

Table 46.
Number, average primary insurance amount, and average monthly family benefit, by family composition, 2005

Family composition	Number of families	Number of beneficiaries	Average primary insurance amount (dollars)	Average monthly family benefit ^a (dollars)	Percentage of families receiving maximum family benefit ^b
Worker only					
Men	344,530	344,530	1,160.10	1,130.50	10.4
Women	315,805	315,805	865.70	847.70	22.0
Worker with children					
By sex of worker					
Men	77,288	207,042	1,154.50	1,645.90	84.9
Women	63,961	170,416	873.10	1,184.40	89.0
By number of children					
1 child	75,936	151,872	1,045.60	1,449.00	84.4
2 children	43,905	131,715	1,025.00	1,454.70	89.8
3 or more children	21,408	93,871	965.70	1,357.50	88.9
Worker with—					
Spouse aged 62 or older ^c	6,373	12,770	1,483.10	1,767.70	8.7
Spouse aged 62 or older and 1 or more children	172	567	1,417.60	2,270.10	68.6
Spouse and 1 child	4,108	12,327	1,197.30	1,740.70	87.9
Spouse and 2 children	4,609	18,438	1,172.80	1,694.70	87.2
Spouse and 3 or more children	3,766	20,942	1,091.10	1,550.80	83.5

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Annual Award and Termination Transaction file, 100 percent data.

NOTES: A family means beneficiaries entitled on one worker's account. The data may understate the number of families with dependents because records of awards to dependents made in a different calendar year are not available for inclusion.

Data exclude expedited reinstatement cases; they include beneficiaries whose benefits are being withheld.

- a. Benefits awarded before the December cost-of-living increase are converted to the December rates before averages are computed.
- b. Includes families and worker-only beneficiaries for whom the primary insurance amount is equal to the family maximum amount.
- c. If the spouse is also entitled to a retired-worker benefit, only the benefit amount received as a spouse is included.

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