

**Table 41.**  
**All applications, by age of applicant, 1973–2003**

Year	All ages <sup>a</sup>	Under 18	18–64	65 or older
Total	52,112,230	7,164,790	35,536,950	9,410,490
State conversions <sup>b</sup>	3,406,600	3,650	1,424,010	1,978,940
Federal applications				
1973	284,930	5,030	82,820	197,080
1974	2,060,590	124,300	1,096,130	840,160
1975	1,467,960	100,030	976,840	391,090
1976	1,212,810	84,360	866,720	261,730
1977	1,272,360	95,610	904,150	272,600
1978	1,268,170	99,460	905,340	263,370
1979	1,325,270	108,000	950,980	266,290
1980	1,410,080	113,200	1,016,750	280,130
1981	1,149,290	95,010	863,670	190,610
1982	1,016,080	94,680	775,240	146,160
1983	1,132,220	101,560	832,540	198,120
1984	1,264,480	104,860	866,420	293,200
1985	1,401,400	120,640	1,047,930	232,830
1986	1,465,970	125,270	1,099,220	241,480
1987	1,433,340	124,910	1,068,890	239,540
1988	1,360,870	125,280	1,008,200	227,390
1989	1,392,660	132,080	1,016,430	244,150
1990	1,550,990	163,610	1,136,160	251,220
1991	1,808,690	247,460	1,315,160	246,070
1992	2,086,820	380,350	1,460,520	245,950
1993	2,308,770	503,800	1,567,730	237,240
1994	2,256,640	541,150	1,512,310	203,180
1995	2,062,590	502,940	1,380,090	179,560
1996	1,915,520	462,710	1,285,630	167,180
1997	1,594,630	332,940	1,130,410	131,280
1998	1,626,210	337,300	1,141,180	147,730
1999	1,658,400	350,070	1,148,740	159,590
2000	1,742,630	358,800	1,224,540	159,290
2001	1,859,990	376,170	1,323,020	160,800
2002	2,084,730	413,330	1,492,740	178,660
2003	2,230,540	436,230	1,616,440	177,870

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 10 percent sample.

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- b. Persons who were converted in 1973 from the state Old-Age Assistance, Aid to the Blind, and Aid to the Permanently and Totally Disabled programs to the SSI program.

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## Applications

**Table 42.**  
**Applications for children under age 18, by selected characteristics, 1995–2003**

Characteristic	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Total <sup>a</sup>	502,940	462,710	332,940	337,300	350,070	358,800	376,170	413,330	436,230
Age									
Under 5	162,340	154,970	122,280	121,410	124,030	124,520	131,730	141,190	145,730
5–12	245,990	226,150	154,110	159,630	166,880	172,420	178,790	195,760	208,490
13–17	94,610	81,590	56,550	56,260	59,160	61,860	65,650	76,380	82,010
Sex									
Male	318,940	290,610	207,840	209,590	219,700	224,270	233,730	257,880	273,230
Female	184,000	172,100	125,100	127,710	130,370	134,530	142,440	155,450	163,000
Citizenship status									
Citizen	500,000	460,020	331,530	335,140	347,760	356,730	374,060	411,120	434,370
Noncitizen	2,940	2,690	1,410	2,160	2,310	2,070	2,110	2,210	1,860
SSA administrative region									
Boston	17,030	14,820	11,450	11,800	11,630	12,510	11,810	13,010	13,200
New York	56,230	51,120	35,500	35,110	33,640	33,270	33,980	35,430	36,070
Philadelphia	46,190	45,080	33,140	33,830	35,560	34,860	37,720	41,100	43,130
Atlanta	130,060	117,260	85,550	86,950	91,330	98,260	105,210	115,970	119,010
Chicago	96,280	88,910	62,870	63,310	64,880	67,130	69,550	76,090	83,350
Dallas	72,930	65,240	46,030	44,500	48,470	48,950	50,900	58,660	66,000
Kansas City	23,920	21,680	15,000	14,890	16,040	14,280	15,570	16,930	16,180
Denver	9,710	9,110	6,660	5,980	5,950	6,110	6,190	6,660	7,220
San Francisco	38,960	38,730	29,950	33,050	34,120	34,270	35,720	39,140	41,740
Seattle	11,060	10,140	6,540	7,650	8,300	9,040	9,380	10,260	10,240
Unknown	570	620	250	230	150	120	140	80	90

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 10 percent sample.

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**Table 43.**  
**Applications for adults aged 18–64, by selected characteristics, 1995–2003**

Characteristic	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Total <sup>a</sup>	1,380,090	1,285,630	1,130,410	1,141,180	1,148,740	1,224,540	1,323,020	1,492,740	1,616,440
Age									
18–21	95,680	93,050	80,090	80,920	84,520	88,570	100,860	110,930	116,220
22–29	191,360	169,750	137,950	135,000	130,390	136,900	147,580	169,870	182,500
30–39	369,810	332,740	279,870	272,260	265,820	271,980	282,170	308,820	317,400
40–49	346,920	340,490	312,200	318,350	327,880	356,800	387,270	439,250	474,740
50–59	287,770	271,000	252,320	259,970	264,660	290,360	320,390	367,860	416,860
60–64	88,550	78,600	67,980	74,680	75,470	79,930	84,750	96,010	108,720
Sex									
Men	690,980	632,440	550,960	550,360	551,620	591,580	643,540	733,980	797,690
Women	689,110	653,190	579,450	590,820	597,120	632,960	679,480	758,760	818,750
Citizenship status									
Citizen	1,297,050	1,220,060	1,088,560	1,071,380	1,077,840	1,155,200	1,252,960	1,419,220	1,542,720
Noncitizen	83,040	65,570	41,850	69,800	70,900	69,340	70,060	73,520	73,720
SSA administrative region									
Boston	64,630	60,890	51,440	49,710	48,660	48,640	52,510	56,290	64,840
New York	139,090	129,690	113,410	113,010	109,720	108,600	118,010	122,190	122,470
Philadelphia	128,670	121,870	109,790	109,940	111,800	115,410	125,330	141,400	155,980
Atlanta	334,140	320,790	283,700	283,130	284,450	315,360	341,060	378,350	398,060
Chicago	220,430	190,920	169,170	169,140	168,610	188,600	208,580	243,720	272,570
Dallas	168,640	160,280	140,000	141,490	146,920	158,610	172,400	203,390	225,520
Kansas City	61,920	60,040	55,450	52,280	54,230	59,350	64,640	73,510	77,320
Denver	29,930	28,800	25,110	24,890	25,000	27,020	28,670	32,580	35,960
San Francisco	189,030	170,910	146,370	159,830	158,750	157,690	163,670	188,260	206,850
Seattle	42,000	39,590	35,050	36,800	39,850	44,420	47,170	51,860	55,500
Unknown	1,610	1,850	920	960	750	840	980	1,190	1,370

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 10 percent sample.

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**Table 44.**  
**Applications for adults aged 65 or older, by selected characteristics, 1995–2003**

Characteristic	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Total <sup>a</sup>	179,560	167,180	131,280	147,730	159,590	159,290	160,800	178,660	177,870
Age									
65–69	102,760	92,710	74,540	81,600	87,720	87,310	88,290	95,280	95,970
70–74	32,300	32,270	23,900	28,860	31,820	32,040	33,070	39,080	37,890
75 or older	44,500	42,200	32,840	37,270	40,050	39,940	39,440	44,300	44,010
Sex									
Men	64,980	61,540	47,300	54,420	59,870	60,070	60,800	69,090	69,380
Women	114,580	105,640	83,980	93,310	99,720	99,220	100,000	109,570	108,490
Citizenship status									
Citizen	131,300	122,530	104,950	98,940	106,730	109,440	109,010	116,770	118,630
Noncitizen	48,260	44,650	26,330	48,790	52,860	49,850	51,790	61,890	59,240
SSA administrative region									
Boston	6,390	6,610	5,480	6,250	6,280	6,090	5,940	6,090	6,910
New York	23,730	23,180	17,740	21,320	22,300	22,720	24,200	25,800	25,300
Philadelphia	13,310	12,230	9,310	10,510	11,890	11,620	11,010	11,280	11,290
Atlanta	41,990	37,500	29,800	30,340	32,130	31,580	31,100	35,680	32,660
Chicago	16,430	12,610	10,030	11,190	12,260	12,690	12,380	12,120	13,050
Dallas	22,260	20,220	17,110	18,220	19,830	19,520	21,250	23,400	22,770
Kansas City	4,360	3,860	3,140	2,990	2,880	3,380	2,990	2,940	2,950
Denver	2,650	2,540	2,060	2,080	2,370	2,550	2,360	2,620	2,780
San Francisco	44,810	44,640	33,810	41,450	45,550	45,090	45,760	54,880	55,710
Seattle	3,580	3,670	2,760	3,330	4,090	4,040	3,800	3,840	4,450
Unknown	50	120	40	50	10	10	10	10	0

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 10 percent sample.

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**Table 45.**  
**All applications, by state or other area and age of applicant, 2003**

State or area	Total	Under 18	18-64	65 or older
All areas	2,230,540	436,230	1,616,440	177,870
Alabama	51,210	13,240	36,280	1,690
Alaska	5,130	470	3,640	1,020
Arizona	33,470	5,530	26,190	1,750
Arkansas	33,230	8,060	24,150	1,020
California	250,590	33,390	166,170	51,030
Colorado	21,050	3,040	16,440	1,570
Connecticut	16,790	2,570	13,150	1,070
Delaware	5,100	1,240	3,640	220
District of Columbia	5,810	1,260	4,240	310
Florida	146,140	32,740	97,190	16,210
Georgia	73,250	15,970	53,590	3,690
Hawaii	5,040	590	3,540	910
Idaho	8,750	1,690	6,780	280
Illinois	88,820	21,200	62,900	4,720
Indiana	46,380	10,280	35,210	890
Iowa	18,300	2,780	14,890	630
Kansas	18,780	3,110	15,040	630
Kentucky	53,390	10,180	41,420	1,790
Louisiana	58,190	15,760	40,230	2,200
Maine	8,870	1,260	7,230	380
Maryland	37,090	5,970	29,110	2,010
Massachusetts	43,090	6,460	32,140	4,490
Michigan	72,280	17,300	52,750	2,230
Minnesota	24,330	4,560	18,360	1,410
Mississippi	46,760	11,830	33,350	1,580
Missouri	47,580	8,430	37,970	1,180
Montana	5,570	990	4,390	190
Nebraska	11,790	1,860	9,420	510
Nevada	15,040	2,170	10,900	1,970
New Hampshire	5,090	650	4,330	110
New Jersey	46,150	9,050	31,310	5,790
New Mexico	14,540	2,480	11,040	1,020
New York	137,690	27,020	91,160	19,510
North Carolina	80,040	15,880	60,400	3,760
North Dakota	3,080	380	2,540	160
Ohio	99,530	21,650	75,300	2,580
Oklahoma	28,680	5,690	21,900	1,090
Oregon	21,010	2,560	17,390	1,060
Pennsylvania	96,320	22,430	68,270	5,620
Rhode Island	7,700	1,680	5,290	730

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**Table 45.**  
**All applications, by state or other area and age of applicant, 2003—Continued**

State or area	Total	Under 18	18–64	65 or older
South Carolina	37,900	8,570	27,830	1,500
South Dakota	4,540	740	3,450	350
Tennessee	61,040	10,600	48,000	2,440
Texas	179,650	34,010	128,200	17,440
Utah	9,110	1,710	7,000	400
Vermont	3,410	580	2,700	130
Virginia	43,830	8,690	32,640	2,500
Washington	35,300	5,520	27,690	2,090
West Virginia	22,250	3,540	18,080	630
Wisconsin	37,630	8,360	28,050	1,220
Wyoming	2,610	360	2,140	110
Outlying area				
Northern Mariana Islands	160	60	50	50
Unknown	1,460	90	1,370	0

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 10 percent sample.

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**Table 46.**  
**All applicants, by year of first application and age, 1973–2003**

Year	All ages <sup>a</sup>	Under 18	18–64	65 or older
Total	35,944,110	5,695,910	23,095,300	7,152,900
State conversions <sup>b</sup>	3,406,600	3,650	1,424,010	1,978,940
Federal applications				
1973	282,270	4,970	81,850	195,450
1974	1,997,130	122,170	1,061,670	813,290
1975	1,300,670	93,480	859,400	347,790
1976	973,420	75,950	684,750	212,720
1977	941,300	82,180	658,930	200,190
1978	896,610	84,360	629,240	183,010
1979	914,350	90,170	639,040	185,140
1980	936,350	91,700	654,580	190,070
1981	722,170	75,390	528,580	118,200
1982	604,290	72,760	449,350	82,180
1983	643,870	78,830	465,190	99,850
1984	735,850	81,580	485,400	168,870
1985	859,290	92,560	627,390	139,340
1986	930,260	98,590	687,520	144,150
1987	891,320	96,940	652,920	141,460
1988	835,650	95,380	603,060	137,210
1989	855,140	100,470	606,990	147,680
1990	981,590	127,430	696,700	157,460
1991	1,199,860	207,940	835,810	156,110
1992	1,455,720	339,210	954,900	161,610
1993	1,620,200	439,860	1,027,300	153,040
1994	1,568,700	460,050	979,480	129,170
1995	1,385,000	407,220	863,230	114,550
1996	1,242,710	359,030	778,990	104,690
1997	980,380	254,320	645,750	80,310
1998	982,570	249,810	642,260	90,500
1999	993,590	256,080	638,450	99,060
2000	1,034,360	258,000	677,230	99,130
2001	1,125,740	273,350	751,380	101,010
2002	1,275,550	301,690	861,610	112,250
2003	1,371,600	320,790	942,340	108,470

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 10 percent sample.

NOTE: Data include only the first application for each person.

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