

# FACT SHEET ON THE OLD-AGE, SURVIVORS, AND DISABILITY INSURANCE PROGRAM

## A. BENEFICIARIES IN CURRENT-PAYMENT STATUS, DECEMBER 31, 2010

Type of benefit	Number of beneficiaries [In thousands]	Monthly rate [In millions]	Average monthly amount
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>54,032</b>	<b>\$58,048</b>	a/
<b>Retired workers and their family members, total</b> .....	<b>37,488</b>	<b>42,339</b>	a/
Retired workers .....	34,592	40,662	\$1,175
Spouses .....	2,316	1,343	580
Children .....	580	334	577
<b>Survivors of deceased workers, total</b> .....	<b>6,358</b>	<b>6,322</b>	a/
Children .....	1,913	1,438	752
Widowed mothers and fathers with child beneficiaries in their care ..	159	135	849
Aged widow(er)s, and aged parents ..	4,042	4,583	1,134
Disabled widow(er)s .....	245	167	681
<b>Disabled workers and their family members, total</b> .....	<b>10,186</b>	<b>9,387</b>	a/
Disabled workers .....	8,205	8,761	1,068
Spouses .....	161	46	287
Children .....	1,820	580	318

<sup>a</sup> Since the benefit amounts for workers and for the various types of family members and survivors are based on different proportions of the worker's benefit, average monthly amounts for groups of these different kinds of beneficiaries are not meaningful.

## B. SELECTED CATEGORIES OF BENEFICIARIES (INCLUDED ABOVE) IN CURRENT-PAYMENT STATUS, DECEMBER 31, 2010

Type of benefit	Number of beneficiaries [In thousands]	Monthly rate [In millions]
Disabled beneficiaries (OASDI)—Workers, disabled children aged 18 and over, and disabled widow(er)s .....	9,399	\$9,572
Children (OASDI) .....	4,313	2,352
Student children .....	155	98
Disabled children aged 18 and over .....	949	644
Children under age 18 .....	3,209	1,609
Survivor children and widowed mothers and fathers .....	2,072	1,573
Beneficiaries aged 62 and over (OASDI) .....	42,694	48,571
Beneficiaries aged 65 and over (OASDI) .....	37,292	42,893

## C. AVERAGE MONTHLY FAMILY BENEFITS IN CURRENT-PAYMENT STATUS, DECEMBER 31, 2010

Selected family <sup>a</sup> group	Number of families [In thousands]	Average family benefit	Average number of beneficiaries per family
Retired worker alone .....	31,901	\$1,164	1.000
Retired worker and spouse, aged 62 and over .....	2,198	1,908	2.000
Disabled worker, spouse under full retirement age, and 1 or more children .....	72	1,815	3.964
Widowed parent and 2 children ..	50	2,409	3.000
Children of deceased worker <sup>b</sup> ..	1,161	983	1.324
Aged widow(er) alone .....	3,859	1,133	1.000

<sup>a</sup> A family means beneficiaries entitled on one worker's account.

<sup>b</sup> In most cases, the family includes a widowed parent whose benefits are withheld due to earnings.

## D. MEASURES OF PROTECTION

### 1. Coverage

About 158 million people will work in OASDI-covered employment in 2011.

About 94 percent of workers in paid employment and self-employment are covered under the OASDI program.

### 2. Benefit receipt among the elderly

As of December 31, 2010, about 90 percent of the population aged 65 and over were receiving benefits.

### 3. Protection for survivors of young workers

About 97 percent of persons aged 20-49 who worked in covered employment in 2010 have acquired survivorship protection for their children under age 18 (and surviving spouses caring for children under age 16).

### 4. Disability protection

About 91 percent of persons aged 21-64 who worked in covered employment in 2010 can count on monthly cash benefits if they suffer a severe and prolonged disability.

## E. OPERATIONS OF OASI AND DI TRUST FUNDS, COMBINED

[In billions]

	Calendar year 2010	Fiscal year 2010	Cumulative 1937 through end of—	
			Calendar year 2010	Fiscal year 2010
<b>Income</b> .....	<b>\$781.1</b>	<b>\$788.0</b>	<b>\$14,647.3</b>	<b>\$14,479.3</b>
Contributions .....	639.8	646.6	12,877.5	12,772.0
Other .....	141.3	141.3	1,769.9	1,707.2
<b>Expenditures</b> .....	<b>712.5</b>	<b>706.3</b>	<b>12,038.4</b>	<b>11,900.9</b>
Benefit payments ..	701.6	695.4	11,799.2	11,662.9
OASI .....	577.4	572.5	10,175.9	10,066.6
DI .....	124.2	122.9	1,623.3	1,596.3
Other .....	10.9	10.8	239.2	238.0
<b>Assets, end of period</b>	<b>2,609.0</b>	<b>2,585.3</b>	<b>2,609.0</b>	<b>2,585.3</b>

Note: Totals may not equal the sums of rounded components.

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