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. A worker's lifetime covered earnings largely determine the amount of benefits received.

Table 1.
Number of OASDI beneficiaries in current-payment status and total monthly benefits, December 2012

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 and parents	Spouses [a]	Children [b]	All beneficiaries	Retired workers	Widow(er)s and parents	
Guam	15,280	8,592	1,584	1,416	1,098	2,590	11,502	7,256	1,106	9,476
All areas [c]	56,758,185	36,720,492	8,826,591	4,348,486	2,443,212	4,419,404	65,430,104	46,327,075	5,107,327	39,613,754

SOURCES: Social Security Administration, Master Beneficiary Record, 100 percent data as of December 2012 and U.S. Postal Service geography data as of March 2013; represents the 2010 Census redistricting in effect for the 113th Congress.

a. These beneficiaries receive payment on the record of a worker who is retired or disabled.

b. These beneficiaries receive payment on the record of a worker who is retired, deceased, or disabled.

c. 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.

The former federal-state programs of Old-Age Assistance, Aid to the Blind, and Aid to the Permanently and Totally Disabled still operate in Guam, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands. These programs are administered at the federal level by the Secretary of Health and Human Services.

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