



Old-Age (retirement), Survivors, and Disability Insurance (OASDI)—popularly referred to as Social Security—provides monthly benefits to workers and their families when earnings stop or are reduced because the worker retires, dies, or becomes disabled. The amount of benefits received is based on the worker’s level of earnings in employment or self-employment covered by the Social Security program.

Table 1.
Number of OASDI beneficiaries with benefits in current-payment status and monthly benefit amount,
December 2003

Congressional district	Number of beneficiaries						Monthly benefit amount (thousands of dollars)			Number of OASDI beneficiaries aged 65 or older
	Total	Retired workers ^a	Disabled workers	Widow(er)s ^b	Wives and husbands	Children	All beneficiaries	Retired workers	Widow(er)s ^b	
Louisiana	731,513	372,854	103,797	106,491	59,256	89,115	556,418	320,564	84,591	473,776
1	112,395	63,660	14,501	15,110	8,326	10,798	93,738	59,050	13,172	77,898
2	93,782	45,071	16,748	12,223	5,069	14,671	67,347	36,963	9,468	54,820
3	109,315	48,946	17,159	16,761	11,277	15,172	84,263	43,537	13,838	66,119
4	109,238	60,539	13,768	15,662	7,938	11,331	81,978	50,210	11,892	74,375
5	113,184	57,945	15,230	17,512	9,092	13,405	80,676	46,244	12,761	74,944
6	87,008	45,393	11,095	12,645	7,060	10,815	68,866	40,827	10,392	57,027
7	106,591	51,300	15,296	16,578	10,494	12,923	79,546	43,730	13,066	68,593
All areas ^c	47,038,391	29,531,615	5,873,673	4,899,704	2,772,576	3,960,823	39,541,474	27,230,628	4,238,982	33,433,599

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

a. Includes special age-72 beneficiaries.

b. Includes nondisabled widow(er)s, disabled widow(er)s, widowed mothers and fathers, and parents.

c. Includes beneficiaries in the 50 states, District of Columbia, American Samoa, Guam, Northern Mariana Islands, Puerto Rico, and Virgin Islands.

Supplemental Security Income (SSI) is a federal cash assistance program that provides monthly payments to low-income aged, blind, or disabled persons in the 50 states, the District of Columbia, and the Northern Mariana Islands.

Table 2.
Number of recipients of federally administered SSI payments and monthly payment amount, December 2003

Congressional district	Number of recipients				Monthly payment amount (thousands of dollars)				Number of recipients	
	Total	Aged	Blind	Disabled	Total	Aged	Blind	Disabled	With OASDI ^a	Aged 65 or older
Louisiana	167,784	20,707	1,792	145,285	67,744	4,036	682	63,025	58,700	39,393
1	17,308	2,092	148	15,068	7,137	454	54	6,628	5,916	3,881
2	33,937	3,352	204	30,381	15,007	754	74	14,177	10,473	6,390
3	22,798	2,404	225	20,169	9,268	449	90	8,728	7,878	4,628
4	23,338	3,640	321	19,377	9,053	672	124	8,256	8,664	6,347
5	29,812	4,484	362	24,966	11,167	811	136	10,220	11,166	8,421
6	17,259	1,785	241	15,233	7,234	366	90	6,777	5,468	3,570
7	23,332	2,950	291	20,091	8,876	527	111	8,237	9,135	6,156
All areas ^b	6,902,364	1,232,778	77,082	5,592,504	3,077,818	424,774	35,646	2,617,398	2,421,362	1,989,737

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

- a. Includes persons who are receiving both SSI payments and Social Security benefits.
- b. Includes recipients in the 50 states, District of Columbia, and Northern Mariana Islands.

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