

**CHILDREN
UNDER AGE 18**



Table 17.
Recipients and average monthly payment, by SSA administrative region and state or other area,
December 2021

Region and state or area	Number	Average monthly payment ^a (dollars)
All areas	1,038,149	687.17
Boston	37,462	675.06
Connecticut	8,261	680.01
Maine	3,464	666.28
Massachusetts	19,308	672.65
New Hampshire	1,857	638.71
Rhode Island	3,332	685.40
Vermont	1,240	731.15
New York	94,175	693.19
New Jersey	22,176	682.04
New York	71,999	696.62
Philadelphia	103,853	681.71
Delaware	2,905	665.08
District of Columbia	3,315	694.87
Maryland	17,484	667.66
Pennsylvania	53,192	689.71
Virginia	20,612	672.92
West Virginia	6,345	683.05
Atlanta	263,307	679.70
Alabama	19,353	685.94
Florida	91,090	676.66
Georgia	41,982	684.11
Kentucky	22,355	694.12
Mississippi	17,447	686.27
North Carolina	32,933	672.29
South Carolina	16,358	674.33
Tennessee	21,789	673.51
Chicago	154,572	685.73
Illinois	31,981	693.72
Indiana	20,324	679.64
Michigan	31,810	689.31
Minnesota	10,381	667.90
Ohio	41,113	685.68
Wisconsin	18,963	682.66
Dallas	186,554	686.02
Arkansas	22,026	698.89
Louisiana	29,477	698.80
New Mexico	6,992	691.25
Oklahoma	14,092	689.71
Texas	113,967	679.44
Kansas City	38,335	669.72
Iowa	7,822	670.64
Kansas	8,168	669.19
Missouri	18,431	673.45
Nebraska	3,914	651.38

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Table 17.
Recipients and average monthly payment, by SSA administrative region and state or other area,
December 2021—Continued

Region and state or area	Number	Average monthly payment ^a (dollars)
Denver	17,920	651.17
Colorado	7,644	659.19
Montana	1,886	677.89
North Dakota	1,067	625.91
South Dakota	2,138	647.35
Utah	4,369	632.79
Wyoming	816	655.92
San Francisco	113,044	730.92
Arizona	15,475	683.95
California	87,595	743.99
Hawaii	1,121	662.47
Nevada	8,628	691.18
Northern Mariana Islands	225	736.49
Seattle	28,927	660.29
Alaska	1,050	649.67
Idaho	4,210	641.12
Oregon	9,232	668.22
Washington	14,435	661.56

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 2021

Payment (dollars)	Percentage of total
Total	
Number	1,038,149
Percent	100.0
None ^a	0.1
Under 50	1.8
50–99	0.7
100–199	1.9
200–299	2.3
300–399	3.0
400–499	4.0
500–599	10.3
600–699	8.4
700–793	8.6
794	58.8

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

a. Persons receiving only a federally administered state supplementary payment on December 1, 2021.

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Table 19.
Recipients, by selected characteristics, December 2021

Characteristic	Number	Percentage of total
Total	1,038,149	100.0
Age		
Under 1 year	9,975	1.0
1	17,923	1.7
2	24,101	2.3
3	32,523	3.1
4	43,146	4.2
5	51,526	5.0
6	56,483	5.4
7	60,472	5.8
8	63,554	6.1
9	68,019	6.6
10	70,550	6.8
11	74,059	7.1
12	78,326	7.5
13	80,029	7.7
14	80,467	7.8
15	78,858	7.6
16	74,828	7.2
17	73,310	7.1
Sex		
Male	703,099	67.7
Female	335,050	32.3
Citizenship status		
Citizen	1,036,038	99.8
Noncitizen	2,111	0.2
Living arrangements		
Own household	133,422	12.9
Another's household	38,095	3.7
Parent's household	854,479	82.3
Medicaid institution	12,066	1.2
Unknown	87	(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 2021

Diagnostic group	All ages	Under 3	3–5	6–12	13–17
	Number				
All recipients under age 18	1,038,149	51,999	127,195	471,463	387,492
Congenital anomalies	58,574	8,810	12,049	23,950	13,765
Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases	7,755	329	1,345	3,803	2,278
Infectious and parasitic diseases	261	19	41	95	106
Injuries	4,653	262	745	2,039	1,607
Mental disorders					
Autism spectrum disorders	214,771	960	27,818	115,724	70,269
Developmental disorders	210,748	4,549	42,344	108,564	55,291
Childhood and adolescent disorders not elsewhere classified	22,184	4	350	9,961	11,869
Intellectual disorders	87,496	29	1,368	32,646	53,453
Depressive, bipolar, and related disorders	24,705	0	45	6,170	18,490
Neurocognitive disorders	14,334	46	901	7,522	5,865
Schizophrenia spectrum and other psychotic disorders	1,563	0	3	280	1,280
Other mental disorders	192,128	66	2,599	86,502	102,961
Neoplasms	7,984	432	1,594	3,700	2,258
Diseases of the—					
Blood and blood-forming organs	6,966	192	689	3,103	2,982
Circulatory system	3,288	462	779	1,189	858
Digestive system	15,772	4,649	5,596	4,177	1,350
Genitourinary system	2,294	171	313	921	889
Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue	7,554	420	1,141	3,277	2,716
Nervous system and sense organs	72,361	2,865	9,784	33,029	26,683
Respiratory system	10,974	773	2,148	5,043	3,010
Skin and subcutaneous tissue	1,501	52	205	721	523
Other	58,804	26,207	13,734	13,890	4,973
Unknown	11,479	702	1,604	5,157	4,016
	Percent				
All recipients under age 18	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Congenital anomalies	5.6	16.9	9.5	5.1	3.6
Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases	0.7	0.6	1.1	0.8	0.6
Infectious and parasitic diseases	(L)	(L)	(L)	(L)	(L)
Injuries	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.4	0.4
Mental disorders					
Autism spectrum disorders	20.7	1.8	21.9	24.5	18.1
Developmental disorders	20.3	8.7	33.3	23.0	14.3
Childhood and adolescent disorders not elsewhere classified	2.1	(L)	0.3	2.1	3.1
Intellectual disorders	8.4	0.1	1.1	6.9	13.8
Depressive, bipolar, and related disorders	2.4	0.0	(L)	1.3	4.8
Neurocognitive disorders	1.4	0.1	0.7	1.6	1.5
Schizophrenia spectrum and other psychotic disorders	0.2	0.0	(L)	0.1	0.3
Other mental disorders	18.5	0.1	2.0	18.3	26.6
Neoplasms	0.8	0.8	1.3	0.8	0.6
Diseases of the—					
Blood and blood-forming organs	0.7	0.4	0.5	0.7	0.8
Circulatory system	0.3	0.9	0.6	0.3	0.2
Digestive system	1.5	8.9	4.4	0.9	0.3
Genitourinary system	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2
Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue	0.7	0.8	0.9	0.7	0.7
Nervous system and sense organs	7.0	5.5	7.7	7.0	6.9
Respiratory system	1.1	1.5	1.7	1.1	0.8
Skin and subcutaneous tissue	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.1
Other	5.7	50.4	10.8	2.9	1.3
Unknown	1.1	1.4	1.3	1.1	1.0

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 2021

Diagnostic group	Total		Male		Female	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
All recipients under age 18	1,038,149	100.0	703,099	100.0	335,050	100.0
Congenital anomalies	58,574	5.6	31,486	4.5	27,088	8.1
Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases	7,755	0.7	4,036	0.6	3,719	1.1
Infectious and parasitic diseases	261	(L)	136	(L)	125	(L)
Injuries	4,653	0.4	2,730	0.4	1,923	0.6
Mental disorders						
Autism spectrum disorders	214,771	20.7	171,640	24.4	43,131	12.9
Developmental disorders	210,748	20.3	144,638	20.6	66,110	19.7
Childhood and adolescent disorders not elsewhere classified	22,184	2.1	16,809	2.4	5,375	1.6
Intellectual disorders	87,496	8.4	53,540	7.6	33,956	10.1
Depressive, bipolar, and related disorders	24,705	2.4	14,016	2.0	10,689	3.2
Neurocognitive disorders	14,334	1.4	9,217	1.3	5,117	1.5
Schizophrenia spectrum and other psychotic disorders	1,563	0.2	855	0.1	708	0.2
Other mental disorders	192,128	18.5	142,970	20.3	49,158	14.7
Neoplasms	7,984	0.8	4,516	0.6	3,468	1.0
Diseases of the—						
Blood and blood-forming organs	6,966	0.7	3,972	0.6	2,994	0.9
Circulatory system	3,288	0.3	1,799	0.3	1,489	0.4
Digestive system	15,772	1.5	8,452	1.2	7,320	2.2
Genitourinary system	2,294	0.2	1,394	0.2	900	0.3
Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue	7,554	0.7	3,757	0.5	3,797	1.1
Nervous system and sense organs	72,361	7.0	39,852	5.7	32,509	9.7
Respiratory system	10,974	1.1	6,688	1.0	4,286	1.3
Skin and subcutaneous tissue	1,501	0.1	778	0.1	723	0.2
Other	58,804	5.7	32,296	4.6	26,508	7.9
Unknown	11,479	1.1	7,522	1.1	3,957	1.2

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

NOTE: (L) = less than 0.05 percent.

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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 2021

Year of first eligibility	All ages	Age in December 2021					
		18–21	22–25	26–29	30–39	40–49	50 or older ^a
Total							
Number	1,177,697	240,368	181,687	168,867	336,363	163,413	86,999
Percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1974–1976	3.6	...	...	...	...	2.1	44.3
1977–1980	3.8	...	...	...	(L)	10.1	32.3
1981–1984	3.7	...	...	...	1.4	15.6	14.8
1985–1989	6.5	...	...	...	10.8	19.9	8.6
1990–1994	19.7	...	...	12.3	41.4	43.8	...
1995–1999	16.7	...	20.4	36.0	25.2	8.5	...
2000–2004	19.0	25.1	35.7	26.7	15.9	...	...
2005–2009	14.6	33.6	23.8	17.7	5.2	...	...
2010–2014	8.8	25.6	16.7	7.2	...	...	...
2015–2019	3.5	14.4	3.4	...	...	...	...
2020–2021	0.2	1.2	...	...	...	...	...

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 65 in 2021.

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Table 23.
Recipients and average monthly amount of child's income, by type of income, December 2021

Type of income	Number	Percent	Average monthly amount (dollars)
Total	1,038,149	100.0	...
No earned or unearned income ^a	758,579	73.1	...
With income ^b	279,570	26.9	316
Earned income only	1,439	0.1	720
Unearned income only	277,511	26.7	260
Both earned and unearned income	620	0.1	849
With unearned income ^c	278,131	26.8	260
Social Security benefits	63,919	6.2	285
Veterans' benefits	8,487	0.8	81
Income based on need	14,464	1.4	219
Support from absent parents	146,389	14.1	241
Support and maintenance	64,741	6.2	203
Asset income	462	(L)	9
Other	5,592	0.5	324

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

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

- 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 2021

Parents in household	Number	Percentage of total
Total	1,038,149	100.0
No parents ^a	132,751	12.8
One parent	713,984	68.8
Two parents	191,414	18.4

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 2021

Parental income	All children living with one parent		Children living with—			
			Mother only		Father only	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total	713,984	100.0	668,983	100.0	45,001	100.0
No parental income	337,880	47.3	318,301	47.6	19,579	43.5
Parental income ^a	376,104	52.7	350,682	52.4	25,422	56.5
Earned income	274,875	38.5	257,180	38.4	17,695	39.3
Unearned income	119,092	16.7	110,454	16.5	8,638	19.2
Total income (dollars)						
None	337,880	47.3	318,301	47.6	19,579	43.5
Under 200	28,264	4.0	27,034	4.0	1,230	2.7
200–399	20,520	2.9	19,342	2.9	1,178	2.6
400–599	23,619	3.3	22,212	3.3	1,407	3.1
600–999	65,387	9.2	61,151	9.1	4,236	9.4
1,000 or more	238,314	33.4	220,943	33.0	17,371	38.6
Earned income (dollars)						
None	439,109	61.5	411,803	61.6	27,306	60.7
Under 200	5,408	0.8	5,099	0.8	309	0.7
200–399	8,340	1.2	7,896	1.2	444	1.0
400–599	13,068	1.8	12,427	1.9	641	1.4
600–999	36,190	5.1	34,564	5.2	1,626	3.6
1,000 or more	211,869	29.7	197,194	29.5	14,675	32.6
Unearned income (dollars)						
None	594,892	83.3	558,529	83.5	36,363	80.8
Under 200	30,274	4.2	29,070	4.3	1,204	2.7
200–399	16,154	2.3	15,227	2.3	927	2.1
400–599	13,780	1.9	12,813	1.9	967	2.1
600–999	34,483	4.8	31,540	4.7	2,943	6.5
1,000 or more	24,401	3.4	21,804	3.3	2,597	5.8

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 2021

Parental income	All children living with two parents		Mother		Father	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total	191,414	100.0	191,414	100.0	191,414	100.0
No parental income	38,809	20.3	125,218	65.4	69,503	36.3
Parental income ^a	152,605	79.7	66,196	34.6	121,911	63.7
Earned income	131,077	68.5	50,239	26.2	102,165	53.4
Unearned income	34,562	18.1	18,355	9.6	23,821	12.4
Total income (dollars)						
None	38,809	20.3	125,218	65.4	69,503	36.3
Under 200	2,900	1.5	6,699	3.5	3,400	1.8
200–399	3,102	1.6	3,794	2.0	2,599	1.4
400–599	3,831	2.0	4,387	2.3	3,830	2.0
600–999	11,861	6.2	11,139	5.8	11,733	6.1
1,000 or more	130,911	68.4	40,177	21.0	100,349	52.4
Earned income (dollars)						
None	60,337	31.5	141,175	73.8	89,249	46.6
Under 200	1,232	0.6	1,713	0.9	1,115	0.6
200–399	1,621	0.8	2,050	1.1	1,420	0.7
400–599	2,516	1.3	2,928	1.5	2,268	1.2
600–999	7,152	3.7	6,832	3.6	6,057	3.2
1,000 or more	118,556	61.9	36,716	19.2	91,305	47.7
Unearned income (dollars)						
None	156,852	81.9	173,059	90.4	167,593	87.6
Under 200	4,048	2.1	6,189	3.2	3,599	1.9
200–399	3,396	1.8	2,188	1.1	1,767	0.9
400–599	3,392	1.8	1,839	1.0	2,217	1.2
600–999	10,090	5.3	4,896	2.6	7,059	3.7
1,000 or more	13,636	7.1	3,243	1.7	9,179	4.8

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 2021

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 ^a	528,709	1,696	416,878	1,411	147,333	2,092
Earned income	405,952	1,953	307,419	1,659	119,860	2,340
Unearned income ^b	153,654	704	128,809	607	32,459	854
Social Security benefits	67,849	870	52,870	805	17,833	917
Other pensions	7,371	605	5,630	381	2,769	827
Public income-maintenance	36,123	169	33,903	171	4,320	192
Asset income	3,165	142	2,531	114	875	186
Other	44,640	779	37,623	730	7,717	1,047

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 2021

Deeming factors	All children living with parent(s)		Children living with—			
			One parent		Two parents	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total	905,398	100.0	713,984	78.9	191,414	21.1
<i>No deemed income used in child's payment computation</i>						
Subtotal	739,748	100.0	599,964	100.0	139,784	100.0
No parental income	376,689	50.9	337,880	56.3	38,809	27.8
Parent(s) receive public income-maintenance payments	36,123	4.9	31,419	5.2	4,704	3.4
Income less than deeming allocations ^a	41,662	5.6	33,557	5.6	8,105	5.8
Income less than exclusions ^b	285,274	38.6	197,108	32.9	88,166	63.1
<i>Deemed income used in child's payment computation</i>						
Subtotal	165,650	100.0	114,020	100.0	51,630	100.0
Parent(s) with—						
Earned income only	124,091	74.9	82,433	72.3	41,658	80.7
Unearned income only	27,249	16.4	23,494	20.6	3,755	7.3
Both earned and unearned income	11,996	7.2	6,036	5.3	5,960	11.5
Manually computed deemed income	2,314	1.4	2,057	1.8	257	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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