

## Disabled-Worker Families

**Table 28.**  
**Number and average monthly family benefit, by selected family composition, December 1960–2016,**  
**selected years**

Year	Worker only			Worker, spouse, and—		Worker and aged spouse <sup>a</sup>
	All	Men	Women	1 child	2 or more children	
<i>Number (thousands)</i>						
1960	357	261	96	22	32	22
1965	714	481	232	54	109	30
1970	1,054	680	374	77	164	43
1975	1,750	1,080	671	137	250	66
1980	2,061	1,257	804	154	228	80
1981	--	--	--	--	--	--
1982	1,969	1,208	760	124	163	78
1983	1,961	1,215	746	85	143	80
1984	1,993	1,241	752	83	140	76
1985	2,039	1,267	772	84	140	76
1986	2,096	1,301	795	82	136	74
1987	2,154	1,338	816	79	132	74
1988	2,194	1,353	841	77	125	71
1989	2,262	1,390	872	75	120	67
1990	2,370	1,448	922	75	118	63
1991	2,523	1,529	994	76	119	61
1992	2,738	1,643	1,094	78	125	61
1993	2,935	1,743	1,192	78	127	59
1994	3,121	1,830	1,292	76	128	57
1995	3,305	1,909	1,396	75	124	55
1996	3,473	1,973	1,500	61	104	53
1997	3,593	2,006	1,588	57	91	53
1998	3,769	2,074	1,695	52	80	53
1999	3,924	2,131	1,793	49	72	52
2000	4,080	2,191	1,890	45	65	50
2001	4,292	2,282	2,010	43	60	51
2002	4,536	2,391	2,145	41	56	50
2003	4,832	2,532	2,301	40	55	53
2004	5,133	2,668	2,464	38	53	60
2005	5,423	2,797	2,626	36	51	67
2006	5,703	2,918	2,784	36	47	71
2007	5,975	3,042	2,933	33	43	72
2008	6,279	3,181	3,098	33	42	78
2009	6,396	3,261	3,135	31	40	76
2010	6,971	3,517	3,454	31	41	73
2011	7,054	3,581	3,472	31	42	87
2012	7,535	3,779	3,756	31	41	88
2013	7,657	3,824	3,832	30	40	85
2014	7,706	3,835	3,871	28	37	83
2015	7,703	3,818	3,885	26	34	80
2016	7,654	3,781	3,873	24	30	78

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Year	Worker only			Worker, spouse, and—		Worker and aged spouse <sup>a</sup>
	All	Men	Women	1 child	2 or more children	
<i>Average monthly family benefit (dollars)</i>						
1960	87.90	91.90	76.90	184.70	192.20	135.50
1965	95.40	100.70	85.00	201.00	216.30	145.90
1970	128.10	136.30	113.10	264.10	273.20	199.20
1975	218.90	240.00	185.00	441.00	454.00	344.00
1980	355.40	396.20	291.70	727.00	746.10	573.00
1981	--	--	--	--	--	--
1982	424.40	474.20	344.70	847.40	858.20	690.70
1983	439.40	490.90	355.40	867.90	881.80	716.20
1984	454.00	507.60	365.70	881.50	885.50	740.40
1985	466.90	523.10	374.60	898.10	895.20	765.00
1986	470.70	527.80	377.40	896.90	888.30	773.30
1987	491.60	552.00	392.60	929.40	918.30	815.50
1988	512.20	576.10	409.50	960.20	938.40	855.40
1989	539.30	607.10	431.20	1,009.40	971.90	903.70
1990	570.40	642.80	456.80	1,062.10	1,016.00	960.80
1991	592.30	668.40	475.50	1,098.00	1,043.30	1,004.70
1992	609.50	688.70	490.70	1,122.10	1,057.40	1,045.00
1993	625.50	707.20	506.00	1,143.00	1,074.20	1,078.20
1994	646.20	731.80	525.00	1,177.60	1,100.00	1,118.60
1995	667.60	757.40	544.80	1,205.50	1,130.90	1,159.90
1996	690.60	785.30	566.00	1,245.90	1,148.50	1,200.60
1997	708.00	806.60	583.60	1,280.20	1,165.90	1,238.50
1998	720.00	820.20	597.40	1,300.40	1,189.40	1,261.90
1999	741.20	844.50	618.50	1,344.90	1,224.20	1,295.30
2000	773.60	880.70	649.40	1,394.20	1,274.30	1,355.50
2001	801.20	911.00	676.60	1,440.70	1,317.90	1,405.70
2002	820.50	931.90	696.40	1,468.10	1,352.50	1,449.20
2003	848.00	962.50	722.00	1,517.70	1,409.60	1,497.50
2004	880.20	998.00	752.50	1,572.90	1,463.30	1,566.50
2005	923.20	1,045.60	792.80	1,652.00	1,540.90	1,668.50
2006	961.10	1,089.10	827.00	1,722.20	1,599.90	1,743.80
2007	987.40	1,116.90	853.10	1,775.80	1,655.60	1,796.60
2008	1,045.20	1,179.70	907.20	1,879.20	1,752.60	1,911.80
2009	1,058.40	1,187.80	923.80	1,908.80	1,778.40	1,953.50
2010	1,049.70	1,178.10	918.80	1,906.30	1,787.00	1,960.70
2011	1,104.77	1,233.93	971.56	1,972.65	1,842.37	2,014.12
2012	1,111.78	1,242.00	980.77	2,007.33	1,880.52	2,051.01
2013	1,128.22	1,257.28	999.44	2,035.60	1,908.76	2,074.92
2014	1,147.48	1,275.98	1,020.16	2,066.82	1,946.53	2,103.50
2015	1,148.40	1,274.67	1,024.31	2,073.09	1,952.35	2,102.32
2016	1,154.08	1,279.28	1,031.84	2,088.26	1,968.02	2,108.90

SOURCES: Social Security Administration. For years before 2001, *Annual Statistical Supplement to the Social Security Bulletin*, based on the Master Beneficiary Record (from 1960 through 1984, various sampling rates; from 1985 through 2000, 10 percent sample); beginning with 2001, Master Beneficiary Record, 100 percent data.

NOTES: A "family" means beneficiaries entitled on one worker's account.

In previous editions of this publication, data for 2001–2010 included beneficiaries whose benefits were being withheld, but this data was unavailable for 2011–2015. Starting with this edition, we excluded these beneficiaries completely so data across all years match.

-- = not available.

a. Spouse's entitlement based on age.

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**Table 29.**  
**Number, average primary insurance amount, and average monthly family benefit, by family composition, December 2016**

Family composition	Number of families	Number of beneficiaries	Average primary insurance amount (dollars)	Average monthly family benefit (dollars)	Percentage of families receiving maximum family benefit <sup>a</sup>
Worker only					
Men	3,781,182	3,781,182	1,284.64	1,279.28	12.5
Women	3,872,658	3,872,658	1,034.72	1,031.84	22.9
Worker with children					
By sex of worker					
Men	604,517	1,531,545	1,323.32	1,929.24	93.2
Women	415,474	1,031,823	1,139.64	1,609.47	95.5
By number of children					
1 child	649,321	1,298,642	1,258.37	1,802.65	94.5
2 children	260,731	782,193	1,246.95	1,812.07	93.2
3 or more children	109,939	482,533	1,193.91	1,746.38	94.3
Worker with—					
Spouse aged 62 or older <sup>b</sup>	78,490	157,284	1,736.22	2,108.90	8.5
Spouse aged 62 or older and 1 or more children	2,526	8,106	1,566.22	2,525.03	53.7
Spouse and 1 child	21,823	65,470	1,395.85	2,048.06	94.2
Spouse and 2 children	17,210	68,841	1,351.94	1,986.79	95.2
Spouse and 3 or more children	12,613	70,155	1,305.39	1,921.05	95.3

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

NOTE: A "family" means beneficiaries entitled on one worker's account.

- a. Includes families and worker-only beneficiaries for whom the primary insurance amount is equal to the family maximum amount.
- b. If the spouse is also entitled to a retired-worker benefit, only the benefit amount received as a spouse is included.

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**Table 30.**  
**Distribution, by family composition and age of worker, December 2016**

Family composition	Total, all ages	Under 30	30–34	35–39	40–44	45–49	50–54	55–59	60–FRA
<i>Number</i>									
Worker only	7,653,840	134,412	189,008	253,530	343,440	621,476	1,180,838	2,012,934	2,918,202
Worker with—									
Spouse									
Aged 62 or older <sup>a</sup>	78,490	(X)	(X)	(X)	34	234	1,392	7,767	69,057
Child in care	54,172	742	3,353	6,533	8,100	9,335	9,138	8,291	8,680
Children									
1 child	649,321	8,838	28,321	60,552	97,500	130,353	133,077	110,245	80,435
2 children	260,731	4,807	22,119	50,372	57,282	52,907	37,002	22,876	13,366
3 or more children	109,939	2,570	14,551	30,144	24,871	17,523	10,291	6,283	3,706
Families receiving maximum benefit <sup>b</sup>	2,379,420	105,383	162,774	248,879	289,920	346,680	392,994	416,203	416,587
<i>Percent</i>									
Worker only	100.0	1.8	2.5	3.3	4.5	8.1	15.4	26.3	38.1
Worker with—									
Spouse									
Aged 62 or older <sup>a</sup>	100.0	(X)	(X)	(X)	(L)	0.3	1.8	9.9	88.0
Child in care	100.0	1.4	6.2	12.1	15.0	17.2	16.9	15.3	16.0
Children									
1 child	100.0	1.4	4.4	9.3	15.0	20.1	20.5	17.0	12.4
2 children	100.0	1.8	8.5	19.3	22.0	20.3	14.2	8.8	5.1
3 or more children	100.0	2.3	13.2	27.4	22.6	15.9	9.4	5.7	3.4
Families receiving maximum benefit <sup>b</sup>	100.0	4.4	6.8	10.5	12.2	14.6	16.5	17.5	17.5

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

NOTES: A "family" means beneficiaries entitled on one worker's account.

FRA = full retirement age; (X) = suppressed to avoid disclosing information about particular individuals; (L) = less than 0.05 percent.

a. Includes spouses aged 62 or older with children.

b. Includes families and worker-only beneficiaries for whom the primary insurance amount is equal to the family maximum amount.

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