



Alaska Congressional Statistics, 2016

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 2016

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	
Alaska	95,500	65,342	12,532	5,375	3,154	9,097	113,938	84,896	6,522	67,431
All areas ^c	60,907,307	41,233,126	8,808,736	4,138,134	2,505,754	4,221,557	75,917,962	56,082,551	5,184,802	44,506,717

SOURCES: Social Security Administration, Master Beneficiary Record, 100 percent data; and U.S. Postal Service geographic data.

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.

Table 2.
Number of recipients of federally administered SSI payments and total monthly payments, December 2016

Congressional district	Number of recipients							Total monthly payments (thousands of dollars)				Number of recipients with OASDI ^a
	Total	By type			By age			Total	Aged	Blind	Disabled	
		Aged	Blind	Disabled	Under 18	18–64	65 or older					
Alaska	12,449	1,762	81	10,606	1,194	8,081	3,174	6,689	593	41	6,054	4,241
All areas ^b	8,251,161	1,164,589	68,344	7,018,228	1,213,079	4,845,735	2,192,347	4,740,264	501,520	39,380	4,199,364	2,721,951

SOURCES: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data; and U.S. Postal Service geographic 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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