
Notes

In December 2019, approximately 432,000 disabled workers on the Social Security Disability Insurance program had filed for workers' compensation or public disability benefits. Disability payments from private sources, such as private pension or insurance benefits, do not affect Social Security disability benefits, but workers' compensation and other public disability benefits may reduce them. Workers' compensation is paid to a worker because of a job-related injury or illness. It may be paid by federal or state workers' compensation agencies or employers or by insurance companies on behalf of employers.

Other public disability benefits that may affect Social Security disability benefits are those paid by a federal, state, or local government for disabling medical conditions that are not job related. Examples are civil service disability benefits, military disability benefits, state temporary disability benefits, and state or local government retirement benefits that are based on disability. Persons who receive Social Security disability benefits and one of the following types of public benefits will not have their Social Security disability benefit reduced:

- Veterans Administration benefits;
- State and local government benefits, if Social Security taxes were deducted from earnings; or
- Supplemental Security Income.

The total amount received from workers' compensation or other public disability benefits and Social Security disability benefits cannot exceed 80 percent of the worker's average current earnings before he or she became disabled. The monthly Social Security disability benefit includes benefits payable to family members. If the total amount of these benefits exceeds 80 percent of average current earnings, the excess amount is deducted from the Social Security benefit. The benefit will be reduced until the month the worker reaches age 65 or the month the other benefits stop, whichever comes first.

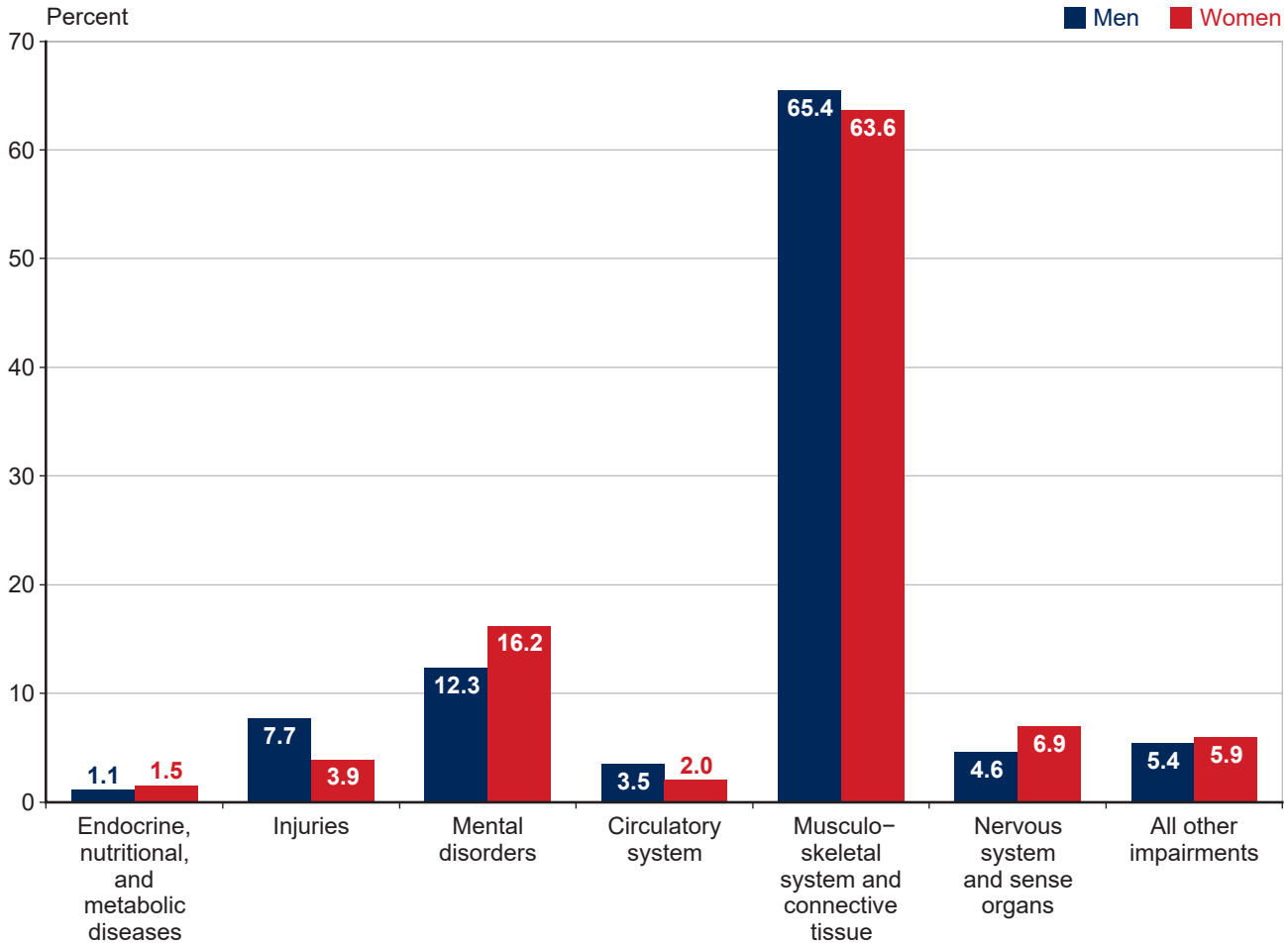
Example

Before becoming disabled, the worker's average current earnings were \$4,000 a month. The disabled worker, his or her spouse, and their two children would be eligible to receive a total of \$2,200 a month in Social Security disability benefits. However, the disabled worker also receives \$2,000 a month from workers' compensation. Because the total amount of benefits received (\$4,200) is more than \$3,200 (80 percent of average current earnings), the family's Social Security disability benefits will be reduced by \$1,000.

Chart 7.

Distribution of workers, by diagnostic group and sex, December 2019

Among disabled workers who are also receiving workers' compensation or public disability benefits, a disease of the musculoskeletal system and connective tissue was the primary diagnosis in December 2019. Mental disorders were the second leading disabling condition. A disorder of the nervous system and sense organs was the third most common disability for women. Injuries were the third most common disability for men. All other impairments were fairly evenly split between men and women.



SOURCE: Table 34.

Beneficiaries Who Have Filed for Workers' Compensation or Public Disability Benefits

Table 31.
Distribution of workers and dependents who have filed, by reason for having or not having an offset,
December 2019

Reason	Total		Workers		Spouses and children	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
All disabled beneficiaries and dependents	512,070	100.0	431,702	100.0	80,368	100.0
With offset						
Receipt of—						
Workers' compensation only						
Black Lung	427	0.1	304	0.1	123	0.2
Harbor Workers and Longshoremens	307	0.1	240	0.1	67	0.1
Federal employees	3,831	0.7	3,229	0.7	602	0.7
State	65,599	12.8	50,046	11.6	15,553	19.4
Public disability only						
Federal	426	0.1	377	0.1	49	0.1
State	7,628	1.5	6,650	1.5	978	1.2
Local	385	0.1	312	0.1	73	0.1
Workers' compensation and public disability	384	0.1	336	0.1	48	0.1
Social Security Disability Insurance (reverse offset)	38,925	7.6	32,812	7.6	6,113	7.6
Without offset						
High average current earnings	337,092	65.8	288,488	66.8	48,604	60.5
Entitlement to workers' compensation or public disability benefits is pending	57,066	11.1	48,908	11.3	8,158	10.2

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Workers' Compensation and Public Disability Benefit file, 100 percent data.

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Beneficiaries Who Have Filed for Workers' Compensation or Public Disability Benefits

Table 32.
Distribution of workers and dependents who have filed, by state or other area of residence,
December 2019

State or area	Total		Workers		Spouses and children	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
All areas	512,070	100.0	431,702	100.0	80,368	100.0
Alabama	9,411	1.8	7,652	1.8	1,759	2.2
Alaska	356	0.1	301	0.1	55	0.1
Arizona	6,227	1.2	5,341	1.2	886	1.1
Arkansas	4,281	0.8	3,512	0.8	769	1.0
California	61,312	12.0	53,790	12.5	7,522	9.4
Colorado	5,640	1.1	4,843	1.1	797	1.0
Connecticut	4,630	0.9	3,870	0.9	760	0.9
Delaware	1,613	0.3	1,389	0.3	224	0.3
District of Columbia	232	(L)	216	0.1	16	(L)
Florida	26,646	5.2	22,662	5.2	3,984	5.0
Georgia	18,748	3.7	15,780	3.7	2,968	3.7
Hawaii	1,299	0.3	1,099	0.3	200	0.2
Idaho	1,918	0.4	1,588	0.4	330	0.4
Illinois	14,928	2.9	12,405	2.9	2,523	3.1
Indiana	3,990	0.8	3,274	0.8	716	0.9
Iowa	4,066	0.8	3,463	0.8	603	0.8
Kansas	2,512	0.5	2,096	0.5	416	0.5
Kentucky	12,545	2.4	10,309	2.4	2,236	2.8
Louisiana	7,636	1.5	6,145	1.4	1,491	1.9
Maine	4,520	0.9	3,850	0.9	670	0.8
Maryland	3,821	0.7	3,304	0.8	517	0.6
Massachusetts	14,818	2.9	12,284	2.8	2,534	3.2
Michigan	25,687	5.0	21,334	4.9	4,353	5.4
Minnesota	6,703	1.3	5,782	1.3	921	1.1
Mississippi	5,114	1.0	4,143	1.0	971	1.2
Missouri	8,620	1.7	7,384	1.7	1,236	1.5
Montana	1,543	0.3	1,320	0.3	223	0.3
Nebraska	1,450	0.3	1,198	0.3	252	0.3
Nevada	2,912	0.6	2,542	0.6	370	0.5
New Hampshire	3,541	0.7	2,931	0.7	610	0.8
New Jersey	12,158	2.4	9,964	2.3	2,194	2.7
New Mexico	2,693	0.5	2,320	0.5	373	0.5
New York	65,794	12.8	54,750	12.7	11,044	13.7
North Carolina	20,088	3.9	17,020	3.9	3,068	3.8
North Dakota	520	0.1	453	0.1	67	0.1
Ohio	11,556	2.3	10,021	2.3	1,535	1.9
Oklahoma	5,406	1.1	4,650	1.1	756	0.9
Oregon	5,071	1.0	4,416	1.0	655	0.8
Pennsylvania	34,804	6.8	29,041	6.7	5,763	7.2
Rhode Island	2,614	0.5	2,214	0.5	400	0.5

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Beneficiaries Who Have Filed for Workers' Compensation or Public Disability Benefits

Table 32.
Distribution of workers and dependents who have filed, by state or other area of residence,
December 2019—Continued

State or area	Total		Workers		Spouses and children	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
South Carolina	12,571	2.5	10,557	2.4	2,014	2.5
South Dakota	729	0.1	616	0.1	113	0.1
Tennessee	11,775	2.3	9,848	2.3	1,927	2.4
Texas	9,273	1.8	7,603	1.8	1,670	2.1
Utah	1,222	0.2	996	0.2	226	0.3
Vermont	968	0.2	828	0.2	140	0.2
Virginia	8,980	1.8	7,500	1.7	1,480	1.8
Washington	9,665	1.9	8,276	1.9	1,389	1.7
West Virginia	4,127	0.8	3,295	0.8	832	1.0
Wisconsin	6,981	1.4	5,879	1.4	1,102	1.4
Wyoming	451	0.1	380	0.1	71	0.1
Outlying areas						
Puerto Rico	16,907	3.3	14,537	3.4	2,370	2.9
Other ^a	113	(L)	78	(L)	35	(L)
Foreign countries	885	0.2	653	0.2	232	0.3

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Workers' Compensation and Public Disability Benefit file, 100 percent data.

NOTES: Distribution is by state or other area of residence, not by the state paying benefits.

(L) = less than 0.05 percent.

a. Includes American Samoa, Guam, Northern Mariana Islands, and U.S. Virgin Islands.

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Beneficiaries Who Have Filed for Workers' Compensation or Public Disability Benefits

Table 33.
Distribution of workers who have filed, by diagnostic group and age, December 2019

Diagnostic group	Total, all ages	Under 35	35–39	40–44	45–49	50–54	55–59	60–64
	<i>Number</i>							
Total	431,702	2,884	5,938	13,397	29,392	64,429	134,231	181,431
Congenital anomalies	213	(X)	(X)	16	26	32	70	61
Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases	5,536	33	64	119	319	839	1,675	2,487
Infectious and parasitic diseases	2,254	13	25	83	135	352	735	911
Injuries	26,950	388	668	1,197	2,150	4,170	7,856	10,521
Mental disorders								
Autistic disorders	63	19	5	3	6	9	7	14
Developmental disorders	90	6	4	5	6	19	29	21
Childhood and adolescent disorders not elsewhere classified	96	8	10	10	10	15	22	21
Intellectual disability	3,000	48	66	96	230	573	931	1,056
Mood disorders	33,775	312	539	1,255	2,836	5,706	10,059	13,068
Organic mental disorders	8,784	143	244	423	807	1,429	2,583	3,155
Schizophrenic and other psychotic disorders	4,399	187	152	250	403	726	1,197	1,484
Other	9,410	203	374	595	977	1,701	2,643	2,917
Neoplasms	5,260	117	119	202	396	726	1,581	2,119
Diseases of the—								
Blood and blood-forming organs	314	13	12	22	25	48	83	111
Circulatory system	12,576	61	121	273	656	1,654	3,878	5,933
Digestive system	2,168	22	57	96	173	315	662	843
Genitourinary system	2,573	87	86	172	293	459	722	754
Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue	279,293	805	2,692	7,132	17,227	40,312	89,088	122,037
Nervous system and sense organs	23,575	337	544	1,117	1,934	3,742	6,990	8,911
Respiratory system	5,742	17	34	97	262	707	1,778	2,847
Skin and subcutaneous tissue	416	11	14	24	28	54	132	153
Other	366	(X)	(X)	10	38	53	97	157
Unknown	4,849	48	95	200	455	788	1,413	1,850

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Table 33.
Distribution of workers who have filed, by diagnostic group and age, December 2019—Continued

Diagnostic group	Total, all ages	Under 35	35–39	40–44	45–49	50–54	55–59	60–64
<i>Percent</i>								
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Congenital anomalies	(L)	(X)	(X)	0.1	0.1	(L)	0.1	(L)
Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases	1.3	1.1	1.1	0.9	1.1	1.3	1.2	1.4
Infectious and parasitic diseases	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
Injuries	6.2	13.5	11.2	8.9	7.3	6.5	5.9	5.8
Mental disorders								
Autistic disorders	(L)	0.7	0.1	(L)	(L)	(L)	(L)	(L)
Developmental disorders	(L)	0.2	0.1	(L)	(L)	(L)	(L)	(L)
Childhood and adolescent disorders not elsewhere classified	(L)	0.3	0.2	0.1	(L)	(L)	(L)	(L)
Intellectual disability	0.7	1.7	1.1	0.7	0.8	0.9	0.7	0.6
Mood disorders	7.8	10.8	9.1	9.4	9.6	8.9	7.5	7.2
Organic mental disorders	2.0	5.0	4.1	3.2	2.7	2.2	1.9	1.7
Schizophrenic and other psychotic disorders	1.0	6.5	2.6	1.9	1.4	1.1	0.9	0.8
Other	2.2	7.0	6.3	4.4	3.3	2.6	2.0	1.6
Neoplasms	1.2	4.1	2.0	1.5	1.3	1.1	1.2	1.2
Diseases of the—								
Blood and blood-forming organs	0.1	0.5	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Circulatory system	2.9	2.1	2.0	2.0	2.2	2.6	2.9	3.3
Digestive system	0.5	0.8	1.0	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.5
Genitourinary system	0.6	3.0	1.4	1.3	1.0	0.7	0.5	0.4
Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue	64.7	27.9	45.3	53.2	58.6	62.6	66.4	67.3
Nervous system and sense organs	5.5	11.7	9.2	8.3	6.6	5.8	5.2	4.9
Respiratory system	1.3	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.9	1.1	1.3	1.6
Skin and subcutaneous tissue	0.1	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Other	0.1	(X)	(X)	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Unknown	1.1	1.7	1.6	1.5	1.5	1.2	1.1	1.0

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Workers' Compensation and Public Disability Benefit file, 100 percent data.

NOTES: (L) = less than 0.05 percent; (X) = suppressed to avoid disclosing information about particular individuals.

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Beneficiaries Who Have Filed for Workers' Compensation or Public Disability Benefits

Table 34.
Distribution of workers who have filed, by diagnostic group and sex, December 2019

Diagnostic group	Total		Men		Women	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
All disabled workers	431,702	100.0	262,417	100.0	169,285	100.0
Congenital anomalies	213	(L)	123	(L)	90	0.1
Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases	5,536	1.3	2,930	1.1	2,606	1.5
Infectious and parasitic diseases	2,254	0.5	1,833	0.7	421	0.2
Injuries	26,950	6.2	20,290	7.7	6,660	3.9
Mental disorders						
Autistic disorders	63	(L)	46	(L)	17	(L)
Developmental disorders	90	(L)	57	(L)	33	(L)
Childhood and adolescent disorders not elsewhere classified	96	(L)	52	(L)	44	(L)
Intellectual disability	3,000	0.7	2,266	0.9	734	0.4
Mood disorders	33,775	7.8	15,570	5.9	18,205	10.8
Organic mental disorders	8,784	2.0	6,550	2.5	2,234	1.3
Schizophrenic and other psychotic disorders	4,399	1.0	2,926	1.1	1,473	0.9
Other	9,410	2.2	4,823	1.8	4,587	2.7
Neoplasms	5,260	1.2	2,715	1.0	2,545	1.5
Diseases of the—						
Blood and blood-forming organs	314	0.1	163	0.1	151	0.1
Circulatory system	12,576	2.9	9,156	3.5	3,420	2.0
Digestive system	2,168	0.5	1,306	0.5	862	0.5
Genitourinary system	2,573	0.6	1,744	0.7	829	0.5
Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue	279,293	64.7	171,548	65.4	107,745	63.6
Nervous system and sense organs	23,575	5.5	11,969	4.6	11,606	6.9
Respiratory system	5,742	1.3	3,397	1.3	2,345	1.4
Skin and subcutaneous tissue	416	0.1	198	0.1	218	0.1
Other	366	0.1	160	0.1	206	0.1
Unknown	4,849	1.1	2,595	1.0	2,254	1.3

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