
Table 1.**Number of people receiving Social Security, Supplemental Security Income (SSI), or both, January 2021
(in thousands)**

Type of beneficiary	Total	Social Security only	SSI only	Both Social Security and SSI
All beneficiaries	69,738	61,812	5,302	2,624
Aged 65 or older	50,770	48,478	1,005	1,288
Disabled, under age 65 ^a	13,069	7,435	4,298	1,336
Other ^b	5,900	5,900

SOURCES: Social Security Administration, Master Beneficiary Record and Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

NOTES: Social Security beneficiaries who are entitled to a primary and a secondary benefit (dual entitlement) are counted only once in this table. SSI counts include recipients of federal SSI, federally administered state supplementation, or both.

... = not applicable.

a. Includes children receiving SSI based on their own disability.

b. Social Security beneficiaries who are neither aged nor disabled (for example, early retirees, young survivors).

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Table 2.
Social Security benefits, January 2021

Type of beneficiary	Beneficiaries		Total monthly benefits (millions of dollars)	Average monthly benefit (dollars)
	Number (thousands)	Percent		
Total	64,841	100.0	92,345	1,424.17
Old-Age and Survivors Insurance	55,217	85.2	81,333	1,472.96
Retirement benefits	49,365	76.1	74,057	1,500.21
Retired workers	46,359	71.5	71,708	1,546.80
Spouses of retired workers	2,302	3.5	1,834	796.86
Children of retired workers	704	1.1	515	731.59
Survivor benefits	5,852	9.0	7,275	1,243.07
Children of deceased workers	1,945	3.0	1,788	919.38
Widowed mothers and fathers	107	0.2	112	1,043.61
Nondisabled widow(er)s	3,564	5.5	5,192	1,456.98
Disabled widow(er)s	236	0.4	182	770.52
Parents of deceased workers	1	(L)	1	1,295.69
Disability Insurance	9,624	14.8	11,013	1,144.26
Disabled workers	8,161	12.6	10,432	1,278.18
Spouses of disabled workers	104	0.2	37	360.62
Children of disabled workers	1,359	2.1	544	400.00

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

NOTE: (L) = less than 0.05 percent.

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Table 3.
Supplemental Security Income recipients, January 2021

Age	Recipients		Total payments ^a (millions of dollars)	Average monthly payment ^b (dollars)
	Number (thousands)	Percent		
All recipients	7,926	100.0	4,784	585.53
Under 18	1,100	13.9	781	693.16
18–64	4,534	57.2	2,912	615.23
65 or older	2,293	28.9	1,090	475.18

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

a. Includes retroactive payments.

b. Excludes retroactive payments.

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