

## 9.D Black Lung Benefits

**Table 9.D1—Benefits currently payable to miners, widows, and dependents, December 1970–2007**

Year	Number				Benefits (thousands of dollars)	
	Total	Miners	Widows	Dependents <sup>a</sup>	Monthly amount	Annual amount
1970	111,976	43,921	24,889	43,166	12,500	111,000
1971	231,729	77,213	67,358	87,158	27,200	378,900
1972	298,963	101,802	88,067	109,094	37,800	554,400
1973	461,491	159,837	124,154	177,500	63,700	1,045,200
1974	487,216	169,097	134,700	183,419	71,500	951,300
1975	482,311	165,405	139,407	177,499	75,500	947,700
1976	469,655	158,087	142,495	169,073	77,400	963,300
1977	457,399	148,720	144,543	164,136	80,500	942,200
1978	439,970	138,648	145,829	155,493	82,300	965,100
1979	418,948	129,558	146,527	142,863	86,500	983,100
1980	399,477	120,235	146,603	132,639	91,400	1,032,000
1981	376,505	111,249	146,173	119,083	91,700	1,081,300
1982	354,569	102,234	144,863	107,472	90,800	1,076,000
1983	333,358	93,694	142,967	96,697	86,300	1,055,800
1984	313,822	85,658	140,995	87,169	85,300	1,038,000
1985	294,846	77,836	138,328	78,682	83,700	1,025,000
1986	275,783	70,253	135,033	70,497	78,900	971,000
1987	258,988	63,573	131,561	63,854	76,800	940,000
1988	241,626	56,977	127,322	57,327	73,500	904,000
1989	225,764	51,048	123,220	51,496	72,000	882,000
1990	210,678	45,643	118,705	46,330	70,000	863,400
1991	196,419	40,703	114,046	41,670	68,400	844,400
1992	182,396	35,971	109,091	37,334	66,500	822,500
1993	168,365	31,664	103,334	33,367	64,100	794,300
1994	155,172	27,828	97,414	29,930	60,600	751,900
1995	143,011	24,573	91,517	26,921	56,100	696,700
1996	131,143	21,477	85,559	24,107	52,600	654,600
1997	119,233	18,488	79,238	21,507	49,255	614,888
1998	109,271	15,964	73,420	19,887	46,204	576,389
1999	98,977	13,635	67,359	17,983	43,225	541,200
2000	89,355	11,587	61,542	16,226	40,625	509,290
2001	79,518	9,779	55,412	14,327	37,324	470,362
2002	71,584	8,394	50,404	12,786	35,017	439,337
2003	64,237	7,142	45,746	11,349	32,198	411,635
2004	52,362	6,009	40,727	5,626	29,460	376,374
2005	46,609	4,972	37,099	4,538	26,399	340,187
2006	40,018	4,217	32,168	3,633	24,282	312,461
2007	36,231	3,447	28,231	4,553	21,699	282,380

SOURCE: Department of Labor, Beneficiary Master Table, 100 percent data.

a. Includes wives of living miners, divorced wives, children, and dependent brothers and sisters of miners.

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**Table 9.D2—Benefits currently payable to miners, widows, and dependents, by state or other area, December 2007**

State or area	Number				Monthly amount (thousands of dollars)		
	Total	Miners	Widows	Dependents <sup>a</sup>	Total	Miners <sup>b</sup>	Widows <sup>c</sup>
All areas	36,231	3,447	28,231	4,553	21,699	2,538	19,161
Alabama	1,340	62	1,086	192	798	45	753
Alaska	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>
Arizona	116	8	99	9	70	6	64
Arkansas	206	13	180	13	122	9	114
California	220	15	184	21	129	10	119
Colorado	252	13	212	27	150	10	141
Connecticut	69	<sup>d</sup>	62	<sup>d</sup>	41	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>
Delaware	53	4	45	4	31	3	29
District of Columbia	14	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>	8	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>
Florida	835	55	693	87	496	40	456
Georgia	195	9	161	25	115	6	109
Hawaii	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>
Idaho	19	<sup>d</sup>	15	<sup>d</sup>	11	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>
Illinois	1,099	60	929	110	654	46	608
Indiana	672	45	533	94	402	33	370
Iowa	127	7	106	14	76	5	71
Kansas	50	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>	29	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>
Kentucky	5,468	827	3,920	721	3,321	609	2,712
Louisiana	21	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>	13	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>
Maine	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>
Maryland	337	19	266	52	200	13	187
Massachusetts	17	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>	10	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>
Michigan	405	18	320	67	238	12	226
Minnesota	9	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>	6	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>
Mississippi	31	<sup>d</sup>	26	<sup>d</sup>	18	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>
Missouri	122	3	108	11	71	2	69
Montana	38	<sup>d</sup>	34	<sup>d</sup>	22	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>
Nebraska	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>
Nevada	33	<sup>d</sup>	28	<sup>d</sup>	19	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>
New Hampshire	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>
New Jersey	272	12	233	27	161	8	153
New Mexico	72	<sup>d</sup>	59	<sup>d</sup>	43	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>
New York	232	8	192	32	137	6	131
North Carolina	413	26	338	49	246	18	227
North Dakota	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>
Ohio	2,296	143	1,814	339	1,360	105	1,255
Oklahoma	143	12	120	11	86	9	77
Oregon	29	<sup>d</sup>	21	<sup>d</sup>	16	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>
Pennsylvania	8,382	609	6,874	899	4,980	442	4,537
Rhode Island	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>
South Carolina	139	10	110	19	83	7	76
South Dakota	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tennessee	1,542	131	1,198	213	918	96	823
Texas	111	5	86	20	63	3	60
Utah	163	17	133	13	97	12	85
Vermont	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>
Virginia	3,083	426	2,280	377	1,872	319	1,553
Washington	56	4	48	4	33	2	30
West Virginia	7,400	869	5,489	1,042	4,464	649	3,815
Wisconsin	20	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>	12	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>
Wyoming	51	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>	30	<sup>d</sup>	<sup>d</sup>
Outlying areas <sup>e</sup>	47	4	35	8	29	3	25

SOURCE: Department of Labor, Beneficiary Master Table, 100 percent data.

- a. Includes wives of living miners, divorced wives, children, and dependent brothers and sisters of miners.  
b. Includes benefits for wives and children.  
c. Includes benefits for surviving children, brothers, sisters, and divorced wives. Prior to December 1997, monthly payments for surviving children were included with payments to miners.  
d. Not shown to avoid disclosure of information regarding particular individuals.  
e. Includes beneficiaries residing in American Samoa, Guam, Northern Mariana Islands, Puerto Rico, U.S. Virgin Islands, and foreign countries.

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