

Table 1.
Number of people receiving Social Security, Supplemental Security Income (SSI), or both, March 2016
(in thousands)

Type of beneficiary	Total	Social Security only	SSI only	Both Social Security and SSI
All beneficiaries	65,488	57,153	5,575	2,760
Aged 65 or older	44,477	42,309	963	1,206
Disabled, under age 65 ^a	14,191	8,024	4,612	1,554
Other ^b	6,820	6,820

SOURCES: Social Security Administration, Master Beneficiary Record and Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

NOTES: Social Security beneficiaries who are entitled to a primary and a secondary benefit (dual entitlement) are counted only once in this table. SSI counts include recipients of federal SSI, federally administered state supplementation, or both.

... = not applicable.

a. Includes children receiving SSI based on their own disability.

b. Social Security beneficiaries who are neither aged nor disabled (for example, early retirees, young survivors).

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Table 2.
Social Security benefits, March 2016

Type of beneficiary	Beneficiaries		Total monthly benefits (millions of dollars)	Average monthly benefit (dollars)
	Number (thousands)	Percent		
Total	60,324	100.0	74,285	1,231.42
Old-Age and Survivors Insurance	49,540	82.1	63,259	1,276.94
Retirement benefits	43,463	72.0	56,490	1,299.74
Retired workers	40,449	67.1	54,423	1,345.49
Spouses of retired workers	2,350	3.9	1,633	695.02
Children of retired workers	664	1.1	434	653.10
Survivor benefits	6,077	10.1	6,769	1,113.88
Children of deceased workers	1,918	3.2	1,601	834.45
Widowed mothers and fathers	131	0.2	122	929.41
Nondisabled widow(er)s	3,767	6.2	4,859	1,289.83
Disabled widow(er)s	259	0.4	186	717.99
Parents of deceased workers	1	(L)	1	1,138.39
Disability Insurance	10,785	17.9	11,026	1,022.33
Disabled workers	8,889	14.7	10,362	1,165.74
Spouses of disabled workers	139	0.2	44	319.47
Children of disabled workers	1,757	2.9	619	352.50

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

NOTE: (L) = less than 0.05 percent.

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Table 3.
Supplemental Security Income recipients, March 2016

Age	Recipients		Total payments ^a (millions of dollars)	Average monthly payment ^b (dollars)
	Number (thousands)	Percent		
All recipients	8,335	100.0	4,752	540.81
Under 18	1,261	15.1	850	646.69
18–64	4,906	58.9	2,956	560.55
65 or older	2,168	26.0	945	434.85

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

a. Includes retroactive payments.

b. Excludes retroactive payments.

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