Table 4.

OASI survivors benefits, by type of beneficiary, September 2006–September 2007

Month		Widow(er)s	Widowed mothers				
	All beneficiaries	and parents ^a	and fathers ^b	Children			
	Number (thousands)						
2006							
September	6,562	4,518	172	1,872			
October	6,566	4,511	172	1,883			
November	6,566	4,503	172	1,890			
December	6,566	4,496	171	1,899			
2007							
January	6,537	4,472	159	1,906			
February	6,547	4,472	161	1,914			
March	6,559	4,471	162	1,926			
April	6,571	4,471	164	1,936			
May	6,576	4,470	166	1,940			
June	6,529	4,463	167	1,899			
July	6,472	4,455	166	1,850			
August	6,475	4,455	167	1,853			
September	6,474	4,449	163	1,862			
	То	tal monthly benefits (millions of dollars)				
2006							
September	5,680	4,320	126	1,235			
October	5,684	4,315	126	1,243			
November	5,686	4,310	126	1,249			
December	5,875	4,447	130	1,298			
2007							
January	5,852	4,427	119	1,306			
February	5,864	4,431	120	1,313			
March	5,877	4,434	122	1,322			
April	5,889	4,437	123	1,330			
May	5,897	4,439	124	1,333			
June	5,867	4,436	126	1,305			
July	5,827	4,432	126	1,269			
August	5,833	4,434	127	1,272			
September	5,834	4,431	124	1,279			
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Month		Widow(er)s	Widowed mothers			
	All beneficiaries	and parents ^a	and fathers ^b	Children		
	Average monthly benefit (dollars)					
2006						
September	865.70	956.10	732.00	659.70		
October	865.70	956.50	731.70	660.10		
November	866.00	957.10	733.70	661.10		
December	894.80	989.30	756.60	683.70		
2007						
January	895.20	989.90	745.90	685.30		
February	895.70	990.90	747.40	685.80		
March	896.00	991.60	748.40	686.30		
April	896.30	992.40	749.30	686.90		
May	896.80	993.10	750.40	687.30		
June	898.60	994.00	754.60	687.10		
July	900.40	994.70	759.70	685.80		
August	900.90	995.40	761.70	686.30		
September	901.10	996.00	762.20	686.60		

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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