

**Table 1.**  
**Beneficiaries as a percentage of the total resident population and of the population aged 65 or older,**  
**by state, December 2005**

| State                | Total population                   |                                  | Population aged 65 or older        |                                  |
|----------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
|                      | Number <sup>a</sup><br>(thousands) | Percentage receiving<br>benefits | Number <sup>a</sup><br>(thousands) | Percentage receiving<br>benefits |
| United States        | 296,410                            | 15.9                             | 36,790                             | 90.3                             |
| Alabama              | 4,558                              | 19.8                             | 604                                | 93.0                             |
| Alaska               | 664                                | 9.8                              | 44                                 | 91.2                             |
| Arizona              | 5,939                              | 15.5                             | 758                                | 85.7                             |
| Arkansas             | 2,779                              | 20.4                             | 384                                | 93.6                             |
| California           | 36,132                             | 12.4                             | 3,869                              | 83.5                             |
| Colorado             | 4,665                              | 12.5                             | 465                                | 90.6                             |
| Connecticut          | 3,510                              | 16.7                             | 474                                | 93.2                             |
| Delaware             | 844                                | 17.8                             | 112                                | 93.1                             |
| District of Columbia | 551                                | 13.0                             | 67                                 | 76.3                             |
| Florida              | 17,790                             | 19.3                             | 2,993                              | 84.4                             |
| Georgia              | 9,073                              | 13.6                             | 870                                | 91.8                             |
| Hawaii               | 1,275                              | 15.7                             | 175                                | 87.4                             |
| Idaho                | 1,429                              | 15.8                             | 164                                | 96.6                             |
| Illinois             | 12,763                             | 14.8                             | 1,530                              | 89.7                             |
| Indiana              | 6,272                              | 17.0                             | 778                                | 95.4                             |
| Iowa                 | 2,966                              | 18.6                             | 435                                | 95.8                             |
| Kansas               | 2,745                              | 16.5                             | 357                                | 93.3                             |
| Kentucky             | 4,173                              | 19.1                             | 526                                | 93.1                             |
| Louisiana            | 4,524                              | 15.8                             | 532                                | 87.0                             |
| Maine                | 1,322                              | 20.5                             | 193                                | 94.5                             |
| Maryland             | 5,600                              | 13.8                             | 645                                | 86.8                             |
| Massachusetts        | 6,399                              | 16.7                             | 853                                | 90.5                             |
| Michigan             | 10,121                             | 17.3                             | 1,258                              | 95.4                             |
| Minnesota            | 5,133                              | 15.3                             | 623                                | 93.5                             |
| Mississippi          | 2,921                              | 18.8                             | 358                                | 91.7                             |
| Missouri             | 5,800                              | 18.3                             | 773                                | 93.8                             |
| Montana              | 936                                | 18.1                             | 129                                | 93.9                             |
| Nebraska             | 1,759                              | 16.6                             | 234                                | 93.9                             |
| Nevada               | 2,415                              | 14.3                             | 273                                | 89.3                             |
| New Hampshire        | 1,310                              | 16.9                             | 163                                | 94.5                             |
| New Jersey           | 8,718                              | 15.8                             | 1,129                              | 90.9                             |
| New Mexico           | 1,928                              | 16.2                             | 235                                | 89.7                             |
| New York             | 19,255                             | 15.9                             | 2,515                              | 86.8                             |
| North Carolina       | 8,683                              | 17.4                             | 1,054                              | 94.8                             |
| North Dakota         | 637                                | 18.0                             | 94                                 | 94.3                             |
| Ohio                 | 11,464                             | 17.1                             | 1,529                              | 92.4                             |
| Oklahoma             | 3,548                              | 17.9                             | 469                                | 93.1                             |
| Oregon               | 3,641                              | 17.0                             | 470                                | 95.2                             |
| Pennsylvania         | 12,430                             | 19.5                             | 1,893                              | 93.2                             |
| Rhode Island         | 1,076                              | 17.9                             | 150                                | 92.4                             |
| South Carolina       | 4,255                              | 18.3                             | 535                                | 93.9                             |
| South Dakota         | 776                                | 18.1                             | 111                                | 96.4                             |
| Tennessee            | 5,963                              | 18.3                             | 750                                | 94.6                             |
| Texas                | 22,860                             | 12.9                             | 2,272                              | 89.5                             |
| Utah                 | 2,470                              | 11.1                             | 216                                | 90.6                             |
| Vermont              | 623                                | 18.0                             | 82                                 | 95.9                             |
| Virginia             | 7,567                              | 15.1                             | 865                                | 90.7                             |
| Washington           | 6,288                              | 14.9                             | 721                                | 92.8                             |
| West Virginia        | 1,817                              | 22.8                             | 278                                | 93.3                             |
| Wisconsin            | 5,536                              | 17.2                             | 722                                | 96.7                             |
| Wyoming              | 509                                | 16.0                             | 62                                 | 94.6                             |

SOURCES: Social Security Administration, Master Beneficiary Record, 100 percent data; U.S. Census Bureau, Population Division, 2005 estimates of resident population.

a. Population estimates for the United States as of July 1, 2005, as reported by the U.S. Census Bureau.