

## 9.D Black Lung Benefits

Table 9.D1.—Currently payable to miners, widows, and dependents, 1970–2000<sup>1</sup>

December	Number				Benefits (in thousands)	
	Total	Miners	Widows	Dependents <sup>2</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

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<sup>2</sup> Includes wives of living miners, divorced wives, children, and dependent brothers and sisters of miners.

Table 9.D2.—Currently payable to miners, widows, and dependents, by state, December 2000<sup>1</sup>

State	Number				Monthly amount (in thousands)		
	Total	Miners	Widows	Dependents <sup>2</sup>	Total	Miners <sup>3</sup>	Widows <sup>4</sup>
Total .....	89,355	11,587	61,542	16,226	\$40,625	\$7,554	\$33,070
Alabama .....	3,743	313	2,728	702	1,678	203	1,475
Alaska .....	14	...	13	1	6	...	6
Arizona .....	260	24	209	27	122	14	107
Arkansas .....	513	67	379	67	236	43	193
California .....	637	56	516	65	300	34	266
Colorado .....	662	71	509	82	307	46	261
Connecticut .....	177	11	147	19	83	7	76
Delaware .....	115	10	92	13	54	6	48
District of Columbia .....	30	2	25	3	14	1	12
Florida .....	2,113	253	1,489	371	954	169	785
Georgia .....	341	33	256	52	156	20	136
Hawaii .....	4	...	3	1	2	...	1
Idaho .....	27	2	19	6	13	1	11
Illinois .....	3,353	289	2,654	410	1,569	184	1,384
Indiana .....	1,792	179	1,323	290	830	114	715
Iowa .....	374	42	286	46	176	25	150
Kansas .....	173	9	150	14	82	5	77
Kentucky .....	12,488	2,199	7,273	3,016	5,497	1,476	4,021
Louisiana .....	33	4	23	6	15	2	12
Maine .....	3	...	3	...	1	...	1
Maryland .....	799	72	596	131	371	45	325
Massachusetts .....	47	2	38	7	22	1	20
Michigan .....	988	72	779	137	465	46	418
Minnesota .....	24	...	21	3	11	...	11
Mississippi .....	52	7	37	8	23	4	19
Missouri .....	280	11	235	34	132	7	125
Montana .....	113	11	90	12	53	6	46
Nebraska .....	11	...	10	1	5	...	5
Nevada .....	75	4	63	8	35	2	32
New Hampshire .....	3	...	3	...	1	...	1
New Jersey .....	666	40	559	67	314	24	289
New Mexico .....	193	18	147	28	90	12	77
New York .....	592	40	475	77	279	25	254
North Carolina .....	750	80	535	135	338	51	286
North Dakota .....	7	...	7	...	3	...	3
Ohio .....	5,496	536	4,044	916	2,544	349	2,195
Oklahoma .....	417	55	307	55	192	34	158
Oregon .....	69	8	50	11	32	4	27
Pennsylvania .....	22,374	2,650	16,664	3,060	10,405	1,654	8,751
Rhode Island .....	8	...	7	1	3	...	3
South Carolina .....	253	26	176	51	112	16	96
South Dakota .....	2	...	2	...	(5)	...	(5)
Tennessee .....	3,515	426	2,377	712	1,572	278	1,294
Texas .....	250	19	190	41	117	11	105
Utah .....	438	58	320	60	202	37	164
Vermont .....	7	...	7	...	3	...	3
Virginia .....	6,871	1,142	4,226	1,503	3,062	763	2,299
Washington .....	157	15	126	16	73	9	63
West Virginia .....	17,692	2,709	11,065	3,918	7,876	1,792	6,084
Wisconsin .....	42	2	37	3	20	(5)	19
Wyoming .....	169	13	136	20	80	8	72
Other .....	143	7	116	20	68	5	63

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<sup>2</sup>Includes wives of living miners, divorced wives, children, and dependent brothers and sisters of miners.

<sup>3</sup>Includes benefits for wives and children.

<sup>4</sup>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.

<sup>5</sup>Less than \$500.

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Table 9.D3.—Currently payable to miners and widows, by age, December 2000<sup>1</sup>

Age	Total		Miners		Widows	
	Number	Average monthly benefit <sup>2</sup>	Number	Average monthly benefit <sup>2</sup>	Number	Average monthly benefit <sup>3</sup>
Total.....	<sup>4</sup> 73,129	\$519.79	<sup>4</sup> 11,587	\$651.98	<sup>4</sup> 61,542	\$494.91
Under 45 .....	79	573.70	7	626.43	72	568.57
45-54 .....	315	548.05	9	663.00	306	544.67
55-64 .....	1,770	546.26	291	717.09	1,479	512.65
65-74 .....	9,683	542.80	2,032	700.38	7,651	500.94
75-84 .....	30,552	521.64	4,996	660.41	25,556	494.51
85 or older.....	30,588	508.81	4,252	614.49	26,336	491.75

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<sup>2</sup>Includes benefits for wives and children.

<sup>3</sup>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.

<sup>4</sup>Includes miners and widows for whom age is not available.