

Table 9.
OASI survivors benefits, by type of beneficiary, January 2003–December 2003

| Month | All beneficiaries | Widow(er)s and parents ^a | Widowed mothers and fathers ^b | Children |
|--|-------------------|--|---|----------|
| <i>Number (thousands)</i> | | | | |
| January | 76 | 48 | 3 | 25 |
| February | 74 | 44 | 3 | 27 |
| March | 86 | 51 | 4 | 31 |
| April | 76 | 44 | 3 | 28 |
| May | 71 | 42 | 3 | 25 |
| June | 70 | 43 | 3 | 23 |
| July | 62 | 39 | 3 | 20 |
| August | 68 | 42 | 3 | 23 |
| September | 71 | 41 | 3 | 26 |
| October | 67 | 38 | 3 | 26 |
| November | 85 | 49 | 4 | 32 |
| December | 48 | 26 | 2 | 19 |
| <i>Average monthly benefit (dollars)</i> | | | | |
| January | 729.40 | 789.80 | 654.30 | 620.80 |
| February | 691.80 | 739.00 | 664.40 | 617.40 |
| March | 687.50 | 731.70 | 655.80 | 617.60 |
| April | 680.40 | 727.30 | 643.30 | 609.90 |
| May | 680.00 | 724.70 | 641.60 | 610.50 |
| June | 682.90 | 728.30 | 662.20 | 601.30 |
| July | 687.90 | 734.90 | 662.20 | 599.80 |
| August | 682.10 | 728.50 | 666.70 | 600.40 |
| September | 683.60 | 732.40 | 650.80 | 611.10 |
| October | 677.80 | 724.80 | 661.90 | 610.90 |
| November | 682.00 | 729.80 | 658.30 | 612.80 |
| December | 703.20 | 754.80 | 677.40 | 636.10 |

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

NOTE: Award actions are processed not only for new beneficiaries but also for persons already on the rolls whose benefits in one category are terminated but who become entitled to another type of benefit. These actions are called conversions. Benefit conversions are included in the data, except for conversions of benefits for children of retired workers to benefits for children of deceased workers upon the death of the worker.

a. Includes nondisabled widow(er)s aged 60 or older, disabled widow(er)s aged 50 or older, and dependent parents of deceased workers aged 62 or older.

b. A widow(er) or surviving divorced parent caring for the entitled child of a deceased worker who is under age 16 or is disabled.

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