

Table 1.
Beneficiaries as a percentage of the total resident population and of the population aged 65 or older,
by state, December 2008

State	Total population		Population aged 65 or older	
	Number ^a (thousands)	Percentage receiving benefits	Number ^a (thousands)	Percentage receiving benefits
United States	304,060	16.3	38,870	89.8
Alabama	4,662	20.4	642	92.2
Alaska	686	10.4	50	90.9
Arizona	6,500	15.2	863	81.8
Arkansas	2,855	21.1	407	93.1
California	36,757	12.7	4,114	82.5
Colorado	4,939	12.9	511	90.1
Connecticut	3,501	17.1	478	94.8
Delaware	873	18.5	122	93.6
District of Columbia	592	12.1	71	72.0
Florida	18,328	19.4	3,188	82.7
Georgia	9,686	13.9	981	90.1
Hawaii	1,288	16.5	190	85.0
Idaho	1,524	16.3	182	95.8
Illinois	12,902	15.1	1,575	89.8
Indiana	6,377	17.6	814	95.6
Iowa	3,003	18.8	445	95.6
Kansas	2,802	16.6	367	92.6
Kentucky	4,269	19.8	566	91.4
Louisiana	4,411	17.0	540	88.9
Maine	1,316	21.7	199	96.7
Maryland	5,634	14.2	680	86.2
Massachusetts	6,498	16.8	871	90.2
Michigan	10,003	18.4	1,304	96.7
Minnesota	5,220	15.9	651	94.8
Mississippi	2,939	19.3	372	92.6
Missouri	5,912	18.7	805	93.8
Montana	967	18.7	137	94.6
Nebraska	1,783	16.7	241	92.8
Nevada	2,600	14.4	297	90.2
New Hampshire	1,316	18.0	170	97.1
New Jersey	8,683	16.2	1,151	91.7
New Mexico	1,984	16.9	260	87.5
New York	19,490	16.1	2,608	86.0
North Carolina	9,222	17.7	1,139	95.8
North Dakota	641	18.3	94	95.1
Ohio	11,486	17.6	1,571	92.5
Oklahoma	3,642	18.4	491	92.7
Oregon	3,790	17.4	504	95.0
Pennsylvania	12,448	19.9	1,911	94.3
Rhode Island	1,051	18.7	148	94.5
South Carolina	4,480	19.0	596	93.6
South Dakota	804	18.3	116	95.9
Tennessee	6,215	18.8	820	93.6
Texas	24,327	13.1	2,472	88.6
Utah	2,736	10.9	246	86.9
Vermont	621	19.4	87	97.0
Virginia	7,769	15.5	941	89.4
Washington	6,549	15.4	784	92.3
West Virginia	1,814	23.7	285	94.1
Wisconsin	5,628	17.8	750	97.0
Wyoming	533	16.1	66	94.7

SOURCES: Social Security Administration, Master Beneficiary Record, 100 percent data; Census Bureau, Population Division, 2008 estimates of resident population.

a. Population estimates for the United States as of July 1, 2008, as reported by the Census Bureau.

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