

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

A. BENEFICIARIES IN CURRENT-PAYMENT STATUS, June 30, 2011

Type of benefit	Number of beneficiaries [In thousands]	Monthly rate [In millions]	Average monthly amount
Total	54,815	\$59,146	a/
Retired workers and their family members, total	38,058	43,204	a/
Retired workers	35,158	41,517	\$1,181
Spouses	2,303	1,342	583
Children	596	346	580
Survivors of deceased workers, total	6,330	6,314	a/
Children	1,920	1,450	755
Widowed mothers and fathers with child beneficiaries in their care . . .	154	130	845
Aged widow(er)s, and aged parents.	4,007	4,565	1,139
Disabled widow(er)s	248	169	680
Disabled workers and their family members, total	10,428	9,628	a/
Disabled workers	8,403	8,988	1,070
Spouses	162	47	288
Children	1,862	594	319

^a 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, JUNE 30, 2011

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	9,615	\$9,811
Children (OASDI)	4,378	2,389
Student children	178	115
Disabled children aged 18 and over	963	655
Children under age 18	3,238	1,619
Survivor children and widowed mothers and fathers	2,074	1,580
Beneficiaries aged 62 and over (OASDI)	43,277	49,488
Beneficiaries aged 65 and over (OASDI)	37,648	43,554

C. AVERAGE MONTHLY FAMILY BENEFITS IN CURRENT-PAYMENT STATUS, JUNE 30, 2011

Selected family ^a group	Number of families [In thousands]	Average family benefit	Average number of beneficiaries per family
Retired worker alone.	32,467	1,170	1.000
Retired worker and spouse, aged 62 and over	2,185	1,916	2.000
Disabled worker, spouse under full retirement age, and 1 or more children	71	1816	3.975
Widowed parent and 2 children . . .	48	2,406	3.000
Children of deceased worker ^b . . .	1,171	989	1.324
Aged widow(er) alone.	3,825	1,138	1.000

^a A family means beneficiaries entitled on one worker's account.

^b 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 June 30, 2011, about 89 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
Income	\$781.1	\$788.0	\$14,647.3	\$14,479.3
Contributions	639.8	646.6	12,877.5	12,772.0
Other	141.3	141.3	1,769.9	1,707.2
Expenditures	712.5	706.3	12,038.4	11,900.9
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
Assets, end of period	2,609.0	2,585.3	2,609.0	2,585.3

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

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