

Table 1.
Number of people receiving Social Security, Supplemental Security Income (SSI), or both, March 2021
(in thousands)

Type of beneficiary	Total	Social Security only	SSI only	Both Social Security and SSI
All beneficiaries	69,781	61,894	5,273	2,613
Aged 65 or older	50,858	48,578	995	1,285
Disabled, under age 65 ^a	12,992	7,385	4,278	1,328
Other ^b	5,931	5,931

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).

CONTACT: (410) 965-0090 or statistics@ssa.gov.

Table 2.
Social Security benefits, March 2021

Type of beneficiary	Beneficiaries		Total monthly benefits (millions of dollars)	Average monthly benefit (dollars)
	Number (thousands)	Percent		
Total	64,915	100.0	92,675	1,427.64
Old-Age and Survivors Insurance	55,308	85.2	81,665	1,476.55
Retirement benefits	49,423	76.1	74,345	1,504.25
Retired workers	46,441	71.5	72,013	1,550.64
Spouses of retired workers	2,275	3.5	1,813	796.82
Children of retired workers	707	1.1	519	733.70
Survivor benefits	5,885	9.1	7,320	1,243.89
Children of deceased workers	1,969	3.0	1,814	921.60
Widowed mothers and fathers	110	0.2	115	1,047.11
Nondisabled widow(er)s	3,571	5.5	5,209	1,458.62
Disabled widow(er)s	234	0.4	180	770.77
Parents of deceased workers	1	(L)	1	1,301.65
Disability Insurance	9,607	14.8	11,010	1,146.07
Disabled workers	8,150	12.6	10,429	1,279.71
Spouses of disabled workers	104	0.2	37	360.06
Children of disabled workers	1,353	2.1	543	401.43

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

NOTE: (L) = less than 0.05 percent.

CONTACT: (410) 965-0090 or statistics@ssa.gov.

Table 3.
Supplemental Security Income recipients, March 2021

Age	Recipients		Total payments ^a (millions of dollars)	Average monthly payment ^b (dollars)
	Number (thousands)	Percent		
All recipients	7,886	100.0	4,815	585.75
Under 18	1,094	13.9	779	689.78
18–64	4,512	57.2	2,948	616.10
65 or older	2,280	28.9	1,088	475.86

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

a. Includes retroactive payments.

b. Excludes retroactive payments.

CONTACT: (410) 965-0090 or statistics@ssa.gov.