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**Table 29.**  
**Recipients, by eligibility category, December 1982–2008**

| Year | Total   |                                  | Aged    |                                  | Blind and disabled |                                  |
|------|---------|----------------------------------|---------|----------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------|
|      | Number  | Percentage of all SSI recipients | Number  | Percentage of all SSI recipients | Number             | Percentage of all SSI recipients |
| 1982 | 127,900 | 3.3                              | 91,900  | 5.9                              | 36,000             | 1.6                              |
| 1983 | 151,200 | 3.9                              | 106,600 | 7.0                              | 44,600             | 1.9                              |
| 1984 | 181,100 | 4.5                              | 127,600 | 8.3                              | 53,500             | 2.1                              |
| 1985 | 210,800 | 5.1                              | 146,500 | 9.7                              | 64,300             | 2.4                              |
| 1986 | 244,300 | 5.7                              | 165,300 | 11.2                             | 79,000             | 2.8                              |
| 1987 | 282,500 | 6.4                              | 188,000 | 12.9                             | 94,500             | 3.2                              |
| 1988 | 320,300 | 7.2                              | 213,900 | 14.9                             | 106,400            | 3.5                              |
| 1989 | 370,300 | 8.1                              | 245,700 | 17.1                             | 124,600            | 4.0                              |
| 1990 | 435,600 | 9.0                              | 282,400 | 19.4                             | 153,200            | 4.6                              |
| 1991 | 519,660 | 10.2                             | 329,690 | 22.5                             | 189,970            | 5.2                              |
| 1992 | 601,430 | 10.8                             | 372,930 | 25.4                             | 228,500            | 5.6                              |
| 1993 | 683,150 | 11.4                             | 416,420 | 28.2                             | 266,730            | 5.9                              |
| 1994 | 738,140 | 11.7                             | 440,000 | 30.0                             | 298,140            | 6.2                              |
| 1995 | 785,410 | 12.1                             | 459,220 | 31.8                             | 326,190            | 6.3                              |
| 1996 | 724,990 | 11.0                             | 417,360 | 29.5                             | 307,630            | 5.9                              |
| 1997 | 650,830 | 10.0                             | 367,200 | 27.0                             | 283,630            | 5.5                              |
| 1998 | 669,630 | 10.2                             | 364,980 | 27.4                             | 304,650            | 5.8                              |
| 1999 | 684,930 | 10.4                             | 368,330 | 28.2                             | 316,600            | 6.0                              |
| 2000 | 692,590 | 10.5                             | 364,470 | 28.3                             | 328,120            | 6.2                              |
| 2001 | 695,650 | 10.4                             | 364,550 | 28.9                             | 331,100            | 6.1                              |
| 2002 | 703,515 | 10.4                             | 364,827 | 29.1                             | 338,688            | 6.1                              |
| 2003 | 696,772 | 10.1                             | 356,298 | 28.9                             | 340,474            | 6.0                              |
| 2004 | 676,979 | 9.7                              | 342,220 | 28.3                             | 334,759            | 5.8                              |
| 2005 | 680,397 | 9.6                              | 344,166 | 28.3                             | 336,231            | 5.7                              |
| 2006 | 674,250 | 9.3                              | 339,073 | 28.0                             | 335,177            | 5.6                              |
| 2007 | 663,210 | 9.0                              | 330,665 | 27.5                             | 332,545            | 5.4                              |
| 2008 | 655,988 | 8.7                              | 324,271 | 26.9                             | 331,717            | 5.3                              |

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

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**Table 30.**  
**Recipients, by selected characteristics and citizenship status, December 2008**

| Characteristic                             | All recipients |         | Citizens  |         | Noncitizens |         |
|--|----------------|---------|-----------|---------|-------------|---------|
|  | Number         | Percent | Number    | Percent | Number      | Percent |
| Total                                      | 7,520,501      | 100.0   | 6,864,513 | 100.0   | 655,988     | 100.0   |
| Age  |                |         |           |         |             |         |
| Under 18                                   | 1,153,844      | 15.3    | 1,151,260 | 16.8    | 2,584       | 0.4     |
| 18–21                                      | 331,210        | 4.4     | 328,577   | 4.8     | 2,633       | 0.4     |
| 22–25                                      | 290,376        | 3.9     | 286,289   | 4.2     | 4,087       | 0.6     |
| 26–29                                      | 264,746        | 3.5     | 259,377   | 3.8     | 5,369       | 0.8     |
| 30–39                                      | 647,166        | 8.6     | 628,700   | 9.2     | 18,466      | 2.8     |
| 40–49                                      | 1,015,976      | 13.5    | 978,301   | 14.3    | 37,675      | 5.7     |
| 50–59                                      | 1,254,450      | 16.7    | 1,174,875 | 17.1    | 79,575      | 12.1    |
| 60–64                                      | 529,172        | 7.0     | 473,743   | 6.9     | 55,429      | 8.4     |
| 65–74                                      | 1,026,340      | 13.7    | 827,327   | 12.1    | 199,013     | 30.3    |
| 75 or older                                | 1,007,221      | 13.4    | 756,064   | 11.0    | 251,157     | 38.3    |
| Sex  |                |         |           |         |             |         |
| Male                                       | 3,330,178      | 44.3    | 3,081,002 | 44.9    | 249,176     | 38.0    |
| Female                                     | 4,190,323      | 55.7    | 3,783,511 | 55.1    | 406,812     | 62.0    |
| Living arrangement                         |                |         |           |         |             |         |
| Own household                              | 6,024,433      | 80.1    | 5,446,531 | 79.3    | 577,902     | 88.1    |
| Another's household                        | 387,017        | 5.1     | 322,373   | 4.7     | 64,644      | 9.9     |
| Parent's household                         | 966,673        | 12.9    | 964,131   | 14.0    | 2,542       | 0.4     |
| Medicaid institution                       | 135,683        | 1.8     | 125,222   | 1.8     | 10,461      | 1.6     |
| Unknown                                    | 6,695          | 0.1     | 6,256     | 0.1     | 439         | 0.1     |
| Income                                     |                |         |           |         |             |         |
| Social Security                            | 2,612,560      | 34.7    | 2,388,320 | 34.8    | 224,240     | 34.2    |
| Worker beneficiary                         | 1,832,756      | 24.4    | 1,665,926 | 24.3    | 166,830     | 25.4    |
| Auxiliary beneficiary                      | 779,804        | 10.4    | 722,394   | 10.5    | 57,410      | 8.8     |
| Earnings                                   | 272,538        | 3.6     | 263,828   | 3.8     | 8,710       | 1.3     |
| SSI payment                                |                |         |           |         |             |         |
| Federal SSI only                           | 5,176,902      | 68.8    | 4,900,905 | 71.4    | 275,997     | 42.1    |
| State supplementation only                 | 301,489        | 4.0     | 263,008   | 3.8     | 38,481      | 5.9     |
| Both federal SSI and state supplementation | 2,042,110      | 27.2    | 1,700,600 | 24.8    | 341,510     | 52.1    |

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**Table 31.**  
**Recipients, by state or other area, eligibility category, and age, December 2008**

| State or area        | Total   | Category |                    | Age      |         |             |
|----------------------|---------|----------|--------------------|----------|---------|-------------|
|                      |         | Aged     | Blind and disabled | Under 18 | 18-64   | 65 or older |
| All areas            | 655,988 | 324,271  | 331,717            | 2,584    | 203,234 | 450,170     |
| Alabama              | 800     | 404      | 396                | 7        | 229     | 564         |
| Alaska               | 801     | 312      | 489                | 10       | 324     | 467         |
| Arizona              | 10,033  | 4,738    | 5,295              | 53       | 3,303   | 6,677       |
| Arkansas             | 717     | 332      | 385                | a        | a       | 449         |
| California           | 244,562 | 120,021  | 124,541            | 419      | 74,315  | 169,828     |
| Colorado             | 4,725   | 2,408    | 2,317              | 22       | 1,388   | 3,315       |
| Connecticut          | 3,836   | 1,890    | 1,946              | 11       | 1,125   | 2,700       |
| Delaware             | 353     | 215      | 138                | a        | a       | 271         |
| District of Columbia | 670     | 298      | 372                | 3        | 261     | 406         |
| Florida              | 67,426  | 36,453   | 30,973             | 423      | 19,949  | 47,054      |
| Georgia              | 6,181   | 3,664    | 2,517              | 39       | 1,410   | 4,732       |
| Hawaii               | 2,735   | 1,743    | 992                | a        | a       | 2,109       |
| Idaho                | 922     | 413      | 509                | 23       | 330     | 569         |
| Illinois             | 16,804  | 8,728    | 8,076              | 47       | 4,408   | 12,349      |
| Indiana              | 1,182   | 645      | 537                | 24       | 316     | 842         |
| Iowa                 | 1,005   | 423      | 582                | 7        | 331     | 667         |
| Kansas               | 1,368   | 622      | 746                | 10       | 425     | 933         |
| Kentucky             | 1,205   | 575      | 630                | 47       | 424     | 734         |
| Louisiana            | 1,942   | 936      | 1,006              | 7        | 590     | 1,345       |
| Maine                | 622     | 142      | 480                | 20       | 331     | 271         |
| Maryland             | 5,844   | 3,796    | 2,048              | 18       | 1,135   | 4,691       |
| Massachusetts        | 18,401  | 10,673   | 7,728              | 66       | 7,131   | 11,204      |
| Michigan             | 7,831   | 3,255    | 4,576              | 87       | 2,560   | 5,184       |
| Minnesota            | 8,620   | 2,845    | 5,775              | 172      | 4,007   | 4,441       |
| Mississippi          | 378     | 182      | 196                | a        | a       | 272         |
| Missouri             | 2,059   | 966      | 1,093              | 34       | 681     | 1,344       |
| Montana              | 126     | 35       | 91                 | 0        | 55      | 71          |
| Nebraska             | 853     | 375      | 478                | 20       | 285     | 548         |
| Nevada               | 4,011   | 2,841    | 1,170              | 10       | 1,053   | 2,948       |
| New Hampshire        | 434     | 191      | 243                | 5        | 155     | 274         |
| New Jersey           | 19,011  | 10,596   | 8,415              | 67       | 4,911   | 14,033      |
| New Mexico           | 5,220   | 2,327    | 25,893             | 5        | 1,703   | 3,512       |
| New York             | 92,873  | 42,160   | 50,713             | 288      | 31,049  | 61,536      |
| North Carolina       | 3,826   | 1,908    | 1,918              | 39       | 1,100   | 2,687       |
| North Dakota         | 138     | 51       | 87                 | 6        | 63      | 69          |
| Ohio                 | 3,965   | 1,935    | 2,030              | 57       | 1,133   | 2,775       |
| Oklahoma             | 1,517   | 839      | 678                | 8        | 399     | 1,110       |
| Oregon               | 4,154   | 2,002    | 2,152              | 40       | 1,209   | 2,905       |
| Pennsylvania         | 10,879  | 4,215    | 6,664              | 79       | 3,976   | 6,824       |
| Rhode Island         | 3,613   | 1,246    | 2,367              | 8        | 1,560   | 2,045       |
| South Carolina       | 916     | 461      | 455                | 3        | 267     | 646         |
| South Dakota         | 176     | 51       | 125                | 11       | 82      | 83          |
| Tennessee            | 1,631   | 857      | 774                | 31       | 447     | 1,153       |
| Texas                | 67,789  | 34,771   | 33,018             | 155      | 20,192  | 47,442      |
| Utah                 | 1,477   | 700      | 777                | 25       | 463     | 989         |

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**Table 31.**  
**Recipients, by state or other area, eligibility category, and age, December 2008—Continued**

| State or area            | Total  | Category |                    | Age      |       |             |
|--------------------------|--------|----------|--------------------|----------|-------|-------------|
|                          |        | Aged     | Blind and disabled | Under 18 | 18–64 | 65 or older |
| Vermont                  | 187    | 66       | 121                | a        | a     | 100         |
| Virginia                 | 5,900  | 3,632    | 2,268              | 26       | 1,242 | 4,632       |
| Washington               | 12,113 | 4,916    | 7,197              | 96       | 3,948 | 8,069       |
| West Virginia            | 125    | 57       | 68                 | 0        | 49    | 76          |
| Wisconsin                | 3,977  | 1,333    | 2,644              | 48       | 1,743 | 2,186       |
| Wyoming                  | 46     | 18       | 28                 | 0        | 16    | 30          |
| Outlying area            |        |          |                    |          |       |             |
| Northern Mariana Islands | 9      | 9        | 0                  | 0        | 0     | 9           |

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a. Data not shown to avoid disclosure of information for particular individuals.

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**Table 32.**  
**Recipients, by region and country of origin, eligibility category, and age, December 2008**

| Region and country of origin | Total   | Category |                    | Age      |         |             |
|------------------------------|---------|----------|--------------------|----------|---------|-------------|
|                              |         | Aged     | Blind and disabled | Under 18 | 18-64   | 65 or older |
| All areas                    | 655,988 | 324,271  | 331,717            | 2,584    | 203,234 | 450,170     |
| Latin America                | 362,058 | 179,249  | 182,809            | 989      | 119,044 | 242,025     |
| Mexico                       | 185,995 | 94,721   | 91,274             | 255      | 57,388  | 128,352     |
| Cuba                         | 49,840  | 24,830   | 25,010             | 326      | 16,038  | 33,476      |
| Dominican Republic           | 44,761  | 15,972   | 28,789             | 199      | 20,088  | 24,474      |
| El Salvador                  | 14,239  | 8,292    | 5,947              | 13       | 3,885   | 10,341      |
| Haiti                        | 12,890  | 7,830    | 5,060              | 71       | 3,327   | 9,492       |
| Other                        | 54,333  | 27,604   | 26,729             | 125      | 18,318  | 35,890      |
| Africa                       | 13,889  | 5,615    | 8,273              | 526      | 6,110   | 7,253       |
| Somalia                      | 4,336   | 1,648    | 2,688              | 151      | 2,075   | 2,110       |
| Ethiopia                     | 2,012   | 728      | 1,284              | 21       | 950     | 1,041       |
| Liberia                      | 1,411   | 701      | 710                | 46       | 514     | 851         |
| Nigeria                      | 997     | 457      | 540                | 7        | 411     | 579         |
| Cape Verde                   | 858     | 539      | 319                | 2        | 263     | 593         |
| Other                        | 4,275   | 1,543    | 2,732              | 299      | 1,897   | 2,079       |
| Asia                         | 170,508 | 88,013   | 82,495             | 466      | 48,054  | 121,988     |
| Vietnam                      | 40,301  | 15,748   | 24,553             | 47       | 13,385  | 26,869      |
| China                        | 27,693  | 22,917   | 4,776              | 11       | 2,035   | 25,647      |
| Laos                         | 21,216  | 4,192    | 17,024             | 67       | 11,610  | 9,539       |
| Philippines                  | 16,908  | 12,399   | 4,509              | 24       | 3,006   | 13,878      |
| South Korea                  | 16,695  | 11,906   | 4,789              | 9        | 2,184   | 14,502      |
| Other                        | 47,695  | 20,851   | 26,844             | 308      | 15,834  | 31,553      |
| Middle East                  | 33,541  | 16,467   | 17,074             | 232      | 8,362   | 24,947      |
| Iran                         | 17,122  | 9,569    | 7,553              | 52       | 3,517   | 13,553      |
| Iraq                         | 5,313   | 1,794    | 3,519              | 105      | 2,105   | 3,103       |
| Lebanon                      | 2,584   | 1,261    | 1,323              | 7        | 523     | 2,054       |
| Syria                        | 2,049   | 934      | 1,115              | 7        | 406     | 1,636       |
| Egypt                        | 1,677   | 755      | 922                | 16       | 440     | 1,221       |
| Other                        | 4,796   | 2,154    | 2,642              | 45       | 1,371   | 3,380       |
| Former Soviet Republics      | 43,265  | 21,287   | 21,978             | 233      | 9,457   | 33,575      |
| Europe                       | 26,653  | 11,673   | 14,980             | 90       | 9,357   | 17,206      |
| Former Yugoslavia            | 4,433   | 1,700    | 2,733              | 42       | 1,617   | 2,774       |
| Portugal                     | 3,734   | 2,058    | 1,676              | 5        | 1,172   | 2,557       |
| Poland                       | 3,036   | 1,612    | 1,424              | 3        | 910     | 2,123       |
| United Kingdom               | 2,945   | 982      | 1,963              | 10       | 1,391   | 1,544       |
| Italy                        | 2,567   | 1,140    | 1,427              | 3        | 834     | 1,730       |
| Other                        | 9,938   | 4,181    | 5,757              | 27       | 3,433   | 6,478       |
| Oceania                      | 2,123   | 878      | 1,245              | 6        | 742     | 1,375       |
| Other areas                  | 3,951   | 1,088    | 2,863              | 42       | 2,108   | 1,801       |

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**Table 33.**  
**Recipients, by number of months between date of U.S. residency and date of SSI application, eligibility category, and age, December 2008**

| Months                         | Total   | Category |                    | Age      |         |             |
|--------------------------------|---------|----------|--------------------|----------|---------|-------------|
|                                |         | Aged     | Blind and disabled | Under 18 | 18–64   | 65 or older |
| All recipients                 | 655,988 | 324,271  | 331,717            | 2,584    | 203,234 | 450,170     |
| 0 <sup>a</sup>                 | 2,577   | 1,471    | 1,106              | 17       | 603     | 1,957       |
| 1–11                           | 67,933  | 35,015   | 32,918             | 984      | 17,756  | 49,193      |
| 12–23                          | 24,524  | 9,465    | 15,059             | 303      | 7,710   | 16,511      |
| 24–35                          | 21,603  | 8,919    | 12,684             | 219      | 6,476   | 14,908      |
| 36–47                          | 47,004  | 28,795   | 18,209             | 162      | 8,897   | 37,945      |
| 48–59                          | 28,523  | 13,997   | 14,526             | 102      | 7,094   | 21,327      |
| 60–71                          | 43,579  | 26,077   | 17,502             | 242      | 8,964   | 34,373      |
| 72–83                          | 30,478  | 15,968   | 14,510             | 134      | 7,608   | 22,736      |
| 84–119                         | 79,472  | 39,800   | 39,672             | 226      | 22,055  | 57,191      |
| 120 and over                   | 307,639 | 143,965  | 163,674            | 161      | 115,178 | 192,300     |
| State conversions <sup>b</sup> | 888     | 81       | 807                | 0        | 313     | 575         |
| Unknown                        | 1,768   | 718      | 1,050              | 34       | 580     | 1,154       |

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

a. Persons whose records indicate that they applied in the same month that their residence began.

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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