

Electronic File Format for Form BA-3 Grand Total Record

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The grand total record is required and should be the last record on the tape. If sub-total records are used, the grand totals are the sum of the sub-totals.

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Field Length	Tape Positions	Data and Instructions
10	1-10	"888888888" (10 eights-type of record code).
5	11-15	"GRAND"
7	16-22	A grand total item count for that particular sub-division of the report.
13	23-35	A grand total of creditable RUIA I creditable compensation for that particular sub-division of the report.
13	36-48	A grand total of creditable RUIA II maximum benefit compensation for that particular sub-division of the report.
13	49-61	A grand total of creditable Tier I RRA compensation for that particular sub-division of the report.
13	62-74	A grand total of creditable Tier II RRA compensation for that particular sub-division of the report.
13	75-87	A grand total of creditable Miscellaneous compensation for that particular sub-division of the report.
13	88-100	A grand total of creditable Sick Pay compensation for that particular sub-division of the report.
200	101-300	Blank or zeros.

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