arkansas	712	331	381	3	272	437
California	247,134	121,758	125,376	490	76,060	170,584
Colorado	4,761	2,444	2,317	25	1,412	3,324
Connecticut	3,962	1,983	1,979	15	1,151	2,796
Delaware	371	234	137	a	a	287
District of Columbia	660	301	359	4	254	402
Florida	68,564	37,449	31,115	467	20,200	47,897
Georgia	6,141	3,652	2,489	37	1,401	4,703
Hawaii	2,863	1,847	1,016	3	637	2,223
Idaho	880	403	477	13	316	551
Illinois	17,246	9,037	8,209	51	4,523	12,672
Indiana	1,189	630	559	16	344	829
Iowa	998	401	597	6	347	645
Kansas	1,362	608	754	5	448	909
Kentucky	1,181	564	617	31	425	725
Louisiana	1,957	963	994	5	594	1,358
Maine	634	150	484	16	335	283
Maryland	6,032	3,974	2,058	24	1,142	4,866
Massachusetts	19,122	11,036	8,086	61	7,457	11,604
Michigan	7,912	3,299	4,613	78	2,616	5,218
Minnesota	8,603	2,946	5,657	168	4,005	4,430
Mississippi	386	184	202	0	116	270
Missouri	2,111	993	1,118	34	699	1,378
Montana	127	34	93	0	59	68
Nebraska	855	371	484	16	303	536
Nevada	4,016	2,820	1,196	10	1,058	2,948
New Hampshire	430	181	249	3	175	252
New Jersey	19,618	11,100	8,518	83	5,048	14,487
New Mexico	5,102	2,259	2,843	10	1,736	3,356
New York	94,573	43,751	50,822	325	31,465	62,783
North Carolina	3,718	1,900	1,818	35	1,060	2,623
North Dakota	118	39	79	6	53	59
Ohio	4,152	2,084	2,068	60	1,159	2,933
Oklahoma	1,566	881	685	11	421	1,134
Oregon	4,352	2,117	2,235	41	1,265	3,046
Pennsylvania	11,090	4,414	6,676	82	4,070	6,938
Rhode Island	3,656	1,298	2,358	12	1,566	2,078
South Carolina	913	484	429	4	257	652
South Dakota	175	57	118	5	83	87
Tennessee	1,604	838	766	28	465	1,111
Texas	66,455	34,339	32,116	150	20,030	46,275
Utah	1,479	708	771	25	456	998

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**Table 30.**  
**Recipients, by state or other area, eligibility category, and age, December 2007—Continued**

State or area	Total	Category		Age		
		Aged	Blind and disabled	Under 18	18–64	65 or older
Vermont	178	64	114	4	78	96
Virginia	6,052	3,759	2,293	29	1,295	4,728
Washington	12,455	5,140	7,315	104	4,045	8,306
West Virginia	130	67	63	a	42	a
Wisconsin	4,101	1,398	2,703	48	1,809	2,244
Wyoming	47	a	a	0	18	29
Outlying area						
Northern Mariana Islands	12	a	a	0	a	a

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

a. Data not shown to avoid disclosure of information for particular individuals.

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**Table 31.**  
**Recipients, by region and country of origin, eligibility category, and age, December 2007**

Region and country of origin	Total	Category		Age		
		Aged	Blind and disabled	Under 18	18-64	65 or older
All areas	663,210	330,665	332,545	2,698	206,729	453,783
Latin America	360,047	179,143	180,904	1,155	119,628	239,264
Mexico	182,591	92,747	89,844	303	57,640	124,648
Cuba	50,790	25,678	25,112	335	16,229	34,226
Dominican Republic	44,384	16,011	28,373	261	20,067	24,056
Other	82,282	44,707	37,575	256	25,692	56,334
Africa	13,560	5,638	7,922	488	5,937	7,135
Somalia	4,167	1,686	2,481	157	1,925	2,085
Cape Verde Islands	886	563	323	2	266	618
Ethiopia	2,015	735	1,280	18	978	1,019
Other	6,492	2,654	3,838	311	2,768	3,413
Asia	175,355	91,252	84,103	463	50,148	124,744
Vietnam	41,613	16,327	25,286	69	14,298	27,246
China	28,473	23,674	4,799	14	2,050	26,409
Laos	21,765	4,503	17,262	70	12,000	9,695
Philippines	17,644	13,071	4,573	29	3,018	14,597
Other	65,860	33,677	32,183	281	18,782	46,797
Middle East	33,568	16,598	16,970	183	8,297	25,088
Lebanon	2,679	1,325	1,354	3	550	2,126
Syria	2,117	979	1,138	4	452	1,661
Turkey	1,236	789	447	5	163	1,068
Other	27,536	13,505	14,031	171	7,132	20,233
Former Soviet Republics	46,520	23,579	22,941	252	10,011	36,257
Europe	27,954	12,408	15,546	112	9,823	18,019
Portugal	3,918	2,180	1,738	4	1,201	2,713
Former Yugoslavia	4,970	1,880	3,090	55	1,902	3,013
Great Britain	3,064	1,066	1,998	16	1,417	1,631
Poland	3,101	1,679	1,422	7	913	2,181
Other	12,901	5,603	7,298	30	4,390	8,481
Other areas	6,206	2,047	4,159	45	2,885	3,276

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

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**Table 32.**  
**Recipients, by number of months between date of U.S. residency and date of SSI application, eligibility category, and age, December 2007**

Months	Total	Category		Age		
		Aged	Blind and disabled	Under 18	18-64	65 or older
All recipients	663,210	330,665	332,545	2,698	206,729	453,783
0-11 <sup>a</sup>	73,323	38,615	34,708	946	18,629	53,748
12-23	25,698	10,006	15,692	304	8,141	17,253
24-35	22,437	9,305	13,132	220	6,814	15,403
36-47	50,921	31,906	19,015	153	9,494	41,274
48-59	30,751	15,513	15,238	126	7,700	22,925
60-71	45,811	27,589	18,222	286	9,589	35,936
72-83	31,624	16,669	14,955	134	8,101	23,389
84-119	82,234	41,204	41,030	318	23,641	58,275
120 and over	297,388	138,981	158,407	179	113,592	183,617
State conversions <sup>b</sup>	1,271	123	1,148	0	433	838
Unknown	1,752	754	998	32	595	1,125

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

a. Includes an estimated 2,565 persons whose records indicate that they applied in the same month that their residence began.

b. Persons who were converted in 1973 from the state Old-Age Assistance, Aid to the Blind, and Aid to the Permanently and Totally Disabled programs to the SSI program.

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## Recipients Under Age 65

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**Table 33.**  
**Recipients, by diagnostic group, 1999–2007**

Diagnostic group	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Total	4,538,033	4,590,806	4,693,315	4,792,526	4,912,627	5,010,235	5,119,368	5,231,107	5,342,937
Congenital anomalies	57,094	58,593	62,730	65,999	70,084	73,146	77,052	82,019	87,534
Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases	186,317	178,184	172,371	164,994	160,047	155,513	151,141	147,524	144,492
Infectious and parasitic diseases	73,538	73,510	73,513	72,499	71,676	70,236	69,595	68,689	67,743
Injuries	97,762	100,046	103,284	105,313	107,051	108,670	110,314	112,929	115,381
Mental disorders <sup>a</sup>									
Retardation	1,062,530	1,059,769	1,085,032	1,093,759	1,099,557	1,096,223	1,094,164	1,088,438	1,081,628
Other	1,294,064	1,419,469	1,523,835	1,629,652	1,743,224	1,846,743	1,949,904	2,042,751	2,125,552
Neoplasms	51,326	51,491	51,802	52,699	53,376	54,687	56,388	59,461	62,954
Diseases of the—									
Blood and blood- forming organs	b	b	b	27,009	27,475	27,631	28,189	28,761	29,285
Circulatory system	186,909	188,069	188,982	189,017	188,745	187,274	186,787	186,910	187,863
Digestive system	31,940	34,017	36,197	38,518	40,400	42,165	43,908	45,522	47,636
Genitourinary system	b	b	b	43,994	44,694	44,908	45,405	45,945	47,240
Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue	318,388	334,879	354,108	373,402	390,646	407,042	422,333	437,260	455,474
Nervous system and sense organs	365,529	371,211	384,411	393,439	400,302	405,239	411,093	416,944	423,877
Respiratory system	107,046	107,490	109,004	109,609	110,694	110,871	111,481	112,391	113,880
Skin and subcu- taneous tissue	b	b	b	6,855	7,082	7,245	7,459	7,850	8,188
Other <sup>a</sup>	193,372	153,846	164,129	85,625	94,310	97,398	98,812	106,757	118,018
Unknown	512,218	460,232	383,917	340,143	303,264	275,244	255,343	240,956	226,192

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

a. Beginning in 2000, approximately 60,000 persons previously shown under "Other diagnoses" are shown under "Other mental disorders."

b. Before 2002, diagnosis was reported under "Other."

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## Recipients Under Age 65

**Table 34.**  
**Recipients, by diagnostic group and age, December 2007**

Diagnostic group	All ages	Under 5	5-12	13-17	18-21	22-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60-64
	<i>Number</i>									
Total	5,342,937	174,280	535,660	411,077	310,419	534,351	643,304	1,022,900	1,199,108	511,838
Congenital anomalies	87,534	23,106	24,579	10,313	9,034	10,818	4,740	2,896	1,532	516
Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases	144,492	1,701	3,221	2,367	1,794	4,360	11,124	29,382	58,429	32,114
Infectious and parasitic diseases	67,743	177	784	1,168	661	2,066	9,134	26,119	22,235	5,399
Injuries	115,381	1,295	2,630	2,044	4,054	11,595	17,712	28,482	33,459	14,110
Mental disorders										
Retardation	1,081,628	5,353	67,983	104,947	121,684	206,188	202,728	206,084	129,660	37,001
Other	2,125,552	39,858	301,589	220,122	115,259	193,595	258,061	437,470	427,696	131,902
Neoplasms	62,954	2,441	6,580	3,030	2,268	3,703	4,472	11,595	20,028	8,837
Diseases of the—										
Blood and blood- forming organs	29,285	2,017	6,361	4,333	3,202	4,437	3,363	2,797	2,084	691
Circulatory system	187,863	2,224	2,252	1,177	1,298	3,929	8,714	29,718	82,528	56,023
Digestive system	47,636	3,848	2,695	928	708	1,900	3,464	11,016	17,472	5,605
Genitourinary system	47,240	637	1,346	1,109	1,686	4,472	7,874	12,294	13,311	4,511
Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue	455,474	1,380	3,416	3,091	3,344	9,309	27,195	91,027	198,677	118,035
Nervous system and sense organs	423,877	15,923	45,387	32,053	36,493	64,658	59,895	71,248	69,821	28,399
Respiratory system	113,880	7,553	16,336	5,837	2,113	2,318	4,623	15,660	36,901	22,539
Skin and subcu- taneous tissue	8,188	372	765	331	237	577	1,031	1,920	2,124	831
Other	118,018	59,709	37,743	9,835	2,800	3,237	1,256	1,436	1,486	516
Unknown	226,192	6,686	11,993	8,392	3,784	7,189	17,918	43,756	81,665	44,809

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**Table 34.**  
**Recipients, by diagnostic group and age, December 2007—Continued**

Diagnostic group	All ages	Under 5	5–12	13–17	18–21	22–29	30–39	40–49	50–59	60–64
<i>Average monthly payment (dollars)</i>										
Total	499.15	531.41	563.12	555.13	558.81	516.13	475.96	471.15	483.63	443.80
Congenital anomalies	539.12	549.74	561.50	551.62	551.91	532.61	472.28	399.81	423.06	408.19
Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases	467.77	542.91	550.01	536.08	548.67	477.62	459.64	474.51	476.57	425.37
Infectious and parasitic diseases	488.56	577.86	552.84	525.12	548.63	489.20	475.64	484.01	503.10	444.88
Injuries	461.17	551.97	545.69	526.98	517.39	476.79	445.59	443.01	470.34	433.18
Mental disorders										
Retardation	496.47	575.52	569.15	559.91	559.75	526.52	476.05	444.50	436.40	409.32
Other	517.39	559.31	562.40	556.36	565.71	510.33	482.69	493.55	509.18	478.59
Neoplasms	473.35	537.22	547.90	535.32	525.01	469.70	448.60	457.05	467.17	413.34
Diseases of the—										
Blood and blood- forming organs	524.78	560.96	565.03	553.29	555.56	509.60	481.88	462.70	479.20	423.18
Circulatory system	456.17	547.64	552.50	535.77	531.40	482.08	447.37	455.61	471.08	423.27
Digestive system	487.43	533.86	564.09	535.27	540.82	444.94	438.51	478.52	493.60	446.55
Genitourinary system	468.52	542.27	561.70	540.44	531.23	470.80	450.14	465.53	468.74	426.64
Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue	453.30	554.33	558.36	546.98	555.20	479.65	438.31	441.88	469.49	426.71
Nervous system and sense organs	489.79	548.06	556.10	542.76	546.18	519.20	465.45	440.31	450.32	424.28
Respiratory system	496.91	563.72	577.44	560.68	573.14	507.18	477.37	487.06	484.23	422.51
Skin and subcu- taneous tissue	480.73	565.20	569.78	555.31	539.57	469.90	456.10	460.82	467.57	431.37
Other	524.04	492.20	569.38	555.56	566.30	537.04	468.80	457.27	472.48	425.93
Unknown	514.05	504.58	556.08	544.31	547.61	551.51	550.10	506.36	511.20	488.11

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

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## Recipients Under Age 65

**Table 35.**  
**Recipients, by diagnostic group, age, and sex, December 2007**

Diagnostic group	All ages				Under age 18				Aged 18–64			
	Number	Percent			Number	Percent			Number	Percent		
		Total	Male	Female		Total	Male	Female		Total	Male	Female
Total	5,342,937	100.0	48.6	51.4	1,121,017	100.0	65.7	34.3	4,221,920	100.0	44.1	55.9
Congenital anomalies	87,534	100.0	52.4	47.6	57,998	100.0	53.7	46.3	29,536	100.0	49.6	50.4
Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases	144,492	100.0	26.5	73.5	7,289	100.0	51.8	48.2	137,203	100.0	25.2	74.8
Infectious and parasitic diseases	67,743	100.0	57.3	42.7	2,129	100.0	50.6	49.4	65,614	100.0	57.5	42.5
Injuries	115,381	100.0	60.9	39.1	5,969	100.0	58.5	41.5	109,412	100.0	61.1	38.9
Mental disorders												
Retardation	1,081,628	100.0	51.6	48.4	178,283	100.0	62.0	38.0	903,345	100.0	49.5	50.5
Other	2,125,552	100.0	51.2	48.8	561,569	100.0	73.5	26.5	1,563,983	100.0	43.2	56.8
Neoplasms	62,954	100.0	43.6	56.4	12,051	100.0	55.1	44.9	50,903	100.0	40.8	59.2
Diseases of the—												
Blood and blood- forming organs	29,285	100.0	48.6	51.4	12,711	100.0	56.5	43.5	16,574	100.0	42.5	57.5
Circulatory system	187,863	100.0	47.8	52.2	5,653	100.0	54.3	45.7	182,210	100.0	47.6	52.4
Digestive system	47,636	100.0	48.1	51.9	7,471	100.0	54.2	45.8	40,165	100.0	47.0	53.0
Genitourinary system	47,240	100.0	49.6	50.4	3,092	100.0	59.8	40.2	44,148	100.0	48.9	51.1
Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue	455,474	100.0	35.0	65.0	7,887	100.0	48.9	51.1	447,587	100.0	34.7	65.3
Nervous system and sense organs	423,877	100.0	47.9	52.1	93,363	100.0	55.9	44.1	330,514	100.0	45.7	54.3
Respiratory system	113,880	100.0	41.4	58.6	29,726	100.0	64.0	36.0	84,154	100.0	33.4	66.6
Skin and subcu- taneous tissue	8,188	100.0	37.8	62.2	1,468	100.0	51.4	48.6	6,720	100.0	34.8	65.2
Other	118,018	100.0	54.5	45.5	107,287	100.0	54.7	45.3	10,731	100.0	51.6	48.4
Unknown	226,192	100.0	45.6	54.4	27,071	100.0	60.5	39.5	199,121	100.0	43.5	56.5

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

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**Table 36.**  
**Recipients with a representative payee, by diagnostic group and age, December 2007**

Diagnostic group	All ages			Under age 18			Aged 18–64		
	Total	Number with payee	Percentage with payee	Total	Number with payee	Percentage with payee	Total	Number with payee	Percentage with payee
Total	5,342,937	2,564,480	48.0	1,121,017	1,120,102	99.9	4,221,920	1,444,378	34.2
Congenital anomalies	87,534	76,644	87.6	57,998	57,957	99.9	29,536	18,687	63.3
Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases	144,492	13,105	9.1	7,289	7,278	99.8	137,203	5,827	4.2
Infectious and parasitic diseases	67,743	8,051	11.9	2,129	2,126	99.9	65,614	5,925	9.0
Injuries	115,381	23,573	20.4	5,969	5,963	99.9	109,412	17,610	16.1
Mental disorders									
Retardation	1,081,628	780,217	72.1	178,283	178,100	99.9	903,345	602,117	66.7
Other	2,125,552	1,134,059	53.4	561,569	561,090	99.9	1,563,983	572,969	36.6
Neoplasms	62,954	15,579	24.7	12,051	12,038	99.9	50,903	3,541	7.0
Diseases of the—									
Blood and blood-forming organs	29,285	15,841	54.1	12,711	12,703	99.9	16,574	3,138	18.9
Circulatory system	187,863	21,641	11.5	5,653	5,643	99.8	182,210	15,998	8.8
Digestive system	47,636	10,515	22.1	7,471	7,461	99.9	40,165	3,054	7.6
Genitourinary system	47,240	5,349	11.3	3,092	3,088	99.9	44,148	2,261	5.1
Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue	455,474	22,978	5.0	7,887	7,883	99.9	447,587	15,095	3.4
Nervous system and sense organs	423,877	188,119	44.4	93,363	93,289	99.9	330,514	94,830	28.7
Respiratory system	113,880	34,220	30.0	29,726	29,712	100.0	84,154	4,508	5.4
Skin and subcutaneous tissue	8,188	1,848	22.6	1,468	1,467	99.9	6,720	381	5.7
Other	118,018	112,590	95.4	107,287	107,258	100.0	10,731	5,332	49.7
Unknown	226,192	100,151	44.3	27,071	27,046	99.9	199,121	73,105	36.7

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

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## Recipients Under Age 65

**Table 37.**  
**Recipients, by state or other area and diagnostic group, December 2007**

State or area	Total		Congenital anomalies	Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases	Infectious and parasitic diseases	Injuries	Mental disorders			Neoplasms
	Number	Percent					Total	Retardation	Other	
All areas	5,342,937	100.0	1.6	2.7	1.3	2.2	60.0	20.2	39.8	1.2
Alabama	132,745	100.0	1.2	3.2	0.7	2.6	54.7	25.0	29.8	1.1
Alaska	8,408	100.0	1.8	2.3	1.0	3.0	55.9	13.7	42.2	1.3
Arizona	76,565	100.0	2.5	2.4	0.6	2.3	61.3	18.0	43.3	1.1
Arkansas	78,018	100.0	1.5	3.1	0.6	2.4	60.0	28.4	31.5	1.2
California	705,070	100.0	1.8	2.4	1.5	2.7	56.6	14.1	42.4	1.3
Colorado	44,115	100.0	2.5	2.5	0.9	2.9	53.8	17.5	36.3	1.3
Connecticut	41,356	100.0	1.2	2.6	2.2	1.7	62.5	16.2	46.4	1.0
Delaware	11,960	100.0	1.6	2.5	1.9	1.8	60.8	21.7	39.0	1.2
District of Columbia	17,912	100.0	0.7	1.9	3.4	2.0	64.2	20.2	44.0	1.0
Florida	287,030	100.0	1.9	2.5	2.1	2.4	60.1	17.5	42.5	1.5
Georgia	157,568	100.0	1.8	3.1	1.8	2.3	54.4	25.0	29.4	1.4
Hawaii	14,741	100.0	1.3	2.0	1.0	2.2	65.4	14.4	51.0	1.2
Idaho	20,326	100.0	2.1	2.4	0.4	2.1	64.7	19.3	45.4	1.1
Illinois	203,159	100.0	1.5	2.7	1.2	1.8	65.0	23.1	41.9	1.0
Indiana	91,965	100.0	1.6	3.0	0.6	1.7	64.9	26.9	38.0	1.1
Iowa	37,727	100.0	1.9	2.9	0.4	1.8	64.9	25.9	38.9	1.1
Kansas	33,948	100.0	2.1	3.2	0.5	2.2	62.5	23.3	39.2	1.0
Kentucky	151,221	100.0	1.1	2.6	0.4	1.7	65.0	23.6	41.4	1.0
Louisiana	128,478	100.0	1.3	3.1	1.1	2.3	55.8	27.9	27.9	1.2
Maine	28,077	100.0	1.2	2.5	0.4	1.8	66.6	18.6	48.0	0.8
Maryland	73,120	100.0	1.5	2.3	2.7	2.2	58.4	20.7	37.7	1.2
Massachusetts	130,261	100.0	1.2	1.8	1.8	1.7	66.5	12.1	54.3	0.9
Michigan	191,258	100.0	1.4	2.8	0.6	1.8	63.9	22.7	41.2	1.0
Minnesota	60,975	100.0	1.7	1.8	0.6	2.2	67.9	18.8	49.1	0.9
Mississippi	94,249	100.0	1.2	3.4	0.8	2.2	57.5	23.8	33.7	1.2
Missouri	102,385	100.0	1.7	3.3	0.6	2.6	59.2	22.8	36.3	1.1
Montana	13,124	100.0	2.2	2.5	0.5	3.1	55.9	18.9	37.0	1.3
Nebraska	19,141	100.0	2.7	2.8	0.6	2.6	58.3	23.6	34.7	1.3
Nevada	25,892	100.0	2.7	2.2	1.3	2.8	55.2	15.5	39.7	1.4
New Hampshire	13,278	100.0	1.8	1.7	0.5	1.8	70.6	15.8	54.8	0.8
New Jersey	104,391	100.0	1.5	2.2	2.2	2.1	57.4	17.2	40.2	1.2
New Mexico	40,508	100.0	2.0	2.8	0.6	3.3	57.3	17.0	40.3	1.1
New York	415,802	100.0	1.3	2.3	3.1	1.8	57.8	16.6	41.1	1.2
North Carolina	159,018	100.0	1.8	2.8	1.2	2.1	60.8	27.6	33.2	1.2
North Dakota	6,290	100.0	2.6	2.1	0.3	2.6	61.3	24.3	37.0	1.2
Ohio	220,471	100.0	1.4	2.9	0.6	1.5	67.1	23.9	43.2	1.0
Oklahoma	69,925	100.0	1.7	3.3	0.5	2.2	59.8	27.5	32.2	1.2
Oregon	50,397	100.0	1.6	2.7	0.7	2.5	58.4	17.4	41.0	1.2
Pennsylvania	272,703	100.0	1.2	2.5	1.1	1.8	64.7	20.5	44.2	0.9
Rhode Island	23,803	100.0	1.2	2.0	1.1	1.6	68.6	19.2	49.4	0.8
South Carolina	81,837	100.0	1.7	2.6	1.1	2.4	57.6	27.2	30.4	1.2
South Dakota	9,957	100.0	2.4	2.3	0.5	2.6	59.2	21.1	38.2	1.1
Tennessee	129,183	100.0	1.4	2.6	0.7	1.9	60.0	25.8	34.3	1.2
Texas	380,743	100.0	2.2	3.7	1.2	2.4	54.3	15.9	38.4	1.5
Utah	20,312	100.0	3.6	2.2	0.4	2.0	59.3	21.5	37.8	1.0

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**Table 37.**  
**Recipients, by state or other area and diagnostic group, December 2007—Continued**

State or area	Diseases of the—								Other	Unknown
	Blood and blood-forming organs	Circulatory system	Digestive system	Genito-urinary system	Musculo-skeletal system and connective tissue	Nervous system and sense organs	Respiratory system	Skin and subcutaneous tissue		
All areas	0.5	3.5	0.9	0.9	8.5	7.9	2.1	0.2	2.2	4.2
Alabama	0.9	4.2	0.9	0.8	9.6	7.9	3.3	0.2	4.1	4.3
Alaska	0.2	3.0	1.2	0.6	13.1	9.7	1.4	0.2	2.0	3.3
Arizona	0.3	2.5	0.9	1.0	8.4	9.1	1.8	0.1	2.8	3.0
Arkansas	0.6	3.9	1.0	0.7	9.5	7.9	2.2	0.2	2.3	2.9
California	0.3	3.7	1.1	1.1	10.8	8.9	1.5	0.1	1.7	4.4
Colorado	0.2	2.5	1.3	1.0	10.7	11.7	2.1	0.2	2.5	4.0
Connecticut	0.5	2.9	0.7	0.8	7.5	7.7	2.0	0.2	1.7	4.8
Delaware	0.7	2.8	0.8	1.0	8.8	7.5	2.5	0.1	2.6	3.5
District of Columbia	0.8	3.2	0.6	1.5	6.4	6.3	1.7	0.2	2.2	3.7
Florida	0.8	3.7	1.0	0.9	6.8	7.3	2.3	0.2	2.1	4.6
Georgia	1.2	4.5	1.0	1.3	7.7	8.3	2.6	0.2	3.4	5.2
Hawaii	0.2	3.7	0.8	1.3	7.4	7.4	1.8	0.2	1.3	3.0
Idaho	0.1	2.0	0.9	0.5	7.8	9.2	1.3	0.1	1.8	3.5
Illinois	0.6	3.3	0.6	0.9	5.7	7.5	2.2	0.1	2.3	3.7
Indiana	0.4	2.9	0.9	0.7	6.3	8.1	2.2	0.1	1.8	3.6
Iowa	0.3	2.3	0.8	0.6	7.6	8.6	1.8	0.1	2.3	2.8
Kansas	0.4	2.5	0.9	0.8	7.9	9.0	2.0	0.1	2.1	2.9
Kentucky	0.2	3.3	0.7	0.5	9.1	6.3	2.7	0.2	1.8	3.4
Louisiana	1.0	5.3	0.8	1.0	8.9	8.1	2.4	0.3	2.9	4.7
Maine	0.1	2.3	0.8	0.4	10.5	6.2	1.6	0.2	1.0	3.5
Maryland	0.8	3.9	0.8	1.1	6.3	8.1	2.1	0.2	2.5	5.9
Massachusetts	0.3	2.3	0.8	0.5	7.8	7.1	1.9	0.1	1.2	4.1
Michigan	0.5	3.4	0.7	0.8	7.3	7.4	2.0	0.2	2.0	4.3
Minnesota	0.3	2.0	0.6	0.7	5.7	8.4	1.2	0.1	3.4	2.4
Mississippi	1.1	4.7	0.6	1.0	6.7	7.3	2.8	0.2	4.1	5.2
Missouri	0.6	3.2	0.9	0.8	9.4	7.9	2.2	0.2	2.1	4.1
Montana	0.1	2.6	1.4	0.7	11.9	10.2	2.1	0.1	2.3	3.0
Nebraska	0.4	3.0	1.1	0.7	9.0	10.1	2.0	0.2	2.1	3.2
Nevada	0.5	3.4	1.2	1.0	9.1	9.4	2.2	0.2	2.9	4.4
New Hampshire	0.1	2.0	0.6	0.3	6.3	7.8	1.5	0.1	1.5	2.5
New Jersey	0.7	3.9	0.8	1.1	8.1	8.7	2.9	0.2	3.5	3.4
New Mexico	0.2	2.6	1.3	1.1	11.7	9.1	1.8	0.2	1.7	3.2
New York	0.6	4.2	0.7	0.8	9.7	7.2	2.7	0.1	1.4	5.1
North Carolina	0.7	3.7	0.9	0.9	7.4	7.2	2.4	0.2	2.6	4.1
North Dakota	0.1	3.0	1.0	0.7	9.0	11.0	1.3	0.1	2.0	1.8
Ohio	0.5	2.7	0.7	0.7	5.7	6.7	2.0	0.1	1.8	4.7
Oklahoma	0.4	3.7	1.0	0.6	9.5	8.8	2.6	0.2	2.1	2.7
Oregon	0.2	2.6	1.2	0.6	10.3	9.6	1.7	0.1	2.8	3.6
Pennsylvania	0.4	2.9	0.8	0.6	8.2	6.2	2.2	0.1	1.5	4.6
Rhode Island	0.3	2.4	0.8	0.4	7.3	6.0	1.7	0.2	1.6	3.9
South Carolina	1.3	4.2	0.9	1.1	7.3	8.2	2.9	0.2	3.1	4.2
South Dakota	0.2	2.2	1.2	1.1	10.1	10.8	2.3	0.2	2.0	1.9
Tennessee	0.5	3.5	0.9	0.8	8.7	7.0	2.3	0.1	2.4	6.1
Texas	0.6	4.4	1.2	1.3	9.9	9.5	1.7	0.1	3.0	3.3
Utah	0.1	1.8	0.8	0.8	6.9	11.0	1.6	0.1	3.4	4.8

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**Table 37.**  
**Recipients, by state or other area and diagnostic group, December 2007—Continued**

State or area	Total		Congenital anomalies	Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases	Infectious and parasitic diseases	Injuries	Mental disorders			Neoplasms
	Number	Percent					Total	Retardation	Other	
Vermont	11,418	100.0	1.4	2.5	0.5	1.9	67.0	16.5	50.5	0.8
Virginia	105,740	100.0	1.6	2.6	0.9	1.9	61.3	25.1	36.2	1.2
Washington	93,539	100.0	1.8	2.4	0.8	2.0	62.5	15.5	46.9	1.1
West Virginia	66,953	100.0	0.9	3.6	0.4	2.2	61.7	29.2	32.5	1.0
Wisconsin	80,221	100.0	2.4	2.5	0.6	2.0	64.2	21.8	42.3	0.9
Wyoming	4,993	100.0	2.5	2.0	0.4	2.8	59.0	21.3	37.7	1.1
Outlying area										
Northern Mariana Islands	658	100.0	4.0	1.2	0.9	2.6	42.9	13.2	29.6	1.4

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**Table 37.**  
**Recipients, by state or other area and diagnostic group, December 2007—Continued**

State or area	Diseases of the—								Other	Unknown
	Blood and blood-forming organs	Circulatory system	Digestive system	Genitourinary system	Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue	Nervous system and sense organs	Respiratory system	Skin and subcutaneous tissue		
Vermont	0.1	1.9	0.8	0.4	9.3	7.1	1.7	0.1	1.0	3.7
Virginia	0.7	3.5	0.8	1.0	8.0	7.4	2.1	0.2	2.2	4.7
Washington	0.2	2.3	1.1	0.6	9.3	8.2	1.6	0.2	2.0	3.9
West Virginia	0.1	3.4	0.8	0.5	9.3	6.3	2.6	0.2	1.2	5.7
Wisconsin	0.5	2.3	0.8	0.7	6.5	8.8	1.5	0.1	2.4	3.7
Wyoming	0.1	2.6	1.2	0.6	9.2	11.1	2.7	0.2	2.1	2.3
Outlying area										
Northern Mariana Islands	0.8	4.1	0.6	4.1	7.0	17.9	2.1	1.7	6.7	2.1

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**Table 38.**  
**Average monthly payment, by state or other area and diagnostic group, December 2007 (in dollars)**

State or area	Total	Congenital anomalies	Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases	Infectious and parasitic diseases	Injuries	Mental disorders			Neoplasms
						Total	Retardation	Other	
All areas	499.15	539.12	467.77	488.56	461.17	510.33	496.47	517.39	473.35
Alabama	462.69	515.67	425.28	418.58	417.89	479.21	486.01	473.50	438.18
Alaska	465.42	506.21	476.02	485.08	431.47	464.90	446.81	470.78	458.11
Arizona	482.45	533.90	451.90	423.77	444.30	490.24	492.01	489.51	476.09
Arkansas	458.06	515.12	418.84	400.61	408.23	480.70	478.96	482.28	436.67
California	630.99	658.62	589.48	573.99	586.62	650.50	653.02	649.66	568.96
Colorado	451.96	508.19	437.63	391.55	409.88	459.78	457.12	461.05	445.51
Connecticut	470.69	512.09	473.40	489.16	425.27	471.97	453.46	478.43	453.97
Delaware	464.99	503.29	433.94	421.68	427.90	477.19	469.38	481.53	480.86
District of Columbia	514.14	509.93	475.95	510.61	484.49	525.07	487.21	542.50	465.78
Florida	474.67	506.76	433.07	447.72	422.91	490.23	482.02	493.61	443.84
Georgia	466.14	518.63	431.68	442.76	421.27	479.40	481.24	477.84	447.14
Hawaii	521.04	510.44	476.94	481.49	473.01	530.40	541.50	527.26	468.72
Idaho	452.35	520.18	426.38	433.16	408.84	458.65	449.84	462.39	458.44
Illinois	493.91	526.20	482.49	477.23	461.07	501.43	498.27	503.18	483.17
Indiana	465.74	510.49	442.08	419.73	421.86	474.73	473.93	475.30	448.02
Iowa	442.00	494.15	436.13	395.18	396.63	449.14	432.02	460.54	441.77
Kansas	452.94	516.87	430.17	404.58	403.26	460.07	448.97	466.68	449.89
Kentucky	473.37	516.49	449.37	402.15	421.65	489.28	490.39	488.64	431.73
Louisiana	478.96	525.64	457.27	449.36	440.20	496.47	488.95	504.00	451.19
Maine	441.38	496.62	434.07	435.85	387.73	447.26	434.57	452.19	434.45
Maryland	484.89	502.92	470.52	475.57	440.95	494.26	488.00	497.69	474.90
Massachusetts	505.13	536.30	498.56	524.15	464.56	506.85	477.71	513.36	495.85
Michigan	490.61	531.18	474.49	444.82	466.18	500.54	502.02	499.73	467.92
Minnesota	465.99	500.75	456.23	451.03	454.71	466.50	448.53	473.37	460.87
Mississippi	466.35	516.31	430.89	410.33	416.37	481.24	472.40	487.49	451.46
Missouri	458.13	516.39	433.61	400.30	423.94	467.38	462.39	470.52	453.98
Montana	452.37	525.14	421.55	381.46	432.70	456.53	451.79	458.96	425.56
Nebraska	435.87	514.43	430.94	417.65	378.78	440.52	443.20	438.69	456.55
Nevada	473.28	510.98	437.63	449.95	418.95	486.06	488.11	485.26	451.27
New Hampshire	439.92	478.67	418.74	426.95	384.81	442.20	421.44	448.16	427.60
New Jersey	485.99	516.94	474.81	482.52	437.00	493.95	479.63	500.09	456.19
New Mexico	470.83	526.54	453.68	445.17	425.76	483.68	475.72	487.05	484.90
New York	537.41	552.07	516.33	549.38	495.74	550.15	523.37	560.97	491.16
North Carolina	451.52	506.10	416.66	414.82	411.08	463.03	454.93	469.76	446.15
North Dakota	415.15	454.09	425.09	407.53	412.94	412.34	387.66	428.55	437.93
Ohio	484.59	513.48	471.31	433.74	429.19	493.12	489.08	495.35	462.64
Oklahoma	466.28	525.99	430.48	426.07	433.06	479.43	483.10	476.29	436.21
Oregon	467.25	508.89	447.07	414.83	447.02	471.17	470.08	471.64	472.71
Pennsylvania	495.81	508.21	469.37	484.56	458.05	506.59	489.15	514.70	465.07
Rhode Island	502.70	573.57	483.60	493.15	441.84	509.77	505.72	511.35	462.88
South Carolina	457.55	508.26	431.38	430.52	428.18	468.67	467.40	469.80	441.17
South Dakota	436.72	475.97	447.11	380.47	424.97	438.76	413.00	452.99	437.86
Tennessee	462.42	516.74	431.26	422.66	415.40	475.35	482.25	470.16	445.68
Texas	464.86	522.02	422.55	443.87	423.76	482.44	458.94	492.18	445.31
Utah	446.83	496.28	424.10	438.92	424.22	446.57	444.37	447.81	444.32

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**Table 38.**  
**Average monthly payment, by state or other area and diagnostic group, December 2007 (in dollars)—**  
**Continued**

State or area	Diseases of the—								Other	Unknown
	Blood and blood-forming organs	Circulatory system	Digestive system	Genitourinary system	Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue	Nervous system and sense organs	Respiratory system	Skin and subcutaneous tissue		
All areas	524.78	456.17	487.43	468.52	453.30	489.79	496.91	480.73	524.04	514.05
Alabama	507.51	402.65	464.41	422.29	386.47	455.36	486.55	445.52	536.25	455.91
Alaska	472.75	451.71	469.61	450.17	452.56	464.82	466.70	465.18	473.83	531.88
Arizona	503.36	447.09	467.11	442.97	436.54	478.03	490.52	460.11	529.27	486.98
Arkansas	513.72	396.56	453.83	420.36	376.55	439.15	428.79	449.35	528.07	428.15
California	661.84	578.94	600.33	562.32	572.34	620.03	629.81	592.98	636.48	686.70
Colorado	479.67	418.76	458.19	424.75	416.73	454.96	454.50	467.99	417.04	494.88
Connecticut	514.14	447.92	462.60	478.81	445.91	459.60	489.73	477.03	494.87	501.97
Delaware	455.12	411.31	435.36	442.43	422.47	468.90	462.48	485.00	477.11	442.14
District of Columbia	511.97	475.11	520.52	480.14	480.01	499.54	505.00	462.32	482.97	533.02
Florida	506.43	423.64	455.11	438.70	412.76	462.69	469.21	436.23	484.33	485.90
Georgia	504.48	418.13	451.55	431.75	406.81	468.32	465.22	443.25	504.87	464.45
Hawaii	513.73	513.51	516.13	504.54	485.82	518.08	484.45	560.32	505.48	558.78
Idaho	505.31	428.18	454.90	482.21	414.80	433.69	409.60	494.96	475.54	480.97
Illinois	530.62	453.92	469.43	479.13	453.23	473.99	503.90	477.01	521.31	496.00
Indiana	516.36	418.59	458.26	456.96	408.84	448.81	456.34	460.72	511.87	490.33
Iowa	480.64	408.93	434.98	375.18	403.62	428.65	440.32	431.21	487.32	429.61
Kansas	503.70	419.39	455.17	451.06	400.97	457.12	414.81	474.81	493.80	470.45
Kentucky	493.42	409.63	440.06	430.15	411.32	461.51	460.97	475.93	533.49	458.17
Louisiana	514.33	429.26	453.72	435.44	424.53	465.80	488.05	465.10	541.60	449.55
Maine	448.07	424.46	417.84	447.07	403.94	443.11	444.13	420.32	501.84	452.51
Maryland	503.98	445.46	482.62	463.49	445.12	474.36	501.57	447.05	465.01	504.11
Massachusetts	522.06	471.51	511.75	485.05	466.90	503.34	530.44	509.74	536.08	555.09
Michigan	524.21	449.93	457.97	472.72	433.35	482.55	481.74	471.52	537.49	491.43
Minnesota	522.65	437.66	466.51	454.89	445.85	465.18	475.14	465.87	508.66	455.74
Mississippi	520.97	407.12	444.74	423.00	391.43	450.38	484.30	466.35	529.28	456.91
Missouri	518.17	416.79	454.03	446.49	403.34	456.05	450.89	431.58	522.08	478.10
Montana	422.00	423.14	450.17	389.66	437.27	452.81	455.71	442.10	514.01	443.23
Nebraska	528.58	407.80	443.22	393.30	385.58	446.67	442.24	483.09	474.19	430.56
Nevada	495.65	428.84	478.83	433.32	421.20	478.89	469.55	417.51	469.12	496.71
New Hampshire	376.94	420.80	444.45	437.54	417.06	440.47	432.84	373.58	496.84	453.50
New Jersey	520.98	450.62	462.50	462.59	454.62	470.87	515.36	511.81	510.64	495.42
New Mexico	498.71	427.23	473.57	439.33	420.16	462.31	481.72	473.94	525.47	485.28
New York	546.96	507.01	514.46	507.20	493.52	512.89	552.14	533.20	533.04	560.87
North Carolina	493.74	403.86	449.86	426.47	393.55	444.26	454.54	436.67	492.27	444.24
North Dakota	466.29	409.72	427.40	457.37	424.12	395.56	443.72	381.71	470.69	404.88
Ohio	512.11	439.73	477.90	454.65	442.35	464.84	472.12	467.73	532.67	486.05
Oklahoma	513.75	422.35	471.44	442.95	418.49	461.15	455.95	434.79	524.88	434.56
Oregon	488.33	451.24	471.99	458.65	431.72	461.98	455.95	442.93	521.21	512.80
Pennsylvania	526.18	455.41	474.29	473.19	456.00	466.11	500.37	489.42	515.06	511.69
Rhode Island	520.89	462.26	523.28	473.29	445.90	483.78	527.97	507.96	562.99	525.03
South Carolina	494.28	414.40	453.61	438.02	398.90	453.25	475.84	455.34	503.34	429.97
South Dakota	428.67	415.20	456.57	446.39	417.53	429.45	458.90	403.87	470.58	431.02
Tennessee	518.54	406.86	459.29	443.73	404.03	454.36	444.90	415.11	505.76	469.85
Texas	501.62	418.81	458.68	430.68	408.07	459.67	465.44	454.93	504.57	449.10
Utah	403.70	421.80	461.44	445.38	423.61	456.80	446.00	474.17	424.03	468.44

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**Table 38.**  
**Average monthly payment, by state or other area and diagnostic group, December 2007 (in dollars)—**  
**Continued**

State or area	Total	Congenital anomalies	Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases	Infectious and parasitic diseases	Injuries	Mental disorders			Neoplasms
						Total	Retardation	Other	
Vermont	463.65	513.58	461.73	342.14	400.76	473.41	442.72	483.44	505.25
Virginia	458.22	503.71	434.99	430.32	410.71	470.26	461.32	476.46	441.81
Washington	482.26	524.47	463.24	441.98	455.13	485.65	476.40	488.71	471.76
West Virginia	473.46	519.77	440.50	426.51	438.50	488.45	486.29	490.38	429.87
Wisconsin	463.12	509.31	447.61	444.10	436.46	469.74	466.49	471.41	444.56
Wyoming	435.61	472.54	442.24	366.67	424.32	436.03	431.05	438.85	460.73
Outlying area									
Northern Mariana Islands	539.56	594.04	522.00	555.83	498.12	544.20	540.47	545.86	593.67

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**Table 38.**  
**Average monthly payment, by state or other area and diagnostic group, December 2007 (in dollars)—**  
**Continued**

State or area	Diseases of the—								Other	Unknown
	Blood and blood-forming organs	Circulatory system	Digestive system	Genitourinary system	Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue	Nervous system and sense organs	Respiratory system	Skin and subcutaneous tissue		
Vermont	477.55	431.41	489.30	469.93	408.51	450.58	447.26	510.54	542.45	466.98
Virginia	486.77	421.94	443.27	428.31	407.77	451.17	456.15	456.06	477.73	448.06
Washington	492.52	450.96	486.13	452.50	465.21	475.25	483.59	469.86	496.33	514.87
West Virginia	477.72	430.34	454.78	440.30	426.36	460.90	459.25	448.83	496.95	472.34
Wisconsin	511.68	421.97	443.82	428.29	405.85	459.72	458.59	480.40	509.60	458.69
Wyoming	530.40	414.77	448.74	400.30	396.89	449.74	439.14	319.90	492.12	454.44
Outlying area										
Northern Mariana Islands	513.80	417.63	526.00	541.00	553.15	528.55	593.86	394.00	593.05	549.00

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

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## Recipients Who Work

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**Table 39.**  
**Blind and disabled recipients who work, by selected months, 1976–2007**

Month	All blind and disabled recipients <sup>a</sup>	Blind and disabled recipients who work			Total as a percentage of all blind and disabled recipients
		Total	Receiving SSI <sup>b</sup>	Section 1619(b) participants	
December					
1976	2,088,242	70,719	70,719	...	3.4
1977	2,186,771	83,697	83,697	...	3.8
1978	2,249,025	87,697	87,697	...	3.9
1979	2,277,859	92,270	92,270	...	4.1
1980	2,334,241	99,276	99,276	...	4.3
1981	2,340,785	102,632	102,632	...	4.4
1982	2,314,364	107,803	102,288	5,515	4.7
1983	2,391,262	113,899	108,734	5,165	4.8
1984	2,499,046	--	--	--	--
1985	2,633,552	--	--	--	--
1986	2,795,756	--	--	--	--
1987	2,945,244	172,855	157,223	15,632	5.9
1988	3,046,074	189,144	173,519	15,625	6.2
1989	3,172,270	205,837	187,583	18,254	6.5
1990	3,386,603	219,932	196,415	23,517	6.5
1991	3,681,050	229,619	202,355	27,264	6.2
1992	4,126,816	248,917	217,268	31,649	6.0
1993	4,544,777	265,649	230,350	35,299	5.8
1994	4,870,564	282,476	241,793	40,683	5.8
1995	5,115,014	298,635	251,633	47,002	5.8
1996	5,252,991	308,300	256,395	51,905	5.9
1997	5,189,724	319,855	262,766	57,089	6.2
1998	5,293,829	326,475	266,933	59,542	6.2
1999	5,317,861	340,618	271,353	69,265	6.4
2000	5,395,935	360,427	276,855	83,572	6.7
2001	5,500,481	346,110	269,655	76,455	6.3
2002	5,618,506	340,910	258,733	82,177	6.1
2003	5,740,683	323,682	252,585	71,097	5.6
2004	5,850,359	328,204	254,523	73,681	5.6
2005	5,977,788	336,570	258,365	78,205	5.6
2006	6,113,277	349,420	260,070	89,350	5.7
2007	6,252,564	357,344	259,793	97,551	5.7
2005					
March	5,919,765	325,357	251,110	74,247	5.5
June	5,946,966	333,089	253,721	79,368	5.6
September	5,966,290	337,325	257,191	80,134	5.7
December	5,977,788	336,570	258,365	78,205	5.6

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**Table 39.**  
**Blind and disabled recipients who work, by selected months, 1976–2007—Continued**

Month	All blind and disabled recipients <sup>a</sup>	Blind and disabled recipients who work			Total as a percentage of all blind and disabled recipients
		Total	Receiving SSI <sup>b</sup>	Section 1619(b) participants	
2006					
March	6,014,109	336,446	257,536	78,910	5.6
June	6,045,960	341,450	258,360	83,090	5.6
September	6,098,112	346,309	259,093	87,216	5.7
December	6,113,277	349,420	260,070	89,350	5.7
2007					
March	6,165,340	351,357	260,790	90,567	5.7
June	6,199,689	357,139	262,711	94,428	5.8
September	6,243,111	361,230	263,007	98,223	5.8
December	6,252,564	357,344	259,793	97,551	5.7

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

NOTE: . . . = not applicable; -- = not available.

a. Includes section 1619(b) participants.

b. Includes section 1619(a) participants and SSI recipients earning less than the substantial gainful activity level (\$940 effective January 2008).

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**Table 40.**  
**Blind and disabled recipients who work, by state or other area, December 2007**

State or area	All blind and disabled recipients	Recipients who work	
		Number	Percentage of all blind and disabled recipients
All areas	6,252,564	357,344	5.7
Alabama	151,240	4,347	2.9
Alaska	9,611	678	7.1
Arizona	88,645	4,291	4.8
Arkansas	88,292	4,062	4.6
California	892,983	47,531	5.3
Colorado	50,791	4,196	8.3
Connecticut	48,813	4,183	8.6
Delaware	13,461	1,049	7.8
District of Columbia	20,500	789	3.8
Florida	336,383	13,128	3.9
Georgia	183,836	7,090	3.9
Hawaii	17,287	963	5.6
Idaho	22,548	2,178	9.7
Illinois	235,287	14,342	6.1
Indiana	100,444	6,076	6.0
Iowa	42,938	7,065	16.5
Kansas	38,288	4,443	11.6
Kentucky	173,052	4,739	2.7
Louisiana	147,908	5,928	4.0
Maine	31,810	2,278	7.2
Maryland	84,565	6,420	7.6
Massachusetts	137,300	10,347	7.5
Michigan	214,949	13,580	6.3
Minnesota	70,622	10,662	15.1
Mississippi	110,477	3,195	2.9
Missouri	115,147	7,700	6.7
Montana	15,020	2,057	13.7
Nebraska	21,720	3,206	14.8
Nevada	27,110	1,913	7.1
New Hampshire	14,704	1,338	9.1
New Jersey	124,772	8,034	6.4
New Mexico	48,691	2,368	4.9
New York	521,964	31,514	6.0
North Carolina	184,429	8,423	4.6
North Dakota	7,491	1,387	18.5
Ohio	246,620	17,683	7.2
Oklahoma	78,834	4,423	5.6
Oregon	57,211	4,451	7.8
Pennsylvania	310,640	16,773	5.4
Rhode Island	27,770	1,883	6.8

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**Table 40.**  
**Blind and disabled recipients who work, by state or other area, December 2007—Continued**

State or area	All blind and disabled recipients	Recipients who work	
		Number	Percentage of all blind and disabled recipients
South Carolina	95,307	4,736	5.0
South Dakota	11,887	2,134	18.0
Tennessee	149,358	5,379	3.6
Texas	441,410	16,238	3.7
Utah	22,919	2,685	11.7
Vermont	13,252	1,291	9.7
Virginia	122,627	7,365	6.0
Washington	108,884	6,823	6.3
West Virginia	75,871	2,334	3.1
Wisconsin	90,477	10,773	11.9
Wyoming	5,718	860	15.0
Outlying area			
Northern Mariana Islands	701	13	1.9

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

NOTE: Includes section 1619(b) participants.

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**Table 41.**  
**Percentage distribution of all blind and disabled recipients and those who work aged 18–64,**  
**by diagnostic group, December 2007**

Diagnostic group	All blind and disabled recipients	Recipients who work <sup>a</sup>
Total		
Number	4,221,920	341,327
Percent	100.0	100.0
Congenital anomalies	0.7	1.6
Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases	3.2	1.2
Infectious and parasitic diseases	1.6	0.9
Injuries	2.6	1.4
Mental disorders		
Retardation	21.4	40.0
Schizophrenia	9.6	6.9
Other	27.4	20.1
Neoplasms	1.2	0.8
Diseases of the—		
Blood and blood-forming organs	0.4	0.4
Circulatory system	4.3	1.3
Digestive system	1.0	0.4
Genitourinary system	1.0	0.7
Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue	10.6	3.7
Nervous system and sense organs <sup>b</sup>	7.8	9.1
Respiratory system	2.0	0.7
Skin and subcutaneous tissue	0.2	0.1
Other	0.3	0.4
Unknown	4.7	10.4

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

a. Includes section 1619(b) participants.

b. Most disabled recipients classified as blind are included in this category. A few blind recipients with a primary impairment other than diseases of the eye are coded in other categories. Also, a few recipients are classified with diseases of the eye, but their impairment does not meet the definition of blindness.

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**Table 42.**

**All blind and disabled recipients, those who work, and section 1619(b) participants aged 18–64, by age, December 2007**

Age	All blind and disabled recipients <sup>a</sup>		Recipients who work <sup>a</sup>		Section 1619(b) participants	
			Number	Percentage of all blind and disabled recipients	Number	Percentage of all blind and disabled recipients
	Number	Percent				
Total	4,316,233	100.0	341,327	7.9	94,313	2.2
18–21	314,418	7.3	35,202	11.2	3,999	1.3
22–29	559,366	13.0	89,065	15.9	25,015	4.5
30–39	668,229	15.5	77,027	11.5	24,925	3.7
40–49	1,045,516	24.2	72,812	7.0	22,616	2.2
50–59	1,213,061	28.1	52,142	4.3	13,953	1.2
60–64	515,643	11.9	15,079	2.9	3,805	0.7

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

a. Includes section 1619(b) participants.

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**Table 43.**  
**Blind and disabled recipients in December 2006, by program status and earnings in December 2007**

Program status in December 2006	Total	Receiving payments in December 2007			Not receiving payments in December 2007						
					Section 1619(a)			Ineligible because of earned income			Other excess income
		Section 1619(b)	Reasons no longer eligible								
			Have earnings	No earnings	Do not need or use Medicaid	Can pay for equivalent coverage	Both				
All blind and disabled recipients	6,079,581	16,091	228,312	5,286,600	92,849	338	72	135	125,611	329,573	
Receiving payments											
Section 1619(a)	17,411	6,224	2,158	3,725	3,077	33	1	13	732	1,448	
Have earnings	243,109	3,014	176,900	35,209	9,981	61	8	13	6,541	11,382	
No earnings	5,729,668	5,306	44,979	5,236,418	20,481	86	13	31	110,838	311,516	
Not receiving payments											
Section 1619(b)	89,393	1,547	4,275	11,248	59,310	158	50	78	7,500	5,227	

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

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## Recipients Who Work

**Table 44.**  
**Blind and disabled recipients who work, by state or other area, December 2007**

State or area	Total	Section 1619(a) participants	Section 1619(b) participants	Other blind and disabled recipients who work
All areas	357,344	16,939	97,551	242,854
Alabama	4,347	257	1,296	2,794
Alaska	678	a	a	423
Arizona	4,291	271	1,482	2,538
Arkansas	4,062	161	1,019	2,882
California	47,531	4,001	11,091	32,439
Colorado	4,196	171	1,057	2,968
Connecticut	4,183	138	1,300	2,745
Delaware	1,049	52	323	674
District of Columbia	789	50	324	415
Florida	13,128	747	4,720	7,661
Georgia	7,090	297	1,916	4,877
Hawaii	963	54	363	546
Idaho	2,178	88	681	1,409
Illinois	14,342	661	3,888	9,793
Indiana	6,076	189	1,717	4,170
Iowa	7,065	157	1,685	5,223
Kansas	4,443	142	1,084	3,217
Kentucky	4,739	223	1,366	3,150
Louisiana	5,928	331	1,860	3,737
Maine	2,278	80	729	1,469
Maryland	6,420	268	1,862	4,290
Massachusetts	10,347	549	3,673	6,125
Michigan	13,580	473	3,318	9,789
Minnesota	10,662	255	2,592	7,815
Mississippi	3,195	163	971	2,061
Missouri	7,700	251	2,100	5,349
Montana	2,057	55	481	1,521
Nebraska	3,206	78	693	2,435
Nevada	1,913	99	654	1,160
New Hampshire	1,338	45	437	856
New Jersey	8,034	319	2,257	5,458
New Mexico	2,368	116	708	1,544
New York	31,514	1,587	8,390	21,537
North Carolina	8,423	303	2,170	5,950
North Dakota	1,387	29	383	975
Ohio	17,683	566	3,840	13,277
Oklahoma	4,423	164	1,169	3,090
Oregon	4,451	156	1,192	3,103
Pennsylvania	16,773	741	4,905	11,127
Rhode Island	1,883	67	524	1,292
South Carolina	4,736	153	1,017	3,566
South Dakota	2,134	59	496	1,579
Tennessee	5,379	202	1,455	3,722
Texas	16,238	751	4,811	10,676
Utah	2,685	106	794	1,785

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**Table 44.**  
**Blind and disabled recipients who work, by state or other area, December 2007—Continued**

State or area	Total	Section 1619(a) participants	Section 1619(b) participants	Other blind and disabled recipients who work
Vermont	1,291	65	449	777
Virginia	7,365	316	2,193	4,856
Washington	6,823	463	2,532	3,828
West Virginia	2,334	134	757	1,443
Wisconsin	10,773	275	2,318	8,180
Wyoming	860	38	272	550
Outlying area				
Northern Mariana Islands	13	a	a	8

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

a. Data are not shown to avoid disclosure of information for particular individuals.

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## Recipients Who Work

**Table 45.**  
**Blind and disabled recipients who work and their average earnings, by selected characteristics, December 2007**

Characteristic	Number	Percent	Average earnings (dollars)
Total	357,344	100.0	581
Age			
Under 18	3,182	0.9	493
18–21	35,202	9.9	533
22–29	89,065	24.9	625
30–39	77,027	21.6	629
40–49	72,812	20.4	595
50–59	52,142	14.6	540
60–64	15,079	4.2	463
65 or older	12,835	3.6	351
Sex			
Male	191,840	53.7	587
Female	165,504	46.3	574
Earned income <sup>a</sup>			
Wages	336,907	94.3	597
Self-employment	22,086	6.2	364
Earnings (dollars)			
65 or less	78,462	22.0	46
66–99	17,039	4.8	82
100–199	42,142	11.8	138
200–299	31,199	8.7	236
300–399	25,033	7.0	335
400–499	21,863	6.1	435
500–599	20,901	5.8	531
600–699	17,815	5.0	632
700–799	13,480	3.8	734
800–899	11,985	3.4	831
900–999	8,557	2.4	933
1,000 or more	68,868	19.3	1,760
Unearned income <sup>a</sup>			
None	183,703	51.4	698
Social Security	153,773	43.0	423
Other pensions	2,268	0.6	419
Income based on need	193	0.1	802
Asset income	14,791	4.1	495
Other	15,364	4.3	717

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**Table 45.**  
**Blind and disabled recipients who work and their average earnings, by selected characteristics,**  
**December 2007—Continued**

Characteristic	Number	Percent	Average earnings (dollars)
Work incentives <sup>a</sup>			
Section 1619(a)	16,939	4.7	1,193
Section 1619(b)	97,551	27.3	1,267
Plans to achieve self-support <sup>b</sup>	431	0.1	811
Impairment-related work expenses	5,161	1.4	589
Blind work expenses	2,142	0.6	1,085

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

NOTE: Includes section 1619(b) participants.

a. The sum of the entries may be greater than the total because some recipients may receive more than one type of earned or unearned income or both earned and unearned income, or they may benefit from more than one work incentive provision.

b. Number of working recipients with a plan to achieve self-support (PASS). See Tables 52–55 for data on all recipients with a PASS.

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## Recipients Who Work

**Table 46.**  
**Number of section 1619 participants and percentage change from prior period,**  
**by selected months, 1982–2007**

Month	Section 1619(a) participants		Section 1619(b) participants <sup>a</sup>	
	Number	Percentage change from prior period	Number	Percentage change from prior period
December				
1982	287	...	5,515	...
1983	392	36.6	5,165	-6.3
1984	--	--	--	--
1985	--	--	--	--
1986	--	--	--	--
1987	14,559	...	15,632	...
1988	19,920	36.8	15,625	0
1989	25,655	28.8	18,254	16.8
1990	13,994	-45.5	23,517	28.8
1991	15,531	11.0	27,264	15.9
1992	17,603	13.3	31,649	16.1
1993	20,028	13.8	35,299	11.5
1994	24,315	21.4	40,683	15.3
1995	28,060	15.4	47,002	15.5
1996	31,085	10.8	51,905	10.4
1997	34,673	11.5	57,089	10.0
1998	37,271	7.5	59,542	4.3
1999	25,528	-31.5	69,265	16.3
2000	27,542	7.9	83,572	20.7
2001	22,100	-19.8	76,455	-8.5
2002	17,271	-21.9	82,177	7.5
2003	17,132	-0.8	71,097	-13.5
2004	17,114	-0.1	73,681	3.6
2005	17,621	3.0	78,205	6.1
2006	17,394	-1.3	89,350	14.3
2007	16,939	-2.6	97,551	9.2
2005				
March	17,082	-0.2	74,247	0.8
June	17,655	3.4	79,368	6.9
September	17,874	1.2	80,134	1.0
December	17,621	-1.4	78,205	-2.4
2006				
March	17,597	-0.1	78,910	0.9
June	18,159	3.2	83,090	5.3
September	18,670	2.8	87,216	5.0
December	17,394	-6.8	89,350	2.4

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**Table 46.**  
**Number of section 1619 participants and percentage change from prior period,**  
**by selected months, 1982–2007—Continued**

Month	Section 1619(a) participants		Section 1619(b) participants <sup>a</sup>	
	Number	Percentage change from prior period	Number	Percentage change from prior period
2007				
March	17,444	0.3	90,567	1.4
June	17,698	1.5	94,428	4.3
September	18,007	1.7	98,223	4.0
December	16,939	-5.9	97,551	-0.7

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

NOTES: When the substantial gainful activity (SGA) level is periodically raised, SSI recipients with earnings below the increased SGA level become eligible for regular SSI benefits rather than the special cash payments under section 1619(a). This can lead to decreases in the number of 1619(a) participants.

. . . = not applicable; -- = not available.

a. Includes blind participants. Of the 97,551 participants in December 2007, 1,631 were blind.

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## Recipients Who Work

**Table 47.**  
**Ranking of state or other area, by section 1619 participants as a percentage of all blind and disabled recipients in state aged 18–64, December 2007**

State or area	Ranking	All blind and disabled recipients <sup>a</sup>	Section 1619 participants	
			Number	Percent
All areas		4,316,233	111,017	2.57
North Dakota	1	5,628	407	7.23
Wyoming	2	4,417	306	6.93
South Dakota	3	8,301	545	6.57
Iowa	4	31,880	1,811	5.68
Minnesota	5	51,480	2,782	5.40
Utah	6	16,463	881	5.35
Vermont	7	10,125	503	4.97
Nebraska	8	16,103	755	4.69
Idaho	9	16,549	753	4.55
Montana	10	11,349	516	4.55
Kansas	11	27,320	1,196	4.38
Delaware	12	8,838	371	4.20
New Hampshire	13	11,616	470	4.05
Connecticut	14	35,532	1,410	3.97
Wisconsin	15	64,526	2,537	3.93
Washington	16	80,289	2,925	3.64
Nevada	17	19,948	723	3.62
Massachusetts	18	113,563	4,087	3.60
Maryland	19	59,123	2,083	3.52
Alaska	20	7,470	249	3.33
Colorado	21	37,657	1,206	3.20
Maine	22	25,084	792	3.16
Oregon	23	42,952	1,315	3.06
Hawaii	24	13,488	407	3.02
New Jersey	25	83,323	2,483	2.98
Virginia	26	84,609	2,453	2.90
Arizona	27	59,546	1,697	2.85
Rhode Island	28	20,086	572	2.85
New York	29	348,511	9,670	2.77
Missouri	30	83,433	2,286	2.74
Illinois	31	161,907	4,394	2.71
District of Columbia	32	13,734	362	2.64
Indiana	33	70,862	1,865	2.63
Pennsylvania	34	213,119	5,509	2.58
Florida	35	209,124	5,262	2.52
Ohio	36	179,332	4,289	2.39
New Mexico	37	33,066	785	2.37
Michigan	38	155,418	3,672	2.36
California	39	613,402	14,414	2.35
Oklahoma	40	55,680	1,299	2.33

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**Table 47.**  
**Ranking of state or other area, by section 1619 participants as a percentage of all blind and disabled recipients in state aged 18–64, December 2007—Continued**

State or area	Ranking	All blind and disabled recipients <sup>a</sup>	Section 1619 participants	
			Number	Percent
Louisiana	41	98,789	2,129	2.16
North Carolina	42	121,215	2,415	1.99
Arkansas	43	57,851	1,138	1.97
Texas	44	280,306	5,389	1.92
South Carolina	45	63,684	1,136	1.78
Georgia	46	123,156	2,143	1.74
Mississippi	47	72,190	1,089	1.51
Tennessee	48	106,914	1,597	1.49
West Virginia	49	58,496	871	1.49
Alabama	50	104,915	1,517	1.45
Kentucky	51	123,453	1,546	1.25
Northern Mariana Islands	52	411	5	1.22

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

a. Includes section 1619(b) participants.

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**Table 48.**  
**Section 1619(a) participants and their average earnings, by state or other area,**  
**selected months, 2006–2007**

State or area	December 2006		September 2007		December 2007	
	Number	Average earnings (dollars)	Number	Average earnings (dollars)	Number	Average earnings (dollars)
All areas	17,394	1,166	18,007	1,168	16,939	1,193
Alabama	284	1,120	287	1,125	257	1,141
Alaska	a	1,131	a	1,100	a	1,163
Arizona	281	1,144	276	1,141	271	1,152
Arkansas	164	1,115	177	1,124	161	1,141
California	4,067	1,279	4,233	1,281	4,001	1,307
Colorado	156	1,155	188	1,141	171	1,156
Connecticut	132	1,135	138	1,106	138	1,157
Delaware	46	1,129	48	1,121	52	1,149
District of Columbia	63	1,104	55	1,100	50	1,124
Florida	810	1,115	796	1,111	747	1,142
Georgia	322	1,105	340	1,113	297	1,146
Hawaii	58	1,162	59	1,165	54	1,203
Idaho	91	1,178	105	1,154	88	1,175
Illinois	702	1,110	676	1,119	661	1,141
Indiana	225	1,107	198	1,107	189	1,139
Iowa	159	1,120	173	1,135	157	1,182
Kansas	140	1,129	133	1,123	142	1,177
Kentucky	225	1,153	216	1,158	223	1,162
Louisiana	332	1,118	371	1,109	331	1,144
Maine	91	1,138	87	1,117	80	1,170
Maryland	286	1,134	302	1,130	268	1,152
Massachusetts	544	1,183	585	1,159	549	1,177
Michigan	504	1,126	485	1,118	473	1,155
Minnesota	279	1,106	277	1,121	255	1,127
Mississippi	188	1,114	185	1,127	163	1,142
Missouri	254	1,134	264	1,119	251	1,146
Montana	60	1,153	61	1,138	55	1,154
Nebraska	94	1,123	79	1,146	78	1,163
Nevada	104	1,120	114	1,105	99	1,149
New Hampshire	35	1,153	42	1,142	45	1,212
New Jersey	333	1,136	326	1,130	319	1,169
New Mexico	127	1,148	124	1,138	116	1,153
New York	1,598	1,172	1,700	1,185	1,587	1,210
North Carolina	310	1,102	332	1,113	303	1,143
North Dakota	35	1,126	26	1,097	29	1,158
Ohio	576	1,109	616	1,114	566	1,140
Oklahoma	132	1,132	153	1,134	164	1,147
Oregon	153	1,153	166	1,158	156	1,169
Pennsylvania	728	1,120	762	1,121	741	1,141
Rhode Island	63	1,152	74	1,113	67	1,174

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**Table 48.**  
**Section 1619(a) participants and their average earnings, by state or other area,**  
**selected months, 2006–2007—Continued**

State or area	December 2006		September 2007		December 2007	
	Number	Average earnings (dollars)	Number	Average earnings (dollars)	Number	Average earnings (dollars)
South Carolina	153	1,119	183	1,129	153	1,155
South Dakota	44	1,130	61	1,120	59	1,154
Tennessee	223	1,119	235	1,137	202	1,129
Texas	737	1,115	808	1,118	751	1,145
Utah	100	1,119	107	1,129	106	1,146
Vermont	60	1,150	64	1,175	65	1,210
Virginia	331	1,128	339	1,125	316	1,145
Washington	482	1,138	470	1,146	463	1,168
West Virginia	150	1,130	142	1,138	134	1,164
Wisconsin	308	1,117	307	1,120	275	1,146
Wyoming	33	1,079	30	1,122	38	1,095
Outlying area						
Northern Mariana Islands	a	964	a	964	a	1,004

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

a. Data are not shown to avoid disclosure of information for particular individuals.

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**Table 49.**  
**Section 1619(b) participants and their average earnings, by state or other area,**  
**selected months, 2006–2007**

State or area	December 2006		September 2007		December 2007	
	Number	Average earnings (dollars)	Number	Average earnings (dollars)	Number	Average earnings (dollars)
All areas	89,350	1,193	98,223	1,246	97,551	1,267
Alabama	1,195	1,224	1,343	1,275	1,296	1,310
Alaska <sup>a</sup>	b	1,304	b	1,435	b	1,441
Arizona	1,424	1,280	1,570	1,375	1,482	1,432
Arkansas	897	1,147	1,013	1,195	1,019	1,224
California	9,945	1,549	11,086	1,606	11,091	1,624
Colorado	938	1,177	1,057	1,195	1,057	1,227
Connecticut <sup>a</sup>	1,171	1,130	1,288	1,160	1,300	1,170
Delaware	303	1,244	339	1,293	323	1,290
District of Columbia	282	1,443	328	1,508	324	1,566
Florida	4,530	1,233	4,880	1,262	4,720	1,276
Georgia	1,839	1,153	1,956	1,184	1,916	1,213
Hawaii <sup>a</sup>	338	1,311	369	1,432	363	1,422
Idaho <sup>a</sup>	613	1,078	711	1,102	681	1,126
Illinois <sup>a</sup>	3,603	1,182	3,919	1,236	3,888	1,258
Indiana <sup>a</sup>	1,589	1,057	1,741	1,076	1,717	1,074
Iowa	1,592	891	1,699	911	1,685	955
Kansas <sup>a</sup>	1,037	1,015	1,074	1,066	1,084	1,094
Kentucky	1,249	1,280	1,414	1,337	1,366	1,387
Louisiana	1,539	1,187	1,852	1,247	1,860	1,277
Maine	677	1,056	765	1,119	729	1,115
Maryland	1,658	1,257	1,883	1,304	1,862	1,314
Massachusetts	3,295	1,288	3,637	1,348	3,673	1,372
Michigan	3,159	1,064	3,394	1,127	3,318	1,146
Minnesota <sup>a</sup>	2,493	973	2,688	1,002	2,592	1,024
Mississippi	938	1,202	1,014	1,230	971	1,289
Missouri <sup>a</sup>	2,100	986	2,125	1,031	2,100	1,040
Montana	456	928	493	978	481	994
Nebraska <sup>a</sup>	639	979	697	1,022	693	1,019
Nevada <sup>a</sup>	561	1,377	694	1,459	654	1,444
New Hampshire <sup>a</sup>	402	1,064	417	1,096	437	1,143
New Jersey	2,124	1,249	2,282	1,279	2,257	1,305
New Mexico	645	1,124	703	1,196	708	1,194
New York	7,568	1,325	8,295	1,377	8,390	1,398
North Carolina	1,974	1,073	2,228	1,120	2,170	1,136
North Dakota <sup>a</sup>	357	867	398	917	383	916
Ohio <sup>a</sup>	3,546	1,027	3,833	1,049	3,840	1,072
Oklahoma <sup>a</sup>	1,019	1,002	1,153	1,080	1,169	1,075
Oregon <sup>a</sup>	1,079	1,026	1,170	1,064	1,192	1,083
Pennsylvania	4,361	1,136	4,795	1,207	4,905	1,232
Rhode Island	468	1,216	514	1,270	524	1,272

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**Table 49.**  
**Section 1619(b) participants and their average earnings, by state or other area,**  
**selected months, 2006–2007—Continued**

State or area	December 2006		September 2007		December 2007	
	Number	Average earnings (dollars)	Number	Average earnings (dollars)	Number	Average earnings (dollars)
South Carolina	992	1,013	1,032	1,059	1,017	1,087
South Dakota	508	863	508	900	496	909
Tennessee	1,360	1,160	1,507	1,200	1,455	1,224
Texas	4,131	1,139	4,771	1,203	4,811	1,232
Utah <sup>a</sup>	690	1,038	781	1,082	794	1,097
Vermont	418	1,090	456	1,091	449	1,172
Virginia <sup>a</sup>	2,018	1,192	2,192	1,243	2,193	1,244
Washington	2,197	1,242	2,516	1,324	2,532	1,328
West Virginia	654	1,332	745	1,395	757	1,408
Wisconsin	2,284	962	2,373	990	2,318	1,004
Wyoming	278	999	280	1,060	272	1,047
Outlying area						
Northern Mariana Islands	b	1,103	b	879	b	879

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

a. The Social Security Administration identifies persons as potential participants; the state makes final Medicaid determinations.

b. Data are not shown to avoid disclosure of information for particular individuals.

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**Table 50.**  
**Section 1619 participants and their average earnings, by selected characteristics, December 2007**

Characteristic	Section 1619(a) participants		Section 1619(b) participants	
	Number	Average earnings (dollars)	Number	Average earnings (dollars)
All participants	16,939	1,193	97,551	1,267
Age				
Under 18	121	1,088	252	--
18–21	2,071	1,173	3,999	1,389
22–29	4,874	1,180	25,015	1,330
30–39	3,816	1,198	24,925	1,280
40–49	3,424	1,211	22,616	1,236
50–59	2,136	1,209	13,953	1,230
60–64	383	1,206	3,805	1,114
65 or older	114	1,198	2,986	989
Sex				
Male	9,233	1,204	51,496	1,302
Female	7,706	1,180	46,055	1,227
Earned income <sup>a</sup>				
Wages	16,556	1,194	94,793	1,275
Self-employment	474	1,178	3,606	1,122
Earnings (dollars)				
Less than 400	...	...	10,523	268
400–499	...	...	6,268	439
500–599	...	...	7,666	533
600–699	...	...	7,570	632
700–899	...	...	11,587	779
900–1,199	8,961	1,048	9,913	1,014
1,200 or more	7,978	1,357	44,024	2,045
Unearned income <sup>a</sup>				
None	15,362	1,195	35,666	1,957
Social Security	494	1,153	57,298	793
Other pensions	27	1,165	533	1,179
Income based on need	8	1,095	54	1,630
Asset income	550	1,213	3,677	1,170
Other	553	1,153	4,833	1,434
Work incentives <sup>a</sup>				
Plans to achieve self-support <sup>b</sup>	135	1,598	0	0
Impairment-related work expenses	306	1,263	1,445	1,087
Blind work expenses	1	1,947	567	1,842

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

NOTE: -- = not available; . . . = not applicable.

a. The sum of the entries may be greater than the total because some recipients may receive more than one type of earned or unearned income or both earned and unearned income, or they may benefit from more than one work incentive provision.

b. Includes 15 persons with a PASS that excludes only resources.

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**Table 51.**  
**Percentage distribution of section 1619 participants aged 18–64, by diagnostic group, December 2007**

Diagnostic group	All blind and disabled recipients	Section 1619(a) participants	Section 1619(b) participants
Total			
Number	4,221,920	16,704	94,313
Percent	100.0	100.0	100.0
Congenital anomalies	0.7	0.8	0.9
Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases	3.2	1.6	1.8
Infectious and parasitic diseases	1.6	1.4	1.7
Injuries	2.6	1.7	2.4
Mental disorders			
Retardation	21.4	31.1	28.7
Schizophrenia	9.6	8.1	8.2
Other	27.4	27.7	25.1
Neoplasms	1.2	1.0	1.3
Diseases of the—			
Blood and blood-forming organs	0.4	0.8	0.7
Circulatory system	4.3	1.5	1.7
Digestive system	1.0	0.5	0.6
Genitourinary system	1.0	1.1	1.2
Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue	10.6	4.4	5.7
Nervous system and sense organs <sup>a</sup>	7.8	10.6	10.7
Respiratory system	2.0	1.0	1.0
Skin and subcutaneous tissue	0.2	0.1	0.1
Other	0.3	0.5	0.3
Unknown	4.7	6.0	8.0

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

a. Most disabled recipients classified as blind are included in this category. A few blind recipients with a primary impairment other than diseases of the eye are coded in other categories. Also, a few recipients are classified with diseases of the eye, but their impairment does not meet the definition of blindness.

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**Table 52.**  
**Recipients benefiting from specified work incentives, by state or other area and provision, December 2007**

State or area	Plans to achieve self-support (PASS) <sup>a</sup>	Impairment-related work expenses (IRWE)	Blind work expenses (BWE)
All areas	1,515	5,161	2,142
Alabama	21	119	29
Alaska	b	b	b
Arizona	11	57	18
Arkansas	6	49	22
California	329	291	350
Colorado	11	25	22
Connecticut	6	99	30
Delaware	b	29	7
District of Columbia	b	b	b
Florida	32	279	63
Georgia	22	184	40
Hawaii	6	9	11
Idaho	15	9	5
Illinois	40	172	54
Indiana	30	79	38
Iowa	64	41	42
Kansas	48	290	30
Kentucky	52	79	30
Louisiana	b	93	31
Maine	36	18	8
Maryland	12	141	36
Massachusetts	90	150	197
Michigan	49	94	65
Minnesota	40	100	42
Mississippi	6	40	23
Missouri	47	86	31
Montana	16	8	8
Nebraska	18	20	7
Nevada	b	17	14
New Hampshire	13	20	6
New Jersey	4	165	43
New Mexico	4	62	10
New York	68	447	152
North Carolina	60	261	81
North Dakota	4	9	b
Ohio	30	94	72
Oklahoma	11	69	16
Oregon	36	39	19
Pennsylvania	17	217	82
Rhode Island	11	10	12
South Carolina	14	52	31
South Dakota	6	14	4
Tennessee	27	87	34
Texas	26	279	145
Utah	0	32	10

(Continued)

**Table 52.**  
**Recipients benefiting from specified work incentives, by state or other area and provision, December 2007—Continued**

State or area	Plans to achieve self-support (PASS) <sup>a</sup>	Impairment-related work expenses (IRWE)	Blind work expenses (BWE)
Vermont	27	12	5
Virginia	12	412	48
Washington	42	72	39
West Virginia	11	26	11
Wisconsin	77	198	60
Wyoming	b	b	b
Outlying area			
Northern Mariana Islands	0	0	b

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

a. Includes 423 persons with a PASS that excludes only resources.

b. Data are not shown to avoid disclosure of information for particular individuals.

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## Recipients Who Work

**Table 53.**  
**Recipients benefiting from specified work incentives, by selected characteristics and provision,**  
**December 2007**

Characteristic	Plans to achieve self-support (PASS) <sup>a</sup>	Impairment-related work expenses (IRWE)	Blind work expenses (BWE)
Total	1,515	5,161	2,142
<b>Age</b>			
Under 18	1	7	1
18–21	73	262	80
22–29	342	1,653	525
30–39	327	1,471	597
40–49	418	968	482
50–59	286	564	324
60–64	57	148	82
65 or older	11	88	51
<b>Sex</b>			
Male	630	2,865	1,163
Female	885	2,296	979
<b>Earned income <sup>b</sup></b>			
Wages	433	5,062	2,064
Self-employment	98	129	97
<b>Earnings (dollars)</b>			
None	1,003	0	0
65 or less	37	429	156
66–99	14	190	64
100–199	28	684	202
200–299	28	596	150
300–399	40	577	145
400–499	44	490	104
500–599	51	447	103
600–699	40	340	92
700–799	41	256	76
800–899	38	190	77
900–999	18	159	89
1,000 or more	133	803	884
<b>Unearned income <sup>b</sup></b>			
None	310	2,145	1,116
Social Security	1,177	2,770	916
Other pensions	14	26	6
Income based on need	0	0	1
Asset income	39	268	127
Other	50	181	60

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

a. Includes 423 persons with a PASS that excludes only resources.

b. The sum of the entries may be greater than the total because some recipients may receive more than one type of earned or unearned income or both earned and unearned income.

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**Table 54.**  
**Percentage distribution of recipients benefiting from specified work incentives, by diagnostic group and provision, December 2007**

Diagnostic group	All blind and disabled recipients	Plans to achieve self-support (PASS) <sup>a</sup>	Impairment-related work expenses (IRWE)	Blind work expenses (BWE)
Total				
Number	4,221,920	1,515	5,161	2,142
Percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Congenital anomalies	0.7	1.1	3.1	1.0
Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases	3.2	1.8	0.6	0.2
Infectious and parasitic diseases	1.6	1.5	0.7	0.1
Injuries	2.6	4.9	1.9	0.1
Mental disorders				
Retardation	21.4	4.0	50.5	2.1
Schizophrenia	9.6	10.3	3.4	0
Other	27.4	32.9	12.1	0.3
Neoplasms	1.2	0.9	0.4	0.1
Diseases of the—				
Blood and blood-forming organs	0.4	0.2	0.2	0
Circulatory system	4.3	2.0	0.9	1.0
Digestive system	1.0	0.7	0.1	0
Genitourinary system	1.0	0.9	0.4	0.2
Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue	10.6	7.4	1.8	0.2
Nervous system and sense organs <sup>b</sup>	7.8	13.1	13.5	83.2
Respiratory system	2.0	0.7	0.4	0
Skin and subcutaneous tissue	0.2	0	0	0
Other	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.1
Unknown	4.7	17.4	9.7	11.3

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

- a. Includes 423 persons with a PASS that excludes only resources.
- b. Most disabled recipients classified as blind are included in this category. A few blind recipients with a primary impairment other than diseases of the eye are coded in other categories. Also, a few recipients are classified with diseases of the eye, but their impairment does not meet the definition of blindness.

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**Table 55.**

**Percentage distribution of recipients with income excluded under specified work incentives, by amount excluded and provision, December 2007**

Amount excluded (dollars)	Plans to achieve self-support (PASS) <sup>a</sup>	Impairment-related work expenses (IRWE)	Blind work expenses (BWE)
Total			
Number	1,092	5,161	2,142
Percent	100.0	100.0	100.0
Under 25	0.2	18.0	18.6
25–49	1.0	23.3	9.8
50–99	1.6	31.5	14.4
100–199	5.0	16.7	18.3
200–299	8.5	4.8	11.9
300–499	19.6	3.3	11.9
500–999	49.2	2.0	11.0
1,000 or more	14.8	0.4	4.1

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

a. Data do not include plans to achieve self-support that exclude only resources.

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# Applications

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**Table 56.**  
**All applications, by age of applicant, 1973–2007**

Year	All ages <sup>a</sup>	Under 18		18–64		65 or older	
		Number	Percentage of total	Number	Percentage of total	Number	Percentage of total
Total	62,426,744	9,009,258	14.4	43,034,504	68.9	10,382,982	16.6
State conversions <sup>b</sup>	3,402,474	3,939	0.1	1,419,041	41.7	1,979,494	58.2
Federal applications							
1973	282,472	5,007	1.8	82,993	29.4	194,472	68.8
1974	2,069,452	125,028	6.0	1,098,373	53.1	846,051	40.9
1975	1,468,610	99,996	6.8	977,209	66.5	391,405	26.7
1976	1,207,448	83,960	7.0	865,790	71.7	257,698	21.3
1977	1,268,462	95,314	7.5	903,618	71.2	269,530	21.2
1978	1,265,436	99,610	7.9	902,756	71.3	263,070	20.8
1979	1,323,113	106,828	8.1	949,087	71.7	267,198	20.2
1980	1,408,034	114,508	8.1	1,013,221	72.0	280,305	19.9
1981	1,148,844	94,246	8.2	864,481	75.2	190,117	16.5
1982	1,015,848	93,872	9.2	775,491	76.3	146,485	14.4
1983	1,131,890	101,087	8.9	834,190	73.7	196,613	17.4
1984	1,264,820	104,748	8.3	868,375	68.7	291,697	23.1
1985	1,399,869	119,021	8.5	1,049,758	75.0	231,090	16.5
1986	1,467,326	124,938	8.5	1,098,832	74.9	243,556	16.6
1987	1,435,024	126,575	8.8	1,069,285	74.5	239,164	16.7
1988	1,365,117	125,953	9.2	1,013,316	74.2	225,848	16.5
1989	1,388,545	130,307	9.4	1,015,483	73.1	242,755	17.5
1990	1,547,230	166,416	10.8	1,133,564	73.3	247,250	16.0
1991	1,807,821	248,325	13.7	1,315,918	72.8	243,578	13.5
1992	2,087,788	378,808	18.1	1,465,039	70.2	243,941	11.7
1993	2,310,005	503,486	21.8	1,571,203	68.0	235,316	10.2
1994	2,260,271	540,124	23.9	1,517,140	67.1	203,007	9.0
1995	2,055,907	500,333	24.3	1,375,696	66.9	179,878	8.7
1996	1,922,472	465,685	24.2	1,289,985	67.1	166,802	8.7
1997	1,601,970	336,074	21.0	1,133,623	70.8	132,273	8.3
1998	1,629,223	339,243	20.8	1,139,825	70.0	150,155	9.2
1999	1,661,448	350,382	21.1	1,153,450	69.4	157,616	9.5
2000	1,744,386	360,329	20.7	1,224,826	70.2	159,231	9.1
2001	1,861,123	376,002	20.2	1,324,057	71.1	161,064	8.7
2002	2,084,828	414,068	19.9	1,490,731	71.5	180,029	8.6
2003	2,224,739	437,492	19.7	1,608,391	72.3	178,856	8.0
2004	2,418,096	458,236	19.0	1,771,003	73.2	188,857	7.8
2005	2,545,079	458,588	18.0	1,850,002	72.7	236,489	9.3
2006	2,648,570	459,805	17.4	1,923,288	72.6	265,477	10.0
2007	2,703,004	460,925	17.1	1,945,464	72.0	296,615	11.0

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

- a. Totals include applications taken under the abbreviated application process, which was used from 1987 to 1999. Totals do not include reapplications as a result of the *Sullivan v. Zebley* decision. Those reapplications were received from 1991 to 1995.
- b. Persons who were converted to the SSI program in 1973 from the state Old-Age Assistance, Aid to the Blind, and Aid to the Permanently and Totally Disabled programs.

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**Table 57.**  
**Applications for children under age 18, by selected characteristics, 1999–2007**

Characteristic	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Total <sup>a</sup>	350,382	360,329	376,002	414,068	437,492	458,236	458,588	459,805	460,925
Age									
Under 5	124,374	125,428	131,613	140,610	145,506	150,283	154,450	156,241	160,139
5–12	167,169	172,275	177,909	197,425	208,354	217,010	210,763	209,901	208,760
13–17	58,839	62,626	66,480	76,033	83,632	90,943	93,375	93,663	92,026
Sex									
Male	219,807	225,626	235,121	258,940	274,605	287,629	287,157	286,975	288,647
Female	130,575	134,703	140,881	155,128	162,887	170,607	171,431	172,830	172,278
Citizenship status									
Citizen	348,131	358,265	373,855	411,812	435,385	456,020	456,326	457,610	458,831
Noncitizen	2,251	2,064	2,147	2,256	2,107	2,216	2,262	2,195	2,094
SSA administrative region									
Boston	11,668	11,764	11,824	12,984	13,651	14,300	15,902	16,282	16,190
New York	33,222	33,667	33,691	35,414	35,721	38,223	37,451	37,052	35,235
Philadelphia	35,743	35,528	37,162	41,441	43,289	45,582	47,489	48,628	48,125
Atlanta	92,440	99,280	105,465	115,207	120,265	122,287	119,201	118,180	120,292
Chicago	65,659	66,177	70,370	77,096	82,158	84,100	83,524	83,619	81,965
Dallas	47,999	49,626	50,551	58,794	67,139	74,880	74,199	76,527	77,603
Kansas City	15,371	15,038	15,530	16,440	16,695	17,332	17,620	17,560	17,398
Denver	6,042	6,123	6,339	6,725	7,188	7,542	7,601	7,869	8,257
San Francisco	33,523	34,104	35,647	39,724	41,385	43,201	44,392	43,015	44,989
Seattle	8,531	8,870	9,276	10,130	9,925	10,721	11,134	11,009	10,787
Unknown	184	152	147	113	76	68	75	64	84

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

a. Totals include applications taken under the abbreviated application process, which was used from 1987 to 1999.

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**Table 58.**  
**Applications for adults aged 18–64, by selected characteristics, 1999–2007**

Characteristic	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Total <sup>a</sup>	1,153,450	1,224,826	1,324,057	1,490,731	1,608,391	1,771,003	1,850,002	1,923,288	1,945,464
Age									
18–21	85,488	90,994	99,251	110,690	116,569	124,284	123,561	126,991	128,726
22–29	131,204	135,688	147,194	169,969	181,987	198,991	202,177	207,438	208,560
30–39	266,978	271,472	283,462	306,718	314,586	330,160	323,024	322,096	315,755
40–49	328,615	355,328	387,448	438,578	472,602	519,999	533,307	541,692	533,815
50–59	265,262	291,945	320,975	367,740	412,175	470,120	519,426	559,756	570,836
60–64	75,903	79,399	85,727	97,036	110,472	127,449	148,507	165,315	187,772
Sex									
Men	554,630	590,330	644,606	732,740	793,711	869,693	911,021	946,356	968,070
Women	598,820	634,496	679,451	757,991	814,680	901,310	938,981	976,932	977,394
Citizenship status									
Citizen	1,082,600	1,156,008	1,254,051	1,416,935	1,534,995	1,694,842	1,774,054	1,847,683	1,870,754
Noncitizen	70,850	68,818	70,006	73,796	73,396	76,161	75,948	75,605	74,710
SSA administrative region									
Boston	48,893	49,006	50,967	55,580	64,098	70,315	84,732	89,743	90,794
New York	109,161	108,853	117,352	120,711	121,097	128,341	128,653	135,340	133,681
Philadelphia	112,712	117,143	124,290	140,586	154,770	170,232	179,519	188,425	193,004
Atlanta	288,111	316,528	344,111	381,188	396,605	426,469	442,705	456,661	465,054
Chicago	167,056	186,104	208,019	241,983	269,757	300,502	314,824	336,938	341,921
Dallas	147,855	159,477	172,406	203,521	227,721	256,360	259,523	263,222	260,301
Kansas City	54,723	58,842	64,749	71,632	75,766	84,259	85,892	88,517	88,390
Denver	25,789	27,252	29,760	33,584	35,896	43,112	44,970	45,813	45,649
San Francisco	158,421	156,846	163,422	188,348	206,089	226,244	238,936	245,983	256,798
Seattle	40,050	44,021	48,201	52,661	55,533	63,950	69,081	71,511	69,313
Unknown	679	754	780	937	1,059	1,219	1,167	1,135	559

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

a. Totals include applications taken under the abbreviated application process, which was used from 1987 to 1999.

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**Table 59.**  
**Applications for adults aged 65 or older, by selected characteristics, 1999–2007**

Characteristic	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Total <sup>a</sup>	157,616	159,231	161,064	180,029	178,856	188,857	236,489	265,477	296,615
Age									
65–69	86,379	87,055	88,070	96,288	96,301	100,905	123,000	143,383	176,803
70–74	31,225	32,288	33,179	38,941	38,142	40,849	50,805	54,000	52,985
75 or older	40,012	39,888	39,815	44,800	44,413	47,103	62,684	68,094	66,827
Sex									
Men	58,001	59,877	60,772	69,067	69,664	74,377	92,907	107,695	126,424
Women	99,615	99,354	100,292	110,962	109,192	114,480	143,582	157,782	170,191
Citizenship status									
Citizen	107,201	110,197	110,164	117,383	119,793	126,554	161,489	192,123	223,117
Noncitizen	50,415	49,034	50,900	62,646	59,063	62,303	75,000	73,354	73,498
SSA administrative region									
Boston	6,226	6,120	5,869	6,053	6,764	7,083	12,694	18,979	24,758
New York	21,620	22,302	23,917	26,697	24,676	26,164	46,708	44,841	37,453
Philadelphia	11,830	11,372	10,900	11,102	11,029	11,137	11,876	12,288	13,975
Atlanta	31,633	31,330	31,555	35,529	33,119	34,616	41,269	44,856	47,682
Chicago	11,877	12,469	12,097	12,414	12,855	13,932	17,491	23,408	37,270
Dallas	19,413	20,067	21,392	22,864	22,919	24,108	26,000	27,266	28,023
Kansas City	3,189	3,420	2,971	2,919	2,854	2,976	3,439	5,077	5,638
Denver	2,289	2,744	2,553	2,701	2,831	3,088	3,556	3,961	5,254
San Francisco	45,480	45,402	45,712	55,706	56,935	61,107	67,661	77,219	88,139
Seattle	4,041	3,991	4,086	4,037	4,867	4,641	5,780	7,569	8,408
Unknown	18	14	12	7	7	5	15	13	15

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

a. Totals include applications taken under the abbreviated application process, which was used from 1987 to 1999.

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**Table 60.**  
**All applications, by state or other area and age of applicant, 2007**

State or area	Total	Under 18	18-64	65 or older
All areas	2,703,004	460,925	1,945,464	296,615
Alabama	55,979	12,264	41,574	2,141
Alaska	5,549	513	4,141	895
Arizona	40,214	6,002	31,093	3,119
Arkansas	42,346	10,146	30,745	1,455
California	322,967	35,636	206,798	80,533
Colorado	28,532	3,894	21,859	2,779
Connecticut	29,544	3,335	19,586	6,623
Delaware	6,253	1,415	4,655	183
District of Columbia	7,011	1,262	5,431	318
Florida	179,984	32,837	120,322	26,825
Georgia	87,543	16,924	65,765	4,854
Hawaii	7,597	577	5,348	1,672
Idaho	11,116	1,770	8,787	559
Illinois	99,271	18,898	69,855	10,518
Indiana	57,547	10,545	43,650	3,352
Iowa	21,643	3,617	16,359	1,667
Kansas	20,705	3,009	16,372	1,324
Kentucky	61,359	11,211	47,612	2,536
Louisiana	61,001	14,479	43,070	3,452
Maine	13,080	1,396	10,199	1,485
Maryland	39,480	6,172	30,859	2,449
Massachusetts	63,166	8,144	42,399	12,623
Michigan	98,588	18,434	76,554	3,600
Minnesota	32,828	5,245	24,632	2,951
Mississippi	48,148	11,047	34,956	2,145
Missouri	56,515	8,904	45,999	1,612
Montana	6,708	850	5,526	332
Nebraska	12,563	1,868	9,660	1,035
Nevada	18,908	2,690	13,449	2,769
New Hampshire	8,437	946	6,673	818
New Jersey	51,003	9,220	34,522	7,261
New Mexico	18,506	2,821	14,439	1,246
New York	155,366	26,015	99,159	30,192
North Carolina	89,568	16,902	68,248	4,418
North Dakota	4,097	468	3,081	548
Ohio	128,863	21,035	94,759	13,069
Oklahoma	35,504	6,156	27,942	1,406
Oregon	26,344	2,927	20,989	2,428
Pennsylvania	124,593	26,469	92,017	6,107
Rhode Island	11,862	1,690	7,833	2,339
South Carolina	46,677	8,597	35,474	2,606
South Dakota	6,115	967	4,273	875
Tennessee	63,770	10,510	51,103	2,157
Texas	208,570	44,001	144,105	20,464
Utah	10,863	1,790	8,461	612

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## Applications

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**Table 60.**

**All applications, by state or other area and age of applicant, 2007—*Continued***

State or area	Total	Under 18	18–64	65 or older
Vermont	5,653	679	4,104	870
Virginia	51,803	9,370	38,506	3,927
Washington	45,499	5,577	35,396	4,526
West Virginia	25,964	3,437	21,536	991
Wisconsin	44,059	7,808	32,471	3,780
Wyoming	2,845	288	2,449	108
Outlying area				
Northern Mariana Islands	240	84	110	46
Unknown	658	84	559	15

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SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

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**Table 61.**  
**All applicants, by year of first application and age, 1973–2007**

Year	All ages <sup>a</sup>	Under 18		18–64		65 or older	
		Number	Percentage of total	Number	Percentage of total	Number	Percentage of total
Total	42,262,474	7,039,443	16.7	27,437,481	64.9	7,785,550	18.4
State conversions <sup>b</sup>	3,402,447	3,939	0.1	1,419,029	41.7	1,979,479	58.2
Federal applications							
1973	279,923	4,921	1.8	81,976	29.3	193,026	69.0
1974	2,007,786	122,958	6.1	1,064,223	53.0	820,605	40.9
1975	1,303,896	93,684	7.2	859,790	65.9	350,422	26.9
1976	971,621	75,158	7.7	686,086	70.6	210,377	21.7
1977	943,084	81,750	8.7	661,112	70.1	200,222	21.2
1978	899,731	84,845	9.4	629,784	70.0	185,102	20.6
1979	912,850	89,054	9.8	637,521	69.8	186,275	20.4
1980	936,442	93,059	9.9	652,690	69.7	190,693	20.4
1981	721,999	74,306	10.3	529,231	73.3	118,462	16.4
1982	604,008	72,480	12.0	448,905	74.3	82,623	13.7
1983	645,244	78,616	12.2	467,151	72.4	99,477	15.4
1984	736,509	81,634	11.1	486,922	66.1	167,953	22.8
1985	857,757	91,242	10.6	628,241	73.2	138,274	16.1
1986	933,045	97,656	10.5	689,437	73.9	145,952	15.6
1987	892,945	98,174	11.0	653,728	73.2	141,043	15.8
1988	839,066	96,325	11.5	608,131	72.5	134,610	16.0
1989	852,453	98,931	11.6	605,939	71.1	147,583	17.3
1990	978,993	129,266	13.2	695,281	71.0	154,446	15.8
1991	1,198,677	208,822	17.4	835,058	69.7	154,797	12.9
1992	1,451,391	336,632	23.2	955,060	65.8	159,699	11.0
1993	1,624,332	440,585	27.1	1,030,912	63.5	152,835	9.4
1994	1,571,525	459,531	29.2	982,275	62.5	129,719	8.3
1995	1,381,111	406,498	29.4	860,162	62.3	114,451	8.3
1996	1,246,066	361,211	29.0	780,058	62.6	104,797	8.4
1997	981,841	256,888	26.2	644,982	65.7	79,971	8.1
1998	984,062	251,074	25.5	640,585	65.1	92,403	9.4
1999	996,186	256,120	25.7	641,973	64.4	98,093	9.8
2000	1,038,677	259,137	24.9	680,397	65.5	99,143	9.5
2001	1,127,672	272,977	24.2	753,650	66.8	101,045	9.0
2002	1,278,653	302,682	23.7	862,899	67.5	113,072	8.8
2003	1,367,391	320,201	23.4	938,352	68.6	108,838	8.0
2004	1,489,330	336,735	22.6	1,038,077	69.7	114,518	7.7
2005	1,559,272	335,539	21.5	1,079,252	69.2	144,481	9.3
2006	1,611,484	333,436	20.7	1,107,658	68.7	170,390	10.6
2007	1,635,005	333,377	20.4	1,100,954	67.3	200,674	12.3

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

- a. Totals include applications taken under the abbreviated application process, which was used from 1987 to 1999. Totals do not include reapplications as a result of the *Sullivan v. Zebley* decision. Those reapplications were received from 1991 to 1995.
- b. Persons who were converted to the SSI program in 1973 from the state Old-Age Assistance, Aid to the Blind, and Aid to the Permanently and Totally Disabled programs.

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## Awards

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**Table 62.**  
**All awards, by age of awardee, 1974–2007**

Year	All ages	Under 18		18–64		65 or older	
		Number	Percentage of total	Number	Percentage of total	Number	Percentage of total
Total	28,063,582	3,704,075	13.2	16,516,455	58.9	7,843,052	27.9
State conversions <sup>a</sup>	3,155,995	2,748	0.1	1,299,343	41.2	1,853,904	58.7
Federal applications							
1974	1,336,164	66,699	5.0	493,511	36.9	775,954	58.1
1975	929,369	63,060	6.8	509,271	54.8	357,038	38.4
1976	667,994	46,114	6.9	400,314	59.9	221,566	33.2
1977	642,712	50,883	7.9	377,454	58.7	214,375	33.4
1978	563,117	46,520	8.3	321,413	57.1	195,184	34.7
1979	517,446	44,911	8.7	293,910	56.8	178,625	34.5
1980	523,758	45,781	8.7	292,080	55.8	185,897	35.5
1981	409,992	39,106	9.5	248,105	60.5	122,781	29.9
1982	343,928	35,410	10.3	203,335	59.1	105,183	30.6
1983	453,789	42,154	9.3	259,042	57.1	152,593	33.6
1984	585,832	45,766	7.8	322,858	55.1	217,208	37.1
1985	526,418	46,362	8.8	324,933	61.7	155,123	29.5
1986	603,989	50,632	8.4	390,499	64.7	162,858	27.0
1987	589,053	48,292	8.2	372,914	63.3	167,847	28.5
1988	578,748	47,798	8.3	362,903	62.7	168,047	29.0
1989	630,486	50,985	8.1	390,703	62.0	188,798	29.9
1990	718,917	77,923	10.8	447,849	62.3	193,145	26.9
1991	821,396	125,874	15.3	506,177	61.6	189,345	23.1
1992	1,054,441	221,362	21.0	641,750	60.9	191,329	18.1
1993	1,052,415	236,564	22.5	629,246	59.8	186,605	17.7
1994	943,889	203,688	21.6	580,253	61.5	159,948	16.9
1995	888,633	175,784	19.8	568,072	63.9	144,777	16.3
1996	797,137	144,404	18.1	525,350	65.9	127,383	16.0
1997	676,444	117,090	17.3	463,444	68.5	95,910	14.2
1998	743,121	136,383	18.4	490,638	66.0	116,100	15.6
1999	758,076	140,520	18.5	494,609	65.2	122,947	16.2
2000	750,163	144,136	19.2	485,798	64.8	120,229	16.0
2001	772,775	156,844	20.3	504,366	65.3	111,565	14.4
2002	820,992	170,048	20.7	535,507	65.2	115,437	14.1
2003	827,029	179,566	21.7	539,127	65.2	108,336	13.1
2004	852,052	183,152	21.5	561,487	65.9	107,413	12.6
2005	852,222	177,688	20.8	560,960	65.8	113,574	13.3
2006	838,448	170,453	20.3	556,140	66.3	111,855	13.3
2007	836,642	169,375	20.2	563,094	67.3	104,173	12.5

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

a. Persons who were converted to the SSI program in 1973 from the state Old-Age Assistance, Aid to the Blind, and Aid to the Permanently and Totally Disabled programs.

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## Awards

**Table 63.**  
**Awards for children under age 18, by selected characteristics, 1999–2007**

Characteristic	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Total	140,520	144,136	156,844	170,048	179,566	183,152	177,688	170,453	169,375
Age									
Under 5	60,992	62,391	64,841	68,329	70,101	72,068	72,214	71,202	73,814
5–12	58,053	59,546	66,582	72,720	77,896	77,903	73,648	69,746	67,383
13–17	21,475	22,199	25,421	28,999	31,569	33,181	31,826	29,505	28,178
Sex									
Male	88,786	91,225	100,034	109,265	116,130	118,679	115,274	109,800	109,543
Female	51,734	52,911	56,810	60,783	63,436	64,473	62,414	60,653	59,832
Citizenship status									
Citizen	139,433	143,166	155,959	169,243	178,905	182,514	177,011	169,881	168,845
Noncitizen	1,087	970	885	805	661	638	677	572	530
Diagnostic group									
Congenital anomalies	6,612	6,887	7,137	7,505	7,730	8,045	7,891	8,065	8,228
Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic disorders	1,013	1,019	1,061	1,052	1,113	1,162	1,150	1,144	1,155
Infectious and parasitic diseases	306	230	223	222	179	152	150	143	136
Injuries	992	1,079	966	1,091	1,048	1,146	1,138	1,061	1,146
Mental disorders									
Mental retardation	29,163	27,341	27,553	28,406	27,158	24,209	21,127	18,123	16,095
Other	53,064	58,608	70,837	82,292	93,414	97,908	95,721	91,640	91,556
Neoplasms	2,683	2,733	2,665	2,987	2,861	2,979	2,841	2,820	2,950
Diseases of the—									
Blood and blood-forming organs	1,448	1,361	1,362	1,475	1,433	1,473	1,330	1,293	1,323
Circulatory system	820	843	808	938	1,013	1,063	1,013	943	902
Digestive system	864	943	1,031	1,221	1,368	1,393	1,341	1,492	1,512
Genitourinary system	514	535	551	587	560	641	603	548	554
Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue	1,329	1,378	1,483	1,405	1,262	1,219	1,199	1,235	1,148
Nervous system and sense organs	10,928	11,045	11,524	11,956	11,696	11,425	10,445	10,536	10,506
Respiratory system	4,429	4,517	4,487	4,766	4,902	4,560	3,765	3,604	3,583
Skin and subcutaneous tissue	142	138	149	179	164	212	251	271	274
Other	20,090	21,046	21,299	20,307	20,150	22,020	24,339	23,894	24,652
Unknown	6,123	4,433	3,708	3,659	3,515	3,545	3,384	3,641	3,655
SSA administrative region									
Boston	5,632	5,713	5,770	5,829	6,375	6,467	6,517	6,766	6,747
New York	12,378	12,548	12,943	13,795	14,198	15,302	15,140	14,145	14,201
Philadelphia	14,863	15,072	17,712	18,071	19,455	20,534	20,662	19,485	19,432
Atlanta	38,350	39,423	42,069	43,229	45,719	43,032	40,206	38,025	37,468
Chicago	22,978	23,527	26,272	29,047	29,896	29,784	28,871	27,149	26,004
Dallas	16,607	17,204	19,472	24,808	28,346	31,126	31,123	30,603	31,289
Kansas City	5,984	5,871	6,174	6,748	6,571	7,093	6,627	6,626	6,549
Denver	2,717	2,668	3,086	3,274	3,208	3,230	3,340	3,560	3,485
San Francisco	16,918	17,471	18,552	20,048	20,504	21,015	19,700	18,559	18,956
Seattle	4,090	4,637	4,791	5,199	5,294	5,568	5,499	5,534	5,244
Unknown	3	2	3	0	0	1	3	1	0

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

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**Table 64.**  
**Awards for adults aged 18–64, by selected characteristics, 1999–2007**

Characteristic	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Total	494,609	485,798	504,366	535,507	539,127	561,487	560,960	556,140	563,094
Age									
18–21	35,169	37,334	40,514	43,116	44,678	46,187	45,760	44,743	45,853
22–29	42,330	41,803	43,826	47,544	49,737	51,870	51,020	49,888	49,850
30–39	95,440	90,847	90,827	92,383	89,885	89,554	84,462	80,163	77,996
40–49	130,675	128,103	134,410	144,441	145,735	151,181	149,549	147,433	145,951
50–59	144,437	142,667	149,400	161,003	162,774	174,696	181,797	186,544	193,638
60–64	46,558	45,044	45,389	47,020	46,318	47,999	48,372	47,369	49,806
Sex									
Men	234,863	234,493	245,214	261,617	265,340	278,548	279,984	279,779	286,268
Women	259,746	251,305	259,152	273,890	273,787	282,939	280,976	276,361	276,826
Citizenship status									
Citizen	458,839	451,433	471,664	502,085	507,578	530,962	531,177	527,811	536,196
Noncitizen	35,770	34,365	32,702	33,422	31,549	30,525	29,783	28,329	26,898
Diagnostic group									
Congenital anomalies	864	1,224	1,682	1,796	2,033	2,094	2,016	2,164	2,209
Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic disorders	28,447	13,867	14,642	15,929	15,928	17,340	17,729	18,266	18,592
Infectious and parasitic diseases	13,700	13,251	12,680	11,987	11,044	10,937	10,430	10,036	9,534
Injuries	15,559	16,087	16,914	17,965	17,998	19,054	19,289	19,917	19,755
Mental disorders									
Mental retardation	35,680	35,736	35,628	35,953	34,739	34,875	32,787	30,506	30,676
Other	140,051	149,713	161,305	171,307	175,632	181,605	179,750	172,390	172,561
Neoplasms	26,220	26,648	27,294	28,559	28,230	30,285	31,520	32,267	33,136
Diseases of the—									
Blood and blood-forming organs	1,345	1,405	1,501	1,563	1,631	1,691	1,704	1,708	1,721
Circulatory system	41,040	42,933	44,776	47,318	46,432	47,897	48,723	48,217	49,326
Digestive system	8,986	9,781	10,258	11,741	11,717	12,394	12,358	12,170	12,479
Genitourinary system	9,335	9,775	10,018	9,976	10,289	10,761	10,987	11,539	12,016
Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue	64,522	70,640	77,062	86,037	87,628	95,560	98,672	101,922	109,725
Nervous system and sense organs	29,690	30,787	32,268	34,846	34,829	36,677	36,408	36,520	37,027
Respiratory system	16,881	17,509	17,820	18,970	19,230	19,838	19,715	19,204	19,629
Skin and subcutaneous tissue	844	828	959	1,020	1,002	1,097	1,131	1,224	1,208
Other	513	699	908	1,021	1,045	1,105	1,073	1,057	1,299
Unknown	60,932	44,915	38,651	39,519	39,720	38,277	36,668	37,033	32,201

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**Table 64.**  
**Awards for adults aged 18–64, by selected characteristics, 1999–2007—Continued**

Characteristic	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
SSA administrative region									
Boston	24,520	24,592	23,813	24,536	25,572	26,740	27,558	28,593	30,402
New York	51,723	49,049	47,871	46,791	43,394	48,699	48,458	47,419	48,088
Philadelphia	51,096	50,888	53,161	52,489	54,633	57,146	57,654	58,530	56,605
Atlanta	121,971	119,635	122,818	126,532	128,596	127,302	126,280	125,147	123,867
Chicago	67,440	65,853	69,741	77,152	78,576	82,084	82,844	84,075	84,206
Dallas	57,331	56,170	64,953	77,499	77,367	80,786	82,819	82,337	86,155
Kansas City	20,381	20,632	20,953	21,088	20,881	24,005	22,795	22,570	22,361
Denver	9,167	8,785	9,782	10,643	10,100	10,578	11,708	12,239	12,837
San Francisco	73,092	72,043	72,206	78,399	79,937	83,848	79,844	74,359	77,070
Seattle	17,878	18,139	19,063	20,372	20,069	20,291	20,996	20,868	21,500
Unknown	10	12	5	6	2	8	4	3	3

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

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**Table 65.**  
**Awards for adults aged 65 or older, by selected characteristics, 1999–2007**

Characteristic	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Total	122,947	120,229	111,565	115,437	108,336	107,413	113,574	111,855	104,173
Age									
65	35,284	34,979	32,702	32,787	31,843	31,007	32,142	31,471	31,584
66–69	31,981	31,433	29,710	31,284	29,126	28,998	30,659	29,814	27,176
70–74	23,860	23,607	21,731	23,148	21,297	21,613	22,993	23,008	20,405
75–79	15,241	14,667	13,162	13,630	12,583	12,652	13,703	13,559	12,574
80 or older	16,581	15,543	14,260	14,588	13,487	13,143	14,077	14,003	12,434
Sex									
Men	43,532	43,258	40,307	42,254	40,621	40,810	43,220	42,782	40,704
Women	79,415	76,971	71,258	73,183	67,715	66,603	70,354	69,073	63,469
Citizenship status									
Citizen	85,686	85,801	80,375	82,032	80,397	81,053	83,704	85,241	79,865
Noncitizen	37,261	34,428	31,190	33,405	27,939	26,360	29,870	26,614	24,308
SSA administrative region									
Boston	4,980	4,917	4,370	4,126	4,134	4,033	4,225	4,228	4,020
New York	17,367	17,460	16,374	15,638	14,321	14,379	18,060	17,072	14,712
Philadelphia	9,513	9,129	8,303	7,898	7,474	7,365	6,941	6,877	6,151
Atlanta	22,462	22,191	20,686	22,941	19,664	18,353	21,873	20,354	18,057
Chicago	9,613	9,291	8,514	8,188	8,050	8,429	8,544	8,868	8,282
Dallas	14,862	14,428	13,844	14,240	13,238	12,871	12,149	12,064	11,160
Kansas City	2,385	2,497	2,062	1,991	1,868	1,917	1,920	1,961	1,780
Denver	1,673	1,914	1,654	1,670	1,726	1,653	1,745	1,761	1,685
San Francisco	36,818	35,175	32,766	35,816	34,429	35,393	35,086	35,676	35,517
Seattle	3,271	3,223	2,989	2,928	3,430	3,020	3,029	2,993	2,809
Unknown	3	4	3	1	2	0	2	1	0

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

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## Awards

**Table 66.**  
**All awards, by state or other area and age of awardee, 2007**

State or area	Total	Under 18	18-64	65 or older
All areas	836,642	169,375	563,094	104,173
Alabama	18,567	3,563	13,999	1,005
Alaska	1,737	277	1,249	211
Arizona	11,792	2,518	7,997	1,277
Arkansas	14,045	3,598	9,863	584
California	110,876	14,985	63,195	32,696
Colorado	8,430	1,360	6,087	983
Connecticut	7,175	1,118	5,397	660
Delaware	2,198	537	1,541	120
District of Columbia	2,952	657	2,093	202
Florida	49,992	11,036	29,803	9,153
Georgia	23,857	4,718	17,030	2,109
Hawaii	2,977	271	2,064	642
Idaho	3,411	749	2,417	245
Illinois	26,271	5,595	17,935	2,741
Indiana	15,241	3,533	11,081	627
Iowa	5,448	1,378	3,719	351
Kansas	5,751	1,301	4,077	373
Kentucky	19,206	4,508	13,663	1,035
Louisiana	18,168	4,413	12,594	1,161
Maine	4,177	640	3,332	205
Maryland	12,472	2,693	8,530	1,249
Massachusetts	21,590	3,693	15,326	2,571
Michigan	26,002	5,522	18,889	1,591
Minnesota	10,635	2,284	7,274	1,077
Mississippi	11,884	2,738	8,331	815
Missouri	16,149	3,174	12,182	793
Montana	2,214	440	1,629	145
Nebraska	3,342	696	2,383	263
Nevada	5,776	1,142	3,761	873
New Hampshire	3,076	436	2,553	87
New Jersey	17,749	3,428	11,192	3,129
New Mexico	6,382	1,297	4,424	661
New York	59,252	10,773	36,896	11,583
North Carolina	25,084	5,549	17,572	1,963
North Dakota	993	197	714	82
Ohio	28,890	6,289	20,971	1,630
Oklahoma	12,382	2,584	9,106	692
Oregon	8,148	1,430	5,779	939
Pennsylvania	39,912	10,805	26,346	2,761
Rhode Island	3,185	554	2,256	375
South Carolina	11,659	2,358	8,547	754
South Dakota	1,564	387	988	189
Tennessee	19,143	2,998	14,922	1,223
Texas	77,627	19,397	50,168	8,062
Utah	4,001	955	2,801	245

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**Table 66.**  
**All awards, by state or other area and age of awardee, 2007—Continued**

State or area	Total	Under 18	18-64	65 or older
Vermont	1,966	306	1,538	122
Virginia	16,781	3,453	11,797	1,531
Washington	16,257	2,788	12,055	1,414
West Virginia	7,873	1,287	6,298	288
Wisconsin	11,453	2,781	8,056	616
Wyoming	805	146	618	41
Outlying area				
Northern Mariana Islands	122	40	53	29
Unknown	3	0	3	0

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

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**Table 67.**  
**All persons awarded SSI, by year of first award and age, 1974–2007**

Year	All ages	Under 18		18–64		65 or older	
		Number	Percentage of total	Number	Percentage of total	Number	Percentage of total
Total	25,309,648	3,488,959	13.8	14,789,291	58.4	7,031,398	27.8
State conversions <sup>a</sup>	3,155,607	2,738	0.1	1,299,165	41.2	1,853,704	58.7
Federal applications							
1974	1,324,931	66,062	5.0	488,386	36.9	770,483	58.2
1975	916,824	62,545	6.8	503,780	54.9	350,499	38.2
1976	638,206	45,118	7.1	385,832	60.5	207,256	32.5
1977	580,829	47,675	8.2	347,409	59.8	185,745	32.0
1978	494,509	43,348	8.8	287,797	58.2	163,364	33.0
1979	448,824	41,464	9.2	259,149	57.7	148,211	33.0
1980	449,437	42,142	9.4	253,629	56.4	153,666	34.2
1981	348,666	35,365	10.1	214,339	61.5	98,962	28.4
1982	285,142	31,495	11.0	172,443	60.5	81,204	28.5
1983	357,797	37,757	10.6	214,397	59.9	105,643	29.5
1984	481,215	41,506	8.6	272,933	56.7	166,776	34.7
1985	445,951	41,950	9.4	279,275	62.6	124,726	28.0
1986	520,771	45,864	8.8	342,655	65.8	132,252	25.4
1987	508,760	43,918	8.6	327,890	64.4	136,952	26.9
1988	501,869	43,596	8.7	319,120	63.6	139,153	27.7
1989	549,240	46,472	8.5	344,526	62.7	158,242	28.8
1990	634,462	72,072	11.4	398,648	62.8	163,742	25.8
1991	737,339	118,676	16.1	455,676	61.8	162,987	22.1
1992	966,873	214,273	22.2	586,317	60.6	166,283	17.2
1993	968,268	229,701	23.7	576,355	59.5	162,212	16.8
1994	862,977	197,343	22.9	528,799	61.3	136,835	15.9
1995	810,367	169,897	21.0	516,967	63.8	123,503	15.2
1996	723,977	138,753	19.2	476,698	65.8	108,526	15.0
1997	602,946	111,728	18.5	411,199	68.2	80,019	13.3
1998	660,324	129,876	19.7	431,784	65.4	98,664	14.9
1999	667,305	132,280	19.8	430,624	64.5	104,401	15.6
2000	653,066	133,967	20.5	417,225	63.9	101,874	15.6
2001	670,146	144,852	21.6	430,838	64.3	94,456	14.1
2002	711,763	157,313	22.1	456,779	64.2	97,671	13.7
2003	713,787	166,188	23.3	457,638	64.1	89,961	12.6
2004	734,909	169,985	23.1	476,287	64.8	88,637	12.1
2005	735,530	165,380	22.5	475,538	64.7	94,612	12.9
2006	723,604	158,982	22.0	471,305	65.1	93,317	12.9
2007	723,427	158,678	21.9	477,889	66.1	86,860	12.0

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

NOTE: Data include only the first award for each person.

a. Persons who were converted to the SSI program in 1973 from the state Old-Age Assistance, Aid to the Blind, and Aid to the Permanently and Totally Disabled programs.

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# Outcomes of Applications for Disability Benefits

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## Notes

The tables in this section provide data on the outcomes of applications for SSI benefits based on blindness or disability. The data on applications are derived from the Social Security Administration's (SSA's) Disability Research File (DRF) maintained by the Office of Disability Programs. Each year the DRF is updated with information about applications for disability benefits that is then used to determine the outcome of those applications. The outcome data in these tables are reported by year of filing and include decisions made through the administrative appeals process.

Table 68 shows the total number of applications filed in a year, the number that are pending a final decision, the number denied for nonmedical reasons before a medical decision is made (technical denials), the outcome of applications for which a medical allowance or denial was made, and award and allowance rates. Applications for which a medical allowance or denial decision was made but which were subsequently denied for nonmedical reasons are shown under the medical decision header as subsequent denials. The most common nonmedical reason for denying a claim is excess income.

The allowance rate is calculated by dividing the number of medical allowances (including subsequent technical denials) by the total number of medical decisions made for a 1-year cohort. The award rate is a broader program measure that is calculated as the number of allowances minus subsequent denials divided by total applications (minus pending claims) filed for a given year.

Claims that remain pending after 6 years are probably the result of imperfect data rather than excessive delays in the decisionmaking process. It is highly probable that decisions have been rendered on most of the older claims. For more recent years, the award and allowance rates will change as decisions are made on pending claims.

Tables 69–71 show the allowance rate for SSI only and the SSI portion of concurrent (a claim for both Social Security and SSI disability benefits) applications, one for each level in the administrative decisionmaking process, that is, initial, reconsideration, and hearing or higher level.

Beginning with fiscal year 2000, the proportion of claims awarded at each level of the process changed as a result of the Prototype Process being tested in 10 states. Under this test, the reconsideration step of the appeals process was eliminated for applications filed October 1, 1999, or later. Elimination of the reconsideration level in these states results in a decrease in the aggregate proportion of claims awarded at this step.

This section also includes one table that shows the reason for medical allowance and one that shows reason for medical denial (Tables 72 and 73). The reasons are derived from the sequential evaluation process used by decisionmakers. SSA maintains a list of impairments that are considered disabling under its regulations. An applicant can be found to be disabled if he or she:

- has a listed impairment,
- has a severe impairment that is equal to a listed impairment,
- has a severe impairment when medical and vocational factors are considered, or
- had previously established entitlement to a disability benefit.

An applicant can be denied benefits if he or she:

- has an impairment that is not expected to last 12 months;
  - has an impairment that is not considered severe;
  - is able to perform his or her usual type of work;
  - is able to perform another type of work; or
  - provides insufficient medical evidence, fails to cooperate, fails to follow prescribed treatment, does not want to continue development of the claim, or returns to substantial work before disability can be established.
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**Table 68.**  
**Outcomes at all adjudicative levels, by age and year of application, 1992–2006**

Year	Total	Pending final decision	Technical denials <sup>a</sup>	Medical decisions				Award rate <sup>b</sup> (percent)	Allowance rate <sup>c</sup> (percent)
				Denials		Allowances			
				Medical	Subsequent nonmedical <sup>d</sup>	Awards	Subsequent denials <sup>e</sup>		
<i>All ages <sup>f</sup></i>									
1992	1,828,951	0	134,438	741,839	1,556	860,875	90,243	47.1	56.1
1993	2,048,945	0	141,214	937,757	1,600	878,932	89,442	42.9	50.8
1994	2,014,499	0	123,175	1,041,432	1,681	770,905	77,306	38.3	44.8
1995	1,845,212	0	103,335	995,185	1,344	683,850	61,498	37.1	42.8
1996	1,786,770	0	113,027	938,407	1,886	671,900	61,550	37.6	43.8
1997	1,505,145	0	97,320	738,808	2,074	606,224	60,719	40.3	47.4
1998	1,520,538	0	95,990	701,365	3,831	656,533	62,819	43.2	50.5
1999	1,528,217	0	105,819	688,965	4,003	665,028	64,402	43.5	51.3
2000	1,612,826	2,616	156,525	687,841	3,823	693,126	68,895	43.0	52.4
2001	1,749,572	3,288	203,387	725,850	3,501	737,589	75,957	42.2	52.7
2002	1,959,039	5,325	278,291	810,309	3,565	778,916	82,633	39.9	51.4
2003	2,112,577	12,669	342,201	866,732	3,418	794,665	92,892	37.8	50.5
2004	2,246,392	53,315	431,182	880,643	3,276	781,207	96,769	35.6	49.8
2005	2,326,784	157,289	561,837	829,128	2,802	693,728	82,000	32.0	48.3
2006	2,377,892	269,835	629,968	823,790	2,092	586,857	65,350	27.8	44.1
<i>Under age 18</i>									
1992	376,812	0	16,695	148,221	103	204,083	7,710	54.2	58.8
1993	500,676	0	18,788	240,668	135	232,344	8,741	46.4	50.0
1994	530,538	0	16,897	311,137	147	194,655	7,702	36.7	39.4
1995	491,638	0	14,364	306,298	92	163,896	6,988	33.3	35.8
1996	457,057	0	13,532	291,265	86	144,670	7,504	31.7	34.3
1997	334,975	0	10,906	195,730	69	121,439	6,831	36.3	39.6
1998	338,592	0	10,904	182,596	74	137,653	7,365	40.7	44.3
1999	345,067	0	11,898	182,427	68	142,862	7,812	41.4	45.2
2000	355,477	244	15,775	179,441	64	151,991	7,962	42.8	47.1
2001	375,975	226	18,710	182,070	61	166,387	8,521	44.3	49.0
2002	412,972	355	22,678	200,411	79	180,364	9,085	43.7	48.6
2003	438,601	826	25,776	214,243	64	188,001	9,691	42.9	48.0
2004	451,735	4,657	31,539	217,626	83	187,883	9,947	42.0	47.6
2005	445,449	14,711	46,839	201,557	97	172,584	9,661	40.1	47.5
2006	453,836	26,289	49,933	203,421	85	164,711	9,397	38.5	46.1

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**Table 68.**

**Outcomes at all adjudicative levels, by age and year of application, 1992–2006—Continued**

Year	Total	Pending final decision	Technical denials <sup>a</sup>	Medical decisions				Award rate <sup>b</sup> (percent)	Allowance rate <sup>c</sup> (percent)
				Denials		Allowances			
				Medical	Subsequent nonmedical <sup>d</sup>	Awards	Subsequent denials <sup>e</sup>		
<b>Aged 18–64</b>									
1992	1,451,417	0	117,675	593,455	1,451	656,374	82,462	45.2	55.4
1993	1,547,527	0	122,364	696,934	1,463	646,157	80,609	41.8	51.0
1994	1,482,503	0	106,181	729,927	1,529	575,431	69,435	38.8	46.9
1995	1,351,903	0	88,839	688,438	1,245	519,041	54,340	38.4	45.4
1996	1,277,604	0	87,869	646,497	1,534	488,215	53,489	38.2	45.5
1997	1,135,602	0	78,303	541,988	1,456	461,006	52,849	40.6	48.6
1998	1,133,015	0	76,709	516,708	1,860	483,866	53,872	42.7	50.9
1999	1,133,722	0	83,733	505,202	1,542	487,820	55,425	43.0	51.7
2000	1,208,866	2,370	127,968	507,367	1,423	509,772	59,966	42.3	52.8
2001	1,323,142	3,054	167,675	542,834	1,398	541,642	66,539	41.0	52.8
2002	1,483,791	4,964	230,118	608,806	1,580	565,745	72,578	38.3	51.1
2003	1,615,844	11,834	287,736	651,689	1,825	580,359	82,401	36.2	50.4
2004	1,733,410	48,641	366,069	662,389	1,877	568,314	86,120	33.7	49.6
2005	1,807,363	142,542	472,425	627,023	1,620	492,012	71,741	29.6	47.3
2006	1,851,839	243,474	534,414	619,896	1,122	397,573	55,360	24.7	42.2

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Disability Research File, 100 percent data.

NOTES: Data for the initial and reconsideration levels are current through August 2007. Data for the hearing level or above are current through September 2007.

Because a number of applications remain pending for more recent years, the award and allowance rates will change over time. Cases can be pending at the initial or appellate levels and can include either medical or technical issues.

Includes decisions for SSI-only applications and applications for both Social Security and SSI. Does not include Social Security-only applications.

- a. Applications denied for nonmedical reasons so no decision was made on severity of impairment.
- b. Rate determined by dividing awards by all applications minus pending claims for that year.
- c. Rate determined by dividing medical allowances by all medical decisions for that year.
- d. Applications denied for nonmedical reasons after a decision was made that applicant did not meet the medical severity criteria for disability benefits.
- e. Applications denied for nonmedical reasons after a decision was made that applicant met the medical severity criteria for disability benefits.
- f. Includes applicants aged 65 or older.

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**Table 69.**  
**Medical decisions at the initial adjudicative level, by age, year of application, and program, 1992–2006**

Year	All decisions			Decisions on applications for SSI only			Decisions on applications for both Social Security and SSI		
	Total	Allowances	Allowance rate <sup>a</sup> (percent)	Total	Allowances	Allowance rate <sup>a</sup> (percent)	Total	Allowances	Allowance rate <sup>a</sup> (percent)
<i>All ages<sup>b</sup></i>									
1992	1,694,513	686,962	40.5	946,348	399,334	42.2	748,165	287,628	38.4
1993	1,907,731	687,630	36.0	1,106,624	409,102	37.0	801,107	278,528	34.8
1994	1,891,324	577,721	30.5	1,105,532	335,756	30.4	785,792	241,965	30.8
1995	1,741,877	507,742	29.1	1,037,201	291,168	28.1	704,676	216,574	30.7
1996	1,673,743	508,931	30.4	1,000,530	296,655	29.6	673,213	212,276	31.5
1997	1,407,825	459,297	32.6	820,527	260,354	31.7	587,298	198,943	33.9
1998	1,424,548	520,690	36.6	843,671	304,856	36.1	580,877	215,834	37.2
1999	1,422,398	531,498	37.4	843,031	312,871	37.1	579,367	218,627	37.7
2000	1,456,301	556,990	38.2	845,623	321,029	38.0	610,678	235,961	38.6
2001	1,546,185	595,925	38.5	860,922	338,218	39.3	685,263	257,707	37.6
2002	1,680,748	619,748	36.9	904,266	345,482	38.2	776,482	274,266	35.3
2003	1,770,376	635,241	35.9	917,511	344,751	37.6	852,865	290,490	34.1
2004	1,815,210	643,973	35.5	917,670	343,476	37.4	897,540	300,497	33.5
2005	1,764,880	620,290	35.1	895,411	332,941	37.2	869,469	287,349	33.0
2006	1,747,803	590,520	33.8	893,847	319,005	35.7	853,956	271,515	31.8
<i>Under age 18</i>									
1992	360,117	194,494	54.0	329,316	176,929	53.7	30,801	17,565	57.0
1993	481,888	218,724	45.4	443,778	200,206	45.1	38,110	18,518	48.6
1994	513,641	177,660	34.6	475,233	164,436	34.6	38,408	13,224	34.4
1995	477,274	149,140	31.2	443,367	138,959	31.3	33,907	10,181	30.0
1996	443,525	133,375	30.1	413,379	124,846	30.2	30,146	8,529	28.3
1997	324,069	112,387	34.7	302,540	105,366	34.8	21,529	7,021	32.6
1998	327,688	129,729	39.6	306,164	121,371	39.6	21,524	8,358	38.8
1999	333,169	135,117	40.6	310,763	126,253	40.6	22,406	8,864	39.6
2000	339,702	143,267	42.2	316,328	133,426	42.2	23,374	9,841	42.1
2001	357,265	157,730	44.1	332,724	146,688	44.1	24,541	11,042	45.0
2002	390,294	170,542	43.7	363,020	158,263	43.6	27,274	12,279	45.0
2003	412,825	178,453	43.2	384,481	165,876	43.1	28,344	12,577	44.4
2004	420,196	180,657	43.0	391,086	167,717	42.9	29,110	12,940	44.5
2005	398,607	169,455	42.5	371,773	158,534	42.6	26,834	10,921	40.7
2006	403,883	165,825	41.1	379,307	156,779	41.3	24,576	9,046	36.8

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**Table 69.**  
**Medical decisions at the initial adjudicative level, by age, year of application, and program, 1992–2006—**  
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Year	All decisions			Decisions on applications for SSI only			Decisions on applications for both Social Security and SSI		
	Total	Allowances	Allowance rate <sup>a</sup> (percent)	Total	Allowances	Allowance rate <sup>a</sup> (percent)	Total	Allowances	Allowance rate <sup>a</sup> (percent)
<b><i>Aged 18–64</i></b>									
1992	1,333,742	492,046	36.9	616,523	222,077	36.0	717,219	269,969	37.6
1993	1,425,163	468,477	32.9	662,298	208,554	31.5	762,865	259,923	34.1
1994	1,376,322	399,267	29.0	629,051	170,618	27.1	747,271	228,649	30.6
1995	1,263,064	357,732	28.3	592,390	151,417	25.6	670,674	206,315	30.8
1996	1,189,735	338,209	28.4	555,158	142,505	25.7	634,577	195,704	30.8
1997	1,057,299	324,213	30.7	498,637	139,003	27.9	558,662	185,210	33.2
1998	1,056,306	356,592	33.8	506,024	157,861	31.2	550,282	198,731	36.1
1999	1,049,989	362,246	34.5	502,870	162,036	32.2	547,119	200,210	36.6
2000	1,080,898	382,587	35.4	503,636	166,188	33.0	577,262	216,399	37.5
2001	1,155,467	408,901	35.4	505,101	172,232	34.1	650,366	236,669	36.4
2002	1,253,673	416,823	33.2	515,934	165,906	32.2	737,739	250,917	34.0
2003	1,328,108	430,707	32.4	515,659	164,504	31.9	812,449	266,203	32.8
2004	1,367,341	438,473	32.1	511,679	163,312	31.9	855,662	275,161	32.2
2005	1,334,874	421,850	31.6	506,191	159,015	31.4	828,683	262,835	31.7
2006	1,317,326	400,069	30.4	501,927	151,262	30.1	815,399	248,807	30.5

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Disability Research File, 100 percent data.

NOTES: Data are current through August 2007.

Because a number of applications remain pending for more recent years, the award and allowance rates will change over time.

Applications with a medical decision may be pending a final nonmedical decision or subsequently denied for nonmedical reasons.

a. Rate determined by dividing medical allowances by all medical decisions for that year.

b. Includes applicants aged 65 or older.

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**Table 70.**  
**Medical decisions at the reconsideration level, by age, year of application, and program, 1992–2006**

Year	All decisions			Decisions on applications for SSI only			Decisions on applications for both Social Security and SSI		
	Total	Allowances	Allowance rate <sup>a</sup> (percent)	Total	Allowances	Allowance rate <sup>a</sup> (percent)	Total	Allowances	Allowance rate <sup>a</sup> (percent)
<i>All ages<sup>b</sup></i>									
1992	479,152	74,500	15.5	234,057	38,371	16.4	245,095	36,129	14.7
1993	557,384	75,559	13.6	280,174	38,663	13.8	277,210	36,896	13.3
1994	571,602	73,734	12.9	290,341	36,826	12.7	281,261	36,908	13.1
1995	522,987	66,780	12.8	275,013	33,432	12.2	247,974	33,348	13.4
1996	480,593	65,352	13.6	249,224	32,510	13.0	231,369	32,842	14.2
1997	409,396	62,496	15.3	208,993	31,881	15.3	200,403	30,615	15.3
1998	390,212	61,264	15.7	203,132	31,818	15.7	187,080	29,446	15.7
1999	382,196	55,620	14.6	197,671	28,498	14.4	184,525	27,122	14.7
2000	382,757	53,134	13.9	192,285	26,455	13.8	190,472	26,679	14.0
2001	407,299	53,426	13.1	190,634	25,393	13.3	216,665	28,033	12.9
2002	458,317	56,036	12.2	203,464	25,778	12.7	254,853	30,258	11.9
2003	487,775	57,043	11.7	202,378	24,693	12.2	285,397	32,350	11.3
2004	487,526	54,071	11.1	193,247	22,662	11.7	294,279	31,409	10.7
2005	460,770	50,867	11.0	185,786	21,954	11.8	274,984	28,913	10.5
2006	420,258	36,875	8.8	172,984	16,727	9.7	247,274	20,148	8.1
<i>Under age 18</i>									
1992	49,099	9,570	19.5	44,562	8,590	19.3	4,537	980	21.6
1993	75,816	11,440	15.1	69,176	10,355	15.0	6,640	1,085	16.3
1994	91,854	11,475	12.5	83,789	10,461	12.5	8,065	1,014	12.6
1995	86,651	10,459	12.1	79,397	9,625	12.1	7,254	834	11.5
1996	74,836	9,646	12.9	68,797	8,863	12.9	6,039	783	13.0
1997	51,365	8,583	16.7	47,131	7,883	16.7	4,234	700	16.5
1998	49,909	8,042	16.1	45,989	7,417	16.1	3,920	625	15.9
1999	49,456	7,476	15.1	45,465	6,839	15.0	3,991	637	16.0
2000	48,361	7,513	15.5	44,462	6,950	15.6	3,899	563	14.4
2001	49,495	7,649	15.5	45,567	7,069	15.5	3,928	580	14.8
2002	56,273	8,312	14.8	51,775	7,620	14.7	4,498	692	15.4
2003	59,715	8,457	14.2	54,939	7,763	14.1	4,776	694	14.5
2004	58,298	7,833	13.4	53,622	7,261	13.5	4,676	572	12.2
2005	54,260	7,712	14.2	50,078	7,161	14.3	4,182	551	13.2
2006	52,724	6,901	13.1	49,150	6,504	13.2	3,574	397	11.1

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**Table 70.**  
**Medical decisions at the reconsideration level, by age, year of application, and program, 1992–2006—**  
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Year	All decisions			Decisions on applications for SSI only			Decisions on applications for both Social Security and SSI		
	Total	Allowances	Allowance rate <sup>a</sup> (percent)	Total	Allowances	Allowance rate <sup>a</sup> (percent)	Total	Allowances	Allowance rate <sup>a</sup> (percent)
<b>Aged 18–64</b>									
1992	429,944	64,891	15.1	189,409	29,744	15.7	240,535	35,147	14.6
1993	481,434	64,074	13.3	210,882	28,268	13.4	270,552	35,806	13.2
1994	479,439	62,150	13.0	206,253	26,260	12.7	273,186	35,890	13.1
1995	435,988	56,205	12.9	195,281	23,695	12.1	240,707	32,510	13.5
1996	403,309	54,194	13.4	178,404	22,457	12.6	224,905	31,737	14.1
1997	355,514	52,588	14.8	159,694	22,951	14.4	195,820	29,637	15.1
1998	337,411	51,757	15.3	154,436	23,051	14.9	182,975	28,706	15.7
1999	330,830	47,239	14.3	150,460	20,861	13.9	180,370	26,378	14.6
2000	332,767	44,860	13.5	146,383	18,874	12.9	186,384	25,986	13.9
2001	356,236	45,031	12.6	143,740	17,759	12.4	212,496	27,272	12.8
2002	400,138	46,794	11.7	150,064	17,447	11.6	250,074	29,347	11.7
2003	426,628	47,932	11.2	146,276	16,466	11.3	280,352	31,466	11.2
2004	428,092	45,691	10.7	138,753	15,054	10.8	289,339	30,637	10.6
2005	405,519	42,525	10.5	134,986	14,383	10.7	270,533	28,142	10.4
2006	366,798	29,492	8.0	123,338	9,948	8.1	243,460	19,544	8.0

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Disability Research File, 100 percent data.

NOTES: Data are current through August 2007.

Because a number of applications remain pending for more recent years, the award and allowance rates will change over time.

Applications with a medical decision may be pending a final nonmedical decision or subsequently denied for nonmedical reasons.

A revised process was introduced on October 1, 1999, in 10 states, under which initial denials could be appealed directly to the hearing level without a reconsideration.

a. Rate determined by dividing medical allowances by all medical decisions for that year.

b. Includes applicants aged 65 or older.

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**Table 71.**  
**Medical decisions at the hearing level or above, by age, year of application, and program, 1992–2006**

Year	All decisions			Decisions on applications for SSI only			Decisions on applications for both Social Security and SSI		
	Total	Allowances	Allowance rate <sup>a</sup> (percent)	Total	Allowances	Allowance rate <sup>a</sup> (percent)	Total	Allowances	Allowance rate <sup>a</sup> (percent)
<i>All ages <sup>b</sup></i>									
1992	280,751	189,656	67.6	128,789	79,307	61.6	151,962	110,349	72.6
1993	327,271	205,185	62.7	153,126	85,195	55.6	174,145	119,990	68.9
1994	333,329	196,756	59.0	156,584	80,594	51.5	176,745	116,162	65.7
1995	300,958	170,826	56.8	145,570	70,445	48.4	155,388	100,381	64.6
1996	271,977	159,167	58.5	128,712	64,430	50.1	143,265	94,737	66.1
1997	238,765	145,150	60.8	112,218	59,766	53.3	126,547	85,384	67.5
1998	224,761	137,398	61.1	107,693	58,008	53.9	117,068	79,390	67.8
1999	231,530	142,312	61.5	111,215	59,882	53.8	120,315	82,430	68.5
2000	248,710	151,897	61.1	118,462	62,550	52.8	130,248	89,347	68.6
2001	271,212	164,195	60.5	121,092	62,935	52.0	150,120	101,260	67.5
2002	306,808	185,765	60.5	128,740	66,503	51.7	178,068	119,262	67.0
2003	318,986	195,273	61.2	123,528	63,739	51.6	195,458	131,534	67.3
2004	280,772	179,932	64.1	102,511	54,796	53.5	178,261	125,136	70.2
2005	156,191	104,571	67.0	57,599	31,922	55.4	98,592	72,649	73.7
2006	35,944	24,812	69.0	14,339	7,912	55.2	21,605	16,900	78.2
<i>Under age 18</i>									
1992	19,988	7,729	38.7	17,979	6,890	38.3	2,009	839	41.8
1993	31,658	10,921	34.5	28,625	9,784	34.2	3,033	1,137	37.5
1994	38,751	13,222	34.1	34,869	11,860	34.0	3,882	1,362	35.1
1995	35,856	11,285	31.5	32,428	10,131	31.2	3,428	1,154	33.7
1996	28,105	9,153	32.6	25,589	8,295	32.4	2,516	858	34.1
1997	19,549	7,300	37.3	17,723	6,594	37.2	1,826	706	38.7
1998	18,904	7,247	38.3	17,199	6,548	38.1	1,705	699	41.0
1999	20,903	8,081	38.7	18,986	7,292	38.4	1,917	789	41.2
2000	24,335	9,173	37.7	22,137	8,257	37.3	2,198	916	41.7
2001	25,931	9,529	36.7	23,685	8,629	36.4	2,246	900	40.1
2002	29,346	10,595	36.1	26,840	9,625	35.9	2,506	970	38.7
2003	30,037	10,782	35.9	27,397	9,754	35.6	2,640	1,028	38.9
2004	25,394	9,340	36.8	23,175	8,399	36.2	2,219	941	42.4
2005	12,797	5,078	39.7	11,791	4,653	39.5	1,006	425	42.2
2006	2,877	1,382	48.0	2,688	1,290	48.0	189	92	48.7

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**Table 71.**  
**Medical decisions at the hearing level or above, by age, year of application, and program, 1992–2006—**  
**Continued**

Year	All decisions			Decisions on applications for SSI only			Decisions on applications for both Social Security and SSI		
	Total	Allowances	Allowance rate <sup>a</sup> (percent)	Total	Allowances	Allowance rate <sup>a</sup> (percent)	Total	Allowances	Allowance rate <sup>a</sup> (percent)
<b>Aged 18–64</b>									
1992	260,727	181,899	69.8	110,785	72,398	65.4	149,942	109,501	73.0
1993	295,551	194,215	65.7	124,445	75,368	60.6	171,106	118,847	69.5
1994	294,441	183,449	62.3	121,584	68,654	56.5	172,857	114,795	66.4
1995	264,954	159,444	60.2	113,002	60,224	53.3	151,952	99,220	65.3
1996	243,064	149,301	61.4	102,414	55,516	54.2	140,650	93,785	66.7
1997	218,255	137,054	62.8	93,599	52,430	56.0	124,656	84,624	67.9
1998	204,894	129,389	63.1	89,580	50,742	56.6	115,314	78,647	68.2
1999	210,020	133,760	63.7	91,668	52,159	56.9	118,352	81,601	68.9
2000	223,788	142,291	63.6	95,788	53,901	56.3	128,000	88,390	69.1
2001	244,721	154,249	63.0	96,892	53,921	55.7	147,829	100,328	67.9
2002	276,784	174,706	63.1	101,268	56,447	55.7	175,516	118,259	67.4
2003	288,409	184,121	63.8	95,656	53,667	56.1	192,753	130,454	67.7
2004	254,956	170,270	66.8	78,967	46,109	58.4	175,989	124,161	70.6
2005	143,221	99,378	69.4	45,665	27,180	59.5	97,556	72,198	74.0
2006	32,996	23,372	70.8	11,595	6,579	56.7	21,401	16,793	78.5

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Disability Research File, 100 percent data.

NOTES: Data are current through September 2007.

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A revised process was introduced on October 1, 1999, in 10 states, under which initial denials could be appealed directly to the hearing level without a reconsideration.

a. Rate determined by dividing medical allowances by all medical decisions for that year.

b. Includes applicants aged 65 or older.

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**Table 72.**  
**Percentage distribution of final medical allowances, by age, year of application, and reason for allowance, 1992–2006**

Year	Total		Meets level of severity of listings <sup>a</sup>	Under age 18 only		Aged 18 or older only		Other <sup>a,b</sup>
	Number	Percent		Medically equals level of severity of listings	Functionally equals level of severity of listings	Equals level of severity of listings	Medical and vocational factors considered	
<i>All ages <sup>c</sup></i>								
1992	951,118	100.0	36.6	1.5	1.3	7.5	18.6	34.4
1993	968,374	100.0	36.5	1.5	1.6	5.5	17.4	37.6
1994	848,211	100.0	36.8	1.5	2.1	4.4	18.1	37.1
1995	745,348	100.0	35.8	1.6	2.5	4.3	18.6	37.2
1996	733,450	100.0	35.9	1.8	3.3	4.4	17.4	37.2
1997	666,943	100.0	37.6	1.8	4.3	4.7	18.4	33.3
1998	719,352	100.0	38.2	1.9	4.8	4.2	20.0	30.8
1999	729,430	100.0	36.6	2.0	5.3	3.9	20.8	31.3
2000	762,021	100.0	35.1	1.9	6.1	4.2	21.4	31.3
2001	813,546	100.0	34.8	1.8	7.0	4.2	22.2	30.1
2002	861,549	100.0	33.2	1.7	7.9	3.7	21.7	31.9
2003	887,557	100.0	32.3	1.7	8.8	3.6	22.0	31.6
2004	877,976	100.0	32.2	1.5	9.6	3.7	23.1	29.9
2005	775,728	100.0	34.2	1.6	10.7	3.8	25.3	24.5
2006	652,207	100.0	38.3	1.7	13.0	4.1	26.9	16.0
<i>Under age 18</i>								
1992	211,793	100.0	48.3	6.9	5.9	...	...	38.9
1993	241,085	100.0	44.9	5.9	6.4	...	...	42.7
1994	202,357	100.0	45.6	6.5	8.6	...	...	39.3
1995	170,884	100.0	44.8	7.0	11.0	...	...	37.2
1996	152,174	100.0	52.7	8.7	16.0	...	...	22.6
1997	128,270	100.0	55.8	9.2	22.1	...	...	12.9
1998	145,018	100.0	55.6	9.6	23.6	...	...	11.2
1999	150,674	100.0	53.2	9.8	25.8	...	...	11.3
2000	159,953	100.0	50.1	9.2	28.9	...	...	11.7
2001	174,908	100.0	48.2	8.2	32.4	...	...	11.1
2002	189,449	100.0	45.2	7.6	35.9	...	...	11.2
2003	197,692	100.0	43.6	7.4	39.4	...	...	9.6
2004	197,830	100.0	42.3	6.7	42.6	...	...	8.4
2005	182,245	100.0	41.0	6.6	45.4	...	...	6.9
2006	174,108	100.0	40.0	6.2	48.8	...	...	5.0

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**Table 72.**

**Percentage distribution of final medical allowances, by age, year of application, and reason for allowance, 1992–2006—Continued**

Year	Total		Meets level of severity of listings <sup>a</sup>	Under age 18 only		Aged 18 or older only		Other <sup>a,b</sup>
				Medically equals level of severity of listings	Functionally equals level of severity of listings	Equals level of severity of listings	Medical and vocational factors considered	
	Number	Percent						
<b>Aged 18–64</b>								
1992	738,836	100.0	33.3	...	...	9.7	23.9	33.2
1993	726,766	100.0	33.7	...	...	7.3	23.1	35.9
1994	644,866	100.0	34.0	...	...	5.8	23.8	36.4
1995	573,381	100.0	33.2	...	...	5.6	24.0	37.2
1996	541,704	100.0	33.7	...	...	5.9	23.3	37.1
1997	513,855	100.0	34.5	...	...	6.1	22.6	36.9
1998	537,738	100.0	35.6	...	...	5.5	23.9	35.1
1999	543,245	100.0	34.0	...	...	5.3	25.1	35.7
2000	569,738	100.0	32.6	...	...	5.5	26.3	35.6
2001	608,181	100.0	32.4	...	...	5.6	27.7	34.3
2002	638,323	100.0	31.1	...	...	5.0	27.4	36.5
2003	662,760	100.0	30.1	...	...	4.8	28.2	36.8
2004	654,434	100.0	30.3	...	...	4.9	30.1	34.7
2005	563,753	100.0	33.7	...	...	5.2	33.7	27.4
2006	452,933	100.0	39.7	...	...	5.9	37.8	16.6

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Disability Research File, 100 percent data.

NOTES: Data for the initial and reconsideration levels are current through August 2007. Data for the hearing level or above are current through September 2007.

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Applications with a medical decision may be pending a final nonmedical decision or subsequently denied for nonmedical reasons.

Includes decisions for SSI-only applications and applications for both Social Security and SSI. Does not include Social Security-only applications.

... = not applicable.

a. Includes all age groups.

b. Includes applications for which the disability was previously established and those for which the basis for the determination is not available. For final determinations made in or before August 1996 for applicants under age 18, also includes applications allowed because individual functional assessment showed impairment of comparable severity.

c. Includes applicants aged 65 or older.

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**Table 73.**  
**Percentage distribution of final medical denials, by age, year of application,**  
**and reason for denial, 1992–2006**

Year	Total		Impairment did not or is not expected to last 12 months	Impairment is not severe	Impairment does not cause severe functional limitations <sup>a</sup>	Able to do usual past work <sup>b</sup>	Able to do other type of work <sup>b</sup>	Other <sup>c</sup>
	Number	Percent						
<i>All ages <sup>d</sup></i>								
1992	743,395	100.0	7.3	22.1	...	17.5	26.3	26.9
1993	939,357	100.0	6.6	21.2	...	15.4	24.8	31.9
1994	1,043,113	100.0	6.2	20.7	...	13.6	23.3	36.1
1995	996,529	100.0	6.2	19.7	...	12.4	22.4	39.2
1996	940,293	100.0	6.4	20.6	5.8	12.1	22.9	32.2
1997	740,882	100.0	6.8	16.7	16.2	13.0	25.1	22.1
1998	705,196	100.0	6.9	15.0	18.3	14.7	25.4	19.9
1999	692,968	100.0	6.7	14.0	19.1	15.6	24.6	20.2
2000	691,664	100.0	6.4	13.3	18.7	15.8	24.2	21.5
2001	729,351	100.0	6.1	13.2	18.2	16.6	26.1	19.8
2002	813,874	100.0	5.7	12.9	18.2	17.0	26.6	19.6
2003	870,150	100.0	5.1	12.1	18.7	17.1	27.3	19.7
2004	883,919	100.0	4.8	11.4	18.8	16.7	27.3	21.0
2005	831,930	100.0	4.6	11.2	18.2	16.0	27.1	22.9
2006	825,882	100.0	4.4	11.2	18.5	15.8	26.9	23.2
<i>Under age 18</i>								
1992	148,324	100.0	1.5	22.7	...	...	...	75.8
1993	240,803	100.0	1.3	21.8	...	...	...	76.9
1994	311,284	100.0	1.4	22.4	...	...	...	76.2
1995	306,390	100.0	1.3	21.8	...	...	...	76.9
1996	291,351	100.0	1.4	26.9	18.7	...	...	53.0
1997	195,799	100.0	1.6	19.1	61.4	...	...	18.0
1998	182,670	100.0	1.3	14.4	70.6	...	...	13.7
1999	182,495	100.0	1.1	13.3	72.4	...	...	13.2
2000	179,505	100.0	1.1	13.2	72.1	...	...	13.6
2001	182,131	100.0	1.1	14.0	73.0	...	...	11.9
2002	200,490	100.0	1.0	13.4	73.9	...	...	11.8
2003	214,307	100.0	0.9	12.3	75.9	...	...	10.9
2004	217,709	100.0	0.8	11.0	76.3	...	...	11.9
2005	201,654	100.0	0.9	11.1	75.1	...	...	13.0
2006	203,506	100.0	0.8	11.5	75.3	...	...	12.4

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**Table 73.**

**Percentage distribution of final medical denials, by age, year of application, and reason for denial, 1992–2006—Continued**

Year	Total		Impairment did not or is not expected to last 12 months	Impairment is not severe	Impairment does not cause severe functional limitations <sup>a</sup>	Able to do usual past work <sup>b</sup>	Able to do other type of work <sup>b</sup>	Other <sup>c</sup>
	Number	Percent						
<b>Aged 18–64</b>								
1992	594,906	100.0	8.8	21.9	...	21.8	32.8	14.7
1993	698,397	100.0	8.4	21.0	...	20.7	33.4	16.4
1994	731,456	100.0	8.3	20.0	...	19.4	33.2	19.1
1995	689,683	100.0	8.4	18.8	...	17.9	32.4	22.5
1996	648,031	100.0	8.6	17.8	...	17.5	33.3	22.8
1997	543,444	100.0	8.8	15.8	...	17.7	34.2	23.6
1998	518,568	100.0	8.9	14.9	...	19.7	34.4	22.0
1999	506,744	100.0	8.7	14.1	...	21.0	33.6	22.7
2000	508,790	100.0	8.4	13.2	...	21.3	32.9	24.3
2001	544,232	100.0	7.8	12.8	...	22.1	35.0	22.4
2002	610,386	100.0	7.3	12.7	...	22.5	35.4	22.1
2003	653,514	100.0	6.5	11.9	...	22.7	36.4	22.5
2004	664,266	100.0	6.1	11.4	...	22.1	36.4	24.0
2005	628,643	100.0	5.8	11.2	...	21.1	35.9	26.0
2006	621,018	100.0	5.6	11.0	...	20.9	35.7	26.7

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Disability Research File, 100 percent data.

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Because a number of applications remain pending for more recent years, the numbers and percentages will change over time.

Applications with a medical decision may be pending a final nonmedical decision or subsequently denied for nonmedical reasons.

Includes decisions for SSI-only applications and applications for both Social Security and SSI. Does not include Social Security-only applications.

... = not applicable.

a. Used only for applicants under age 18. Category effective for final determinations made August 1996 or later.

b. Used only for applicants aged 18 or older.

c. Applicant provided insufficient evidence, failed to cooperate, failed to follow prescribed treatment, did not want to continue development of the claim, or returned to substantial work before disability could be established. For final determinations made August 1996 or before for applicants under age 18, also includes claims denied because individual functional assessment showed impairment not of comparable severity.

d. Includes applicants aged 65 or older.

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# Suspensions

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**Table 74.**  
**Suspensions, by age of recipient and reason for suspension, 1999–2007**

Year	Total	Excess income	In Medicaid facility	Whereabouts unknown	Excess resources	Presumptive disability	No representative payee	In public institution	Failed to furnish report	Outside United States	In transition	No longer disabled	Other
<i>All ages</i>													
1999	1,008,300	552,100	46,300	88,600	43,700	2,200	37,300	59,000	37,700	21,100	3,300	108,800	8,200
2000	1,016,800	562,200	49,400	94,000	39,000	2,000	37,200	59,100	50,200	22,700	--	90,600	10,400
2001	1,045,300	575,900	50,000	106,600	48,400	2,700	37,100	64,300	51,900	19,600	7,400	67,500	13,900
2002	1,092,500	596,400	50,000	105,200	46,800	2,800	33,200	64,900	53,600	21,600	6,600	90,600	20,800
2003	1,063,400	579,700	45,100	119,900	47,000	2,500	32,700	64,700	45,600	22,100	7,500	74,800	21,800
2004	1,107,500	614,700	44,300	122,600	45,700	2,000	34,600	69,200	47,700	26,100	6,500	70,200	23,900
2005	1,089,540	608,410	44,400	130,030	39,320	2,450	35,610	75,560	31,700	24,710	8,380	65,900	23,070
2006	1,045,373	593,810	42,763	133,626	38,075	3,205	31,620	79,127	17,464	23,909	9,474	45,023	27,277
2007	1,072,024	598,017	42,070	136,807	38,306	2,954	30,612	80,447	28,743	27,269	7,404	50,799	28,596
<i>Under age 18</i>													
1999	226,500	106,300	900	16,700	7,300	1,000	14,300	4,600	15,200	800	300	57,800	1,300
2000	217,700	112,700	1,000	18,300	6,600	400	15,800	3,300	19,400	700	--	38,200	1,300
2001	198,100	107,400	900	17,500	9,100	700	14,800	3,300	17,800	400	500	24,700	1,000
2002	228,100	116,100	900	22,000	9,800	700	13,300	4,500	22,200	600	0	36,900	1,100
2003	214,300	115,500	800	23,900	9,300	500	13,700	4,300	19,600	300	500	24,900	1,000
2004	220,100	110,900	1,100	30,400	9,000	700	13,000	3,800	20,000	1,000	200	28,400	1,600
2005	200,550	108,750	800	27,650	8,150	460	12,870	3,740	12,930	740	280	23,020	1,160
2006	177,273	101,982	948	27,420	7,854	802	11,920	4,336	6,307	867	388	12,118	1,331
2007	173,290	96,966	1,034	31,898	9,087	617	11,414	4,629	8,110	868	345	6,696	1,626
<i>Aged 18–64</i>													
1999	619,100	375,200	10,400	52,800	22,400	1,200	21,100	53,300	17,500	6,000	2,100	51,000	6,100
2000	635,000	385,100	12,600	53,700	19,600	1,500	19,400	54,500	24,400	4,200	--	52,400	7,600
2001	678,300	403,000	14,700	64,300	24,200	2,000	20,600	60,100	26,300	4,200	4,900	42,800	11,200
2002	704,900	421,800	14,200	59,900	22,900	2,100	18,800	59,100	25,500	4,200	4,100	53,700	18,600
2003	685,500	403,900	12,800	69,100	23,000	2,000	17,000	59,400	19,500	4,800	5,100	49,800	19,100
2004	717,000	433,400	14,000	66,900	22,800	1,300	20,300	64,700	20,700	5,900	4,600	41,800	20,600
2005	733,580	437,240	15,980	75,350	21,260	1,980	20,600	70,410	14,770	6,310	6,420	42,870	20,390
2006	722,577	435,160	15,047	79,018	20,671	2,383	18,030	73,258	8,811	5,854	7,122	32,896	24,327
2007	754,406	444,723	15,496	80,735	20,751	2,315	17,659	74,123	17,604	6,209	5,105	44,088	25,598
<i>Aged 65 or older</i>													
1999	162,700	70,600	35,000	19,100	14,000	0	1,900	1,100	5,000	14,300	900	0	800
2000	164,100	64,400	35,800	22,000	12,800	100	2,000	1,300	6,400	17,800	--	0	1,500
2001	168,900	65,500	34,400	24,800	15,100	0	1,700	900	7,800	15,000	2,000	0	1,700
2002	159,500	58,500	34,900	23,300	14,100	0	1,100	1,300	5,900	16,800	2,500	0	1,100
2003	163,600	60,300	31,500	26,900	14,700	0	2,000	1,000	6,500	17,000	1,900	100	1,700
2004	170,400	70,400	29,200	25,300	13,900	0	1,300	700	7,000	19,200	1,700	0	1,700
2005	155,410	62,420	27,620	27,030	9,910	10	2,140	1,410	4,000	17,660	1,680	10	1,520
2006	145,523	56,668	26,768	26,188	9,550	20	1,670	1,533	2,346	17,188	1,964	9	1,619
2007	144,328	56,328	25,540	24,174	8,468	22	1,539	1,695	3,029	20,192	1,954	15	1,372

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format). Data through 2004 are based on a 1 percent sample; data for 2005 are based on a 10 percent sample; and data for 2006 and 2007 are 100 percent data.

NOTES: Includes multiple suspensions per person.

-- = not available.

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## Suspensions

**Table 75.**  
**Recipients suspended, by age and reason for suspension, 1999–2007**

Year	Total	Excess income	In Medicaid facility	Whereabouts unknown	Excess resources	Presumptive disability	No representative payee	In public institution	Failed to furnish report	Outside United States	In transition	No longer disabled	Other
<b>All ages</b>													
1999	897,400	461,300	44,600	82,800	42,900	1,900	34,600	55,000	35,600	20,800	3,300	107,200	7,400
2000	906,500	472,900	46,900	87,000	38,000	2,000	35,000	56,100	47,300	22,000	--	89,500	9,800
2001	929,800	485,500	47,500	97,000	47,500	2,500	33,900	59,600	49,500	19,100	7,300	66,900	13,500
2002	972,800	509,100	48,100	96,000	45,500	2,600	27,700	59,000	47,500	20,800	6,300	90,100	20,100
2003	954,400	499,600	43,500	110,500	45,800	2,300	30,500	59,800	41,200	21,400	7,500	72,200	20,100
2004	997,300	533,200	43,100	113,900	44,600	1,900	30,600	64,200	43,800	25,000	6,500	68,200	22,300
2005	977,680	526,050	42,430	119,630	38,040	2,350	32,650	69,870	29,430	23,930	8,200	63,790	21,310
2006	942,421	517,552	70,996	124,100	37,020	3,040	28,843	73,109	16,411	23,243	9,279	43,563	25,265
2007	967,355	522,508	40,371	126,106	37,168	2,803	27,914	74,035	26,682	26,587	7,181	49,682	26,318
<b>Under age 18</b>													
1999	192,200	77,000	900	15,400	7,000	800	13,800	3,900	14,200	600	300	57,100	1,200
2000	177,400	76,500	1,000	16,900	6,300	500	15,100	3,200	18,100	600	--	38,000	1,200
2001	161,900	75,200	800	15,700	9,000	700	13,800	3,000	17,300	300	400	24,700	1,000
2002	185,700	81,200	800	20,700	9,400	700	10,900	4,200	19,300	600	0	36,900	1,000
2003	173,700	79,900	800	22,300	8,700	400	13,300	4,300	18,000	300	500	24,300	900
2004	178,300	76,100	900	28,500	8,800	700	11,900	3,400	17,700	900	200	27,600	1,600
2005	163,850	77,340	720	25,540	7,840	460	12,020	3,580	11,860	730	260	22,400	1,100
2006	145,724	74,485	881	26,582	7,577	775	11,066	4,116	5,913	844	377	11,845	1,263
2007	143,588	71,648	945	29,743	8,761	595	10,582	4,362	7,671	854	325	6,588	1,514
<b>Aged 18–64</b>													
1999	554,600	323,800	9,300	49,200	22,000	1,100	19,000	50,000	16,500	6,000	2,100	50,100	5,500
2000	578,100	340,600	11,100	49,400	19,300	1,500	18,100	51,600	23,500	4,200	--	51,500	7,300
2001	611,100	353,300	13,000	58,200	23,700	1,800	18,400	55,700	24,800	4,200	4,900	42,200	10,900
2002	637,900	375,100	13,200	54,000	22,500	1,900	15,700	53,700	22,500	4,200	3,900	53,200	18,000
2003	625,600	363,700	11,500	63,100	22,700	1,900	15,200	54,500	17,600	4,800	5,100	47,800	17,700
2004	657,800	392,800	13,200	61,300	22,300	1,200	17,500	60,100	19,300	5,800	4,600	40,600	19,100
2005	668,700	392,840	14,660	68,710	20,600	1,880	18,690	64,950	13,720	6,120	6,320	41,380	18,830
2006	659,401	391,737	13,864	72,612	20,114	2,245	16,204	67,542	8,227	5,672	6,972	31,711	22,501
2007	687,636	399,877	14,376	73,440	20,131	2,186	15,893	68,060	16,083	6,044	4,938	43,079	23,529
<b>Aged 65 or older</b>													
1999	150,600	60,500	34,400	18,200	13,900	0	1,800	1,100	4,900	14,200	900	0	700
2000	151,000	55,800	34,800	20,700	12,400	0	1,800	1,300	5,700	17,200	--	0	1,300
2001	156,800	57,000	33,700	23,100	14,800	0	1,700	900	7,400	14,600	2,000	0	1,600
2002	149,200	52,800	34,100	21,300	13,600	0	1,100	1,100	5,700	16,000	2,400	0	1,100
2003	155,100	56,000	31,200	25,100	14,400	0	2,000	100	5,600	16,300	1,900	100	1,500
2004	161,200	64,300	29,000	24,100	13,500	0	1,200	700	6,800	18,300	1,700	0	1,600
2005	145,130	55,870	27,050	25,380	9,600	10	1,940	1,340	3,850	17,080	1,620	10	1,380
2006	137,296	51,330	26,251	24,906	9,329	20	1,529	1,451	2,271	16,727	1,930	7	1,501
2007	136,131	50,983	25,050	22,923	8,276	22	1,439	1,613	2,928	19,689	1,918	15	1,275

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format). Data through 2004 are based on a 1 percent sample; data for 2005 are based on a 10 percent sample; and data for 2006 and 2007 are 100 percent data.

NOTE: -- = not available.

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## Appendix and Glossary

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## Appendix: Sampling Variability

Estimates based on sample data may differ from the figures that would have been obtained had all, rather than specified samples, of the records been used. These differences are termed sampling variability. The standard error is a measure of the sampling variability. About 68 percent of all possible probability samples selected with the same specifications will give estimates within one standard error of the figure obtained from a compilation of all records. Similarly, approximately 90 percent will give estimates within 1.645 standard errors, about 95 percent will give estimates within two standard errors, and about 99 percent will give estimates within two and one-half standard errors. The standard error of an estimate depends on the design elements such as the method of sampling, sample size, and the estimation process.

Because of the large number of data cells tabulated from the sample files, it is not practical to calculate the standard error for every possible cell. However, standard errors for a large number of cells were estimated. These estimates were used to fit regression curves to provide estimates of approximate standard errors associated with tabulated counts and proportions.

The tables showing the sampling variability provide a general order of magnitude for similar estimates from the various sample files. Table A-1 presents approximate standard errors for the estimated number of persons from the 1 percent and the 10 percent files. The reliability of an estimated percentage depends on both the size of the percentage and on the size of the total on which the percentage is based. Data in Table A-2 provide approximations of the standard errors of the estimated percentage of persons in the 1 percent and 10 percent files. The standard errors are expressed in percentage points, and the bases shown are in terms of inflated data.

**Table A-1.**  
**Approximations of standard errors of estimated number of persons**

Size of estimate (inflated)	Standard error
<i>1 percent file</i>	
500	250
1,000	300
2,500	500
5,000	800
7,500	900
10,000	1,100
25,000	1,700
50,000	2,400
75,000	3,000
100,000	3,400
250,000	5,400
500,000	7,800
750,000	9,600
1,000,000	11,100
5,000,000	25,800
10,000,000	36,900
25,000,000	57,700
50,000,000	76,100
75,000,000	82,900
<i>10 percent file</i>	
100	30
500	70
1,000	100
5,000	225
10,000	300
50,000	700
100,000	1,000
500,000	2,200
1,000,000	3,200
2,000,000	4,300
3,000,000	5,300
5,000,000	6,500
10,000,000	8,500
20,000,000	9,300

**Table A-2.**  
**Approximations of standard errors of estimated percentage of persons**

Size of base (inflated)	2 or 98	5 or 95	10 or 90	25 or 75	50
<b>1 percent file</b>					
1,000	4.7	7.3	10.1	14.5	16.8
10,000	1.5	2.3	3.2	4.6	5.3
50,000	0.7	1.0	1.4	2.1	2.4
100,000	0.5	0.7	1.0	1.5	1.7
500,000	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.7	0.8
1,000,000	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.5	0.5
5,000,000	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2
10,000,000	a	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2
50,000,000	a	a	a	0.1	0.1
100,000,000	a	a	a	a	a
<b>10 percent file</b>					
500	1.9	3.0	4.1	5.9	6.8
1,000	1.3	2.1	2.9	4.1	4.8
2,500	0.8	1.3	1.8	2.6	3.0
10,000	0.4	0.6	0.9	1.3	1.5
50,000	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.6	0.7
100,000	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.5
500,000	a	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2
1,000,000	a	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2
5,000,000	a	a	a	a	0.1
10,000,000	a	a	a	a	a
50,000,000	a	a	a	a	a

a. Less than 0.05 percent.

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## Glossary

- abbreviated application.** An SSI application that is formally denied for nonmedical reasons when the applicant alleges information that clearly results in ineligibility.
- adult.** A person who is older than age 21, is aged 18–21 but is not a student, is under 21 and married, or is the head of a household.
- aged person.** A person aged 65 or older.
- allowance.** A determination by the Disability Determination Services, an administrative law judge, or the Appeals Council that an applicant meets the medical definition of disability under the law.
- auxiliary benefit (OASDI).** Monthly benefit payable to a spouse or a child of a retired or disabled worker or to a survivor of a deceased worker.
- award.** An administrative determination that an individual is entitled to receive monthly benefits.
- blind.** "Blindness," for Social Security purposes, means either central visual acuity of 20/200 or less in the better eye with the use of a correcting lens or a limitation in the fields of vision so that the widest diameter of the visual field subtends an angle of 20 degrees or less (tunnel vision).
- blind work expenses (BWE).** Permits the exclusion of any earned income of a blind person that is used to meet expenses reasonably attributable to earning the income.
- child.** An unmarried blind or disabled person who is not the head of a household and who is either under age 18 or aged 18–21 and a student.
- concurrent application.** An application for both Title II (Social Security) and Title XVI (Supplemental Security Income) benefits at the same time.
- deeming (SSI).** Counting part of the income and resources of certain persons who live with an SSI recipient when determining the amount of the payment. These persons include the ineligible spouses of adult recipients, the ineligible parents of child recipients under age 18, and the immigration sponsor for certain noncitizens.
- diagnostic group.** Classification of impairments, by body system, that identifies the medical condition(s) on which disability-related benefits are based. Before 1985, the coding of the primary and secondary diagnoses for Social Security and Supplemental Security Income applicants was in accordance with the *International Classification of Diseases: 9th revision, Clinical Modification, 4th ed.*, using 4-digit ICD-9 codes. In 1985, the Social Security Administration (SSA) implemented a revised method to determine and enter impairment codes in administrative records. This revised approach provides for a modified impairment coding system, generally using 3 digits (followed by zero), loosely based on the ICD-9 codes. For research purposes, the ICD-9 codes and SSA impairment codes are, typically, identical. However, the diagnostic groupings shown in the statistical tables closely parallel the major ICD-9 disease classifications.
- disability.** The inability to engage in substantial gainful activity (SGA) by reason of any medically determinable physical or mental impairment that can be expected to result in death or to last for a continuous period of not less than 12 months. (Special rules apply for workers aged 55 or older whose disability is based on blindness. The 12-month requirement does not apply to SSI beneficiaries who are blind.)
- Individuals are considered to be disabled only if their physical or mental impairment(s) is of such severity that they are not only unable to do their previous work but cannot—because of their age, education, or work experience—engage in any other kind of substantial gainful activity that exists in the national economy, regardless of whether such work exists in the immediate area in which they live, or whether a specific job vacancy exists for them, or whether they would be hired if they applied for work.
- The SGA criterion does not apply to children under age 18 in the Supplemental Security Income program. The standard for them is a medically determinable physical or mental impairment that results in marked and severe functional limitations.
- Disability Determination Services (DDS).** The state agency responsible for developing medical evidence and rendering the initial determination and reconsideration on whether a claimant is disabled or a beneficiary continues to be disabled within the meaning of the law.

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**federal benefit rates (FBR).** The basic benefit standards used in computing the amount of federal SSI payments. Benefit levels differ for individuals and couples living in households and for persons in Medicaid institutions. Individuals or couples living in their own household receive the full federal benefit. The federal benefit is reduced by one-third if an individual or couple is living in another person's household and receiving support and maintenance there. The federal benefit rates are increased annually to reflect increases in the cost of living.

**impairment-related work expenses (IRWE).** The costs of items or services that a disabled person needs to work. The expenses, when paid by the beneficiary, are deducted from his or her gross earnings when determining if the work is considered substantial gainful activity.

**Medicaid institution.** Living arrangement for persons in public or private institutions when more than 50 percent of the cost of care is met by the Medicaid program. In these situations, the monthly federal SSI payment is limited to no more than \$30.

**own household.** Used to determine the federal benefit rate. Applies to adults who own their living quarters, are liable for the rent, pay their pro rata shares of household expenses, are living in households composed only of recipients of public income-maintenance payments, and are placed by agencies in private households. Also applies to children living in their parent's household. See **federal benefit rates**.

**plans to achieve self-support (PASS).** Permits a recipient with an approved PASS to set aside earned or unearned income and resources for a work goal. The income or resources set aside are used to pay for goods or services needed to reach the goal, such as education, vocational training, starting a business, or purchasing work-related equipment. The income and resources that are set aside under a PASS are excluded from SSI income and resource tests, but they do not influence the determination of ability to engage in substantial gainful activity.

**presumptive disability or blindness.** For certain diagnoses, where there is high probability of a favorable medical determination of disability or blindness, payments may be made for up to 6 months before the formal determination, if the applicant meets the nonmedical eligibility requirements.

**representative payee.** A person designated by the Social Security Administration to receive monthly benefit checks on behalf of an adult beneficiary who is unable to manage his or her own funds. A beneficiary under age 18 is generally considered incapable of managing benefit payments, and a representative payee will be selected to receive benefits on the beneficiary's behalf.

**Section 1619(a).** Continuing cash benefits for disabled individuals whose gross earned income is at the amount designated as the substantial gainful activity level. The person must continue to be disabled and meet all other eligibility rules. Also known as special cash payment.

**Section 1619(b).** For Medicaid purposes, provides special status to working disabled or blind individuals when their earnings make them ineligible for cash payments. Also known as special recipient status.

### **SSA administrative regions**

**Boston:** Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Vermont

**New York:** New Jersey, New York, Puerto Rico, and U.S. Virgin Islands

**Philadelphia:** Delaware, District of Columbia, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia, and West Virginia

**Atlanta:** Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Tennessee

**Chicago:** Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio, and Wisconsin

**Dallas:** Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Texas

**Kansas City:** Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, and Nebraska

**Denver:** Colorado, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah, and Wyoming

**San Francisco:** Arizona, California, Hawaii, Nevada, American Samoa, Guam, and Northern Mariana Islands

**Seattle:** Alaska, Idaho, Oregon, and Washington

NOTE: The SSI program does not cover American Samoa, Guam, Puerto Rico, and U.S. Virgin Islands.

**state conversions.** Persons who were eligible for payments under the federal and state adult assistance programs in December 1973 were automatically eligible for SSI payments beginning January 1974.



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**state supplementation.** Payments to eligible persons made under state provisions. These payments may vary by the recipient's living situation and by geographic area within the state. The payments may be administered by the Social Security Administration or the state.

**substantial gainful activity (SGA).** Describes a level of work activity that is productive and yields or usually yields remuneration or profit. The Social Security Administration's regulations establish a dollar amount to indicate whether a person's work is substantial.

**Supplemental Security Income (SSI).** A federal program for low-income aged, blind, and disabled individuals who meet income and resource requirements. Beginning in 1974, SSI replaced the former federal and state programs of Old-Age Assistance, Aid to the Blind, and Aid to the Permanently and Totally Disabled. SSI is funded by general tax revenues, not Social Security taxes.

**suspended benefit.** A payment that has been temporarily stopped until the condition or conditions causing the suspension are known to have ended. The suspension does not affect eligibility for Medicaid benefits.