

*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.—OASDI in Wyoming, December 2002: Number of beneficiaries and monthly benefit amount for benefits in current-payment status

| Congressional district     | Number of beneficiaries |                              |                  |                         |                    |           | Monthly benefit amount (thousands of dollars) |                 |                         | Number of OASDI beneficiaries aged 65 or older |
|----------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|-----------|---|-----------------|-------------------------|--|
|                            | Total                   | Retired workers <sup>1</sup> | Disabled workers | Widow(er)s <sup>2</sup> | Wives and husbands | Children  | All beneficiaries                             | Retired workers | Widow(er)s <sup>2</sup> |  |
| United States, total ..... | 46,444,240              | 29,190,150                   | 5,543,981        | 4,967,155               | 2,832,767          | 3,910,187 | 37,854,411                                    | 26,125,087      | 4,169,125               | 33,162,456                                     |
| Wyoming .....              | 77,751                  | 50,772                       | 8,367            | 7,891                   | 4,904              | 5,817     | 63,948  | 45,236          | 6,821                   | 56,074   |

<sup>1</sup> Includes special age-72 beneficiaries.

<sup>2</sup> Includes nondisabled widow(er)s, disabled widow(er)s, widowed mothers and fathers, and parents.

*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.—SSI in Wyoming, December 2002: Number of persons receiving federally administered payments and monthly benefit amount

| Congressional district     | Number of recipients |           |        |           | Monthly benefit amount (thousands of dollars) |         |        |           | Number of recipients    |                  |
|----------------------------|----------------------|-----------|--------|-----------|---|---------|--------|-----------|-------------------------|------------------|
|                            | Total                | Aged      | Blind  | Disabled  | Total   | Aged    | Blind  | Disabled  | With OASDI <sup>1</sup> | Aged 65 or older |
| United States, total ..... | 6,787,857            | 1,251,528 | 77,658 | 5,458,671 | 2,951,425                                     | 415,574 | 35,144 | 2,500,707 | 2,406,327               | 1,995,284        |
| Wyoming .....              | 5,612                | 527       | 54     | 5,031     | 2,119   | 86      | 20     | 2,013     | 2,182                   | 927              |

<sup>1</sup> Includes persons who are receiving both SSI payments and Social Security benefits.



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