Old-Age (retirement), Survivors, and Disability Insurance (OASDI)–popularly referred to as Social Security–provides monthly benefits to workers and their families when earnings stop or are reduced because the worker retires, dies, or becomes disabled. The amount of benefits received is based on the worker's level of earnings in employment or self-employment covered by the Social Security program.

Table 1.—OASDI in Alabama, December 2002: Number of beneficiaries and monthly benefit amount for benefits in current–payment status

	Number of beneficiaries						Mon (tho	Number of OASDI		
Congressional district	Total	Retired workers ¹	Disabled workers	Widow(er)s ²	Wives and husbands	Children	All beneficiaries	Retired workers	Widow(er)s ²	beneficiaries aged 65 or older
United States, total	46,444,240	29,190,150	5,543,981	4,967,155	2,832,767	3,910,187	37,854,411	26,125,087	4,169,125	33,162,456
Alabama	854,423	469,211	139,354	102,779	49,098	93,981	647,609	398,636	78,368	545,142
1 2 3 4 5	123,973 121,442 124,066 135,150 114,783	68,192 68,415 68,288 73,053 66,252	18,562 19,682 23,132 23,043 16,561	14,700 13,795 13,125 17,246 13,941	7,688 6,184 5,379 8,707 7,874	14,831 13,366 14,142 13,101 10,155	96,065 87,800 90,490 100,371 88,474	59,506 55,456 55,538 60,072 56,440	11,659 9,972 9,299 12,768 10,799	78,743 77,895 76,161 86,224 76,718
6 7	110,371 124,638	64,348 60,663	14,762 23,612	13,889 16,083	7,566 5,700	9,806 18,580	94,710 89,697	61,437 50,185	12,166 11,702	76,251 73,150

¹ Includes special age-72 beneficiaries.

² Includes nondisabled widow(er)s, disabled widow(er)s, widowed mothers and fathers, and parents.

Supplemental Security Income (SSI) is a federal cash assistance program that provides monthly payments to low-income aged, blind, or disabled persons in the 50 states, the District of Columbia, and the Northern Mariana Islands.

Table 2.—SSI in Alabama, December 2002: Number of persons receiving federally administered payments and monthly benefit amount

	Number of recipients					Monthly be (thousand	Number of recipients			
Congressional district	Total	Aged	Blind	Disabled	Total	Aged	Blind	Disabled	With OASDI ¹	Aged 65 or older
United States, total	6,787,857	1,251,528	77,658	5,458,671	2,951,425	415,574	35,144	2,500,707	2,406,327	1,995,284
Alabama	163,662	22,712	1,074	139,876	64,495	3,965	380	60,149	68,411	40,623
1 2 3 4 5	21,048 26,768 25,902 23,309 17,006	2,656 4,182 3,359 3,751 2,548	144 154 238 142 117	18,248 22,432 22,305 19,416 14,341	8,509 10,466 10,019 8,528 6,355	486 703 556 586 453	54 53 80 51 39	7,970 9,710 9,384 7,891 5,863	8,309 11,879 10,777 11,005 7,475	4,628 7,159 6,332 6,669 4,637
6 7	10,978 38,651	1,260 4,956	69 210	9,649 33,485	4,414 16,203	236 946	25 78	4,153 15,179	4,408 14,558	2,271 8,927

¹ Includes persons who are receiving both SSI payments and Social Security benefits.



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