

OASDI Benefits in Current-Payment Status

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

| Month   | All beneficiaries | Widow(er)s<br>and parents <sup>a</sup> | Widowed mothers<br>and fathers <sup>b</sup> | Children |
|---|-------------------|--|---|----------|
| <i>Number (thousands)</i>                           |                   |  |   |          |
| 2005  |                   |  |   |          |
| January   | 6,703             | 4,616                                  | 173   | 1,913    |
| February  | 6,704             | 4,610                                  | 171   | 1,923    |
| March   | 6,713             | 4,606                                  | 173   | 1,934    |
| April   | 6,720             | 4,602                                  | 175   | 1,943    |
| May   | 6,685             | 4,601                                  | 176   | 1,907    |
| June  | 6,641             | 4,602                                  | 178   | 1,861    |
| July  | 6,644             | 4,600                                  | 178   | 1,867    |
| August  | 6,641             | 4,593                                  | 177   | 1,871    |
| September   | 6,649             | 4,593                                  | 179   | 1,877    |
| October   | 6,656             | 4,589                                  | 179   | 1,888    |
| November  | 6,662             | 4,586                                  | 180   | 1,896    |
| December  | 6,653             | 4,571                                  | 178   | 1,904    |
| 2006  |                   |  |   |          |
| January   | 6,617             | 4,539                                  | 166   | 1,912    |
| <i>Total monthly benefits (millions of dollars)</i> |                   |  |   |          |
| 2005  |                   |  |   |          |
| January   | 5,496             | 4,179                                  | 118   | 1,199    |
| February  | 5,500             | 4,177                                  | 117   | 1,207    |
| March   | 5,510             | 4,177                                  | 118   | 1,214    |
| April   | 5,518             | 4,177                                  | 119   | 1,221    |
| May   | 5,500             | 4,180                                  | 121   | 1,199    |
| June  | 5,474             | 4,184                                  | 123   | 1,167    |
| July  | 5,479             | 4,184                                  | 123   | 1,171    |
| August  | 5,479             | 4,181                                  | 123   | 1,175    |
| September   | 5,487             | 4,183                                  | 124   | 1,179    |
| October   | 5,493             | 4,182                                  | 125   | 1,187    |
| November  | 5,501             | 4,182                                  | 125   | 1,194    |
| December  | 5,720             | 4,342                                  | 129   | 1,249    |
| 2006  |                   |  |   |          |
| January   | 5,691             | 4,314                                  | 119   | 1,258    |

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| Month                                    | All beneficiaries | Widow(er)s<br>and parents <sup>a</sup> | Widowed mothers<br>and fathers <sup>b</sup> | Children |
|--|-------------------|--|---|----------|
| <i>Average monthly benefit (dollars)</i> |                   |  |   |          |
| 2005                                     |                   |  |   |          |
| January                                  | 820.00            | 905.40                                 | 680.90                                      | 626.70   |
| February                                 | 820.50            | 906.20                                 | 680.80                                      | 627.50   |
| March                                    | 820.80            | 907.00                                 | 682.10                                      | 628.00   |
| April                                    | 821.20            | 907.70                                 | 683.50                                      | 628.60   |
| May                                      | 822.70            | 908.40                                 | 687.00                                      | 628.60   |
| June                                     | 824.20            | 909.00                                 | 691.60                                      | 627.20   |
| July                                     | 824.60            | 909.60                                 | 692.90                                      | 627.50   |
| August                                   | 824.90            | 910.30                                 | 694.00                                      | 627.80   |
| September                                | 825.20            | 910.80                                 | 695.30                                      | 628.30   |
| October                                  | 825.30            | 911.30                                 | 695.30                                      | 628.70   |
| November                                 | 825.80            | 911.90                                 | 697.10                                      | 629.80   |
| December                                 | 859.80            | 949.80                                 | 724.50                                      | 656.30   |
| 2006                                     |                   |  |   |          |
| January                                  | 860.10            | 950.50                                 | 714.60                                      | 658.10   |

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

NOTES: Data are for the end of the specified month.

Some Social Security beneficiaries are entitled to more than one type of benefit. In most cases, they are dually entitled to a worker benefit and a higher spouse or widow(er) benefit. If both benefits are financed from the same trust fund, the beneficiary is usually counted only once in the statistics, as a retired-worker or a disabled-worker beneficiary, and the benefit amount recorded is the larger amount associated with the auxiliary benefit. If the benefits are paid from different trust funds the beneficiary is counted twice, and the respective benefit amounts are recorded for each type of benefit.

- a. Includes nondisabled widow(er)s aged 60 or older, disabled widow(er)s aged 50 or older, and dependent parents of deceased workers aged 62 or older.
- b. A widow(er) or surviving divorced parent caring for the entitled child of a deceased worker who is under age 16 or is disabled.

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