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 Connecticut, December 2002: Number of beneficiaries and monthly benefit amount for benefits in current–payment status

	Number of beneficiaries					Mont (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
Connecticut	580,887	404,213	58,159	51,086	26,151	41,278	527,703	396,048	48,065	445,415
1 2 3 4 5	126,014 111,631 121,669 105,672 115,901	87,580 76,556 84,168 75,566 80,343	13,289 11,509 12,985 8,058 12,318	10,318 10,084 10,962 9,653 10,069	4,998 5,627 4,884 5,946 4,696	9,829 7,855 8,670 6,449 8,475	112,318 99,450 109,660 101,608 104,666	84,320 73,249 81,711 78,357 78,408	9,559 9,341 10,175 9,533 9,455	95,374 83,890 93,108 84,991 88,052

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 Connecticut, December 2002: Number of persons receiving federally administered payments and monthly benefit amount

	Number of recipients				Monthly benefit amount (thousands of dollars)				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
Connecticut	50,494	7,001	498	42,995	20,799	2,217	214	18,368	15,415	12,400
1 2 3 4 5	13,775 6,671 10,821 8,770 10,457	2,083 653 1,270 1,673 1,322	149 65 104 86 94	11,543 5,953 9,447 7,011 9,041	5,727 2,644 4,602 3,527 4,299	678 165 392 575 408	62 32 43 36 40	4,987 2,447 4,167 2,916 3,851	4,106 2,322 3,223 2,536 3,228	3,692 1,214 2,426 2,730 2,338

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



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