

**CHILDREN  
UNDER AGE 18**





**Table 17.**  
**Recipients and average monthly payment, by SSA administrative region and state or other area,**  
**December 2009**

Region and state or area	Number	Average monthly payment <sup>a</sup> (dollars)
All areas	1,199,788	593.07
Boston	41,790	605.58
Connecticut	7,603	579.60
Maine	3,867	563.85
Massachusetts	21,880	621.74
New Hampshire	2,274	552.58
Rhode Island	4,361	626.80
Vermont	1,805	623.58
New York	104,520	606.07
New Jersey	24,351	585.71
New York	80,169	612.24
Philadelphia	125,275	580.10
Delaware	3,567	571.68
District of Columbia	4,485	587.65
Maryland	16,435	571.36
Pennsylvania	67,969	585.02
Virginia	23,542	569.44
West Virginia	9,277	586.24
Atlanta	298,563	583.24
Alabama	29,956	589.71
Florida	88,993	581.83
Georgia	39,211	581.79
Kentucky	30,326	595.74
Mississippi	23,867	592.11
North Carolina	41,328	572.20
South Carolina	20,100	576.03
Tennessee	24,782	583.24
Chicago	190,664	592.16
Illinois	45,232	595.41
Indiana	24,832	586.74
Michigan	40,840	598.00
Minnesota	12,620	569.87
Ohio	47,459	596.32
Wisconsin	19,681	583.71
Dallas	205,919	584.76
Arkansas	25,203	592.56
Louisiana	34,238	595.65
New Mexico	8,917	591.21
Oklahoma	17,094	582.84
Texas	120,467	579.83
Kansas City	42,044	577.32
Iowa	7,903	565.97
Kansas	8,335	567.17
Missouri	21,796	588.39
Nebraska	4,010	560.42

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**Recipients and average monthly payment, by SSA administrative region and state or other area,**  
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Region and state or area	Number	Average monthly payment <sup>a</sup> (dollars)
Denver	19,964	556.67
Colorado	8,120	561.06
Montana	2,436	580.55
North Dakota	1,084	535.62
South Dakota	2,328	553.59
Utah	5,093	543.64
Wyoming	903	559.79
San Francisco	138,578	640.15
Arizona	19,943	591.14
California	109,409	654.35
Hawaii	1,697	562.18
Nevada	7,232	579.16
Northern Mariana Islands	297	638.12
Seattle	32,471	575.45
Alaska	1,264	531.68
Idaho	5,085	566.41
Oregon	9,403	578.42
Washington	16,719	579.83

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

a. Includes federally administered state supplementation payments.

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**Table 18.**  
**Percentage distribution of recipients, by monthly payment, December 2009**

Payment (dollars)	Percentage of total
Total	
Number	1,199,788
Percent	100.0
None <sup>a</sup>	0.1
Under 50	1.9
50–99	0.8
100–199	2.2
200–299	2.9
300–399	3.9
400–499	10.2
500–599	9.2
600–673	7.6
674	61.1

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

a. Persons receiving only a federally administered state supplementary payment on December 1, 2009.

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**Table 19.**  
**Recipients, by selected characteristics, December 2009**

Characteristic	Number	Percentage of total
Total	1,199,788	100.0
<b>Age</b>		
Under 1 year	20,686	1.7
1	31,408	2.6
2	38,996	3.3
3	47,796	4.0
4	53,712	4.5
5	58,730	4.9
6	64,500	5.4
7	70,061	5.8
8	76,089	6.3
9	80,234	6.7
10	80,268	6.7
11	81,549	6.8
12	80,213	6.7
13	79,955	6.7
14	80,617	6.7
15	83,569	7.0
16	85,294	7.1
17	86,111	7.2
<b>Sex</b>		
Male	791,606	66.0
Female	408,182	34.0
<b>Citizenship status</b>		
Citizen	1,197,066	99.8
Noncitizen	2,722	0.2
<b>Living arrangements</b>		
Own household	150,095	12.5
Another's household	46,684	3.9
Parent's household	987,444	82.3
Medicaid institution	15,290	1.3
Unknown	275	a

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

a. Less than 0.05 percent.

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**Table 20.**  
**Recipients, by diagnostic group and age, December 2009**

Diagnostic group	All ages	Under 3	3-5	6-12	13-17
	<i>Number</i>				
All recipients under age 18	1,199,788	91,090	160,238	532,914	415,546
Congenital anomalies	63,896	14,299	15,490	23,178	10,929
Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases	7,595	747	1,334	3,073	2,441
Infectious and parasitic diseases	1,737	95	151	525	966
Injuries	6,464	614	1,211	2,578	2,061
Mental disorders					
Retardation	151,985	873	6,397	57,564	87,151
Other	639,325	8,458	68,902	320,280	241,685
Neoplasms	13,773	912	2,869	6,733	3,259
Diseases of the—					
Blood and blood-forming organs	13,068	919	2,126	5,867	4,156
Circulatory system	6,104	1,131	1,523	2,282	1,168
Digestive system	11,030	4,149	2,834	3,000	1,047
Genitourinary system	3,327	340	546	1,285	1,156
Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue	8,432	708	1,329	3,326	3,069
Nervous system and sense organs	95,549	7,357	15,857	41,501	30,834
Respiratory system	32,701	3,010	6,484	16,825	6,382
Skin and subcutaneous tissue	1,931	201	450	891	389
Other	115,842	43,597	27,853	33,250	11,142
Unknown	27,029	3,680	4,882	10,756	7,711
	<i>Percent</i>				
All recipients under age 18	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Congenital anomalies	5.3	15.7	9.7	4.3	2.6
Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases	0.6	0.8	0.8	0.6	0.6
Infectious and parasitic diseases	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2
Injuries	0.5	0.7	0.8	0.5	0.5
Mental disorders					
Retardation	12.7	1.0	4.0	10.8	21.0
Other	53.3	9.3	43.0	60.1	58.2
Neoplasms	1.1	1.0	1.8	1.3	0.8
Diseases of the—					
Blood and blood-forming organs	1.1	1.0	1.3	1.1	1.0
Circulatory system	0.5	1.2	1.0	0.4	0.3
Digestive system	0.9	4.6	1.8	0.6	0.3
Genitourinary system	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.3
Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.6	0.7
Nervous system and sense organs	8.0	8.1	9.9	7.8	7.4
Respiratory system	2.7	3.3	4.0	3.2	1.5
Skin and subcutaneous tissue	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.1
Other	9.7	47.9	17.4	6.2	2.7
Unknown	2.3	4.0	3.0	2.0	1.9

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

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**Table 21.**  
**Recipients, by diagnostic group and sex, December 2009**

Diagnostic group	Total		Male		Female	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
All recipients under age 18	1,199,788	100.0	791,606	100.0	408,182	100.0
Congenital anomalies	63,896	5.3	34,386	4.3	29,510	7.2
Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases	7,595	0.6	3,990	0.5	3,605	0.9
Infectious and parasitic diseases	1,737	0.1	883	0.1	854	0.2
Injuries	6,464	0.5	3,775	0.5	2,689	0.7
Mental disorders						
Retardation	151,985	12.7	94,624	12.0	57,361	14.1
Other	639,325	53.3	468,848	59.2	170,477	41.8
Neoplasms	13,773	1.1	7,610	1.0	6,163	1.5
Diseases of the—						
Blood and blood-forming organs	13,068	1.1	7,350	0.9	5,718	1.4
Circulatory system	6,104	0.5	3,262	0.4	2,842	0.7
Digestive system	11,030	0.9	6,011	0.8	5,019	1.2
Genitourinary system	3,327	0.3	2,005	0.3	1,322	0.3
Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue	8,432	0.7	4,124	0.5	4,308	1.1
Nervous system and sense organs	95,549	8.0	53,408	6.7	42,141	10.3
Respiratory system	32,701	2.7	20,913	2.6	11,788	2.9
Skin and subcutaneous tissue	1,931	0.2	1,001	0.1	930	0.2
Other	115,842	9.7	63,140	8.0	52,702	12.9
Unknown	27,029	2.3	16,276	2.1	10,753	2.6

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

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**Table 22.**  
**Adult recipients who first became eligible for SSI before age 18, by year of first eligibility and age in December 2009**

Year of first eligibility	All ages	Age in December 2009					
		18–21	22–25	26–29	30–39	40–49	50 or older <sup>a</sup>
Total							
Number	866,110	264,705	175,133	132,684	188,388	90,541	14,659
Percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1974–1976	7.5	...	...	...	5.9	44.2	94.7
1977–1980	7.8	...	...	0.3	17.6	36.9	5.3
1981–1984	7.4	...	0.3	13.3	17.2	14.8	...
1985–1989	12.4	1.8	18.5	20.1	21.1	4.1	...
1990–1994	32.3	31.6	41.8	44.1	34.3	...	...
1995–1999	16.6	26.1	23.2	20.3	3.9	...	...
2000–2004	11.6	26.5	15.7	2.1	...	...	...
2005–2009	4.4	14.0	0.6	...	...	...	...

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

NOTE: ... = not applicable.

a. Those under age 18 in 1974 would be no older than 53 in 2009.

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**Table 23.**  
**Recipients and average monthly amount of child's income, by type of income, December 2009**

Type of income	Number	Percent	Average monthly amount (dollars)
Total	1,199,788	100.0	...
No earned or unearned income <sup>a</sup>	890,620	74.2	...
With income <sup>b</sup>	309,168	25.8	220
Earned income only	1,660	0.1	386
Unearned income only	306,737	25.6	219
Both earned and unearned income	771	0.1	542
With unearned income <sup>c</sup>	307,508	25.6	219
Social Security benefits	87,207	7.3	216
Veterans' benefits	958	0.1	94
Income based on need	16,265	1.4	240
Support from absent parents	158,393	13.2	215
Support and maintenance	5,781	0.5	4
Asset income	4,280	0.4	347
Other	59,343	4.9	149

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

NOTE: ... = not applicable.

- a. The percentage of children receiving the full federal benefit rate, as shown in Table 18, is smaller than the percentage of those with no income, as shown here, because of the effect of parental deemed income in the payment computation.
- b. Does not include income deemed from parents in the household.
- c. The sum of the entries may be greater than the total because some recipients may receive more than one type of unearned income.

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**Table 24.**  
**Recipients, by number of parents in the household, December 2009**

Parents in household	Number	Percentage of total
Total	1,199,788	100.0
No parents <sup>a</sup>	146,861	12.2
One parent	799,097	66.6
Two parents	253,830	21.2

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

NOTE: The total of children with one or two parents in the household differs slightly from the number of children living in a parent's household in Table 19. This is because the data in Table 19 represent only households in which a parent is the head of the household, whereas the data in this table include children living with parents who are not the head of the household.

a. Children with no parents in the household reside independently, with other relatives or nonrelatives, or in institutions or in foster care. Deeming does not apply in these situations.

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**Table 25.**  
**Recipients with one parent in the household, by type and monthly amount of parental income, December 2009**

Parental income	All children living with one parent		Children living with—			
			Mother only		Father only	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total	799,097	100.0	751,648	100.0	47,449	100.0
No parental income	379,872	47.5	361,742	48.1	18,130	38.2
Parental income <sup>a</sup>	419,225	52.5	389,906	51.9	29,319	61.8
Earned income	262,359	32.8	243,445	32.4	18,914	39.9
Unearned income	177,526	22.2	165,922	22.1	11,604	24.5
Total income (dollars)						
None	379,872	47.5	361,742	48.1	18,130	38.2
Under 200	60,850	7.6	58,923	7.8	1,927	4.1
200–399	33,726	4.2	31,965	4.3	1,761	3.7
400–599	35,987	4.5	33,873	4.5	2,114	4.5
600–999	88,576	11.1	82,476	11.0	6,100	12.9
1,000 or more	200,086	25.0	182,669	24.3	17,417	36.7
Earned income (dollars)						
None	536,738	67.2	508,203	67.6	28,535	60.1
Under 200	5,393	0.7	5,038	0.7	355	0.7
200–399	10,067	1.3	9,549	1.3	518	1.1
400–599	16,753	2.1	15,943	2.1	810	1.7
600–999	48,137	6.0	45,913	6.1	2,224	4.7
1,000 or more	182,009	22.8	167,002	22.2	15,007	31.6
Unearned income (dollars)						
None	621,571	77.8	585,726	77.9	35,845	75.5
Under 200	67,488	8.4	65,366	8.7	2,122	4.5
200–399	28,395	3.6	26,879	3.6	1,516	3.2
400–599	22,569	2.8	21,056	2.8	1,513	3.2
600–999	44,180	5.5	40,025	5.3	4,155	8.8
1,000 or more	14,894	1.9	12,596	1.7	2,298	4.8

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

a. The sum of the entries may be greater than the total because some parents may receive both earned and unearned income.

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**Table 26.**  
**Recipients with two parents in the household, by type and monthly amount of parental income,**  
**December 2009**

Parental income	All children living with two parents		Mother		Father	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total	253,830	100.0	253,830	100.0	253,830	100.0
No parental income	48,287	19.0	162,371	64.0	83,388	32.9
Parental income <sup>a</sup>	205,543	81.0	91,459	36.0	170,442	67.1
Earned income	161,034	63.4	61,704	24.3	127,350	50.2
Unearned income	67,415	26.6	33,313	13.1	50,428	19.9
Total income (dollars)						
None	48,287	19.0	162,371	64.0	83,388	32.9
Under 200	6,817	2.7	15,063	5.9	7,595	3.0
200–399	6,900	2.7	7,700	3.0	5,556	2.2
400–599	8,038	3.2	8,628	3.4	8,039	3.2
600–999	24,903	9.8	18,515	7.3	25,414	10.0
1,000 or more	158,885	62.6	41,553	16.4	123,838	48.8
Earned income (dollars)						
None	92,796	36.6	192,126	75.7	126,480	49.8
Under 200	1,970	0.8	2,655	1.0	1,811	0.7
200–399	2,993	1.2	3,689	1.5	2,496	1.0
400–599	4,604	1.8	5,099	2.0	3,809	1.5
600–999	13,548	5.3	11,719	4.6	10,842	4.3
1,000 or more	137,919	54.3	38,542	15.2	108,392	42.7
Unearned income (dollars)						
None	186,415	73.4	220,517	86.9	203,402	80.1
Under 200	10,415	4.1	14,725	5.8	9,005	3.5
200–399	7,853	3.1	4,660	1.8	4,512	1.8
400–599	7,867	3.1	4,041	1.6	5,344	2.1
600–999	20,541	8.1	7,292	2.9	16,422	6.5
1,000 or more	20,739	8.2	2,595	1.0	15,145	6.0

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

a. The sum of the entries may be greater than the total because some parents may receive both earned and unearned income.

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**Table 27.**  
**Recipients with one or more parents who have income and average monthly amount of parental income, by type of income, December 2009**

Type of income	All children with parental income		Children with parental income from—			
	Number	Average monthly amount (dollars)	Mother		Father	
			Number	Average monthly amount (dollars)	Number	Average monthly amount (dollars)
Total <sup>a</sup>	624,768	1,356	481,365	1,057	199,761	1,693
Earned income	423,393	1,690	305,149	1,390	146,264	1,992
Unearned income <sup>b</sup>	244,941	537	199,235	425	62,032	755
Social Security benefits	88,758	661	69,847	567	25,778	740
Other pensions	4,038	484	2,212	405	2,150	492
Public income-maintenance	81,366	151	76,856	137	10,040	173
Asset income	10,027	69	7,620	49	3,204	99
Other	72,127	804	49,563	673	23,546	1,047

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

- a. The sum of the entries may be greater than the total because some parents may receive more than one type of earned or unearned income or both earned and unearned income.
- b. The sum of the entries may be greater than the total because some parents may receive more than one type of unearned income.

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**Table 28.**  
**Recipients subject to deeming, by factors affecting parental deemed income, December 2009**

Deeming factors	All children living with parent(s)		Children living with—			
			One parent		Two parents	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total	1,052,927	100.0	799,097	75.9	253,830	24.1
<b><i>No deemed income used in child's payment computation</i></b>						
Subtotal	874,457	100.0	688,503	100.0	185,954	100.0
No parental income	428,159	49.0	379,872	55.2	48,287	26.0
Parent(s) receive public income-maintenance payments	81,366	9.3	69,650	10.1	11,716	6.3
Income less than deeming allocations <sup>a</sup>	40,347	4.6	30,024	4.4	10,323	5.6
Income less than exclusions <sup>b</sup>	324,585	37.1	208,957	30.3	115,628	62.2
<b><i>Deemed income used in child's payment computation</i></b>						
Subtotal	178,470	100.0	110,594	100.0	67,876	100.0
Parent(s) with—						
Earned income only	126,189	70.7	77,455	70.0	48,734	71.8
Unearned income only	33,161	18.6	25,280	22.9	7,881	11.6
Both earned and unearned income	16,474	9.2	5,725	5.2	10,749	15.8
Manually computed deemed income	2,646	1.5	2,134	1.9	512	0.8

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

a. Includes allocations for ineligible children and SSI-eligible aliens sponsored by parents.

b. Includes the general income exclusion (\$20), the earned income exclusion (\$65 plus one-half of the remaining earned income), and the parental living allowance.

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