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## Highlights

### Size and Scope of the Supplemental Security Income Program

- About 8.3 million people received federally administered payments in December 2015.
- The average monthly payment in December 2015 was \$541.
- Total payments for the year were almost \$55 billion, including more than \$3 billion in federally administered state supplementation.

### Profile of Recipients

- The majority were female (53 percent).
- Fifteen percent were under age 18, 59 percent were aged 18 to 64, and 26 percent were aged 65 or older.
- Most (86 percent) were eligible on the basis of blindness or a disability.
- Six out of 10 recipients under age 65 were diagnosed with a mental disorder.
- Fifty-eight percent of SSI recipients had no income other than their SSI payment.
- Thirty-three percent of SSI recipients also received Social Security benefits.
- Of the people receiving SSI benefits, 1.5 percent were residing in a Title XIX institution where Medicaid was paying more than half of the cost.
- Despite their disabilities, about 328,000 recipients (4.5 percent) were working in December 2015.

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## Preface

Since 1974, the Supplemental Security Income (SSI) program has guaranteed a minimum level of income for needy aged, blind, or disabled individuals. Each year, we issue a report that presents data on the SSI program and the people who receive benefits from it. The report covers such topics as:

- federal benefit rates, total annual payments, and total recipients;
- federally administered payments;
- recipients of Social Security, SSI, or both;
- children under age 18;
- noncitizens;
- diagnoses of recipients under age 65;
- recipients who work;
- applications;
- awards;
- outcomes of applications for disability benefits; and
- suspensions, terminations, and duration of eligibility.

Tables from the discontinued reports *Children Receiving SSI* and *SSI Disabled Recipients Who Work* were incorporated into this report beginning with the 2007 edition.

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## Notes

All payments are federally administered payments.

All years are calendar years unless otherwise specified.

Numbers in the text and tables may not add to totals because of rounding.

Monthly data shown in tables are for the end of the given month.

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## Background

The Supplemental Security Income (SSI) program is a nationwide federal assistance program administered by the Social Security Administration (SSA) that guarantees a minimum level of income for needy aged, blind, or disabled individuals. In December 2015, 8.3 million individuals received federally administered monthly SSI benefits (including federally administered state supplementary payments) averaging \$541.

### History of the SSI Program

Entitlement programs for the aged, blind, or disabled have their roots in the original Social Security Act of 1935. That act established an old-age social insurance program to be administered by the federal government and an old-age means-tested assistance program to be administered by the states. Similar programs for the blind or disabled were added to the act in later years. Means-tested assistance was intended to supplement the incomes of individuals who were ineligible for Social Security or whose benefits could not provide a basic living.

This means-tested assistance, also known as categorical adult assistance, actually comprised three separate programs—Old-Age Assistance, Aid to the Blind, and Aid to the Permanently and Totally Disabled. Despite substantial federal financing, those programs were essentially state programs; federal law established only broad guidelines and assistance. Federal financing was open-ended in the sense that the federal government would provide matching funds to support whatever payment levels the states established. Federal law specified no maximum or minimum standards. Consequently, each state was responsible for setting its own standards for determining who would receive assistance and how much they would receive. As a result, eligibility requirements and payment levels differed from state to state.

Beginning in the early 1960s, this state-operated, federally assisted welfare system drew criticism from within and outside of government. Some of the criticism was directed at the crazy-quilt eligibility requirements and payment levels. Other criticism centered on specific requirements, such as lien laws and provisions that required certain relatives to bear responsibility for the maintenance of needy family members. The disparity in the degree of federal financial support provided to states was also an acknowledged problem.

Responding to these concerns, Congress passed and the president approved the SSI program (Public Law 92-603, enacted October 30, 1972), which

reversed the historic federal and state roles with regard to adult assistance. Under the new arrangement, SSI would provide a uniform federal income floor, and optional state programs would supplement that floor. The new program was historic in that it shifted from the states to the federal government the responsibility for determining who would receive assistance and how much assistance they would receive.

### The Basic Plan

The main objective of the SSI program is to provide the basic cash support of needy aged, blind, or disabled individuals. Congress designed the SSI program on the basis of the following principles:

- Eligibility requirements and benefit standards that are nationally uniform and eligibility determinations that are based on objective criteria
- An assistance source of last resort for the aged, blind, or disabled whose income and resources are below specified levels
- Incentives and opportunities for recipients who are able to work or to be rehabilitated that would allow them to reduce their dependency on public assistance
- An efficient and economical method of administering the program to provide assistance
- Inducements to encourage states to provide supplementation of the basic federal benefit and protection for former recipients of state adult assistance programs who were converted to the SSI program
- Appropriate coordination of the SSI program with the Food Stamp program, medical assistance programs, and other programs

### Uniform Standards and Objective Criteria

Before the SSI program, eligibility of aged, blind, or disabled individuals for federally funded adult assistance depended on the state in which they lived. Benefit amounts also varied from state to state. The SSI program replaced the state-run assistance programs with a program having nationally uniform standards and objective eligibility criteria, which include the following:

- A uniform limitation on the dollar amount or value of income and resources that an individual can have and still qualify for federal assistance. The countable income limits for individuals and couples are equal to their respective federal benefit rates

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and hence are increased annually according to changes in the cost of living. The resource limit is \$2,000 in countable resources for individuals and \$3,000 for couples.

- Sixty-five as the minimum age requirement for assistance based on age.
- A uniform definition of disability and blindness. The definitions for individuals 18 years of age or older are the same as those used for the Social Security Disability Insurance program. To be considered disabled, an individual must have a medically determinable physical or mental impairment that is expected to last (or has lasted) at least 12 continuous months or to result in death and (1) if 18 or older, prevents him or her from doing any substantial gainful activity, or (2) if under 18, results in marked and severe functional limitations.<sup>1</sup> However, individuals for whom addiction to drugs or alcoholism is a contributing factor material to the determination of their disabilities are not eligible for benefits.<sup>2</sup> To be considered blind, an individual must have central visual acuity of 20/200 or less in the better eye with the use of a correcting lens or have tunnel vision of 20 degrees or less.
- Uniform standards for citizenship and residency. To be eligible for SSI, an individual must be a citizen (or national) of the United States, an American Indian born in Canada as specified under section 289 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA), an American Indian born outside the United States who is a member of a federally recognized Indian tribe under section 4(e) of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act, a noncitizen who was receiving SSI benefits on

August 22, 1996, or a qualified alien in one of the following categories:<sup>3</sup>

- certain noncitizens who are blind or disabled and were lawfully residing in the United States on August 22, 1996;
- refugees (eligibility limited to the 7-year period after their arrival in the United States);
- asylees (eligibility limited to the 7-year period after the date they are granted asylum);
- noncitizens who have had their deportations withheld under section 243(h) of the INA as in effect before April 1, 1997, or who have had their removals withheld under section 241(b)(3) of the INA (eligibility limited to the 7-year period after the date that deportation or removal is withheld);
- Cuban and Haitian entrants as specified under section 501(e) of the Refugee Education Assistance Act of 1980 (eligibility limited to the 7-year period after the date they are granted entrant status);
- Amerasian immigrants admitted pursuant to section 584 of the Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs Appropriations Act of 1988 and subsequent amendments (eligibility limited to the 7-year period after their arrival in the United States);
- noncitizen active-duty armed forces personnel, honorably discharged veterans, and their spouses and dependent children; or
- lawful permanent residents who have earned or can be credited (from their spouses or parents) with 40 qualifying quarters of earnings.

Note that qualified alien status includes noncitizens who have been battered or subjected to extreme cruelty in the United States by a spouse or parent (or a member of the spouse's or parent's family) with whom they live and who have an approved petition, or have

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1. Substantial gainful activity (SGA) is used to describe a level of work activity that is substantial (that is, involves the performance of significant physical or mental duties that are productive) and gainful (that is, performed for remuneration or profit). Generally, earnings from work activity of more than \$1,090 a month in 2015 were evidence of ability to engage in SGA. Applicants who earned more than \$1,090 a month would generally not be considered disabled. However, SSI recipients who earned more than \$1,090 a month could continue to be eligible for SSI. (See the section Incentives for Work and Opportunities for Rehabilitation.) The SGA level of \$1,090 was increased to \$1,130 effective January 1, 2016, according to the increase in the national average wage index.

The definition of disability for individuals under age 18 reflects amendments made by Public Law 104-193, the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996. Prior law required a medically determinable physical or mental impairment of comparable severity to that required for individuals aged 18 or older.

2. The provision reflects amendments made by Title I of Public Law 104-121, the Senior Citizens' Right to Work Act of 1996, enacted March 29, 1996.

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3. These standards reflect amendments made by Public Law 104-193, the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996, as amended by Public Law 104-208, Public Law 105-33, and Public Law 105-306. Prior law permitted SSI eligibility for individuals who were residents of the United States, citizens or nationals of the United States, aliens lawfully admitted for permanent residence in the United States, or aliens permanently residing in the United States under color of law. Public Law 110-328, enacted September 30, 2008, extended the 7-year SSI eligibility period for refugees, asylees, and certain other humanitarian immigrants (including victims of human trafficking) to 9 years for the period of October 1, 2008, through September 30, 2011. Noncitizens who had naturalization applications pending during this 3-year period were exempt from the 7-year limitation.

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a petition pending, setting forth a prima facie case for adjustment of their immigration status.

In addition, certain noncitizens are treated as refugees for SSI purposes:

- Individuals certified by the Department of Health and Human Services to be victims of severe forms of trafficking in the United States.<sup>4</sup> Such individuals are eligible for SSI for 7 years after a determination is made that they are trafficking victims.<sup>5</sup>
- Iraqi or Afghan nationals granted special immigrant status under emergency conditions because they have provided service to the U.S. government and, as a result, may be in danger within their country of origin. Their eligibility for SSI is generally limited to the 7 years after special immigrant status is granted.<sup>6</sup>

In addition to being a U.S. citizen (or national) or in one of the potentially eligible noncitizen categories, an individual must reside in the 50 states, the District of Columbia, or the Northern Mariana Islands—areas referred to here collectively as the United States. An individual also must be physically present in the United States for 30 consecutive days if he or she had been outside the United States for 30 or more consecutive days.

There are two exceptions to the residency and physical presence requirements:

- Blind or disabled children who are citizens of the United States may continue to be eligible for payments if they are living outside the United States with a parent who is on duty as a member of the U.S. armed forces. This exception also applies to blind and disabled children of military personnel who are born overseas, become blind or disabled overseas, or applied for SSI benefits while overseas.
- Students studying abroad for not more than 1 year may continue to be eligible for payments if the studies are sponsored by a U.S. educational institution but cannot be conducted in the United States.

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4. Trafficking of persons is generally defined as the recruitment, harboring, transportation, provision, or obtaining of a person for labor or services through the use of force, fraud, or coercion for the purpose of subjection to involuntary servitude, peonage, debt bondage, or slavery.

5. Public Law 106-386, the Victims of Trafficking and Violence Protection Act of 2000, enacted October 28, 2000.

6. Public Law 110-161, enacted December 26, 2007, and Public Law 111-118, enacted December 19, 2009.

## Assistance of Last Resort

As a means-tested program, SSI takes into account all income and resources that an individual has or can obtain. The amount of an individual's countable income and resources are the measure of his or her need for assistance.

## Income

The amount of an individual's income is used to determine both eligibility for, and the amount of, his or her SSI benefit. As countable income increases, an individual's SSI benefit amount decreases. Generally, ineligibility for SSI occurs when countable income equals the federal benefit rate plus the amount of applicable federally administered state supplementary payment (state supplementation is discussed later).

The monthly federal benefit rate is reduced dollar for dollar by the amount of the individual's "countable" income—that is, income minus all applicable exclusions. The result of this computation determines SSI eligibility and the amount of the monthly benefit payable. The benefit rates are adjusted annually (in January) to reflect changes in the cost of living.

When an individual lives in the household of another and receives support and maintenance in kind (that is, generally, room and board) from the householder, the federal SSI benefit rate is reduced by one-third in lieu of counting the actual value of the support and maintenance as unearned income. The value of food or shelter-related items the individual receives in kind from persons other than the householder (including in-kind assistance from outside the household in which the individual lives) is counted as unearned income, up to an amount equal to one-third of the applicable federal benefit rate plus \$20.<sup>7</sup>

SSI law defines two kinds of income—earned and unearned. Earned income is wages, net earnings from self-employment, remuneration for work in a sheltered workshop, royalties on published work, and honoraria for services. All other income is unearned. The distinction between earned and unearned income is significant because different exclusions apply to each type of income.

However, not everything an individual receives is considered to be income. Generally, if the item received cannot be used as, or to obtain, food or shelter, it will not be considered as income. For example,

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7. SSA simplified the SSI program (70 FR 6340) by generally eliminating clothing from the definition of income and from the definition of in-kind support and maintenance, effective February 7, 2005.

if someone pays an individual's medical bills or offers free medical care, or if the individual receives money from a social services agency that is a repayment of an amount he or she previously spent, that value is not considered income to the individual. In addition, some items that are considered to be income are excluded when determining the amount of an individual's benefit (see Box 1).

## Resources

The value of an individual's resources is used to determine whether he or she is eligible for SSI in a given month. SSI law states that eligibility is restricted to individuals who have countable resources, determined monthly, that do not exceed \$2,000 (\$3,000 for

a couple). The law does not define what resources are but does stipulate what items are not considered resources.

Regulations state that a resource is cash or other liquid asset or any real or personal property that individuals (or their spouses) own and could convert to cash to be used for their support and maintenance. This definition is consistent with the general philosophy of the SSI program that only items that can be used for an individual's food or shelter should be used in determining his or her eligibility and benefit amount. Not all resources an individual owns are counted. The value of an item may be totally excluded or counted only to the extent that its value exceeds specified limits (see Box 1).

### Box 1. Income and Resource Exclusions

#### Income Exclusions

The principal earned income exclusions are

- the first \$65 per month plus one-half of the remainder,
- impairment-related work expenses of the disabled and work expenses of the blind,
- income set aside or being used to pursue a plan to achieve self-support by a disabled or blind individual, and
- infrequent or irregularly received income (\$30 or less a quarter).

The principal unearned income exclusions are

- the first \$20 per month,<sup>a</sup>
- income set aside or being used to pursue a plan to achieve self-support by a disabled or blind individual,
- state- or locally funded assistance based on need,
- rent subsidies under programs administered by the Department of Housing and Urban Development,
- the value of food stamps, and
- infrequent or irregularly received income (\$60 or less a quarter).

#### Resource Exclusions

The principal resource exclusions are

- the home and land appertaining to it, regardless of value;
- life insurance policies whose total face value does not exceed \$1,500;
- burial funds not in excess of \$1,500 each for an individual and spouse (plus accrued interest);
- household goods and personal effects;<sup>b</sup>
- an automobile if used for transportation for the recipient or a member of the recipient's household;<sup>c</sup>
- property essential to self-support;
- resources set aside to fulfill a plan to achieve self-support; and
- amounts deposited into an individual development account, including matching funds and interest earned on such amounts, under the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program or the Assets for Independence Act.

a. Any portion of the \$20 amount not used to exclude unearned income may be used to exclude earned income.

b. The \$2,000 value limit was removed effective February 7, 2005 (70 FR 6340).

c. SSA simplified the evaluation of automobiles as an excludable resource, effective February 7, 2005 (70 FR 6340). Under the old rules, one automobile could be excluded (regardless of value) if necessary for employment, medical treatment, or essential daily activities. If not excludable under these criteria, the current market value of one automobile (up to \$4,500) could be excluded. The new exclusion applies to any one automobile used for transportation.

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If an individual disposes of resources at less than fair market value within the 36-month period before applying for SSI or at any time thereafter, the individual may be penalized. The penalty is a loss of benefits for a number of months (up to a 36-month maximum) obtained by dividing the uncompensated value of disposed-of resources by the federal benefit rate plus the maximum state supplementary payment, if any, applicable to the individual's living arrangement. The penalty does not apply if, among other things, the individual can show that the resources were disposed of exclusively for a purpose other than establishing SSI eligibility.

### Filing for Other Benefits

As the “program of last resort,” SSI benefits are provided to eligible individuals only to the extent that their needs are not met by other sources. After evaluating all other income and resources, SSI pays what is necessary to bring an individual to the statutorily prescribed income “floor.” In keeping with this principle, SSI law requires that SSI applicants file for other payments for which they may be entitled, such as annuities, pensions, retirement or disability benefits, workers' compensation, and unemployment insurance benefits.

SSA must provide an individual with written notice of potential eligibility for other benefits and of the requirement to take all appropriate steps to pursue those benefits. The individual has 30 days from receipt of the notice to file for the benefits involved.

### Eligibility Issues for Residents of Public Institutions or Medical Facilities and Personal Needs Allowance

State and local governments—rather than the federal government—traditionally have taken the financial responsibility for residents of their public institutions. The SSI program continues this long-standing public assistance policy. Residents of public institutions for a full calendar month are generally ineligible for SSI unless one of the following exceptions applies:

- The public institution is a medical treatment facility and Medicaid pays more than 50 percent of the cost of care or, in the case of a child under age 18, Medicaid, private health insurance, or both pay more than 50 percent of the cost of care.
- The public institution is a publicly operated community residence serving no more than 16 residents.
- The public institution is an emergency shelter for the homeless (payments are limited to no more than 6 months in any 9-month period).

- The recipient was eligible under section 1619(a) or section 1619(b) for the month preceding the first full month in the public institution and is permitted by the institution to retain any benefits (payable for up to 2 months).
- A physician certifies that the recipient's stay in a medical facility is likely not to exceed 3 months and that continued SSI eligibility is needed to maintain and provide for the expenses of the home to which the individual will return.

When individuals enter medical treatment facilities in which more than half of the bill is paid by the Medicaid program, their monthly federal payment standard is generally reduced to \$30, beginning with the first full calendar month they are in the facility. In the case of an individual under age 18, the \$30 payment standard is also applicable if more than half of the bill is paid by private insurance or a combination of Medicaid and private insurance. In these cases, the SSI program provides up to \$30 a month, which is intended to take care of small comfort items not provided by the institution.

### Deeming

In certain situations, the income and resources of others are counted in determining whether an individual's income and resources fall below the levels established by law. This process is called “*deeming*” and is applied in cases in which an eligible individual lives with an ineligible spouse, an eligible child lives with an ineligible parent, or an eligible noncitizen has a sponsor.<sup>8</sup> In concept, the practice takes into account the responsibility of the ineligible spouse or parent or the sponsor to provide for the basic needs of the eligible individual.

**Spouse-to-Spouse Deeming.** When an eligible individual lives in the same household with a spouse who is not eligible for SSI, the ineligible spouse's income and resources are deemed to be available to the eligible individual. In determining the amount of income and resources available to the eligible individual, all applicable exclusions are used. In addition, a living allowance is provided for the ineligible spouse and for any ineligible children under age 18 living in the household. The allowance reduces the amount of income to be deemed. Spouse-to-spouse deeming is intended to result in the same amount of income being available to the couple as would be available if both members of the couple were aged, blind, or disabled and eligible for SSI.

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8. Deeming also applies to an individual who lives with an essential person (a concept carried over from the former state assistance plans). However, there are fewer than 20 of these cases remaining.

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Deeming does not apply when the eligible individual is not living in the same household as the ineligible spouse. However, if the ineligible spouse's absence is temporary or is due solely to an active-duty assignment as a member of the U.S. armed forces, deeming continues to apply.

**Parent-to-Child Deeming.** A child under age 18 is subject to deeming from an ineligible natural or adoptive parent (and that parent's spouse, if any) living in the same household. Certain amounts of the parent's income are excluded, living allowances are provided for the parent(s), and an allocation is set aside for each ineligible child under age 18 (under age 22 if a student) who is living in the household. Deeming from an eligible parent to a child continues if the parent is absent from the household but the absence is temporary or is due solely to active-duty assignment as a member of the U.S. armed forces. A child living in a household in which all members are receiving public assistance benefits is not considered to be receiving any support, and deeming does not apply.

**Sponsor-to-Alien Deeming.** The income and resources of noncitizens are deemed to include those of their sponsors. The way the income and resources are deemed and the length of the deeming period depend on whether the sponsor signed a legally enforceable affidavit of support, as required by Public Law 104-208, or the previous version of the affidavit. Generally, individuals who entered the country before 1998 did so under the old version of the affidavit.<sup>9</sup>

Under the old version of the affidavit, deeming of the sponsor's income and resources lasts until the noncitizen has been in the United States for 3 years.<sup>10</sup> Living allowances equal to the federal benefit rate are provided for the sponsor, and allowances equal to one-half of the federal benefit rate are provided for each of the sponsor's dependents. Allowances are also provided for the sponsor and his or her family members in determining deemed resources. These allowances reduce the amount of the sponsor's income and resources deemed to the noncitizen.

For noncitizens admitted into the United States under a legally enforceable affidavit of support, deeming generally applies until the noncitizen becomes a U.S. citizen. Deeming ends before citizenship if the noncitizen has earned, or can be credited with, 40

qualifying quarters of earnings. Children and spouses of workers may be credited with quarters earned by the worker. A quarter otherwise earned after 1996 does not count as one of the required 40 if the noncitizen or worker received federal means-tested public benefits during the relevant period.

For this group of noncitizens, deeming does not apply for specified periods if the noncitizens or their children or parents have been battered or subjected to extreme cruelty while in the United States or if sponsors left the noncitizens indigent by not providing them with sufficient support.

### **Incentives for Work and Opportunities for Rehabilitation**

SSI benefits provide a basic level of assistance for individuals who are blind or disabled with limited earnings ability because of their impairments. Nonetheless, for recipients who want to work, the SSI program is designed to encourage and support their work attempts to help them achieve greater degrees of independence. The SSI program includes a number of work incentive provisions that enable recipients who are blind or disabled to work and retain benefits or to increase their levels of work activity without the loss of SSI disability status or Medicaid. These incentives provide higher amounts of income or resource exclusions as recognition of the expenses associated with working or as inducements to seek rehabilitation services and support for work efforts.

### **Earned Income Exclusion**

The first \$65 (\$85 if the individual has no income other than earnings) of any monthly earned income plus one-half of remaining earnings are excluded for SSI benefit computation purposes. This general earned income exclusion is intended to help offset expenses incurred when working.

### **Impairment-Related Work Expense Exclusion**

The cost of certain impairment-related services and items that a disabled (but not blind) individual needs to work are excluded from earned income in determining SSI eligibility and benefit amounts.

In calculating these expenses, amounts equal to the costs of certain attendant care services, medical devices, equipment, prostheses, vehicle modifications, residential modifications to accommodate wheelchairs, and similar items and services are deductible from earnings. The costs of routine drugs and routine medical services are not deductible, unless they are necessary to control the disabling condition.

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9. The Immigration and Naturalization Service began using the new, legally enforceable affidavits on December 19, 1997. However, if a potential immigrant had a visa issued before that date, the sponsor would sign an old affidavit even if the affidavit was signed after December 19, 1997.

10. For a temporary period—January through September 1996—the deeming period was 5 years.

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## Work Expenses of the Blind Exclusion

Any expenses relating to work that a blind individual has are excluded from earned income in determining SSI eligibility and benefit amounts. Unlike an impairment-related work expense, a deductible expense need not be directly related to the worker's blindness; it need only be an ordinary and necessary work expense of the worker.

Some frequently excluded work expenses include transportation to and from work, meals consumed during work hours, job equipment, licenses, income or FICA taxes, and costs of job training.

## Sheltered Workshop Exclusion

Remuneration for services performed in sheltered workshops or activity centers is treated as earned income. The first \$65 (\$85 if the individual has no income other than earnings) per month plus one-half of the remainder is excluded.

## Student Earned Income Exclusion

The student earned income exclusion is an additional exclusion for an individual who is under age 22 and regularly attending school. It is intended to help defray the cost of educational training. In 2016, up to \$1,780 of earned income per month but no more than \$7,180 per year may be excluded.<sup>11</sup>

## Plan to Achieve Self-Support

A plan to achieve self-support (PASS) allows a disabled or blind individual to set aside income and resources to get a specific type of job or to start a business. The plan may involve setting aside funds for education or vocational training, to purchase work-related equipment, or to pay for transportation related to the work goal. The income and resources that are set aside are excluded under the SSI income and resources tests.

The individual must have a feasible work goal and a specific savings or spending plan. The individual also must provide a clearly identifiable accounting for the funds that are set aside. The PASS is time limited and must be approved by SSA. The individual must then follow the plan and negotiate revisions as needed. SSA monitors the approved plan by reviewing it periodically to ensure the individual's progress toward attaining the work goal.

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11. Under current regulations, this exclusion will be increased in subsequent years based on cost of living changes.

## Special Provisions for Disabled People Who Work

These work incentives are generally referred to by their section number in the Social Security Act, section 1619. Under section 1619(a), disabled individuals who would cease to be eligible because they earn more than the substantial gainful activity level can receive special cash benefits as long as they

- continue to have the disabling condition,
- have income under the amount that would cause ineligibility for any payment under SSI income counting rules, and
- meet all other nondisability requirements for SSI payment.

In many states, being a recipient of the special benefit permits the individual to be eligible for Medicaid benefits.

Under section 1619(b), "SSI recipient" status for Medicaid eligibility purposes also is provided to an individual

- whose earnings preclude any SSI payment but are not sufficient to provide a reasonable equivalent of the SSI, social services, and Medicaid benefits that the individual would have in the absence of earnings and
- whose ability to continue working would be seriously inhibited by the loss of social services and Medicaid benefits.

To qualify for extended Medicaid coverage under section 1619(b), an individual must

- have a disabling condition,
- need Medicaid to work,
- not be able to afford equivalent medical coverage and publicly funded personal or attendant care that would be lost without assistance,
- meet all nondisability requirements for SSI payment other than earnings, and
- have received a regular SSI cash payment in a previous month within the current period of eligibility. (In some states, the individual must have qualified for Medicaid in the month preceding the first month of eligibility under section 1619.)

In determining whether individuals' earnings are not sufficient to provide them with the equivalent benefits they would be eligible for if they stopped working, their earnings are compared with a threshold amount for their state of residence. Section 1619(b) status continues if the earnings are below the threshold. If earnings

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exceed the state threshold, an individualized assessment of the need for Medicaid is made, and 1619(b) status may continue.

### **Vocational Rehabilitation and the Ticket to Work Program**

Since the beginning of the SSI program, SSA has made provision for blind or disabled individuals who are receiving SSI benefits to be referred to state vocational rehabilitation (VR) agencies. If the state VR agency does not accept the referral, SSA can refer recipients to an alternate provider to receive VR services. SSA reimburses the VR agency or alternate provider for services that result in the individual's working at the level of substantial gainful activity for 9 continuous months, and in certain other limited situations.

The Ticket to Work and Work Incentives Improvement Act of 1999 established a Ticket to Work program under which a disabled SSI recipient is able to obtain VR, employment, and other support services from a qualified private or public provider. Providers of such services in this new setting are referred to as employment networks (ENs). In addition, the Ticket legislation provided a procedure for compensating the ENs under an outcome or outcome-milestone payment system. By expanding the pool of providers and giving the providers incentives for achieving success, this program seeks to expand a disabled recipient's access to these services for assistance in finding, entering, and retaining employment and reducing his or her dependence on cash benefits. Regulations issued by the commissioner of Social Security became effective January 2002. Beginning in 2002, the Ticket to Work program was gradually phased in, and it has been in operation nationwide since September 2004.

Individuals receiving SSI benefits who improve medically, and are therefore no longer considered disabled or blind, can continue to receive SSI benefits if they are actively participating in the Ticket to Work program or another approved VR program and if continuing or completing the program would increase the likelihood that they would be permanently removed from the SSI rolls. SSI benefits and Medicaid generally continue until the rehabilitation services are completed or until the individual ceases to participate in the program.

### **Expedited Reinstatement**

A disabled or blind individual whose eligibility for SSI payments was ended because of earnings can request expedited reinstatement of his or her SSI benefits without filing a new application. To qualify for expedited reinstatement, the individual must make the request

within 60 months after the eligibility ended and must have a disabling medical condition that (1) is the same as or related to the disabling medical condition that led to the previous period of eligibility and (2) prevents him or her from performing substantial gainful activity. In determining whether the individual is disabled or blind, the medical review standard is applied. Normal nonmedical requirements for SSI eligibility still apply.

An individual requesting expedited reinstatement may receive up to 6 months of provisional benefits while the request is pending. These benefits generally are not considered an overpayment if the request is denied. Provisional benefits may include Medicaid but do not include any state supplementary payments. Provisional benefits may be received as well by the individual's spouse at a couple's rate if the spouse was previously eligible for SSI as a spouse.

### **Administration of the SSI Program**

The framers of Supplemental Security Income chose the Social Security Administration to administer the program because the basic system for paying monthly benefits to a large number of individuals was already in place in the form of the Social Security program.

### **Application Process**

Individuals can make appointments to apply for SSI benefits at any one of the approximately 1,230 SSA field offices around the country or through SSA teleservice centers. The claims process includes the application interview, the obtaining of necessary evidence and documentation, and the adjudication of the claim. Many individuals file for benefits under the SSI and the Old-Age, Survivors, and Disability Insurance programs at the same time. Potential claimants initially contact SSA by phone or mail or in person. Field office personnel conduct an interview with the claimant, the claimant's representative, or both.

SSA corroborates information provided by applicants for SSI through independent or collateral sources. Generally, the basic responsibility for obtaining evidence lies with the claimant, although SSA often gives advice on ways to obtain the needed information. Because of the special circumstances of the SSI population (for example, financial need, old age, or illness), SSA makes special efforts to assist claimants in obtaining the necessary proofs.

With regard to disability and blindness claims, SSA makes determinations of all of the nonmedical eligibility factors, and each state's Disability Determination Service (DDS) makes determinations of the medical eligibility factors.



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Applicants and recipients are required to report events and changes of circumstances that may affect their SSI eligibility and benefit amounts. Such reports are required, for example, when an individual has a change in the amount of income or resources, changes living arrangements, or leaves the United States. Failure or delay in submitting a required report can result in a penalty being assessed against the individual's SSI benefit.

### **Determinations of Eligibility**

SSI applications have no retroactivity and become effective in the month after the month of filing or the month after all eligibility requirements are met, whichever is later. Eligibility for benefits is determined on a current monthly basis. SSI recipients are required to have their nonmedical eligibility factors redetermined periodically, generally every 1 to 6 years depending on their specific situation.

In addition to these nonmedical reviews, medical reviews are conducted on disabled or blind recipients to determine whether they continue to be disabled or blind. For administrative efficiency the medical reviews are done most often on disabled or blind recipients whose medical conditions are considered likely to improve. Medical reviews are required for disabled or blind recipients, for example, under the following circumstances:

- when earnings of recipients exceed the substantial gainful activity level
- at least once every 3 years for recipients under age 18 whose medical conditions are considered likely to improve
- within 12 months after birth for recipients whose low birth weight is a contributing factor material to the determination of their disability unless the commissioner determines that the impairment is not expected to improve within 12 months of the child's birth
- within 1 year after attaining age 18 and using the adult eligibility criteria for recipients whose eligibility for SSI benefits was established under the disabled child eligibility criteria

### **Representative Payees**

When SSI recipients are incapable of managing their benefits, SSA appoints representative payees for them, and their SSI benefits are sent to the representative payees. In many cases the representative payee is a spouse, parent, or other close relative who will act in the recipient's best interest. In some cases, an SSA-approved organization may be appointed, and

some organizations have been authorized by SSA to collect a fee from the benefit for acting as payee. The fee cannot exceed the lesser of 10 percent of the benefit amount or a specified amount (\$41 a month in 2016, \$78 a month for disabled recipients who also have a drug addiction or alcoholism condition).

Representative payees may use an SSI recipient's benefit only for the use and benefit of the recipient and must account for all benefits received. Representative payees also are required to report any changes that may affect SSI recipients' eligibility and payment amount and may be held liable for certain overpayments that occur.

### **Appeal Rights**

Recipients must be informed in writing in advance of adverse actions that SSA plans to take and must be given the opportunity to request that their benefits continue pending a decision at the first level of appeal.

### **Attorney Fees**

At any time, an individual may appoint a representative in any dealings with the Social Security Administration. If such a representative is an attorney, he or she must be in good standing, have the right to practice law before a court, not be disqualified or suspended from acting as a representative in dealings with Social Security, and not be prohibited by any law from acting as a representative. If the individual is not an attorney, he or she must meet qualifications specified by the commissioner (for example, be of good character and able to provide valuable service to claimants).

A representative may charge and receive a fee for his or her services, but the Social Security Administration generally decides how much the fee will be. Although the Social Security Act does not establish a maximum fee, most attorneys use an options process that limits their maximum fee to the lesser of 25 percent of the retroactive payment or \$6,000.<sup>12</sup>

### **Advance Payments**

The SSI program has provisions that help respond to the immediate needs of new claimants. These procedures are in addition to state and local programs designed to help those in need pending decisions on their SSI status.

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12. Fee agreements before February 1, 2002, were limited to the lesser of 25 percent of the retroactive payment or \$4,000. From February 11, 2002, through June 21, 2009, fee agreements were limited to the lesser of 25 percent of the retroactive payment or \$5,300.

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**Emergency Advance Payments.** A new claimant who faces a financial emergency and who has a strong likelihood of being found eligible may receive up to 1 month of SSI benefits—the federal payment amount plus any applicable state supplement. The amount paid is recovered from later SSI payments (in full from the first payment or in increments over no more than a 6-month period, depending on the circumstances). However, if the claim is subsequently not allowed because of not finding disability or blindness, repayment is waived. If the claim is disallowed for other reasons, the amount paid is an overpayment and is processed as such.

**Presumptive Disability or Blindness.** Up to 6 months of payments may be made to an individual applying for benefits on the basis of disability or blindness when the available evidence indicates that the impairment will meet the definition of disability or blindness and the individual is otherwise eligible. These payments are not considered overpayments if the individual is later determined not to be disabled or blind.

## State Supplementation

In designing the SSI program, Congress recognized that states, in many instances, would want to provide a higher level of income maintenance than was available under the federal program. At the same time, states were given the option to either provide no supplementation to the federal assistance payments or supplement those payments on the basis of their views of the needs of their citizens. They were mandated to ensure that their citizens would not receive lower benefits under the federal program than they had under the former state program.

### Types of State Supplementation

State supplementation can be optional or mandatory.

#### **Optional State Supplementary Payment Programs.**

For individuals who first became eligible for SSI in 1974 or later, each state could supplement federal payments to whatever extent it found appropriate with respect to the needs of its citizens and the resources of the state. Currently, 44 states and the District of Columbia have optional state supplementary payment programs.

Some states provide supplementary payments to all individuals eligible for SSI benefits; others may limit them to certain SSI recipients, such as the blind or residents of domiciliary care facilities, or may extend them to persons ineligible for SSI because of excess income. States' flexibility in setting supplementary

payments, however, has been significantly restricted by mandatory passalong provisions (described below).

**Mandatory State Supplementary Payment Programs.** States are required to maintain the income levels from December 1973 of individuals who were transferred from the former state adult assistance programs to the SSI program in 1974, except for Texas, which has a constitutional bar against mandatory state supplementation.<sup>13</sup> Because of the increases in federal benefits, only a few individuals continue to receive mandatory state supplementary payments.

### Administration of State Supplementary Payments

A state may administer its supplementary program or enter into an agreement under which SSA will make eligibility determinations and payments on behalf of the state. Under state administration, the state pays its own program benefits and absorbs the full administrative costs. Under federal administration, states are required to pay SSA a fee of \$11.56 for each supplementary payment issued in fiscal year 2016. Fees are projected to rise in succeeding fiscal years, based on changes in the Consumer Price Index.

States that administer their own supplementary payment programs establish their own eligibility criteria. States with federally administered programs must adhere to SSI eligibility criteria in all aspects except additional income exclusions.

### Mandatory Passalong

It was originally the view of Congress that increases in the federal SSI benefit rate would eventually replace state supplementary payments. However, public reaction to states reducing their supplementary payment amounts when SSI payments were increased led Congress to mandate that states pass along SSI benefit increases resulting from cost-of-living adjustments.

To meet the passalong requirement, a state may either maintain each state payment level from year to year (the *payment levels* method), or it may spend the same amount of money, in the aggregate, that it spent for supplementary benefits in the 12-month period preceding the increase in the SSI benefit rate (the *total expenditures* method).

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13. The requirement does not affect West Virginia, since SSI federal benefit rates in 1973 exceeded the applicable income standards under the state's adult assistance programs.

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## Coordination with Other Programs

SSI benefits are not the only form of assistance available to needy aged, blind, or disabled individuals. Medicaid, nutrition benefits, and temporary state assistance are also important in keeping individuals from sliding further into poverty. SSA plays a limited but important role in helping states administer the Medicaid program and the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP).<sup>14</sup> Provisions in the SSI statute ensure that payments made by states or under the Social Security program are not duplicated by SSI benefits.

### Windfall Offset

If a person receives SSI payments and is later determined to be entitled to retroactive Social Security benefits, such retroactive benefits are reduced by the amount of SSI payments the person would not have been eligible for had the Social Security benefits been paid in the month they were due. This process, called the *windfall offset*, was enacted to prevent windfall payments to individuals when Social Security and SSI payments were paid for the same period.

### Medicaid Determinations

Generally, SSI recipients are categorically eligible for Medicaid. A state may use SSI eligibility criteria for determining Medicaid eligibility, or it may use its own criteria as long as the criteria are no more restrictive than the state's January 1972 medical assistance standards. Thirty-nine states and the District of Columbia use SSI criteria, and 11 states use eligibility criteria that are more restrictive than those of the SSI program.

States also may enter into agreements with SSA for SSA to make Medicaid eligibility determinations on their behalf as long as the eligibility requirements of the state's Medicaid plans are the same as those for the SSI program. Under these agreements, SSA determines only when an individual is eligible for Medicaid; SSA does not determine Medicaid ineligibility. SSA has agreements with 32 states and the District of Columbia to determine eligibility for Medicaid.

Continued Medicaid eligibility is provided for certain Social Security beneficiaries who lose SSI eligibility because of either an entitlement to Social Security benefits or an increase in Social Security benefits resulting from

- cost-of-living adjustments
- actuarial increases in widow(er)s benefits before age 60

- changes in the definition of disability for widow(er)s benefits
- increases in or entitlement to disabled adult child benefits

### SNAP Applications

SSI recipients in all states, except California,<sup>15</sup> may be eligible for SNAP benefits. Under agreements entered into by the secretary of agriculture and SSA, Social Security offices notify Social Security and SSI applicants and recipients of their potential benefits under SNAP and make SNAP applications available to them.

The law also provides for Social Security offices to take SNAP applications from potentially eligible or eligible SSI households that are not already receiving nutrition benefits and do not have an application pending. SNAP applications from SSI households may be taken in connection with initial SSI claims or at the time of a redetermination. SNAP applicants have the option of applying at Social Security offices or at state SNAP offices if expedited service is required. Social Security offices forward the SNAP application and any supporting documents to the local SNAP offices within 1 day of taking the application. Eligibility is determined by the SNAP office.

### Interim Assistance Reimbursement

SSA may enter into agreements under which states or local governments are reimbursed for basic needs assistance provided during the period that an eligible individual's SSI application for benefits was pending or the individual's SSI benefits were suspended and subsequently reinstated (the interim period). Thirty-seven states and the District of Columbia have interim assistance agreements with SSA.

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14. In 2008, the Food Stamp Program was renamed SNAP.

15. California provides its SSI recipients an additional cash payment in lieu of SNAP benefits.



**FEDERAL BENEFIT RATES,  
TOTAL ANNUAL PAYMENTS,  
AND TOTAL RECIPIENTS**





**Federal Benefit Rates, Total Annual Payments, and Total Recipients**

**Table 1.**  
**Monthly federal SSI benefit rates, 1974–2016 (in dollars)**

Starting date	Individual		Couple		Medicaid facility	Essential person increment
	Own household	Another's household	Own household	Another's household		
January 1974	140.00	93.34	210.00	140.00	25.00	70.00
July 1974	146.00	97.34	219.00	146.00	25.00	73.00
July 1975	157.70	105.14	236.60	157.74	25.00	78.90
July 1976	167.80	111.87	251.80	167.87	25.00	84.00
July 1977	177.80	118.54	266.70	177.80	25.00	89.00
July 1978	189.40	126.27	284.10	189.40	25.00	94.80
July 1979	208.20	138.80	312.30	208.20	25.00	104.20
July 1980	238.00	158.67	357.00	238.00	25.00	119.20
July 1981	264.70	176.47	397.00	264.67	25.00	132.60
July 1982	284.30	189.54	426.40	284.27	25.00	142.50
July 1983	304.30	202.87	456.40	304.27	25.00	152.50
January 1984	314.00	209.34	472.00	314.67	25.00	157.00
January 1985	325.00	216.67	488.00	325.34	25.00	163.00
January 1986	336.00	224.00	504.00	336.00	25.00	168.00
January 1987	340.00	226.67	510.00	340.00	25.00	170.00
January 1988	354.00	236.00	532.00	354.67	25.00	177.00
January 1989	368.00	245.34	553.00	368.67	30.00	184.00
January 1990	386.00	257.34	579.00	386.00	30.00	193.00
January 1991	407.00	271.34	610.00	406.67	30.00	204.00
January 1992	422.00	281.34	633.00	422.00	30.00	211.00
January 1993	434.00	289.34	652.00	434.67	30.00	217.00
January 1994	446.00	297.34	669.00	446.00	30.00	223.00
January 1995	458.00	305.34	687.00	458.00	30.00	229.00
January 1996	470.00	313.34	705.00	470.00	30.00	235.00
January 1997	484.00	322.67	726.00	484.00	30.00	242.00
January 1998	494.00	329.34	741.00	494.00	30.00	247.00
January 1999	500.00	333.34	751.00	500.67	30.00	250.00
January 2000 <sup>a</sup>	513.00	342.00	769.00	512.67	30.00	257.00
January 2001 <sup>a</sup>	531.00	354.00	796.00	530.67	30.00	266.00
January 2002	545.00	363.34	817.00	544.67	30.00	273.00
January 2003	552.00	368.00	829.00	552.67	30.00	277.00
January 2004	564.00	376.00	846.00	564.00	30.00	282.00
January 2005	579.00	386.00	869.00	579.34	30.00	290.00
January 2006	603.00	402.00	904.00	602.67	30.00	302.00
January 2007	623.00	415.34	934.00	622.67	30.00	312.00
January 2008	637.00	424.67	956.00	637.34	30.00	319.00
January 2009	674.00	449.34	1,011.00	674.00	30.00	338.00
January 2010	674.00	449.34	1,011.00	674.00	30.00	338.00
January 2011	674.00	449.34	1,011.00	674.00	30.00	338.00
January 2012	698.00	465.34	1,048.00	698.67	30.00	350.00
January 2013	710.00	473.34	1,066.00	710.67	30.00	356.00
January 2014	721.00	480.67	1,082.00	721.34	30.00	361.00
January 2015	733.00	488.67	1,100.00	733.34	30.00	367.00
January 2016	733.00	488.67	1,100.00	733.34	30.00	367.00

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Office of the Chief Actuary.

a. Data reflect the correction of an error in the Consumer Price Index.

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**Federal Benefit Rates, Total Annual Payments, and Total Recipients**

**Table 2.**

**Total payments, by eligibility category and source of payment, selected years 1974–2015 (in thousands of dollars)**

Year	Total	Federal SSI	Federally administered state supplementation
<i>All recipients</i>			
1974	5,096,813	3,833,161	1,263,652
1975	5,716,072	4,313,538	1,402,534
1980	7,714,640	5,866,354	1,848,286
1985	10,749,938	8,777,341	1,972,597
1990	16,132,959	12,893,805	3,239,154
1995	27,037,280	23,919,430	3,117,850
1996	28,252,474	25,264,878	2,987,596
1997	28,370,568	25,457,387	2,913,181
1998	29,408,208	26,404,793	3,003,415
1999	30,106,132	26,805,156	3,300,976
2000	30,671,699	27,290,248	3,381,451
2001	32,165,856	28,705,503	3,460,353
2002	33,718,999	29,898,765	3,820,234
2003	34,693,278	30,688,029	4,005,249
2004	36,065,358	31,886,509	4,178,849
2005	37,235,843	33,058,056	4,177,787
2006	38,888,961	34,736,088	4,152,873
2007	41,204,645	36,884,066	4,320,579
2008	43,040,481	38,655,780	4,384,701
2009	46,592,308	42,628,709	3,963,606
2010	48,194,514	44,605,122	3,589,392
2011	49,520,299	45,999,647	3,520,652
2012	52,074,525	48,769,579	3,304,947
2013	53,899,898	50,624,771	3,275,127
2014	54,693,013	51,574,587	3,118,426
2015	54,966,168	52,335,253	2,630,915

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**Federal Benefit Rates, Total Annual Payments, and Total Recipients**

**Table 2.**

**Total payments, by eligibility category and source of payment, selected years 1974–2015 (in thousands of dollars)—Continued**

Year	Total	Federal SSI	Federally administered state supplementation
		<i>Aged</i>	
1974	2,414,034	1,782,742	631,292
1975	2,516,515	1,842,980	673,535
1980	2,617,023	1,860,194	756,829
1985	2,896,671	2,202,557	694,114
1990	3,559,388	2,521,382	1,038,006
1995	4,239,222	3,374,772	864,450
1996	4,282,498	3,449,407	833,091
1997	4,303,529	3,479,948	823,581
1998	4,166,231	3,327,856	838,375
1999	4,445,687	3,524,355	921,332
2000	4,540,046	3,597,516	942,530
2001	4,664,076	3,708,527	955,549
2002	4,802,792	3,751,491	1,051,301
2003	4,856,875	3,758,070	1,098,805
2004	4,907,225	3,773,901	1,133,324
2005	4,964,627	3,836,625	1,128,002
2006	5,115,911	3,953,106	1,162,804
2007	5,301,277	4,113,424	1,187,853
2008	5,378,921	4,180,786	1,198,135
2009	5,569,078	4,499,045	1,070,033
2010	5,453,906	4,529,485	924,422
2011	5,430,932	4,535,873	895,059
2012	5,485,775	4,658,671	827,103
2013	5,592,479	4,771,120	821,360
2014	5,688,075	4,891,328	796,747
2015	5,729,434	5,014,405	715,029

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**Federal Benefit Rates, Total Annual Payments, and Total Recipients**

**Table 2.**

**Total payments, by eligibility category and source of payment, selected years 1974–2015 (in thousands of dollars)—Continued**

Year	Total	Federal SSI	Federally administered state supplementation
		<i>Blind</i>	
1974	125,791	91,308	34,483
1975	127,240	92,427	34,813
1980	185,827	131,506	54,321
1985	259,840	195,183	64,657
1990	328,949	238,415	90,534
1995	367,441	298,238	69,203
1996	364,791	298,897	65,894
1997	367,845	302,656	65,189
1998	358,187	291,050	67,137
1999	382,323	309,295	73,028
2000	385,926	312,238	73,688
2001	398,624	323,895	74,729
2002	416,454	335,405	81,049
2003	409,293	325,878	83,415
2004	412,810	327,446	85,364
2005	414,147	330,591	83,556
2006	409,287	326,230	83,057
2007	418,835	336,789	82,046
2008	416,017	335,179	80,838
2009	426,533	354,817	71,716
2010	423,215	359,096	64,119
2011	421,994	360,789	61,205
2012	426,507	373,912	52,595
2013	432,397	381,863	50,534
2014	439,849	390,144	49,705
2015	448,407	401,516	46,891

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**Federal Benefit Rates, Total Annual Payments, and Total Recipients**

**Table 2.**

**Total payments, by eligibility category and source of payment, selected years 1974–2015 (in thousands of dollars)—Continued**

Year	Total	Federal SSI	Federally administered state supplementation
		<i>Disabled</i>	
1974	2,556,988	1,959,112	597,876
1975	3,072,317	2,378,131	694,186
1980	4,911,792	3,874,655	1,037,137
1985	7,593,427	6,379,601	1,213,826
1990	12,244,622	10,134,007	2,110,615
1995	22,430,612	20,246,415	2,184,197
1996	23,605,189	21,516,579	2,088,610
1997	23,709,831	21,685,421	2,024,410
1998	24,883,782	22,785,879	2,097,903
1999	25,278,121	22,971,506	2,306,615
2000	25,745,710	23,380,477	2,365,233
2001	27,125,707	24,695,630	2,430,077
2002	28,531,939	25,844,055	2,687,884
2003	29,453,803	26,630,775	2,823,028
2004	30,745,406	27,785,246	2,960,160
2005	31,857,069	28,890,840	2,966,229
2006	33,363,762	30,456,751	2,907,011
2007	35,484,533	32,433,853	3,050,680
2008	37,245,543	34,139,814	3,105,728
2009	40,596,703	37,774,847	2,821,857
2010	42,317,393	39,716,541	2,600,852
2011	43,667,372	41,102,985	2,564,388
2012	46,162,243	43,736,995	2,425,248
2013	47,875,022	45,471,788	2,403,234
2014	48,565,089	46,293,115	2,271,974
2015	48,788,327	46,919,333	1,868,995

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Office of Financial Policy and Operations.

NOTE: Totals for "Aged," "Blind," and "Disabled" are derived. The derivation creates slight discrepancies between the sum of the group totals and the "All recipients" total.

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**Federal Benefit Rates, Total Annual Payments, and Total Recipients**

**Table 3.**  
**Total recipients, by age and source of payment, 2003–2015**

Year	Total	Federal SSI	Federally administered state supplementation
<i>All ages</i>			
2003	7,359,510	7,028,753	3,063,693
2004	7,865,262	7,569,066	2,791,378
2005	7,983,672	7,685,852	2,511,220
2006	8,075,335	7,774,794	2,520,614
2007	8,207,780	7,904,966	2,549,103
2008	8,407,821	8,102,727	2,598,096
2009	8,648,819	8,352,851	2,640,286
2010	9,176,526	8,898,268	2,678,722
2011	9,306,902	9,031,490	2,701,965
2012	9,179,222	8,928,794	2,643,997
2013	9,267,240	9,036,874	2,458,839
2014	9,259,225	9,034,464	2,435,049
2015	9,211,209	9,034,100	1,712,994
<i>Under age 18</i>			
2003	1,014,331	1,007,672	343,024
2004	1,095,705	1,093,835	293,160
2005	1,132,751	1,131,056	242,891
2006	1,161,137	1,159,587	243,159
2007	1,192,127	1,190,524	246,571
2008	1,233,315	1,231,731	254,836
2009	1,283,222	1,281,960	264,543
2010	1,360,159	1,358,775	273,160
2011	1,396,189	1,394,779	277,676
2012	1,399,975	1,398,876	276,138
2013	1,410,853	1,409,945	257,556
2014	1,401,244	1,400,307	254,522
2015	1,388,593	1,387,809	163,603
<i>Aged 18–64</i>			
2003	4,249,282	4,085,612	1,693,964
2004	4,576,320	4,436,459	1,495,703
2005	4,654,089	4,513,340	1,312,884
2006	4,712,198	4,569,868	1,310,485
2007	4,804,898	4,662,140	1,323,451
2008	4,947,475	4,803,468	1,349,414
2009	5,123,603	4,983,145	1,372,075
2010	5,528,248	5,392,520	1,401,291
2011	5,606,571	5,472,203	1,414,695
2012	5,497,414	5,374,759	1,372,466
2013	5,547,990	5,436,212	1,248,305
2014	5,523,419	5,415,685	1,224,472
2015	5,471,341	5,390,153	837,681

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**Federal Benefit Rates, Total Annual Payments, and Total Recipients**

**Table 3.**  
**Total recipients, by age and source of payment, 2003–2015—Continued**

Year	Total	Federal SSI	Federally administered state supplementation
<i>Aged 65 or older</i>			
2003	2,095,897	1,935,469	1,026,705
2004	2,193,237	2,038,772	1,002,515
2005	2,196,832	2,041,456	955,445
2006	2,202,000	2,045,339	966,970
2007	2,210,755	2,052,302	979,081
2008	2,227,031	2,067,528	993,846
2009	2,241,994	2,087,746	1,003,668
2010	2,288,119	2,146,973	1,004,271
2011	2,304,142	2,164,508	1,009,594
2012	2,281,833	2,155,159	995,393
2013	2,308,397	2,190,717	952,978
2014	2,334,562	2,218,472	956,055
2015	2,351,275	2,256,138	711,710

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

NOTE: Includes all recipients who received at least one payment during the year.

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**Table 4.**  
**Recipients, by age, December 1974–2015**

Year	Total	Under age 18		Aged 18–64		Aged 65 or older	
		Number	Percentage of total	Number	Percentage of total	Number	Percentage of total
1974	3,996,064	70,900	1.8	1,503,155	37.6	2,422,009	60.6
1975	4,314,275	107,026	2.5	1,699,394	39.4	2,507,855	58.1
1976	4,235,939	125,412	3.0	1,713,594	40.5	2,396,933	56.6
1977	4,237,692	147,355	3.5	1,736,879	41.0	2,353,458	55.5
1978	4,216,925	165,899	3.9	1,747,126	41.4	2,303,900	54.6
1979	4,149,575	177,306	4.3	1,726,553	41.6	2,245,716	54.1
1980	4,142,017	190,394	4.6	1,730,847	41.8	2,220,776	53.6
1981	4,018,875	194,890	4.8	1,702,895	42.4	2,121,090	52.8
1982	3,857,590	191,570	5.0	1,655,279	42.9	2,010,741	52.1
1983	3,901,497	198,323	5.1	1,699,774	43.6	2,003,400	51.3
1984	4,029,333	211,587	5.3	1,780,459	44.2	2,037,287	50.6
1985	4,138,021	227,384	5.5	1,879,168	45.4	2,031,469	49.1
1986	4,269,184	241,198	5.6	2,010,458	47.1	2,017,528	47.3
1987	4,384,999	250,902	5.7	2,118,710	48.3	2,015,387	46.0
1988	4,463,869	255,135	5.7	2,202,714	49.3	2,006,020	44.9
1989	4,593,059	264,890	5.8	2,301,926	50.1	2,026,243	44.1
1990	4,817,127	308,589	6.4	2,449,897	50.9	2,058,641	42.7
1991	5,118,470	397,162	7.8	2,641,524	51.6	2,079,784	40.6
1992	5,566,189	556,470	10.0	2,910,016	52.3	2,099,703	37.7
1993	5,984,330	722,678	12.1	3,148,413	52.6	2,113,239	35.3
1994	6,295,786	841,474	13.4	3,335,255	53.0	2,119,057	33.7
1995	6,514,134	917,048	14.1	3,482,256	53.5	2,114,830	32.5
1996	6,613,718	955,174	14.4	3,568,393	54.0	2,090,151	31.6
1997	6,494,985	879,828	13.5	3,561,625	54.8	2,053,532	31.6
1998	6,566,069	887,066	13.5	3,646,020	55.5	2,032,983	31.0
1999	6,556,634	847,063	12.9	3,690,970	56.3	2,018,601	30.8
2000	6,601,686	846,784	12.8	3,744,022	56.7	2,010,880	30.5
2001	6,688,489	881,836	13.2	3,811,494	57.0	1,995,159	29.8
2002	6,787,857	914,821	13.5	3,877,752	57.1	1,995,284	29.4
2003	6,902,364	959,379	13.9	3,953,248	57.3	1,989,737	28.8
2004	6,987,845	993,127	14.2	4,017,108	57.5	1,977,610	28.3
2005	7,113,879	1,036,498	14.6	4,082,870	57.4	1,994,511	28.0
2006	7,235,583	1,078,977	14.9	4,152,130	57.4	2,004,476	27.7
2007	7,359,525	1,121,017	15.2	4,221,920	57.4	2,016,588	27.4
2008	7,520,501	1,153,844	15.3	4,333,096	57.6	2,033,561	27.0
2009	7,676,686	1,199,788	15.6	4,451,288	58.0	2,025,610	26.4
2010	7,912,266	1,239,269	15.7	4,631,507	58.5	2,041,490	25.8
2011	8,112,773	1,277,122	15.7	4,777,010	58.9	2,058,641	25.4
2012	8,262,877	1,311,861	15.9	4,869,484	58.9	2,081,532	25.2
2013	8,363,477	1,321,681	15.8	4,934,272	59.0	2,107,524	25.2
2014	8,335,704	1,299,761	15.6	4,913,072	58.9	2,122,871	25.5
2015	8,309,564	1,267,160	15.2	4,888,555	58.8	2,153,849	25.9

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

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**Table 5.**  
**By type of payment, sex, eligibility category, and age, December 2015**

Type of payment and sex	Total	Category			Age		
		Aged	Blind	Disabled	Under 18	18-64	65 or older
<b>Number</b>							
All payments	8,309,564	1,157,492	67,851	7,084,221	1,267,160	4,888,555	2,153,849
Male	3,901,081	402,559	33,099	3,465,423	848,407	2,329,957	722,717
Female	4,408,483	754,933	34,752	3,618,798	418,753	2,558,598	1,431,132
Federal SSI	8,142,177	1,101,064	64,991	6,976,122	1,266,219	4,810,369	2,065,589
Male	3,823,299	378,683	31,633	3,412,983	847,767	2,289,232	686,300
Female	4,318,878	722,381	33,358	3,563,139	418,452	2,521,137	1,379,289
State supplementation	1,530,785	412,951	20,562	1,097,272	141,969	736,449	652,367
Male	699,396	152,596	9,827	536,973	95,176	369,398	234,822
Female	831,389	260,355	10,735	560,299	46,793	367,051	417,545
<b>Total payments (thousands of dollars)</b>							
All payments	4,721,982	495,852	38,705	4,187,426	849,963	2,932,904	939,115
Male	2,290,848	166,457	18,935	2,105,457	569,288	1,418,615	302,945
Female	2,431,134	329,394	19,771	2,081,969	280,675	1,514,289	636,171
Federal SSI	4,496,482	434,464	34,728	4,027,289	840,735	2,814,929	840,818
Male	2,186,507	142,694	17,039	2,026,774	563,124	1,357,604	265,779
Female	2,309,975	291,770	17,689	2,000,516	277,611	1,457,325	575,039
State supplementation	225,501	61,388	3,977	160,136	9,228	117,975	98,297
Male	104,341	23,763	1,895	78,683	6,164	61,012	37,166
Female	121,159	37,624	2,081	81,453	3,064	56,964	61,131
<b>Average monthly payment <sup>a</sup> (dollars)</b>							
All payments	541.28	428.10	558.02	559.63	643.06	561.60	435.47
Male	557.42	413.23	557.83	574.18	643.73	569.12	418.45
Female	527.04	436.01	558.21	545.73	641.73	554.76	444.04
Federal SSI	525.72	394.48	522.59	546.49	636.61	547.74	406.71
Male	542.57	376.62	525.00	561.18	637.30	554.27	386.70
Female	510.84	403.83	520.30	532.46	635.22	541.82	416.65
State supplementation	141.80	147.55	189.36	138.74	61.81	150.35	149.51
Male	142.94	154.61	188.55	138.78	61.62	154.96	156.95
Female	140.84	143.41	190.10	138.70	62.20	145.72	145.33

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

a. Averages are not obtained simply by dividing the total dollars by the number of recipients. Averages exclude payments made in the current month for prior-month eligibility, such as back pay for new awards, so that large retroactive payments do not distort the averages.

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**Table 6.**  
**Recipients, by selected characteristics, eligibility category, and age, December 2015**

Characteristic	Total	Category			Age		
		Aged	Blind	Disabled	Under 18	18-64	65 or older
<b>Number</b>							
All recipients	8,309,564	1,157,492	67,851	7,084,221	1,267,160	4,888,555	2,153,849
Sex							
Male	3,901,081	402,559	33,099	3,465,423	848,407	2,329,957	722,717
Female	4,408,483	754,933	34,752	3,618,798	418,753	2,558,598	1,431,132
Citizenship status							
Citizen	7,783,969	909,373	62,452	6,812,144	1,264,124	4,733,779	1,786,066
Noncitizen	525,595	248,119	5,399	272,077	3,036	154,776	367,783
Living arrangement							
Own household	6,759,420	1,046,585	57,961	5,654,874	164,380	4,595,465	1,999,575
Another's household	358,814	94,219	3,800	260,795	41,124	209,753	107,937
Parent's household	1,062,765	...	4,885	1,057,880	1,048,311	14,454	...
Medicaid institution	122,195	16,007	1,169	105,019	13,140	63,558	45,497
Unknown	6,370	681	36	5,653	205	5,325	840
<b>Average monthly payment (dollars)</b>							
All recipients	541.28	428.10	558.02	559.63	643.06	561.60	435.47
Sex							
Male	557.42	413.23	557.83	574.18	643.73	569.12	418.45
Female	527.04	436.01	558.21	545.73	641.73	554.76	444.04
Citizenship status							
Citizen	543.69	419.38	556.00	560.19	642.97	561.71	425.84
Noncitizen	505.66	460.03	581.40	545.72	681.32	557.96	482.22
Living arrangement							
Own household	537.40	432.68	563.97	556.52	693.36	572.47	444.15
Another's household	461.15	438.99	492.06	468.77	466.41	473.77	434.89
Parent's household	649.63	...	660.85	649.58	649.70	644.35	...
Medicaid institution	33.55	37.48	34.62	32.96	33.90	32.55	34.88
Unknown	576.60	556.91	469.00	589.67	715.71	576.79	557.98

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

NOTE: ... = not applicable.

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**Table 7.**  
**Recipients, by type of representative payee, eligibility category, and age, December 2015**

Type of payee	Total	Category			Age		
		Aged	Blind	Disabled	Under 18	18–64	65 or older
All recipients	8,309,564	1,157,492	67,851	7,084,221	1,267,160	4,888,555	2,153,849
Without payee	5,187,669	1,104,284	47,811	4,035,574	905	3,233,324	1,953,440
With payee	3,121,895	53,208	20,040	3,048,647	1,266,255	1,655,231	200,409
Parent (natural, adoptive, or stepparent)	1,902,323	733	12,361	1,889,229	1,047,076	851,868	3,379
Spouse	49,442	2,210	204	47,028	11	38,754	10,677
Child (natural, adoptive, or stepchild)	115,878	28,336	738	86,804	567	48,693	66,618
Grandparent	116,933	42	659	116,232	74,707	42,148	78
Other relative	414,042	10,969	2,461	400,612	101,043	260,690	52,309
Nonmental institution	136,224	5,803	1,169	129,252	5,966	100,690	29,568
Mental institution	66,383	704	515	65,164	1,442	57,901	7,040
Financial organization	6,280	86	35	6,159	136	5,519	625
Social agency	124,658	1,482	930	122,246	13,985	97,921	12,752
Public official	15,659	493	77	15,089	1,215	11,794	2,650
Other	174,073	2,350	891	170,832	20,107	139,253	14,713

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

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**Table 8.**  
**Recipients, by type of income, eligibility category, and age, December 2015**

Type of income	Total	Category			Age		
		Aged	Blind	Disabled	Under 18	18–64	65 or older
All recipients <sup>a</sup>	8,309,564	1,157,492	67,851	7,084,221	1,267,160	4,888,555	2,153,849
No other income	4,783,841	424,518	38,051	4,321,272	921,637	3,023,072	839,132
Earned income	266,384	17,586	2,971	245,827	2,728	235,878	27,778
Unearned income							
Social Security benefits	2,740,201	645,167	23,657	2,071,377	92,055	1,452,280	1,195,866
Veterans' benefits	45,744	8,376	322	37,046	7,391	22,529	15,824
Income based on need	26,549	958	138	25,453	19,621	5,916	1,012
Workers' compensation	3,125	320	8	2,797	9	2,157	959
Support from absent parents	182,915	0	799	182,116	179,613	3,302	0
Pensions	53,676	33,867	234	19,575	34	11,910	41,732
Support and maintenance	427,292	111,017	3,245	313,030	70,744	216,071	140,477
Asset income <sup>b</sup>	51,240	13,662	614	36,964	917	24,730	25,593
Other <sup>c</sup>	88,753	13,187	721	74,845	5,743	63,595	19,415

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

- a. The sum of the entries may be greater than the total because some recipients may receive more than one type of unearned income or both earned and unearned income.
- b. Includes income received as rent, interest, dividends, and royalties.
- c. Does not include income deemed from a spouse or parent.

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**Table 9.**  
**Recipients, by receipt of Social Security, type of income, eligibility category, and age, December 2015**

Type of income	Total	Category			Age		
		Aged	Blind	Disabled	Under 18	18-64	65 or older
<b>Number</b>							
All recipients	8,309,564	1,157,492	67,851	7,084,221	1,267,160	4,888,555	2,153,849
With Social Security							
No other income	2,437,517	544,562	21,166	1,871,789	77,137	1,305,778	1,054,602
Earned income only	90,959	9,762	990	80,207	216	74,365	16,378
Unearned income only <sup>a</sup>	206,520	89,689	1,449	115,382	14,648	68,502	123,370
Both earned and unearned income <sup>a</sup>	5,205	1,154	52	3,999	54	3,635	1,516
Without Social Security							
No other income	4,783,841	424,518	38,051	4,321,272	921,637	3,023,072	839,132
Earned income only	156,359	5,448	1,802	149,109	1,822	146,096	8,441
Unearned income only <sup>a</sup>	615,302	81,137	4,214	529,951	251,010	255,325	108,967
Both earned and unearned income <sup>a</sup>	13,861	1,222	127	12,512	636	11,782	1,443
<b>Average monthly payment (dollars)</b>							
All recipients	541.28	428.10	558.02	559.63	643.06	561.60	435.47
With Social Security							
No other income	262.07	258.67	284.66	262.81	482.04	253.38	256.82
Earned income only	248.70	252.37	251.34	248.21	391.40	249.16	244.79
Unearned income only <sup>a</sup>	225.20	197.73	251.34	247.13	423.35	235.52	196.70
Both earned and unearned income <sup>a</sup>	219.70	206.55	258.22	223.23	334.86	224.65	204.84
Without Social Security							
No other income	700.49	676.31	726.94	702.62	683.68	710.17	684.06
Earned income only	550.47	484.56	564.41	552.70	561.49	552.02	521.33
Unearned income only <sup>a</sup>	563.16	553.84	590.36	564.37	557.47	569.11	562.31
Both earned and unearned income <sup>a</sup>	444.46	371.64	505.82	450.96	451.86	451.70	382.17

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

a. Includes recipients with in-kind unearned income.

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**Table 10.**  
**Recipients, by state or other area, eligibility category, and age, December 2015**

State or area	Total	Category			Age		
		Aged	Blind	Disabled	Under 18	18-64	65 or older
All areas	8,309,564	1,157,492	67,851	7,084,221	1,267,160	4,888,555	2,153,849
Alabama	170,863	9,007	850	161,006	25,961	116,928	27,974
Alaska	12,520	1,789	79	10,652	1,248	8,111	3,161
Arizona	119,587	16,164	1,049	102,374	19,952	69,919	29,716
Arkansas	110,094	5,365	669	104,060	27,839	67,528	14,727
California	1,293,304	360,518	18,445	914,341	114,003	608,779	570,522
Colorado	72,764	9,332	519	62,913	9,821	46,214	16,729
Connecticut	63,740	6,773	429	56,538	8,703	40,086	14,951
Delaware	16,869	1,238	90	15,541	3,574	10,559	2,736
District of Columbia	26,965	2,052	128	24,785	4,089	17,949	4,927
Florida	570,878	134,445	3,149	433,284	105,436	271,330	194,112
Georgia	258,325	24,488	1,998	231,839	46,247	159,473	52,605
Hawaii	24,775	5,692	170	18,913	1,539	14,405	8,831
Idaho	30,735	1,816	208	28,711	5,444	21,053	4,238
Illinois	274,742	30,513	2,447	241,782	39,635	170,804	64,303
Indiana	128,774	5,448	914	122,412	24,245	90,272	14,257
Iowa	51,020	3,162	672	47,186	8,015	35,804	7,201
Kansas	48,374	2,910	352	45,112	9,049	32,331	6,994
Kentucky	184,125	9,372	1,133	173,620	26,807	125,424	31,894
Louisiana	178,985	11,945	1,346	165,694	34,148	112,852	31,985
Maine	37,357	1,755	219	35,383	4,203	27,756	5,398
Maryland	120,234	15,140	704	104,390	19,199	74,505	26,530
Massachusetts	188,051	22,663	2,341	163,047	23,661	115,338	49,052
Michigan	275,873	18,449	1,626	255,798	39,840	190,751	45,282
Minnesota	94,147	10,703	718	82,726	13,588	59,300	21,259
Mississippi	123,201	8,306	936	113,959	22,239	77,964	22,998
Missouri	140,257	7,030	886	132,341	21,731	99,049	19,477
Montana	18,315	1,289	123	16,903	2,478	12,697	3,140
Nebraska	27,892	2,220	229	25,443	3,984	19,369	4,539
Nevada	53,280	12,841	728	39,711	10,204	29,314	13,762
New Hampshire	19,619	881	131	18,607	2,526	14,957	2,136
New Jersey	182,460	36,102	754	145,604	25,826	98,299	58,335
New Mexico	64,171	8,417	454	55,300	9,055	37,806	17,310
New York	649,277	118,488	2,900	527,889	88,106	334,271	226,900
North Carolina	235,608	18,167	1,830	215,611	42,945	149,219	43,444
North Dakota	8,206	692	58	7,456	1,005	5,613	1,588
Ohio	312,237	15,412	1,932	294,893	47,648	219,557	45,032
Oklahoma	96,875	6,010	628	90,237	17,013	65,164	14,698
Oregon	86,056	9,184	624	76,248	10,739	57,472	17,845
Pennsylvania	367,995	24,018	1,969	342,008	68,753	233,199	66,043
Rhode Island	33,137	3,177	162	29,798	4,405	21,564	7,168
South Carolina	118,047	8,067	1,218	108,762	19,934	76,410	21,703
South Dakota	14,820	1,442	121	13,257	2,567	9,197	3,056
Tennessee	181,909	11,457	1,448	169,004	23,663	126,278	31,968
Texas	666,012	104,851	6,769	554,392	145,346	344,389	176,277
Utah	31,325	2,741	221	28,363	5,250	20,834	5,241

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**Table 10.**

**Recipients, by state or other area, eligibility category, and age, December 2015—Continued**

State or area	Total	Category			Age		
		Aged	Blind	Disabled	Under 18	18–64	65 or older
Vermont	15,713	967	71	14,675	1,543	11,606	2,564
Virginia	156,446	18,195	1,111	137,140	23,719	98,382	34,345
Washington	150,981	17,099	879	133,003	18,034	98,127	34,820
West Virginia	76,404	2,444	473	73,487	8,086	56,427	11,891
Wisconsin	118,487	6,796	901	110,790	22,889	78,492	17,106
Wyoming	6,701	310	34	6,357	941	4,889	871
Outlying area							
Northern Mariana Islands	1,032	150	6	876	285	539	208

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

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**Table 11.**  
**Average monthly payment, by state or other area, eligibility category, and age,**  
**December 2015 (in dollars)**

State or area	Total	Category			Age		
		Aged	Blind	Disabled	Under 18	18–64	65 or older
All areas	541.28	428.10	558.02	559.63	643.06	561.60	435.47
Alabama	513.06	260.14	491.41	527.28	641.40	531.04	318.80
Alaska	505.73	342.50	470.48	533.30	587.19	544.09	374.37
Arizona	534.38	389.60	539.84	557.19	645.25	558.97	402.27
Arkansas	521.23	233.33	492.23	536.30	648.80	520.35	285.64
California	612.97	519.16	663.35	648.93	705.00	665.73	538.39
Colorado	521.29	414.83	537.12	536.95	620.48	542.18	405.39
Connecticut	531.29	408.40	525.00	546.09	635.16	548.78	424.32
Delaware	531.98	373.77	536.90	544.60	621.78	540.50	382.54
District of Columbia	582.27	386.58	527.89	598.75	652.91	608.72	427.25
Florida	525.62	441.64	517.55	551.81	635.85	546.49	436.84
Georgia	521.75	320.61	515.19	543.08	643.39	545.64	342.51
Hawaii	554.48	435.05	583.09	590.21	618.08	603.12	464.42
Idaho	519.16	314.83	517.56	532.17	615.07	530.51	340.72
Illinois	546.60	426.49	540.13	561.82	647.67	562.80	441.48
Indiana	537.00	336.35	510.14	546.13	636.92	538.84	355.92
Iowa	507.27	310.10	487.10	520.75	615.69	516.94	338.38
Kansas	521.38	347.86	514.33	532.63	629.48	525.66	362.11
Kentucky	522.72	279.77	511.30	535.93	646.57	543.05	339.31
Louisiana	526.83	275.86	506.34	545.09	651.99	544.17	331.84
Maine	499.02	273.70	511.99	510.10	616.21	516.22	319.76
Maryland	549.81	428.62	541.98	567.45	629.47	573.06	427.03
Massachusetts	526.47	434.50	503.43	539.60	618.72	542.37	444.75
Michigan	552.11	425.86	550.47	561.21	645.17	562.36	427.07
Minnesota	539.54	475.35	554.23	547.73	620.73	539.65	487.52
Mississippi	507.18	228.78	481.04	527.75	643.49	529.51	300.53
Missouri	516.07	327.26	498.54	526.23	634.23	523.38	348.22
Montana	500.17	296.42	527.05	515.50	634.18	516.74	327.09
Nebraska	503.40	352.58	505.55	516.63	608.87	516.30	356.78
Nevada	541.45	415.32	601.19	581.22	645.37	564.75	414.71
New Hampshire	505.19	388.28	476.33	510.94	590.74	510.23	368.82
New Jersey	527.81	425.22	496.13	553.36	639.76	557.08	428.89
New Mexico	502.48	309.16	503.17	531.98	640.21	540.23	348.50
New York	534.59	420.63	528.61	560.19	646.05	563.00	449.47
North Carolina	509.97	281.71	499.61	529.30	631.42	530.27	320.26
North Dakota	475.94	372.67	470.47	485.53	562.56	493.30	359.99
Ohio	546.83	384.68	525.18	555.45	645.31	554.69	404.56
Oklahoma	520.93	285.40	507.18	536.71	631.30	536.59	323.65
Oregon	531.30	389.48	517.15	548.52	626.48	555.61	396.05
Pennsylvania	555.50	396.10	521.03	566.88	642.08	565.01	431.94
Rhode Island	528.61	375.43	512.65	545.07	640.43	547.26	404.18
South Carolina	509.94	267.33	509.35	527.93	628.93	531.66	324.42
South Dakota	494.19	350.83	521.13	509.55	606.62	508.13	358.44
Tennessee	516.99	284.63	520.82	532.69	635.74	540.63	335.47
Texas	507.43	336.65	514.34	539.65	632.69	537.48	345.49
Utah	522.20	418.19	539.08	532.17	586.02	533.11	415.39

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**Table 11.**  
**Average monthly payment, by state or other area, eligibility category, and age,**  
**December 2015 (in dollars)—Continued**

State or area	Total	Category			Age		
		Aged	Blind	Disabled	Under 18	18–64	65 or older
Vermont	518.64	340.64	482.15	530.45	659.22	535.94	355.53
Virginia	518.55	392.52	517.26	535.31	622.92	538.71	388.92
Washington	550.00	471.47	543.61	560.16	620.94	566.03	468.32
West Virginia	528.04	269.70	507.37	536.76	634.27	549.55	353.35
Wisconsin	531.36	339.23	517.33	543.26	631.44	535.18	380.28
Wyoming	498.22	253.86	507.94	509.99	602.21	513.33	301.60
Outlying area							
Northern Mariana Islands	591.80	438.70	431.67	618.96	670.71	602.59	454.06

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

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**Table 12.**  
**Recipients and their average income, by type of income and marital status, December 2015**

Type of income	All recipients <sup>a</sup>		Eligible individual with no spouse		Eligible individual with eligible spouse				Eligible individual with ineligible spouse			
	Number	Average income (dollars)	Number	Average income (dollars)	Individual		Spouse		Individual		Spouse	
					Number	Average income (dollars)	Number	Average income (dollars)	Number	Average income (dollars)	Number	Average income (dollars)
Total <sup>b</sup>	8,309,564	...	7,461,882	...	271,362	...	271,362	...	304,958	...	304,958	...
No other income	4,783,836	...	4,329,184	...	133,475	...	134,129	...	187,048	...	148,384	...
With income	3,525,728	471	3,132,698	474	137,887	455	137,233	406	117,910	492	156,574	1,016
Earned income only	156,360	443	148,606	429	1,477	721	1,915	665	4,362	713	91,817	1,301
Unearned income only	3,259,343	464	2,880,703	467	134,701	447	132,595	393	111,344	475	58,816	546
Both earned and unearned income	110,025	741	103,389	731	1,709	880	2,723	875	2,204	913	5,941	1,270
With earned income <sup>b</sup>	266,384	377	251,994	364	3,186	574	4,638	562	6,566	637	97,756	1,276
Wages	235,357	392	225,906	378	2,093	712	3,134	684	4,224	790	73,155	1,427
Self-employment income	32,078	254	27,040	241	1,109	307	1,540	300	2,389	353	25,920	785
With unearned income <sup>b</sup>	3,369,368	463	2,984,092	467	136,410	447	135,318	393	113,548	474	64,757	530
Social Security benefits	2,740,206	511	2,404,466	518	120,614	470	120,655	409	94,471	517	43,474	613
Veterans' benefits	45,745	202	42,425	200	408	299	401	239	2,511	219	3,299	553
Income based on need	26,549	210	24,845	216	190	107	410	130	1,104	120	11,808	149
Workers' compensation	3,125	421	2,711	415	118	419	117	422	179	518	388	860
Support from absent parents	182,088	228	182,088	228	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Pensions	53,676	190	41,534	196	5,589	173	4,560	153	1,993	199	2,277	320
Support and maintenance	427,289	175	367,886	181	20,950	131	20,075	130	18,378	164	906	163
Asset income <sup>c</sup>	51,240	15	46,905	14	1,997	21	1,434	17	904	82	722	157
Other <sup>d</sup>	89,575	199	82,530	201	1,922	148	1,740	138	3,383	207	5,646	492

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

NOTE: . . . = not applicable.

- a. Does not include ineligible spouses.
- b. The sum of the entries may be greater than the total because some recipients may receive more than one type of earned or unearned income or both earned and unearned income.
- c. Includes income received as rent, interest, dividends, and royalties.
- d. Does not include income deemed from a spouse or parent.

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**Table 13.**  
**Recipients as a percentage of resident population, by state, December 2015**

State	Resident population <sup>a</sup>	Recipients	
		Number	Percentage of resident population
United States	321,418,820	<sup>b</sup> 8,308,532	2.6
Alabama	4,858,979	170,863	3.5
Alaska	738,432	12,520	1.7
Arizona	6,828,065	119,587	1.8
Arkansas	2,978,204	110,094	3.7
California	39,144,818	1,293,304	3.3
Colorado	5,456,574	72,764	1.3
Connecticut	3,590,886	63,740	1.8
Delaware	945,934	16,869	1.8
District of Columbia	672,228	26,965	4.0
Florida	20,271,272	570,878	2.8
Georgia	10,214,860	258,325	2.5
Hawaii	1,431,603	24,775	1.7
Idaho	1,654,930	30,735	1.9
Illinois	12,859,995	274,742	2.1
Indiana	6,619,680	128,774	1.9
Iowa	3,123,899	51,020	1.6
Kansas	2,911,641	48,374	1.7
Kentucky	4,425,092	184,125	4.2
Louisiana	4,670,724	178,985	3.8
Maine	1,329,328	37,357	2.8
Maryland	6,006,401	120,234	2.0
Massachusetts	6,794,422	188,051	2.8
Michigan	9,922,576	275,873	2.8
Minnesota	5,489,594	94,147	1.7
Mississippi	2,992,333	123,201	4.1
Missouri	6,083,672	140,257	2.3
Montana	1,032,949	18,315	1.8
Nebraska	1,896,190	27,892	1.5
Nevada	2,890,845	53,280	1.8
New Hampshire	1,330,608	19,619	1.5
New Jersey	8,958,013	182,460	2.0
New Mexico	2,085,109	64,171	3.1
New York	19,795,791	649,277	3.3
North Carolina	10,042,802	235,608	2.3
North Dakota	756,927	8,206	1.1
Ohio	11,613,423	312,237	2.7
Oklahoma	3,911,338	96,875	2.5
Oregon	4,028,977	86,056	2.1
Pennsylvania	12,802,503	367,995	2.9
Rhode Island	1,056,298	33,137	3.1
South Carolina	4,896,146	118,047	2.4
South Dakota	858,469	14,820	1.7
Tennessee	6,600,299	181,909	2.8
Texas	27,469,114	666,012	2.4
Utah	2,995,919	31,325	1.0

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**Table 13.**  
**Recipients as a percentage of resident population, by state, December 2015—Continued**

State	Resident population <sup>a</sup>	Recipients	
		Number	Percentage of resident population
Vermont	626,042	15,713	2.5
Virginia	8,382,993	156,446	1.9
Washington	7,170,351	150,981	2.1
West Virginia	1,844,128	76,404	4.1
Wisconsin	5,771,337	118,487	2.1
Wyoming	586,107	6,701	1.1

SOURCES: Census Bureau; and Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

a. Population estimates for the United States as of July 1, 2015, as reported by the Census Bureau.

b. Excludes recipients in the Northern Mariana Islands.

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**Table 14.**  
**Foreign-born recipients, by region, country of origin, eligibility category, and age, December 2015**

Region and country of origin	Total	Category		Age		
		Aged	Blind and disabled	Under 18	18–64	65 or older
All areas	1,771,546	858,595	912,951	22,135	500,959	1,248,452
North America	200,697	22,479	178,218	13,371	112,469	74,857
U.S. territories	193,134	20,888	172,246	13,187	107,899	72,048
Puerto Rico	187,111	20,364	166,747	12,452	103,784	70,875
Other <sup>a</sup>	6,023	524	5,499	735	4,115	1,173
Other	7,563	1,591	5,972	184	4,570	2,809
Latin America	696,567	367,367	329,200	2,783	183,668	510,116
Mexico	294,739	154,129	140,610	756	75,378	218,605
Cuba	125,206	76,058	49,148	577	26,250	98,379
Dominican Republic	80,144	27,718	52,426	542	28,991	50,611
El Salvador	30,896	18,206	12,690	55	7,134	23,707
Haiti	24,078	14,369	9,709	212	6,090	17,776
Other	141,504	76,887	64,617	641	39,825	101,038
Africa	41,695	17,937	23,758	1,198	16,393	24,104
Somalia	10,678	3,439	7,239	297	4,841	5,540
Ethiopia	5,478	2,260	3,218	103	2,161	3,214
Nigeria	5,265	3,533	1,732	42	1,233	3,990
Liberia	2,482	1,259	1,223	19	803	1,660
Cape Verde	1,915	1,045	870	15	585	1,315
Other	15,877	6,401	9,476	722	6,770	8,385
Asia	503,524	312,020	191,504	1,844	95,394	406,286
Vietnam	121,726	60,799	60,927	167	23,254	98,305
China	95,125	81,032	14,093	215	5,792	89,118
Philippines	63,634	50,672	12,962	147	8,593	54,894
India	48,172	36,404	11,768	86	4,824	43,262
South Korea	47,729	35,500	12,229	66	6,190	41,473
Other	127,138	47,613	79,525	1,163	46,741	79,234
Middle East	123,311	56,178	67,133	1,604	35,050	86,657
Iran	48,925	26,540	22,385	82	9,076	39,767
Iraq	30,455	9,797	20,658	743	14,524	15,188
Lebanon	9,802	4,497	5,305	30	2,057	7,715
Syria	8,302	4,045	4,257	78	1,353	6,871
Egypt	8,261	4,136	4,125	174	2,113	5,974
Other	17,566	7,163	10,403	497	5,927	11,142
Former Soviet Republics	121,711	53,904	67,807	554	21,499	99,658
Europe	77,744	26,376	51,368	712	33,937	43,095
Germany	14,148	1,156	12,992	322	11,192	2,634
Former Yugoslavia	12,072	3,801	8,271	20	4,722	7,330
United Kingdom	7,544	1,897	5,647	101	4,142	3,301
Poland	7,179	3,856	3,323	12	1,873	5,294
Portugal	4,777	1,723	3,054	8	1,725	3,044
Other	32,024	13,943	18,081	249	10,283	21,492
Oceania	5,374	2,092	3,282	39	2,037	3,298
Other areas	923	242	681	30	512	381

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

NOTE: Foreign-born means born in an area not served by the Supplemental Security Income program.

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

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# RECIPIENTS OF SOCIAL SECURITY, SSI, OR BOTH







**Table 15.**  
**Persons aged 18–64 receiving benefits on the basis of disability and their total and average monthly payments, by type of beneficiary, December 1996–2015**

Year	Total	Social Security only				SSI only	Both Social Security and SSI			
		Total	Workers	Widow(er)s	Adult children		Total	Workers	Widow(er)s	Adult children
<i>Number</i>										
1996	7,689,664	4,122,152	--	--	--	2,559,750	1,007,762	--	--	--
1997	7,811,748	4,250,155	--	--	--	2,550,105	1,011,488	--	--	--
1998	8,086,259	4,440,264	--	--	--	2,618,615	1,027,380	--	--	--
1999	8,399,309	4,703,774	--	--	--	2,650,586	1,044,949	--	--	--
2000	8,599,465	4,850,835	--	--	--	2,690,446	1,058,184	--	--	--
2001	8,791,338	4,979,844	4,495,477	87,833	396,534	2,732,020	1,079,474	772,562	35,222	271,690
2002	9,106,014	5,228,262	4,738,246	87,900	402,116	2,768,782	1,108,970	801,351	34,671	272,948
2003	9,445,573	5,492,325	4,997,137	87,203	407,985	2,811,647	1,141,601	833,269	34,101	274,231
2004	9,773,201	5,756,093	5,257,314	89,874	408,905	2,850,815	1,166,293	858,850	33,072	274,371
2005	10,081,625	5,998,755	5,491,980	86,422	420,353	2,880,931	1,201,939	893,437	32,302	276,200
2006	10,362,419	6,210,289	5,698,494	85,259	426,536	2,928,034	1,224,096	915,832	31,443	276,821
2007	10,627,905	6,405,985	5,888,133	83,481	434,371	2,966,648	1,255,272	942,011	30,876	282,385
2008	10,974,914	6,641,818	6,115,214	82,100	444,504	3,040,764	1,292,332	971,455	30,608	290,269
2009	11,451,980	7,000,692	6,462,635	82,167	455,890	3,138,143	1,313,145	989,094	29,991	294,060
2010	11,988,072	7,356,565	6,810,060	82,369	464,136	3,262,055	1,369,452	1,035,969	30,216	303,267
2011	12,373,698	7,596,688	7,092,419	81,922	422,347	3,395,233	1,381,777	1,060,694	30,173	290,910
2012	12,734,301	7,864,664	7,292,752	82,181	489,731	3,459,188	1,410,449	1,060,201	30,280	319,968
2013	12,956,156	8,021,728	7,435,292	82,173	504,263	3,527,788	1,406,640	1,050,469	30,222	325,949
2014	12,982,160	8,068,997	7,468,094	81,284	519,619	3,540,152	1,373,011	1,019,599	29,914	323,498
2015	12,951,414	8,062,731	7,451,425	80,910	530,396	3,545,422	1,343,261	985,913	29,974	327,374
<i>Total payments (millions of dollars)</i>										
1996	4,878	3,072	--	--	--	1,222	584	--	--	--
1997	5,106	3,245	--	--	--	1,257	604	--	--	--
1998	5,379	3,444	--	--	--	1,313	622	--	--	--
1999	5,680	3,691	--	--	--	1,346	643	--	--	--
2000	6,058	3,975	--	--	--	1,408	675	--	--	--
2001	6,509	4,299	3,976	65	258	1,491	719	530	22	167
2002	6,920	4,629	4,294	67	268	1,544	747	554	22	171
2003	7,416	5,024	4,674	69	281	1,603	790	592	22	176
2004	7,980	5,464	5,096	72	296	1,686	829	626	22	180
2005	8,604	5,974	5,584	75	315	1,724	906	696	22	187
2006	9,172	6,439	6,029	77	334	1,778	955	739	23	193
2007	9,734	6,817	6,389	77	351	1,886	1,031	805	23	203
2008	10,566	7,499	7,035	81	383	1,973	1,094	853	24	217
2009	11,155	7,924	7,447	82	396	2,122	1,108	863	24	221
2010	11,765	8,392	7,902	83	407	2,219	1,154	902	24	229
2011	12,526	9,037	8,562	86	390	2,299	1,189	941	24	224
2012	13,133	9,494	8,938	88	468	2,407	1,232	955	25	252
2013	13,420	9,747	9,176	89	482	2,474	1,200	918	25	257
2014	13,617	9,953	9,355	89	508	2,494	1,170	892	25	254
2015	13,596	9,936	9,325	89	521	2,520	1,140	857	25	258

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## Recipients of Social Security, SSI, or Both

**Table 15.**  
**Persons aged 18–64 receiving benefits on the basis of disability and their total and average monthly payments, by type of beneficiary, December 1996–2015—Continued**

Year	Total	Social Security only				SSI only	Both Social Security and SSI				
		Total	Workers	Widow(er)s	Adult children		Total	Workers	Widow(er)s	Adult children	
<i>Average monthly payments<sup>a</sup> (dollars)</i>											
1996	624.80	744.60	--	--	--	456.00	546.90	--	--	--	
1997	637.80	762.80	--	--	--	458.10	557.10	--	--	--	
1998	649.90	775.00	--	--	--	467.90	564.30	--	--	--	
1999	662.50	784.10	--	--	--	477.60	576.70	--	--	--	
2000	689.30	818.80	--	--	--	489.00	594.90	--	--	--	
2001	722.84	862.60	883.70	744.80	650.00	506.80	615.20	618.40	595.10	608.70	
2002	744.40	884.60	905.40	764.40	666.00	522.50	625.20	626.90	608.30	622.20	
2003	768.50	914.10	934.80	790.80	687.30	533.50	638.20	639.90	620.90	635.10	
2004	796.80	947.80	967.80	804.80	722.50	545.90	655.20	657.10	639.10	651.40	
2005	832.80	993.70	1,014.50	863.10	748.10	558.20	675.90	677.70	659.90	672.30	
2006	867.90	1,036.50	1,057.60	900.00	781.70	578.30	697.40	699.20	680.70	693.20	
2007	892.70	1,063.67	1,084.50	928.75	806.96	595.75	713.90	715.15	700.48	709.89	
2008	940.40	1,128.50	1,149.80	991.10	860.60	607.70	746.80	749.70	733.70	738.60	
2009	952.10	1,131.30	1,151.70	996.80	867.20	635.30	744.90	745.70	736.20	742.80	
2010	959.00	1,140.80	1,160.40	1,005.20	877.00	636.90	744.20	745.00	737.00	742.20	
2011	990.30	1,189.60	1,207.20	1,047.30	922.60	633.70	762.50	764.00	753.10	758.10	
2012	1,010.85	1,207.16	1,225.63	1,069.08	955.26	657.17	776.17	776.83	771.12	774.48	
2013	1,019.55	1,214.76	1,233.82	1,081.25	955.55	668.11	778.59	779.09	777.29	777.11	
2014	1,033.08	1,233.18	1,252.43	1,099.94	977.32	671.28	780.63	782.82	785.57	773.33	
2015	1,035.58	1,232.14	1,251.36	1,099.29	982.42	681.39	782.80	784.15	788.56	778.25	

SOURCES: Social Security Administration, Master Beneficiary Record and Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

NOTES: Social Security counts include disabled workers, disabled widow(er)s, and disabled adult children. SSI counts include recipients of federal SSI, federally administered state supplementation, or both.

-- = not available.

a. Averages are not obtained simply by dividing the total dollars by the number of recipients. Averages exclude payments made in the current month for prior-month eligibility, such as back pay for new awards, so that large retroactive payments do not distort the averages.

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**Table 16.**

**Persons aged 18–64 receiving both Social Security and SSI on the basis of disability and their average monthly Social Security benefit and SSI payment, by state or other area and type of beneficiary, December 2015**

State or area	Number of SSI recipients with Social Security disability				Average monthly Social Security benefit (dollars)				Average monthly SSI payment (dollars)			
	Total	Workers	Widow(er)s	Adult children	Total	Workers	Widow(er)s	Adult children	Total	Workers	Widow(er)s	Adult children
All areas <sup>a</sup>	1,343,261	985,913	29,974	327,374	537.87	559.07	543.28	473.98	244.93	225.08	245.28	304.27
Alabama	35,726	25,225	925	9,576	535.76	562.42	560.39	463.39	226.55	203.22	220.85	288.35
Alaska	2,022	1,544	35	443	525.17	546.95	518.60	450.00	220.85	202.38	234.43	283.95
Arizona	17,757	12,953	366	4,438	521.11	543.74	555.56	452.67	235.65	214.12	237.81	297.89
Arkansas	21,977	15,774	549	5,654	535.78	561.75	544.51	462.75	226.32	204.00	222.06	288.75
California	179,844	135,313	3,333	41,198	621.60	640.48	585.71	562.98	305.39	278.80	330.28	390.08
Colorado	12,776	9,962	187	2,627	529.52	548.37	530.07	458.53	226.03	208.97	240.93	289.16
Connecticut	10,730	7,943	226	2,561	511.70	535.17	499.08	440.78	240.53	220.35	271.19	299.72
Delaware	2,871	2,158	61	652	533.76	547.92	561.01	484.72	231.92	216.59	195.82	285.64
District of Columbia	3,137	2,504	61	572	523.62	536.87	508.23	466.92	275.00	260.12	281.42	339.84
Florida	72,303	53,276	1,624	17,403	525.15	546.90	544.89	457.30	232.80	213.48	229.40	291.72
Georgia	41,360	29,135	1,160	11,065	540.47	564.06	546.46	478.41	232.29	204.41	231.25	275.36
Hawaii	3,205	2,165	74	966	591.67	580.03	557.45	619.89	305.07	264.84	258.05	397.24
Idaho	6,477	4,854	76	1,547	525.95	547.17	552.20	458.47	233.53	213.87	202.12	296.39
Illinois	40,530	29,313	860	10,357	509.08	527.71	521.20	455.76	247.79	231.26	245.30	294.42
Indiana	26,104	19,591	527	5,986	520.88	540.45	535.93	456.00	238.96	222.11	237.97	293.80
Iowa	12,243	9,367	162	2,714	531.07	551.28	568.88	459.44	239.67	225.83	222.14	288.23
Kansas	10,331	7,691	197	2,443	528.20	546.95	545.95	468.28	231.58	214.80	224.10	284.52
Kentucky	35,797	25,777	1,245	8,775	527.17	554.28	521.58	448.83	234.21	211.06	243.13	300.51
Louisiana	30,128	20,497	983	8,648	516.76	542.97	538.48	452.14	241.53	219.17	227.79	296.12
Maine	9,839	7,085	161	2,593	526.92	556.79	556.05	444.05	230.72	204.38	204.58	303.83
Maryland	16,978	12,975	294	3,709	523.54	538.38	549.91	470.31	234.88	222.36	221.44	279.10
Massachusetts	30,823	22,512	558	7,753	518.09	550.74	532.59	422.51	231.27	204.90	234.20	307.41
Michigan	53,902	39,672	933	13,297	526.86	543.14	534.53	477.92	244.20	224.17	242.44	303.85
Minnesota	17,208	13,195	189	3,824	518.94	535.18	510.57	463.45	229.00	214.52	250.10	277.84
Mississippi	23,201	15,315	795	7,091	532.96	564.49	549.29	463.47	228.76	201.12	215.80	289.53
Missouri	30,852	22,879	758	7,215	522.97	541.14	541.35	464.02	234.06	218.52	238.57	282.34
Montana	4,313	3,324	71	918	531.38	542.20	506.41	494.69	233.76	221.44	284.04	273.78
Nebraska	6,492	4,859	78	1,555	533.64	551.26	552.10	478.14	226.66	211.89	210.26	273.22
Nevada	6,853	5,384	130	1,339	539.13	556.13	539.82	471.45	229.01	214.21	229.86	287.78
New Hampshire	4,584	3,321	50	1,213	517.30	550.00	531.33	428.21	231.54	208.28	230.88	294.54
New Jersey	26,141	19,266	484	6,391	546.21	566.18	554.58	486.20	241.05	219.70	247.38	304.05
New Mexico	10,918	8,366	187	2,365	526.65	547.03	533.49	454.65	228.68	210.52	229.12	292.34
New York	80,768	59,372	1,636	19,760	514.74	533.72	521.94	457.27	239.62	223.07	243.20	288.92
North Carolina	43,229	30,615	1,011	11,603	535.48	559.41	554.81	471.36	225.37	205.44	216.74	278.14
North Dakota	1,995	1,470	19	506	514.53	530.98	505.81	467.80	235.20	222.17	302.89	270.03
Ohio	57,348	44,020	1,497	11,831	513.16	531.47	515.79	445.02	243.88	227.79	256.84	301.84
Oklahoma	18,356	13,828	455	4,073	518.77	535.61	534.45	460.24	237.23	223.03	234.81	285.37
Oregon	15,438	11,575	327	3,536	529.38	547.58	528.36	470.25	225.55	208.25	253.52	279.29
Pennsylvania	60,029	44,462	1,247	14,320	522.71	540.55	532.87	466.83	248.67	230.95	249.03	303.29
Rhode Island	6,169	4,593	98	1,478	529.16	556.81	530.12	443.05	230.72	205.67	243.27	307.84
South Carolina	21,198	14,473	648	6,077	526.27	548.64	552.80	471.04	230.44	212.82	220.66	272.76
South Dakota	3,075	2,193	45	837	510.60	535.45	482.39	448.28	236.72	215.73	261.57	289.31
Tennessee	35,886	25,459	1,262	9,165	532.48	555.48	536.88	468.87	230.69	211.73	231.99	282.47
Texas	87,987	63,855	2,319	21,813	521.99	544.84	548.25	452.47	233.03	212.67	219.15	293.94
Utah	5,594	4,181	70	1,343	509.44	531.26	540.41	440.65	242.71	223.64	230.61	302.08

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## Recipients of Social Security, SSI, or Both

**Table 16.**

**Persons aged 18–64 receiving both Social Security and SSI on the basis of disability and their average monthly Social Security benefit and SSI payment, by state or other area and type of beneficiary, December 2015—Continued**

State or area	Number of SSI recipients with Social Security disability				Average monthly Social Security benefit (dollars)				Average monthly SSI payment (dollars)			
	Total	Workers	Widow(er)s	Adult children	Total	Workers	Widow(er)s	Adult children	Total	Workers	Widow(er)s	Adult children
Vermont	4,487	3,400	60	1,027	564.77	583.57	590.02	501.83	243.95	223.51	226.63	311.80
Virginia	27,791	19,884	622	7,285	523.71	544.32	539.39	466.61	234.67	217.17	235.87	281.91
Washington	24,337	18,533	426	5,378	527.67	547.72	540.15	458.04	229.00	210.48	238.56	291.65
West Virginia	14,987	10,495	547	3,945	518.58	541.22	539.64	455.66	240.43	220.03	228.53	296.17
Wisconsin	25,452	19,002	319	6,131	523.07	542.53	518.19	463.28	230.78	212.21	257.70	286.65
Wyoming	1,632	1,262	(X)	(X)	521.37	538.49	(X)	(X)	234.00	219.92	(X)	(X)
Outlying area												
Northern Mariana Islands	81	46	(X)	(X)	426.69	471.88	(X)	(X)	317.03	259.80	(X)	(X)

SOURCES: Social Security Administration, Master Beneficiary Record and Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

NOTES: SSI counts include recipients of federal SSI, federally administered state supplementation, or both. They do not include beneficiaries whose own Social Security number is not on the Master Beneficiary Record. Social Security beneficiaries who are entitled to both a primary and a secondary benefit are counted only once in this table.

(X) = suppressed to avoid disclosing information about particular individuals.

a. Includes persons not distributed by state or area.

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**Table 17.**  
**Recipients and average monthly payment, by SSA administrative region and state or other area,**  
**December 2015**

Region and state or area	Number	Average monthly payment <sup>a</sup> (dollars)
All areas	1,267,160	643.06
Boston	45,041	623.59
Connecticut	8,703	635.16
Maine	4,203	616.21
Massachusetts	23,661	618.72
New Hampshire	2,526	590.74
Rhode Island	4,405	640.43
Vermont	1,543	659.22
New York	113,932	644.63
New Jersey	25,826	639.76
New York	88,106	646.05
Philadelphia	127,420	635.89
Delaware	3,574	621.78
District of Columbia	4,089	652.91
Maryland	19,199	629.47
Pennsylvania	68,753	642.08
Virginia	23,719	622.92
West Virginia	8,086	634.27
Atlanta	313,232	637.82
Alabama	25,961	641.40
Florida	105,436	635.85
Georgia	46,247	643.39
Kentucky	26,807	646.57
Mississippi	22,239	643.49
North Carolina	42,945	631.42
South Carolina	19,934	628.93
Tennessee	23,663	635.74
Chicago	187,845	641.23
Illinois	39,635	647.67
Indiana	24,245	636.92
Michigan	39,840	645.17
Minnesota	13,588	620.73
Ohio	47,648	645.31
Wisconsin	22,889	631.44
Dallas	233,401	637.62
Arkansas	27,839	648.80
Louisiana	34,148	651.99
New Mexico	9,055	640.21
Oklahoma	17,013	631.30
Texas	145,346	632.69
Kansas City	42,779	627.37
Iowa	8,015	615.69
Kansas	9,049	629.48
Missouri	21,731	634.23
Nebraska	3,984	608.87

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**Table 17.**  
**Recipients and average monthly payment, by SSA administrative region and state or other area,**  
**December 2015—Continued**

Region and state or area	Number	Average monthly payment <sup>a</sup> (dollars)
Denver	22,062	608.84
Colorado	9,821	620.48
Montana	2,478	634.18
North Dakota	1,005	562.56
South Dakota	2,567	606.62
Utah	5,250	586.02
Wyoming	941	602.21
San Francisco	145,983	691.67
Arizona	19,952	645.25
California	114,003	705.00
Hawaii	1,539	618.08
Nevada	10,204	645.37
Northern Mariana Islands	285	670.71
Seattle	35,465	620.54
Alaska	1,248	587.19
Idaho	5,444	615.07
Oregon	10,739	626.48
Washington	18,034	620.94

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

a. Includes federally administered state supplementation payments.

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**Table 18.**  
**Percentage distribution of recipients, by monthly payment, December 2015**

Payment (dollars)	Percentage of total
Total	
Number	1,267,160
Percent	100.0
None <sup>a</sup>	0.1
Under 50	1.6
50–99	0.8
100–199	1.9
200–299	2.4
300–399	3.3
400–499	8.7
500–599	6.9
600–699	10.1
700–732	3.4
733	60.8

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

a. Persons receiving only a federally administered state supplementary payment on December 1, 2015.

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**Table 19.**  
**Recipients, by selected characteristics, December 2015**

Characteristic	Number	Percentage of total
Total	1,267,160	100.0
Age		
Under 1 year	17,727	1.4
1	27,556	2.2
2	31,974	2.5
3	42,164	3.3
4	51,057	4.0
5	59,836	4.7
6	69,130	5.5
7	76,865	6.1
8	82,537	6.5
9	86,244	6.8
10	87,494	6.9
11	89,837	7.1
12	90,930	7.2
13	91,334	7.2
14	93,296	7.4
15	93,016	7.3
16	88,290	7.0
17	87,873	6.9
Sex		
Male	848,407	67.0
Female	418,753	33.0
Citizenship status		
Citizen	1,264,124	99.8
Noncitizen	3,036	0.2
Living arrangements		
Own household	164,380	13.0
Another's household	41,124	3.2
Parent's household	1,048,311	82.7
Medicaid institution	13,140	1.0
Unknown	205	(L)

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

NOTE: (L) = less than 0.05 percent.

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**Table 20.**  
**Recipients, by diagnostic group and age, December 2015**

Diagnostic group	All ages	Under 3	3–5	6–12	13–17
	<b>Number</b>				
All recipients under age 18	1,267,160	77,257	153,057	583,037	453,809
Congenital anomalies	69,664	13,715	14,845	27,771	13,333
Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases	9,528	738	1,972	4,231	2,587
Infectious and parasitic diseases	843	32	101	344	366
Injuries	6,339	493	1,052	2,824	1,970
Mental disorders					
Autistic disorders	162,555	1,631	25,555	90,504	44,865
Developmental disorders	260,833	4,880	44,667	137,332	73,954
Childhood and adolescent disorders not elsewhere classified	244,071	37	3,884	121,746	118,404
Intellectual disability	116,945	470	4,552	45,954	65,969
Mood disorders	40,112	6	255	11,845	28,006
Organic mental disorders	28,173	786	4,052	13,410	9,925
Schizophrenic and other psychotic disorders	3,399	0	10	831	2,558
Other mental disorders	32,014	45	790	13,017	18,162
Neoplasms	12,502	829	2,599	5,652	3,422
Diseases of the—					
Blood and blood-forming organs	12,993	568	1,937	6,326	4,162
Circulatory system	5,118	641	958	2,133	1,386
Digestive system	16,405	5,073	5,138	4,435	1,759
Genitourinary system	3,196	239	421	1,378	1,158
Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue	9,816	816	1,717	3,929	3,354
Nervous system and sense organs	100,627	6,068	16,040	48,134	30,385
Respiratory system	29,154	2,103	5,478	13,399	8,174
Skin and subcutaneous tissue	2,589	131	446	1,335	677
Other	83,191	36,723	14,276	18,746	13,446
Unknown	17,093	1,233	2,312	7,761	5,787
	<b>Percent</b>				
All recipients under age 18	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Congenital anomalies	5.5	17.8	9.7	4.8	2.9
Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases	0.8	1.0	1.3	0.7	0.6
Infectious and parasitic diseases	0.1	(L)	0.1	0.1	0.1
Injuries	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.5	0.4
Mental disorders					
Autistic disorders	12.8	2.1	16.7	15.5	9.9
Developmental disorders	20.6	6.3	29.2	23.6	16.3
Childhood and adolescent disorders not elsewhere classified	19.3	(L)	2.5	20.9	26.1
Intellectual disability	9.2	0.6	3.0	7.9	14.5
Mood disorders	3.2	(L)	0.2	2.0	6.2
Organic mental disorders	2.2	1.0	2.6	2.3	2.2
Schizophrenic and other psychotic disorders	0.3	0.0	(L)	0.1	0.6
Other mental disorders	2.5	0.1	0.5	2.2	4.0
Neoplasms	1.0	1.1	1.7	1.0	0.8
Diseases of the—					
Blood and blood-forming organs	1.0	0.7	1.3	1.1	0.9
Circulatory system	0.4	0.8	0.6	0.4	0.3
Digestive system	1.3	6.6	3.4	0.8	0.4
Genitourinary system	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3
Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue	0.8	1.1	1.1	0.7	0.7
Nervous system and sense organs	7.9	7.9	10.5	8.3	6.7
Respiratory system	2.3	2.7	3.6	2.3	1.8
Skin and subcutaneous tissue	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.1
Other	6.6	47.5	9.3	3.2	3.0
Unknown	1.3	1.6	1.5	1.3	1.3

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

NOTE: (L) = less than 0.05 percent.

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**Table 21.**  
**Recipients, by diagnostic group and sex, December 2015**

Diagnostic group	Total		Male		Female	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
All recipients under age 18	1,267,160	100.0	848,407	100.0	418,753	100.0
Congenital anomalies	69,664	5.5	37,559	4.4	32,105	7.7
Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases	9,528	0.8	4,896	0.6	4,632	1.1
Infectious and parasitic diseases	843	0.1	435	0.1	408	0.1
Injuries	6,339	0.5	3,645	0.4	2,694	0.6
Mental disorders						
Autistic disorders	162,555	12.8	131,592	15.5	30,963	7.4
Developmental disorders	260,833	20.6	181,057	21.3	79,776	19.1
Childhood and adolescent disorders not elsewhere classified	244,071	19.3	188,870	22.3	55,201	13.2
Intellectual disability	116,945	9.2	72,500	8.5	44,445	10.6
Mood disorders	40,112	3.2	23,992	2.8	16,120	3.8
Organic mental disorders	28,173	2.2	18,685	2.2	9,488	2.3
Schizophrenic and other psychotic disorders	3,399	0.3	2,014	0.2	1,385	0.3
Other mental disorders	32,014	2.5	19,714	2.3	12,300	2.9
Neoplasms	12,502	1.0	6,924	0.8	5,578	1.3
Diseases of the—						
Blood and blood-forming organs	12,993	1.0	7,233	0.9	5,760	1.4
Circulatory system	5,118	0.4	2,759	0.3	2,359	0.6
Digestive system	16,405	1.3	8,844	1.0	7,561	1.8
Genitourinary system	3,196	0.3	1,863	0.2	1,333	0.3
Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue	9,816	0.8	4,784	0.6	5,032	1.2
Nervous system and sense organs	100,627	7.9	55,464	6.5	45,163	10.8
Respiratory system	29,154	2.3	18,253	2.2	10,901	2.6
Skin and subcutaneous tissue	2,589	0.2	1,325	0.2	1,264	0.3
Other	83,191	6.6	45,452	5.4	37,739	9.0
Unknown	17,093	1.3	10,547	1.2	6,546	1.6

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

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**Table 22.**  
**Adult recipients who first became eligible for SSI before age 18, by year of first eligibility and age in December 2015**

Year of first eligibility	All ages	Age in December 2015					
		18–21	22–25	26–29	30–39	40–49	50 or older <sup>a</sup>
Total							
Number	1,092,749	253,231	217,712	176,106	284,057	107,328	54,315
Percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1974–1976	4.9	...	...	...	(L)	18.7	62.3
1977–1980	5.2	...	...	...	3.5	26.9	32.5
1981–1984	5.0	...	...	...	10.2	20.9	5.2
1985–1989	8.5	...	...	8.9	19.4	20.9	...
1990–1994	25.6	1.4	26.6	41.1	46.7	12.7	...
1995–1999	20.7	27.5	29.7	25.7	16.5	...	...
2000–2004	16.1	30.3	24.5	19.8	3.7	...	...
2005–2009	9.7	24.0	16.9	4.5	...	...	...
2010–2015	4.3	16.8	2.3	...	...	...	...

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

NOTES: ... = not applicable; (L) = less than 0.05 percent.

a. Those under age 18 in 1974 would be no older than 59 in 2015.

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**Table 23.**  
**Recipients and average monthly amount of child's income, by type of income, December 2015**

Type of income	Number	Percent	Average monthly amount (dollars)
Total	1,267,160	100.0	...
No earned or unearned income <sup>a</sup>	921,637	72.7	...
With income <sup>b</sup>	345,523	27.3	258
Earned income only	1,822	0.1	597
Unearned income only	342,795	27.1	234
Both earned and unearned income	906	0.1	692
With unearned income <sup>c</sup>	343,701	27.1	234
Social Security benefits	92,055	7.3	228
Veterans' benefits	7,391	0.6	67
Income based on need	19,621	1.5	228
Support from absent parents	179,613	14.2	227
Support and maintenance	70,744	5.6	169
Asset income	917	0.1	7
Other	5,786	0.5	302

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

NOTE: ... = not applicable.

- a. The percentage of children receiving the full federal benefit rate, as shown in Table 18, is smaller than the percentage of those with no income, as shown here, because of the effect of parental deemed income in the payment computation.
- b. Does not include income deemed from parents in the household.
- c. The sum of the entries may be greater than the total because some recipients may receive more than one type of unearned income.

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**Table 24.**  
**Recipients, by number of parents in the household, December 2015**

Parents in household	Number	Percentage of total
Total	1,267,160	100.0
No parents <sup>a</sup>	154,480	12.2
One parent	854,618	67.4
Two parents	258,062	20.4

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

NOTE: The total of children with one or two parents in the household differs slightly from the number of children living in a parent's household in Table 19. This is because the data in Table 19 represent only households in which a parent is the head of the household, whereas the data in this table include children living with parents who are not the head of the household.

a. Children with no parents in the household reside independently, with other relatives or nonrelatives, or in institutions or in foster care. Deeming does not apply in these situations.

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**Table 25.**  
**Recipients with one parent in the household, by type and monthly amount of parental income,**  
**December 2015**

Parental income	All children living with one parent		Children living with—			
			Mother only		Father only	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total	854,618	100.0	798,164	100.0	56,454	100.0
No parental income	405,839	47.5	382,488	47.9	23,351	41.4
Parental income <sup>a</sup>	448,779	52.5	415,676	52.1	33,103	58.6
Earned income	316,973	37.1	293,930	36.8	23,043	40.8
Unearned income	151,948	17.8	140,761	17.6	11,187	19.8
Total income (dollars)						
None	405,839	47.5	382,488	47.9	23,351	41.4
Under 200	46,561	5.4	44,669	5.6	1,892	3.4
200–399	32,309	3.8	30,398	3.8	1,911	3.4
400–599	34,076	4.0	31,908	4.0	2,168	3.8
600–999	93,765	11.0	87,498	11.0	6,267	11.1
1,000 or more	242,068	28.3	221,203	27.7	20,865	37.0
Earned income (dollars)						
None	537,645	62.9	504,234	63.2	33,411	59.2
Under 200	6,645	0.8	6,212	0.8	433	0.8
200–399	11,542	1.4	10,983	1.4	559	1.0
400–599	18,514	2.2	17,620	2.2	894	1.6
600–999	54,035	6.3	51,582	6.5	2,453	4.3
1,000 or more	226,237	26.5	207,533	26.0	18,704	33.1
Unearned income (dollars)						
None	702,670	82.2	657,403	82.4	45,267	80.2
Under 200	50,197	5.9	48,323	6.1	1,874	3.3
200–399	25,991	3.0	24,365	3.1	1,626	2.9
400–599	18,938	2.2	17,418	2.2	1,520	2.7
600–999	44,482	5.2	40,374	5.1	4,108	7.3
1,000 or more	12,340	1.4	10,281	1.3	2,059	3.6

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

a. The sum of the entries may be greater than the total because some parents may receive both earned and unearned income.

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**Table 26.**  
**Recipients with two parents in the household, by type and monthly amount of parental income,**  
**December 2015**

Parental income	All children living with two parents		Mother		Father	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total	258,062	100.0	258,062	100.0	258,062	100.0
No parental income	49,917	19.3	164,500	63.7	89,864	34.8
Parental income <sup>a</sup>	208,145	80.7	93,562	36.3	168,198	65.2
Earned income	175,354	68.0	69,315	26.9	137,750	53.4
Unearned income	50,547	19.6	27,422	10.6	35,713	13.8
Total income (dollars)						
None	49,917	19.3	164,500	63.7	89,864	34.8
Under 200	5,246	2.0	12,004	4.7	6,318	2.4
200–399	6,101	2.4	6,924	2.7	4,981	1.9
400–599	6,917	2.7	7,534	2.9	6,627	2.6
600–999	21,693	8.4	18,341	7.1	21,240	8.2
1,000 or more	168,188	65.2	48,759	18.9	129,032	50.0
Earned income (dollars)						
None	82,708	32.0	188,747	73.1	120,312	46.6
Under 200	1,687	0.7	2,598	1.0	1,659	0.6
200–399	2,596	1.0	3,525	1.4	2,341	0.9
400–599	4,260	1.7	4,891	1.9	3,697	1.4
600–999	12,732	4.9	12,086	4.7	10,528	4.1
1,000 or more	154,079	59.7	46,215	17.9	119,525	46.3
Unearned income (dollars)						
None	207,515	80.4	230,640	89.4	222,349	86.2
Under 200	7,113	2.8	11,338	4.4	6,613	2.6
200–399	6,747	2.6	3,986	1.5	3,574	1.4
400–599	6,016	2.3	3,054	1.2	3,966	1.5
600–999	17,168	6.7	6,941	2.7	12,297	4.8
1,000 or more	13,503	5.2	2,103	0.8	9,263	3.6

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

a. The sum of the entries may be greater than the total because some parents may receive both earned and unearned income.

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**Table 27.**  
**Recipients with one or more parents who have income and average monthly amount of parental income, by type of income, December 2015**

Type of income	All children with parental income		Children with parental income from—			
	Number	Average monthly amount (dollars)	Mother		Father	
			Number	Average monthly amount (dollars)	Number	Average monthly amount (dollars)
Total <sup>a</sup>	656,924	1,504	509,238	1,196	201,301	1,879
Earned income	492,327	1,782	363,245	1,464	160,793	2,143
Unearned income <sup>b</sup>	202,495	565	168,183	459	46,900	719
Social Security benefits	94,270	740	73,470	660	26,301	802
Other pensions	8,234	503	5,657	310	3,741	631
Public income-maintenance	62,195	149	58,310	153	8,263	168
Asset income	3,121	220	2,164	176	1,079	306
Other	41,998	613	33,158	533	9,249	927

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

- a. The sum of the entries may be greater than the total because some parents may receive more than one type of earned or unearned income or both earned and unearned income.
- b. The sum of the entries may be greater than the total because some parents may receive more than one type of unearned income.

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**Table 28.**  
**Recipients subject to deeming, by factors affecting parental deemed income, December 2015**

Deeming factors	All children living with parent(s)		Children living with—			
			One parent		Two parents	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total	1,112,680	100.0	854,618	76.8	258,062	23.2
<b><i>No deemed income used in child's payment computation</i></b>						
Subtotal	929,571	100.0	738,397	100.0	191,174	100.0
No parental income	455,756	49.0	405,839	55.0	49,917	26.1
Parent(s) receive public income-maintenance payments	62,195	6.7	52,871	7.2	9,324	4.9
Income less than deeming allocations <sup>a</sup>	46,001	4.9	35,347	4.8	10,654	5.6
Income less than exclusions <sup>b</sup>	365,619	39.3	244,340	33.1	121,279	63.4
<b><i>Deemed income used in child's payment computation</i></b>						
Subtotal	183,109	100.0	116,221	100.0	66,888	100.0
Parent(s) with—						
Earned income only	140,792	76.9	86,074	74.1	54,718	81.8
Unearned income only	26,837	14.7	22,455	19.3	4,382	6.6
Both earned and unearned income	12,666	6.9	5,217	4.5	7,449	11.1
Manually computed deemed income	2,814	1.5	2,475	2.1	339	0.5

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

a. Includes allocations for ineligible children and SSI-eligible aliens sponsored by parents.

b. Includes the general income exclusion (\$20), the earned income exclusion (\$65 plus one-half of the remaining earned income), and the parental living allowance.

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# NONCITIZENS





**Table 29.**  
**Recipients, by eligibility category, December 1982–2015**

Year	Total		Aged		Blind and disabled	
	Number	Percentage of all SSI recipients	Number	Percentage of all SSI recipients	Number	Percentage of all SSI recipients
1982	127,900	3.3	91,900	5.9	36,000	1.6
1983	151,200	3.9	106,600	7.0	44,600	1.9
1984	181,100	4.5	127,600	8.3	53,500	2.1
1985	210,800	5.1	146,500	9.7	64,300	2.4
1986	244,300	5.7	165,300	11.2	79,000	2.8
1987	282,500	6.4	188,000	12.9	94,500	3.2
1988	320,300	7.2	213,900	14.9	106,400	3.5
1989	370,300	8.1	245,700	17.1	124,600	4.0
1990	435,600	9.0	282,400	19.4	153,200	4.6
1991	519,660	10.2	329,690	22.5	189,970	5.2
1992	601,430	10.8	372,930	25.4	228,500	5.6
1993	683,150	11.4	416,420	28.2	266,730	5.9
1994	738,140	11.7	440,000	30.0	298,140	6.2
1995	785,410	12.1	459,220	31.8	326,190	6.3
1996	724,990	11.0	417,360	29.5	307,630	5.9
1997	650,830	10.0	367,200	27.0	283,630	5.5
1998	669,630	10.2	364,980	27.4	304,650	5.8
1999	684,930	10.4	368,330	28.2	316,600	6.0
2000	692,590	10.5	364,470	28.3	328,120	6.2
2001	695,650	10.4	364,550	28.9	331,100	6.1
2002	703,515	10.4	364,827	29.1	338,688	6.1
2003	696,772	10.1	356,298	28.9	340,474	6.0
2004	676,979	9.7	342,220	28.3	334,759	5.8
2005	680,397	9.6	344,166	28.3	336,231	5.7
2006	674,250	9.3	339,073	28.0	335,177	5.6
2007	663,210	9.0	330,665	27.5	332,545	5.4
2008	655,988	8.7	324,271	26.9	331,717	5.3
2009	644,966	8.4	316,216	26.7	328,750	5.1
2010	627,271	7.9	303,457	25.6	323,814	4.8
2011	604,908	7.5	290,275	24.6	314,633	4.5
2012	582,345	7.0	273,500	23.7	308,845	4.3
2013	562,423	6.7	261,280	22.6	301,143	4.2
2014	540,121	6.5	253,104	22.0	287,017	4.0
2015	525,595	6.3	248,119	21.4	277,476	3.9

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

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## Noncitizens

**Table 30.**  
**Recipients, by selected characteristics and citizenship status, December 2015**

Characteristic	All recipients		Citizens		Noncitizens	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total	8,309,564	100.0	7,783,969	100.0	525,595	100.0
<b>Age</b>						
Under 18	1,267,160	15.2	1,264,124	16.2	3,036	0.6
18–21	325,669	3.9	324,251	4.2	1,418	0.3
22–25	358,963	4.3	356,917	4.6	2,046	0.4
26–29	333,154	4.0	330,087	4.2	3,067	0.6
30–39	732,672	8.8	719,986	9.2	12,686	2.4
40–49	856,552	10.3	832,814	10.7	23,738	4.5
50–59	1,574,418	18.9	1,511,191	19.4	63,227	12.0
60–64	707,127	8.5	658,533	8.5	48,594	9.2
65–69	627,145	7.5	545,885	7.0	81,260	15.5
70–74	493,970	5.9	413,484	5.3	80,486	15.3
75 or older	1,032,734	12.4	826,697	10.6	206,037	39.2
<b>Sex</b>						
Male	3,901,081	46.9	3,693,195	47.4	207,886	39.6
Female	4,408,483	53.1	4,090,774	52.6	317,709	60.4
<b>Living arrangement</b>						
Own household	6,759,420	81.3	6,280,585	80.7	478,835	91.1
Another's household	358,814	4.3	323,178	4.2	35,636	6.8
Parent's household	1,062,765	12.8	1,059,789	13.6	2,976	0.6
Medicaid institution	122,195	1.5	114,319	1.5	7,876	1.5
Unknown	6,370	0.1	6,098	0.1	272	0.1
<b>Income</b>						
Social Security	2,740,201	33.0	2,509,991	32.2	230,210	43.8
Worker beneficiary	1,956,030	23.5	1,786,122	22.9	169,908	32.3
Auxiliary beneficiary	784,171	9.4	723,869	9.3	60,302	11.5
Earnings	266,384	3.2	260,035	3.3	6,349	1.2
<b>SSI payment</b>						
Federal SSI only	6,778,779	81.6	6,436,385	82.7	342,394	65.1
State supplementation only	167,387	2.0	142,967	1.8	24,420	4.6
Both federal SSI and state supplementation	1,363,398	16.4	1,204,617	15.5	158,781	30.2

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

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**Table 31.**  
**Recipients, by state or other area, eligibility category, and age, December 2015**

State or area	Total	Category		Age		
		Aged	Blind and disabled	Under 18	18-64	65 or older
All areas	525,595	248,119	277,476	3,036	154,776	367,783
Alabama	688	318	370	(X)	(X)	473
Alaska	613	252	361	(X)	(X)	377
Arizona	9,940	4,735	5,205	101	3,012	6,827
Arkansas	775	359	416	6	275	494
California	165,549	80,225	85,324	330	46,112	119,107
Colorado	4,494	2,097	2,397	32	1,399	3,063
Connecticut	3,002	1,293	1,709	8	979	2,015
Delaware	274	138	136	(X)	(X)	202
District of Columbia	650	287	363	3	246	401
Florida	64,650	36,469	28,181	458	17,157	47,035
Georgia	6,103	3,401	2,702	45	1,566	4,492
Hawaii	1,999	1,201	798	3	468	1,528
Idaho	1,169	412	757	35	536	598
Illinois	13,480	6,564	6,916	45	3,533	9,902
Indiana	1,342	638	704	34	440	868
Iowa	1,175	473	702	27	421	727
Kansas	1,395	614	781	16	417	962
Kentucky	1,779	722	1,057	67	765	947
Louisiana	1,686	767	919	5	483	1,198
Maine	627	133	494	32	363	232
Maryland	4,580	2,620	1,960	43	1,060	3,477
Massachusetts	12,266	3,627	8,639	85	5,124	7,057
Michigan	8,081	2,975	5,106	110	3,166	4,805
Minnesota	5,713	1,374	4,339	284	2,713	2,716
Mississippi	405	204	201	0	97	308
Missouri	1,770	697	1,073	49	673	1,048
Montana	87	26	61	(X)	(X)	52
Nebraska	1,245	550	695	28	481	736
Nevada	4,360	3,161	1,199	10	1,043	3,307
New Hampshire	538	183	355	13	268	257
New Jersey	13,703	6,965	6,738	44	3,728	9,931
New Mexico	5,735	2,684	3,051	9	1,523	4,203
New York	68,319	27,762	40,557	181	21,607	46,531
North Carolina	4,040	1,915	2,125	53	1,252	2,735
North Dakota	369	144	225	16	170	183
Ohio	4,352	1,739	2,613	116	1,680	2,556
Oklahoma	1,482	755	727	17	417	1,048
Oregon	3,567	1,487	2,080	57	1,214	2,296
Pennsylvania	10,082	3,387	6,695	75	3,708	6,299
Rhode Island	2,936	862	2,074	7	1,222	1,707
South Carolina	848	406	442	3	219	626
South Dakota	378	139	239	19	171	188
Tennessee	1,657	818	839	30	520	1,107
Texas	69,334	35,209	34,125	295	17,897	51,142
Utah	1,501	629	872	37	545	919

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**Table 31.**  
**Recipients, by state or other area, eligibility category, and age, December 2015—Continued**

State or area	Total	Category		Age		
		Aged	Blind and disabled	Under 18	18–64	65 or older
Vermont	395	126	269	(X)	213	(X)
Virginia	4,705	2,656	2,049	48	1,149	3,508
Washington	8,738	2,997	5,741	110	2,951	5,677
West Virginia	108	35	73	0	48	60
Wisconsin	2,854	862	1,992	38	1,174	1,642
Wyoming	43	16	27	0	17	26
Outlying area						
Northern Mariana Islands	14	11	3	0	(X)	(X)

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

NOTE: (X) = suppressed to avoid disclosing information about particular individuals.

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**Table 32.**  
**Recipients, by region and country of origin, eligibility category, and age, December 2015**

Region and country of origin	Total	Category		Age		
		Aged	Blind and disabled	Under 18	18–64	65 or older
All areas	525,595	248,119	277,476	3,036	154,776	367,783
Latin America	325,173	161,432	163,741	702	94,198	230,273
Mexico	172,762	90,194	82,568	138	45,082	127,542
Cuba	50,332	28,088	22,244	399	13,441	36,492
Dominican Republic	36,912	11,608	25,304	52	14,624	22,236
El Salvador	12,219	6,588	5,631	10	3,372	8,837
Haiti	10,466	5,698	4,768	48	2,930	7,488
Other	42,482	19,256	23,226	55	14,749	27,678
Africa	10,190	3,032	7,158	692	5,010	4,488
Somalia	2,711	561	2,150	270	1,600	841
Ethiopia	1,521	480	1,041	58	700	763
Nigeria	859	371	488	(X)	(X)	527
Cape Verde	527	217	310	0	216	311
Liberia	527	211	316	4	204	319
Other	4,045	1,192	2,853	358	1,960	1,727
Asia	115,613	55,878	59,735	629	30,822	84,162
Vietnam	24,021	8,606	15,415	14	6,596	17,411
China	18,095	14,566	3,529	23	1,361	16,711
Laos	11,112	1,513	9,599	(X)	(X)	5,857
South Korea	11,017	7,677	3,340	(X)	(X)	9,610
Philippines	9,774	6,538	3,236	9	2,128	7,637
Other	41,594	16,978	24,616	579	14,079	26,936
Middle East	31,694	12,280	19,414	870	12,238	18,586
Iraq	14,918	4,765	10,153	625	7,809	6,484
Iran	9,421	4,632	4,789	50	2,389	6,982
Egypt	1,412	608	804	62	404	946
Lebanon	1,395	562	833	6	280	1,109
Syria	1,308	548	760	46	254	1,008
Other	3,240	1,165	2,075	81	1,102	2,057
Former Soviet Republics	20,149	7,646	12,503	56	3,746	16,347
Europe	17,885	6,519	11,366	33	6,385	11,467
Former Yugoslavia	2,681	854	1,827	3	986	1,692
United Kingdom	2,211	621	1,590	6	1,087	1,118
Poland	2,193	1,026	1,167	1	662	1,530
Portugal	2,191	798	1,393	0	831	1,360
Italy	1,627	578	1,049	0	528	1,099
Other	6,982	2,642	4,340	23	2,291	4,668
Oceania	1,703	664	1,039	4	601	1,098
Other areas	3,188	668	2,520	50	1,776	1,362

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

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**Table 33.**

**Recipients, by number of months between date of U.S. residency and date of SSI application, eligibility category, and age, December 2015**

Months	Total	Category		Age		
		Aged	Blind and disabled	Under 18	18–64	65 or older
All recipients	525,595	248,119	277,476	3,036	154,776	367,783
0 <sup>a</sup>	1,938	1,061	877	48	534	1,356
1–11	56,516	25,100	31,416	1,918	19,305	35,293
12–23	20,307	9,638	10,669	329	5,617	14,361
24–35	14,978	6,613	8,365	172	4,255	10,551
36–47	20,670	9,761	10,909	96	4,989	15,585
48–59	14,693	5,799	8,894	74	3,803	10,816
60–71	26,408	14,415	11,993	175	5,719	20,514
72–83	18,231	8,736	9,495	50	4,192	13,989
84–119	51,025	24,846	26,179	85	11,771	39,169
120 and over	299,002	141,591	157,411	47	94,006	204,949
State conversions <sup>b</sup>	342	(X)	(X)	...	75	267
Unknown	1,485	(X)	(X)	42	510	933

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

NOTES: ... = not applicable; (X) = suppressed to avoid disclosing information about particular individuals.

a. Persons whose records indicate that they applied in the same month that their residence began.

b. Persons who were converted to the SSI program in 1973 from the state Old-Age Assistance, Aid to the Blind, and Aid to the Permanently and Totally Disabled programs.

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**Table 34.**  
**Recipients, by diagnostic group, 2007–2015**

Diagnostic group	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Total	5,342,937	5,486,940	5,651,076	5,870,776	6,054,132	6,181,345	6,255,953	6,212,833	6,155,715
Congenital anomalies	87,534	92,160	97,632	102,231	106,876	110,797	114,354	115,766	115,188
Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases	144,492	142,804	140,882	141,915	142,559	139,774	137,873	133,317	127,751
Infectious and parasitic diseases	67,743	67,719	67,525	68,425	68,823	67,013	66,365	67,860	65,366
Injuries	115,381	119,295	123,551	129,284	133,782	134,504	135,422	133,150	129,724
Mental disorders									
Autistic disorders	97,455	112,414	130,772	151,260	173,946	199,445	223,523	246,415	275,740
Developmental disorders	206,759	225,986	247,877	271,506	292,344	304,786	316,206	315,210	299,845
Childhood and adolescent disorders not elsewhere classified	236,573	252,802	266,475	283,556	296,882	305,529	308,988	303,036	294,456
Intellectual disability	1,081,628	1,075,020	1,073,646	1,077,484	1,077,741	1,059,009	1,052,971	1,039,713	1,035,036
Mood disorders	715,418	743,906	776,717	818,010	846,065	848,252	853,287	842,722	827,140
Organic mental disorders	187,950	195,855	204,963	215,302	221,752	221,671	223,164	220,172	216,310
Schizophrenic and other psychotic disorders	412,284	418,260	423,858	433,835	441,204	439,105	441,367	435,304	431,194
Other mental disorders	269,391	277,004	286,539	299,067	308,780	310,908	316,213	316,630	316,476
Neoplasms	63,321	67,468	71,151	75,400	78,697	80,397	81,735	79,847	76,513
Diseases of the—									
Blood and blood-forming organs	29,285	29,917	30,785	31,838	32,918	33,520	34,032	33,834	32,841
Circulatory system	187,863	191,065	195,338	203,181	211,045	213,949	217,678	216,234	214,602
Digestive system	47,636	51,015	54,774	59,605	64,279	66,788	68,670	68,121	65,769
Genitourinary system	47,240	48,538	49,374	51,024	52,903	53,436	54,583	54,872	55,026
Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue	455,474	480,836	511,860	557,280	602,420	632,282	662,840	679,092	693,713
Nervous system and sense organs	423,883	431,753	442,661	457,811	470,937	476,087	483,463	484,163	483,410
Respiratory system	113,880	116,549	120,729	127,994	134,198	136,355	138,452	136,320	131,613
Skin and subcutaneous tissue	8,188	8,613	9,174	9,879	10,563	11,001	11,447	11,528	11,393
Other	118,018	126,160	127,808	121,348	117,087	115,000	109,372	101,409	97,168
Unknown	225,541	211,801	196,985	183,541	168,331	221,737	203,948	178,118	159,441

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

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**Table 35.**  
**Recipients, by diagnostic group and age, December 2015**

Diagnostic group	All ages	Under 5	5–12	13–17	18–21	22–25	26–29	30–39	40–49	50–59	60–64
	<i>Number</i>										
Total	6,155,715	170,478	642,873	453,809	325,669	358,963	333,154	732,672	856,552	1,574,418	707,127
Congenital anomalies	115,188	23,881	32,450	13,333	11,899	10,604	7,863	9,049	3,121	2,268	720
Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases	127,751	1,926	5,015	2,587	1,826	2,292	2,609	9,412	20,200	51,017	30,867
Infectious and parasitic diseases	65,366	89	388	366	342	812	1,242	5,859	15,187	30,527	10,554
Injuries	129,724	1,170	3,199	1,970	2,923	5,316	6,215	17,375	23,694	46,974	20,888
Mental disorders											
Autistic disorders	275,740	15,954	101,736	44,865	42,928	37,158	18,215	11,640	1,929	1,053	262
Developmental disorders	299,845	31,010	155,869	73,954	18,095	6,178	3,897	5,992	2,328	1,961	561
Childhood and adolescent disorders not elsewhere classified	294,456	1,252	124,415	118,404	31,792	7,889	4,145	4,615	1,005	756	183
Intellectual disability	1,035,036	2,732	48,244	65,969	93,879	122,184	113,244	209,291	163,125	167,766	48,602
Mood disorders	827,140	96	12,010	28,006	25,302	38,292	45,470	128,724	180,210	268,875	100,155
Organic mental disorders	216,310	3,170	15,078	9,925	13,749	19,144	17,135	30,157	31,132	54,468	22,352
Schizophrenic and other psychotic disorders	431,194	(X)	(X)	2,558	9,139	23,553	29,640	83,372	91,257	140,859	49,975
Other mental disorders	316,476	377	13,475	18,162	15,668	21,097	22,388	57,754	63,372	77,390	26,793
Neoplasms	76,513	2,390	6,690	3,422	2,394	2,230	1,907	5,054	10,355	28,471	13,600
Diseases of the—											
Blood and blood- forming organs	32,841	1,745	7,086	4,162	2,937	3,007	2,667	4,055	2,886	3,181	1,115
Circulatory system	214,602	1,316	2,416	1,386	1,522	2,138	2,392	9,577	26,521	102,380	64,954
Digestive system	65,769	8,925	5,721	1,759	953	1,327	1,511	4,655	8,479	22,264	10,175
Genitourinary system	55,026	519	1,519	1,158	1,375	2,294	2,809	8,337	12,600	17,531	6,884
Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue	693,713	1,923	4,539	3,354	3,474	5,296	6,848	32,570	92,203	349,459	194,047
Nervous system and sense organs	483,410	16,109	54,133	30,385	35,789	41,723	36,270	71,738	64,695	93,188	39,380
Respiratory system	131,613	5,607	15,373	8,174	2,301	1,111	1,220	4,362	12,563	52,833	28,069
Skin and subcu- taneous tissue	11,393	398	1,514	677	316	422	543	1,468	1,874	3,028	1,153
Other	97,168	47,258	22,487	13,446	3,863	1,909	1,286	2,627	1,382	2,057	853
Unknown	159,441	(X)	(X)	5,787	3,203	2,987	3,638	14,989	26,434	56,112	34,985

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**Table 35.**  
**Recipients, by diagnostic group and age, December 2015—Continued**

Diagnostic group	All ages	Under 5	5–12	13–17	18–21	22–25	26–29	30–39	40–49	50–59	60–64
<i>Average monthly payment (dollars)</i>											
Total	578.37	616.55	653.06	638.84	642.49	621.21	597.56	561.99	545.69	556.21	508.20
Congenital anomalies	618.20	628.95	649.11	627.41	634.80	625.21	600.16	547.38	471.74	481.93	484.21
Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases	544.06	627.35	637.67	620.61	632.05	587.51	563.98	543.17	544.13	551.51	495.10
Infectious and parasitic diseases	553.43	689.69	650.56	633.93	639.38	578.68	570.35	564.97	565.98	555.36	509.31
Injuries	545.40	621.80	635.68	610.04	612.21	586.65	565.60	543.78	531.40	551.85	498.15
Mental disorders											
Autistic disorders	614.83	622.66	633.65	609.88	618.57	605.49	583.36	555.26	492.19	514.35	532.67
Developmental disorders	655.67	653.41	662.82	652.33	670.30	634.78	612.90	597.76	563.54	585.54	550.49
Childhood and adolescent disorders not elsewhere classified	650.88	646.98	656.81	647.44	667.27	634.25	606.33	584.90	527.40	562.37	509.58
Intellectual disability	572.59	665.57	661.66	644.08	644.99	628.50	607.73	564.61	510.76	508.37	484.42
Mood disorders	572.40	666.10	642.88	627.66	646.67	621.90	591.35	558.42	563.31	572.20	537.37
Organic mental disorders	581.18	651.21	654.55	638.48	644.13	624.56	597.75	563.27	555.34	563.71	510.67
Schizophrenic and other psychotic disorders	575.03	(X)	(X)	630.40	639.99	622.94	603.38	574.88	569.01	569.37	547.12
Other mental disorders	584.23	672.88	656.33	642.79	645.74	620.45	595.37	567.77	562.88	574.84	546.97
Neoplasms	555.95	624.00	634.64	615.96	612.54	577.15	562.00	547.78	545.48	558.49	481.17
Diseases of the—											
Blood and blood- forming organs	605.09	654.62	656.96	635.78	646.28	618.42	589.84	557.63	535.49	545.95	496.68
Circulatory system	538.08	622.57	646.57	619.82	610.11	594.77	554.48	547.12	550.13	559.20	487.07
Digestive system	572.87	623.12	649.36	626.57	623.16	588.46	533.11	527.66	552.85	576.18	505.64
Genitourinary system	548.93	627.61	652.86	614.65	617.18	579.86	554.77	547.94	547.10	548.93	487.08
Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue	535.40	646.47	654.27	630.20	642.00	593.54	565.05	529.73	529.64	555.65	492.68
Nervous system and sense organs	568.29	637.67	644.64	624.62	633.12	622.35	596.57	549.50	512.85	522.45	482.61
Respiratory system	575.14	642.16	663.82	647.50	668.83	605.60	588.08	569.05	560.31	569.43	501.25
Skin and subcu- taneous tissue	571.52	658.36	673.15	636.25	627.32	600.67	560.88	534.95	530.04	557.45	501.25
Other	600.61	561.52	663.76	642.94	656.26	630.79	592.89	568.44	542.60	528.86	491.45
Unknown	612.50	(X)	(X)	633.81	632.98	638.77	642.78	646.73	647.22	604.36	563.11

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

NOTE: (X) = suppressed to avoid disclosing information about particular individuals.

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**Table 36.**  
**Recipients, by diagnostic group, age, and sex, December 2015**

Diagnostic group	All ages				Under age 18				Aged 18–64			
	Number	Percent			Number	Percent			Number	Percent		
		Total	Male	Female		Total	Male	Female		Total	Male	Female
Total	6,155,715	100.0	51.6	48.4	1,267,160	100.0	67.0	33.0	4,888,555	100.0	47.7	52.3
Congenital anomalies	115,188	100.0	52.8	47.2	69,664	100.0	53.9	46.1	45,524	100.0	51.1	48.9
Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases	127,751	100.0	34.8	65.2	9,528	100.0	51.4	48.6	118,223	100.0	33.5	66.5
Infectious and parasitic diseases	65,366	100.0	58.0	42.0	843	100.0	51.6	48.4	64,523	100.0	58.1	41.9
Injuries	129,724	100.0	63.1	36.9	6,339	100.0	57.5	42.5	123,385	100.0	63.4	36.6
Mental disorders												
Autistic disorders	275,740	100.0	81.1	18.9	162,555	100.0	81.0	19.0	113,185	100.0	81.2	18.8
Developmental disorders	299,845	100.0	68.3	31.7	260,833	100.0	69.4	30.6	39,012	100.0	60.6	39.4
Childhood and adolescent disorders not elsewhere classified	294,456	100.0	76.8	23.2	244,071	100.0	77.4	22.6	50,385	100.0	73.9	26.1
Intellectual disability	1,035,036	100.0	52.2	47.8	116,945	100.0	62.0	38.0	918,091	100.0	51.0	49.0
Mood disorders	827,140	100.0	33.7	66.3	40,112	100.0	59.8	40.2	787,028	100.0	32.4	67.6
Organic mental disorders	216,310	100.0	60.2	39.8	28,173	100.0	66.3	33.7	188,137	100.0	59.3	40.7
Schizophrenic and other psychotic disorders	431,194	100.0	63.0	37.0	3,399	100.0	59.3	40.7	427,795	100.0	63.0	37.0
Other mental disorders	316,476	100.0	42.8	57.2	32,014	100.0	61.6	38.4	284,462	100.0	40.6	59.4
Neoplasms	76,513	100.0	46.3	53.7	12,502	100.0	55.4	44.6	64,011	100.0	44.5	55.5
Diseases of the—												
Blood and blood-forming organs	32,841	100.0	49.1	50.9	12,993	100.0	55.7	44.3	19,848	100.0	44.8	55.2
Circulatory system	214,602	100.0	54.7	45.3	5,118	100.0	53.9	46.1	209,484	100.0	54.7	45.3
Digestive system	65,769	100.0	50.4	49.6	16,405	100.0	53.9	46.1	49,364	100.0	49.2	50.8
Genitourinary system	55,026	100.0	52.0	48.0	3,196	100.0	58.3	41.7	51,830	100.0	51.6	48.4
Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue	693,713	100.0	41.2	58.8	9,816	100.0	48.7	51.3	683,897	100.0	41.1	58.9
Nervous system and sense organs	483,410	100.0	49.2	50.8	100,627	100.0	55.1	44.9	382,783	100.0	47.7	52.3
Respiratory system	131,613	100.0	43.0	57.0	29,154	100.0	62.6	37.4	102,459	100.0	37.4	62.6
Skin and subcutaneous tissue	11,393	100.0	42.2	57.8	2,589	100.0	51.2	48.8	8,804	100.0	39.6	60.4
Other	97,168	100.0	54.5	45.5	83,191	100.0	54.6	45.4	13,977	100.0	53.7	46.3
Unknown	159,441	100.0	46.2	53.8	17,093	100.0	61.7	38.3	142,348	100.0	44.4	55.6

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

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**Table 37.**  
**Recipients with a representative payee, by diagnostic group and age, December 2015**

Diagnostic group	All ages			Under age 18			Aged 18–64		
	Total	Number with payee	Percentage with payee	Total	Number with payee	Percentage with payee	Total	Number with payee	Percentage with payee
Total	6,155,715	2,921,486	47.5	1,267,160	1,266,255	99.9	4,888,555	1,655,231	33.9
Congenital anomalies	115,188	103,578	89.9	69,664	69,638	100.0	45,524	33,940	74.6
Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases	127,751	16,593	13.0	9,528	9,521	99.9	118,223	7,072	6.0
Infectious and parasitic diseases	65,366	8,010	12.3	843	843	100.0	64,523	7,167	11.1
Injuries	129,724	26,816	20.7	6,339	6,338	100.0	123,385	20,478	16.6
Mental disorders									
Autistic disorders	275,740	263,221	95.5	162,555	162,512	100.0	113,185	100,709	89.0
Developmental disorders	299,845	287,757	96.0	260,833	260,720	100.0	39,012	27,037	69.3
Childhood and adolescent disorders not elsewhere classified	294,456	280,540	95.3	244,071	243,852	99.9	50,385	36,688	72.8
Intellectual disability	1,035,036	727,021	70.2	116,945	116,843	99.9	918,091	610,178	66.5
Mood disorders	827,140	225,034	27.2	40,112	39,987	99.7	787,028	185,047	23.5
Organic mental disorders	216,310	124,172	57.4	28,173	28,144	99.9	188,137	96,028	51.0
Schizophrenic and other psychotic disorders	431,194	212,206	49.2	3,399	3,387	99.6	427,795	208,819	48.8
Other mental disorders	316,476	110,119	34.8	32,014	31,964	99.8	284,462	78,155	27.5
Neoplasms	76,513	16,634	21.7	12,502	12,488	99.9	64,011	4,146	6.5
Diseases of the—									
Blood and blood-forming organs	32,841	16,968	51.7	12,993	12,989	100.0	19,848	3,979	20.0
Circulatory system	214,602	26,400	12.3	5,118	5,111	99.9	209,484	21,289	10.2
Digestive system	65,769	20,350	30.9	16,405	16,396	99.9	49,364	3,954	8.0
Genitourinary system	55,026	6,076	11.0	3,196	3,194	99.9	51,830	2,882	5.6
Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue	693,713	37,580	5.4	9,816	9,806	99.9	683,897	27,774	4.1
Nervous system and sense organs	483,410	221,769	45.9	100,627	100,564	99.9	382,783	121,205	31.7
Respiratory system	131,613	35,472	27.0	29,154	29,145	100.0	102,459	6,327	6.2
Skin and subcutaneous tissue	11,393	3,209	28.2	2,589	2,586	99.9	8,804	623	7.1
Other	97,168	91,088	93.7	83,191	83,166	100.0	13,977	7,922	56.7
Unknown	159,441	60,873	38.2	17,093	17,061	99.8	142,348	43,812	30.8

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.  
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## Recipients Under Age 65

**Table 38.**  
**Percentage distribution of recipients by diagnostic group, by state or other area,**  
**December 2015**

State or area	Total		Congenital anomalies	Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases	Infectious and parasitic diseases	Injuries	Mental disorders <sup>a</sup>	Neoplasms
	Number	Percent						
All areas	6,155,715	100.0	1.9	2.1	1.1	2.1	60.0	1.2
Alabama	142,889	100.0	1.5	2.7	0.8	2.6	53.7	1.1
Alaska	9,359	100.0	2.4	2.1	0.8	2.8	57.5	1.5
Arizona	89,871	100.0	3.0	1.8	0.6	2.2	58.7	1.4
Arkansas	95,367	100.0	1.4	2.4	0.4	2.0	65.8	0.9
California	722,782	100.0	2.3	1.9	1.2	2.5	57.4	1.4
Colorado	56,035	100.0	3.0	2.1	0.7	2.6	54.2	1.3
Connecticut	48,789	100.0	1.5	2.1	1.6	1.5	64.2	1.2
Delaware	14,133	100.0	2.2	1.9	1.5	2.1	57.3	1.1
District of Columbia	22,038	100.0	0.8	1.7	2.7	2.0	64.7	1.0
Florida	376,766	100.0	2.0	2.0	1.8	2.1	58.1	1.7
Georgia	205,720	100.0	2.1	2.3	1.7	2.4	50.9	1.7
Hawaii	15,944	100.0	1.6	1.4	0.9	2.0	65.9	1.2
Idaho	26,497	100.0	2.3	1.7	0.3	1.9	65.0	1.0
Illinois	210,439	100.0	2.0	2.1	1.0	2.0	61.7	1.3
Indiana	114,517	100.0	1.8	2.4	0.5	1.8	60.8	1.2
Iowa	43,819	100.0	2.1	2.5	0.3	1.7	64.9	1.1
Kansas	41,380	100.0	2.3	2.0	0.4	1.9	64.1	1.0
Kentucky	152,231	100.0	1.3	2.1	0.4	1.8	63.7	1.0
Louisiana	147,000	100.0	1.4	2.2	1.1	2.3	57.1	1.2
Maine	31,959	100.0	1.2	1.8	0.3	1.6	68.8	1.0
Maryland	93,704	100.0	1.7	1.8	2.1	2.3	60.2	1.1
Massachusetts	138,999	100.0	1.4	1.4	1.2	1.5	68.9	0.9
Michigan	230,591	100.0	1.6	2.2	0.6	2.0	60.3	1.2
Minnesota	72,888	100.0	2.1	1.5	0.6	2.1	66.5	0.9
Mississippi	100,203	100.0	1.4	2.8	0.8	2.4	56.0	1.4
Missouri	120,780	100.0	1.9	2.5	0.6	2.6	58.8	1.2
Montana	15,175	100.0	2.2	1.9	0.4	2.7	57.1	1.3
Nebraska	23,353	100.0	2.7	2.3	0.5	2.3	60.7	1.2
Nevada	39,518	100.0	2.8	1.9	1.0	2.4	57.6	1.3
New Hampshire	17,483	100.0	1.8	1.1	0.4	1.6	73.8	0.8
New Jersey	124,125	100.0	1.8	1.9	1.7	2.1	58.0	1.2
New Mexico	46,861	100.0	2.1	2.1	0.5	2.6	60.3	0.9
New York	422,377	100.0	1.5	1.7	2.4	1.7	60.8	1.1
North Carolina	192,164	100.0	2.1	2.2	1.2	2.2	57.9	1.5
North Dakota	6,618	100.0	2.5	1.6	0.4	2.5	62.2	1.0
Ohio	267,205	100.0	1.6	2.2	0.6	1.8	62.1	1.1
Oklahoma	82,177	100.0	1.6	2.4	0.4	2.0	62.3	1.0
Oregon	68,211	100.0	1.8	2.0	0.6	2.2	59.0	1.1
Pennsylvania	301,952	100.0	1.4	1.9	0.9	1.7	65.7	0.9
Rhode Island	25,969	100.0	1.3	1.4	0.8	1.3	71.3	0.8
South Carolina	96,344	100.0	1.8	2.2	1.1	2.5	53.0	1.4
South Dakota	11,764	100.0	2.5	1.8	0.4	2.7	59.7	1.0
Tennessee	149,941	100.0	1.6	2.4	0.7	2.2	55.4	1.3
Texas	489,735	100.0	2.3	2.4	1.0	2.2	60.2	1.4
Utah	26,084	100.0	3.7	1.6	0.4	1.8	62.2	0.9

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**Table 38.**  
**Percentage distribution of recipients by diagnostic group, by state or other area,**  
**December 2015—Continued**

State or area	Diseases of the—								Other	Unknown
	Blood and blood-forming organs	Circulatory system	Digestive system	Genitourinary system	Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue	Nervous system and sense organs	Respiratory system	Skin and subcutaneous tissue		
All areas	0.5	3.5	1.1	0.9	11.3	7.9	2.1	0.2	1.6	2.6
Alabama	0.9	4.3	1.1	0.9	13.4	8.1	3.2	0.3	2.7	2.8
Alaska	0.2	3.0	1.3	0.8	14.1	8.9	1.1	0.2	1.1	2.3
Arizona	0.3	2.7	1.3	1.2	10.9	10.0	2.0	0.1	1.9	2.0
Arkansas	0.5	3.3	0.9	0.6	9.9	6.8	1.9	0.3	1.2	1.7
California	0.3	3.4	1.1	1.2	12.4	9.0	1.4	0.2	1.4	3.1
Colorado	0.2	2.3	1.6	0.9	13.4	11.1	2.2	0.2	1.7	2.4
Connecticut	0.5	2.8	1.0	0.9	9.4	7.3	2.1	0.2	1.1	2.6
Delaware	0.7	3.1	1.1	0.9	12.4	8.3	2.8	0.2	2.2	2.1
District of Columbia	0.8	4.0	0.8	1.3	9.3	6.0	1.7	0.1	1.3	1.7
Florida	0.8	4.1	1.2	0.9	10.8	7.7	2.4	0.2	1.5	2.5
Georgia	1.1	5.1	1.3	1.2	11.5	8.5	3.2	0.2	3.3	3.4
Hawaii	0.1	3.8	0.8	1.5	8.7	7.5	1.2	0.2	1.0	2.0
Idaho	0.2	2.1	1.2	0.5	10.1	8.5	1.4	0.2	1.3	2.4
Illinois	0.6	3.8	0.9	1.0	8.9	8.2	2.3	0.2	1.7	2.2
Indiana	0.4	3.5	1.3	0.8	10.5	8.4	2.7	0.2	1.2	2.5
Iowa	0.2	2.4	0.9	0.5	9.3	8.2	2.0	0.1	1.6	2.1
Kansas	0.3	2.7	1.0	0.7	10.2	8.2	1.9	0.1	1.4	1.7
Kentucky	0.2	3.2	0.9	0.5	12.1	6.2	2.4	0.2	1.2	2.8
Louisiana	0.9	5.0	0.9	1.0	11.9	7.8	2.5	0.3	1.8	2.5
Maine	0.1	2.1	0.8	0.3	11.9	5.8	1.5	0.2	0.7	1.9
Maryland	0.8	3.7	1.0	1.0	10.0	7.6	2.1	0.1	1.4	2.9
Massachusetts	0.3	1.9	0.9	0.5	9.1	6.5	1.8	0.1	1.0	2.8
Michigan	0.5	3.7	0.9	0.8	12.7	7.4	2.3	0.2	1.4	2.2
Minnesota	0.3	2.0	0.9	0.7	8.7	8.5	1.2	0.2	2.1	1.6
Mississippi	1.1	5.2	0.8	1.1	10.0	7.9	2.9	0.4	2.9	3.1
Missouri	0.5	3.4	1.1	0.8	12.6	7.8	2.3	0.2	1.3	2.4
Montana	0.2	2.5	1.5	0.7	14.7	9.4	2.1	0.2	1.2	1.8
Nebraska	0.4	2.9	1.3	0.7	10.2	9.5	1.8	0.2	1.6	1.8
Nevada	0.5	3.1	1.4	1.0	11.0	8.9	2.1	0.3	2.0	2.4
New Hampshire	0.1	1.7	0.8	0.4	7.1	6.4	1.2	0.0	1.3	1.3
New Jersey	0.7	3.8	1.0	1.0	11.2	8.2	2.6	0.2	2.4	2.2
New Mexico	0.1	2.1	1.4	0.9	13.2	8.6	1.4	0.2	1.1	2.2
New York	0.6	3.3	0.7	0.8	12.1	7.0	2.2	0.1	1.0	3.0
North Carolina	0.8	4.1	1.2	1.0	11.2	7.5	2.5	0.2	2.0	2.3
North Dakota	0.1	2.4	1.1	0.8	10.3	10.2	1.9	0.2	1.3	1.4
Ohio	0.4	3.4	1.0	0.7	11.4	7.1	2.6	0.2	1.2	2.6
Oklahoma	0.3	3.5	1.0	0.7	11.7	7.7	2.3	0.2	1.1	1.7
Oregon	0.2	2.8	1.3	0.7	13.9	8.6	1.7	0.2	1.9	2.0
Pennsylvania	0.4	2.7	0.9	0.7	10.6	6.2	2.2	0.1	1.0	2.7
Rhode Island	0.3	2.0	0.8	0.5	8.5	5.6	1.7	0.2	1.2	2.5
South Carolina	1.2	4.9	1.3	1.1	12.5	8.4	3.0	0.2	2.4	2.9
South Dakota	0.2	2.1	1.2	1.1	12.7	10.1	1.6	0.2	1.6	1.2
Tennessee	0.5	4.2	1.3	0.9	13.4	7.5	2.5	0.2	1.5	4.3
Texas	0.5	3.7	1.3	1.1	9.8	8.5	1.6	0.2	1.8	2.0
Utah	0.2	1.9	0.9	0.7	8.9	10.4	1.6	0.1	1.8	2.8

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**Recipients Under Age 65**

**Table 38.**  
**Percentage distribution of recipients by diagnostic group, by state or other area,**  
**December 2015—Continued**

State or area	Total		Congenital anomalies	Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases	Infectious and parasitic diseases	Injuries	Mental disorders <sup>a</sup>	Neoplasms
	Number	Percent						
Vermont	13,149	100.0	1.4	1.5	0.4	1.5	69.8	0.7
Virginia	122,101	100.0	1.9	1.9	0.9	1.8	61.5	1.3
Washington	116,161	100.0	1.8	1.8	0.6	1.9	62.5	1.1
West Virginia	64,513	100.0	1.1	2.9	0.4	2.4	60.6	1.0
Wisconsin	101,381	100.0	2.3	1.9	0.4	1.8	65.6	1.0
Wyoming	5,830	100.0	2.4	1.3	0.4	2.8	59.7	1.1
Outlying area								
Northern Mariana Islands	824	100.0	4.1	1.0	0.7	3.2	53.4	1.5

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**Table 38.**  
**Percentage distribution of recipients by diagnostic group, by state or other area,**  
**December 2015—Continued**

State or area	Diseases of the—								Other	Unknown
	Blood and blood-forming organs	Circulatory system	Digestive system	Genitourinary system	Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue	Nervous system and sense organs	Respiratory system	Skin and subcutaneous tissue		
Vermont	0.1	1.6	0.7	0.3	10.8	6.5	1.8	0.1	0.6	2.2
Virginia	0.7	3.8	1.1	0.9	10.3	7.5	2.1	0.2	1.4	2.6
Washington	0.2	2.5	1.3	0.6	13.1	7.5	1.6	0.2	1.2	2.0
West Virginia	0.2	3.1	0.9	0.5	11.9	6.6	2.8	0.2	0.8	4.5
Wisconsin	0.5	2.3	0.9	0.6	9.3	7.9	1.6	0.2	1.6	2.1
Wyoming	0.1	2.2	1.2	0.7	11.7	10.1	2.8	0.2	1.8	1.5
Outlying area										
Northern Mariana Islands	0.1	4.5	0.6	4.5	6.9	13.6	1.3	0.5	2.7	1.5

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

a. Data for individual mental disorder diagnostic groups are shown separately in Table 38.A.

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**Recipients Under Age 65**

**Table 38.A.**  
**Percentage distribution of recipients by mental disorders diagnostic group, by state or other area,**  
**December 2015**

State or area	Total		Autistic disorders	Develop-mental disorders	Childhood and adolescent disorders not elsewhere classified	Intellectual disability	Mood disorders	Organic mental disorders	Schizo-phrenic and other psychotic disorders	Other
	Number	Percent								
All areas	3,696,197	100.0	7.5	8.1	8.0	28.0	22.4	5.9	11.7	8.6
Alabama	76,729	100.0	5.0	3.4	7.3	40.9	19.1	5.9	11.1	7.2
Alaska	5,378	100.0	10.0	3.3	3.4	21.4	19.7	11.0	18.0	13.1
Arizona	52,711	100.0	8.2	10.0	5.1	26.5	21.0	9.2	12.7	7.3
Arkansas	62,735	100.0	4.7	12.6	11.5	34.7	18.0	2.8	7.5	8.1
California	415,081	100.0	9.1	5.2	3.2	24.2	25.1	7.1	19.2	7.0
Colorado	30,359	100.0	8.1	6.8	3.9	26.3	23.3	7.1	13.5	10.9
Connecticut	31,346	100.0	10.4	7.0	4.9	21.2	27.0	7.7	13.4	8.5
Delaware	8,099	100.0	9.9	6.0	13.0	30.0	16.7	8.1	11.0	5.3
District of Columbia	14,267	100.0	3.6	9.2	8.3	23.9	22.1	12.8	16.9	3.2
Florida	218,744	100.0	7.9	15.2	12.2	22.2	18.7	6.9	11.8	5.1
Georgia	104,772	100.0	6.4	9.7	7.6	35.5	16.2	6.1	12.4	6.1
Hawaii	10,509	100.0	5.7	1.5	2.5	18.9	27.1	12.4	22.3	9.7
Idaho	17,229	100.0	11.8	5.5	6.4	25.9	21.2	5.6	8.6	15.0
Illinois	129,892	100.0	6.7	9.1	5.0	32.3	23.2	4.9	12.1	6.6
Indiana	69,574	100.0	7.6	6.5	6.7	35.8	19.2	5.4	8.8	10.1
Iowa	28,433	100.0	6.1	4.7	8.6	34.4	18.8	6.7	8.9	11.8
Kansas	26,542	100.0	8.9	7.6	8.4	30.1	20.9	4.9	9.4	9.8
Kentucky	96,954	100.0	3.8	6.6	8.7	33.4	22.6	7.8	5.3	11.8
Louisiana	83,948	100.0	4.9	11.6	9.0	39.6	15.9	3.3	10.1	5.4
Maine	21,973	100.0	11.7	2.1	3.6	23.2	24.4	6.2	6.6	22.2
Maryland	56,430	100.0	8.1	8.0	8.9	27.0	20.5	11.0	11.3	5.1
Massachusetts	95,822	100.0	8.2	6.3	5.5	14.8	32.9	6.0	8.7	17.6
Michigan	138,969	100.0	6.2	8.4	5.7	29.4	24.6	7.0	11.4	7.3
Minnesota	48,455	100.0	8.8	5.2	4.7	22.5	28.6	9.0	9.8	11.3
Mississippi	56,088	100.0	3.5	9.5	11.1	35.8	17.9	5.7	10.7	5.9
Missouri	71,004	100.0	7.5	6.9	5.7	32.3	22.0	4.9	10.9	9.7
Montana	8,662	100.0	8.3	4.3	4.2	28.7	18.9	9.1	10.8	15.7
Nebraska	14,175	100.0	7.5	4.6	4.1	32.3	23.6	5.3	11.6	11.0
Nevada	22,780	100.0	7.6	14.1	6.9	23.2	20.2	6.1	13.6	8.3
New Hampshire	12,908	100.0	10.0	3.2	6.3	15.6	27.0	5.1	6.8	26.0
New Jersey	72,026	100.0	12.3	7.4	8.8	24.5	21.0	5.6	14.6	5.7
New Mexico	28,267	100.0	4.4	11.7	5.2	24.2	21.8	9.6	10.6	12.4
New York	256,661	100.0	9.0	12.6	6.3	23.1	24.2	3.3	13.5	7.9
North Carolina	111,332	100.0	6.6	11.3	7.3	36.5	16.2	5.2	10.5	6.4
North Dakota	4,119	100.0	8.9	4.4	3.9	33.4	16.1	9.5	11.7	12.0
Ohio	165,907	100.0	6.1	7.1	6.5	28.3	26.5	4.2	10.5	10.9
Oklahoma	51,222	100.0	6.3	4.9	6.6	37.0	21.0	5.7	9.9	8.6
Oregon	40,274	100.0	11.1	2.4	5.3	24.1	20.3	8.2	11.9	16.5
Pennsylvania	198,302	100.0	7.7	6.1	13.0	26.5	24.9	4.2	9.7	7.8
Rhode Island	18,506	100.0	7.3	6.0	5.6	21.9	28.6	6.6	7.8	16.3
South Carolina	51,109	100.0	5.7	9.0	5.9	40.9	13.6	7.0	11.5	6.5
South Dakota	7,024	100.0	5.7	10.4	7.2	28.4	14.3	13.9	9.7	10.4
Tennessee	83,085	100.0	5.7	4.2	5.3	37.5	23.2	6.2	9.8	8.2
Texas	295,047	100.0	6.5	10.3	18.3	22.1	23.4	3.7	9.5	6.3
Utah	16,233	100.0	13.5	3.5	3.2	32.1	15.7	8.3	12.0	11.7

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**Table 38.A.**  
**Percentage distribution of recipients by mental disorders diagnostic group, by state or other area,**  
**December 2015—Continued**

State or area	Total		Autistic disorders	Develop-mental disorders	Childhood and adolescent disorders not elsewhere classified	Intellectual disability	Mood disorders	Organic mental disorders	Schizo-phrenic and other psychotic disorders	Other
	Number	Percent								
Vermont	9,181	100.0	9.3	2.4	5.2	20.7	23.4	8.3	7.9	22.6
Virginia	75,152	100.0	9.6	4.0	8.9	32.5	20.4	5.8	11.0	7.8
Washington	72,628	100.0	8.7	4.9	5.2	20.2	23.2	9.5	11.2	17.1
West Virginia	39,110	100.0	5.3	2.3	6.3	43.7	21.0	5.0	4.7	11.8
Wisconsin	66,524	100.0	8.2	8.4	9.7	26.5	21.0	4.3	9.5	12.4
Wyoming	3,480	100.0	8.6	3.4	5.1	30.3	20.8	8.6	9.7	13.6
Outlying area										
Northern Mariana Islands	440	100.0	15.9	12.0	14.8	31.1	3.4	9.5	9.3	3.9

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

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## Recipients Under Age 65

**Table 39.**  
**Average monthly payment, by state or other area and diagnostic group,**  
**December 2015 (in dollars)**

State or area	Total	Congenital anomalies	Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases	Infectious and parasitic diseases	Injuries	Mental disorders <sup>a</sup>	Neoplasms
All areas	578.37	618.20	544.06	553.43	545.40	590.43	555.95
Alabama	551.07	600.61	516.35	488.23	514.79	565.39	538.47
Alaska	549.85	590.65	554.82	570.51	534.25	554.88	545.07
Arizona	578.15	630.31	551.53	532.59	536.68	587.05	576.87
Arkansas	557.73	594.49	505.66	474.70	505.35	579.93	522.91
California	671.91	701.58	625.88	617.02	632.70	691.77	626.42
Colorado	555.92	601.73	529.28	531.04	520.55	562.31	550.74
Connecticut	564.20	597.36	553.73	547.73	538.34	567.76	540.33
Delaware	561.02	567.59	534.25	532.03	528.65	570.47	528.01
District of Columbia	616.95	614.51	543.87	591.85	569.90	632.52	588.75
Florida	571.53	605.01	535.02	542.55	531.17	587.64	542.47
Georgia	567.68	623.06	528.91	547.34	538.35	579.11	555.54
Hawaii	604.55	601.41	609.08	582.88	598.03	614.51	565.52
Idaho	547.84	594.59	518.71	588.13	512.41	552.66	526.73
Illinois	578.76	616.31	554.46	548.35	560.10	587.19	567.07
Indiana	559.59	609.20	531.06	506.75	531.70	566.99	549.16
Iowa	534.98	582.85	516.70	444.79	494.67	541.31	531.50
Kansas	548.34	610.95	516.26	495.17	504.49	556.99	504.37
Kentucky	561.25	606.24	522.98	486.94	509.16	579.07	531.18
Louisiana	569.25	612.08	537.45	524.69	527.69	588.23	538.72
Maine	529.30	582.32	526.76	469.63	487.82	535.23	539.46
Maryland	584.65	602.97	572.54	566.66	554.47	593.47	571.47
Massachusetts	555.37	571.06	555.43	565.52	528.59	558.62	546.26
Michigan	576.65	614.76	546.06	516.61	562.86	587.64	550.61
Minnesota	554.76	588.25	530.84	537.95	560.29	552.87	550.73
Mississippi	554.77	598.45	511.36	514.82	510.95	568.60	532.07
Missouri	543.21	598.33	515.70	489.43	519.12	552.42	539.02
Montana	536.01	607.80	517.50	537.26	533.89	542.64	500.53
Nebraska	532.05	580.10	532.56	525.11	489.12	537.45	525.29
Nevada	585.59	629.58	558.89	552.80	550.35	597.92	566.14
New Hampshire	521.91	548.77	531.77	514.97	481.05	522.40	520.73
New Jersey	574.32	614.64	552.46	562.32	535.41	585.41	546.45
New Mexico	559.56	609.23	522.16	468.91	518.01	574.91	561.88
New York	580.34	616.59	558.63	590.07	539.53	592.27	535.77
North Carolina	552.91	599.63	518.41	510.60	520.95	562.30	555.24
North Dakota	503.81	522.25	516.18	471.88	501.15	506.19	520.68
Ohio	570.85	596.29	552.48	531.83	539.21	580.21	556.21
Oklahoma	556.25	609.99	515.51	500.54	504.95	571.01	524.87
Oregon	566.79	600.36	553.39	528.45	552.46	570.14	564.45
Pennsylvania	582.56	598.65	553.70	557.20	543.43	595.77	551.37
Rhode Island	562.99	607.11	547.03	543.62	518.93	568.45	539.80
South Carolina	551.80	589.51	522.65	512.14	532.85	561.98	528.20
South Dakota	529.70	565.97	518.54	512.81	504.91	531.64	558.45
Tennessee	555.66	599.93	534.16	513.28	525.79	566.98	547.42
Texas	565.80	605.90	508.51	536.21	519.92	585.12	537.69
Utah	543.75	589.69	518.50	540.85	509.56	548.13	557.84

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**Table 39.**  
**Average monthly payment, by state or other area and diagnostic group,**  
**December 2015 (in dollars)—Continued**

State or area	Diseases of the—								Other	Unknown
	Blood and blood-forming organs	Circulatory system	Digestive system	Genitourinary system	Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue	Nervous system and sense organs	Respiratory system	Skin and subcutaneous tissue		
All areas	605.09	538.08	572.87	548.93	535.40	568.29	575.14	571.52	600.61	612.50
Alabama	600.70	506.05	558.77	530.88	496.69	542.84	582.95	557.25	617.15	576.99
Alaska	547.60	515.17	572.49	510.01	529.59	545.89	541.79	527.00	499.72	607.38
Arizona	607.76	544.17	572.65	563.67	531.27	576.31	579.30	606.13	612.19	603.83
Arkansas	597.98	497.29	543.09	515.43	481.88	519.91	532.25	530.25	601.34	564.38
California	687.64	621.71	641.10	601.93	612.58	658.45	668.42	649.65	681.24	746.40
Colorado	567.59	533.38	561.77	552.91	529.27	560.54	558.24	566.73	496.86	609.03
Connecticut	590.59	538.98	590.53	572.43	534.98	559.45	597.20	572.31	598.47	590.24
Delaware	592.94	523.13	539.36	574.77	532.61	558.58	553.62	609.67	592.06	587.88
District of Columbia	631.73	570.34	588.06	601.61	578.47	602.53	632.10	607.60	552.56	634.07
Florida	598.49	527.83	566.80	530.77	523.33	558.49	571.28	564.89	583.78	595.36
Georgia	604.14	525.34	577.06	544.10	518.80	565.85	578.67	574.01	627.61	579.90
Hawaii	598.24	582.05	590.17	580.84	568.18	586.28	584.42	630.03	591.17	627.63
Idaho	608.86	515.72	564.87	522.10	511.39	543.79	510.04	580.93	601.99	603.44
Illinois	622.69	542.55	573.23	560.22	541.23	565.58	577.16	580.59	613.34	605.85
Indiana	605.15	530.56	576.61	551.19	527.48	547.50	559.53	565.62	600.14	590.23
Iowa	605.21	522.23	551.73	507.59	506.83	512.99	537.98	489.79	535.87	578.27
Kansas	576.39	520.42	535.88	523.73	500.16	550.92	531.89	611.69	560.69	592.81
Kentucky	565.24	510.89	527.73	529.36	505.90	540.20	537.15	549.01	615.75	574.37
Louisiana	617.87	515.85	556.00	520.63	522.33	555.74	574.10	571.10	616.52	548.69
Maine	488.63	520.91	526.70	506.84	497.70	514.29	517.00	490.45	581.41	577.40
Maryland	588.30	549.75	588.42	572.88	563.67	574.58	586.64	579.01	537.20	607.05
Massachusetts	564.32	533.80	549.93	553.16	529.17	538.00	588.94	533.88	529.35	610.37
Michigan	609.77	542.73	558.86	561.15	537.69	571.25	565.53	575.50	623.35	605.45
Minnesota	597.08	542.14	567.84	552.44	548.96	560.13	563.74	580.36	569.64	587.00
Mississippi	600.17	517.89	547.00	518.38	504.71	540.27	580.22	595.24	619.05	547.85
Missouri	588.78	504.60	533.38	533.31	507.37	542.69	533.13	546.45	577.20	578.33
Montana	637.71	520.72	559.17	520.58	505.39	527.77	487.29	486.61	596.01	593.57
Nebraska	580.68	498.05	558.60	510.25	488.76	539.32	541.15	532.50	529.35	573.35
Nevada	632.50	543.10	563.78	530.11	536.01	582.74	574.68	569.60	605.01	632.42
New Hampshire	521.45	515.19	538.84	509.95	498.50	519.83	513.64	476.57	587.32	582.11
New Jersey	597.54	528.36	551.34	531.06	541.27	556.67	602.74	575.02	581.24	621.23
New Mexico	559.97	521.74	561.19	525.60	503.17	554.37	558.53	518.68	584.59	595.19
New York	606.22	542.71	566.51	551.00	536.58	562.65	595.39	588.25	593.77	615.47
North Carolina	581.14	525.11	569.01	533.36	516.81	544.60	556.64	565.96	581.96	568.91
North Dakota	443.00	506.27	545.81	478.02	506.35	495.74	456.74	435.00	438.01	509.12
Ohio	600.58	533.52	576.69	539.50	541.67	558.13	560.69	559.62	609.42	589.26
Oklahoma	584.79	515.65	548.18	526.93	509.03	549.12	539.27	549.94	582.50	568.66
Oregon	552.28	556.11	572.49	559.27	545.21	562.13	561.87	575.82	612.57	624.65
Pennsylvania	604.40	536.33	566.43	561.47	535.69	554.76	580.23	566.33	600.43	612.55
Rhode Island	572.63	553.29	588.94	578.43	518.23	540.91	556.52	545.37	586.61	620.73
South Carolina	587.78	522.22	560.83	530.51	517.38	550.31	564.49	518.05	582.81	561.73
South Dakota	460.32	485.64	573.88	535.89	521.79	522.32	576.65	467.04	500.68	575.07
Tennessee	598.01	528.29	571.16	538.63	516.55	545.16	546.23	510.47	591.45	585.08
Texas	596.24	509.86	563.25	520.46	504.14	551.66	562.59	553.59	568.15	573.98
Utah	576.48	523.13	536.01	513.90	517.68	545.49	533.11	554.13	479.81	562.66

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**Recipients Under Age 65**

**Table 39.**  
**Average monthly payment, by state or other area and diagnostic group,**  
**December 2015 (in dollars)—Continued**

State or area	Total	Congenital anomalies	Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases	Infectious and parasitic diseases	Injuries	Mental disorders <sup>a</sup>	Neoplasms
Vermont	550.34	600.89	526.53	374.69	477.85	560.77	527.19
Virginia	555.12	591.35	533.93	501.76	508.80	565.97	534.09
Washington	574.57	606.92	558.78	546.26	557.74	578.61	562.62
West Virginia	560.20	601.75	522.74	473.72	525.99	575.40	522.68
Wisconsin	556.94	593.35	526.55	481.57	532.28	565.65	545.00
Wyoming	527.62	578.28	532.70	619.00	496.27	528.67	553.91
Outlying area							
Northern Mariana Islands	626.23	615.82	636.88	578.00	637.58	648.88	646.73

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**Table 39.**  
**Average monthly payment, by state or other area and diagnostic group,**  
**December 2015 (in dollars)—Continued**

State or area	Diseases of the—								Other	Unknown
	Blood and blood-forming organs	Circulatory system	Digestive system	Genitourinary system	Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue	Nervous system and sense organs	Respiratory system	Skin and subcutaneous tissue		
Vermont	591.78	518.76	540.64	527.80	500.94	538.56	511.35	621.38	647.80	598.73
Virginia	583.24	528.14	560.91	525.28	517.85	543.96	549.06	544.68	567.88	565.97
Washington	549.51	553.93	578.20	560.19	559.82	572.39	573.85	571.92	558.78	610.71
West Virginia	586.52	512.84	546.12	538.55	515.59	550.50	534.74	535.13	585.62	585.14
Wisconsin	610.68	528.87	550.46	514.14	505.04	548.56	565.68	576.64	573.43	588.36
Wyoming	659.50	499.76	548.67	606.49	500.83	527.66	543.39	385.29	592.25	523.56
Outlying area										
Northern Mariana Islands	733.00	500.32	728.00	565.51	524.61	618.46	711.80	627.25	704.55	664.17

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

a. Data for individual mental disorder diagnostic groups are shown separately in Table 39.A.

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**Recipients Under Age 65**

**Table 39.A.**  
**Average monthly payment, by state or other area and mental disorders diagnostic group, December 2015**  
**(in dollars)**

State or area	Total	Autistic disorders	Developmental disorders	Childhood and adolescent disorders not elsewhere classified	Intellectual disability	Mood disorders	Organic mental disorders	Schizophrenic and other psychotic disorders	Other
All areas	590.43	614.83	655.67	650.88	572.59	572.40	581.18	575.03	584.23
Alabama	565.39	612.29	655.44	651.13	565.07	528.15	548.88	541.63	554.22
Alaska	554.88	588.02	619.28	575.71	524.65	568.58	575.79	528.78	554.43
Arizona	587.05	620.06	653.48	647.87	582.19	553.70	579.00	568.07	572.98
Arkansas	579.93	599.00	663.57	656.24	560.18	542.31	522.30	521.32	574.03
California	691.77	706.48	728.33	735.11	690.51	675.10	683.73	692.78	695.20
Colorado	562.31	606.82	643.09	631.83	548.37	551.44	545.82	523.05	569.90
Connecticut	567.76	594.40	649.94	641.97	531.71	566.92	567.51	528.89	578.90
Delaware	570.47	586.46	641.36	636.62	544.62	543.92	597.07	529.63	574.92
District of Columbia	632.52	646.33	660.74	663.15	596.64	622.75	640.32	656.19	635.38
Florida	587.64	599.33	649.27	648.99	562.20	554.07	576.00	549.48	577.97
Georgia	579.11	611.53	649.66	651.66	565.44	549.30	560.01	551.55	576.45
Hawaii	614.51	600.62	657.28	636.96	610.07	607.82	616.67	626.96	606.66
Idaho	552.66	591.46	627.78	610.51	539.64	522.80	542.12	525.69	554.26
Illinois	587.19	614.84	657.44	654.72	578.46	571.66	576.07	547.88	589.26
Indiana	566.99	597.44	641.45	646.41	560.67	534.42	552.82	535.52	563.17
Iowa	541.31	573.10	643.54	628.30	520.64	522.39	539.42	505.78	539.37
Kansas	556.99	593.84	648.13	635.91	540.29	533.57	525.46	509.08	548.81
Kentucky	579.07	611.22	656.45	652.43	576.17	542.56	572.57	525.46	578.75
Louisiana	588.23	596.14	665.20	656.81	570.33	558.42	555.51	561.63	590.94
Maine	535.23	593.11	623.22	626.32	516.41	508.04	545.45	479.83	544.64
Maryland	593.47	605.34	638.47	645.05	578.58	578.11	604.04	562.54	599.60
Massachusetts	558.62	568.79	624.58	621.35	520.75	558.14	551.36	505.09	572.43
Michigan	587.64	626.09	654.03	655.02	585.08	558.53	577.38	569.67	572.47
Minnesota	552.87	580.18	634.99	634.57	528.59	548.60	556.80	503.76	558.32
Mississippi	568.60	582.33	658.68	651.33	547.23	533.94	574.46	532.03	558.84
Missouri	552.42	596.45	647.30	639.00	543.12	525.60	533.97	513.26	545.82
Montana	542.64	610.55	628.11	645.09	533.04	517.74	545.06	500.44	531.31
Nebraska	537.45	602.83	628.53	614.48	527.85	526.48	527.29	486.01	536.88
Nevada	597.92	624.71	655.61	652.13	589.95	572.46	587.22	567.25	573.25
New Hampshire	522.40	543.18	578.31	583.44	487.51	524.74	511.56	466.85	527.95
New Jersey	585.41	599.52	652.44	657.28	565.45	572.55	570.44	554.76	583.64
New Mexico	574.91	613.52	648.18	640.61	561.71	551.21	566.91	539.61	568.98
New York	592.27	609.16	659.13	653.91	558.77	587.01	559.84	566.89	588.51
North Carolina	562.30	588.35	646.13	644.05	540.25	536.85	543.25	527.10	558.01
North Dakota	506.19	516.48	615.74	610.20	485.88	504.44	522.58	474.15	500.26
Ohio	580.21	598.46	656.09	655.16	568.21	563.38	552.07	551.95	585.92
Oklahoma	571.01	609.48	643.65	637.21	563.20	551.18	557.12	542.61	574.49
Oregon	570.14	607.61	649.49	632.67	560.18	546.74	569.86	542.04	576.70
Pennsylvania	595.77	605.39	651.47	653.32	572.41	578.93	593.30	587.49	592.28
Rhode Island	568.45	600.65	655.90	645.76	551.29	552.79	581.94	511.40	568.42
South Carolina	561.98	594.97	641.59	635.79	549.68	531.63	558.89	533.79	549.82
South Dakota	531.64	555.15	636.23	607.35	501.23	492.27	543.40	490.31	520.95
Tennessee	566.98	605.67	648.62	648.61	565.69	539.00	558.08	546.18	562.87
Texas	585.12	592.67	642.45	644.22	549.14	564.23	542.80	558.09	582.34
Utah	548.13	585.26	609.24	577.84	543.47	532.50	539.25	505.89	561.67

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**Table 39.A.**  
**Average monthly payment, by state or other area and mental disorders diagnostic group, December 2015**  
**(in dollars)—Continued**

State or area	Total	Autistic disorders	Developmental disorders	Childhood and adolescent disorders not elsewhere classified	Intellectual disability	Mood disorders	Organic mental disorders	Schizophrenic and other psychotic disorders	Other
Vermont	560.77	613.55	643.13	645.23	535.01	541.40	562.02	516.01	569.55
Virginia	565.97	599.44	635.96	636.76	546.17	550.67	561.59	542.11	567.29
Washington	578.61	597.48	635.66	637.09	560.64	567.50	586.84	553.08	583.29
West Virginia	575.40	610.90	636.35	641.39	571.82	555.44	576.00	538.35	576.20
Wisconsin	565.65	585.20	650.27	645.07	551.33	541.72	542.61	515.00	551.17
Wyoming	528.67	560.96	612.36	618.33	509.67	517.88	546.18	500.73	522.98
Outlying area									
Northern Mariana Islands	648.88	644.74	694.53	666.38	646.05	658.00	627.29	582.15	677.78

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

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**Table 40.**  
**Blind and disabled recipients who work, selected months 1976–2015**

Month	All blind and disabled recipients <sup>a</sup>	Blind and disabled recipients who work			Total as a percentage of all blind and disabled recipients
		Total	Receiving SSI <sup>b</sup>	Section 1619(b) participants	
December					
1976	2,088,242	70,719	70,719	...	3.4
1977	2,186,771	83,697	83,697	...	3.8
1978	2,249,025	87,697	87,697	...	3.9
1979	2,277,859	92,270	92,270	...	4.1
1980	2,334,241	99,276	99,276	...	4.3
1981	2,340,785	102,632	102,632	...	4.4
1982	2,314,364	107,803	102,288	5,515	4.7
1983	2,391,262	113,899	108,734	5,165	4.8
1984	2,499,046	--	--	--	--
1985	2,633,552	--	--	--	--
1986	2,795,756	--	--	--	--
1987	2,945,244	172,855	157,223	15,632	5.9
1988	3,046,074	189,144	173,519	15,625	6.2
1989	3,172,270	205,837	187,583	18,254	6.5
1990	3,386,603	219,932	196,415	23,517	6.5
1991	3,681,050	229,619	202,355	27,264	6.2
1992	4,126,816	248,917	217,268	31,649	6.0
1993	4,544,777	265,649	230,350	35,299	5.8
1994	4,870,564	282,476	241,793	40,683	5.8
1995	5,115,014	298,635	251,633	47,002	5.8
1996	5,252,991	308,300	256,395	51,905	5.9
1997	5,189,724	319,855	262,766	57,089	6.2
1998	5,293,829	326,475	266,933	59,542	6.2
1999	5,317,861	340,618	271,353	69,265	6.4
2000	5,395,935	360,427	276,855	83,572	6.7
2001	5,500,481	346,110	269,655	76,455	6.3
2002	5,618,506	340,910	258,733	82,177	6.1
2003	5,740,683	323,682	252,585	71,097	5.6
2004	5,850,359	328,204	254,523	73,681	5.6
2005	5,977,788	336,570	258,365	78,205	5.6
2006	6,113,277	349,420	260,070	89,350	5.7
2007	6,252,564	357,344	259,793	97,551	5.7
2008	6,416,726	355,761	256,280	99,481	5.5
2009	6,582,261	340,175	248,641	91,534	5.2
2010	6,801,164	318,537	245,786	72,751	4.7
2011	6,996,435	312,779	247,011	65,768	4.5
2012	7,174,617	313,655	245,728	67,927	4.4
2013	7,274,177	312,068	244,250	67,818	4.3
2014	7,253,997	314,912	244,679	70,233	4.3
2015	7,228,405	328,008	251,675	76,333	4.5

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**Table 40.**  
**Blind and disabled recipients who work, selected months 1976–2015—Continued**

Month	All blind and disabled recipients <sup>a</sup>	Blind and disabled recipients who work			Total as a percentage of all blind and disabled recipients
		Total	Receiving SSI <sup>b</sup>	Section 1619(b) participants	
2013					
March	7,206,670	312,100	245,923	66,177	4.3
June	7,238,912	310,779	245,616	65,163	4.3
September	7,285,298	313,211	246,921	66,290	4.3
December	7,274,177	312,068	244,250	67,818	4.3
2014					
March	7,291,329	312,647	248,108	64,539	4.3
June	7,313,530	315,753	248,325	67,428	4.3
September	7,316,452	313,480	243,198	70,282	4.3
December	7,253,997	314,912	244,679	70,233	4.3
2015					
March	7,267,410	318,229	249,560	68,669	4.4
June	7,270,744	322,195	247,895	74,300	4.4
September	7,275,238	327,046	250,748	76,298	4.5
December	7,228,405	328,008	251,675	76,333	4.5

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

NOTES: . . . = not applicable; -- = not available.

a. Includes section 1619(b) participants.

b. Includes section 1619(a) participants and SSI recipients earning less than the substantial gainful activity level (\$1,130 effective January 2016).

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**Table 41.**  
**Blind and disabled recipients who work, by state or other area, December 2015**

State or area	All blind and disabled recipients	Recipients who work	
		Number	Percentage of all blind and disabled recipients
All areas	7,228,405	328,008	4.5
Alabama	162,701	3,666	2.3
Alaska	10,962	722	6.6
Arizona	104,494	4,066	3.9
Arkansas	105,546	4,282	4.1
California	942,183	41,044	4.4
Colorado	64,360	3,892	6.0
Connecticut	57,893	4,082	7.1
Delaware	15,845	937	5.9
District of Columbia	25,196	741	2.9
Florida	439,706	11,889	2.7
Georgia	235,349	6,488	2.8
Hawaii	19,334	782	4.0
Idaho	29,352	1,767	6.0
Illinois	246,693	12,436	5.0
Indiana	124,696	6,215	5.0
Iowa	49,188	6,432	13.1
Kansas	46,221	3,987	8.6
Kentucky	175,829	4,644	2.6
Louisiana	168,534	5,770	3.4
Maine	36,137	1,930	5.3
Maryland	106,541	6,165	5.8
Massachusetts	167,874	9,125	5.4
Michigan	260,257	13,062	5.0
Minnesota	85,864	11,116	12.9
Mississippi	115,535	2,668	2.3
Missouri	134,881	7,252	5.4
Montana	17,406	1,874	10.8
Nebraska	26,251	3,062	11.7
Nevada	40,836	1,979	4.8
New Hampshire	19,183	1,485	7.7
New Jersey	147,910	7,263	4.9
New Mexico	56,264	1,876	3.3
New York	536,699	20,756	3.9
North Carolina	219,081	7,673	3.5
North Dakota	7,806	1,200	15.4
Ohio	300,412	18,435	6.1
Oklahoma	91,905	4,159	4.5
Oregon	77,888	4,736	6.1
Pennsylvania	347,559	15,533	4.5
Rhode Island	30,260	1,383	4.6
South Carolina	110,738	4,430	4.0
South Dakota	13,799	1,901	13.8
Tennessee	171,536	4,813	2.8
Texas	566,443	19,684	3.5
Utah	29,175	2,583	8.9

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**Table 41.**  
**Blind and disabled recipients who work, by state or other area, December 2015—Continued**

State or area	All blind and disabled recipients	Recipients who work	
		Number	Percentage of all blind and disabled recipients
Vermont	15,138	1,222	8.1
Virginia	139,673	6,473	4.6
Washington	135,701	6,537	4.8
West Virginia	74,505	2,070	2.8
Wisconsin	113,602	10,982	9.7
Wyoming	6,574	711	10.8
Outlying area			
Northern Mariana Islands	890	28	3.1

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

NOTE: Includes section 1619(b) participants.

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**Table 42.**  
**Percentage distribution of all blind and disabled recipients and those who work aged 18–64, by diagnostic group, December 2015**

Diagnostic group	All blind and disabled recipients	Recipients who work <sup>a</sup>
Total		
Number	4,888,555	311,922
Percent	100.0	100.0
Congenital anomalies	0.9	2.5
Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases	2.4	0.9
Infectious and parasitic diseases	1.3	0.9
Injuries	2.5	1.3
Mental disorders		
Autistic disorders	2.3	6.7
Developmental disorders	0.8	1.3
Childhood and adolescent disorders not elsewhere classified	1.0	1.8
Intellectual disability	18.8	37.0
Mood disorders	16.1	9.3
Organic mental disorders	3.8	4.3
Schizophrenic and other psychotic disorders	8.8	5.5
Other mental disorders	5.8	4.6
Neoplasms	1.3	0.9
Diseases of the—		
Blood and blood-forming organs	0.4	0.5
Circulatory system	4.3	1.3
Digestive system	1.0	0.5
Genitourinary system	1.1	0.7
Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue	14.0	5.1
Nervous system and sense organs <sup>b</sup>	7.8	8.9
Respiratory system	2.1	0.8
Skin and subcutaneous tissue	0.2	0.1
Other	0.3	0.4
Unknown	2.9	4.8

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

a. Includes section 1619(b) participants.

b. Most disabled recipients classified as blind are included in this category. A few blind recipients with a primary impairment other than diseases of the eye are coded in other categories. Also, a few recipients are classified with diseases of the eye, but their impairment does not meet the definition of blindness.

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**Table 43.**

**All blind and disabled recipients, those who work, and section 1619(b) participants aged 18–64, by age, December 2015**

Age	All blind and disabled recipients <sup>a</sup>		Recipients who work <sup>a</sup>		Section 1619(b) participants	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percentage of all blind and disabled recipients	Number	Percentage of all blind and disabled recipients
Total	4,961,659	100.0	311,922	6.3	73,104	1.5
18–21	328,244	6.6	29,624	9.0	2,575	0.8
22–25	369,782	7.5	53,055	14.3	10,819	2.9
26–29	345,225	7.0	46,633	13.5	12,071	3.5
30–39	751,101	15.1	70,848	9.4	18,429	2.5
40–49	869,019	17.5	44,639	5.1	12,467	1.4
50–59	1,587,042	32.0	49,925	3.1	12,624	0.8
60–64	711,246	14.3	17,198	2.4	4,119	0.6

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

a. Includes section 1619(b) participants.

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**Table 44.**  
**Blind and disabled recipients in December 2014, by program status and earnings in December 2015**

Program status in December 2014	Total	Receiving payments in December 2015			Not receiving payments in December 2015						
								Ineligible because of earned income			Other excess income
		Section 1619(a)	Have earnings	No earnings				Section 1619(b)	Reasons no longer eligible		
					Do not need or use Medicaid	Can pay for equivalent coverage	Both				
All blind and disabled recipients	7,148,305	12,428	224,907	6,253,888	75,577	280	87	128	123,735	457,275	
Receiving payments											
Section 1619(a)	12,795	3,990	2,362	2,687	2,034	(X)	(X)	(X)	444	1,262	
Have earnings	232,306	2,280	169,400	33,077	8,934	(X)	(X)	(X)	5,950	12,607	
No earnings	6,829,997	4,711	48,861	6,208,662	20,274	61	11	25	111,353	436,039	
Not receiving payments											
Section 1619(b)	73,207	1,447	4,284	9,462	44,335	168	65	91	5,988	7,367	

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

NOTE: (X) = suppressed to avoid disclosing information about particular individuals.

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**Table 45.**  
**Blind and disabled recipients who work, by state or other area, December 2015**

State or area	Total	Section 1619(a) participants		Section 1619(b) participants		Other blind and disabled recipients who work	
		Number	Percentage of total	Number	Percentage of total	Number	Percentage of total
All areas	328,008	13,098	4.0	76,333	23.3	238,577	72.7
Alabama	3,666	187	5.1	845	23.0	2,634	71.8
Alaska	722	30	4.2	231	32.0	461	63.9
Arizona	4,066	169	4.2	1,071	26.3	2,826	69.5
Arkansas	4,282	160	3.7	817	19.1	3,305	77.2
California	41,044	2,269	5.5	9,397	22.9	29,378	71.6
Colorado	3,892	121	3.1	928	23.8	2,843	73.0
Connecticut	4,082	99	2.4	926	22.7	3,057	74.9
Delaware	937	33	3.5	214	22.8	690	73.6
District of Columbia	741	57	7.7	283	38.2	401	54.1
Florida	11,889	581	4.9	3,273	27.5	8,035	67.6
Georgia	6,488	299	4.6	1,512	23.3	4,677	72.1
Hawaii	782	35	4.5	251	32.1	496	63.4
Idaho	1,767	79	4.5	433	24.5	1,255	71.0
Illinois	12,436	498	4.0	2,464	19.8	9,474	76.2
Indiana	6,215	228	3.7	1,370	22.0	4,617	74.3
Iowa	6,432	154	2.4	1,330	20.7	4,948	76.9
Kansas	3,987	98	2.5	757	19.0	3,132	78.6
Kentucky	4,644	191	4.1	1,076	23.2	3,377	72.7
Louisiana	5,770	305	5.3	1,494	25.9	3,971	68.8
Maine	1,930	75	3.9	535	27.7	1,320	68.4
Maryland	6,165	242	3.9	1,447	23.5	4,476	72.6
Massachusetts	9,125	381	4.2	2,486	27.2	6,258	68.6
Michigan	13,062	489	3.7	2,833	21.7	9,740	74.6
Minnesota	11,116	289	2.6	2,420	21.8	8,407	75.6
Mississippi	2,668	117	4.4	640	24.0	1,911	71.6
Missouri	7,252	185	2.6	1,654	22.8	5,413	74.6
Montana	1,874	42	2.2	380	20.3	1,452	77.5
Nebraska	3,062	90	2.9	579	18.9	2,393	78.2
Nevada	1,979	79	4.0	397	20.1	1,503	75.9
New Hampshire	1,485	60	4.0	445	30.0	980	66.0
New Jersey	7,263	235	3.2	1,552	21.4	5,476	75.4
New Mexico	1,876	86	4.6	510	27.2	1,280	68.2
New York	20,756	938	4.5	5,910	28.5	13,908	67.0
North Carolina	7,673	244	3.2	1,640	21.4	5,789	75.4
North Dakota	1,200	26	2.2	292	24.3	882	73.5
Ohio	18,435	518	2.8	3,587	19.5	14,330	77.7
Oklahoma	4,159	156	3.8	1,040	25.0	2,963	71.2
Oregon	4,736	146	3.1	1,016	21.5	3,574	75.5
Pennsylvania	15,533	608	3.9	3,582	23.1	11,343	73.0
Rhode Island	1,383	52	3.8	300	21.7	1,031	74.5
South Carolina	4,430	117	2.6	758	17.1	3,555	80.2
South Dakota	1,901	41	2.2	421	22.1	1,439	75.7
Tennessee	4,813	166	3.4	1,084	22.5	3,563	74.0
Texas	19,684	1,046	5.3	5,282	26.8	13,356	67.9
Utah	2,583	70	2.7	591	22.9	1,922	74.4

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**Table 45.**  
**Blind and disabled recipients who work, by state or other area, December 2015—Continued**

State or area	Total	Section 1619(a) participants		Section 1619(b) participants		Other blind and disabled recipients who work	
		Number	Percentage of total	Number	Percentage of total	Number	Percentage of total
Vermont	1,222	49	4.0	392	32.1	781	63.9
Virginia	6,473	243	3.8	1,422	22.0	4,808	74.3
Washington	6,537	313	4.8	1,819	27.8	4,405	67.4
West Virginia	2,070	106	5.1	545	26.3	1,419	68.6
Wisconsin	10,982	268	2.4	1,911	17.4	8,803	80.2
Wyoming	711	23	3.2	183	25.7	505	71.0
Outlying area							
Northern Mariana Islands	28	5	17.9	8	28.6	15	53.6

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

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**Table 46.**  
**Blind and disabled recipients who work and their average earnings, by selected characteristics,**  
**December 2015**

Characteristic	Number	Percent	Average earnings (dollars)
Total	328,008	100.0	618
Age			
Under 18	3,086	0.9	744
18–21	29,624	9.0	562
22–25	53,055	16.2	651
26–29	46,633	14.2	683
30–39	70,848	21.6	638
40–49	44,639	13.6	641
50–59	49,925	15.2	595
60–64	17,198	5.2	524
65 or older	13,000	4.0	374
Sex			
Male	184,286	56.2	627
Female	143,722	43.8	607
Earned income <sup>a</sup>			
Wages	302,895	92.3	643
Self-employment income	26,744	8.2	371
Earnings (dollars)			
65 or less	71,515	21.8	39
66–99	15,864	4.8	82
100–199	37,466	11.4	140
200–299	27,616	8.4	239
300–399	22,410	6.8	339
400–499	19,297	5.9	439
500–599	17,850	5.4	536
600–699	15,666	4.8	637
700–799	13,163	4.0	740
800–899	11,675	3.6	835
900–999	9,002	2.7	938
1,000–1,099	9,353	2.9	1,032
1,100–1,199	5,824	1.8	1,139
1,200–1,299	6,479	2.0	1,234
1,300–1,399	4,435	1.4	1,340
1,400–1,499	4,026	1.2	1,437
1,500 or more	36,367	11.1	2,399
Unearned income <sup>a</sup>			
None	181,669	55.4	720
Social Security benefits	129,666	39.5	456
Other pensions	2,095	0.6	507
Income based on need	171	0.1	823
Asset income	2,615	0.8	453
Other	17,960	5.5	736

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**Table 46.**  
**Blind and disabled recipients who work and their average earnings, by selected characteristics,**  
**December 2015—Continued**

Characteristic	Number	Percent	Average earnings (dollars)
Work incentives <sup>a</sup>			
Section 1619(a)	13,098	4.0	1,358
Section 1619(b)	76,333	23.3	1,468
Plan to achieve self-support (PASS) <sup>b</sup>	300	0.1	901
Impairment-related work expenses (IRWE)	3,188	1.0	775
Blind work expenses (BWE)	1,161	0.4	1,178

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

NOTE: Includes section 1619(b) participants.

a. The sum of the entries may be greater than the total because some recipients may receive more than one type of earned or unearned income or both earned and unearned income, or they may benefit from more than one work incentive provision.

b. Number of working recipients with a PASS. See Tables 53–56 for data on all recipients with a PASS.

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**Table 47.**  
**Number of section 1619 participants and percentage change from prior period, selected months**  
**1982–2015**

Month	Section 1619(a) participants		Section 1619(b) participants <sup>a</sup>	
	Number	Percentage change from prior period	Number	Percentage change from prior period
December				
1982	287	...	5,515	...
1983	392	36.6	5,165	-6.3
1984	--	--	--	--
1985	--	--	--	--
1986	--	--	--	--
1987	14,559	...	15,632	...
1988	19,920	36.8	15,625	b
1989	25,655	28.8	18,254	16.8
1990	13,994	-45.5	23,517	28.8
1991	15,531	11.0	27,264	15.9
1992	17,603	13.3	31,649	16.1
1993	20,028	13.8	35,299	11.5
1994	24,315	21.4	40,683	15.3
1995	28,060	15.4	47,002	15.5
1996	31,085	10.8	51,905	10.4
1997	34,673	11.5	57,089	10.0
1998	37,271	7.5	59,542	4.3
1999	25,528	-31.5	69,265	16.3
2000	27,542	7.9	83,572	20.7
2001	22,100	-19.8	76,455	-8.5
2002	17,271	-21.9	82,177	7.5
2003	17,132	-0.8	71,097	-13.5
2004	17,114	-0.1	73,681	3.6
2005	17,621	3.0	78,205	6.1
2006	17,394	-1.3	89,350	14.3
2007	16,939	-2.6	97,551	9.2
2008	16,142	-4.7	99,481	2.0
2009	11,900	-26.3	91,534	-8.0
2010	11,305	-5.0	72,751	-20.5
2011	11,763	4.1	65,768	-9.6
2012	11,813	0.4	67,927	3.3
2013	12,054	2.0	67,818	-0.2
2014	12,757	5.8	70,233	3.6
2015	13,098	2.7	76,333	8.7

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**Table 47.**  
**Number of section 1619 participants and percentage change from prior period, selected months**  
**1982–2015—Continued**

Month	Section 1619(a) participants		Section 1619(b) participants <sup>a</sup>	
	Number	Percentage change from prior period	Number	Percentage change from prior period
2013				
March	11,845	0.3	66,177	-2.6
June	12,349	4.3	65,163	-1.5
September	12,350	(L)	66,290	1.7
December	12,054	-2.4	67,818	2.3
2014				
March	11,845	-1.7	64,539	-4.8
June	12,537	5.8	67,428	4.5
September	12,768	1.8	70,282	4.2
December	12,757	-0.1	70,233	-0.1
2015				
March	12,936	1.4	68,669	-2.2
June	13,702	5.9	74,300	8.2
September	14,347	4.7	76,298	2.7
December	13,098	-8.7	76,333	(L)

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

NOTES: When the substantial gainful activity (SGA) level is periodically raised, SSI recipients with earnings below the increased SGA level become eligible for regular SSI benefits rather than the special cash payments under section 1619(a). This can lead to decreases in the number of 1619(a) participants.

. . . = not applicable; -- = not available; (L) = less than 0.05 percent.

a. Includes blind participants. Of the 76,333 participants in December 2015, 1,080 were blind.

b. Between zero and -0.05 percent.

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**Table 48.**

**Ranking of state or other area, by section 1619 participants as a percentage of all blind and disabled recipients in state aged 18–64, December 2015**

State or area	Ranking	All blind and disabled recipients <sup>a</sup>	Section 1619 participants	
			Number	Percent
All areas		4,961,659	85,974	1.73
North Dakota	1	5,896	308	5.22
South Dakota	2	9,602	445	4.63
Minnesota	3	61,663	2,637	4.28
Iowa	4	37,109	1,457	3.93
Wyoming	5	5,063	197	3.89
Vermont	6	11,994	437	3.64
Nebraska	7	19,936	656	3.29
New Hampshire	8	15,394	495	3.22
Montana	9	13,064	408	3.12
Alaska	10	8,338	256	3.07
Utah	11	21,410	645	3.01
Wisconsin	12	80,353	2,123	2.64
Kansas	13	33,058	824	2.49
Connecticut	14	40,986	998	2.43
Northern Mariana Islands	15	547	13	2.38
Massachusetts	16	117,752	2,790	2.37
Idaho	17	21,480	505	2.35
Delaware	18	10,766	240	2.23
Maryland	19	75,905	1,641	2.16
Colorado	20	47,112	1,018	2.16
Maine	21	28,275	593	2.10
Washington	22	99,885	2,065	2.07
New York	23	339,942	6,595	1.94
Oregon	24	58,448	1,122	1.92
Hawaii	25	14,646	275	1.88
District of Columbia	26	18,220	327	1.79
Ohio	27	223,043	4,000	1.79
Missouri	28	100,637	1,771	1.76
California	29	617,436	10,862	1.76
Texas	30	349,447	6,082	1.74
Oklahoma	31	66,156	1,147	1.73
New Jersey	32	99,787	1,718	1.72
Pennsylvania	33	236,644	4,040	1.71
Indiana	34	91,608	1,563	1.71
Arizona	35	70,938	1,185	1.67
Michigan	36	193,478	3,214	1.66
Illinois	37	173,160	2,846	1.64
Virginia	38	99,758	1,617	1.62
Rhode Island	39	21,853	339	1.55
Louisiana	40	114,274	1,725	1.51
Nevada	41	29,684	445	1.50
New Mexico	42	38,286	563	1.47
Arkansas	43	68,312	941	1.38
Florida	44	274,418	3,659	1.33
North Carolina	45	150,791	1,813	1.20

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**Table 48.**  
**Ranking of state or other area, by section 1619 participants as a percentage of all blind and disabled recipients in state aged 18–64, December 2015—Continued**

State or area	Ranking	All blind and disabled recipients <sup>a</sup>	Section 1619 participants	
			Number	Percent
West Virginia	46	56,949	627	1.10
South Carolina	47	77,139	845	1.10
Georgia	48	160,928	1,750	1.09
Kentucky	49	126,456	1,221	0.97
Tennessee	50	127,311	1,198	0.94
Mississippi	51	78,573	725	0.92
Alabama	52	117,749	1,008	0.86

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

a. Includes section 1619(b) participants.

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**Table 49.**  
**Section 1619(a) participants and their average earnings, by state or other area, selected months**  
**2014–2015**

State or area	December 2014		September 2015		December 2015	
	Number	Average earnings (dollars)	Number	Average earnings (dollars)	Number	Average earnings (dollars)
All areas	12,757	1,332	14,347	1,328	13,098	1,358
Alabama	187	1,323	196	1,318	187	1,348
Alaska	32	1,340	35	1,306	30	1,334
Arizona	153	1,308	161	1,298	169	1,314
Arkansas	129	1,286	163	1,289	160	1,329
California	2,216	1,416	2,436	1,411	2,269	1,445
Colorado	119	1,315	121	1,305	121	1,329
Connecticut	114	1,286	122	1,317	99	1,373
Delaware	28	1,370	41	1,293	33	1,337
District of Columbia	55	1,278	64	1,286	57	1,345
Florida	545	1,306	642	1,294	581	1,327
Georgia	234	1,303	294	1,295	299	1,326
Hawaii	29	1,319	34	1,337	35	1,337
Idaho	58	1,326	83	1,332	79	1,323
Illinois	553	1,298	584	1,298	498	1,325
Indiana	208	1,293	232	1,298	228	1,340
Iowa	140	1,316	200	1,340	154	1,358
Kansas	93	1,303	102	1,321	98	1,317
Kentucky	201	1,323	217	1,312	191	1,326
Louisiana	319	1,312	360	1,290	305	1,326
Maine	81	1,328	82	1,328	75	1,345
Maryland	235	1,322	272	1,303	242	1,337
Massachusetts	383	1,342	392	1,339	381	1,350
Michigan	443	1,306	521	1,316	489	1,347
Minnesota	273	1,316	324	1,315	289	1,347
Mississippi	122	1,304	144	1,321	117	1,346
Missouri	171	1,308	220	1,314	185	1,342
Montana	39	1,320	47	1,319	42	1,401
Nebraska	83	1,342	102	1,340	90	1,380
Nevada	76	1,302	97	1,324	79	1,336
New Hampshire	54	1,270	58	1,300	60	1,346
New Jersey	226	1,348	253	1,325	235	1,359
New Mexico	98	1,371	94	1,354	86	1,368
New York	953	1,311	1,045	1,310	938	1,343
North Carolina	253	1,318	253	1,303	244	1,327
North Dakota	29	1,282	32	1,314	26	1,343
Ohio	511	1,310	564	1,299	518	1,341
Oklahoma	166	1,313	169	1,304	156	1,352
Oregon	124	1,308	160	1,311	146	1,325
Pennsylvania	595	1,325	648	1,317	608	1,349
Rhode Island	39	1,277	52	1,315	52	1,322
South Carolina	118	1,316	125	1,314	117	1,333
South Dakota	34	1,290	51	1,295	41	1,308
Tennessee	178	1,312	180	1,306	166	1,337
Texas	1,001	1,311	1,157	1,308	1,046	1,346
Utah	75	1,303	90	1,297	70	1,317

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**Table 49.**  
**Section 1619(a) participants and their average earnings, by state or other area, selected months**  
**2014–2015—Continued**

State or area	December 2014		September 2015		December 2015	
	Number	Average earnings (dollars)	Number	Average earnings (dollars)	Number	Average earnings (dollars)
Vermont	57	1,421	59	1,480	49	1,460
Virginia	251	1,320	276	1,300	243	1,306
Washington	296	1,325	354	1,322	313	1,344
West Virginia	111	1,307	126	1,324	106	1,355
Wisconsin	242	1,310	282	1,300	268	1,334
Wyoming	23	1,311	27	1,355	23	1,388
Outlying area						
Northern Mariana Islands	4	1,229	4	1,270	5	1,371

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

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**Table 50.**  
**Section 1619(b) participants and their average earnings, by state or other area, selected months**  
**2014–2015**

State or area	December 2014		September 2015		December 2015	
	Number	Average earnings (dollars)	Number	Average earnings (dollars)	Number	Average earnings (dollars)
All areas	70,233	1,431	76,298	1,475	76,333	1,468
Alabama	749	1,512	863	1,528	845	1,493
Alaska <sup>a</sup>	202	1,503	238	1,663	231	1,627
Arizona	997	1,529	1,052	1,592	1,071	1,595
Arkansas	756	1,409	824	1,426	817	1,453
California	8,667	1,625	9,264	1,702	9,397	1,712
Colorado	803	1,349	942	1,443	928	1,415
Connecticut <sup>a</sup>	825	1,237	893	1,290	926	1,238
Delaware	225	1,504	217	1,562	214	1,598
District of Columbia	235	2,080	290	2,118	283	2,102
Florida	2,878	1,460	3,258	1,492	3,273	1,494
Georgia	1,351	1,541	1,505	1,587	1,512	1,553
Hawaii <sup>a</sup>	246	1,665	260	1,889	251	1,811
Idaho <sup>a</sup>	389	1,341	438	1,283	433	1,269
Illinois <sup>a</sup>	2,463	1,381	2,526	1,418	2,464	1,402
Indiana <sup>a</sup>	1,300	1,300	1,394	1,345	1,370	1,330
Iowa	1,266	1,073	1,356	1,152	1,330	1,100
Kansas <sup>a</sup>	736	1,176	771	1,207	757	1,186
Kentucky	944	1,473	1,059	1,560	1,076	1,530
Louisiana	1,501	1,363	1,546	1,383	1,494	1,362
Maine	496	1,311	525	1,353	535	1,357
Maryland	1,372	1,538	1,471	1,594	1,447	1,581
Massachusetts	2,280	1,612	2,500	1,613	2,486	1,617
Michigan	2,500	1,294	2,792	1,347	2,833	1,334
Minnesota <sup>a</sup>	2,180	1,167	2,382	1,243	2,420	1,248
Mississippi	578	1,495	611	1,562	640	1,510
Missouri <sup>a</sup>	1,497	1,127	1,586	1,170	1,654	1,172
Montana	347	1,221	379	1,349	380	1,368
Nebraska <sup>a</sup>	518	1,212	600	1,240	579	1,198
Nevada <sup>a</sup>	349	1,605	400	1,644	397	1,644
New Hampshire <sup>a</sup>	355	1,400	423	1,466	445	1,454
New Jersey	1,403	1,499	1,493	1,518	1,552	1,483
New Mexico	467	1,423	497	1,401	510	1,388
New York	5,487	1,602	5,841	1,604	5,910	1,601
North Carolina	1,553	1,338	1,649	1,372	1,640	1,332
North Dakota <sup>a</sup>	309	1,264	317	1,295	292	1,266
Ohio <sup>a</sup>	3,214	1,238	3,544	1,306	3,587	1,315
Oklahoma <sup>a</sup>	997	1,248	1,052	1,267	1,040	1,286
Oregon <sup>a</sup>	932	1,176	1,011	1,280	1,016	1,274
Pennsylvania	3,259	1,440	3,629	1,471	3,582	1,472
Rhode Island	259	1,530	295	1,574	300	1,642
South Carolina	660	1,417	725	1,433	758	1,404
South Dakota	386	1,113	407	1,107	421	1,095
Tennessee	936	1,418	1,072	1,454	1,084	1,439
Texas	5,071	1,580	5,388	1,595	5,282	1,596
Utah <sup>a</sup>	523	1,288	578	1,349	591	1,325

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**Table 50.**  
**Section 1619(b) participants and their average earnings, by state or other area, selected months**  
**2014–2015—Continued**

State or area	December 2014		September 2015		December 2015	
	Number	Average earnings (dollars)	Number	Average earnings (dollars)	Number	Average earnings (dollars)
Vermont	364	1,336	391	1,408	392	1,368
Virginia <sup>a</sup>	1,328	1,285	1,500	1,348	1,422	1,321
Washington	1,563	1,514	1,837	1,627	1,819	1,623
West Virginia	552	1,588	548	1,605	545	1,568
Wisconsin	1,782	1,173	1,965	1,209	1,911	1,198
Wyoming	179	1,320	183	1,342	183	1,290
Outlying area						
Northern Mariana Islands	4	2,727	11	2,574	8	2,140

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

a. The Social Security Administration identifies persons as potential participants; the state makes final Medicaid determinations.

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**Table 51.**  
**Section 1619 participants and their average earnings, by selected characteristics, December 2015**

Characteristic	Section 1619(a) participants			Section 1619(b) participants		
	Number	Percent	Average earnings (dollars)	Number	Percent	Average earnings (dollars)
All participants	13,098	100.0	1,358	76,333	100.0	1,468
Age						
Under 18	124	0.9	1,410	450	0.6	--
18–21	1,291	9.9	1,354	2,575	3.4	1,553
22–25	2,616	20.0	1,347	10,819	14.2	1,534
26–29	1,961	15.0	1,358	12,071	15.8	1,558
30–39	2,938	22.4	1,355	18,429	24.1	1,492
40–49	1,938	14.8	1,361	12,467	16.3	1,429
50–59	1,745	13.3	1,370	12,624	16.5	1,409
60–64	381	2.9	1,376	4,119	5.4	1,295
65 or older	104	0.8	1,372	2,779	3.6	1,125
Sex						
Male	7,275	55.5	1,366	42,595	55.8	1,523
Female	5,823	44.5	1,348	33,738	44.2	1,398
Earned income <sup>a</sup>						
Wages	12,526	95.6	1,362	73,779	96.7	1,484
Self-employment income	678	5.2	1,292	3,306	4.3	1,194
Earnings (dollars)						
Less than 400	...	...	...	6,961	9.1	267
400–499	...	...	...	3,784	5.0	443
500–599	...	...	...	4,867	6.4	539
600–699	...	...	...	5,130	6.7	639
700–799	...	...	...	4,824	6.3	740
800–899	...	...	...	4,259	5.6	835
900–999	...	...	...	3,446	4.5	938
1,000–1,099	...	...	...	3,462	4.5	1,033
1,100–1,199	1,898	14.5	1,162	2,171	2.8	1,138
1,200–1,299	3,663	28.0	1,235	2,391	3.1	1,234
1,300–1,399	2,542	19.4	1,340	1,632	2.1	1,340
1,400–1,499	2,254	17.2	1,437	1,518	2.0	1,437
1,500 or more	2,741	20.9	1,611	31,888	41.8	2,473
Unearned income <sup>a</sup>						
None	12,371	94.4	1,359	27,481	36.0	2,327
Social Security benefits	231	1.8	1,346	45,471	59.6	902
Other pensions	21	0.2	1,395	487	0.6	1,359
Income based on need	6	(L)	1,226	42	0.1	1,599
Asset income	56	0.4	1,362	446	0.6	1,493
Other	425	3.2	1,331	4,652	6.1	1,667
Work incentives <sup>a</sup>						
Plan to achieve self-support (PASS) <sup>b</sup>	84	0.6	1,806	0	0.0	0
Impairment-related work expenses (IRWE)	206	1.6	1,408	911	1.2	1,421
Blind work expenses (BWE)	0	0.0	0	300	0.4	2,026

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

NOTES: -- = not available; . . . = not applicable; (L) = less than 0.05 percent.

- The sum of the entries may be greater than the total because some recipients may receive more than one type of earned or unearned income or both earned and unearned income, or they may benefit from more than one work incentive provision.
- Includes 5 persons with a PASS that excludes only resources.

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**Table 52.**  
**Percentage distribution of section 1619 participants aged 18–64, by diagnostic group, December 2015**

Diagnostic group	All blind and disabled recipients	Section 1619(a) participants	Section 1619(b) participants
Total			
Number	4,888,555	12,870	73,104
Percent	100.0	100.0	100.0
Congenital anomalies	0.9	0.9	1.1
Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases	2.4	1.2	1.4
Infectious and parasitic diseases	1.3	1.3	1.5
Injuries	2.5	1.7	2.1
Mental disorders			
Autistic disorders	2.3	4.9	4.2
Developmental disorders	0.8	2.0	1.2
Childhood and adolescent disorders not elsewhere classified	1.0	2.4	1.4
Intellectual disability	18.8	25.0	26.3
Mood disorders	16.1	15.1	13.3
Organic mental disorders	3.8	5.5	4.8
Schizophrenic and other psychotic disorders	8.8	6.7	6.7
Other mental disorders	5.8	7.5	6.0
Neoplasms	1.3	1.5	1.6
Diseases of the—			
Blood and blood-forming organs	0.4	0.9	0.8
Circulatory system	4.3	1.6	1.8
Digestive system	1.0	0.6	0.7
Genitourinary system	1.1	1.1	1.2
Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue	14.0	5.7	7.3
Nervous system and sense organs <sup>a</sup>	7.8	10.4	10.7
Respiratory system	2.1	0.8	1.0
Skin and subcutaneous tissue	0.2	0.1	0.2
Other	0.3	0.5	0.4
Unknown	2.9	2.7	4.5

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

a. Most disabled recipients classified as blind are included in this category. A few blind recipients with a primary impairment other than diseases of the eye are coded in other categories. Also, a few recipients are classified with diseases of the eye, but their impairment does not meet the definition of blindness.

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**Table 53.**  
**Recipients benefiting from specified work incentives, by state or other area and provision,**  
**December 2015**

State or area	Plan to achieve self-support (PASS) <sup>a</sup>	Impairment-related work expenses (IRWE)	Blind work expenses (BWE)
All areas	821	3,188	1,161
Alabama	3	79	18
Alaska	0	0	(X)
Arizona	12	46	8
Arkansas	18	40	10
California	103	141	160
Colorado	9	30	13
Connecticut	11	29	13
Delaware	0	20	3
District of Columbia	0	(X)	(X)
Florida	9	279	52
Georgia	7	114	23
Hawaii	3	(X)	(X)
Idaho	4	8	3
Illinois	20	123	23
Indiana	9	70	26
Iowa	72	20	20
Kansas	39	116	10
Kentucky	(X)	32	17
Louisiana	8	42	20
Maine	27	9	(X)
Maryland	(X)	102	21
Massachusetts	52	105	77
Michigan	21	52	24
Minnesota	15	33	19
Mississippi	(X)	19	11
Missouri	66	60	12
Montana	10	13	(X)
Nebraska	37	14	3
Nevada	(X)	16	8
New Hampshire	9	9	6
New Jersey	19	107	17
New Mexico	3	26	(X)
New York	109	244	95
North Carolina	14	165	74
North Dakota	(X)	9	(X)
Ohio	7	55	36
Oklahoma	4	38	5
Oregon	9	28	16
Pennsylvania	11	84	44
Rhode Island	4	11	(X)
South Carolina	3	34	8
South Dakota	(X)	10	3
Tennessee	4	60	22
Texas	8	276	105
Utah	(X)	17	7

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**Table 53.**  
**Recipients benefiting from specified work incentives, by state or other area and provision,**  
**December 2015—Continued**

State or area	Plan to achieve self-support (PASS) <sup>a</sup>	Impairment-related work expenses (IRWE)	Blind work expenses (BWE)
Vermont	17	3	(X)
Virginia	3	187	29
Washington	6	77	31
West Virginia	(X)	15	10
Wisconsin	19	112	38
Wyoming	0	(X)	0
Outlying area			
Northern Mariana Islands	0	0	(X)

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

NOTE: (X) = suppressed to avoid disclosing information about particular individuals.

a. Includes 163 persons with a PASS that excludes only resources.

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**Table 54.**  
**Recipients benefiting from specified work incentives, by selected characteristics and provision,**  
**December 2015**

Characteristic	Plan to achieve self-support (PASS) <sup>a</sup>		Impairment-related work expenses (IRWE)		Blind work expenses (BWE)	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total	821	100.0	3,188	100.0	1,161	100.0
Age						
Under 18	0	0.0	3	0.1	1	0.1
18–21	40	4.9	223	7.0	48	4.1
22–25	129	15.7	623	19.5	123	10.6
26–29	129	15.7	613	19.2	154	13.3
30–39	153	18.6	816	25.6	327	28.2
40–49	161	19.6	378	11.9	212	18.3
50–59	150	18.3	357	11.2	195	16.8
60–64	52	6.3	109	3.4	69	5.9
65 or older	7	0.9	66	2.1	32	2.8
Sex						
Male	375	45.7	1,845	57.9	630	54.3
Female	446	54.3	1,343	42.1	531	45.7
Earned income <sup>b</sup>						
Wages	292	35.6	3,062	96.0	1,101	94.8
Self-employment income	55	6.7	145	4.5	71	6.1
Earnings (dollars)						
None	480	58.5	0	0.0	0	0.0
65 or less	15	1.8	182	5.7	88	7.6
66–99	6	0.7	95	3.0	24	2.1
100–199	23	2.8	312	9.8	102	8.8
200–299	28	3.4	301	9.4	87	7.5
300–399	24	2.9	276	8.7	62	5.3
400–499	16	1.9	276	8.7	55	4.7
500–599	21	2.6	253	7.9	48	4.1
600–699	25	3.0	245	7.7	44	3.8
700–799	22	2.7	180	5.6	37	3.2
800–899	17	2.1	166	5.2	47	4.0
900–999	31	3.8	127	4.0	37	3.2
1,000–1,099	25	3.0	116	3.6	40	3.4
1,100–1,199	12	1.5	69	2.2	28	2.4
1,200–1,299	9	1.1	81	2.5	45	3.9
1,300–1,399	12	1.5	65	2.0	37	3.2
1,400–1,499	10	1.2	43	1.3	35	3.0
1,500 or more	45	5.5	401	12.6	345	29.7
Unearned income <sup>b</sup>						
None	213	25.9	1,595	50.0	620	53.4
Social Security benefits	598	72.8	1,449	45.5	497	42.8
Other pensions	3	0.4	16	0.5	5	0.4
Income based on need	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Asset income	3	0.4	24	0.8	16	1.4
Other	32	3.9	177	5.6	47	4.0

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

a. Includes 163 persons with a PASS that excludes only resources.

b. The sum of the entries may be greater than the total because some recipients may receive more than one type of earned or unearned income or both earned and unearned income.

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**Table 55.**

**Percentage distribution of recipients benefiting from specified work incentives, by diagnostic group and provision, December 2015**

Diagnostic group	All blind and disabled recipients	Plan to achieve self-support (PASS) <sup>a</sup>	Impairment-related work expenses (IRWE)	Blind work expenses (BWE)
Total				
Number	4,888,555	821	3,188	1,161
Percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Congenital anomalies	0.9	1.7	4.1	0.7
Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases	2.4	1.3	0.6	0.2
Infectious and parasitic diseases	1.3	2.2	0.9	0.1
Injuries	2.5	4.1	1.9	0.1
Mental disorders				
Autistic disorders	2.3	5.0	10.3	0.1
Developmental disorders	0.8	0.7	1.3	0.0
Childhood and adolescent disorders not elsewhere classified	1.0	0.7	0.9	0.0
Intellectual disability	18.8	3.9	35.9	2.4
Mood disorders	16.1	22.2	5.4	0.2
Organic mental disorders	3.8	3.9	4.1	0.3
Schizophrenic and other psychotic disorders	8.8	9.7	4.0	0.0
Other mental disorders	5.8	5.5	2.7	0.1
Neoplasms	1.3	1.5	0.8	0.1
Diseases of the—				
Blood and blood-forming organs	0.4	0.5	0.3	0.0
Circulatory system	4.3	1.5	1.8	1.0
Digestive system	1.0	0.9	0.4	0.0
Genitourinary system	1.1	0.9	0.5	0.3
Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue	14.0	8.3	4.3	0.2
Nervous system and sense organs <sup>b</sup>	7.8	13.8	14.6	89.4
Respiratory system	2.1	0.4	0.6	0.0
Skin and subcutaneous tissue	0.2	0.2	(L)	0.0
Other	0.3	0.7	0.5	0.0
Unknown	2.9	10.5	4.0	5.0

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

NOTE: (L) = less than 0.05 percent.

a. Includes 163 persons with a PASS that excludes only resources.

b. Most disabled recipients classified as blind are included in this category. A few blind recipients with a primary impairment other than diseases of the eye are coded in other categories. Also, a few recipients are classified with diseases of the eye, but their impairment does not meet the definition of blindness.

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## Recipients Who Work

**Table 56.**

**Percentage distribution of recipients with income excluded under specified work incentives, by amount excluded and provision, December 2015**

Amount excluded (dollars)	Plan to achieve self-support (PASS) <sup>a</sup>	Impairment-related work expenses (IRWE)	Blind work expenses (BWE)
Total			
Number	658	3,188	1,161
Percent	100.0	100.0	100.0
Under 25	0.5	19.1	19.0
25–49	0.0	19.7	9.7
50–99	0.5	28.1	12.1
100–199	1.2	20.4	18.1
200–299	3.6	6.8	10.8
300–499	11.4	3.9	13.8
500–599	9.9	0.6	4.1
600–699	9.6	0.3	2.8
700–799	12.8	0.3	1.6
800–899	9.3	0.3	2.2
900–999	6.2	0.1	1.5
1,000 or more	35.1	0.5	4.3

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

a. Data do not include plans to achieve self-support that exclude only resources.

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# APPLICATIONS





**Table 57.**  
**All applications, by age of applicant, 1973–2015**

Year	All ages	Under 18		18–64		65 or older	
		Number	Percentage of total	Number	Percentage of total	Number	Percentage of total
Total	84,658,714	12,954,570	15.3	59,211,372	69.9	12,492,772	14.8
State conversions <sup>a</sup>	3,402,474	3,939	0.1	1,419,041	41.7	1,979,494	58.2
Federal applications <sup>b</sup>							
1973	282,472	5,007	1.8	82,993	29.4	194,472	68.8
1974	2,069,452	125,028	6.0	1,098,373	53.1	846,051	40.9
1975	1,468,610	99,996	6.8	977,209	66.5	391,405	26.7
1976	1,207,448	83,960	7.0	865,790	71.7	257,698	21.3
1977	1,268,462	95,314	7.5	903,618	71.2	269,530	21.2
1978	1,265,436	99,610	7.9	902,756	71.3	263,070	20.8
1979	1,323,113	106,828	8.1	949,087	71.7	267,198	20.2
1980	1,408,034	114,508	8.1	1,013,221	72.0	280,305	19.9
1981	1,148,844	94,246	8.2	864,481	75.2	190,117	16.5
1982	1,015,848	93,872	9.2	775,491	76.3	146,485	14.4
1983	1,131,890	101,087	8.9	834,190	73.7	196,613	17.4
1984	1,264,820	104,748	8.3	868,375	68.7	291,697	23.1
1985	1,399,869	119,021	8.5	1,049,758	75.0	231,090	16.5
1986	1,467,326	124,938	8.5	1,098,832	74.9	243,556	16.6
1987	1,435,024	126,575	8.8	1,069,285	74.5	239,164	16.7
1988	1,365,117	125,953	9.2	1,013,316	74.2	225,848	16.5
1989	1,388,545	130,307	9.4	1,015,483	73.1	242,755	17.5
1990	1,547,230	166,416	10.8	1,133,564	73.3	247,250	16.0
1991	1,807,821	248,325	13.7	1,315,918	72.8	243,578	13.5
1992	2,087,788	378,808	18.1	1,465,039	70.2	243,941	11.7
1993	2,310,005	503,486	21.8	1,571,203	68.0	235,316	10.2
1994	2,260,271	540,124	23.9	1,517,140	67.1	203,007	9.0
1995	2,055,907	500,333	24.3	1,375,696	66.9	179,878	8.7
1996	1,922,472	465,685	24.2	1,289,985	67.1	166,802	8.7
1997	1,601,970	336,074	21.0	1,133,623	70.8	132,273	8.3
1998	1,629,223	339,243	20.8	1,139,825	70.0	150,155	9.2
1999	1,661,448	350,382	21.1	1,153,450	69.4	157,616	9.5
2000	1,744,386	360,329	20.7	1,224,826	70.2	159,231	9.1
2001	1,861,123	376,002	20.2	1,324,057	71.1	161,064	8.7
2002	2,084,828	414,068	19.9	1,490,731	71.5	180,029	8.6
2003	2,224,739	437,492	19.7	1,608,391	72.3	178,856	8.0
2004	2,418,096	458,236	19.0	1,771,003	73.2	188,857	7.8
2005	2,545,079	458,588	18.0	1,850,002	72.7	236,489	9.3
2006	2,648,570	459,805	17.4	1,923,288	72.6	265,477	10.0
2007	2,703,004	460,925	17.1	1,945,464	72.0	296,615	11.0
2008	2,827,541	476,251	16.8	2,030,774	71.8	320,516	11.3
2009	3,143,078	545,619	17.4	2,285,852	72.7	311,607	9.9
2010	3,148,689	546,407	17.4	2,314,739	73.5	287,543	9.1
2011	3,041,500	532,216	17.5	2,235,535	73.5	273,749	9.0
2012	2,888,237	513,775	17.8	2,120,521	73.4	253,941	8.8
2013	2,571,864	458,616	17.8	1,879,330	73.1	233,918	9.1
2014	2,329,811	427,515	18.3	1,686,579	72.4	215,717	9.3
2015	2,281,250	444,913	19.5	1,623,538	71.2	212,799	9.3

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

- a. Persons who were converted to the SSI program in 1973 from the state Old-Age Assistance, Aid to the Blind, and Aid to the Permanently and Totally Disabled programs.
- b. Includes applications taken under the abbreviated application process, which was used from 1987 to 1999. Omits reapplications filed as a result of the *Sullivan v. Zebley* decision. Those reapplications were received from 1991 to 1995.

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## Applications

**Table 58.**  
**Applications for children under age 18, by selected characteristics, 2007–2015**

Characteristic	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Total	460,925	476,251	545,619	546,407	532,216	513,775	458,616	427,515	444,913
Age									
Under 5	160,139	166,884	185,399	186,226	182,564	175,942	157,736	147,407	151,538
5–12	208,760	215,910	252,870	255,455	250,986	245,200	219,915	205,877	214,973
13–17	92,026	93,457	107,350	104,726	98,666	92,633	80,965	74,231	78,402
Sex									
Male	288,647	297,772	341,800	341,609	332,770	321,033	286,218	267,428	278,166
Female	172,278	178,479	203,819	204,798	199,446	192,742	172,398	160,087	166,747
Citizenship status									
Citizen	458,831	473,818	542,916	543,503	529,574	511,184	456,114	424,998	442,111
Noncitizen	2,094	2,433	2,703	2,904	2,642	2,591	2,502	2,517	2,802
SSA administrative region									
Boston	16,190	16,361	18,975	19,477	18,696	18,333	16,899	15,674	15,637
New York	35,235	36,321	40,593	40,531	40,386	39,646	35,442	32,997	36,576
Philadelphia	48,125	49,485	56,096	56,084	54,774	53,080	47,879	45,014	48,840
Atlanta	120,292	126,618	145,088	145,833	141,832	140,326	127,272	119,350	121,463
Chicago	81,965	80,956	92,024	89,299	84,603	81,569	71,254	65,153	66,620
Dallas	77,603	80,612	94,800	99,423	96,427	91,392	80,583	74,394	77,067
Kansas City	17,398	17,174	19,833	20,067	19,483	17,993	16,028	14,570	14,851
Denver	8,257	8,050	8,947	8,799	8,249	8,130	7,280	6,730	6,960
San Francisco	44,989	49,742	56,475	54,148	54,990	51,590	45,533	42,977	45,006
Seattle	10,787	10,885	12,739	12,687	12,730	11,661	10,415	10,613	11,836
Unknown	84	47	49	59	46	55	31	43	57

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

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**Table 59.**  
**Applications for adults aged 18–64, by selected characteristics, 2007–2015**

Characteristic	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Total	1,945,464	2,030,774	2,285,852	2,314,739	2,235,535	2,120,521	1,879,330	1,686,579	1,623,538
Age									
18–21	128,726	141,178	170,051	173,186	165,605	155,151	134,823	117,236	117,597
22–25	100,221	108,551	132,315	136,324	130,592	125,988	109,576	96,124	94,951
26–29	108,339	118,370	141,052	142,844	136,326	128,662	110,090	97,695	97,225
30–39	315,755	329,440	379,220	385,246	371,687	355,738	314,498	282,717	277,395
40–49	533,815	542,381	598,453	592,265	561,067	519,293	451,106	395,171	369,711
50–59	570,836	592,045	663,464	684,914	675,354	653,945	598,354	553,194	526,697
60–64	187,772	198,809	201,297	199,960	194,904	181,744	160,883	144,442	139,962
Sex									
Men	968,070	1,026,132	1,176,133	1,184,990	1,137,684	1,071,639	944,852	847,039	818,135
Women	977,394	1,004,642	1,109,719	1,129,749	1,097,851	1,048,882	934,478	839,540	805,403
Citizenship status									
Citizen	1,870,754	1,953,170	2,199,326	2,228,246	2,150,681	2,041,159	1,806,887	1,620,487	1,559,919
Noncitizen	74,710	77,604	86,526	86,493	84,854	79,362	72,443	66,092	63,619
SSA administrative region									
Boston	90,794	92,883	104,362	104,581	97,911	95,269	82,724	75,749	71,858
New York	133,681	141,555	155,922	154,390	152,498	145,934	131,051	120,728	124,285
Philadelphia	193,004	201,323	222,686	221,624	221,565	212,280	183,359	167,714	163,266
Atlanta	465,054	494,647	572,336	589,233	567,763	546,566	496,334	448,044	420,979
Chicago	341,921	347,262	387,125	389,647	372,617	351,640	305,230	270,402	254,500
Dallas	260,301	269,794	311,466	323,607	304,432	287,228	256,527	229,565	220,652
Kansas City	88,390	88,711	102,177	105,926	99,127	90,974	81,740	69,931	70,089
Denver	45,649	46,784	54,751	55,522	53,522	50,636	44,804	39,317	38,839
San Francisco	256,798	277,235	295,963	289,485	285,539	265,184	231,371	206,470	202,456
Seattle	69,313	70,449	78,945	80,616	80,424	74,699	66,088	58,550	56,368
Unknown	559	131	119	108	137	111	102	109	246

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

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## Applications

**Table 60.**  
**Applications for adults aged 65 or older, by selected characteristics, 2007–2015**

Characteristic	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Total	296,615	320,516	311,607	287,543	273,749	253,941	233,918	215,717	212,799
Age									
65–69	176,803	194,416	189,611	171,110	161,883	150,436	136,000	125,102	122,494
70–74	52,985	56,109	55,615	52,612	50,121	46,479	43,893	40,313	40,043
75 or older	66,827	69,991	66,381	63,821	61,745	57,026	54,025	50,302	50,262
Sex									
Men	126,424	138,916	135,022	122,505	114,190	105,376	94,857	87,645	86,333
Women	170,191	181,600	176,585	165,038	159,559	148,565	139,061	128,072	126,466
Citizenship status									
Citizen	223,117	247,209	234,979	211,442	198,347	182,617	166,821	149,908	146,969
Noncitizen	73,498	73,307	76,628	76,101	75,402	71,324	67,097	65,809	65,830
SSA administrative region									
Boston	24,758	26,093	26,376	24,428	22,567	20,838	16,381	14,336	12,258
New York	37,453	41,762	39,605	36,588	37,560	33,196	31,044	28,838	29,563
Philadelphia	13,975	16,950	16,395	14,632	14,259	13,236	12,408	10,749	10,643
Atlanta	47,682	50,474	45,972	47,117	45,749	42,674	42,549	41,286	41,720
Chicago	37,270	39,693	36,567	30,402	26,685	24,418	21,197	18,195	16,701
Dallas	28,023	32,069	32,661	33,595	31,245	29,388	27,402	25,459	24,242
Kansas City	5,638	4,896	5,961	4,779	4,338	4,042	3,403	3,014	2,961
Denver	5,254	5,269	5,171	5,462	5,038	3,774	3,179	3,153	3,323
San Francisco	88,139	95,190	94,645	83,655	79,270	75,939	70,309	65,280	65,930
Seattle	8,408	8,110	8,247	6,882	7,030	6,431	6,040	5,395	5,415
Unknown	15	10	7	3	8	5	6	12	43

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

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**Table 61.**  
**All applications, by state or other area and age of applicant, 2015**

State or area	Total	Under 18		18–64		65 or older	
		Number	Percentage of total	Number	Percentage of total	Number	Percentage of total
All areas	2,281,250	444,913	19.5	1,623,538	71.2	212,799	9.3
Alabama	48,935	9,942	20.3	37,741	77.1	1,252	2.6
Alaska	3,891	443	11.4	2,993	76.9	455	11.7
Arizona	39,323	6,161	15.7	28,983	73.7	4,179	10.6
Arkansas	34,935	9,285	26.6	24,853	71.1	797	2.3
California	250,441	35,134	14.0	156,706	62.6	58,601	23.4
Colorado	24,345	3,072	12.6	19,227	79.0	2,046	8.4
Connecticut	23,134	3,678	15.9	17,020	73.6	2,436	10.5
Delaware	5,905	1,428	24.2	4,169	70.6	308	5.2
District of Columbia	7,131	1,521	21.3	5,248	73.6	362	5.1
Florida	180,779	40,399	22.3	114,215	63.2	26,165	14.5
Georgia	88,486	18,993	21.5	64,558	73.0	4,935	5.6
Hawaii	6,021	508	8.4	4,511	74.9	1,002	16.6
Idaho	8,866	1,565	17.7	6,980	78.7	321	3.6
Illinois	70,411	14,148	20.1	50,572	71.8	5,691	8.1
Indiana	46,887	9,657	20.6	36,068	76.9	1,162	2.5
Iowa	16,454	2,848	17.3	12,927	78.6	679	4.1
Kansas	15,858	2,931	18.5	12,319	77.7	608	3.8
Kentucky	44,505	8,308	18.7	34,692	78.0	1,505	3.4
Louisiana	51,581	14,058	27.3	35,786	69.4	1,737	3.4
Maine	9,783	1,265	12.9	8,047	82.3	471	4.8
Maryland	44,103	6,997	15.9	34,618	78.5	2,488	5.6
Massachusetts	47,827	7,743	16.2	32,022	67.0	8,062	16.9
Michigan	72,839	14,744	20.2	55,069	75.6	3,026	4.2
Minnesota	24,672	4,118	16.7	18,699	75.8	1,855	7.5
Mississippi	41,442	9,758	23.5	30,552	73.7	1,132	2.7
Missouri	46,852	7,494	16.0	38,174	81.5	1,184	2.5
Montana	5,372	678	12.6	4,467	83.2	227	4.2
Nebraska	8,737	1,578	18.1	6,669	76.3	490	5.6
Nevada	17,398	3,136	18.0	12,149	69.8	2,113	12.1
New Hampshire	6,633	926	14.0	5,468	82.4	239	3.6
New Jersey	51,217	10,144	19.8	33,957	66.3	7,116	13.9
New Mexico	15,908	2,450	15.4	12,316	77.4	1,142	7.2
New York	139,207	26,432	19.0	90,328	64.9	22,447	16.1
North Carolina	82,504	16,029	19.4	63,024	76.4	3,451	4.2
North Dakota	2,536	399	15.7	1,880	74.1	257	10.1
Ohio	89,365	16,892	18.9	68,713	76.9	3,760	4.2
Oklahoma	30,330	5,787	19.1	23,436	77.3	1,107	3.6
Oregon	22,258	2,763	12.4	17,936	80.6	1,559	7.0
Pennsylvania	101,065	25,751	25.5	71,075	70.3	4,239	4.2
Rhode Island	8,150	1,523	18.7	5,980	73.4	647	7.9
South Carolina	42,736	8,895	20.8	32,335	75.7	1,506	3.5
South Dakota	4,582	774	16.9	3,575	78.0	233	5.1
Tennessee	54,775	9,139	16.7	43,862	80.1	1,774	3.2
Texas	189,207	45,487	24.0	124,261	65.7	19,459	10.3
Utah	9,792	1,749	17.9	7,555	77.2	488	5.0

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**Applications**

**Table 61.**  
**All applications, by state or other area and age of applicant, 2015—Continued**

State or area	Total	Under 18		18–64		65 or older	
		Number	Percentage of total	Number	Percentage of total	Number	Percentage of total
Vermont	4,226	502	11.9	3,321	78.6	403	9.5
Virginia	46,610	10,050	21.6	33,739	72.4	2,821	6.1
Washington	38,604	7,065	18.3	28,459	73.7	3,080	8.0
West Virginia	17,935	3,093	17.2	14,417	80.4	425	2.4
Wisconsin	33,647	7,061	21.0	25,379	75.4	1,207	3.6
Wyoming	2,495	288	11.5	2,135	85.6	72	2.9
Outlying area							
Northern Mariana Islands	209	67	32.1	107	51.2	35	16.7
Unknown	346	57	16.5	246	71.1	43	12.4

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

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**Table 62.**  
**All applicants, by year of first application and age, 1973–2015**

Year	All ages	Under 18		18–64		65 or older	
		Number	Percentage of total	Number	Percentage of total	Number	Percentage of total
Total	54,962,009	9,868,113	18.0	36,002,633	65.5	9,091,263	16.5
State conversions <sup>a</sup>	3,402,447	3,939	0.1	1,419,029	41.7	1,979,479	58.2
Federal applications <sup>b</sup>							
1973	279,923	4,921	1.8	81,976	29.3	193,026	69.0
1974	2,007,786	122,958	6.1	1,064,223	53.0	820,605	40.9
1975	1,303,896	93,684	7.2	859,790	65.9	350,422	26.9
1976	971,621	75,158	7.7	686,086	70.6	210,377	21.7
1977	943,084	81,750	8.7	661,112	70.1	200,222	21.2
1978	899,731	84,845	9.4	629,784	70.0	185,102	20.6
1979	912,850	89,054	9.8	637,521	69.8	186,275	20.4
1980	936,442	93,059	9.9	652,690	69.7	190,693	20.4
1981	721,999	74,306	10.3	529,231	73.3	118,462	16.4
1982	604,008	72,480	12.0	448,905	74.3	82,623	13.7
1983	645,244	78,616	12.2	467,151	72.4	99,477	15.4
1984	736,509	81,634	11.1	486,922	66.1	167,953	22.8
1985	857,757	91,242	10.6	628,241	73.2	138,274	16.1
1986	933,045	97,656	10.5	689,437	73.9	145,952	15.6
1987	892,945	98,174	11.0	653,728	73.2	141,043	15.8
1988	839,066	96,325	11.5	608,131	72.5	134,610	16.0
1989	852,453	98,931	11.6	605,939	71.1	147,583	17.3
1990	978,993	129,266	13.2	695,281	71.0	154,446	15.8
1991	1,198,677	208,822	17.4	835,058	69.7	154,797	12.9
1992	1,451,391	336,632	23.2	955,060	65.8	159,699	11.0
1993	1,624,332	440,585	27.1	1,030,912	63.5	152,835	9.4
1994	1,571,525	459,531	29.2	982,275	62.5	129,719	8.3
1995	1,381,111	406,498	29.4	860,162	62.3	114,451	8.3
1996	1,246,066	361,211	29.0	780,058	62.6	104,797	8.4
1997	981,841	256,888	26.2	644,982	65.7	79,971	8.1
1998	984,062	251,074	25.5	640,585	65.1	92,403	9.4
1999	996,186	256,120	25.7	641,973	64.4	98,093	9.8
2000	1,038,677	259,137	24.9	680,397	65.5	99,143	9.5
2001	1,127,672	272,977	24.2	753,650	66.8	101,045	9.0
2002	1,278,653	302,682	23.7	862,899	67.5	113,072	8.8
2003	1,367,391	320,201	23.4	938,352	68.6	108,838	8.0
2004	1,489,330	336,735	22.6	1,038,077	69.7	114,518	7.7
2005	1,559,272	335,539	21.5	1,079,252	69.2	144,481	9.3
2006	1,611,484	333,436	20.7	1,107,658	68.7	170,390	10.6
2007	1,635,005	333,377	20.4	1,100,954	67.3	200,674	12.3
2008	1,683,238	343,118	20.4	1,123,307	66.7	216,813	12.9
2009	1,847,784	392,481	21.2	1,247,597	67.5	207,706	11.2
2010	1,831,983	394,599	21.5	1,254,710	68.5	182,674	10.0
2011	1,746,222	383,366	22.0	1,194,291	68.4	168,565	9.7
2012	1,635,635	366,930	22.4	1,117,483	68.3	151,222	9.2
2013	1,428,090	326,148	22.8	966,650	67.7	135,292	9.5
2014	1,279,917	304,340	23.8	852,445	66.6	123,132	9.6
2015	1,246,666	317,688	25.5	808,669	64.9	120,309	9.7

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

- a. Persons who were converted to the SSI program in 1973 from the state Old-Age Assistance, Aid to the Blind, and Aid to the Permanently and Totally Disabled programs.
- b. Includes applications taken under the abbreviated application process, which was used from 1987 to 1999. Omits reapplications filed as a result of the *Sullivan v. Zebley* decision. Those reapplications were received from 1991 to 1995.

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# AWARDS







**Table 63.**  
**All awards, by age of awardee, 1974–2015**

Year	All ages	Under 18		18–64		65 or older	
		Number	Percentage of total	Number	Percentage of total	Number	Percentage of total
Total	35,529,656	5,177,790	14.6	21,628,337	60.9	8,723,529	24.6
State conversions <sup>a</sup>	3,155,995	2,748	0.1	1,299,343	41.2	1,853,904	58.7
Federal applications							
1974	1,336,164	66,699	5.0	493,511	36.9	775,954	58.1
1975	929,369	63,060	6.8	509,271	54.8	357,038	38.4
1976	667,994	46,114	6.9	400,314	59.9	221,566	33.2
1977	642,712	50,883	7.9	377,454	58.7	214,375	33.4
1978	563,117	46,520	8.3	321,413	57.1	195,184	34.7
1979	517,446	44,911	8.7	293,910	56.8	178,625	34.5
1980	523,758	45,781	8.7	292,080	55.8	185,897	35.5
1981	409,992	39,106	9.5	248,105	60.5	122,781	29.9
1982	343,928	35,410	10.3	203,335	59.1	105,183	30.6
1983	453,789	42,154	9.3	259,042	57.1	152,593	33.6
1984	585,832	45,766	7.8	322,858	55.1	217,208	37.1
1985	526,418	46,362	8.8	324,933	61.7	155,123	29.5
1986	603,989	50,632	8.4	390,499	64.7	162,858	27.0
1987	589,053	48,292	8.2	372,914	63.3	167,847	28.5
1988	578,748	47,798	8.3	362,903	62.7	168,047	29.0
1989	630,486	50,985	8.1	390,703	62.0	188,798	29.9
1990	718,917	77,923	10.8	447,849	62.3	193,145	26.9
1991	821,396	125,874	15.3	506,177	61.6	189,345	23.1
1992	1,054,441	221,362	21.0	641,750	60.9	191,329	18.1
1993	1,052,415	236,564	22.5	629,246	59.8	186,605	17.7
1994	943,889	203,688	21.6	580,253	61.5	159,948	16.9
1995	888,633	175,784	19.8	568,072	63.9	144,777	16.3
1996	797,137	144,404	18.1	525,350	65.9	127,383	16.0
1997	676,444	117,090	17.3	463,444	68.5	95,910	14.2
1998	743,121	136,383	18.4	490,638	66.0	116,100	15.6
1999	758,076	140,520	18.5	494,609	65.2	122,947	16.2
2000	750,163	144,136	19.2	485,798	64.8	120,229	16.0
2001	772,775	156,844	20.3	504,366	65.3	111,565	14.4
2002	820,992	170,048	20.7	535,507	65.2	115,437	14.1
2003	827,029	179,566	21.7	539,127	65.2	108,336	13.1
2004	852,052	183,152	21.5	561,487	65.9	107,413	12.6
2005	852,222	177,688	20.8	560,960	65.8	113,574	13.3
2006	838,448	170,453	20.3	556,140	66.3	111,855	13.3
2007	836,642	169,375	20.2	563,094	67.3	104,173	12.5
2008	919,146	181,228	19.7	629,697	68.5	108,221	11.8
2009	999,540	196,745	19.7	694,242	69.5	108,553	10.9
2010	1,042,124	204,219	19.6	731,265	70.2	106,640	10.2
2011	1,031,023	201,066	19.5	719,080	69.7	110,877	10.8
2012	963,630	190,192	19.7	661,265	68.6	112,173	11.6
2013	912,243	175,000	19.2	623,389	68.3	113,854	12.5
2014	805,643	157,310	19.5	538,268	66.8	110,065	13.7
2015	792,725	167,955	21.2	514,676	64.9	110,094	13.9

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

a. Persons who were converted to the SSI program in 1973 from the state Old-Age Assistance, Aid to the Blind, and Aid to the Permanently and Totally Disabled programs.

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## Awards

**Table 64.**  
**Awards for children under age 18, by selected characteristics, 2007–2015**

Characteristic	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Total	169,375	181,228	196,745	204,219	201,066	190,192	175,000	157,310	167,955
Age									
Under 5	73,814	79,134	84,409	85,843	86,847	83,917	78,518	72,554	76,938
5–12	67,383	72,745	80,673	85,772	83,604	78,552	71,564	63,433	68,513
13–17	28,178	29,349	31,663	32,604	30,615	27,723	24,918	21,323	22,504
Sex									
Male	109,543	117,500	128,010	132,905	130,775	123,799	113,531	102,276	109,494
Female	59,832	63,728	68,735	71,314	70,291	66,393	61,469	55,034	58,461
Citizenship status									
Citizen	168,845	180,596	196,023	203,357	200,266	189,489	174,257	156,521	167,095
Noncitizen	530	632	722	862	800	703	743	789	860
Diagnostic group									
Congenital anomalies	8,228	8,625	9,648	9,190	9,537	9,490	9,125	8,746	8,719
Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases	1,155	1,184	1,275	1,398	1,657	1,766	1,645	1,447	1,419
Infectious and parasitic diseases	136	137	122	133	134	107	64	55	54
Injuries	1,146	1,156	1,246	1,174	1,163	1,096	935	809	823
Mental disorders									
Autistic disorders	12,381	15,172	17,532	19,403	21,300	22,081	22,025	21,175	24,203
Developmental disorders	27,613	29,926	33,988	35,657	34,920	32,973	29,879	26,745	28,413
Childhood and adolescent disorders not elsewhere classified	32,536	35,296	37,692	41,365	39,956	37,414	32,607	26,696	28,624
Intellectual disability	16,095	16,160	16,745	15,940	14,282	12,367	11,252	10,548	11,422
Mood disorders	9,450	9,875	10,516	11,356	10,633	9,696	8,616	7,345	7,774
Organic mental disorders	3,225	3,372	3,687	3,912	3,725	3,497	3,212	2,886	3,458
Schizophrenic and other psychotic disorders	1,120	1,189	1,211	1,278	1,246	1,130	1,012	888	821
Other mental disorders	5,232	5,541	5,906	6,004	5,448	4,870	4,301	3,847	4,433
Neoplasms	2,950	3,120	3,285	3,362	3,444	3,316	3,093	2,948	3,075
Diseases of the—									
Blood and blood-forming organs	1,323	1,457	1,646	1,686	1,688	1,495	1,389	1,190	967
Circulatory system	902	915	1,017	981	1,009	796	718	625	721
Digestive system	1,512	2,496	2,842	3,049	2,986	2,960	3,005	2,707	3,200
Genitourinary system	554	612	615	621	621	522	523	420	498
Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue	1,148	1,322	1,522	1,683	1,727	1,633	1,533	1,391	1,419
Nervous system and sense organs	10,506	11,430	12,850	12,731	12,741	11,820	11,024	9,870	10,160
Respiratory system	3,583	3,726	3,990	4,309	4,093	3,913	3,671	3,038	2,949
Skin and subcutaneous tissue	274	315	403	410	340	384	324	303	273
Other	24,652	24,626	25,290	25,178	25,366	24,704	23,526	22,232	23,044
Unknown	3,654	3,576	3,717	3,399	3,050	2,162	1,521	1,399	1,486

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**Table 64.**  
**Awards for children under age 18, by selected characteristics, 2007–2015—Continued**

Characteristic	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
SSA administrative region									
Boston	6,747	6,863	7,227	8,064	7,735	7,149	6,775	6,328	6,269
New York	14,201	15,865	17,463	18,303	17,314	16,980	16,171	14,995	16,017
Philadelphia	19,432	19,304	19,446	21,367	21,684	20,805	17,527	14,169	16,769
Atlanta	37,468	40,563	46,038	46,533	46,451	45,293	41,747	38,321	41,221
Chicago	26,004	27,911	30,551	31,216	29,505	28,620	26,804	23,156	25,301
Dallas	31,289	32,649	35,728	39,213	37,182	33,667	30,432	27,202	29,098
Kansas City	6,549	6,876	7,297	8,057	7,703	7,204	6,689	5,990	6,330
Denver	3,485	3,626	3,750	4,323	4,119	3,854	3,701	3,374	3,346
San Francisco	18,956	22,131	22,965	20,968	23,269	20,723	19,696	18,402	18,025
Seattle	5,244	5,438	6,277	6,172	6,102	5,894	5,458	5,373	5,576
Unknown	0	2	3	3	2	3	0	0	3

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

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## Awards

**Table 65.**  
**Awards for adults aged 18–64, by selected characteristics, 2007–2015**

Characteristic	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Total	563,094	629,697	694,242	731,265	719,080	661,265	623,389	538,268	514,676
Age									
18–21	45,853	50,949	55,305	58,815	56,488	51,660	48,395	43,228	43,581
22–25	24,507	27,968	31,117	33,071	31,164	28,139	26,001	22,177	21,098
26–29	25,343	29,219	32,381	33,677	31,780	27,780	25,239	20,813	19,638
30–39	77,996	85,941	94,584	99,376	93,052	81,745	74,805	62,266	56,812
40–49	145,951	158,312	170,444	174,176	163,771	141,505	126,061	100,744	90,551
50–59	193,638	221,442	249,733	270,120	277,658	266,856	259,105	229,858	223,607
60–64	49,806	55,866	60,678	62,030	65,167	63,580	63,783	59,182	59,389
Sex									
Men	286,268	322,829	360,495	382,019	380,637	352,350	332,605	288,514	276,585
Women	276,826	306,868	333,747	349,246	338,443	308,915	290,784	249,754	238,091
Citizenship status									
Citizen	536,196	601,450	664,705	700,549	688,481	634,179	597,817	516,066	494,037
Noncitizen	26,898	28,247	29,537	30,716	30,599	27,086	25,572	22,202	20,639
Diagnostic group									
Congenital anomalies	2,209	2,337	2,521	2,670	2,697	2,594	2,760	2,678	2,783
Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases	18,592	21,538	24,274	25,374	25,210	22,809	21,250	17,256	15,348
Infectious and parasitic diseases	9,534	10,364	10,747	10,242	9,656	8,461	7,973	6,764	5,916
Injuries	19,755	22,812	25,460	26,271	25,289	22,927	20,710	17,614	16,194
Mental disorders									
Autistic disorders	4,329	5,549	6,394	8,022	8,775	9,336	9,803	9,735	10,912
Developmental disorders Childhood and adolescent disorders not elsewhere classified	966	1,181	1,348	1,588	1,824	1,658	1,685	1,424	1,323
Intellectual disability	30,676	32,790	34,734	36,652	33,570	29,252	25,809	23,137	22,952
Mood disorders	89,330	99,435	109,303	115,127	102,890	86,519	76,811	60,672	53,512
Organic mental disorders	21,957	25,083	26,901	26,633	22,870	18,263	16,006	13,430	13,321
Schizophrenic and other psychotic disorders	33,586	37,311	39,293	40,714	39,903	36,900	35,089	30,685	29,306
Other mental disorders	21,497	24,805	27,950	31,071	30,188	27,969	26,203	21,959	20,421
Neoplasms	33,136	35,565	37,902	38,195	38,393	38,234	37,683	33,854	33,476
Diseases of the—									
Blood and blood-forming organs	1,721	1,979	2,156	2,269	2,270	2,145	2,055	1,716	1,577
Circulatory system	49,326	55,026	59,721	61,990	62,812	60,517	58,279	51,786	50,144
Digestive system	12,479	13,627	15,024	16,025	16,893	15,681	14,651	12,582	11,842
Genitourinary system	12,016	12,518	12,535	12,821	13,117	12,286	12,422	11,761	11,884
Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue	109,725	128,434	149,813	166,531	173,597	168,616	163,404	142,776	138,998
Nervous system and sense organs	37,027	42,121	46,007	48,991	48,436	44,870	43,176	38,200	37,339
Respiratory system	19,629	21,909	24,398	26,757	27,699	25,196	24,671	21,583	20,945
Skin and subcutaneous tissue	1,208	1,355	1,587	1,760	1,787	1,615	1,576	1,262	1,220
Other	1,299	1,328	1,421	1,291	1,216	1,202	999	898	814
Unknown	32,195	31,477	33,348	28,570	28,258	22,569	18,935	15,388	13,466

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**Table 65.**  
**Awards for adults aged 18–64, by selected characteristics, 2007–2015—Continued**

Characteristic	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
SSA administrative region									
Boston	30,402	30,470	30,269	34,170	33,176	30,987	28,894	25,624	23,875
New York	48,088	54,581	57,947	58,896	57,309	51,962	49,166	41,984	38,880
Philadelphia	56,605	60,678	63,516	71,425	68,988	64,334	58,747	51,094	49,009
Atlanta	123,867	143,048	170,982	179,035	177,687	166,306	154,569	133,460	129,563
Chicago	84,206	101,650	115,467	123,720	120,215	109,162	105,228	88,712	86,804
Dallas	86,155	94,096	99,884	100,837	95,714	87,168	81,433	71,309	69,168
Kansas City	22,361	26,431	30,392	32,260	30,194	28,230	27,473	23,198	21,854
Denver	12,837	14,232	15,110	17,258	17,534	15,898	14,741	12,660	11,457
San Francisco	77,070	81,878	83,311	83,812	89,720	80,406	78,528	68,667	63,862
Seattle	21,500	22,631	27,364	29,852	28,541	26,811	24,609	21,560	20,173
Unknown	3	2	0	0	2	1	1	0	31

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

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**Table 66.**  
**Awards for adults aged 65 or older, by selected characteristics, 2007–2015**

Characteristic	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Total	104,173	108,221	108,553	106,640	110,877	112,173	113,854	110,065	110,094
Age									
65	31,584	32,537	32,564	33,285	34,936	37,169	36,763	35,728	35,940
66–69	27,176	28,513	29,797	29,050	30,496	29,853	31,067	30,664	30,706
70–74	20,405	21,739	21,594	20,400	20,758	20,880	21,148	19,922	19,923
75–79	12,574	12,932	12,547	12,050	12,596	12,466	12,815	12,090	12,160
80 or older	12,434	12,500	12,051	11,855	12,091	11,805	12,061	11,661	11,365
Sex									
Men	40,704	43,050	43,511	42,980	44,615	44,796	45,204	44,076	44,026
Women	63,469	65,171	65,042	63,660	66,262	67,377	68,650	65,989	66,068
Citizenship status									
Citizen	79,865	84,058	83,380	82,206	85,994	89,120	90,724	86,703	86,815
Noncitizen	24,308	24,163	25,173	24,434	24,883	23,053	23,130	23,362	23,279
SSA administrative region									
Boston	4,020	4,041	4,088	4,082	4,147	3,891	3,580	3,570	3,812
New York	14,712	14,627	14,373	13,775	15,026	15,178	15,534	14,715	13,691
Philadelphia	6,151	6,478	6,334	6,267	6,482	6,382	6,670	6,397	6,370
Atlanta	18,057	20,074	20,582	21,652	22,397	22,382	23,089	23,398	25,052
Chicago	8,282	8,375	8,550	8,620	8,741	9,429	9,535	9,499	9,437
Dallas	11,160	11,294	11,839	12,397	12,348	12,197	12,586	11,919	11,678
Kansas City	1,780	1,796	1,746	1,868	1,778	1,761	1,804	1,702	1,750
Denver	1,685	1,686	1,750	1,917	1,772	1,720	1,631	1,696	1,833
San Francisco	35,517	36,983	36,096	33,036	35,025	36,061	36,274	34,318	33,503
Seattle	2,809	2,867	3,195	3,026	3,161	3,172	3,151	2,851	2,931
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	37

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

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**Table 67.**  
**All awards, by state or other area and age of awardee, 2015**

State or area	Total	Under 18		18–64		65 or older	
		Number	Percentage of total	Number	Percentage of total	Number	Percentage of total
All areas	792,725	167,955	21.2	514,676	64.9	110,094	13.9
Alabama	15,389	2,842	18.5	11,784	76.6	763	5.0
Alaska	1,485	208	14.0	1,042	70.2	235	15.8
Arizona	12,071	2,298	19.0	7,873	65.2	1,900	15.7
Arkansas	11,761	3,585	30.5	7,717	65.6	459	3.9
California	94,472	14,150	15.0	50,584	53.5	29,738	31.5
Colorado	7,340	1,339	18.2	4,860	66.2	1,141	15.5
Connecticut	6,873	1,271	18.5	4,834	70.3	768	11.2
Delaware	2,005	486	24.2	1,367	68.2	152	7.6
District of Columbia	2,613	582	22.3	1,763	67.5	268	10.3
Florida	66,427	15,362	23.1	34,946	52.6	16,119	24.3
Georgia	29,733	5,677	19.1	21,311	71.7	2,745	9.2
Hawaii	2,364	210	8.9	1,544	65.3	610	25.8
Idaho	3,400	765	22.5	2,427	71.4	208	6.1
Illinois	25,840	5,434	21.0	17,284	66.9	3,122	12.1
Indiana	16,132	3,373	20.9	12,081	74.9	678	4.2
Iowa	5,780	1,361	23.5	4,042	69.9	377	6.5
Kansas	5,722	1,346	23.5	4,029	70.4	347	6.1
Kentucky	14,301	3,411	23.9	9,976	69.8	914	6.4
Louisiana	17,141	4,519	26.4	11,609	67.7	1,013	5.9
Maine	3,324	574	17.3	2,539	76.4	211	6.3
Maryland	14,256	3,124	21.9	9,689	68.0	1,443	10.1
Massachusetts	16,630	3,234	19.4	11,091	66.7	2,305	13.9
Michigan	26,218	4,962	18.9	19,197	73.2	2,059	7.9
Minnesota	9,380	2,021	21.5	6,255	66.7	1,104	11.8
Mississippi	11,737	2,786	23.7	8,262	70.4	689	5.9
Missouri	15,076	2,930	19.4	11,403	75.6	743	4.9
Montana	2,210	394	17.8	1,656	74.9	160	7.2
Nebraska	3,356	693	20.6	2,380	70.9	283	8.4
Nevada	6,378	1,343	21.1	3,807	59.7	1,228	19.3
New Hampshire	2,741	424	15.5	2,209	80.6	108	3.9
New Jersey	19,094	3,704	19.4	11,586	60.7	3,804	19.9
New Mexico	6,214	1,157	18.6	4,358	70.1	699	11.2
New York	49,494	12,313	24.9	27,294	55.1	9,887	20.0
North Carolina	25,526	5,342	20.9	18,280	71.6	1,904	7.5
North Dakota	877	180	20.5	625	71.3	72	8.2
Ohio	31,276	6,088	19.5	23,420	74.9	1,768	5.7
Oklahoma	10,780	2,343	21.7	7,737	71.8	700	6.5
Oregon	9,014	1,668	18.5	6,349	70.4	997	11.1
Pennsylvania	29,891	7,841	26.2	19,517	65.3	2,533	8.5
Rhode Island	2,880	553	19.2	2,017	70.0	310	10.8
South Carolina	13,282	2,571	19.4	9,943	74.9	768	5.8
South Dakota	1,570	376	23.9	1,042	66.4	152	9.7
Tennessee	19,441	3,230	16.6	15,061	77.5	1,150	5.9
Texas	64,048	17,494	27.3	37,747	58.9	8,807	13.8
Utah	3,816	919	24.1	2,631	68.9	266	7.0

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## Awards

**Table 67.**

**All awards, by state or other area and age of awardee, 2015—Continued**

State or area	Total	Under 18		18–64		65 or older	
		Number	Percentage of total	Number	Percentage of total	Number	Percentage of total
Vermont	1,508	213	14.1	1,185	78.6	110	7.3
Virginia	18,080	3,582	19.8	12,764	70.6	1,734	9.6
Washington	14,781	2,935	19.9	10,355	70.1	1,491	10.1
West Virginia	5,303	1,154	21.8	3,909	73.7	240	4.5
Wisconsin	12,696	3,423	27.0	8,567	67.5	706	5.6
Wyoming	823	138	16.8	643	78.1	42	5.1
Outlying area							
Northern Mariana Islands	105	24	22.9	54	51.4	27	25.7
Unknown	71	3	4.2	31	43.7	37	52.1

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

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**Table 68.**  
**All persons awarded SSI, by year of first award and age, 1974–2015**

Year	All ages	Under 18		18–64		65 or older	
		Number	Percentage of total	Number	Percentage of total	Number	Percentage of total
Total	31,832,500	4,881,118	15.3	19,181,213	60.3	7,770,169	24.4
State conversions <sup>a</sup>	3,155,607	2,738	0.1	1,299,165	41.2	1,853,704	58.7
Federal applications							
1974	1,324,931	66,062	5.0	488,386	36.9	770,483	58.2
1975	916,824	62,545	6.8	503,780	54.9	350,499	38.2
1976	638,206	45,118	7.1	385,832	60.5	207,256	32.5
1977	580,829	47,675	8.2	347,409	59.8	185,745	32.0
1978	494,509	43,348	8.8	287,797	58.2	163,364	33.0
1979	448,824	41,464	9.2	259,149	57.7	148,211	33.0
1980	449,437	42,142	9.4	253,629	56.4	153,666	34.2
1981	348,666	35,365	10.1	214,339	61.5	98,962	28.4
1982	285,142	31,495	11.0	172,443	60.5	81,204	28.5
1983	357,797	37,757	10.6	214,397	59.9	105,643	29.5
1984	481,215	41,506	8.6	272,933	56.7	166,776	34.7
1985	445,951	41,950	9.4	279,275	62.6	124,726	28.0
1986	520,771	45,864	8.8	342,655	65.8	132,252	25.4
1987	508,760	43,918	8.6	327,890	64.4	136,952	26.9
1988	501,869	43,596	8.7	319,120	63.6	139,153	27.7
1989	549,240	46,472	8.5	344,526	62.7	158,242	28.8
1990	634,462	72,072	11.4	398,648	62.8	163,742	25.8
1991	737,339	118,676	16.1	455,676	61.8	162,987	22.1
1992	966,873	214,273	22.2	586,317	60.6	166,283	17.2
1993	968,268	229,701	23.7	576,355	59.5	162,212	16.8
1994	862,977	197,343	22.9	528,799	61.3	136,835	15.9
1995	810,367	169,897	21.0	516,967	63.8	123,503	15.2
1996	723,977	138,753	19.2	476,698	65.8	108,526	15.0
1997	602,946	111,728	18.5	411,199	68.2	80,019	13.3
1998	660,324	129,876	19.7	431,784	65.4	98,664	14.9
1999	667,305	132,280	19.8	430,624	64.5	104,401	15.6
2000	653,066	133,967	20.5	417,225	63.9	101,874	15.6
2001	670,146	144,852	21.6	430,838	64.3	94,456	14.1
2002	711,763	157,313	22.1	456,779	64.2	97,671	13.7
2003	713,787	166,188	23.3	457,638	64.1	89,961	12.6
2004	734,909	169,985	23.1	476,287	64.8	88,637	12.1
2005	735,530	165,380	22.5	475,538	64.7	94,612	12.9
2006	723,604	158,982	22.0	471,305	65.1	93,317	12.9
2007	723,427	158,678	21.9	477,889	66.1	86,860	12.0
2008	798,049	170,336	21.3	537,061	67.3	90,652	11.4
2009	869,792	184,528	21.2	593,849	68.3	91,415	10.5
2010	909,898	192,878	21.2	628,093	69.0	88,927	9.8
2011	902,807	190,287	21.1	619,562	68.6	92,958	10.3
2012	844,500	180,317	21.4	570,427	67.5	93,756	11.1
2013	799,421	165,654	20.7	538,132	67.3	95,635	12.0
2014	704,093	149,026	21.2	462,801	65.7	92,266	13.1
2015	694,292	159,133	22.9	441,997	63.7	93,162	13.4

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

NOTE: Data include only the first award for each person.

a. Persons who were converted to the SSI program in 1973 from the state Old-Age Assistance, Aid to the Blind, and Aid to the Permanently and Totally Disabled programs.

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# OUTCOMES OF APPLICATIONS FOR DISABILITY BENEFITS



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## Notes

The tables in this section provide data on the outcomes of applications for SSI benefits based on blindness or disability. The data on applications are derived from the Social Security Administration's (SSA's) Disability Research File (DRF) maintained by the Office of Disability Programs. Each year the DRF is updated with information about applications for disability benefits that is then used to determine the outcome of those applications. The outcome data in these tables are reported by year of filing and include decisions made through the administrative appeals process.

Table 69 shows the total number of applications filed in a year, the number that are pending a final decision, the number denied for nonmedical reasons before a medical decision is made (technical denials), the outcome of applications for which a medical allowance or denial was made, and award and allowance rates. Applications for which a medical allowance or denial decision was made but which were subsequently denied for nonmedical reasons are shown under the medical decision header as subsequent denials. The most common nonmedical reason for denying a claim is excess income.

The allowance rate is calculated by dividing the number of medical allowances (including subsequent technical denials) by the total number of medical decisions made for a 1-year cohort. The award rate is a broader program measure that is calculated as the number of allowances minus subsequent denials divided by total applications (minus pending claims) filed for a given year.

Claims that remain pending after 6 years are probably the result of imperfect data rather than excessive delays in the decisionmaking process. It is highly probable that decisions have been rendered on most of the older claims. For more recent years, the award and allowance rates will change as decisions are made on pending claims.

Tables 70–72 show the allowance rate for SSI only and the SSI portion of concurrent (a claim for both Social Security and SSI disability benefits) applications, one for each level in the administrative decisionmaking process; that is, initial, reconsideration, and hearing or higher level.

Beginning with fiscal year 2000, the proportion of claims awarded at each level of the process changed as a result of the Prototype Process being tested in 10 states. Under this test, the reconsideration step of the appeals process was eliminated for applications filed October 1, 1999, or later. Elimination of the reconsideration level in these states results in a decrease in the aggregate proportion of claims awarded at this step.

This section also includes one table that shows the reason for medical allowance and one that shows reason for medical denial (Tables 73 and 74). The reasons are derived from the sequential evaluation process used by decisionmakers. SSA maintains a list of impairments that are considered disabling under its regulations. An applicant can be found to be disabled if he or she:

- has a listed impairment,
- has a severe impairment that is equal to a listed impairment,
- has a severe impairment when medical and vocational factors are considered, or
- had previously established entitlement to a disability benefit.

An applicant can be denied benefits if he or she:

- has an impairment that is not expected to last 12 months;
- has an impairment that is not considered severe;
- is able to perform his or her usual type of work;
- is able to perform another type of work; or
- provides insufficient medical evidence, fails to cooperate, fails to follow prescribed treatment, does not want to continue development of the claim, or returns to substantial work before disability can be established.

Outcomes of Applications for Disability Benefits

**Table 69.**  
**Outcomes at all adjudicative levels, by age and year of application, 1992–2014**

Year	Total	Pending final decision	Technical denials <sup>a</sup>	Medical decisions				Award rate <sup>d</sup> (percent)	Allowance rate <sup>e</sup> (percent)
				Denials		Allowances			
				Medical	Subsequent nonmedical <sup>b</sup>	Awards	Subsequent denials <sup>c</sup>		
<i>All ages<sup>f</sup></i>									
1992	1,828,951	0	134,438	741,839	1,556	860,875	90,243	47.1	56.1
1993	2,048,945	0	141,214	937,757	1,600	878,932	89,442	42.9	50.8
1994	2,014,499	0	123,175	1,041,432	1,681	770,905	77,306	38.3	44.8
1995	1,845,212	0	103,335	995,185	1,344	683,850	61,498	37.1	42.8
1996	1,786,770	0	113,027	938,407	1,886	671,900	61,550	37.6	43.8
1997	1,505,145	0	97,320	738,808	2,074	606,224	60,719	40.3	47.4
1998	1,520,538	0	95,990	701,331	3,831	656,567	62,819	43.2	50.5
1999	1,528,217	0	105,819	688,922	4,003	665,071	64,402	43.5	51.3
2000	1,612,878	0	156,447	687,969	3,841	691,505	73,116	42.9	52.5
2001	1,749,407	0	203,313	725,442	3,542	736,126	80,984	42.1	52.8
2002	1,958,790	0	278,217	810,525	3,583	777,403	89,062	39.7	51.6
2003	2,112,104	0	342,132	870,639	3,365	796,317	99,651	37.7	50.6
2004	2,245,536	0	431,054	905,005	3,225	804,617	101,635	35.8	49.9
2005	2,322,911	0	560,261	881,661	3,115	779,921	97,953	33.6	49.8
2006	2,419,039	0	637,973	908,979	2,958	774,614	94,515	32.0	48.8
2007	2,438,121	0	657,445	921,565	2,832	764,636	91,643	31.4	48.1
2008	2,540,093	2,781	649,096	949,988	2,714	839,156	96,358	33.1	49.5
2009	2,858,139	4,892	688,521	1,115,092	2,709	930,659	116,266	32.6	48.4
2010	2,893,276	8,855	679,520	1,187,325	2,676	901,929	112,971	31.3	46.0
2011	2,797,305	19,803	619,542	1,192,128	2,787	858,165	104,880	30.9	44.6
2012	2,680,083	89,390	553,134	1,122,881	5,145	808,857	100,676	31.2	44.6
2013	2,397,450	289,417	438,550	927,019	4,469	658,571	79,424	31.2	44.2
2014	2,138,902	387,333	363,533	789,128	3,476	534,044	61,388	30.5	42.9
<i>Under age 18</i>									
1992	376,812	0	16,695	148,221	103	204,083	7,710	54.2	58.8
1993	500,676	0	18,788	240,668	135	232,344	8,741	46.4	50.0
1994	530,538	0	16,897	311,137	147	194,655	7,702	36.7	39.4
1995	491,638	0	14,364	306,298	92	163,896	6,988	33.3	35.8
1996	457,057	0	13,532	291,265	86	144,670	7,504	31.7	34.3
1997	334,975	0	10,906	195,730	69	121,439	6,831	36.3	39.6
1998	338,592	0	10,904	182,594	74	137,655	7,365	40.7	44.3
1999	345,067	0	11,898	182,426	68	142,863	7,812	41.4	45.2
2000	355,474	0	15,774	179,549	66	151,912	8,173	42.7	47.1
2001	375,950	0	18,708	182,089	61	166,280	8,812	44.2	49.0
2002	412,957	0	22,677	200,522	78	180,264	9,416	43.7	48.6
2003	438,572	0	25,776	214,609	65	188,119	10,003	42.9	48.0
2004	451,668	0	31,537	220,652	83	189,217	10,179	41.9	47.5
2005	445,100	0	46,751	210,476	101	177,541	10,231	39.9	47.1
2006	455,145	0	50,011	218,712	104	176,053	10,265	38.7	46.0
2007	457,405	0	53,081	219,106	119	175,204	9,895	38.3	45.8
2008	472,553	135	53,736	221,305	142	187,786	9,449	39.7	47.1
2009	539,818	224	57,847	258,467	134	211,780	11,366	39.2	46.3
2010	540,097	432	58,352	267,545	120	203,149	10,499	37.6	44.4
2011	526,805	1,068	55,680	264,124	124	195,776	10,033	37.2	43.8
2012	510,777	6,851	52,968	251,923	390	188,580	10,065	37.4	44.0
2013	460,308	21,879	44,638	217,554	370	166,305	9,562	37.9	44.7
2014	424,203	29,918	37,883	191,369	259	155,260	9,514	39.4	46.2

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## Outcomes of Applications for Disability Benefits

**Table 69.**  
**Outcomes at all adjudicative levels, by age and year of application, 1992–2014—Continued**

Year	Total	Pending final decision	Technical denials <sup>a</sup>	Medical decisions				Award rate <sup>d</sup> (percent)	Allowance rate <sup>e</sup> (percent)
				Denials		Allowances			
				Medical	Subsequent nonmedical <sup>b</sup>	Awards	Subsequent denials <sup>c</sup>		
<b>Aged 18–64</b>									
1992	1,451,417	0	117,675	593,455	1,451	656,374	82,462	45.2	55.4
1993	1,547,527	0	122,364	696,934	1,463	646,157	80,609	41.8	51.0
1994	1,482,503	0	106,181	729,927	1,529	575,431	69,435	38.8	46.9
1995	1,351,903	0	88,839	688,438	1,245	519,041	54,340	38.4	45.4
1996	1,277,604	0	87,869	646,497	1,534	488,215	53,489	38.2	45.5
1997	1,135,602	0	78,303	541,988	1,456	461,006	52,849	40.6	48.6
1998	1,133,015	0	76,709	516,676	1,860	483,898	53,872	42.7	50.9
1999	1,133,722	0	83,733	505,160	1,542	487,862	55,425	43.0	51.7
2000	1,208,918	0	127,891	507,396	1,438	508,229	63,964	42.0	52.9
2001	1,323,001	0	167,603	542,407	1,436	540,288	71,267	40.8	52.9
2002	1,483,558	0	230,046	608,936	1,571	564,346	78,659	38.0	51.3
2003	1,615,400	0	287,669	655,234	1,765	581,908	88,824	36.0	50.5
2004	1,732,620	0	365,943	683,723	1,819	590,379	90,756	34.1	49.8
2005	1,804,002	0	470,955	670,649	1,917	573,360	87,121	31.8	49.5
2006	1,891,892	0	542,481	689,791	1,972	573,986	83,662	30.3	48.7
2007	1,908,581	0	557,111	682,572	1,947	585,644	81,307	30.7	49.4
2008	1,995,482	2,644	547,859	708,207	1,975	648,275	86,522	32.5	50.9
2009	2,242,960	4,667	580,565	835,208	2,033	715,926	104,561	32.0	49.5
2010	2,278,662	8,423	571,202	898,433	2,117	696,291	102,196	30.7	47.0
2011	2,196,343	18,735	514,359	905,860	2,286	660,480	94,623	30.3	45.4
2012	2,098,947	82,533	452,535	850,514	4,464	618,510	90,391	30.7	45.3
2013	1,870,886	267,522	350,664	688,292	3,839	490,897	69,672	30.6	44.7
2014	1,649,445	357,361	283,478	576,277	2,994	377,595	51,740	29.2	42.6

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Disability Research File, 100 percent data.

NOTES: Data for the initial and reconsideration levels are current through June 2015. Data for the hearing level or above are current through July 2015.

Because a number of applications remain pending for more recent years, the numbers and percentages will change over time. Cases can be pending at the initial or appellate levels and can include either medical or technical issues.

Includes decisions for SSI-only applications and applications for both Social Security and SSI. Does not include Social Security-only applications.

- a. Applications denied for nonmedical reasons so no decision was made on severity of impairment.
- b. Applications denied for nonmedical reasons after a decision was made that applicant did not meet the medical severity criteria for disability benefits.
- c. Applications denied for nonmedical reasons after a decision was made that applicant met the medical severity criteria for disability benefits.
- d. Rate determined by dividing awards by all applications minus pending claims for that year.
- e. Rate determined by dividing medical allowances by all medical decisions for that year.
- f. Includes applicants aged 65 or older.

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Table 70.

Medical decisions at the initial adjudicative level, by age, year of application, and program, 1992–2014

Year	All decisions			Decisions on applications for SSI only			Decisions on applications for both Social Security and SSI		
	Total	Allowances	Allowance rate <sup>a</sup> (percent)	Total	Allowances	Allowance rate <sup>a</sup> (percent)	Total	Allowances	Allowance rate <sup>a</sup> (percent)
<i>All ages <sup>b</sup></i>									
1992	1,694,513	686,962	40.5	946,348	399,334	42.2	748,165	287,628	38.4
1993	1,907,731	687,630	36.0	1,106,624	409,102	37.0	801,107	278,528	34.8
1994	1,891,324	577,721	30.5	1,105,532	335,756	30.4	785,792	241,965	30.8
1995	1,741,877	507,742	29.1	1,037,201	291,168	28.1	704,676	216,574	30.7
1996	1,673,743	508,931	30.4	1,000,530	296,655	29.6	673,213	212,276	31.5
1997	1,407,825	459,297	32.6	820,527	260,354	31.7	587,298	198,943	33.9
1998	1,424,548	520,690	36.6	843,671	304,856	36.1	580,877	215,834	37.2
1999	1,422,398	531,498	37.4	843,031	312,871	37.1	579,367	218,627	37.7
2000	1,456,431	554,432	38.1	845,774	320,683	37.9	610,657	233,749	38.3
2001	1,546,094	592,932	38.4	860,944	337,508	39.2	685,150	255,424	37.3
2002	1,680,573	616,501	36.7	904,251	344,833	38.1	776,322	271,668	35.0
2003	1,769,972	631,320	35.7	917,456	343,711	37.5	852,516	287,609	33.7
2004	1,814,482	639,585	35.2	917,579	342,192	37.3	896,903	297,393	33.2
2005	1,762,650	616,349	35.0	888,937	328,359	36.9	873,713	287,990	33.0
2006	1,781,066	602,322	33.8	894,456	316,937	35.4	886,610	285,385	32.2
2007	1,780,676	582,229	32.7	889,279	305,775	34.4	891,397	276,454	31.0
2008	1,890,997	636,468	33.7	947,071	332,823	35.1	943,926	303,645	32.2
2009	2,169,618	719,044	33.1	1,095,552	378,419	34.5	1,074,066	340,625	31.7
2010	2,213,756	694,168	31.4	1,109,791	361,154	32.5	1,103,965	333,014	30.2
2011	2,177,763	658,464	30.2	1,101,503	343,871	31.2	1,076,260	314,593	29.2
2012	2,123,291	642,687	30.3	1,087,625	339,161	31.2	1,035,666	303,526	29.3
2013	1,954,953	591,779	30.3	1,019,152	318,534	31.3	935,801	273,245	29.2
2014	1,770,742	546,894	30.9	950,730	308,313	32.4	820,012	238,581	29.1
<i>Under age 18</i>									
1992	360,117	194,494	54.0	329,316	176,929	53.7	30,801	17,565	57.0
1993	481,888	218,724	45.4	443,778	200,206	45.1	38,110	18,518	48.6
1994	513,641	177,660	34.6	475,233	164,436	34.6	38,408	13,224	34.4
1995	477,274	149,140	31.2	443,367	138,959	31.3	33,907	10,181	30.0
1996	443,525	133,375	30.1	413,379	124,846	30.2	30,146	8,529	28.3
1997	324,069	112,387	34.7	302,540	105,366	34.8	21,529	7,021	32.6
1998	327,688	129,729	39.6	306,164	121,371	39.6	21,524	8,358	38.8
1999	333,169	135,117	40.6	310,763	126,253	40.6	22,406	8,864	39.6
2000	339,700	143,488	42.2	316,325	133,675	42.3	23,375	9,813	42.0
2001	357,242	157,781	44.2	332,701	146,810	44.1	24,541	10,971	44.7
2002	390,280	170,519	43.7	363,007	158,369	43.6	27,273	12,150	44.5
2003	412,796	178,051	43.1	384,457	165,640	43.1	28,339	12,411	43.8
2004	420,131	180,180	42.9	391,024	167,412	42.8	29,107	12,768	43.9
2005	398,349	169,033	42.4	369,914	156,928	42.4	28,435	12,105	42.6
2006	405,134	166,092	41.0	376,681	154,486	41.0	28,453	11,606	40.8
2007	404,324	164,500	40.7	374,495	152,314	40.7	29,829	12,186	40.9
2008	418,817	174,936	41.8	388,313	162,193	41.8	30,504	12,743	41.8
2009	481,971	198,403	41.2	446,904	183,948	41.2	35,067	14,455	41.2
2010	481,745	190,100	39.5	446,165	176,200	39.5	35,580	13,900	39.1
2011	471,125	183,203	38.9	436,510	170,213	39.0	34,615	12,990	37.5
2012	457,483	178,811	39.1	424,582	166,465	39.2	32,901	12,346	37.5
2013	415,326	163,373	39.3	386,937	153,171	39.6	28,389	10,202	35.9
2014	385,814	158,493	41.1	361,250	149,937	41.5	24,564	8,556	34.8

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**Table 70.**

**Medical decisions at the initial adjudicative level, by age, year of application, and program, 1992–2014—Continued**

Year	All decisions			Decisions on applications for SSI only			Decisions on applications for both Social Security and SSI		
	Total	Allowances	Allowance rate <sup>a</sup> (percent)	Total	Allowances	Allowance rate <sup>a</sup> (percent)	Total	Allowances	Allowance rate <sup>a</sup> (percent)
<b>Aged 18–64</b>									
1992	1,333,742	492,046	36.9	616,523	222,077	36.0	717,219	269,969	37.6
1993	1,425,163	468,477	32.9	662,298	208,554	31.5	762,865	259,923	34.1
1994	1,376,322	399,267	29.0	629,051	170,618	27.1	747,271	228,649	30.6
1995	1,263,064	357,732	28.3	592,390	151,417	25.6	670,674	206,315	30.8
1996	1,189,735	338,209	28.4	555,158	142,505	25.7	634,577	195,704	30.8
1997	1,057,299	324,213	30.7	498,637	139,003	27.9	558,662	185,210	33.2
1998	1,056,306	356,592	33.8	506,024	157,861	31.2	550,282	198,731	36.1
1999	1,049,989	362,246	34.5	502,870	162,036	32.2	547,119	200,210	36.6
2000	1,081,027	379,717	35.1	503,788	165,543	32.9	577,239	214,174	37.1
2001	1,155,398	405,803	35.1	505,146	171,400	33.9	650,252	234,403	36.0
2002	1,253,512	413,583	33.0	515,932	165,177	32.0	737,580	248,406	33.7
2003	1,327,731	427,173	32.2	515,627	163,726	31.8	812,104	263,447	32.4
2004	1,366,677	434,571	31.8	511,649	162,380	31.7	855,028	272,191	31.8
2005	1,333,047	418,474	31.4	501,512	156,015	31.1	831,535	262,459	31.6
2006	1,349,411	411,783	30.5	504,810	151,248	30.0	844,601	260,535	30.8
2007	1,351,470	413,771	30.6	503,679	149,772	29.7	847,791	263,999	31.1
2008	1,447,623	458,274	31.7	547,684	167,662	30.6	899,939	290,612	32.3
2009	1,662,395	517,545	31.1	636,810	191,630	30.1	1,025,585	325,915	31.8
2010	1,707,460	501,488	29.4	653,083	182,656	28.0	1,054,377	318,832	30.2
2011	1,681,984	473,246	28.1	654,730	171,854	26.2	1,027,254	301,392	29.3
2012	1,643,081	462,002	28.1	653,877	171,020	26.2	989,204	290,982	29.4
2013	1,516,622	426,916	28.1	622,751	164,084	26.3	893,871	262,832	29.4
2014	1,361,849	387,140	28.4	579,445	157,296	27.1	782,404	229,844	29.4

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Disability Research File, 100 percent data.

NOTES: Data are current through June 2015.

Because a number of applications remain pending for more recent years, the numbers and percentages will change over time.

Applications with a medical decision may be pending a final nonmedical decision or subsequently denied for nonmedical reasons.

a. Rate determined by dividing medical allowances by all medical decisions for that year.

b. Includes applicants aged 65 or older.

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**Table 71.**  
**Medical decisions at the reconsideration level, by age, year of application, and program,**  
**1992–2014**

Year	All decisions			Decisions on applications for SSI only			Decisions on applications for both Social Security and SSI		
	Total	Allowances	Allowance rate <sup>a</sup> (percent)	Total	Allowances	Allowance rate <sup>a</sup> (percent)	Total	Allowances	Allowance rate <sup>a</sup> (percent)
<i>All ages <sup>b</sup></i>									
1992	479,152	74,500	15.5	234,057	38,371	16.4	245,095	36,129	14.7
1993	557,384	75,559	13.6	280,174	38,663	13.8	277,210	36,896	13.3
1994	571,602	73,734	12.9	290,341	36,826	12.7	281,261	36,908	13.1
1995	522,987	66,780	12.8	275,013	33,432	12.2	247,974	33,348	13.4
1996	480,593	65,352	13.6	249,224	32,510	13.0	231,369	32,842	14.2
1997	409,396	62,496	15.3	208,993	31,881	15.3	200,403	30,615	15.3
1998	390,212	61,264	15.7	203,132	31,818	15.7	187,080	29,446	15.7
1999	382,196	55,620	14.6	197,671	28,498	14.4	184,525	27,122	14.7
2000	394,662	52,402	13.3	197,882	25,633	13.0	196,780	26,769	13.6
2001	419,766	53,611	12.8	196,541	25,001	12.7	223,225	28,610	12.8
2002	472,269	56,444	12.0	209,695	25,435	12.1	262,574	31,009	11.8
2003	502,907	58,160	11.6	209,116	24,920	11.9	293,791	33,240	11.3
2004	503,680	55,577	11.0	200,185	23,206	11.6	303,495	32,371	10.7
2005	487,236	53,613	11.0	195,288	23,049	11.8	291,948	30,564	10.5
2006	498,326	54,750	11.0	199,663	23,323	11.7	298,663	31,427	10.5
2007	513,013	58,582	11.4	206,399	24,486	11.9	306,614	34,096	11.1
2008	570,374	65,657	11.5	234,444	28,083	12.0	335,930	37,574	11.2
2009	670,502	71,059	10.6	280,394	30,718	11.0	390,108	40,341	10.3
2010	712,027	68,026	9.6	295,969	29,398	9.9	416,058	38,628	9.3
2011	726,028	67,824	9.3	306,412	29,330	9.6	419,616	38,494	9.2
2012	707,766	67,554	9.5	303,039	29,198	9.6	404,727	38,356	9.5
2013	650,526	59,109	9.1	283,030	26,104	9.2	367,496	33,005	9.0
2014	487,163	41,321	8.5	215,258	18,750	8.7	271,905	22,571	8.3
<i>Under age 18</i>									
1992	49,099	9,570	19.5	44,562	8,590	19.3	4,537	980	21.6
1993	75,816	11,440	15.1	69,176	10,355	15.0	6,640	1,085	16.3
1994	91,854	11,475	12.5	83,789	10,461	12.5	8,065	1,014	12.6
1995	86,651	10,459	12.1	79,397	9,625	12.1	7,254	834	11.5
1996	74,836	9,646	12.9	68,797	8,863	12.9	6,039	783	13.0
1997	51,365	8,583	16.7	47,131	7,883	16.7	4,234	700	16.5
1998	49,909	8,042	16.1	45,989	7,417	16.1	3,920	625	15.9
1999	49,456	7,476	15.1	45,465	6,839	15.0	3,991	637	16.0
2000	49,350	7,232	14.7	45,330	6,650	14.7	4,020	582	14.5
2001	50,676	7,463	14.7	46,575	6,841	14.7	4,101	622	15.2
2002	57,688	8,120	14.1	52,949	7,361	13.9	4,739	759	16.0
2003	61,737	8,698	14.1	56,681	7,901	13.9	5,056	797	15.8
2004	60,382	8,122	13.5	55,394	7,424	13.4	4,988	698	14.0
2005	57,383	8,191	14.3	52,552	7,495	14.3	4,831	696	14.4
2006	60,742	8,670	14.3	55,704	7,930	14.2	5,038	740	14.7
2007	62,301	8,735	14.0	56,931	7,970	14.0	5,370	765	14.2
2008	68,493	9,910	14.5	62,718	9,048	14.4	5,775	862	14.9
2009	82,529	11,026	13.4	75,677	10,029	13.3	6,852	997	14.6
2010	84,992	10,928	12.9	77,911	9,983	12.8	7,081	945	13.3
2011	85,004	10,592	12.5	77,977	9,724	12.5	7,027	868	12.4
2012	81,674	10,029	12.3	75,109	9,191	12.2	6,565	838	12.8
2013	70,477	8,410	11.9	65,025	7,804	12.0	5,452	606	11.1
2014	50,691	6,050	11.9	47,039	5,619	11.9	3,652	431	11.8

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**Table 71.**

**Medical decisions at the reconsideration level, by age, year of application, and program,  
1992–2014—Continued**

Year	All decisions			Decisions on applications for SSI only			Decisions on applications for both Social Security and SSI		
	Total	Allowances	Allowance rate <sup>a</sup> (percent)	Total	Allowances	Allowance rate <sup>a</sup> (percent)	Total	Allowances	Allowance rate <sup>a</sup> (percent)
<b>Aged 18–64</b>									
1992	429,944	64,891	15.1	189,409	29,744	15.7	240,535	35,147	14.6
1993	481,434	64,074	13.3	210,882	28,268	13.4	270,552	35,806	13.2
1994	479,439	62,150	13.0	206,253	26,260	12.7	273,186	35,890	13.1
1995	435,988	56,205	12.9	195,281	23,695	12.1	240,707	32,510	13.5
1996	403,309	54,194	13.4	178,404	22,457	12.6	224,905	31,737	14.1
1997	355,514	52,588	14.8	159,694	22,951	14.4	195,820	29,637	15.1
1998	337,411	51,757	15.3	154,436	23,051	14.9	182,975	28,706	15.7
1999	330,830	47,239	14.3	150,460	20,861	13.9	180,370	26,378	14.6
2000	343,707	44,502	12.9	151,099	18,411	12.2	192,608	26,091	13.5
2001	367,515	45,455	12.4	148,582	17,596	11.8	218,933	27,859	12.7
2002	412,619	47,420	11.5	155,025	17,347	11.2	257,594	30,073	11.7
2003	439,703	48,840	11.1	151,200	16,549	10.9	288,503	32,291	11.2
2004	442,103	46,926	10.6	143,824	15,416	10.7	298,279	31,510	10.6
2005	428,808	44,793	10.4	141,922	15,112	10.6	286,886	29,681	10.3
2006	436,664	45,509	10.4	143,274	15,014	10.5	293,390	30,495	10.4
2007	449,903	49,663	11.0	148,909	16,346	11.0	300,994	33,317	11.1
2008	501,120	55,605	11.1	171,239	18,905	11.0	329,881	36,700	11.1
2009	587,281	59,910	10.2	204,295	20,581	10.1	382,986	39,329	10.3
2010	626,370	56,995	9.1	217,664	19,321	8.9	408,706	37,674	9.2
2011	640,437	57,155	8.9	228,099	19,538	8.6	412,338	37,617	9.1
2012	625,594	57,444	9.2	227,676	19,944	8.8	397,918	37,500	9.4
2013	579,684	50,646	8.7	217,804	18,255	8.4	361,880	32,391	9.0
2014	436,068	35,214	8.1	167,978	13,082	7.8	268,090	22,132	8.3

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Disability Research File, 100 percent data.

NOTES: Data are current through June 2015.

Because a number of applications remain pending for more recent years, the numbers and percentages will change over time.

Applications with a medical decision may be pending a final nonmedical decision or subsequently denied for nonmedical reasons.

A revised process was introduced on October 1, 1999, in 10 states, under which initial denials could be appealed directly to the hearing level without a reconsideration.

a. Rate determined by dividing medical allowances by all medical decisions for that year.

b. Includes applicants aged 65 or older.

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**Table 72.**  
**Medical decisions at the hearing level or above, by age, year of application, and program,**  
**1992–2014**

Year	All decisions			Decisions on applications for SSI only			Decisions on applications for both Social Security and SSI		
	Total	Allowances	Allowance rate <sup>a</sup> (percent)	Total	Allowances	Allowance rate <sup>a</sup> (percent)	Total	Allowances	Allowance rate <sup>a</sup> (percent)
<i>All ages <sup>b</sup></i>									
1992	280,751	189,656	67.6	128,789	79,307	61.6	151,962	110,349	72.6
1993	327,271	205,185	62.7	153,126	85,195	55.6	174,145	119,990	68.9
1994	333,329	196,756	59.0	156,584	80,594	51.5	176,745	116,162	65.7
1995	300,958	170,826	56.8	145,570	70,445	48.4	155,388	100,381	64.6
1996	271,977	159,167	58.5	128,712	64,430	50.1	143,265	94,737	66.1
1997	238,765	145,150	60.8	112,218	59,766	53.3	126,547	85,384	67.5
1998	224,761	137,432	61.1	107,693	58,028	53.9	117,068	79,404	67.8
1999	231,530	142,355	61.5	111,215	59,903	53.9	120,315	82,452	68.5
2000	260,933	157,787	60.5	124,028	65,071	52.5	136,905	92,716	67.7
2001	283,318	170,567	60.2	126,615	65,611	51.8	156,703	104,956	67.0
2002	321,418	193,520	60.2	134,930	69,256	51.3	186,488	124,264	66.6
2003	340,589	206,488	60.6	131,931	67,627	51.3	208,658	138,861	66.5
2004	343,014	211,090	61.5	125,640	65,327	52.0	217,374	145,763	67.1
2005	332,314	207,912	62.6	122,476	65,009	53.1	209,838	142,903	68.1
2006	341,307	212,057	62.1	125,151	66,320	53.0	216,156	145,737	67.4
2007	350,881	215,468	61.4	129,490	68,517	52.9	221,391	146,951	66.4
2008	389,898	233,389	59.9	148,119	76,191	51.4	241,779	157,198	65.0
2009	464,778	256,822	55.3	180,664	85,012	47.1	284,114	171,810	60.5
2010	502,300	252,706	50.3	194,237	81,827	42.1	308,063	170,879	55.5
2011	507,171	236,757	46.7	200,394	77,796	38.8	306,777	158,961	51.8
2012	425,266	199,068	46.8	169,194	65,498	38.7	256,072	133,570	52.2
2013	194,278	86,884	44.7	78,287	28,789	36.8	115,991	58,095	50.1
2014	18,620	6,977	37.5	7,933	2,217	27.9	10,687	4,760	44.5
<i>Under age 18</i>									
1992	19,988	7,729	38.7	17,979	6,890	38.3	2,009	839	41.8
1993	31,658	10,921	34.5	28,625	9,784	34.2	3,033	1,137	37.5
1994	38,751	13,222	34.1	34,869	11,860	34.0	3,882	1,362	35.1
1995	35,856	11,285	31.5	32,428	10,131	31.2	3,428	1,154	33.7
1996	28,105	9,153	32.6	25,589	8,295	32.4	2,516	858	34.1
1997	19,549	7,300	37.3	17,723	6,594	37.2	1,826	706	38.7
1998	18,904	7,249	38.3	17,199	6,550	38.1	1,705	699	41.0
1999	20,903	8,082	38.7	18,986	7,293	38.4	1,917	789	41.2
2000	25,201	9,365	37.2	22,916	8,426	36.8	2,285	939	41.1
2001	26,841	9,848	36.7	24,497	8,899	36.3	2,344	949	40.5
2002	30,504	11,041	36.2	27,854	9,987	35.9	2,650	1,054	39.8
2003	31,571	11,373	36.0	28,731	10,243	35.7	2,840	1,130	39.8
2004	30,687	11,094	36.2	27,902	9,942	35.6	2,785	1,152	41.4
2005	28,714	10,548	36.7	26,065	9,427	36.2	2,649	1,121	42.3
2006	30,185	11,556	38.3	27,450	10,375	37.8	2,735	1,181	43.2
2007	30,931	11,864	38.4	27,929	10,558	37.8	3,002	1,306	43.5
2008	33,814	12,389	36.6	30,603	11,033	36.1	3,211	1,356	42.2
2009	42,115	13,717	32.6	38,265	12,268	32.1	3,850	1,449	37.6
2010	43,165	12,620	29.2	39,218	11,329	28.9	3,947	1,291	32.7
2011	43,152	12,014	27.8	39,294	10,748	27.4	3,858	1,266	32.8
2012	35,435	9,800	27.7	32,365	8,819	27.2	3,070	981	32.0
2013	15,280	4,071	26.6	14,043	3,671	26.1	1,237	400	32.3
2014	1,322	225	17.0	1,229	207	16.8	93	18	19.4

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**Table 72.**  
**Medical decisions at the hearing level or above, by age, year of application, and program,**  
**1992–2014—Continued**

Year	All decisions			Decisions on applications for SSI only			Decisions on applications for both Social Security and SSI		
	Total	Allowances	Allowance rate <sup>a</sup> (percent)	Total	Allowances	Allowance rate <sup>a</sup> (percent)	Total	Allowances	Allowance rate <sup>a</sup> (percent)
<b>Aged 18–64</b>									
1992	260,727	181,899	69.8	110,785	72,398	65.4	149,942	109,501	73.0
1993	295,551	194,215	65.7	124,445	75,368	60.6	171,106	118,847	69.5
1994	294,441	183,449	62.3	121,584	68,654	56.5	172,857	114,795	66.4
1995	264,954	159,444	60.2	113,002	60,224	53.3	151,952	99,220	65.3
1996	243,064	149,301	61.4	102,414	55,516	54.2	140,650	93,785	66.7
1997	218,255	137,054	62.8	93,599	52,430	56.0	124,656	84,624	67.9
1998	204,894	129,421	63.2	89,580	50,760	56.7	115,314	78,661	68.2
1999	210,020	133,802	63.7	91,668	52,179	56.9	118,352	81,623	69.0
2000	235,110	147,974	62.9	100,534	56,232	55.9	134,576	91,742	68.2
2001	255,887	160,297	62.6	101,572	56,321	55.4	154,315	103,976	67.4
2002	290,161	182,002	62.7	106,370	58,825	55.3	183,791	123,177	67.0
2003	308,419	194,719	63.1	102,667	57,040	55.6	205,752	137,679	66.9
2004	311,827	199,638	64.0	97,293	55,061	56.6	214,534	144,577	67.4
2005	303,336	197,214	65.0	96,180	55,454	57.7	207,156	141,760	68.4
2006	310,907	200,356	64.4	97,519	55,829	57.2	213,388	144,527	67.7
2007	319,748	203,517	63.6	101,387	57,883	57.1	218,361	145,634	66.7
2008	355,922	220,918	62.1	117,382	65,085	55.4	238,540	155,833	65.3
2009	422,509	243,032	57.5	142,281	72,685	51.1	280,228	170,347	60.8
2010	458,965	240,004	52.3	154,885	70,430	45.5	304,080	169,574	55.8
2011	463,913	224,702	48.4	161,019	67,015	41.6	302,894	157,687	52.1
2012	389,746	189,236	48.6	136,772	56,654	41.4	252,974	132,582	52.4
2013	178,954	82,797	46.3	64,216	25,110	39.1	114,738	57,687	50.3
2014	17,281	6,747	39.0	6,694	2,008	30.0	10,587	4,739	44.8

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Disability Research File, 100 percent data.

NOTES: Data are current through July 2015.

Because a number of applications remain pending for more recent years, the numbers and percentages will change over time.

Applications with a medical decision may be pending a final nonmedical decision or subsequently denied for nonmedical reasons.

A revised process was introduced on October 1, 1999, in 10 states, under which initial denials could be appealed directly to the hearing level without a reconsideration.

a. Rate determined by dividing medical allowances by all medical decisions for that year.

b. Includes applicants aged 65 or older.

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**Table 73.**  
**Percentage distribution of final medical allowances, by age, year of application, and reason for allowance, 1992–2014**

Year	Total		Meets level of severity of listings <sup>a</sup>	Under age 18 only		Aged 18 or older only		Other <sup>a,b</sup>
	Number	Percent		Medically equals level of severity of listings	Functionally equals level of severity of listings	Equals level of severity of listings	Medical and vocational factors considered	
<i>All ages <sup>c</sup></i>								
1992	951,118	100.0	36.6	1.5	1.3	7.5	18.6	34.4
1993	968,374	100.0	36.5	1.5	1.6	5.5	17.4	37.6
1994	848,211	100.0	36.8	1.5	2.1	4.4	18.1	37.1
1995	745,348	100.0	35.8	1.6	2.5	4.3	18.6	37.2
1996	733,450	100.0	35.9	1.8	3.3	4.4	17.4	37.2
1997	666,943	100.0	37.6	1.8	4.3	4.7	18.4	33.3
1998	719,386	100.0	38.2	1.9	4.8	4.2	20.0	30.9
1999	731,105	100.0	36.5	2.0	5.3	3.9	20.8	31.4
2000	764,621	100.0	35.0	1.9	6.1	4.2	21.3	31.5
2001	817,110	100.0	34.6	1.8	6.9	4.2	22.1	30.4
2002	866,465	100.0	33.0	1.7	7.8	3.7	21.6	32.2
2003	895,968	100.0	32.0	1.6	8.7	3.6	21.8	32.2
2004	906,252	100.0	31.2	1.5	9.3	3.6	22.4	32.1
2005	877,874	100.0	30.4	1.4	9.4	3.4	22.7	32.7
2006	869,129	100.0	29.9	1.3	9.9	3.3	22.3	33.4
2007	856,279	100.0	30.2	1.3	10.5	3.5	23.2	31.4
2008	935,514	100.0	29.5	1.2	10.1	3.8	24.5	30.9
2009	1,046,925	100.0	28.8	1.2	10.4	3.9	25.8	30.0
2010	1,014,900	100.0	27.8	1.2	10.7	3.9	26.1	30.4
2011	963,045	100.0	27.6	1.2	10.7	3.9	26.6	29.9
2012	909,533	100.0	28.1	1.4	11.1	4.0	27.9	27.5
2013	737,995	100.0	32.4	1.5	12.3	4.3	30.9	18.5
2014	595,432	100.0	37.4	1.7	14.7	4.5	33.1	8.6
<i>Under age 18</i>								
1992	211,793	100.0	48.3	6.9	5.9	...	...	38.9
1993	241,085	100.0	44.9	5.9	6.4	...	...	42.7
1994	202,357	100.0	45.6	6.5	8.6	...	...	39.3
1995	170,884	100.0	44.8	7.0	11.0	...	...	37.2
1996	152,174	100.0	52.7	8.7	16.0	...	...	22.6
1997	128,270	100.0	55.8	9.2	22.1	...	...	12.9
1998	145,020	100.0	55.6	9.6	23.6	...	...	11.2
1999	150,821	100.0	53.1	9.7	25.8	...	...	11.4
2000	160,085	100.0	50.1	9.2	28.9	...	...	11.8
2001	175,092	100.0	48.2	8.2	32.4	...	...	11.2
2002	189,680	100.0	45.2	7.6	35.8	...	...	11.3
2003	198,122	100.0	43.5	7.4	39.3	...	...	9.8
2004	199,396	100.0	42.0	6.6	42.3	...	...	9.1
2005	187,772	100.0	39.9	6.5	44.2	...	...	9.5
2006	186,318	100.0	37.9	5.9	46.2	...	...	10.1
2007	185,099	100.0	37.0	5.8	48.4	...	...	8.7
2008	197,235	100.0	37.7	5.8	47.8	...	...	8.7
2009	223,146	100.0	37.0	5.5	49.0	...	...	8.5
2010	213,648	100.0	35.8	5.6	50.9	...	...	7.6
2011	205,809	100.0	36.7	5.8	50.2	...	...	7.3
2012	198,645	100.0	36.7	6.4	50.9	...	...	6.0
2013	175,867	100.0	38.5	6.5	51.8	...	...	3.3
2014	164,774	100.0	39.8	6.1	53.0	...	...	1.1

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**Table 73.**  
**Percentage distribution of final medical allowances, by age, year of application, and reason for allowance, 1992–2014—Continued**

Year	Total		Meets level of severity of listings <sup>a</sup>	Under age 18 only		Aged 18 or older only		Other <sup>a,b</sup>
	Number	Percent		Medically equals level of severity of listings	Functionally equals level of severity of listings	Equals level of severity of listings	Medical and vocational factors considered	
<b>Aged 18–64</b>								
1992	738,836	100.0	33.3	...	...	9.7	23.9	33.2
1993	726,766	100.0	33.7	...	...	7.3	23.1	35.9
1994	644,866	100.0	34.0	...	...	5.8	23.8	36.4
1995	573,381	100.0	33.2	...	...	5.6	24.0	37.2
1996	541,704	100.0	33.7	...	...	5.9	23.3	37.1
1997	513,855	100.0	34.5	...	...	6.1	22.6	36.9
1998	537,770	100.0	35.5	...	...	5.5	23.9	35.1
1999	544,767	100.0	33.9	...	...	5.2	25.0	35.8
2000	572,193	100.0	32.4	...	...	5.5	26.2	35.8
2001	611,555	100.0	32.3	...	...	5.5	27.6	34.6
2002	643,005	100.0	30.9	...	...	5.0	27.2	36.9
2003	670,732	100.0	29.8	...	...	4.8	27.9	37.5
2004	681,135	100.0	29.1	...	...	4.7	28.9	37.3
2005	660,481	100.0	28.9	...	...	4.5	29.3	37.2
2006	657,648	100.0	28.7	...	...	4.4	28.7	38.2
2007	666,951	100.0	28.4	...	...	4.5	29.3	37.9
2008	734,797	100.0	27.4	...	...	4.8	30.8	36.9
2009	820,487	100.0	26.6	...	...	5.0	32.6	35.9
2010	798,487	100.0	25.7	...	...	4.9	32.8	36.6
2011	755,103	100.0	25.2	...	...	5.0	33.7	36.1
2012	708,901	100.0	25.7	...	...	5.1	35.6	33.6
2013	560,569	100.0	30.6	...	...	5.7	40.4	23.3
2014	429,335	100.0	36.6	...	...	6.3	45.7	11.5

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Disability Research File, 100 percent data.

NOTES: Data for the initial and reconsideration levels are current through June 2015. Data for the hearing level or above are current through July 2015.

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Applications with a medical decision may be pending a final nonmedical decision or subsequently denied for nonmedical reasons.

Includes decisions for SSI-only applications and applications for both Social Security and SSI. Does not include Social Security-only applications.

... = not applicable.

a. Includes all age groups.

b. Includes applications for which the disability was previously established and those for which the basis for the determination is not available. For final determinations made in or before August 1996 for applicants under age 18, also includes applications allowed because individual functional assessment showed impairment of comparable severity.

c. Includes applicants aged 65 or older.

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**Table 74.**  
**Percentage distribution of final medical denials, by age, year of application, and reason for denial, 1992–2014**

Year	Total		Impairment did not or is not expected to last 12 months	Impairment is not severe	Impairment does not cause severe functional limitations <sup>a</sup>	Able to do usual past work <sup>b</sup>	Able to do other type of work <sup>b</sup>	Other <sup>c</sup>
	Number	Percent						
<i>All ages <sup>d</sup></i>								
1992	743,395	100.0	7.3	22.1	...	17.5	26.3	26.9
1993	939,357	100.0	6.6	21.2	...	15.4	24.8	31.9
1994	1,043,113	100.0	6.2	20.7	...	13.6	23.3	36.1
1995	996,529	100.0	6.2	19.7	...	12.4	22.4	39.2
1996	940,293	100.0	6.4	20.6	5.8	12.1	22.9	32.2
1997	740,882	100.0	6.8	16.7	16.2	13.0	25.1	22.1
1998	705,162	100.0	6.9	15.0	18.3	14.7	25.4	19.9
1999	691,487	100.0	6.6	14.0	19.1	15.5	24.5	20.2
2000	691,810	100.0	6.5	13.3	18.7	15.8	24.2	21.5
2001	728,984	100.0	6.1	13.2	18.2	16.6	26.1	19.8
2002	814,108	100.0	5.7	13.0	18.2	17.0	26.6	19.6
2003	874,004	100.0	5.1	12.1	18.6	17.2	27.4	19.6
2004	908,230	100.0	4.8	11.3	18.6	16.9	27.8	20.7
2005	884,776	100.0	4.5	11.1	18.0	16.4	28.1	21.9
2006	911,937	100.0	4.3	11.3	18.2	16.4	28.3	21.5
2007	924,397	100.0	4.3	10.8	18.1	16.4	27.8	22.6
2008	952,702	100.0	4.0	10.3	18.0	16.8	28.7	22.2
2009	1,117,801	100.0	3.3	10.3	18.2	16.9	30.2	21.1
2010	1,190,001	100.0	2.9	10.6	17.8	16.5	31.0	21.2
2011	1,194,915	100.0	2.9	10.3	17.6	13.3	33.7	22.2
2012	1,128,026	100.0	2.9	10.1	17.9	9.5	38.3	21.4
2013	931,488	100.0	3.0	10.1	18.6	7.6	38.4	22.2
2014	792,604	100.0	3.0	9.7	19.2	6.7	38.0	23.3
<i>Under age 18</i>								
1992	148,324	100.0	1.5	22.7	...	...	...	75.8
1993	240,803	100.0	1.3	21.8	...	...	...	76.9
1994	311,284	100.0	1.4	22.4	...	...	...	76.2
1995	306,390	100.0	1.3	21.8	...	...	...	76.9
1996	291,351	100.0	1.4	26.9	18.7	...	...	53.0
1997	195,799	100.0	1.6	19.1	61.4	...	...	18.0
1998	182,668	100.0	1.3	14.4	70.6	...	...	13.7
1999	182,358	100.0	1.1	13.3	72.4	...	...	13.2
2000	179,615	100.0	1.1	13.2	72.1	...	...	13.6
2001	182,150	100.0	1.1	14.0	73.0	...	...	11.9
2002	200,600	100.0	1.0	13.4	73.9	...	...	11.8
2003	214,674	100.0	0.9	12.3	75.9	...	...	10.9
2004	220,735	100.0	0.8	10.9	76.5	...	...	11.8
2005	210,577	100.0	0.9	11.0	75.6	...	...	12.6
2006	218,816	100.0	0.8	11.3	75.9	...	...	12.0
2007	219,225	100.0	0.9	11.3	76.5	...	...	11.4
2008	221,447	100.0	0.9	10.7	77.6	...	...	10.8
2009	258,601	100.0	0.8	10.0	78.6	...	...	10.6
2010	267,665	100.0	0.7	10.1	79.0	...	...	10.2
2011	264,248	100.0	0.7	10.4	79.6	...	...	9.3
2012	252,313	100.0	0.7	10.5	79.9	...	...	8.9
2013	217,924	100.0	0.7	10.3	79.7	...	...	9.3
2014	191,628	100.0	0.6	10.2	79.6	...	...	9.6

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**Table 74.**  
**Percentage distribution of final medical denials, by age, year of application, and reason for denial, 1992–2014—Continued**

Year	Total		Impairment did not or is not expected to last 12 months	Impairment is not severe	Impairment does not cause severe functional limitations <sup>a</sup>	Able to do usual past work <sup>b</sup>	Able to do other type of work <sup>b</sup>	Other <sup>c</sup>
	Number	Percent						
<b>Aged 18–64</b>								
1992	594,906	100.0	8.8	21.9	...	21.8	32.8	14.7
1993	698,397	100.0	8.4	21.0	...	20.7	33.4	16.4
1994	731,456	100.0	8.3	20.0	...	19.4	33.2	19.1
1995	689,683	100.0	8.4	18.8	...	17.9	32.4	22.5
1996	648,031	100.0	8.6	17.8	...	17.5	33.3	22.8
1997	543,444	100.0	8.8	15.8	...	17.7	34.2	23.6
1998	518,536	100.0	8.9	14.9	...	19.7	34.4	22.0
1999	505,406	100.0	8.7	14.1	...	21.0	33.5	22.7
2000	508,834	100.0	8.4	13.2	...	21.3	32.8	24.3
2001	543,843	100.0	7.8	12.8	...	22.1	35.0	22.3
2002	610,507	100.0	7.3	12.7	...	22.5	35.4	22.1
2003	656,999	100.0	6.5	11.9	...	22.7	36.4	22.4
2004	685,542	100.0	6.0	11.4	...	22.3	36.8	23.5
2005	672,566	100.0	5.6	11.1	...	21.5	36.9	24.7
2006	691,763	100.0	5.4	11.3	...	21.6	37.2	24.5
2007	684,519	100.0	5.5	10.9	...	22.1	37.5	23.9
2008	710,182	100.0	5.1	10.5	...	22.5	38.5	23.5
2009	837,241	100.0	4.2	10.6	...	22.5	40.4	22.3
2010	900,550	100.0	3.7	11.0	...	21.7	41.0	22.6
2011	908,146	100.0	3.6	10.5	...	17.5	44.4	24.1
2012	854,978	100.0	3.6	10.2	...	12.5	50.5	23.2
2013	692,131	100.0	3.8	10.3	...	10.3	51.7	23.9
2014	579,271	100.0	3.9	9.9	...	9.2	52.0	25.0

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Disability Research File, 100 percent data.

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Applications with a medical decision may be pending a final nonmedical decision or subsequently denied for nonmedical reasons.

Includes decisions for SSI-only applications and applications for both Social Security and SSI. Does not include Social Security-only applications.

... = not applicable.

a. Used only for applicants under age 18. Category effective for final determinations made August 1996 or later.

b. Used only for applicants aged 18 or older.

c. Applicant provided insufficient evidence, failed to cooperate, failed to follow prescribed treatment, did not want to continue development of the claim, or returned to substantial work before disability could be established. For final determinations made August 1996 or before for applicants under age 18, also includes claims denied because individual functional assessment showed impairment not of comparable severity.

d. Includes applicants aged 65 or older.

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# SUSPENSIONS, TERMINATIONS, AND DURATION OF ELIGIBILITY





Suspensions, Terminations, and Duration of Eligibility

**Table 75.**  
**Suspensions, by age of recipient and reason for suspension, 2006–2015**

Year	Total	Excess income	In Medicaid facility	Whereabouts unknown	Excess resources	Presumptive disability	No representative payee	In public institution	Failed to furnish report	Outside United States	In transition	No longer disabled	Other
<i>All ages</i>													
2006	1,045,373	593,810	42,763	133,626	38,075	3,205	31,620	79,127	17,464	23,909	9,474	45,023	27,277
2007	1,072,024	598,017	42,070	136,807	38,306	2,954	30,612	80,447	28,743	27,269	7,404	50,799	28,596
2008	1,141,610	656,162	42,327	147,378	39,213	3,150	30,143	84,293	29,080	25,023	6,522	47,546	30,773
2009	1,214,750	688,510	38,903	172,845	44,767	3,339	26,327	79,627	45,461	23,065	6,815	63,323	21,768
2010	1,219,018	671,726	38,038	169,116	49,299	3,756	25,040	85,840	56,517	28,811	7,358	68,568	14,949
2011	1,299,174	690,334	42,255	191,872	59,916	3,810	25,644	93,539	62,513	34,356	7,590	77,344	10,001
2012	1,281,352	659,298	38,574	200,771	63,637	2,733	25,069	99,992	60,649	30,536	6,776	85,271	8,046
2013	1,286,740	630,046	38,015	226,077	63,589	2,592	27,249	95,726	72,217	29,294	5,968	87,859	8,108
2014	1,349,472	611,305	38,441	257,185	69,088	2,254	25,934	95,071	102,523	29,935	5,304	103,238	9,194
2015	1,286,044	563,332	34,941	231,006	59,318	2,361	24,161	88,221	94,925	28,823	5,110	139,054	14,792
<i>Under age 18</i>													
2006	177,273	101,982	948	27,420	7,854	802	11,920	4,336	6,307	867	388	12,118	1,331
2007	173,290	96,966	1,034	31,898	9,087	617	11,414	4,629	8,110	868	345	6,696	1,626
2008	198,198	110,379	996	38,780	9,706	679	11,247	4,482	13,177	877	342	5,908	1,625
2009	203,939	102,648	1,029	46,031	10,390	725	9,754	4,121	17,710	881	339	9,201	1,110
2010	229,718	114,435	1,095	48,251	11,595	901	9,099	4,041	22,106	918	344	15,936	997
2011	250,099	120,404	1,168	53,221	14,105	854	9,575	4,013	25,680	1,353	353	18,381	992
2012	249,677	114,763	1,098	52,950	14,294	535	9,470	3,656	23,031	1,018	371	27,542	949
2013	262,601	113,285	1,112	60,404	14,840	463	10,639	3,298	28,231	951	381	28,072	925
2014	286,906	103,434	1,038	70,029	16,889	438	9,523	3,273	40,316	924	350	39,705	987
2015	305,580	104,842	948	63,379	14,784	454	8,770	2,938	41,395	913	331	65,858	968
<i>Aged 18–64</i>													
2006	722,577	435,160	15,047	79,018	20,671	2,383	18,030	73,258	8,811	5,854	7,122	32,896	24,327
2007	754,406	444,723	15,496	80,735	20,751	2,315	17,659	74,123	17,604	6,209	5,105	44,088	25,598
2008	796,262	485,145	15,700	83,657	20,897	2,443	17,306	78,035	13,608	5,765	4,419	41,622	27,665
2009	839,058	508,598	13,991	95,772	23,164	2,588	15,206	73,719	23,550	4,291	4,626	54,108	19,445
2010	834,985	499,078	14,187	94,816	25,047	2,831	14,690	79,877	28,264	5,637	4,960	52,612	12,986
2011	875,385	506,139	16,684	108,026	29,693	2,926	14,747	87,378	30,356	7,657	5,160	58,933	7,686
2012	857,902	482,506	15,049	115,391	30,519	2,182	14,285	94,062	30,021	5,841	4,542	57,705	5,799
2013	851,733	458,311	14,609	131,464	29,774	2,115	15,208	90,160	35,292	5,264	3,916	59,777	5,843
2014	875,130	435,176	15,704	152,082	33,434	1,801	14,965	89,519	53,241	5,403	3,428	63,514	6,863
2015	820,654	403,863	13,518	136,055	30,118	1,897	13,931	82,998	46,943	5,470	3,381	73,178	9,302
<i>Aged 65 or older</i>													
2006	145,523	56,668	26,768	26,188	9,550	20	1,670	1,533	2,346	17,188	1,964	9	1,619
2007	144,328	56,328	25,540	24,174	8,468	22	1,539	1,695	3,029	20,192	1,954	15	1,372
2008	147,150	60,638	25,631	24,941	8,610	28	1,590	1,776	2,295	18,381	1,761	16	1,483
2009	171,753	77,264	23,883	31,042	11,213	26	1,367	1,787	4,201	17,893	1,850	14	1,213
2010	154,315	58,213	22,756	26,049	12,657	24	1,251	1,922	6,147	22,256	2,054	20	966
2011	173,690	63,791	24,403	30,625	16,118	30	1,322	2,148	6,477	25,346	2,077	30	1,323
2012	173,773	62,029	22,427	32,430	18,824	16	1,314	2,274	7,597	23,677	1,863	24	1,298
2013	172,406	58,450	22,294	34,209	18,975	14	1,402	2,268	8,694	23,079	1,671	10	1,340
2014	187,436	72,695	21,699	35,074	18,765	15	1,446	2,279	8,966	23,608	1,526	19	1,344
2015	159,810	54,627	20,475	31,572	14,416	10	1,460	2,285	6,587	22,440	1,398	18	4,522

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

NOTES: Includes multiple suspensions per person.

Year-to-year fluctuations in the number of suspensions can be affected by the number of redeterminations and continuing disability reviews conducted by the agency.

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## Suspensions, Terminations, and Duration of Eligibility

**Table 76.**  
**Recipients suspended, by age and reason for suspension, 2006–2015**

Year	Total	Excess income	In Medicaid facility	Whereabouts unknown	Excess resources	Presumptive disability	No representative payee	In public institution	Failed to furnish report	Outside United States	In transition	No longer disabled	Other
<i>All ages</i>													
2006	942,421	517,552	70,996	124,100	37,020	3,040	28,843	73,109	16,411	23,243	9,279	43,563	25,265
2007	967,355	522,508	40,371	126,106	37,168	2,803	27,914	74,035	26,682	26,587	7,181	49,682	26,318
2008	1,028,820	573,824	40,775	136,745	37,917	2,970	27,580	77,527	26,716	24,254	6,329	45,624	28,559
2009	1,111,321	618,609	37,311	159,438	43,394	3,166	23,891	73,525	41,656	22,296	6,598	61,542	19,895
2010	1,108,379	594,847	36,254	158,003	47,572	3,676	23,375	78,539	53,457	27,625	7,028	63,997	14,006
2011	1,181,799	612,011	40,380	179,379	57,243	3,713	23,913	85,558	58,789	32,578	7,193	71,517	9,525
2012	1,161,440	579,596	36,631	187,287	61,135	2,665	23,368	90,795	57,244	29,287	6,446	79,469	7,517
2013	1,165,927	552,116	36,175	210,760	61,238	2,524	25,239	86,980	68,285	28,160	5,668	81,247	7,535
2014	1,230,792	542,584	36,644	239,724	66,503	2,210	24,130	85,979	96,207	28,770	5,006	94,438	8,597
2015	1,165,944	491,654	33,208	215,174	57,060	2,316	22,513	79,795	89,079	27,775	4,804	128,590	13,976
<i>Under age 18</i>													
2006	145,724	74,485	881	26,582	7,577	775	11,066	4,116	5,913	844	377	11,845	1,263
2007	143,588	71,648	945	29,743	8,761	595	10,582	4,362	7,671	854	325	6,588	1,514
2008	162,442	80,232	912	36,103	9,331	652	10,504	4,173	12,064	852	318	5,800	1,501
2009	172,682	78,029	941	42,543	10,002	702	9,042	3,854	16,293	848	320	9,073	1,035
2010	192,607	85,130	996	44,940	11,035	872	8,548	3,658	20,587	879	315	14,721	926
2011	208,917	88,934	1,075	49,522	13,227	828	8,916	3,629	23,705	1,278	317	16,572	914
2012	207,949	83,166	1,025	48,884	13,481	515	8,784	3,291	21,279	966	336	25,353	869
2013	219,107	81,190	1,021	55,915	13,948	454	9,828	2,970	26,208	906	341	25,484	842
2014	246,169	77,339	945	64,794	15,903	426	8,779	2,944	37,178	871	316	35,765	909
2015	262,424	77,063	872	58,516	13,972	451	8,088	2,646	38,259	867	286	60,533	871
<i>Aged 18–64</i>													
2006	659,401	391,737	13,864	72,612	20,114	2,245	16,204	67,542	8,227	5,672	6,972	31,711	22,501
2007	687,636	399,877	14,376	73,440	20,131	2,186	15,893	68,060	16,083	6,044	4,938	43,079	23,529
2008	727,629	438,447	14,684	76,926	20,233	2,292	15,573	71,679	12,456	5,584	4,275	39,810	25,670
2009	775,798	468,793	12,984	87,436	22,473	2,438	13,568	67,981	21,302	4,161	4,472	52,455	17,735
2010	770,791	457,481	13,034	88,203	24,271	2,780	13,621	73,044	26,829	5,382	4,721	49,256	12,169
2011	808,987	464,866	15,458	100,598	28,503	2,856	13,734	79,888	28,763	7,158	4,889	54,917	7,357
2012	789,688	440,292	13,772	107,361	29,415	2,135	13,342	85,370	28,540	5,608	4,317	54,095	5,441
2013	784,237	418,406	13,447	122,076	28,770	2,056	14,074	81,850	33,552	5,075	3,712	55,754	5,465
2014	807,094	398,602	14,512	141,271	32,352	1,770	13,958	80,888	50,268	5,183	3,212	58,656	6,422
2015	753,235	365,894	12,407	126,444	29,055	1,856	13,009	74,994	44,385	5,236	3,178	68,042	8,735
<i>Aged 65 or older</i>													
2006	137,296	51,330	26,251	24,906	9,329	20	1,529	1,451	2,271	16,727	1,930	7	1,501
2007	136,131	50,983	25,050	22,923	8,276	22	1,439	1,613	2,928	19,689	1,918	15	1,275
2008	138,749	55,145	25,179	23,716	8,353	26	1,503	1,675	2,196	17,818	1,736	14	1,388
2009	162,841	71,787	23,386	29,459	10,919	26	1,281	1,690	4,061	17,287	1,806	14	1,125
2010	144,981	52,236	22,224	24,860	12,266	24	1,206	1,837	6,041	21,364	1,992	20	911
2011	163,895	58,211	23,847	29,259	15,513	29	1,263	2,041	6,321	24,142	1,987	28	1,254
2012	163,803	56,138	21,834	31,042	18,239	15	1,242	2,134	7,425	22,713	1,793	21	1,207
2013	162,583	52,520	21,707	32,769	18,520	14	1,337	2,160	8,525	22,179	1,615	9	1,228
2014	177,529	66,643	21,187	33,659	18,248	14	1,393	2,147	8,761	22,716	1,478	17	1,266
2015	150,285	48,697	19,929	30,214	14,033	9	1,416	2,155	6,435	21,672	1,340	15	4,370

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

NOTE: Year-to-year fluctuations in the number of suspensions can be affected by the number of redeterminations and continuing disability reviews conducted by the agency.

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**Table 77.**  
**Recipients terminated, by age and reason for termination, 2006–2015**

Year	Total	Excess income	Death	Whereabouts unknown	Excess resources	In public institution	Failed to furnish report	Outside United States	No longer disabled	Other
<i>All ages</i>										
2006	735,148	339,110	244,013	10,333	25,947	29,797	9,106	13,369	46,561	16,912
2007	690,504	318,291	242,375	9,615	22,439	30,066	5,911	12,284	32,284	17,239
2008	699,627	324,285	244,412	9,496	24,547	29,613	6,860	13,444	30,671	16,299
2009	732,484	354,770	242,680	10,213	24,147	29,796	8,199	11,340	32,408	18,931
2010	815,946	437,922	241,148	11,397	29,184	27,408	10,163	10,527	34,675	13,522
2011	805,483	403,428	246,033	11,039	30,793	29,280	15,032	12,684	43,005	14,189
2012	806,438	397,069	246,415	10,044	35,504	29,256	13,714	14,671	48,802	10,963
2013	800,923	383,908	250,272	10,698	33,772	30,084	12,765	13,127	56,803	9,494
2014	776,769	353,413	247,922	12,475	34,856	31,435	15,107	12,585	59,663	9,313
2015	799,072	354,980	254,736	13,920	35,984	31,091	18,266	12,809	68,904	8,382
<i>Under age 18</i>										
2006	65,132	26,241	5,236	2,654	5,257	1,360	3,188	547	17,536	3,113
2007	55,147	25,529	5,488	2,610	4,855	1,420	2,055	522	9,516	3,152
2008	52,703	27,892	5,194	2,595	6,153	1,399	1,451	518	4,478	3,023
2009	53,367	26,085	5,041	3,239	5,773	1,290	3,414	525	4,528	3,472
2010	57,615	29,098	4,824	3,316	6,430	1,123	3,409	481	5,720	3,214
2011	65,236	29,903	4,805	3,169	6,869	969	4,366	481	11,152	3,522
2012	64,886	26,502	4,686	3,012	8,020	944	4,416	674	13,103	3,529
2013	67,082	25,087	4,484	2,999	7,738	869	4,001	505	18,432	2,967
2014	69,487	25,290	4,167	3,561	8,212	834	4,830	468	19,397	2,728
2015	77,785	25,239	4,202	3,955	8,742	922	6,127	453	25,809	2,336
<i>Aged 18–64</i>										
2006	474,074	272,946	105,254	4,612	13,542	27,701	4,762	3,368	29,007	12,882
2007	450,585	258,701	105,573	4,375	11,734	27,902	3,078	3,174	22,751	13,297
2008	460,763	262,551	107,354	4,482	12,499	27,382	4,611	3,153	26,184	12,547
2009	496,049	292,731	109,525	4,613	12,364	27,668	4,109	2,586	27,860	14,593
2010	552,787	351,258	109,559	4,884	15,398	25,472	5,615	2,050	28,942	9,609
2011	554,917	339,690	113,243	5,223	16,129	27,448	8,943	2,441	31,834	9,966
2012	548,121	331,281	114,647	4,296	17,263	27,422	7,606	3,169	35,682	6,755
2013	533,621	315,961	116,008	4,363	16,093	28,226	6,486	2,446	38,236	5,802
2014	517,189	292,705	116,513	5,314	16,803	29,550	7,884	2,329	40,251	5,840
2015	510,624	279,128	117,504	6,501	17,833	29,086	9,854	2,331	43,073	5,314
<i>Aged 65 or older</i>										
2006	195,942	39,923	133,523	3,067	7,148	736	1,156	9,454	18	917
2007	184,772	34,061	131,314	2,630	5,850	744	778	8,588	17	790
2008	186,161	33,842	131,864	2,419	5,895	832	798	9,773	9	729
2009	183,068	35,954	128,114	2,361	6,010	838	676	8,229	20	866
2010	205,544	57,566	126,765	3,197	7,356	813	1,139	7,996	13	699
2011	185,330	33,835	127,985	2,647	7,795	863	1,723	9,762	19	701
2012	193,431	39,286	127,082	2,736	10,221	890	1,692	10,828	17	679
2013	200,220	42,860	129,780	3,336	9,941	989	2,278	10,176	135	725
2014	190,093	35,418	127,242	3,600	9,841	1,051	2,393	9,788	15	745
2015	210,663	50,613	133,030	3,464	9,409	1,083	2,285	10,025	22	732

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## Suspensions, Terminations, and Duration of Eligibility

**Table 78.**  
**Recipients, by selected characteristics and duration of eligibility, December 2015**

Characteristic	Total		Years of eligibility									State conversion <sup>a</sup>	
	Number	Percent	Under 5	5-9	10-14	15-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40		
All recipients													
Number	8,309,564	...	2,334,226	2,059,725	1,373,016	899,171	817,597	399,622	192,265	117,457	69,260	47,225	
Percent	...	100.0	28.1	24.8	16.5	10.8	9.8	4.8	2.3	1.4	0.8	0.6	
Eligibility category													
Aged	1,157,492	100.0	35.3	24.1	17.2	11.1	8.6	3.0	0.6	0.1	(L)	(L)	
Blind	67,851	100.0	22.4	16.6	14.2	11.7	10.8	8.3	5.9	4.0	2.4	3.7	
Disabled	7,084,221	100.0	27.0	25.0	16.4	10.8	10.0	5.1	2.6	1.6	1.0	0.6	
Age at first month of eligibility													
Under 18	2,143,827	100.0	30.6	25.5	16.1	8.4	8.6	4.4	2.7	2.2	1.5	(L)	
18-21	681,122	100.0	26.0	25.6	16.3	9.0	7.4	5.2	4.1	3.3	1.9	1.2	
22-25	327,704	100.0	20.0	21.3	14.7	9.5	11.6	8.3	5.9	3.4	2.1	3.2	
26-29	318,660	100.0	17.1	20.2	13.7	11.8	15.1	9.8	5.5	2.6	1.5	2.7	
30-39	920,996	100.0	15.5	19.7	17.3	16.0	16.5	8.0	3.3	1.5	0.8	1.4	
40-49	1,138,103	100.0	20.6	27.5	20.3	13.5	10.4	4.6	1.5	0.7	0.4	0.5	
50-59	1,291,556	100.0	37.4	27.4	14.2	9.1	7.5	3.1	0.9	0.3	0.1	0.1	
60-64	330,599	100.0	34.1	23.4	16.3	12.6	9.4	3.3	0.7	0.2	(L)	(L)	
65 or older	1,156,997	100.0	35.3	24.1	17.2	11.1	8.6	3.0	0.6	0.1	(L)	(L)	
Age in December 2015													
Under 18	1,267,160	100.0	48.5	34.5	14.6	2.3	...	...	...	...	...	...	
18-21	325,669	100.0	40.0	18.8	21.8	16.3	3.1	...	...	...	...	...	
22-25	358,963	100.0	30.3	32.4	12.8	11.3	12.6	0.6	...	...	...	...	
26-29	333,154	100.0	18.4	35.8	18.5	8.3	12.6	6.5	(L)	...	...	...	
30-39	732,672	100.0	18.8	22.6	21.7	13.2	12.1	6.5	4.1	1.0	(L)	...	
40-49	856,552	100.0	21.9	24.1	16.0	11.0	12.1	7.3	3.7	2.8	1.2	(L)	
50-59	1,574,418	100.0	29.5	23.6	14.4	10.4	9.4	4.9	3.4	2.6	1.6	(L)	
60-64	707,127	100.0	24.9	24.9	16.0	10.9	10.2	5.2	2.8	1.9	1.7	1.6	
65 or older	2,153,849	100.0	21.0	18.8	17.3	14.7	14.3	7.0	2.6	1.5	1.0	1.7	
Sex													
Male	3,901,081	100.0	32.1	26.5	15.6	9.0	8.0	4.1	2.2	1.3	0.8	0.5	
Female	4,408,483	100.0	24.5	23.3	17.4	12.5	11.5	5.5	2.4	1.5	0.8	0.6	

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**Table 78.**  
**Recipients, by selected characteristics and duration of eligibility, December 2015—Continued**

Characteristic	Total		Years of eligibility									State conversion <sup>a</sup>
	Number	Percent	Under 5	5–9	10–14	15–19	20–24	25–29	30–34	35–39	40	
Diagnostic group <sup>b</sup>												
Congenital anomalies	116,118	100.0	35.1	26.0	16.7	8.5	5.8	3.7	2.6	1.1	0.5	0.1
Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases	176,672	100.0	24.2	23.9	14.4	15.2	15.8	4.8	1.2	0.4	0.2	(L)
Infectious and parasitic diseases	76,136	100.0	20.8	23.1	16.3	15.3	13.9	5.1	2.8	1.3	1.1	0.4
Injuries	155,699	100.0	27.9	27.1	16.3	10.7	9.0	5.2	2.2	1.1	0.5	0.1
Mental disorders												
Autistic disorders	275,901	100.0	46.4	31.3	13.2	4.9	2.9	0.9	0.3	0.1	0.1	(L)
Developmental disorders	300,251	100.0	43.0	34.2	17.4	3.5	1.3	0.4	0.2	0.1	(L)	(L)
Childhood and adolescent disorders not elsewhere classified	294,591	100.0	43.1	38.8	14.6	2.2	1.1	0.2	0.1	(L)	(L)	(L)
Intellectual disability	1,095,275	100.0	12.7	16.6	15.8	13.1	17.8	10.2	6.4	4.2	2.5	0.6
Mood disorders	949,697	100.0	20.6	27.5	20.8	13.6	11.2	4.5	1.2	0.4	0.1	(L)
Organic mental disorders	242,891	100.0	21.8	28.0	20.0	12.3	10.3	4.8	1.7	0.7	0.4	0.1
Schizophrenic and other psychotic disorders	476,890	100.0	21.5	21.3	15.8	11.9	11.5	9.1	6.0	2.1	0.7	0.2
Other mental disorders	349,123	100.0	22.3	25.0	18.5	12.7	12.3	5.7	2.3	0.8	0.3	0.1
Neoplasms	88,800	100.0	58.4	21.6	10.3	5.0	2.8	1.1	0.5	0.2	0.1	(L)
Diseases of the—												
Blood and blood-forming organs	34,005	100.0	26.3	25.8	17.4	10.9	9.5	5.7	2.5	1.2	0.5	(L)
Circulatory system	315,028	100.0	34.2	26.3	15.6	10.2	8.2	3.5	1.2	0.4	0.2	(L)
Digestive system	74,038	100.0	45.3	27.5	14.0	7.1	3.9	1.5	0.5	0.2	0.1	(L)
Genitourinary system	60,230	100.0	42.4	27.3	14.4	7.9	4.9	2.1	0.8	0.3	0.1	(L)
Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue	943,696	100.0	33.6	28.5	16.4	9.8	7.4	3.0	0.8	0.3	0.1	(L)
Nervous system and sense organs	536,088	100.0	25.6	23.8	15.5	10.4	9.9	6.4	4.0	2.6	1.5	0.3
Respiratory system	161,912	100.0	37.9	28.0	15.8	8.7	5.7	2.5	0.8	0.3	0.2	(L)
Skin and subcutaneous tissue	12,763	100.0	32.4	29.1	15.8	9.2	7.8	3.1	1.6	0.6	0.3	0.1
Other	98,010	100.0	60.5	15.9	12.0	7.7	1.8	1.0	0.8	0.2	0.1	(L)
Unknown	318,258	100.0	7.8	11.3	12.5	16.0	14.8	6.7	4.5	8.3	6.9	11.3

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

NOTES: "Duration of eligibility" refers to the number of years elapsed between a person's first month of eligibility and December of the reporting year. The first month of eligibility is the later of (1) the date of application for SSI and (2) the date of attainment of age 65 (for aged applicants) or onset of disability or blindness (for disabled or blind applicants). For persons who have applied for SSI more than once, this definition refers to the most recent application.

... = not applicable; (L) = less than 0.05 percent.

a. Persons who were converted to the SSI program in 1973 from the state Old-Age Assistance, Aid to the Blind, and Aid to the Permanently and Totally Disabled programs.

b. Does not include aged recipients.

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**abbreviated application.** An SSI application that is formally denied for nonmedical reasons when the applicant alleges information that clearly results in ineligibility.

**adult.** A person who is older than age 21, is aged 18–21 but is not a student, is under 21 and married, or is the head of a household.

**aged person.** A person aged 65 or older.

**allowance.** A determination by the Disability Determination Service, an administrative law judge, or the Appeals Council that an applicant meets the medical definition of disability under the law.

**auxiliary benefit.** Monthly Social Security benefit payable to a spouse or a child of a retired or disabled worker or to a survivor of a deceased worker.

**award.** An administrative determination that an individual is entitled to receive monthly benefits.

**blind.** “Blindness,” for Social Security purposes, means either central visual acuity of 20/200 or less in the better eye with the use of a correcting lens or a limitation in the fields of vision so that the widest diameter of the visual field subtends an angle of 20 degrees or less (tunnel vision).

**blind work expenses (BWE).** Any earned income of a blind person which is used to meet any expenses reasonably attributable to earning the income. The amount of the expenses is deducted from the earned income used in computing the SSI monthly payment amount.

**child.** An unmarried blind or disabled person who is not the head of a household and who is either under age 18 or aged 18–21 and a student.

**concurrent application.** An application for both Title II (Social Security) and Title XVI (Supplemental Security Income) benefits at the same time.

**deeming.** Counting part of the income and resources of certain persons who live with an SSI recipient when determining the amount of the payment. These persons include the ineligible spouses of adult recipients, the ineligible parents of child recipients under age 18, and the immigration sponsor for certain noncitizens.

**diagnostic group.** Classification of impairments, by body system, that identifies the medical condition(s) on which disability-related benefits are based. Before 1985, the coding of the primary and secondary diagnoses for Social Security and Supplemental Security Income applicants was in accordance with the *International Classification of Diseases: 9th revision, Clinical Modification, 4th ed.*, using 4-digit ICD-9 codes. In 1985, the Social Security Administration (SSA) implemented a revised method to determine and enter impairment codes in administrative records. This revised approach generally uses 3 digits (followed by zero), loosely based on the ICD-9 codes. For research purposes, the ICD-9 codes and SSA impairment codes are, typically, identical. However, the diagnostic groupings shown in the statistical tables closely parallel the major ICD-9 disease classifications.

**disability.** The inability to engage in substantial gainful activity (SGA) by reason of any medically determinable physical or mental impairment that can be expected to result in death or to last for a continuous period of not less than 12 months. (Special rules apply for workers aged 55 or older whose disability is based on blindness. The 12-month requirement does not apply to SSI recipients who are blind.)

Individuals are considered to be disabled only if their physical or mental impairment(s) is of such severity that they are not only unable to do their previous work but cannot—because of their age, education, or work experience—engage in any other kind of substantial gainful activity that exists in the national economy, regardless of whether such work exists in the immediate area in which they live, or whether a specific job vacancy exists for them, or whether they would be hired if they applied for work.

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The SGA criterion does not apply to children under age 18 in the Supplemental Security Income program. The standard for them is a medically determinable physical or mental impairment that results in marked and severe functional limitations.

**Disability Determination Service (DDS).** The state agency responsible for developing medical evidence and rendering the initial determination and reconsideration on whether a claimant is disabled or a recipient continues to be disabled within the meaning of the law.

**federal benefit rate (FBR).** The basic benefit standard used in computing the amount of federal SSI payments. Benefit levels differ for individuals and couples living in households and for persons in Medicaid institutions. Individuals or couples living in their own household receive the full federal benefit. The federal benefit is reduced by one-third if an individual or couple is living in another person's household and receiving support and maintenance there. The federal benefit rate is increased annually to reflect increases in the cost of living.

**impairment-related work expenses (IRWE).** Expenses for items or services which are directly related to enabling a person with a disability to work and which are necessarily incurred by that individual because of a physical or mental impairment. The costs are paid for in cash by the individual and are not reimbursable from another source. These expenses are excluded from earned income used to compute ongoing SSI monthly payments. Since December 1990, they may also be applied in the determination of income for purposes of initial SSI eligibility. They are also deducted from the individual's gross earnings when determining if the work is considered substantial gainful activity.

**Medicaid institution.** Living arrangement for persons in public or private institutions when more than 50 percent of the cost of care is met by the Medicaid program. In these situations, the monthly federal SSI payment is limited to \$30.

**own household.** Used to determine the federal benefit rate. Applies to adults who own their living quarters, are liable for the rent, pay their pro rata shares of household expenses, are living in households composed only of recipients of public income-maintenance payments, and are placed by agencies in private households. Also applies to children living in their parent's household. See **federal benefit rate**.

**plan to achieve self-support (PASS).** A formal plan, requiring SSA approval, for attaining a specific work goal. With a PASS, an SSI recipient may set aside earned or unearned income and resources to pay for goods or services needed to reach the goal, such as education, vocational training, starting a business, or purchasing work-related equipment. Income and resources set aside are excluded from SSI income and resource tests, but they do not influence the determination of ability to engage in substantial gainful activity.

**presumptive disability or blindness.** For certain diagnoses, where there is high probability of a favorable medical determination of disability or blindness, payments may be made for up to 6 months before the formal determination, if the applicant meets the nonmedical eligibility requirements.

**representative payee.** A person designated by the Social Security Administration to receive monthly benefit checks on behalf of an adult recipient who is unable to manage his or her own funds. A recipient under age 18 is generally considered incapable of managing benefit payments, and a representative payee will be selected to receive benefits on the recipient's behalf.

**Section 1619(a).** Continuing cash benefits for disabled individuals whose gross earned income is at the amount designated as the substantial gainful activity level. The person must continue to be disabled and meet all other eligibility rules. Also known as special cash payment.

**Section 1619(b).** For Medicaid purposes, provides special status to working disabled or blind individuals when their earnings make them ineligible for cash payments. Also known as special recipient status.

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**Social Security Administration (SSA) administrative regions.**

**Boston:** Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Vermont

**New York:** New Jersey, New York, Puerto Rico, and U.S. Virgin Islands

**Philadelphia:** Delaware, District of Columbia, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia, and West Virginia

**Atlanta:** Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Tennessee

**Chicago:** Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio, and Wisconsin

**Dallas:** Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Texas

**Kansas City:** Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, and Nebraska

**Denver:** Colorado, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah, and Wyoming

**San Francisco:** Arizona, California, Hawaii, Nevada, American Samoa, Guam, and Northern Mariana Islands

**Seattle:** Alaska, Idaho, Oregon, and Washington

NOTE: The SSI program does not cover American Samoa, Guam, Puerto Rico, and U.S. Virgin Islands.

**state conversions.** Persons who were eligible for payments under the federal and state adult assistance programs in December 1973 were automatically eligible for SSI payments beginning January 1974.

**state supplementation.** Payments to eligible persons made under state provisions. These payments may vary by the recipient's living situation and by geographic area within the state. The payments may be administered by the Social Security Administration or the state.

**substantial gainful activity (SGA).** Describes a level of work activity that is productive and yields or usually yields remuneration or profit. The Social Security Administration's regulations establish a dollar amount to indicate whether a person's work is substantial.

**Supplemental Security Income (SSI).** A federal program for low-income aged, blind, and disabled individuals who meet income and resource requirements. Beginning in 1974, SSI replaced the former federal and state programs of Old-Age Assistance, Aid to the Blind, and Aid to the Permanently and Totally Disabled. SSI is funded by general tax revenues, not Social Security taxes.

**suspension.** When SSI payments have been temporarily stopped because the recipient is not currently eligible, or they were interrupted for other reasons. Payments can resume if the recipient reestablishes eligibility during the suspension reinstatement period, which is generally 12 months after the effective date of the suspension.

**termination.** When a recipient's current eligibility for SSI payments has ended. Termination events include death, no longer having a disabling impairment, and voluntary termination from the SSI program. In addition, when a recipient's SSI payments have been suspended longer than the suspension reinstatement period and certain other conditions are not met, the record is terminated.