Table 4.

OASI survivors benefits, by type of beneficiary, May 2006–May 2007

Month		Widow(er)s	Widowed mothers			
	All beneficiaries	and parents ^a	and fathers ^b	Children		
	Number (thousands)					
2006						
May	6,649	4,530	171	1,948		
June	6,611	4,529	173	1,909		
July	6,554	4,523	171	1,860		
August	6,552	4,518	170	1,864		
September	6,562	4,518	172	1,872		
October	6,566	4,511	172	1,883		
November	6,566	4,503	172	1,890		
December	6,566	4,496	171	1,899		
2007						
January	6,537	4,472	159	1,906		
February	6,547	4,472	161	1,914		
March	6,559	4,471	162	1,926		
April	6,571	4,471	164	1,936		
May	6,576	4,470	166	1,940		
	Total monthly benefits (millions of dollars)					
2006						
May	5,728	4,319	123	1,286		
June	5,707	4,322	125	1,260		
July	5,669	4,319	125	1,225		
August	5,670	4,317	124	1,229		
September	5,680	4,320	126	1,235		
October	5,684	4,315	126	1,243		
November	5,686	4,310	126	1,249		
December	5,875	4,447	130	1,298		
2007						
January	5,852	4,427	119	1,306		
February	5,864	4,431	120	1,313		
March	5,877	4,434	122	1,322		
April	5,889	4,437	123	1,330		
May	5,897	4,439	124	1,333		

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Month	All beneficiaries	Widow(er)s and parents ^a	Widowed mothers and fathers ^b	Children		
	Average monthly benefit (dollars)					
2006						
May	861.50	953.50	720.00	660.20		
June	863.20	954.20	724.00	660.00		
July	865.00	954.90	729.00	658.90		
August	865.40	955.50	730.80	659.30		
September	865.70	956.10	732.00	659.70		
October	865.70	956.50	731.70	660.10		
November	866.00	957.10	733.70	661.10		
December	894.80	989.30	756.60	683.70		
2007						
January	895.20	989.90	745.90	685.30		
February	895.70	990.90	747.40	685.80		
March	896.00	991.60	748.40	686.30		
April	896.30	992.40	749.30	686.90		
May	896.80	993.10	750.40	687.30		

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

NOTES: Data are for the end of the specified month.

Some Social Security beneficiaries are entitled to more than one type of benefit. In most cases, they are dually entitled to a worker benefit and a higher spouse or widow(er) benefit. If both benefits are financed from the same trust fund, the beneficiary is usually counted only once in the statistics, as a retired-worker or a disabled-worker beneficiary, and the benefit amount recorded is the larger amount associated with the auxiliary benefit. If the benefits are paid from different trust funds the beneficiary is counted twice, and the respective benefit amounts are recorded for each type of benefit.

- a. Includes nondisabled widow(er)s aged 60 or older, disabled widow(er)s aged 50 or older, and dependent parents of deceased workers aged 62 or older.
- b. A widow(er) or surviving divorced parent caring for the entitled child of a deceased worker who is under age 16 or is disabled.

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