

# Arkansas

## Social Security and SSI Statistics by Congressional District, December 2002

*Old-Age (retirement), Survivors, and Disability Insurance (OASDI)*—popularly referred to as Social Security—provides monthly benefits to workers and their families when earnings stop or are reduced because the worker retires, 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.—OASDI in Arkansas, December 2002: Number of beneficiaries and monthly benefit amount for benefits in current-payment status

Congressional district	Number of beneficiaries						Monthly benefit amount (thousands of dollars)			Number of OASDI beneficiaries aged 65 or older
	Total	Retired workers <sup>1</sup>	Disabled workers	Widow(er)s <sup>2</sup>	Wives and husbands	Children	All beneficiaries	Retired workers	Widow(er)s <sup>2</sup>	
United States, total .....	46,444,240	29,190,150	5,543,981	4,967,155	2,832,767	3,910,187	37,854,411	26,125,087	4,169,125	33,162,456
Arkansas .....	534,867	306,462	85,219	59,775	29,829	53,582	398,618	253,810	44,648	349,700
1 .....	146,239	82,365	23,352	17,475	8,200	14,847	104,804	65,766	12,306	94,772
2 .....	116,822	68,124	18,614	11,928	5,842	12,314	90,652	58,615	9,445	76,547
3 .....	128,968	74,681	21,872	12,719	7,266	12,430	96,863	62,310	9,806	83,515
4 .....	142,838	81,292	21,381	17,653	8,521	13,991	106,297	67,117	13,089	94,866

<sup>1</sup> Includes special age-72 beneficiaries.

<sup>2</sup> Includes nondisabled widow(er)s, disabled widow(er)s, widowed mothers and fathers, and parents.

*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.—SSI in Arkansas, December 2002: Number of persons receiving federally administered payments and monthly benefit amount

Congressional district	Number of recipients				Monthly benefit amount (thousands of dollars)				Number of recipients	
	Total	Aged	Blind	Disabled	Total	Aged	Blind	Disabled	With OASDI <sup>1</sup>	Aged 65 or older
United States, total .....	6,787,857	1,251,528	77,658	5,458,671	2,951,425	415,574	35,144	2,500,707	2,406,327	1,995,284
Arkansas .....	84,901	12,078	925	71,898	31,514	1,870	342	29,302	37,653	21,905
1 .....	28,833	4,732	274	23,827	10,627	707	105	9,815	13,487	8,581
2 .....	17,164	1,805	251	15,108	6,469	283	83	6,103	6,688	3,359
3 .....	15,045	1,784	147	13,114	5,738	297	53	5,388	6,732	3,192
4 .....	23,859	3,757	253	19,849	8,681	583	101	7,997	10,746	6,773

<sup>1</sup> Includes persons who are receiving both SSI payments and Social Security benefits.



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