



Old-Age (retirement), Survivors, and Disability Insurance (OASDI)—popularly referred to as Social Security—provides monthly benefits to an eligible worker and family members when the worker elects to start receiving retirement benefits or when the worker 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 in current-payment status and total monthly benefits, December 2008

Congressional district	Number of beneficiaries						Total monthly benefits (thousands of dollars)			Number of beneficiaries aged 65 or older
	Total	Retired workers	Disabled workers	Widow(er)s ^a	Spouses ^b	Children ^c	All beneficiaries	Retired workers	Widow(er)s ^a	
Iowa	563,610	378,386	65,571	54,037	28,961	36,655	599,606	434,970	60,850	424,860
1	114,531	75,875	13,663	11,205	6,322	7,466	121,718	87,442	12,668	85,043
2	107,081	72,311	13,403	9,389	4,842	7,136	116,585	85,192	10,643	78,881
3	104,119	70,722	12,940	9,006	4,323	7,128	113,849	83,556	10,315	77,494
4	117,600	80,421	11,801	11,944	6,471	6,963	124,573	91,416	13,484	91,648
5	120,279	79,057	13,764	12,493	7,003	7,962	122,881	87,364	13,739	91,794
All areas ^d	50,898,244	32,273,651	7,426,691	4,541,467	2,524,841	4,131,594	53,666,109	37,207,910	4,908,428	35,818,757

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

- a. Includes nondisabled widow(er)s, disabled widow(er)s, widowed mothers and fathers, and parents receiving payment on the record of a worker who is deceased.
- b. These beneficiaries receive payment on the record of a worker who is retired or disabled.
- c. These beneficiaries receive payment on the record of a worker who is retired, deceased, or disabled.
- d. Includes beneficiaries in the 50 states, District of Columbia, American Samoa, Guam, Northern Mariana Islands, Puerto Rico, U.S. Virgin Islands, and foreign countries.

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 total monthly payments, December 2008

Congressional district	Number of recipients				Total monthly payments (thousands of dollars)				Number of recipients	
	Total	Aged	Blind	Disabled	Total	Aged	Blind	Disabled	With OASDI ^a	Aged 65 or older
Iowa	45,413	3,385	713	41,315	20,929	832	300	19,797	17,450	6,915
1	10,892	644	143	10,105	5,163	148	61	4,955	3,902	1,349
2	9,700	595	149	8,956	4,648	151	68	4,430	3,645	1,329
3	8,983	862	163	7,958	4,321	278	76	3,967	3,170	1,645
4	6,844	571	130	6,143	2,939	119	49	2,771	2,872	1,137
5	8,994	713	128	8,153	3,857	136	47	3,675	3,861	1,455
All areas^b	7,519,593	1,203,089	70,311	6,246,193	3,880,019	475,824	36,376	3,367,820	2,612,149	2,033,285

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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