

## Shares of Aggregate Income, by Source

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**Table 7.1**  
**Percentage distribution, by age, 2004**

Source of income	Aged 55–61	Aged 62–64	Aged 65 or older				
			Total	65–69	70–74	75–79	80 or older
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Percentage of income from—							
Retirement benefits	8.1	21.5	58.3	43.1	58.3	68.4	75.2
Social Security <sup>a</sup>	2.3	10.3	38.6	26.8	37.6	46.4	52.9
Railroad Retirement	0	0.4	0.5	0.2	0.5	0.7	0.8
Government employee pensions <sup>b</sup>	2.9	5.1	9.0	7.8	8.7	10.6	10.1
Private pensions or annuities	2.9	5.8	10.2	8.3	11.5	10.7	11.4
Earnings	83.1	67.7	26.3	42.9	26.8	15.6	6.8
Income from assets	6.1	8.2	12.6	11.5	12.0	13.6	14.6
Public assistance	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.8
Other	2.2	2.0	2.1	1.9	2.2	1.8	2.6
<b>Number (thousands)</b>	<b>15,772</b>	<b>4,990</b>	<b>26,865</b>	<b>7,078</b>	<b>5,999</b>	<b>5,827</b>	<b>7,960</b>

a. Includes retired-worker benefits, dependents' or survivors' benefits, disability benefits, transitionally insured benefits, and special age-72 benefits.

b. Includes federal, state, local, and military pensions.

## Shares of Aggregate Income for Units 65 or Older

**Table 7.2**  
**Percentage distribution, by marital status and sex of nonmarried persons, 2004**

Source of income	All units	Married couples	Nonmarried persons		
			Total	Men	Women
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Percentage of income from—					
Retirement benefits	58.3	53.0	67.5	61.8	70.6
Social Security <sup>a</sup>	38.6	33.1	48.0	38.3	53.4
Railroad Retirement	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
Government employee pensions <sup>b</sup>	9.0	9.0	9.0	10.6	8.1
Private pensions or annuities	10.2	10.3	9.9	12.3	8.6
Earnings	26.3	31.7	17.0	21.5	14.5
Income from assets	12.6	13.2	11.7	12.9	11.1
Public assistance	0.6	0.3	1.2	0.8	1.4
Other	2.1	1.8	2.7	3.1	2.4
<b>Number (thousands)</b>	<b>26,865</b>	<b>10,930</b>	<b>15,935</b>	<b>4,292</b>	<b>11,643</b>

a. Includes retired-worker benefits, dependents' or survivors' benefits, disability benefits, transitionally insured benefits, and special age-72 benefits.

b. Includes federal, state, local, and military pensions.

**Table 7.3**  
**Percentage distribution, by Social Security beneficiary status, marital status, and sex of nonmarried persons, 2004**

Source of income	Beneficiary					Nonbeneficiary				
	Total	Married couples	Nonmarried persons			Total	Married couples	Nonmarried persons		
			Total	Men	Women			Total	Men	Women
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Percentage of income from—										
Retirement benefits	62.6	57.1	72.2	67.1	74.8	19.3	15.5	25.8	24.8	26.6
Social Security <sup>a</sup>	42.9	36.8	53.4	43.9	58.5	0	0	0	0	0
Railroad Retirement	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.2	3.1	3.4	2.7	2.0	3.2
Government employee pensions <sup>b</sup>	8.8	9.1	8.2	9.6	7.4	11.4	8.4	16.4	17.4	15.7
Private pensions or annuities	10.8	11.1	10.3	13.3	8.7	4.8	3.7	6.6	5.4	7.7
Earnings	22.1	27.4	13.0	16.8	11.0	63.9	70.6	52.5	53.7	51.5
Income from assets	12.8	13.5	11.7	12.6	11.2	11.0	10.4	12.1	14.8	9.8
Public assistance	0.3	0.1	0.6	0.4	0.7	3.7	2.2	6.1	3.4	8.3
Other	2.1	1.9	2.6	3.1	2.3	2.1	1.3	3.5	3.2	3.8
<b>Number (thousands)</b>	<b>23,936</b>	<b>9,848</b>	<b>14,088</b>	<b>3,749</b>	<b>10,339</b>	<b>2,929</b>	<b>1,082</b>	<b>1,847</b>	<b>543</b>	<b>1,303</b>

a. Includes retired-worker benefits, dependents' or survivors' benefits, disability benefits, transitionally insured benefits, and special age-72 benefits.

b. Includes federal, state, local, and military pensions.

## Shares of Aggregate Income for Units 65 or Older

**Table 7.4**  
**Percentage distribution, by race, Hispanic origin, marital status, and sex of nonmarried persons, 2004**

Source of income	White alone					Black alone					Hispanic origin <sup>a</sup>					
	All units	Married couples	Nonmarried persons			All units	Married couples	Nonmarried persons			All units	Married couples	Nonmarried persons			
			Total	Men	Women			Total	Men	Women			Total	Men	Women	
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Percentage of income from—																
Retirement benefits	58.5	53.5	67.6	62.2	70.6	61.5	53.6	68.2	59.4	73.5	59.4	52.7	68.5	66.7	69.5	
Social Security <sup>b</sup>	38.6	33.4	48.0	38.2	53.3	42.4	34.5	49.1	39.5	55.0	47.2	41.7	54.5	45.6	59.4	
Railroad Retirement	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.4	0.4	0	0.7	0.2	0.9	0.4	0.2	0.8	0.9	0.7	
Government employee pensions <sup>c</sup>	9.0	9.0	9.1	10.6	8.2	9.1	8.9	9.2	10.8	8.2	4.0	3.7	4.2	4.9	3.9	
Private pensions or annuities	10.3	10.5	10.1	12.7	8.6	9.7	10.2	9.2	8.9	9.4	7.9	7.1	9.0	15.3	5.5	
Earnings	25.8	31.1	16.3	20.6	14.0	28.1	35.7	21.7	28.8	17.4	30.9	38.5	20.5	24.7	18.2	
Income from assets	13.2	13.4	12.7	13.9	12.1	5.5	7.6	3.7	5.1	2.8	4.8	5.3	4.1	4.1	4.2	
Public assistance	0.5	0.3	0.8	0.5	1.0	1.9	0.8	2.9	2.4	3.3	3.0	1.4	5.3	2.3	6.9	
Other	2.0	1.7	2.6	2.9	2.4	2.9	2.4	3.4	4.2	3.0	1.9	2.1	1.6	2.2	1.3	
<b>Number (thousands)</b>	<b>23,121</b>	<b>9,818</b>	<b>13,303</b>	<b>3,554</b>	<b>9,748</b>	<b>2,565</b>	<b>618</b>	<b>1,947</b>	<b>542</b>	<b>1,406</b>	<b>1,741</b>	<b>619</b>	<b>1,121</b>	<b>325</b>	<b>797</b>	

a. Persons of Hispanic origin may be of any race.

b. Includes retired-worker benefits, dependents' or survivors' benefits, disability benefits, transitionally insured benefits, and special age-72 benefits.

c. Includes federal, state, local, and military pensions.

**Table 7.5**  
**Percentage distribution, by marital status and quintiles of total money income, 2004**

Source of income	All units					Married couples					Nonmarried persons				
	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Percentage of income from—															
Retirement benefits	86.1	90.3	83.3	73.2	40.1	86.5	86.5	75.1	64.3	31.8	84.1	91.7	89.9	79.5	49.8
Social Security <sup>a</sup>	82.6	83.4	66.6	47.5	18.9	81.2	72.9	52.5	34.5	14.1	81.9	87.6	81.3	56.5	23.9
Railroad Retirement	0.3	0.4	0.6	1.0	0.3	0.4	0.5	1.4	1.0	0	0.1	0.5	0.3	0.7	0.5
Government employee															
pensions <sup>b</sup>	0.7	2.2	6.0	10.1	10.9	1.6	4.9	7.8	13.3	9.2	0.5	1.0	2.8	8.5	13.4
Private pensions or															
annuities	2.5	4.4	10.0	14.6	10.0	3.3	8.2	13.4	15.5	8.5	1.5	2.6	5.5	13.7	11.9
Earnings	1.2	2.8	7.1	15.7	40.1	3.7	6.3	15.1	23.6	47.8	1.0	1.5	3.1	9.0	28.8
Income from assets	2.3	3.8	6.0	8.4	17.8	3.4	5.2	7.2	9.7	18.9	1.8	2.2	4.6	7.7	18.3
Public assistance	8.4	1.6	0.9	0.2	0.1	4.1	0.5	0.1	0.1	0	11.3	3.1	0.9	0.5	0.1
Other	2.0	1.5	2.7	2.6	1.9	2.3	1.6	2.5	2.2	1.5	1.9	1.5	1.5	3.3	3.0
Number (thousands)	5,270	5,475	5,372	5,374	5,374	2,185	2,185	2,187	2,184	2,189	3,182	3,173	3,205	3,182	3,193

NOTE: Quintile limits are \$10,399, \$16,363, \$25,587, and \$44,129 for all units; \$20,258, \$29,437, \$42,129, and \$68,299 for married couples; and \$8,364, \$12,000, \$16,471, and \$26,064 for nonmarried persons.

a. Includes retired-worker benefits, dependents' or survivors' benefits, disability benefits, transitionally insured benefits, and special age-72 benefits.

b. Includes federal, state, local, and military pensions.

## Shares of Aggregate Income for Nonmarried Persons 65 or Older

**Table 7.6**  
**Percentage distribution, by sex and marital status, 2004**

Source of income	Nonmarried men				Nonmarried women			
	Total <sup>a</sup>	Widowed	Never married	Divorced	Total <sup>a</sup>	Widowed	Never married	Divorced
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Percentage of income from—								
Retirement benefits	61.8	68.4	55.9	55.0	70.6	74.8	64.9	57.6
Social Security— <sup>b</sup>	38.3	41.8	33.8	34.7	53.4	57.9	38.2	41.7
Railroad Retirement	0.5	0.9	0.3	0.2	0.5	0.6	0.1	0.2
Government employee pensions <sup>c</sup>	10.6	12.2	9.8	9.5	8.1	7.9	13.2	8.3
Private pensions or annuities	12.3	13.6	12.0	10.7	8.6	8.4	13.3	7.4
Earnings	21.5	14.8	21.7	30.4	14.5	10.5	21.1	27.9
Income from assets	12.9	12.9	17.9	11.1	11.1	11.3	9.2	10.0
Public assistance	0.8	0.4	1.9	0.7	1.4	1.1	2.3	1.4
Other	3.1	3.4	2.5	2.7	2.4	2.2	2.5	3.2
<b>Number (thousands)</b>	<b>4,292</b>	<b>2,069</b>	<b>670</b>	<b>1,070</b>	<b>11,643</b>	<b>8,613</b>	<b>790</b>	<b>1,707</b>

a. Includes persons who are separated or are married but living apart from their spouse.

b. Includes retired-worker benefits, dependents' or survivors' benefits, disability benefits, transitionally insured benefits, and special age-72 benefits.

c. Includes federal, state, local, and military pensions.