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Social Security

Congressional Statistics

for December 2009

South Carolina

Old-Age (retirement), Survivors, and Disability Insurance (OASDI)—popularly referred to as Social Security—provides monthly benefits to an eligible worker and family members when the worker elects to start receiving retirement benefits or when the worker dies or becomes disabled. The amount of benefits received is based on the worker’s level of earnings in employment or self-employment covered by the Social Security program.

Table 1.
Number of OASDI beneficiaries in current-payment status and total monthly benefits, December 2009

Congressional district	Number of beneficiaries						Total monthly benefits (thousands of dollars)			Number of beneficiaries aged 65 or older
	Total	Retired workers	Disabled workers	Widow(er)s ^a	Spouses ^b	Children ^c	All beneficiaries	Retired workers	Widow(er)s ^a	
South Carolina	889,876	556,444	156,502	69,929	29,571	77,430	942,226	643,622	71,542	578,014
1	154,455	102,063	22,919	11,907	5,865	11,701	166,878	118,713	12,899	104,601
2	137,233	92,903	17,708	10,749	5,487	10,386	153,703	112,929	11,934	96,142
3	161,666	101,551	30,097	11,445	5,018	13,555	172,691	117,687	11,790	104,646
4	148,492	91,156	29,210	10,562	4,588	12,976	161,453	108,890	11,447	94,990
5	149,566	90,906	28,348	12,237	4,223	13,852	156,203	103,862	11,925	94,106
6	138,464	77,865	28,220	13,029	4,390	14,960	131,299	81,541	11,548	83,529
All areas ^d	52,522,819	33,514,013	7,788,013	4,488,492	2,501,723	4,230,578	55,905,731	39,020,920	4,893,329	36,594,122

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Master Beneficiary Record, 100 percent data.

- a. Includes nondisabled widow(er)s, disabled widow(er)s, widowed mothers and fathers, and parents receiving payment on the record of a worker who is deceased.
- b. These beneficiaries receive payment on the record of a worker who is retired or disabled.
- c. These beneficiaries receive payment on the record of a worker who is retired, deceased, or disabled.
- d. Includes beneficiaries in the 50 states, District of Columbia, American Samoa, Guam, Northern Mariana Islands, Puerto Rico, U.S. Virgin Islands, and foreign countries.

Supplemental Security Income (SSI) is a federal cash assistance program that provides monthly payments to low-income aged, blind, or disabled persons in the 50 states, the District of Columbia, and the Northern Mariana Islands.

Table 2.
Number of recipients of federally administered SSI payments and total monthly payments, December 2009

Congressional district	Number of recipients				Total monthly payments (thousands of dollars)				Number of recipients	
	Total	Aged	Blind	Disabled	Total	Aged	Blind	Disabled	With OASDI ^a	Aged 65 or older
South Carolina	109,515	10,045	1,267	98,203	55,101	2,365	572	52,164	40,615	22,683
1	13,295	1,140	130	12,025	6,475	281	56	6,138	4,859	2,594
2	13,319	1,151	175	11,993	6,934	299	82	6,554	4,533	2,559
3	16,298	1,264	187	14,847	8,468	266	85	8,116	6,016	2,905
4	16,006	1,266	200	14,540	8,585	335	90	8,160	5,708	2,795
5	20,752	2,036	216	18,500	10,311	449	102	9,760	7,991	4,613
6	29,845	3,188	359	26,298	14,328	735	157	13,436	11,508	7,217
All areas ^b	7,676,686	1,185,959	69,302	6,421,425	4,120,127	475,505	36,702	3,607,920	2,621,649	2,025,610

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record (Characteristic Extract Record format), 100 percent data.

- a. Includes persons who are receiving both SSI payments and Social Security benefits.
- b. Includes recipients in the 50 states, District of Columbia, and Northern Mariana Islands.

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