

9.K Adult Assistance

Table 9.K1.—Average monthly number of recipients, total amount of cash payments, and average monthly payment, 1936–96

[Includes nonmedical vendor payments. Includes Alaska and Hawaii, beginning in 1943; Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands, beginning in October 1950, and Guam, beginning in July 1959]

Year ¹	Old-Age Assistance ²			Aid to the Blind ²			Aid to the Permanently and Totally Disabled ^{2,3}		
	Average monthly number of recipients (in thousands)	Amount of cash payments during year (in thousands)	Average monthly payment per recipient	Average monthly number of recipients (in thousands)	Amount of cash payments during year (in thousands)	Average monthly payment per recipient	Average monthly number of recipients (in thousands)	Amount of cash payments during year (in thousands)	Average monthly payment per recipient
1936.....	738	\$155,484	\$17.55	42.7	\$12,811	\$25.00
1940.....	1,986	475,704	19.96	71.6	21,838	24.43
1945.....	2,044	726,550	29.62	71.2	26,557	31.07
1950.....	2,783	1,461,624	43.76	95.5	52,698	45.96	63	\$7,967	\$42.35
1955.....	2,539	1,490,352	48.92	103.5	67,958	54.72	234	135,168	48.24
1960.....	2,330	1,629,541	58.27	107.4	86,231	66.92	359	237,366	55.18
1961.....	2,261	1,571,309	57.91	104.6	84,739	67.50	379	256,910	56.50
1962.....	2,196	1,571,162	59.61	99.9	84,039	70.12	409	282,711	57.63
1963.....	2,159	1,615,023	62.34	97.4	85,335	72.98	448	318,948	59.30
1964.....	2,131	1,612,983	63.07	96.2	86,558	74.97	488	357,856	61.12
1965.....	2,105	1,600,708	63.37	91.5	85,121	77.54	536	417,720	64.95
1966.....	2,077	1,633,675	65.54	84.4	85,615	84.56	572	487,301	70.94
1967.....	2,067	1,702,091	68.61	83.0	87,711	88.08	617	574,574	77.64
1968.....	2,032	1,676,632	68.76	81.3	88,885	91.06	674	658,589	81.47
1969.....	2,043	1,752,730	71.51	80.3	92,204	95.72	758	788,079	86.68
1970.....	2,061	1,862,412	75.32	80.4	98,292	101.93	877	999,861	95.06
1971.....	2,055	1,888,878	76.60	80.5	100,840	104.39	1,004	1,189,636	98.78
1972.....	2,003	1,876,755	78.07	80.6	105,515	109.03	1,133	1,390,509	102.29
1973.....	1,852	1,743,465	78.44	78.2	104,373	111.29	1,217	1,609,572	110.25
1974.....	19	4,725	20.48	.5	88	14.97	17	2,947	14.39
1975.....	18	4,599	20.74	.4	79	15.22	17	2,953	14.67
1976.....	19	4,783	21.01	.4	75	15.78	17	3,066	14.98
1977.....	19	4,938	21.75	.4	76	16.91	18	3,426	15.94
1978.....	19	5,076	22.31	.4	82	18.59	19	3,754	16.72
1979.....	19	9,448	41.52	.4	170	39.35	20	9,064	38.02
1980.....	19	8,873	39.18	.3	135	35.85	21	8,702	34.61
1981.....	19	9,400	41.18	.3	159	42.97	22	10,364	39.57
1982.....	19	8,039	35.53	.3	139	36.94	22	9,869	36.57
1983.....	18	7,889	35.99	.3	136	36.45	22	9,846	36.85
1984.....	18	7,839	36.18	.3	129	37.28	22	10,057	37.41
1985.....	18	7,620	35.97	.3	134	38.91	23	10,412	37.61
1986.....	17	7,532	36.02	.3	155	38.65	24	10,976	37.78
1987.....	17	7,434	36.07	.3	137	39.78	24	10,825	37.71
1988.....	17	7,354	35.90	.3	131	38.86	24	10,012	37.99
1989.....	17	7,273	35.59	.3	139	41.80	25	11,559	38.71
1990.....	17	8,530	42.18	.3	157	41.32	26	12,352	39.92
1991.....	17	11,088	55.19	.3	218	55.97	27	19,006	57.98
1992.....	17	7,504	37.66	.3	139	38.45	28	13,189	39.05
1993.....	16	8,791	44.88	.3	131	39.63	28	14,044	41.43
1994.....	16	9,398	48.76	.3	119	39.22	27	13,267	40.50
1995.....	16	8,124	43.13	.2	106	37.58	26	12,636	41.15
1996.....	15	8,076	43.58	.2	99	37.57	25	12,163	40.36

¹ Beginning in 1974, represents data only for Puerto Rico, Guam, and the Virgin Islands.

² Beginning in January 1974, for the 50 states and the District of Columbia, superseded by Supplemental Security Income program.

³ Program initiated October 1950 under the 1950 Social Security Amendments.