

**Table 3.**  
**Percentage distribution of recipients and those who work aged 18–64, by diagnostic group,**  
**December 2005**

| Diagnostic group                               | All blind and disabled recipients | Recipients who work <sup>a</sup> |
|--|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Total  |                                   |                                  |
| Number   | 4,082,870                         | 321,327                          |
| Percent  | 100.0                             | 100.0                            |
| Congenital anomalies                           | 0.6                               | 1.4                              |
| Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases | 3.5                               | 1.3                              |
| Infectious and parasitic diseases              | 1.6                               | 1.0                              |
| Injuries                                       | 2.6                               | 1.4                              |
| Mental disorders                               |                                   |                                  |
| Retardation                                    | 21.7                              | 41.5                             |
| Schizophrenia                                  | 9.9                               | 7.1                              |
| Other  | 26.1                              | 17.6                             |
| Neoplasms                                      | 1.1                               | 0.7                              |
| Diseases of the—                               |                                   |                                  |
| Blood and blood-forming organs                 | 0.4                               | 0.4                              |
| Circulatory system                             | 4.5                               | 1.2                              |
| Digestive system                               | 0.9                               | 0.4                              |
| Genitourinary system                           | 1.0                               | 0.6                              |
| Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue   | 10.2                              | 3.4                              |
| Nervous system and sense organs <sup>b</sup>   | 7.8                               | 9.0                              |
| Respiratory system                             | 2.1                               | 0.7                              |
| Skin and subcutaneous tissue                   | 0.2                               | 0.1                              |
| Other  | 0.2                               | 0.3                              |
| Unknown  | 5.6                               | 12.2                             |

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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