

Table 521. Government Transfer Payments to Individuals by Type: 1990 to 2006

[In millions of dollars (561,484 represents \$561,484,000,000)]

Item	1990	1995	2000	2003	2004	2005	2006
Total	561,484	840,034	1,018,106	1,286,001	1,362,992	1,448,181	1,548,090
Retirement & disability insurance benefit payments	264,230	350,310	424,810	493,780	516,830	545,732	578,681
Old age, survivors, & disability insurance	244,135	327,667	401,218	463,406	485,244	512,551	544,118
Railroad retirement and disability	7,221	8,028	8,265	8,855	9,009	9,194	9,518
Workers' compensation payments (federal & state)	8,618	10,530	10,845	14,547	15,240	15,952	16,755
Other government disability insurance & retirement	4,256	4,085	4,482	6,972	7,337	8,035	8,290
Medical payments	188,808	336,506	427,689	556,843	608,682	654,612	719,561
Medicare	107,638	179,147	219,612	277,932	302,804	332,757	402,276
Public assistance medical care ²	78,176	155,007	205,021	273,916	300,074	315,618	310,445
Military medical insurance ³	2,994	2,352	3,056	4,995	5,804	6,237	6,840
Income maintenance benefit payments	63,481	100,443	106,616	133,199	143,631	158,139	160,773
Supplemental Security Income (SSI)	16,670	27,726	31,675	35,703	37,299	38,779	40,414
Family assistance ⁴	19,187	22,637	18,440	18,367	18,371	18,216	18,249
Food stamps	14,741	22,447	14,896	22,127	25,631	29,528	29,399
Other income maintenance ⁵	12,883	27,633	41,605	57,002	62,330	71,616	72,711
Unemployment insurance benefit payments	18,208	21,838	20,680	53,581	37,081	32,285	30,898
State unemployment insurance compensation	17,644	20,937	19,913	52,364	35,595	31,010	29,607
Unemployment compensation for federal civilian employees	215	339	226	333	281	224	218
Unemployment compensation for railroad employees	89	62	81	94	79	72	78
Unemployment compensation for veterans	144	320	182	365	431	446	447
Other unemployment compensation ⁶	116	180	278	425	695	533	548
Veterans benefit payments	17,687	20,546	24,935	31,610	34,076	36,484	39,065
Veterans pension and disability	15,550	17,565	21,895	27,955	30,224	32,618	35,204
Veterans readjustment ⁷	257	1,086	1,323	1,936	2,158	2,256	2,292
Veterans life insurance benefits	1,868	1,884	1,707	1,707	1,682	1,596	1,554
Other assistance to veterans ⁸	12	11	10	12	12	14	15
Federal education & training assistance payments ⁹	7,300	9,007	10,985	13,946	15,045	15,968	15,909
Other payments to individuals ¹⁰	1,770	1,384	2,391	3,042	7,647	4,961	3,203

¹ Consists largely of temporary disability payments, pension benefit guaranty payments, and black lung payments. ² Consists of medicaid and other medical vendor payments. ³ Consists of payments made under the TriCare Management Program (formerly called CHAMPUS) for the medical care of dependents of active duty military personnel and of retired military personnel and their dependents at nonmilitary medical facilities. ⁴ Through 1995, consists of emergency assistance and aid to families with dependent children. Beginning with 1998, consists of benefits—generally known as temporary assistance for needy families—provided under the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996. ⁵ Consists largely of general assistance expenditures for food under the supplemental program for women, infants, and children; refugee assistance; foster home care and adoption assistance; earned income tax credits; and energy assistance. ⁶ Consists of trade readjustment allowance payments, Redwood Park benefit payments, public service employment benefit payments, and transitional benefit payments. ⁷ Consists largely of veterans' readjustment benefit payments, educational assistance to spouses and children of disabled or deceased veterans, payments to paraplegics, and payments for autos and conveyances for disabled veterans. ⁸ Consists largely of state and local government payments to veterans. ⁹ Excludes veterans. Consists largely of federal fellowship payments (National Science Foundation fellowships and traineeships, subsistence payments to state maritime academy cadets, and other federal fellowships), interest subsidy on higher education loans, basic educational opportunity grants, and Job Corps payments. ¹⁰ Consists largely of Bureau of Indian Affairs payments, education exchange payments, Alaska Permanent Fund dividend payments, compensation of survivors of public safety officers, compensation of victims of crime, disaster relief payments, compensation for Japanese internment, and other special payments to individuals.