

Table 1.**Number of people receiving Social Security, Supplemental Security Income (SSI), or both, December 2017
(in thousands)**

Type of beneficiary	Total	Social Security only	SSI only	Both Social Security and SSI
All beneficiaries	66,983	58,755	5,489	2,739
Aged 65 or older	46,714	44,474	987	1,253
Disabled, under age 65 ^a	13,871	7,883	4,502	1,486
Other ^b	6,398	6,398

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

NOTES: Social Security beneficiaries who are entitled to a primary and a secondary benefit (dual entitlement) are counted only once in this table. SSI counts include recipients of federal SSI, federally administered state supplementation, or both.

... = not applicable.

a. Includes children receiving SSI based on their own disability.

b. Social Security beneficiaries who are neither aged nor disabled (for example, early retirees, young survivors).

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Table 2.
Social Security benefits, December 2017

Type of beneficiary	Beneficiaries		Total monthly benefits (millions of dollars)	Average monthly benefit (dollars)
	Number (thousands)	Percent		
Total	61,903	100.0	79,733	1,288.02
Old-Age and Survivors Insurance	51,492	83.2	68,700	1,334.19
Retirement benefits	45,498	73.5	61,797	1,358.24
Retired workers	42,447	68.6	59,602	1,404.15
Spouses of retired workers	2,376	3.8	1,739	732.13
Children of retired workers	675	1.1	456	674.56
Survivor benefits	5,994	9.7	6,904	1,151.71
Children of deceased workers	1,904	3.1	1,633	857.59
Widowed mothers and fathers	128	0.2	125	975.34
Nondisabled widow(er)s	3,703	6.0	4,956	1,338.48
Disabled widow(er)s	258	0.4	188	729.44
Parents of deceased workers	1	(L)	1	1,186.43
Disability Insurance	10,411	16.8	11,032	1,059.63
Disabled workers	8,695	14.0	10,407	1,196.87
Spouses of disabled workers	126	0.2	42	335.42
Children of disabled workers	1,590	2.6	582	366.40

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

NOTE: (L) = less than 0.05 percent.

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Table 3.
Supplemental Security Income recipients, December 2017

Age	Recipients		Total payments ^a (millions of dollars)	Average monthly payment ^b (dollars)
	Number (thousands)	Percent		
All recipients	8,228	100.0	4,754	541.63
Under 18	1,183	14.4	811	647.48
18–64	4,805	58.4	2,960	564.34
65 or older	2,240	27.2	984	437.37

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

a. Includes retroactive payments.

b. Excludes retroactive payments.

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