



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.
Number of OASDI beneficiaries with benefits in current-payment status and total monthly benefits, December 2005

Congressional district	Number of beneficiaries						Total monthly benefits (thousands of dollars)			Number of beneficiaries aged 65 or older
	Total	Retired workers ^a	Disabled workers	Widow(er)s ^b	Spouses ^c	Children ^d	All beneficiaries	Retired workers	Widow(er)s ^b	
Massachusetts	1,066,957	693,006	152,020	91,157	46,267	84,507	993,871	698,658	89,900	771,459
1	117,867	73,612	18,505	10,248	5,009	10,493	105,769	72,026	9,806	81,645
2	116,438	72,362	18,724	10,072	4,511	10,769	104,883	71,453	9,534	80,142
3	103,496	66,471	15,611	8,704	4,028	8,682	94,803	65,827	8,436	73,515
4	110,474	71,847	15,862	9,258	4,804	8,703	102,111	71,646	9,117	79,894
5	93,513	59,338	14,313	7,565	4,037	8,260	87,767	60,966	7,425	65,344
6	112,093	76,207	13,092	10,027	5,334	7,433	109,147	79,249	10,304	85,081
7	106,681	73,563	12,600	9,121	4,958	6,439	104,548	76,835	9,390	82,954
8	68,470	39,651	14,544	4,971	2,347	6,957	57,124	36,860	4,248	43,943
9	104,175	67,249	14,554	9,186	4,400	8,786	98,033	68,363	9,219	75,868
10	133,750	92,706	14,215	12,005	6,839	7,985	129,685	95,434	12,423	103,073
All areas ^e	48,434,281	30,460,839	6,518,989	4,749,379	2,680,259	4,024,815	44,351,668	30,521,816	4,470,918	34,019,044

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

- a. Includes special age-72 beneficiaries.
- b. 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.
- c. These beneficiaries receive payment on the record of a worker who is retired or disabled.
- d. These beneficiaries receive payment on the record of a worker who is retired, deceased, or disabled.
- e. Includes beneficiaries in the 50 states, District of Columbia, American Samoa, Guam, Northern Mariana Islands, Puerto Rico, 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 2005

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
Massachusetts	171,098	44,553	3,860	122,685	82,069	17,050	1,908	63,111	64,104	47,711
1	19,220	3,248	461	15,511	9,355	1,004	230	8,120	7,647	3,500
2	22,313	3,842	476	17,995	11,163	1,322	245	9,595	8,182	4,171
3	16,722	4,006	352	12,364	7,956	1,408	174	6,374	6,507	4,319
4	16,716	4,752	408	11,556	7,548	1,586	204	5,756	7,168	5,112
5	17,652	4,353	407	12,892	8,630	1,726	193	6,710	6,105	4,674
6	12,416	3,606	274	8,536	5,885	1,451	133	4,300	4,766	3,845
7	11,660	3,853	320	7,487	5,360	1,525	155	3,680	4,475	4,102
8	29,960	10,455	570	18,935	14,902	4,679	289	9,933	9,836	11,075
9	14,884	4,195	330	10,359	7,001	1,601	169	5,230	5,244	4,479
10	9,555	2,243	262	7,050	4,265	743	111	3,409	4,174	2,434
All areas ^b	7,113,879	1,214,296	75,039	5,824,544	3,366,951	440,023	36,382	2,890,546	2,500,705	1,994,511

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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