

APPLICATIONS



Table 57.
All applications, by age of applicant, 1973–2024

Year	All ages	Under 18		18–64		65 or older	
		Number	Percentage of total	Number	Percentage of total	Number	Percentage of total
Total	100,482,307	16,158,495	16.1	70,061,268	69.7	14,262,544	14.2
State conversions ^a	3,402,474	3,939	0.1	1,419,041	41.7	1,979,494	58.2
Federal applications ^b							
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

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Table 57.
All applications, by age of applicant, 1973–2024—Continued

Year	All ages	Under 18		18–64		65 or older	
		Number	Percentage of total	Number	Percentage of total	Number	Percentage of total
Federal applications ^b (cont.)							
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
2016	2,101,257	410,578	19.5	1,488,121	70.8	202,558	9.6
2017	2,006,446	391,879	19.5	1,405,664	70.1	208,903	10.4
2018	1,852,616	374,552	20.2	1,297,173	70.0	180,891	9.8
2019	1,845,437	363,807	19.7	1,304,381	70.7	177,249	9.6
2020	1,573,189	302,222	19.2	1,136,805	72.3	134,162	8.5
2021	1,484,728	272,666	18.4	1,019,125	68.6	192,937	13.0
2022	1,540,279	319,506	20.7	993,734	64.5	227,039	14.7
2023	1,686,875	381,957	22.6	1,083,276	64.2	221,642	13.1
2024	1,732,766	386,758	22.3	1,121,617	64.7	224,391	12.9

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

- a. Persons who were converted to the SSI program in 1974 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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Table 58.
Applications for children under age 18, by selected characteristics, 2016–2024

Characteristic	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Total	410,578	391,879	374,552	363,807	302,222	272,666	319,506	381,957	386,758
Age									
Under 5	141,991	136,120	131,098	132,498	115,970	107,857	124,101	143,576	141,287
5–12	197,147	187,425	179,058	169,381	133,060	116,092	141,722	173,995	179,208
13–17	71,440	68,334	64,396	61,928	53,192	48,717	53,683	64,386	66,263
Sex									
Male	256,638	245,344	235,417	228,501	189,476	170,386	201,819	241,475	244,843
Female	153,940	146,535	139,135	135,306	112,746	102,280	117,687	140,482	141,915
Citizenship status									
Citizen	407,773	389,116	372,571	362,081	300,895	271,378	317,832	379,331	383,201
Noncitizen	2,805	2,763	1,981	1,726	1,327	1,288	1,674	2,626	3,557

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, 2016–2024

Characteristic	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Total	1,488,121	1,405,664	1,297,173	1,304,381	1,136,805	1,019,125	993,734	1,083,276	1,121,617
Age									
18–21	108,078	108,922	102,855	104,980	93,499	86,199	83,375	94,377	99,763
22–25	84,783	83,058	73,116	71,328	64,871	58,178	55,622	64,578	68,757
26–29	90,156	90,567	82,838	81,952	72,247	62,834	58,457	64,905	67,421
30–39	256,280	243,644	224,143	225,775	195,172	174,185	172,325	191,033	201,304
40–49	332,630	301,956	274,580	274,906	238,401	215,019	209,908	225,907	235,611
50–59	485,092	452,314	420,373	421,409	363,160	317,440	305,640	324,077	325,966
60–64	131,102	125,203	119,268	124,031	109,455	105,270	108,407	118,399	122,795
Sex									
Men	754,617	715,141	661,593	669,486	587,724	522,985	512,126	559,966	585,824
Women	733,504	690,523	635,580	634,895	549,081	496,140	481,608	523,310	535,793
Citizenship status									
Citizen	1,431,298	1,355,499	1,254,459	1,265,531	1,106,933	990,114	963,374	1,049,054	1,085,214
Noncitizen	56,823	50,165	42,714	38,850	29,872	29,011	30,360	34,222	36,403

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

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Table 60.
Applications for adults aged 65 or older, by selected characteristics, 2016–2024

Characteristic	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Total	202,558	208,903	180,891	177,249	134,162	192,937	227,039	221,642	224,391
Age									
65–69	115,978	118,426	101,905	98,474	78,254	102,238	120,095	116,540	116,977
70–74	38,186	41,915	35,359	35,536	26,327	43,697	52,160	50,281	51,169
75 or older	48,394	48,562	43,627	43,239	29,581	47,002	54,784	54,821	56,245
Sex									
Men	81,706	83,900	72,834	71,615	54,694	80,559	97,932	91,738	92,772
Women	120,852	125,003	108,057	105,634	79,468	112,378	129,107	129,904	131,619
Citizenship status									
Citizen	139,860	152,174	131,087	131,225	101,413	145,416	176,226	161,537	161,453
Noncitizen	62,698	56,729	49,804	46,024	32,749	47,521	50,813	60,105	62,938

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, 2024

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	1,732,766	386,758	22.3	1,121,617	64.7	224,391	12.9
Alabama	31,350	7,123	22.7	22,679	72.3	1,548	4.9
Alaska	2,372	243	10.2	1,770	74.6	359	15.1
Arizona	32,353	7,818	24.2	21,348	66.0	3,187	9.9
Arkansas	22,899	6,476	28.3	15,698	68.6	725	3.2
California	213,867	33,010	15.4	117,677	55.0	63,180	29.5
Colorado	20,968	2,494	11.9	15,174	72.4	3,300	15.7
Connecticut	16,032	3,122	19.5	11,072	69.1	1,838	11.5
Delaware	4,132	1,169	28.3	2,621	63.4	342	8.3
District of Columbia	5,036	1,151	22.9	3,417	67.9	468	9.3
Florida	135,090	30,777	22.8	72,722	53.8	31,591	23.4
Georgia	63,580	17,046	26.8	40,371	63.5	6,163	9.7
Hawaii	4,850	517	10.7	3,372	69.5	961	19.8
Idaho	6,282	1,162	18.5	4,826	76.8	294	4.7
Illinois	56,890	14,487	25.5	36,403	64.0	6,000	10.5
Indiana	35,392	8,114	22.9	25,779	72.8	1,499	4.2
Iowa	12,893	3,093	24.0	9,162	71.1	638	4.9
Kansas	12,764	3,143	24.6	9,011	70.6	610	4.8
Kentucky	37,635	8,938	23.7	26,668	70.9	2,029	5.4
Louisiana	38,237	12,409	32.5	23,950	62.6	1,878	4.9
Maine	6,534	929	14.2	5,300	81.1	305	4.7
Maryland	30,341	5,973	19.7	21,033	69.3	3,335	11.0
Massachusetts	33,406	6,099	18.3	21,644	64.8	5,663	17.0
Michigan	54,943	13,283	24.2	37,860	68.9	3,800	6.9
Minnesota	21,791	3,553	16.3	16,138	74.1	2,100	9.6
Mississippi	26,095	6,567	25.2	18,440	70.7	1,088	4.2
Missouri	31,420	5,780	18.4	24,253	77.2	1,387	4.4
Montana	3,704	497	13.4	2,923	78.9	284	7.7
Nebraska	7,577	1,884	24.9	5,154	68.0	539	7.1
Nevada	13,331	3,018	22.6	8,423	63.2	1,890	14.2
New Hampshire	4,240	485	11.4	3,533	83.3	222	5.2
New Jersey	40,019	9,458	23.6	23,504	58.7	7,057	17.6
New Mexico	11,236	2,177	19.4	8,109	72.2	950	8.5
New York	94,676	19,375	20.5	56,194	59.4	19,107	20.2
North Carolina	54,987	14,281	26.0	37,236	67.7	3,470	6.3
North Dakota	2,540	378	14.9	2,043	80.4	119	4.7
Ohio	70,055	17,309	24.7	49,255	70.3	3,491	5.0
Oklahoma	26,251	5,186	19.8	19,972	76.1	1,093	4.2
Oregon	16,569	2,237	13.5	12,991	78.4	1,341	8.1
Pennsylvania	73,813	20,501	27.8	47,812	64.8	5,500	7.5
Rhode Island	5,512	1,281	23.2	3,650	66.2	581	10.5
South Carolina	29,000	6,776	23.4	20,181	69.6	2,043	7.0
South Dakota	4,018	661	16.5	3,143	78.2	214	5.3
Tennessee	41,657	10,144	24.4	29,435	70.7	2,078	5.0
Texas	158,885	44,036	27.7	94,465	59.5	20,384	12.8
Utah	9,066	1,434	15.8	7,072	78.0	560	6.2

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Table 61.**All applications, by state or other area and age of applicant, 2024—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	2,438	392	16.1	1,906	78.2	140	5.7
Virginia	36,006	7,814	21.7	24,875	69.1	3,317	9.2
Washington	31,805	4,996	15.7	22,909	72.0	3,900	12.3
West Virginia	11,984	2,268	18.9	9,281	77.4	435	3.6
Wisconsin	22,522	5,072	22.5	16,296	72.4	1,154	5.1
Wyoming	1,945	217	11.2	1,656	85.1	72	3.7
Outlying area							
Northern Mariana Islands	233	73	31.3	98	42.1	62	26.6
Unknown	1,545	332	21.5	1,113	72.0	100	6.5

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, 1973–2024

Year	All ages	Under 18		18–64		65 or older	
		Number	Percentage of total	Number	Percentage of total	Number	Percentage of total
Total	63,626,390	12,228,436	19.2	41,331,051	65.0	10,066,903	15.8
State conversions ^a	3,402,447	3,939	0.1	1,419,029	41.7	1,979,479	58.2
Federal applications ^b							
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

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Table 62.**All applicants, by year of first application and age, 1973–2024—Continued**

Year	All ages	Under 18		18–64		65 or older	
		Number	Percentage of total	Number	Percentage of total	Number	Percentage of total
Federal applications ^b (cont.)							
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
2016	1,133,857	291,557	25.7	730,091	64.4	112,209	9.9
2017	1,087,051	277,638	25.5	694,053	63.8	115,360	10.6
2018	992,004	266,790	26.9	628,454	63.4	96,760	9.8
2019	977,697	260,610	26.7	624,152	63.8	92,935	9.5
2020	833,895	219,347	26.3	542,280	65.0	72,268	8.7
2021	807,823	201,786	25.0	500,163	61.9	105,874	13.1
2022	867,682	243,895	28.1	496,785	57.3	127,002	14.6
2023	972,519	297,426	30.6	547,953	56.3	127,140	13.1
2024	991,853	301,274	30.4	564,487	56.9	126,092	12.7

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

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