



Old-Age (retirement), Survivors, and Disability Insurance (OASDI)—popularly referred to as Social Security—provides monthly benefits to an eligible worker and family members when the worker elects to start receiving retirement benefits or when the worker dies or becomes disabled. A worker’s lifetime covered earnings largely determine the amount of benefits received.

Table 1.
Number of OASDI beneficiaries in current-payment status and total monthly benefits, December 2014

Congressional district	Number of beneficiaries						Total monthly benefits (thousands of dollars)			Number of beneficiaries aged 65 or older
	Total	Retired workers	Disabled workers	Widow(er)s and parents	Spouses ^a	Children ^b	All beneficiaries	Retired workers	Widow(er)s and parents	
District of Columbia	79,716	52,477	14,732	4,640	1,933	5,934	89,987	64,809	4,991	55,934
All areas ^c	59,007,158	39,008,771	8,954,518	4,236,220	2,452,435	4,355,214	71,693,353	51,826,267	5,212,795	42,084,088

SOURCES: Social Security Administration, Master Beneficiary Record, 100 percent data; and U.S. Postal Service geographic data.

- a. These beneficiaries receive payment on the record of a worker who is retired or disabled.
- b. These beneficiaries receive payment on the record of a worker who is retired, deceased, or disabled.
- c. Includes beneficiaries in the 50 States, District of Columbia, American Samoa, Guam, Northern Mariana Islands, Puerto Rico, U.S. 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 2014

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
District of Columbia	26,782	1,979	127	24,676	16,333	762	65	15,506	6,519	4,663
All areas ^b	8,335,704	1,151,940	67,383	7,116,381	4,686,279	484,313	37,911	4,164,055	2,749,128	2,122,871

SOURCES: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data; and U.S. Postal Service geographic 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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