Table 2.A20—Legislative provisions for computing monthly benefits for retired and disabled workers, by year enacted

Year enacted	Age	Percentage of PIA		Condition or qualification		
			Retired wo	orker		
1935	65 or older	100	Fully insured. Amount based on cumulative wages.			
1939			Amount based on PIA.			
1956	Women: 62-64		Reduced 5/9 of 1 percent for each month u	under age 65.		
1961	Men: 62-64		Reduced 5/9 of 1 percent for each month u	under age 65.		
1972			Increased 1/12 of 1 percent for each month based on average monthly wage [AMW] or reduced.			
1977			Increased 1/4 of 1 percent for each month Requirement for nonreceipt of actuarially re	_	and 72 in which no benefits received.	
1983	65 and 2 months-67		Beginning in 2000, the full retirement age (PIA is payable is raised in increments for in 62 in 2000 and the revised FRAs affect the	ndividuals born in 1938 and later	years. The 1938 birth cohort reaches age	
			100 percent of PIA payable at age—65 and 2 months 65 and 4 months 65 and 6 months 65 and 8 months 65 and 10 months 66 66 and 2 months 66 and 4 months 66 and 6 months 66 and 7 months 66 and 8 months 66 and 8 months 66 and 9 months 66 and 9 months 66 and 10 months 66 and 10 months	Applicable to workers who atta 2000 2001 2002 2003 2004 2005–2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021	in age 62 in—	
	62–66		Reduced 5/9 of 1 percent for each of the fi 100 percent of PIA is payable, plus 5/12 of			
			Increased by the following percentage for age 70 in which no benefits are received:			
			Age 62 in years— 1987–1988 1989–1990 1991–1992 1993–1994 1995–1996 1997–1998 1999–2000 2001–2002 2003–2004 2005 and later	Rate of increase 7/24 of 1 percent 8/24 of 1 percent 9/24 of 1 percent 10/24 of 1 percent 11/24 of 1 percent 11/24 of 1 percent 12/24 of 1 percent 13/24 of 1 percent 13/24 of 1 percent 15/24 of 1 percent 16/24 of 1 percent	Annual rate (percent) 3.5 4.0 4.5 5.0 5.5 6.0 6.5 7.0	
			No further increases for months of nonrece	eipt of benefits after age 70, effec	tive 1984.	
			Partial offset for receipt of pension based of 1986 for individuals first eligible for Social			

Table 2.A20—Legislative provisions for computing monthly benefits for retired and disabled workers, by year enacted—*Continued*

Year enacted	Age	Percentage of PIA	Condition or qualification		
	Disabled worker				
1956	50–64		Disability insured. Waiting period of 6 calendar months. Reduced by amount of workers' compensation.		
1958			Reduction for workers' compensation eliminated.		
1960	Under 50				
1965			Reduced if benefits plus workers' compensation exceed 80 percent of the higher of AMW or high 5-year average taxable earnings in covered employment. Adjusted periodically for rises in wage levels.		
1967			Reduced if benefits plus workers' compensation exceed 80 percent of the higher of AMW or high 5-year average earnings in covered employment, regardless of taxable limit.		
1972			Reduced if benefits plus workers' compensation exceed 80 percent of the highest of (a) AMW, (b) high 5-year average earnings or (c) highest annual earnings in the period consisting of year of disability onset and 5 preceding years in covered employment.		
			Waiting period reduced to 5 full calendar months.		
1983			Partial offset for receipt of pension based on noncovered employment phased in over a 5-year period beginning in 1986 for individuals first eligible for Social Security and noncovered pension after 1985.		
2014			Changed the age at which workers' compensation offset ends for Disability Insurance (DI) benefits from 65 to FRA.		
2020			Eliminated the 5-month waiting period for DI benefits for a person who has Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis.		

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Table 2.A21—Legislative provisions for computing monthly benefits for spouses and children of retired and disabled workers, by year enacted

Year enacted	9		Condition or qualification
			Wife
1939	65 or older	50	Fully insured.
1956	62–64		Reduced 25/36 of 1 percent for each month under age 65.
1967			Maximum \$105.
1969			Maximum eliminated.
1977			Reduced by full amount of pension payable based on own earnings in noncovered governmental employment (noncovered pension offset). Reduction does not apply if eligible for such pension before December 1982.
1983			Noncovered pension offset not applicable if first eligible for such pension before July 1983 and dependent. Reduced by only two-thirds of such pension if first eligible for it after June 1983.
	65 and 2 months-67		Beginning in 2000, the age at which 50 percent of PIA is payable varies depending on birth year (see Table 2.A20)
	62–66		Reduced 25/36 of 1 percent for each of the first 36 months under the age at which 50 percent of PIA is payable, plus 5/12 of 1 percent for each of up to 24 earlier months of benefit receipt.
1984			Noncovered pension offset limited to two-thirds of such pension.
			Divorced wife
1965 65 or older Fully insured. Dependent. Married 20 years. Not counted toward family max		Fully insured. Dependent. Married 20 years. Not counted toward family maximum.	
	62–64		Reduced 25/36 of 1 percent for each month under age 65.
1967			Maximum \$105.
1969			Maximum eliminated.
1972			Dependency requirement eliminated.
1977 Married 10 years.		Married 10 years.	
			Reduced by full amount of pension payable based on own earnings in noncovered governmental employment (noncovered pension offset). Reduction does not apply if eligible for such pension before December 1982 and married 20 years.
1983			Noncovered pension offset not applicable if first eligible for such pension before July 1983 and dependent. Reduced by only two-thirds of such pension if first eligible for it after June 1983.
			Can be independently entitled to benefits if divorced for 2 years or more (after marriage of 10 or more years) and worker could be entitled to benefits if he applied. Effective with benefits for months after December 1984.
	65 and 2 months-67		Beginning in 2000, the age at which 50 percent of PIA is payable varies depending on birth year (see Table 2.A20)
	62–66		Reduced 25/36 of 1 percent for each of the first 36 months under the age at which 50 percent of PIA is payable, plus 5/12 of 1 percent for each of up to 24 earlier months of benefit receipt.
1984			Noncovered pension offset limited to two-thirds of such pension.
			Wife (mother)
1950	Under 65		Fully insured. Caring for eligible child.
1965			Eligible child excludes student aged 18–21.
1967			Maximum \$105.
1969			Maximum eliminated.
1977			Reduced by full amount of pension payable based on own earnings in noncovered governmental employment (noncovered pension offset). Reduction does not apply if eligible for such pension before December 1982.
1981			Eligible child excludes nondisabled child aged 16–17.
1983			Noncovered pension offset not applicable if first eligible for such pension before July 1983 and dependent. Reduced by only two-thirds of such pension if first eligible for it after June 1983.
1984			Noncovered pension offset limited to two-thirds of such pension.

Table 2.A21—Legislative provisions for computing monthly benefits for spouses and children of retired and disabled workers, by year enacted—*Continued*

Year enacted	Age	Percentage of PIA	Condition or qualification
	1 3-		Child
1939	Under 18		Fully insured. ^a
1965	18–21		Full-time student.
1972			Benefits extended to end of quarter or semester in which 22nd birthday occurs while undergraduate student.
			Includes grandchild under certain circumstances.
1981	18–22		Student benefits eliminated (to be phased out gradually for those entitled before May 1982), except for elementary or secondary school students under age 19.
1996			Stepchildren must be dependent on worker.
			Disabled child
1956	18 or older		Fully insured. ^a Disabled before age 18.
1972			Disabled before age 22.
			Includes grandchild under certain circumstances.
			Husband
1950	65 or older	50	Fully and currently insured. Dependent.
1961	62–64		Reduced 25/36 of 1 percent for each month under age 65.
1967			Currently insured requirement eliminated. Maximum \$105.
1969			Maximum eliminated.
1977			Dependency requirement eliminated.
		• • •	Reduced by full amount of pension payable based on own earnings in noncovered governmental employment (noncovered pension offset). Reduction does not apply if eligible for such pension before December 1982 and dependent.
1983			Noncovered pension offset provision not applicable if first eligible for such pension before July 1983 and dependent. Reduced by only two-thirds of such pension if first eligible for it after June 1983.
	65 and 2 months-67		Beginning in 2000, the age at which 50 percent of PIA is payable varies depending on birth year (see Table 2.A20).
	62–66		Reduced 25/36 of 1 percent for each of the first 36 months under the age at which 50 percent of PIA is payable, plus 5/12 of 1 percent for each of up to 24 earlier months of benefit receipt.
1984			Noncovered pension offset limited to two-thirds of such pension.
			Divorced husband
1977 ^b	65 or older		Fully insured. Married 10 years. Not counted toward family maximum.
	62–64		Reduced 25/36 of 1 percent for each month under age 65.
			Reduced by full amount of pension payable based on own earnings in noncovered governmental employment (noncovered pension offset).
1983			Noncovered pension offset not applicable if first eligible for such pension before July 1983 and dependent. Reduced by only two-thirds of such pension if first eligible after June 1983.
			Can be independently entitled to benefits if divorced for 2 years or more (after marriage of 10 or more years) and worker could be entitled to benefits if she applied. Effective with benefits for months after December 1984.
	65 and 2 months-67		Beginning in 2000, the age at which 50 percent of PIA is payable varies depending on birth year (see Table 2.A20).
	62–66	• • •	Reduced 25/36 of 1 percent for each of the first 36 months under the age at which 50 percent of PIA is payable, plus 5/12 of 1 percent for each of up to 24 earlier months of benefit receipt.
1984			Noncovered pension offset limited to two-thirds of such pension.

Table 2.A21—Legislative provisions for computing monthly benefits for spouses and children of retired and disabled workers, by year enacted—Continued

Year enacted	Age	Percentage of PIA	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
			Husband (father)	
1978 ^c	Under 65		Fully insured. Caring for eligible child. Reduced by full amount of pension payable based on own earnings in noncovered governmental employment (noncovered pension offset).	
1981			Eligible child excludes nondisabled child aged 16–17.	
1983			Noncovered pension offset not applicable if first eligible for such pension before July 1983 and dependent. Reduced by only two-thirds of such pension if first eligible for it after June 1983.	
1984			Noncovered pension offset limited to two-thirds of such pension.	

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NOTE: PIA = primary insurance amount; . . . = not applicable.

- a. Under the Act of 1939, generally not available to child of married female worker. Under the Act of 1950, available if female worker is fully and currently insured. Currently insured requirement eliminated by the Act of 1967.
- b. Northern District of California District Court decision in Oliver v. Califano, June 24, 1977. Statutory change enacted in 1983.
- c. Eastern District of Pennsylvania District Court decision in Cooper v. Califano, December 29, 1978. Statutory change enacted in 1983.

Table 2.A22—Legislative provisions for computing monthly benefits for survivors of deceased workers, by year enacted

Year enacted	Age	Percentage of PIA	Condition or qualification		
			Widow		
1939	65 or older	75	Fully insured.		
1956	62–64				
1961		82.5			
1965	60–61		Reduced 5/9 of 1 percent for each month under age 62.		
1972	65 or older	100	Limited, if husband retired before age 65, to amount husband would be receiving if still living, but not less than 82 1/2 percent of PIA.		
	60–64		Reduced 19/40 of 1 percent each month under age 65. In addition, for a widow aged 62–64 whose husband retired before age 65 limited to amount he would be receiving if still living, but not less than 82 1/2 percent of PIA.		
1977			Increased by any delayed retirement credit husband would be receiving.		
			Reduced by full amount of pension payable based on own earnings in noncovered governmental employment (noncovered pension offset). Reduction does not apply if eligible for such pension before December 1982.		
1983			Noncovered pension offset not applicable if first eligible for such pension before July 1983 and dependent. Reduced by only two-thirds of such pension if first eligible for it after June 1983.		
	65 and 2 months-67		Beginning in 2002, the age at which 100 percent of PIA is payable varies by year of birth. For widows who were born in 1939 and earlier, that age is 65. Widows who were born in 1940 and later are affected as follows:		
	60–66		100 percent of PIA payable at age— Applicable to widows who attain age 60 in— 65 and 2 months 2000 65 and 6 months 2002 65 and 8 months 2003 65 and 10 months 2004 66 2005–2016 66 and 2 months 2017 66 and 4 months 2018 66 and 6 months 2019 66 and 8 months 2020 66 and 10 months 2021 67 2022 and later The percent of reduction for each month depends on the age at which 100 percent of PIA is payable. The		
1004			percentage is adjusted so that the total reduction, in equal monthly steps, is always 28 1/2 percent at age 60.		
1984	• • •		Noncovered pension offset limited to two-thirds of such pension.		
			Disabled widow		
1967	50–59	82.5	Fully insured. Reduced 13 1/3 percent, plus 43/198 of 1 percent for each month under age 60. Includes divorced wife, dependent and married 20 years.		
1972		100	Reduced 28 1/2 percent, plus 43/240 of 1 percent for each month under age 60.		
1977			Increased by any delayed retirement credit husband would be receiving.		
			Reduced by full amount of pension payable based on own earnings in noncovered governmental employment (noncovered pension offset). Reduction does not apply if eligible for such pension before December 1982.		
1983			Noncovered pension offset not applicable if first eligible for such pension before July 1983 and dependent. Reduced by only two-thirds of such pension if first eligible for it after June 1983.		
			Additional reduction for each month under age 60 eliminated.		
1984			Noncovered pension offset limited to two-thirds of such pension.		

Table 2.A22—Legislative provisions for computing monthly benefits for survivors of deceased workers, by year enacted—Continued

Year enacted	Age	Percentage of PIA	Condition or qualification	
			Surviving divorced wife	
1965	60 or older	82.5	Fully insured. Dependent. Married 20 years. Not counted toward family maximum. Reduced 5/9 of 1 percent for each month under age 62.	
1972	65 or older	100	Limited, if former husband retired before age 65, to amount he would be receiving if still living, but not less than 82 1/2 percent of PIA.	
	60–64		Reduced 19/40 of 1 percent for each month under age 65. In addition, for widow aged 62–64 whose former husband retired before age 65, limited to amount he would be receiving if still living, but not less than 82 1/2 percent of PIA.	
1977	• • •		Dependency requirement eliminated.	
			Increased by any delayed retirement increment former husband would be receiving.	
			Married 10 years.	
			Reduced by full amount of pension payable based on own earnings in noncovered governmental employment (noncovered pension offset). Reduction does not apply if eligible for such pension before December 1982 and married 20 years.	
1983	• • •		Noncovered pension offset provision not applicable if first eligible for such pension before July 1983 and dependent. Reduced by only two-thirds of such pension if first eligible for it after June 1983.	
	65 and 2 months-67		Beginning in 2000, the age at which 100 percent of PIA is payable varies depending on birth year (see Widow).	
	60–66		The percent of reduction for each month depends on the age at which 100 percent of PIA is payable. The percentage is adjusted so that the total reduction, in equal monthly steps, is always 28 1/2 percent at age 60.	
1984			Noncovered pension offset limited to two-thirds of such pension.	
			Disabled surviving divorced wife	
1967	50–59	82.5	Fully insured. Dependent. Married 20 years. Not counted toward family maximum. Reduced 13 1/3 percent, plus 43/198 of 1 percent for each month under age 62.	
1972		100	Reduced 28 1/2 percent, plus 43/240 of 1 percent for each month under age 60.	
			Dependency requirement eliminated.	
1977			Increased by any delayed retirement increment husband (or former husband) would be receiving.	
	• • •		Married 10 years.	
			Reduced by full amount of pension payable based on own earnings in noncovered governmental employment (noncovered pension offset). Reduction does not apply if eligible for such pension before December 1982 and married 20 years.	
1983			Noncovered pension offset not applicable if first eligible for such pension before July 1983 and dependent. Reduced by only two-thirds of such pension if first eligible for it after June 1983.	
	• • •		Additional reduction for each month under age 60 eliminated.	
1984			Noncovered pension offset limited to two-thirds of such pension.	
			Widowed mother	
1939	Under 65	75	Fully or currently insured. Caring for eligible child.	
1965			Eligible child excludes student over age 18.	
1977			Reduced by full amount of pension payable based on own earnings in noncovered governmental employment (noncovered pension offset). Reduction does not apply if eligible for such pension before December 1982.	
1981			Eligible child excludes nondisabled child aged 16–17.	
1983	• • •		Noncovered pension offset not applicable if first eligible for such pension before July 1983 and dependent. Reduced by only two-thirds of such pension if first eligible for it after June 1983.	
1984			Noncovered pension offset limited to two-thirds of such pension.	
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Table 2.A22—Legislative provisions for computing monthly benefits for survivors of deceased workers, by year enacted—Continued

Year enacted	Age	Percentage of PIA	Condition or qualification	
			Surviving divorced mother	
1950	Under 65	75	Fully or currently insured. Caring for eligible child. Dependent. Not counted toward family maximum.	
1965			Eligible child excludes student over age 18.	
1972			Dependency requirement eliminated.	
1977			Reduced by full amount of pension payable based on own earnings in noncovered governmental employment (noncovered pension offset). Reduction does not apply if eligible for such pension before December 1982.	
1981			Eligible child excludes nondisabled child aged 16–17.	
1983			Noncovered pension offset not applicable if first eligible for such pension before July 1983 and dependent. Reduced by only two-thirds of such pension if first eligible for it after June 1983.	
1984			Noncovered pension offset limited to two-thirds of such pension.	
			Child	
1939	Under 18	50	Fully or currently insured. ^a Student aged 16–17.	
1946			Student requirement eliminated.	
1950			Plus 25 percent of PIA divided among the children.	
1960		75	Additional 25 percent of PIA eliminated.	
1965			Full-time student.	
1972			Benefits extended to end of quarter or semester in which 22nd birthday occurs while undergraduate student.	
			Includes grandchild under certain circumstances.	
1981	18–22		Student category eliminated (to be phased out gradually for those entitled before May 1982), except for elementary or secondary school students under age 19.	
1996			Stepchildren must be dependent on worker.	
			Disabled child	
1956	18 or older	50	Fully or currently insured. ^a Disabled before age 18. Plus 25 percent of PIA divided among the children.	
1960		75	Additional 25 percent of PIA eliminated.	
1972			Disabled before age 22.	
			Includes grandchild under certain circumstances.	
			Parent	
1939	65 or older	50	Fully insured. Dependent. No surviving widow or child under age 18.	
1946			No surviving eligible widow or child.	
1950		75		
1956	62–64		Women.	
1958			No-other-survivor requirement eliminated.	
1961	62 or older	82.5	75 percent each if two parents.	

Table 2.A22—Legislative provisions for computing monthly benefits for survivors of deceased workers, by year enacted—Continued

Year enacted	Age	Percentage of PIA	Condition or qualification
			Widower
1950	65 or older	75	Fully and currently insured. Dependent.
1961	62 or older	82.5	
1967			Currently insured requirement eliminated.
1972	65 or older	100	Limited, if wife retired before age 65, to amount wife would be receiving if still living, but not less than 82 1/2 percent of PIA.
	60–64		Reduced 19/40 of 1 percent for each month under age 65. In addition, for a widower aged 62–64 whose wife retired before age 65, limited to amount she would be receiving if still living, but not less than 82 1/2 percent of PIA.
1977			Dependency requirement eliminated.
			Increased by any delayed retirement increment wife would be receiving.
		• • • •	Reduced by full amount of pension payable based on own earnings in noncovered governmental employment (noncovered pension offset). Reduction does not apply if eligible for such pension before December 1982, dependent, and not remarried before age 60.
1983			Noncovered pension offset not applicable if first eligible for such pension before July 1983 and dependent. Reduced by only two-thirds of such pension if first eligible for it after June 1983.
	65 and 2 months-67		Beginning in 2000, the age at which 100 percent of PIA is payable varies depending on birth year (see Widow).
	60–66		The percent of reduction for each month depends on the age at which 100 percent of PIA is payable. The percentage is adjusted so that the total reduction, in equal monthly steps, is always 28 1/2 percent at age 60.
1984			Noncovered pension offset limited to two-thirds of such pension.
			Disabled widower
1967	50–61	82.5	Fully insured. Dependent. Reduced 5/9 of 1 percent per month between ages 60–62, plus 43/198 of 1 percent for each month under age 60.
1972	50–59	100	Reduced 28 1/2 percent, plus 43/240 of 1 percent for each month under age 60. Disability requirement eliminated for ages 60–61.
			Dependency requirement eliminated.
1977			Increased by any delayed retirement increment wife would be receiving.
			Reduced by full amount of pension payable based on own earnings in noncovered governmental employment (noncovered pension offset). Reduction does not apply if eligible for such pension before December 1982, dependent, and not remarried before age 60.
1983			Noncovered pension offset not applicable if first eligible for such pension before July 1983 and dependent. Reduced by only two-thirds of such pension if first eligible for it after June 1983.
			Additional reduction for each month under age 60 eliminated.
1984			Noncovered pension offset limited to two-thirds of such pension.
			Surviving divorced husband
1980 ^b	65 or older	100	Fully insured. Married 10 years. Increased by any delayed retirement credit former wife would be receiving. Limited, if former wife retired before age 65, to amount she would be receiving if still living, but not less than 82 1/2 percent of PIA. Not counted toward family maximum. Reduced by full amount of pension payable based on own earnings in noncovered governmental employment (noncovered pension offset).
	60–64		Reduced 19/40 of 1 percent for each month under age 65. In addition, for a widower aged 62–64 whose wife retired before age 65, limited to amount she would be receiving if still living, but not less than 82 1/2 percent of PIA.
1983			Noncovered pension offset provision not applicable if first eligible for such pension before July 1983 and dependent. Reduced by only two-thirds of such pension if first eligible for it after June 1983.
	65 and 2 months-67		Beginning in 2000, the age at which 100 percent of PIA is payable varies depending on birth year (see Widow).
	60–66		The percent of reduction for each month depends on the age at which 100 percent of PIA is payable. The percentage is adjusted so that the total reduction, in equal monthly steps, is always 28 1/2 percent at age 60.
1984			Noncovered pension offset limited to two-thirds of such pension.

Table 2.A22—Legislative provisions for computing monthly benefits for survivors of deceased workers, by year enacted—Continued

Year enacted	Age	Percentage of PIA	Condition or qualification	
			Disabled surviving divorced husband	
1980 ^b	50–59	100	Fully insured. Married 10 years. Increased by any delayed retirement credit former wife would be receiving. Reduced 28 1/2 percent, plus 43/240 of 1 percent for each month under age 60. Not counted toward family maximum. Reduced by full amount of pension payable based on own earnings in noncovered employment (noncovered pension offset).	
1983	• • •	• • •	Noncovered pension offset provision not applicable if first eligible for such pension before July 1983 and dependent. Reduced by only two-thirds of such pension if first eligible for it after June 1983.	
			Additional reduction for each month under age 60 eliminated.	
1984			Noncovered pension offset limited to two-thirds of such pension.	
			Widowed father	
1975 °	Under 65	75	Fully or currently insured. Caring for eligible child under age 18.	
1977	• • •	• • •	Reduced by full amount of pension payable based on own earnings in noncovered governmental employment (noncovered pension offset). Reduction does not apply if eligible for such pension before December 1982.	
1981			Eligible child excludes nondisabled child aged 16–17.	
1983		• • •	Noncovered pension offset provision not applicable if first eligible for such pension before July 1983 and dependent. Reduced by only two-thirds of such pension if first eligible for it after June 1983.	
1984			Noncovered pension offset to two-thirds of such pension.	
			Surviving divorced father	
1979 ^d	Under 65	75	Fully or currently insured. Caring for eligible child under age 18. Reduced by full amount of pension payable based on own earnings in noncovered governmental employment (noncovered pension offset).	
1981			Eligible child excludes nondisabled child aged 16–17.	
1983			Noncovered pension offset provision not applicable if first eligible for such pension before July 1983 and dependent Reduced by only two-thirds of such pension if first eligible for it after June 1983.	
1984			Noncovered pension offset limited to two-thirds of such pension.	

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NOTE: PIA = primary insurance amount; . . . = not applicable.

- a. Under the Act of 1939, generally not available to child of married female worker. Under the Act of 1950, available if female worker is fully and currently insured; currently insured requirement eliminated by the Act of 1967.
- b. Oregon District Court decision in Ambrose v. Harris, July 17, 1980. Statutory change enacted in 1983.
- c. Supreme Court decision in Weinberger v. Wiesenfeld, March 19, 1975. Statutory change enacted in 1983.
- d. Western District Court decision in Yates v. Califano, January 28, 1979. Statutory change enacted in 1983.

Table 2.A23—Monthly benefits for transitionally insured workers and their spouses and surviving spouses, aged 72 before 1969

Type of benefit	Effective date	Amount
		Enacted in 1965
Worker	September 1965	\$35.00
	October 1966	Same as benefit for individual receiving special age-72 benefits (see Table 2.A24)
Wife	September 1963	One-half of worker's benefit
Widow	September 1963	Same as worker's benefit
		Enacted in 1983
Husband	May 1983	One-half of worker's benefit
Widower	May 1983	Same as worker's benefit

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Table 2.A24—Monthly benefits for individuals and couples insured for special age-72 (Prouty) benefits

			Amount ^a (dollars)	
Year enacted	Effective date	Age	Individual	Couple
1966	October 1966	72	35.00	52.50
1967	February 1968		40.00	60.00
1969	January 1970		46.00	69.00
1971	January 1971		48.30	72.50
1972 ^b	September 1972		58.00	87.00
1973 °	June-December 1974		61.50	92.30
1973 ^d	March 1974		62.10	93.20
	June 1974		64.40	96.60
	June 1975		69.50	104.40
	June 1976		74.10	111.20
	June 1977		78.50	117.80
	June 1978		83.70	125.60
	June 1979		92.00	138.10
	June 1980		105.20	157.90
	June 1981		117.00	175.70
	June 1982		125.60	188.60
1983 ^e	December 1983		129.90	
	December 1984		134.40	
	December 1985		138.50	
	December 1986		140.30	
	December 1987		146.10	
	December 1988		151.90	
	December 1989		159.00	

Table 2.A24—Monthly benefits for individuals and couples insured for special age-72 (Prouty) benefits—Continued

			Amount ^a (dollars)	
Year enacted	Effective date	Age	Individual	Couple
1990	December 1990	72 before 1972 ^f	167.50	
	December 1991	• • •	173.60	
	December 1992	• • •	178.80	
	December 1993		183.40	
	December 1994		188.50	
	December 1995		193.40	
	December 1996	• • •	199.00	
	December 1997	• • •	203.10	
	December 1998		205.70	
	December 1999 ^g		210.80	
	December 2000		218.10	
	December 2001		223.70	
	December 2002		226.80	
	December 2003		231.50	
	December 2004	• • •	237.70	
	December 2005		247.40	
	December 2006		255.50	
	December 2007		261.30	
	December 2008		276.40	
	December 2009	• • •	276.40	
	December 2010		276.40	
	December 2011 h	• • •	•••	

SOURCES: Social Security Act of 1935 (the Act), as amended through December 31, 2021; regulations issued under the Act; and precedential case decisions (rulings). See the Social Security Program Rules page (https://www.ssa.gov/regulations/index.htm) for specific laws, regulations, rulings, legislation, and a link to the Federal Register.

NOTE: . . . = not applicable.

- a. Monthly benefit reduced by amount of any government pension excluding workers' compensation benefits and veterans' compensation for service-connected disability or death. Not available for persons receiving assistance.
- b. Provision for future automatic cost-of-living adjustments (COLAs).
- c. Suspended by legislation in 1973.
- d. Beginning June 1975, subject to automatic COLAs. Benefits no longer available to persons receiving payments under the Supplemental Security Income program.
- e. Separate rate for couples eliminated. Rate for individuals applied to all beneficiaries.
- f. Effective for applications after November 5, 1990.
- g. The COLA for December 1999 was originally determined to be 2.4 percent, based on the Consumer Price Index (CPI). The underlying CPI was later recomputed by the Bureau of Labor Statistics; a 2.5 percent COLA would have been consistent with the recomputed CPI. Pursuant to Public Law 106-554, benefits were calculated and paid in August 2001 and later as if the COLA for December 1999 had been 2.5 percent. Affected beneficiaries received a one-time payment to cover the shortfall that occurred before August 2001.
- h. Social Security Administration records show no surviving special age-72 (Prouty) beneficiaries in current-payment status in December 2011.

Table 2.A25—Legislative provisions for lump-sum benefits and vocational rehabilitation services, by type

Year enacted	Provision
	Lump-sum refund
1935	Persons not insured at age 65 eligible for lump-sum refund equal to 3.5 percent of cumulative wage credits.
1939	Lump-sum refund eliminated.
	Lump-sum death payment
1935	Under age 65: 3.5 percent of cumulative wage credits. Aged 65 or older and fully insured: 3.5 percent of cumulative wage credits, less monthly benefits received.
1939	Fully and currently insured: 6 times the primary insurance amount (PIA) if no survivor eligible for monthly benefits.
1950	3 times PIA for all deaths.
1954	3 times PIA with maximum of \$255.
1981	Payable only to a widow or widower who was living with the worker at time of the death or to a widow, widower, or children eligible for monthly benefits. ^a
	Vocational rehabilitation services
1965	Available to selected disabled individuals. Costs of services payable from Old-Age, Survivors, and Disability Insurance (OASDI) trust funds to state vocational rehabilitation agencies. Reimbursement in any year may not exceed 1 percent of the total amount of OASDI disability benefits disbursed in the prior year.
1972	Maximum annual reimbursement increased to 1.25 percent for fiscal year ending June 30, 1973, and 1.50 percent thereafter.
1981	Reimbursement from trust funds for cost of rehabilitation services made if the services result in the disabled individual's return to work (performance of substantial gainful activity for 9 consecutive months).
1999	Enhancements including expanded beneficiary choice of service providers and extended health care for beneficiaries who return to work.

SOURCES: Social Security Act of 1935 (the Act), as amended through December 31, 2021; regulations issued under the Act; and precedential case decisions (rulings). See the Social Security Program Rules page (https://www.ssa.gov/regulations/index.htm) for specific laws, regulations, rulings, legislation, and a link to the Federal Register.

a. The amount of the lump sum is effectively fixed at \$255 because of increases in the pre-1981 PIA. The 1981 legislation eliminating the minimum PIA is not applicable to the calculation of the lump-sum death payment.

Table 2.A26—Monthly benefit for selected beneficiary families with first eligibility in 2021, by average indexed monthly earnings for stipulated yearly wage levels, effective December 2021 (in dollars)

Beneficiary family	Federal minimum wage ^a	75 percent of average wage	Average wage ^b	150 percent of average wage	Maximum taxable earnings ^c
		Retire	d-worker familie	s ^d	
Average indexed monthly earnings	1,637.00	3,383.00	4,511.00	6,767.00	11,098.00
Primary insurance amount	1,166.40	1,758.10	2,140.40	2,767.10	3,455.10
Maximum family benefit	1,852.80	3,420.60	4,078.50	4,843.70	6,047.70
Monthly benefit amount for retired worker claiming benefits at age 62					
Worker alone	874.00	1,318.00	1,605.00	2,075.00	2,591.00
Worker with spouse claiming benefits at—					
Full retirement age or older ^e	1,457.00	2,197.00	2,675.00	3,458.00	4,318.00
Age 62	1,282.00	1,933.00	2,354.00	3,043.00	3,800.00
	Survivor families ^f				
Average indexed monthly earnings	1,474.00	3,388.00	4,518.00	6,777.00	11,337.00
Primary insurance amount	1,111.20	1,759.80	2,142.70	2,768.70	3,493.10
Maximum family benefit	1,765.10	3,425.60	4,081.80	4,846.60	6,114.20
Monthly benefit amount for survivor of worker deceased at age 40					
1 surviving child	833.00	1,319.00	1,607.00	2,076.00	2,619.00
Widowed mother or father and 1 child	1,666.00	2,638.00	3,214.00	4,152.00	5,238.00
Widowed mother or father and 2 children	1,764.00	3,423.00	4,080.00	4,845.00	6,114.00
	Disabled-worker families ^g				
Average indexed monthly earnings	1,526.00	3,385.00	4,513.00	6,770.00	11,249.00
Primary insurance amount	1,128.80	1,758.70	2,141.00	2,767.60	3,479.10
Maximum family benefit h	1,373.60	2,638.10	3,211.60	4,151.50	5,218.60
Monthly benefit amount for disabled worker age 50					
Worker alone	1,128.00	1,758.00	2,141.00	2,767.00	3,479.00
Worker, spouse, and 1 child	1,372.00	2,636.00	3,211.00	4,149.00	5,217.00

- b. See Table 2.A8.
- c. See Table 2.A9.
- d. Assumes the worker began to work at age 22, retired at age 62 in 2021 with maximum reduction, and had no prior period of disability.
- e. The full retirement age is the earliest age at which an unreduced spousal benefit is payable.
- f. Assumes the deceased worker began to work at age 22, died in 2021 at age 40, had no earnings in that year, and had no prior period of disability.
- g. Assumes the worker began to work at age 22, became disabled at age 50 in 2021, had no earnings in that year, and had no prior period of disability.
- h. The Amendments of 1980 to the Social Security Act provide for a different family maximum amount in disability cases. For disabled workers entitled after June 1980, the maximum is the smaller of (1) 85 percent of the worker's average indexed monthly earnings (or 100 percent of the primary insurance amount, if larger) or (2) 150 percent of the primary insurance amount.

a. Annual earnings are calculated by multiplying the federal minimum wage by 2,080 hours (see Table 3.B3). Increases in the minimum wage during the year are prorated.

Table 2.A27—Maximum monthly retired-worker benefits for individuals who retired at age 62, by year in which they attained age 62, 1982–2022 (in dollars)

Year of attainment of		Maximum benefit		
age 62	Full retirement age (FRA)	At retirement	Effective December 2021 a	
1982	65	477.90	1,416.10	
1983	65	530.00	1,462.30	
1984	65	563.30	1,501.40	
1985	65	595.40	1,534.50	
1986	65	634.90	1,586.70	
1987	65	666.70	1,645.10	
1988	65	691.40	1,637.60	
1989	65	739.10	1,683.10	
1990	65	780.00	1,696.70	
1991	65	815.60	1,683.10	
1992	65	860.00	1,711.70	
1993	65	899.80	1,738.80	
1994	65	954.50	1,797.80	
1995	65	972.60	1,781.90	
1996	65	1,006.80	1,798.00	
1997	65	1,056.40	1,833.80	
1998	65	1,117.30	1,899.70	
1999	65	1,191.90	^b 2,000.40	
2000	65 and 2 months	1,248.20	2,043.90	
2001	65 and 4 months	1,314.30	2,079.60	
2002	65 and 6 months	1,382.70	2,132.20	
2003	65 and 8 months	1,412.00	2,147.40	
2004	65 and 10 months	1,422.60	2,119.20	
2005	66	1,452.90	2,107.70	
2006	66	1,530.90	2,133.50	
2007	66	1,598.20	2,155.90	
2008	66	1,682.00	2,218.00	
2009	66	1,769.50	2,205.50	
2010	66	1,820.00	2,268.50	
2011	66	1,803.50	2,248.00	
2012	66	1,855.70	2,232.70	
2013	66	1,923.20	2,275.30	
2014	66	1,992.90	2,323.10	
2015	66	2,025.30	2,321.30	
2016	66	2,102.40	2,409.80	
2017	66 and 2 months	2,153.90	2,461.30	
2018	66 and 4 months	2,158.50	2,418.40	
2019	66 and 6 months	2,209.70	2,408.30	
2020	66 and 8 months	2,265.30	2,430.10	
2021	66 and 10 months	2,324.60	2,461.70	
2022	67	2,364.30		

NOTES: Assumes the worker began to work at age 22 and had no prior disability.

reduction percentages by year of birth and year of attainment of age 62.

Because a worker cannot claim benefits until the first full calendar month throughout which he or she is aged 62, values reflect benefits claimed at age 62 and 1 month.

Because the FRA varies by year of birth, the cumulative reduction percentage for workers claiming at age 62 also varies by year of birth. See Table 2.A17.1 for maximum

Values reflect the Old-Age and Survivors Insurance benefit formula computations that apply to all beneficiaries. Final payment amounts may differ because of deductions or other adjustments that apply case by case.

- ... = not applicable.
- a. Values reflect cumulative cost-of-living adjustments.
- b. The cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) for December 1999 was originally determined to be 2.4 percent, based on the Consumer Price Index (CPI). The underlying CPI was later recomputed by the Bureau of Labor Statistics; a 2.5 percent COLA would have been consistent with the recomputed CPI. Pursuant to Public Law 106-554, benefits were calculated and paid in August 2001 and later as if the COLA for December 1999 had been 2.5 percent. Affected beneficiaries received a one-time payment to cover the shortfall that occurred before August 2001.

Table 2.A28—Minimum and maximum monthly retired-worker benefits for individuals who retired at their full retirement age of 65, by year in which they attained age 65, 1940–2002 (in dollars)

	Minimum be	enefit		Maximum	henefit	
Year of attainment	William Be	Effective	At retirement		Effective Decem	per 2021 ^a
of age 65	At retirement	December 2021 a	Men	Women	Men	Women
1940	10.00	460.60	41.20	41.20	974.70	974.70
1941	10.00	460.60	41.60	41.60	974.70	974.70
1942	10.00	460.60	42.00	42.00	986.10	986.10
1943	10.00	460.60	42.40	42.40	986.10	986.10
1944	10.00	460.60	42.80	42.80	986.10	986.10
1945	10.00	460.60	43.20	43.20	997.00	997.00
1946	10.00	460.60	43.60	43.60	1,009.10	1,009.10
1947	10.00	460.60	44.00	44.00	1,018.40	1,018.40
1948	10.00	460.60	44.40	44.40	1,018.40	1,018.40
1949	10.00	460.60	44.80	44.80	1,028.90	1,028.90
1950	10.00	460.60	45.20	45.20	1,041.50	1,041.50
1951	20.00	460.60	68.50	68.50	1,041.50	1,041.50
1952	20.00	460.60	68.50	68.50	1,041.50	1,041.50
1953	25.00	460.60	85.00	85.00	1,150.70	1,150.70
1954	25.00	460.60	85.00	85.00	1,150.70	1,150.70
1955	30.00	460.60	98.50	98.50	1,150.70	1,150.70
1956	30.00	460.60	103.50	103.50	1,215.80	1,215.80
1957	30.00	460.60	108.50	108.50	1,271.10	1,271.10
1958	30.00	460.60	108.50	108.50	1,271.10	1,271.10
1959	33.00	460.60	116.00	116.00	1,271.10	1,271.10
1960	33.00	460.60	119.00	119.00	1,303.00	1,303.00
1961	33.00	460.60	120.00	120.00	1,313.20	1,313.20
1962	40.00	460.60	121.00	123.00	1,325.10	1,347.60
1963	40.00	460.60	122.00	125.00	1,335.50	1,367.60
1964	40.00	460.60	123.00	127.00	1,347.60	1,390.80
1965	44.00	460.60	131.70	135.90	1,347.60	1,390.80
1966	44.00	460.60	132.70	135.90	1,357.70	1,390.80
1967	44.00	460.60	135.90	140.00	1,390.80	1,431.80
1968 1969	^b 55.00 55.00	460.60 460.60	^b 156.00 160.50	^b 161.60 167.30	1,411.70 1,453.20	1,462.60 1,514.30
1970	64.00	460.60	189.80	196.40	1,493.90	1,546.90
1971	70.40	460.60	213.10	220.40	1,524.20	1,575.40
1972	70.40	460.60	216.10	224.70	1,546.90	1,607.50
1973 1974	84.50 84.50	460.60 460.60	266.10 274.60	276.40 284.90	1,586.40 1,636.20	1,647.90 1,698.60
1975	93.80	460.60	316.30	333.70	1,698.60	1,792.00
1976	101.40	460.60	364.00	378.80	1,808.70	1,882.40 1,972.80
1977 1978	107.90 114.30	460.60 460.60	412.70 459.80	422.40 459.80	1,928.10 2,028.30	2,028.30
1979	121.80	460.60	503.40	503.40	2,084.60	2,026.50
1980						
	133.90	460.60	572.00 677.00	572.00 677.00	2,155.50	2,155.50
1981 1982	153.10 ° 170.30	460.60	677.00 ° 679.30	677.00 ° 679.30	2,231.80 2,012.80	2,231.80
1983	° 166.40	460.60 418.80	709.50	709.50	1,958.00	2,012.80 1,958.00
1984	° 150.50	365.50	703.60	703.60	1,876.00	1,876.00
1985 1986	d	d d	717.20 760.10	717.20 760.10	1,847.90 1,899.40	1,847.90 1,899.40
1987	d d	d d	789.20	789.20	1,947.10	1,947.10
1988	d d	d d	838.60	838.60	1,947.10	1,985.80
1989	d	d	899.60	899.60	2,048.10	2,048.10
1990	d		975.00	975.00	2,120.80	2,120.80
1990	d d	d d	1,022.90	1,022.90	2,120.80 2,110.70	2,120.60
1991	d d	d d	1,022.90	1,022.90	2,110.70	2,110.70
1992	d d	d d	1,128.80	1,128.80	2,181.50	2,181.50
1994	d	d	1,147.50	1,147.50	2,161.30	2,161.30
	u 	u 	1,147.50	1,147.30	2,101.30	۷,۱۵۱.30

Table 2.A28—Minimum and maximum monthly retired-worker benefits for individuals who retired at their full retirement age of 65, by year in which they attained age 65, 1940–2002 (in dollars)—Continued

Year of	Minimum	n benefit		Maximum	ı benefit	
attainment		Effective	At retir	rement	Effective Decer	mber 2021 ^a
of age 65	At retirement	December 2021 ^a	Men	Women	Men	Women
1995	d	d	1,199.10	1,199.10	2,197.20	2,197.20
1996	d	d	1,248.90	1,248.90	2,230.60	2,230.60
1997	d	d	1,326.60	1,326.60	2,302.90	2,302.90
1998	d	d	1,342.80	1,342.80	2,282.90	2,282.90
1999	d	d	1,373.10	1,373.10	2,304.50	2,304.50
2000	d	d	1,435.30	1,435.30	2,350.40	2,350.40
2001	d	d	^e 1,538.20	^e 1,538.20	2,433.40	2,433.40
2002	d	d	1,660.50	1,660.50	2,560.70	2,560.70

NOTES: The worker is assumed to have begun working at age 22, retired at the beginning of the year with unreduced benefits, had no earnings after retirement, and had no prior period of disability.

Values reflect the Old-Age and Survivors Insurance benefit formula computations that apply to all beneficiaries. Final payment amounts may differ because of deductions or other adjustments that apply case by case.

- a. Values reflect cumulative cost-of-living adjustments.
- b. Effective February 1968.
- c. Derived from transitional guarantee computation based on primary insurance amount (PIA) table of 1978.
- d. In 1981, legislation eliminated the minimum PIA for workers who attain age 62 in 1982 or later. (The minimum is retained until 1991 for members of religious orders who are under a vow of poverty, provided that the order had elected Social Security coverage before December 29, 1981.)
- e. The cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) for December 1999 was originally determined to be 2.4 percent, based on the Consumer Price Index (CPI). The underlying CPI was later recomputed by the Bureau of Labor Statistics; a 2.5 percent COLA would have been consistent with the recomputed CPI. Pursuant to Public Law 106-554, benefits were calculated and paid in August 2001 and later as if the COLA for December 1999 had been 2.5 percent. Affected beneficiaries received a one-time payment to cover the shortfall that occurred before August 2001.

Table 2.A28.1—Maximum monthly retired-worker benefits for individuals who retired at full retirement age (FRA), by year in which they attained FRA, 2003–2022 (in dollars)

Year of attainment of		Maximum benefit		
FRA	FRA	At retirement	Effective December 2021 a	
2003	65 and 2 months	1,741.10	2,648.00	
2004	65 and 2 months	1,797.40	2,677.70	
	65 and 4 months	1,825.40	2,719.10	
2005	65 and 4 months	1,893.80	2,747.10	
	65 and 6 months	1,939.00	2,812.70	
2006	65 and 6 months	2,037.10	2,838.70	
	65 and 8 months	2,053.20	2,861.20	
2007	65 and 8 months	2,141.00	2,888.50	
	65 and 10 months	2,116.30	2,854.80	
2008	65 and 10 months	2,185.40	2,882.10	
2009	66	2,323.80	2,896.50	
2010	66	2,346.80	2,925.10	
2011	66	2,366.10	2,949.30	
2012	66	2,513.60	3,024.50	
2013	66	2,533.50	2,997.60	
2014	66	2,642.60	3,080.40	
2015	66	2,663.80	3,053.30	
2016	66	2,639.40	3,025.30	
2017	66	2,687.30	3,070.90	
2018	66	2,788.90	3,124.50	
2019	66	2,861.10	3,118.20	
2020	66	3,011.50	3,230.50	
2021	66 and 2 months	3,148.10	3,333.80	
2022	66 and 2 months	3,345.80		
	66 and 4 months	3,313.80		

SOURCES: Social Security Act of 1935 (the Act), as amended through December 31, 2021; regulations issued under the Act; and precedential case decisions (rulings). Social Security Administration, "Cost-of-Living Increase and Other Determinations for 2022," *Federal Register*, vol. 86, no. 202 (October 22, 2021). See the Social Security Program Rules page (https://www.ssa.gov/regulations/index.htm) for specific laws, regulations, rulings, legislation, and a link to the *Federal Register*.

NOTES: The worker is assumed to have begun working at age 22, retired at the beginning of the year with unreduced benefits, had no earnings after retirement, and had no prior period of disability.

Values reflect the Old-Age and Survivors Insurance benefit formula computations that apply to all beneficiaries. Final payment amounts may differ because of deductions or other adjustments that apply case by case.

^{... =} not applicable.

a. Values reflect cumulative cost-of-living adjustments.

Table 2.A28.2—Maximum monthly retired-worker benefits for individuals who retired at the maximum delayed retirement credit age of 70, by year in which they attained age 70, 1987–2022 (in dollars)

Year of attainment of		Maximum benefit		
age 70	Full retirement age	At retirement	Effective December 2021 a	
1987	65	1,056.80	2,608.00	
1988	65	1,080.40	2,558.80	
1989	65	1,063.60	2,422.20	
1990	65	1,085.00	2,360.20	
1991	65	1,163.90	2,402.10	
1992	65	1,231.70	2,451.30	
1993	65	1,289.00	2,491.10	
1994	65	1,358.40	2,558.80	
1995	65	1,474.00	2,700.90	
1996	65	1,501.20	2,681.40	
1997	65	1,609.90	2,794.50	
1998	65	1,648.00	2,801.60	
1999	65	1,684.30	2,826.90	
2000	65	1,752.90	2,870.40	
2001	65	1,879.00	2,973.10	
2002	65	1,988.20	3,066.10	
2003	65	2,045.60	3,111.00	
2004	65	2,111.40	3,145.20	
2005	65	2,252.30	3,267.10	
2006	65	2,420.80	3,373.30	
2007	65	2,672.70	3,605.50	
2008	65 and 2 months	2,794.40	3,684.90	
2009	65 and 4 months	3,054.50	3,807.20	
2010	65 and 6 months	3,119.40	3,888.10	
2011	65 and 8 months	3,193.10	3,980.00	
2012	65 and 10 months	3,266.10	3,929.80	
2013	66	3,350.80	3,964.20	
2014	66	3,425.40	3,992.80	
2015	66	3,501.10	4,012.90	
2016	66	3,576.10	4,098.90	
2017	66	3,538.20	4,043.40	
2018	66	3,698.20	4,143.30	
2019	66	3,770.40	4,109.40	
2020	66	3,790.90	4,066.60	
2021	66	3,895.80	4,125.60	
2022	66	4,194.50	• • •	

NOTES: The worker is assumed to have begun working at age 22, retired at the beginning of the year with unreduced benefits, had no earnings after retirement, and had no prior period of disability.

Values reflect the Old-Age and Survivors Insurance benefit formula computations that apply to all beneficiaries. Final payment amounts may differ because of deductions or other adjustments that apply case by case.

^{... =} not applicable.

a. Values reflect cumulative cost-of-living adjustments.