



Old-Age (retirement), Survivors, and Disability Insurance (OASDI)—popularly referred to as Social Security—provides monthly benefits to an eligible worker and family members when the worker elects to start receiving retirement benefits or when the worker dies or becomes disabled. A worker’s lifetime covered earnings largely determines the amount of benefits received.

Table 1.
Number of OASDI beneficiaries in current-payment status and total monthly benefits, December 2011

Congressional district	Number of beneficiaries						Total monthly benefits (thousands of dollars)			Number of beneficiaries aged 65 or older
	Total	Retired workers	Disabled workers	Widow(er)s and parents	Spouses ^a	Children ^b	All beneficiaries	Retired workers	Widow(er)s and parents	
Massachusetts	1,161,122	753,594	194,434	79,750	40,104	93,240	1,324,894	937,430	95,796	819,775
1	129,536	80,213	24,529	8,931	4,193	11,670	141,066	95,941	10,325	86,179
2	129,404	78,354	25,519	8,950	3,943	12,638	140,909	94,755	10,213	84,873
3	112,152	70,786	20,642	7,490	3,412	9,822	126,012	86,924	8,783	76,671
4	121,296	79,648	19,677	8,245	4,219	9,507	138,495	98,680	9,940	86,555
5	105,473	66,271	18,909	6,960	3,837	9,496	121,401	84,497	8,331	72,038
6	122,422	83,946	16,776	8,802	4,624	8,274	147,035	108,086	11,112	91,598
7	108,102	74,016	15,426	7,556	4,159	6,945	129,606	95,391	9,499	81,925
8	73,304	42,684	17,169	4,171	2,263	7,017	74,524	48,702	4,347	46,576
9	111,278	72,188	18,062	7,861	3,803	9,364	128,256	90,576	9,585	79,401
10	148,155	105,488	17,725	10,784	5,651	8,507	177,589	133,877	13,661	113,959
All areas ^c	55,404,480	35,599,569	8,575,544	4,398,094	2,455,822	4,375,451	62,213,382	43,736,668	5,041,881	38,292,328

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Master Beneficiary Record, 100 percent data.

a. These beneficiaries receive payment on the record of a worker who is retired or disabled.

b. These beneficiaries receive payment on the record of a worker who is retired, deceased, or disabled.

c. Includes beneficiaries in the 50 States, District of Columbia, American Samoa, Guam, Northern Mariana Islands, Puerto Rico, U.S. Virgin Islands, and foreign countries.

Supplemental Security Income (SSI) is a federal cash assistance program that provides monthly payments to low-income aged, blind, or disabled persons in the 50 States, the District of Columbia, and the Northern Mariana Islands.

Table 2.
Number of recipients of federally administered SSI payments and total monthly payments, December 2011

Congressional district	Number of recipients				Total monthly payments (thousands of dollars)				Number of recipients	
	Total	Aged	Blind	Disabled	Total	Aged	Blind	Disabled	With OASDI ^a	Aged 65 or older
Massachusetts	197,327	47,866	3,602	145,859	111,245	21,876	2,099	87,270	69,564	51,282
1	22,834	3,384	411	19,039	12,767	1,326	240	11,202	8,565	3,772
2	28,909	4,261	505	24,143	16,958	1,760	313	14,885	9,989	4,734
3	19,565	4,113	329	15,123	11,113	1,764	183	9,165	6,878	4,405
4	18,229	4,474	355	13,400	9,951	1,805	204	7,942	7,138	4,827
5	20,467	4,854	378	15,235	11,676	2,289	212	9,175	6,770	5,168
6	14,066	3,834	244	9,988	7,765	1,821	146	5,798	5,079	4,066
7	13,021	4,265	285	8,471	7,098	2,027	158	4,912	4,514	4,505
8	31,967	11,237	514	20,216	18,503	5,791	312	12,400	10,504	11,847
9	17,439	4,910	350	12,179	9,727	2,293	206	7,229	5,756	5,263
10	10,830	2,534	231	8,065	5,686	1,000	124	4,562	4,371	2,695
All areas ^b	8,112,773	1,182,106	69,033	6,861,634	4,389,872	471,847	36,718	3,881,307	2,716,259	2,058,641

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

- a. Includes persons who are receiving both SSI payments and Social Security benefits.
- b. Includes recipients in the 50 States, District of Columbia, and Northern Mariana Islands.

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