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 total monthly benefits, December 2007

Congressional district	Number of beneficiaries						Total monthly benefits (thousands of dollars)			Number of beneficiaries aged 65 or older
	Total	Retired workers [a]	Disabled workers	Widow(er)s [b]	Spouses [c]	Children [d]	All beneficiaries	Retired workers	Widow(er)s [b]	
Louisiana	735,263	378,666	121,444	96,724	53,665	84,764	660,195	381,393	90,179	472,690
1	114,423	65,091	16,830	14,270	7,542	10,690	111,362	69,761	14,560	78,663
2	65,518	33,192	12,546	7,752	3,357	8,671	56,878	32,492	7,146	39,462
3	105,934	47,837	19,372	14,805	10,033	13,887	95,877	49,627	14,284	63,761
4	113,989	63,170	17,623	14,252	7,209	11,735	100,613	61,415	12,666	76,057
5	111,996	57,737	18,183	15,236	7,824	13,016	94,553	54,347	13,051	72,687
6	107,918	55,634	17,546	13,953	7,692	13,093	99,220	57,744	13,276	68,672
7	115,485	56,005	19,344	16,456	10,008	13,672	101,690	56,008	15,197	73,388
All areas [e]	49,864,838	31,527,728	7,098,723	4,602,812	2,584,884	4,050,691	49,218,145	34,004,494	4,657,266	35,119,015

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

a. Excludes special age-72 beneficiaries.

b. Includes nondisabled widow(er)s, disabled widow(er)s, widowed mothers and fathers, and parents receiving payment on the record of a worker who is deceased.

c. These beneficiaries receive payment on the record of a worker who is retired or disabled.

d. These beneficiaries receive payment on the record of a worker who is retired, deceased, or disabled.

e. Includes beneficiaries in the 50 states, District of Columbia, American Samoa, Guam, Northern Mariana Islands, Puerto Rico, U.S. Virgin Islands, and foreign countries.

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 total monthly payments, December 2007

Congressional district	Number of recipients				Total monthly payments (thousands of dollars)				Number of recipients	
	Total	Aged	Blind	Disabled	Total	Aged	Blind	Disabled	With OASDI [a]	Aged 65 or older
Louisiana	162,760	16,261	1,564	144,935	75,473	3,551	652	71,270	55,595	33,847
1	16,892	1,701	138	15,053	7,749	409	58	7,282	5,857	3,507
2	20,742	1,877	101	18,764	10,409	513	46	9,851	6,382	3,791
3	22,794	1,968	187	20,639	10,911	423	83	10,405	7,839	4,157
4	25,522	3,023	278	22,221	11,647	603	113	10,931	8,831	5,714
5	29,193	3,334	340	25,519	12,711	673	143	11,895	10,253	6,736
6	22,848	1,910	258	20,680	10,854	437	101	10,316	7,207	4,211
7	24,769	2,448	262	22,059	11,191	492	108	10,591	9,226	5,731
All areas [b]	7,359,525	1,204,512	71,727	6,083,286	3,735,792	465,272	36,571	3,233,949	2,568,637	2,016,588

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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