

## Disabled-Worker Families

**Table 28.**  
**Number and average monthly family benefit, by selected family composition,**  
**December 1960–2003**

| Year                      | Worker only |       |       | Worker, spouse, and— |                    | Worker and aged spouse <sup>a</sup> |
|---------------------------|-------------|-------|-------|----------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------------|
|                           | All         | Men   | Women | 1 child              | 2 or more children |                                     |
| <i>Number (thousands)</i> |             |       |       |                      |                    |                                     |
| 1960                      | 357         | 261   | 96    | 22                   | 32                 | 22                                  |
| 1965                      | 714         | 481   | 232   | 54                   | 109                | 30                                  |
| 1970                      | 1,054       | 680   | 374   | 77                   | 164                | 43                                  |
| 1975                      | 1,750       | 1,080 | 671   | 137                  | 250                | 66                                  |
| 1980                      | 2,061       | 1,257 | 804   | 154                  | 228                | 80                                  |
| 1981                      | --          | --    | --    | --                   | --                 | --                                  |
| 1982                      | 1,969       | 1,208 | 760   | 124                  | 163                | 78                                  |
| 1983                      | 1,961       | 1,215 | 746   | 85                   | 143                | 80                                  |
| 1984                      | 1,993       | 1,241 | 752   | 83                   | 140                | 76                                  |
| 1985                      | 2,039       | 1,267 | 772   | 84                   | 140                | 76                                  |
| 1986                      | 2,096       | 1,301 | 795   | 82                   | 136                | 74                                  |
| 1987                      | 2,154       | 1,338 | 816   | 79                   | 132                | 74                                  |
| 1988                      | 2,194       | 1,353 | 841   | 77                   | 125                | 71                                  |
| 1989                      | 2,262       | 1,390 | 872   | 75                   | 120                | 67                                  |
| 1990                      | 2,370       | 1,448 | 922   | 75                   | 118                | 63                                  |
| 1991                      | 2,523       | 1,529 | 994   | 76                   | 119                | 61                                  |
| 1992                      | 2,738       | 1,643 | 1,094 | 78                   | 125                | 61                                  |
| 1993                      | 2,935       | 1,743 | 1,192 | 78                   | 127                | 59                                  |
| 1994                      | 3,121       | 1,830 | 1,292 | 76                   | 128                | 57                                  |
| 1995                      | 3,305       | 1,909 | 1,396 | 75                   | 124                | 55                                  |
| 1996                      | 3,473       | 1,973 | 1,500 | 61                   | 104                | 53                                  |
| 1997                      | 3,593       | 2,006 | 1,588 | 57                   | 91                 | 53                                  |
| 1998                      | 3,769       | 2,074 | 1,695 | 52                   | 80                 | 53                                  |
| 1999                      | 3,924       | 2,131 | 1,793 | 49                   | 72                 | 52                                  |
| 2000                      | 4,080       | 2,191 | 1,890 | 45                   | 65                 | 50                                  |
| 2001                      | 4,260       | 2,289 | 1,970 | 68                   | 92                 | 57                                  |
| 2002                      | 4,487       | 2,392 | 2,095 | 64                   | 86                 | 56                                  |
| 2003                      | 4,769       | 2,525 | 2,244 | 57                   | 82                 | 60                                  |

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**Number and average monthly family benefit, by selected family composition,**  
**December 1960–2003—Continued**

| Year  | Worker only |        |        | Worker, spouse, and— |                    | Worker and aged spouse <sup>a</sup> |  |
|---|-------------|--------|--------|----------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------------|--|
|   | All         | Men    | Women  | 1 child              | 2 or more children |                                     |  |
| <i>Average monthly family benefit (dollars)</i> |             |        |        |                      |                    |                                     |  |
| 1960  | 87.90       | 91.90  | 76.90  | 184.70               | 192.20             | 135.50                              |  |
| 1965  | 95.40       | 100.70 | 85.00  | 201.00               | 216.30             | 145.90                              |  |
| 1970  | 128.10      | 136.30 | 113.10 | 264.10               | 273.20             | 199.20                              |  |
| 1975  | 218.90      | 240.00 | 185.00 | 441.00               | 454.00             | 344.00                              |  |
| 1980  | 355.40      | 396.20 | 291.70 | 727.00               | 746.10             | 573.00                              |  |
| 1981  | --          | --     | --     | --                   | --                 | --                                  |  |
| 1982  | 424.40      | 474.20 | 344.70 | 847.40               | 858.20             | 690.70                              |  |
| 1983  | 439.40      | 490.90 | 355.40 | 867.90               | 881.80             | 716.20                              |  |
| 1984  | 454.00      | 507.60 | 365.70 | 881.50               | 885.50             | 740.40                              |  |
| 1985  | 466.90      | 523.10 | 374.60 | 898.10               | 895.20             | 765.00                              |  |
| 1986  | 470.70      | 527.80 | 377.40 | 896.90               | 888.30             | 773.30                              |  |
| 1987  | 491.60      | 552.00 | 392.60 | 929.40               | 918.30             | 815.50                              |  |
| 1988  | 512.20      | 576.10 | 409.50 | 960.20               | 938.40             | 855.40                              |  |
| 1989  | 539.30      | 607.10 | 431.20 | 1,009.40             | 971.90             | 903.70                              |  |
| 1990  | 570.40      | 642.80 | 456.80 | 1,062.10             | 1,016.00           | 960.80                              |  |
| 1991  | 592.30      | 668.40 | 475.50 | 1,098.00             | 1,043.30           | 1,004.70                            |  |
| 1992  | 609.50      | 688.70 | 490.70 | 1,122.10             | 1,057.40           | 1,045.00                            |  |
| 1993  | 625.50      | 707.20 | 506.00 | 1,143.00             | 1,074.20           | 1,078.20                            |  |
| 1994  | 646.20      | 731.80 | 525.00 | 1,177.60             | 1,100.00           | 1,118.60                            |  |
| 1995  | 667.60      | 757.40 | 544.80 | 1,205.50             | 1,130.90           | 1,159.90                            |  |
| 1996  | 690.60      | 785.30 | 566.00 | 1,245.90             | 1,148.50           | 1,200.60                            |  |
| 1997  | 708.00      | 806.60 | 583.60 | 1,280.20             | 1,165.90           | 1,238.50                            |  |
| 1998  | 720.00      | 820.20 | 597.40 | 1,300.40             | 1,189.40           | 1,261.90                            |  |
| 1999  | 741.20      | 844.50 | 618.50 | 1,344.90             | 1,224.20           | 1,295.30                            |  |
| 2000  | 773.60      | 880.70 | 649.40 | 1,394.20             | 1,274.30           | 1,355.50                            |  |
| 2001  | 807.40      | 914.40 | 683.10 | 1,413.50             | 1,298.50           | 1,393.50                            |  |
| 2002  | 827.30      | 935.80 | 703.50 | 1,445.10             | 1,331.70           | 1,431.50                            |  |
| 2003  | 854.80      | 965.90 | 729.70 | 1,495.80             | 1,373.30           | 1,486.80                            |  |

SOURCES: Social Security Administration. For years before 2001, *Annual Statistical Supplement to the Social Security Bulletin*, based on the Master Beneficiary Record (for 1960–1984, various sampling rates; for 1985–2000, 10 percent sample); beginning with 2001, Beneficiaries and Dependents Master Beneficiary Record file, 100 percent data.

NOTES: A family means beneficiaries entitled on one worker's account.

Data include beneficiaries whose benefits are being withheld.

-- = not available.

a. Spouse's entitlement based on age.

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**Table 29.**  
**Number, average primary insurance amount, and average monthly family benefit, by family composition, December 2003**

| Family composition                             | Number of families | Number of beneficiaries | Average primary insurance amount (dollars) | Average monthly family benefit (dollars) | Percentage of families receiving maximum family benefit <sup>a</sup> |
|--|--------------------|-------------------------|--|--|--|
| Worker only                                    |                    |                         |  |  |  |
| Men  | 2,524,947          | 2,524,947               | 971.72                                     | 965.90                                   | 9.5  |
| Women  | 2,243,737          | 2,243,737               | 731.08                                     | 729.70                                   | 21.2   |
| Worker with children                           |                    |                         |  |  |  |
| By sex of worker                               |                    |                         |  |  |  |
| Men  | 578,747            | 1,483,202               | 944.46                                     | 1,345.90                                 | 83.2   |
| Women  | 424,571            | 1,067,913               | 761.39                                     | 1,046.90                                 | 89.7   |
| By number of children                          |                    |                         |  |  |  |
| 1 child  | 615,342            | 1,230,687               | 874.45                                     | 1,225.60                                 | 85.4   |
| 2 children                                     | 273,784            | 821,357                 | 865.62                                     | 1,225.90                                 | 88.0   |
| 3 or more children                             | 114,192            | 499,071                 | 830.07                                     | 1,170.80                                 | 83.9   |
| Worker with—                                   |                    |                         |  |  |  |
| Spouse aged 62 or older <sup>b</sup>           | 59,632             | 119,521                 | 1,211.80                                   | 1,486.80                                 | 8.3  |
| Spouse aged 62 or older and 1 or more children | 1,846              | 5,893                   | 1,109.02                                   | 1,761.90                                 | 68.0   |
| Spouse and 1 child                             | 55,529             | 166,667                 | 987.57                                     | 1,488.60                                 | 91.4   |
| Spouse and 2 children                          | 49,202             | 196,874                 | 949.21                                     | 1,409.40                                 | 90.2   |
| Spouse and 3 or more children                  | 32,822             | 181,216                 | 905.58                                     | 1,315.50                                 | 82.6   |

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Disabled Beneficiaries and Dependents Master Beneficiary Record file, 100 percent data.

NOTES: A family means beneficiaries entitled on one worker's account.

Data include beneficiaries whose benefits are being withheld.

a. Includes families and worker-only beneficiaries for whom the primary insurance amount is equal to the family maximum amount.

b. If the spouse is also entitled to a retired-worker benefit, only the benefit amount received as a spouse is included.

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**Table 30.**  
**Distribution, by family composition and age of worker, December 2003**

| Family composition                              | Total,<br>all ages | Under 30 | 30-34   | 35-39   | 40-44   | 45-49   | 50-54   | 55-59     | 60-FRA    |
|---|--------------------|----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|-----------|-----------|
| <b>Number</b>                                   |                    |          |         |         |         |         |         |           |           |
| Worker only                                     | 4,768,684          | 149,198  | 135,528 | 209,383 | 378,213 | 607,238 | 862,412 | 1,150,988 | 1,275,724 |
| Worker with—                                    |                    |          |         |         |         |         |         |           |           |
| Spouse  |                    |          |         |         |         |         |         |           |           |
| Aged 62 or older <sup>a</sup>                   | 61,478             | 0        | 5       | 13      | 73      | 342     | 1,624   | 8,052     | 51,369    |
| Child in care                                   | 137,553            | 2,728    | 8,182   | 18,048  | 28,132  | 28,594  | 23,029  | 17,259    | 11,581    |
| Children  |                    |          |         |         |         |         |         |           |           |
| 1 child   | 615,342            | 21,457   | 35,397  | 69,251  | 123,297 | 135,781 | 108,104 | 74,954    | 47,101    |
| 2 children                                      | 273,784            | 10,976   | 28,467  | 57,451  | 71,581  | 52,701  | 28,781  | 15,632    | 8,195     |
| 3 or more children                              | 114,192            | 5,009    | 16,971  | 30,564  | 29,345  | 16,920  | 8,262   | 4,630     | 2,491     |
| Families receiving maximum benefit <sup>b</sup> | 1,704,484          | 121,709  | 130,321 | 215,128 | 302,497 | 290,109 | 240,619 | 213,378   | 190,723   |
| <b>Percent</b>                                  |                    |          |         |         |         |         |         |           |           |
| Worker only                                     | 100.0              | 3.1      | 2.8     | 4.4     | 7.9     | 12.7    | 18.1    | 24.1      | 26.8      |
| Worker with—                                    |                    |          |         |         |         |         |         |           |           |
| Spouse  |                    |          |         |         |         |         |         |           |           |
| Aged 62 or older <sup>a</sup>                   | 100.0              | 0        | c       | c       | 0.1     | 0.6     | 2.6     | 13.1      | 83.6      |
| Child in care                                   | 100.0              | 2.0      | 5.9     | 13.1    | 20.5    | 20.8    | 16.7    | 12.5      | 8.4       |
| Children  |                    |          |         |         |         |         |         |           |           |
| 1 child   | 100.0              | 3.5      | 5.8     | 11.3    | 20.0    | 22.1    | 17.6    | 12.2      | 7.7       |
| 2 children                                      | 100.0              | 4.0      | 10.4    | 21.0    | 26.1    | 19.2    | 10.5    | 5.7       | 3.0       |
| 3 or more children                              | 100.0              | 4.4      | 14.9    | 26.8    | 25.7    | 14.8    | 7.2     | 4.1       | 2.2       |
| Families receiving maximum benefit <sup>b</sup> | 28.5               | 64.3     | 58.0    | 55.9    | 48.0    | 34.5    | 23.3    | 16.8      | 13.7      |

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Disabled Beneficiaries and Dependents Master Beneficiary Record file, 100 percent data.

NOTES: A family means beneficiaries entitled on one worker's account.

Data include beneficiaries whose benefits are being withheld.

FRA = full retirement age.

a. Includes spouses aged 62 or older with children.

b. Includes families and worker-only beneficiaries for whom the primary insurance amount is equal to the family maximum amount.

c. Less than 0.05 percent.

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