Summary Measures and Graphs

Category of Change: Level of Monthly Benefits

Proposed Provision: B7.9. Beginning for newly eligible retired workers and spouses in 2026, all claimants who are married would receive a specified joint-and-survivor annuity benefit (i.e., surviving spouses would receive 75 percent of the decedents’ benefits, in addition to their own) that would be payable if both were still alive. Initial benefits would be actuarially adjusted to keep the expected value of benefits equivalent to what would otherwise be current law.

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OASDI Cost Rates and Income Rates (as a percentage of taxable payroll)

OASDI Trust Fund Ratio (assets as a percentage of annual expenditures)

Estimates based on the intermediate assumptions of the 2019 Trustees Report

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