

## **Congressional Statistics**

for December 2003 Montana

*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.

Number of OASDI beneficiaries with benefits in current-payment status and monthly benefit amount, December 2003

			Number of b	eneficiaries	Mon (the	Number of OASDI				
Congressional district	Total	Retired workers <sup>a</sup>	Disabled workers	Widow(er)s <sup>b</sup>	Wives and husbands	Children	All beneficiaries	Retired workers	Widow(er)s <sup>b</sup>	beneficiaries aged 65 or older
Montana	163,655	103,679	18,995	17,395	11,111	12,475	132,714	91,396	15,101	117,084
All areas <sup>c</sup>	47,038,391	29,531,615	5,873,673	4,899,704	2,772,576	3,960,823	39,541,474	27,230,628	4,238,982	33,433,599

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Master Beneficiary Record, 100 percent data.

a. Includes special age-72 beneficiaries.

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

c. Includes beneficiaries in the 50 states, District of Columbia, American Samoa, Guam, Northern Mariana Islands, Puerto Rico, and Virgin Islands.

*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. Number of recipients of federally administered SSI payments and monthly payment amount, December 2003												
	Number of recipients				Monthly payment amount (thousands of dollars)				Number of recipients With Aged 65			
Congressional district	Total	Aged	Blind	Disabled	Total	Aged	Blind	Disabled	OASDI <sup>a</sup>	or older		
Montana	14,379	1,215	133	13,031	5,728	222	53	5,452	5,668	2,482		
All areas <sup>b</sup>	6,902,364	1,232,778	77,082	5,592,504	3,077,818	424,774	35,646	2,617,398	2,421,362	1,989,737		

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

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

b. Includes recipients in the 50 states, District of Columbia, and Northern Mariana Islands.

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