SSI Recipients in Domiciliary Care Facilities: Federally Administered Optional Supplementation, March 1976

by SATYA KOCHHAR*

Under the supplemental security income program, federally administered payments amounting to \$247 million were made in March 1976 to 107,000 persons who were residing in domiciliary care facilities and under other supervised living arrangements These persons were unable to functon under totally independent living arrangements but did not require medical or nursing care on a regular basis Of the total, \$95 million was represented in Federal SSI payments and \$152 million came from optional State supplements—with California paying \$62 million and New York \$46 million. The average payment to the residents of these facilities was \$232 a month Comparable data for four States show greater caseload growth for persons in domiciliary care facilities and under other supervised living arrangements than for the total SSI population Nearly two-thirds of the States are adding funds to Federal SSI payments for persons under such care Data are available, however, only from Social Security Administration program records for those States that have elected Federal administration of their optional programs

NEARLY 107,000 supplemental security income (SSI) recipients in 15 States with identifiable federally administered optional supplementation programs resided in domiciliary care facilities or under other supervised living arrangements in March 1976 The residents received room and board, supervision, and services related to their personal needs, but the facilities did not provide medical care to the residents directly. Fifty-three percent of the SSI recipients were disabled adults, 40 percent were aged persons, and 1 percent were blind adults The remaining 5 percent were blind and disabled children (table 1)

Federally administered SSI payments amounted to \$24.7 million in March 1976 Of the total, \$9.5 million represented Federal SSI payments and \$15.2 million was supplemented by the 15 States This report describes the supervised care programs in the 15 States that had elected Federal administration of their optional supplementary payments ¹ It also presents data on the socioeconomic characteristics of SSI recipients in domiculiary care facilities

Under the SSI program, the Federal payment level is determined by the recipient's living arrangement An individual who was living in his own household and who had no countable income received a monthly payment of \$157.70 in March 1976. The Federal payments to persons in domiciliary care facilities and other supervised living arrangements are also based on this level For an individual living in another person's household and receiving support and maintenance from that person, the Federal amount is reduced by one-third.

Persons in public or private institutions who receive more than half the cost of their care from the Medicaid program receive a reduced monthly SSI payment of \$25.

Of the 43 million persons receiving SSI payments in March 1976, 207,000 were patients in Medicaid-approved facilities. Data on the average monthly charge are not available for 1976. During 1973-74 the average monthly charge was \$592 for skilled-nursing homes approved for both Medicare and Medicaid Facilities approved for only Medicaid averaged \$484 for skilled-nursing homes and \$376 for intermediate-care facilities (Between January 1974 and March 1976, the medical care component of the Consumer Price Index rose by 27 percent.)

Institutional care for SSI recipients generally is in skilled-nursing homes or intermediate-care

^{*} Division of Supplemental Security Studies, Office of Research and Statistics, Social Security Administration The data bases for this study were prepared by Everett T Chinn

¹Data on supervised care are available from Social Security Administration program records only for those States with federally administered programs

³ Effective July 1977, under the cost-of-living automatic adjustment, that payment level became \$177.80

facilities The latter include facilities for the mentally retarded

OPTIONAL STATE SUPPLEMENTATION PROGRAMS

States may, under their optional supplementation programs, make cash payments to persons in domiciliary care facilities and with other supervised living arrangements. In March 1976, 31 States³ and the District of Columbia had such provisions, as the following listing shows.

With federally administered	With State- administered
SSI payments	SSI payments
California	Alabama
Delaware	Colorado
District of Columbia	Florida
Hawaii	Kentucky
Iowa	Maryland
Maine	Missouri
Massachusetts	Nebraska
Michigan	New Hampshire
Montana	North Carolina
Nevada	North Dakota
New Jersey	Ohio
New York	Oregon
Vermont	South Carolina
Washington	South Dakota
Wisconsin	Utah
	Virginia

Maximum monthly amounts payable for domiciliary care and under other supervised living arrangements in States with federally administered optional supplementation are shown in table 2. The amounts for States with State administration of their optional supplementation program are found in table 3.

If a State elects Federal administration of its optional payments, the Social Security Administration makes the eligibility and payment determinations for the State and assumes the administrative costs. The State can impose additional eligibility requirements. The State and local agencies regulate and license the facilities providing supervised care. They also advise the Social Security Administration of an individual's need for this kind of care and approval for care, and they provide a list of approved facilities.

Table 1 —Supplemental security income Number of adults and children receiving federally administered payments in domicihary care facilities and under other supervised living arrangements, by State and facility designation, March 1976

	}		Adults		Blind and dis
State and facility designation	Total	Aged	Blind	Dis abled	abled chil- dren
Total number	106,804	43,025	1,176	56,954	5 649
California Out-of home care	44 740	17 202	669	23 013	3 856
Delaware Adult foster care	412	175	12	222) :
District of Columbia Adult foster care	847	196	8	642	
Hawari Domiciliary care	1,365	667	14	682	:
Level II	205 484 676	59 203 405	3 3 8	141 278 263	: :
Iowa .	1,255	606	19	625	
Family life home/boarding home Custodial care	417 838	182 424	10 9	223 402	
Maine Foster home or licensed	2 369	979	29	1,322	3
boarding home (5 beds or less) Licensed boarding home	591	218	3	360	11
Licensed boarding home (more than 5 beds)	1,778	761	26	962	2
Massachusetts Boarding home care Domiciliary care	6,945 2 480 4,515	3 453 723 2 730	77 60 17	3,167 1,401 1,766	24 24
Michigan Domiciliary care Personal care Home for aged	13 973 2 561 8,861 2,551	4,918 456 2 288 2,174	69 17 40 12	8,751 2 026 6,360 365	23. 6: 17:
Montana Adult foster care/boarding-	413	49	3	2 82	٠ 7
home care Licensed homes for develop	279	48	2	154	7.
mentally disabled	134	1	1	128	
Nevada Domiciliary care	211	198	_ 8	10	
New Jersey Licensed boarding home	4,314	1 724	82	2,005	55
New York	25 512	11,725	202	13,292	29
Congregate care Level I Level II Level III	9,272 15,407 833	2,603 9,113 9	80 120 2	6 349 6,151 792	24 ¹ 2: 36
Vermont Custodial care, licensed home	1 424 346	566 238	13	817 106	2
Custodial care, unlicensed	1 078	328	13	711	2
Washington Room and board Adult family home	2 422 2 124 298	567 484 83	26 21 5	1,752 1,551 201	7 6
W isconsin Private nonmedical group home for mentally retarded	602			872	230

¹ Includes 73 blind children

States with optional domiciliary care provisions offer varying types of care, but one element is common among them. All provide some supervision and assistance in personal care. The terms used to define such care and the extent of care offered vary. For purposes of comparison, the programs are classified here according to the kind.

Data for Pennsylvania are excluded from this report, its optional provision for adult foster care became effective April 1976

Table 2—Supplemental security income Monthly payment amounts 1 under optional provisions for domiciliary care and under other supervised living arrangements in States with federally administered optional supplementation, by State and facility designation, July 1975

State and facility designation	Total 2	State supplemen- tation
California Out-of home care	\$ 306 0 0	\$148 30
Delaware Adult foster care	2 55 0 0	97 30
District of Columbia Adult foster care	170 00	12 30
Hawaii Domiciliary care facility Level I. Level II Level III	250 00 300 00 362 00	92 30 142 30 204 30
Family life home/boarding home Custodial care	190 00 250 00	32 30 92 30
Maine 4 Foster home or licensed boarding home (5 beds or less) Licensed boarding home (more than 5 beds)	210 00 225 00	52 30 67 30
Massachusetts 4 Boarding home care for— Aged Blind Disabled Domiciliary care for—	216 61 291 99 204 58	58 91 134 29 46 88
AgedBlind Disabled	341 77 291 99 347 78	184 07 134 29 190 08
Michigan Domiciliary care Personal care Home for aged	255 00 325 50 347 30	97 30 167 80 189 60
Montana Adult foster care/boarding home care Licensed home for developmentally disabled	206 70 261 70	49 00 104 00
Nevada 5 Domiciliary care	300 00	142 30
New Jersey ⁶ Licensed boarding home Group residential facilities for disabled	298 00	130 30
adults and children	298 00	130 30
Congregate care, level I Area A ? Areas B and C 5	291 70 236 70	134 00 79 00
Congregate care, level II Areas A, B, and C Congregate care, level III	386 70	229 00
Area B	650 70 626 70 311 70	493 00 469 00 154 00
Vermont Custodial care, licensed home Custodial care, unlicensed home	242 00 217 00	84 30 59 30
Washington Room and board Adult family home	163 70 222 55	6 00 64 85
Wisconsin Private nonmedical group home for mentally retarded	350 00	· 192 30

Table 3 —Supplemental security income Monthly payment amounts 1 under optional provisions for domiciliary care and under other supervised living arrangements in States with State-administered optional supplementation, by State and facility designation, July 1975

State and facility designation	Total •	State supplemen- tation
Alabama Personal or foster care home	\$308 00	\$71 40
Colorado Home care 4	' 393 0 0	235 30
Florida Adult foster care home	225 00	67 30
Kentucky Personal care facility. Licensed minihome	247 00 169 00	89 30 11 30
Maryland Domiciliary care facility	250 00	92 30
Missouri	20	
Licensed domiciliary nursing home Licensed practical or professional nursing home	307 70	150 00
	357 70	200 00
Ne braska Adult foster home	230 70	73 00
New Hampshire Family care	200 00 240 00	42 30 82 30
North Carolina Domiciliary care (aged and disabled persons)	1	32 00
Ambulatory Semiambulatory Nonambulatory Domiciliary care (blind persons)	268 00 278 00 288 00	110 30 120 30 130 30
Ambulatory	283 00	125 30 1 135 30
Semiambulatory	293 00 303 00	[135 30 145 30
North Dakota Licensed rest home and licensed foster home.	157 70	(4)
Ohio Domiciliary care	180 00	22 30
Personal care	210 00	52 30
mentally disabled	160 70-177 70	3 00-20 00
Oregon Adult group foster care *	174 70	17 00
South Carolina Licensed boarding home	215 0 0	57 30
South Dakota Supervised personal care home Adult foster care home	255 00 180 00	97 30 22 30
Utah Licensed mental retardation center *	811 70	154 00
Virginia Licensed home for the aged or domiciliary care facility 10	193 00	' 35 30

of services offered and the type of facilities in which they are provided

All facilities provide room and board, but room and board alone is not considered to be super-

¹ Effective July 1, 1975, through June 1976, unless otherwise indicated
¹ Includes Federal SSI standard payment of \$157 70
¹ See page 2t for discussion of Iowa provisions
⁴ Under a variable rate structure, domiciliary care facilities in Massachusetts and licensed boarding homes in Maine may receive additional payment based on cost of care directly from State agencies
⁴ No optional supplementation for the disabled, but an individual aged
65 or over may receive benefits on the basis of age
⁶ Effective January 1976, the State Department of Institutions and Agen
cies also reimburses the cost of special services provided to the developmentally disabled in group residential facilities (category established Jan 1976)
¹ New York City
ී Area B—Dutchess, Orange, Sullivan Uister, and West Chester coun-

Area B—Dutchess, Orange, Sullivan Ulster, and West Chester counties, Area C—counties other than those in areas A and B

¹ Effective July 1, 1975, through June 1976, unless otherwise indicated 2 Includes Federal SSI standard payment of \$157 70 3 Optional State supplementation limited to couples Payment levels refer

Optional State supplementation limited to couples Payment levels refer to eligible couples
 Only blind and disabled are eligible for State supplementation
 Ineligible for Medicaid
 Difference between SSI payment and the monthly rate in licensed nursing homes and foster care homes is reimbursed by the State
 Effective January 1976
 Additional cost provided through special service fund
 State supplementation limited to disabled only
 State payment levels may vary by facility and cost of care

vised care A three-way classification based on the extent of care is offered under the federally administered programs

General supervision—This care is for individuals who cannot function in an independent living arrangement but who do not need personal care. It may be provided in foster care homes, in family-type settings for fewer than five persons, or in a larger group or institutional setting. In these facilities, casework services are made available by the State or local agency

The major purpose of foster care is to enable handicapped and elderly persons to live within a family setting Twelve of the 16 States (including Pennsylvania) with Federal administration of their optional plans provide foster care placement

Personal care and general supervision—This care is for ambulatory individuals who need assistance with eating, bathing, or dressing but do not require regular medical or nursing care. This level of care may be provided in domiciliary care facilities, rest homes, personal care homes, and homes for the aged. All 16 States have provisions for persons requiring such care. In 12 States the optional supplementation payment level is the same whether the beneficiary requires general supervision and personal care or general supervision only. In Hawaii, Massachusetts, Michigan, and New York the amount is based on the type of care required.

Custodial and other nonmedical care —This is provided in addition to personal care for those individuals who need a more protective setting. These persons include, for example, the mentally retarded, former mental patients requiring special care, or individuals who are mentally confused because of advanced age. Hawaii, Iowa, New York, and Vermont have separate payment levels for individuals in custodial care facilities. Montana, New Jersey, New York, and Wisconsin have specialized facility provisions in their optional plans for developmentally disabled and emotionally disturbed persons.

CHARACTERISTICS OF RECIPIENTS AND BENEFIT PAYMENTS

In the 15 States for which March 1976 data are available, about 6 5 percent of the 1 6 million persons receiving federally administered payments

resided in domiciliary care facilities or had other supervised living arrangements. Recipients in domiciliary care facilities represented 5.4 percent of the caseload for the aged and 4.4 percent of the caseload for the blind, and 7.7 percent of the total number of disabled, as the following tabulation shows

Reason for eligibility	Total number	and under oth	z care facilities her supervised angements
		Number	Percent of total
Total	1,635 290	106,804	6 5
Aged Blind Disabled	793 660 28,131 813 499	43 025 1,249 62,530	5 4 4 4 7 7

California had 42 percent and New York State had 24 percent of the recipients under domiciliary care and other supervised living arrangements.

Payments

Of the 107,000 persons in domiciliary care facilities, more than three-fourths received a combined Federal SSI benefit and federally administered State supplementation payment. The remaining 22 percent received only the State supplement because their countable income exceeded the applicable Federal SSI payment amount of \$157.70 (table 4) In contrast, among the entire SSI population receiving federally administered payments in March 1976, the proportion with only State supplementation was 10 percent

A total of \$24.7 million was paid to persons in domiciliary care facilities (table 5) Almost twothirds of that amount (\$15.2 million) was State supplementation Of the State payments, \$6.2 million was made under California's program and \$4.6 million under New York's

Federally administered payments—the sum of Federal and State payments—to persons in domiciliary and supervised care averaged \$232 (table 6) Payments averaged \$205 for the aged, \$241 for blind adults, \$246 for disabled adults, and \$283 for blind and disabled children

Average State payments were higher in California, Hawaii, Massachusetts, Michigan, Nevada, New Jersey, New York, and Wisconsin than the Federal SSI average In the remaining seven States they were lower

Table 4—Supplemental security income Number of adults and children receiving federally administered payments in domiciliary care facilities and under other supervised living arrangements, by State and type of payment, March 1976.

				_	
			Adults		Blind and dis-
State and type of payment	Total	Aged	Blind	Dis- abled	abled chil dren
Total Federal SSI payments State supplementation	106 804 83,254	43 025 27 960	1 176 994	56 954 48,833	5 649 5,467
only	23,550	1 5,065	182	8,121	182
California Federal SSI payments State supplementation only	44 740 34,421 10,319	17,202 10,935 6 267	669 543 126	23 013 19 237 3,776	3 856 3,706 150
Delaware. Federal SSI payments State supplementation only	412 337 75	175 115 60	12 12	222 207 15	3
District of Columbia	847 837 10	196 191 5	 8	642 637 5	
Hawaii Federal SSI payments State supplementation only	1 365 1 109 256	667 481 186	14 14 	682 612 70	2 2
Iowa Federal SSI payments State supplementation only	1,255 1 213 42	€06 580 26	19 19 	625 609 16	5 5
Maine Federal SSI payments State supplementation only	2,369 2,041 328	979 760 219	29 26 3	1,322 1 216 106	39 39
Massachusetts Federal SSI payments State supplementation only	6 945 5,174 1,771	3,453 2 114 1,339	77 66 11	3 167 2,747 420	248 247 1
Michigan Federal SSI payments State supplementation only.	13,973 11 313 2 660	4,918 3 430 1,488	69 65 4	8 751 7,592 1,159	235 226 9
Montana Federal SSI payments State supplementation only	413 390 23	49 47 2	3 3	282 261 21	79 79
Nevada Federal SSI payments State supplementation only	211 140 71	198 128 70	8 3	10 9 1	
New Jersey Federal SSI payments State supplementation only	4 314 3,500 814	1 724 1,223 501	32 25 7	2 005 1,702 303	553 550 3
New York Federal SSI payments State supplementation only	25 512 18 578 6,934	11,725 6 939 4,786	202 172 30	13,292 11,185 2,107	293 282 11
Vermont. Federal SSI payments State supplementation only	1,424 1 289 135	566 482 84	13 13	817 768 49	28 26 2
Washington Federal SSI payments State supplementation only	2 422 2,356 66	567 535 32	26 25 1	1,752 1,719 33	77 77
Wisconsin Federal SSI payments State supplementation only	602 556 46			372 332 40	230 224 6

¹ Excludes payments under State administered supplementation programs

grams
Includes 73 blind children

The proportion of persons receiving only State supplementation was lower among those recipients transferred from the earlier State public assistance programs than for those whose first payment was made under the SSI program—17 percent, compared with 31 percent The latter group had countable income in excess of the Federal SSI payment level more frequently than did the trans-

ferees The average monthly combined payment received by transferees—\$244—was higher than that for new awardees—\$209 (table 7).

Income

The proportion of SSI recipients in domiciliary care facilities receiving social security benefits was

Table 5—Supplemental security income Total and average monthly amount of federally administered payments received by persons in domiciliary care facilities and under other supervised living arrangements, by State and type of payment, March 1976

1	Amount			
State and type of payment	Total (in thousands)	Average monthly payment 1		
Total Federal SSI payments State supplementation	\$24 733 9 508 15,225	\$231 5' 114 2' 143 2'		
California Federal SSI payments State supplementation	10,208 4,040 6,167	228 13 117 3 137 8		
Delaware Federal SSI payments State supplementation	77 39 37	185 86 116 93 90 23		
District of Columbia	123 112 11	145 29 133 81 13 00		
Hawaii Federal SSI payments State supplementation	834 119 214	244 52 107 55 157 14		
Iowa Federal SSI payments State supplementation	154 126 28	122 50 103 98 35 98		
Maine Federal SSI payments State supplementation	391 217 174	164 86 106 24 73 36		
Massachusetts Federal SSI payments. State supplementation	1,624 559 1,065	233 89 108 13 153 46		
Michigan Federal SSI payments State supplementation	3,400 1,298 2,103	243 35 114 65 150 72		
Montana Federal SSI payments State supplementation	75 47 27	180 81 121 50 66 24		
Nevada Federal SSI payments	38 12 25	178 01 86 59 125 93		
New Jersey Federal SSI paymert State supplementation	948 409 540	219 86 116 74 125 18		
New York Federal SSI paymentsState supplementation	6,639 2,044 4,595	260 23 110 04 180 13		
Vermont Federal SSI payments State supplementation	231 141 90	162 21 109 35 63 27		
Washington Federal SSI payments State supplementation	307 273 34	126 94 116 03 14 13		
Wisconsin Federal SSI payments State supplementation	185 71 114	307 24 127 45 189 52		

¹ Excludes payments under State-administered supplementation programs

Table 6—Supplemental security income Average monthly amount of combined Federal and State payments received by adults and children in domiciliary care facilities and under other supervised living arrangements, by State and facility designation, March 1976

			Adults		
State and facility designation	Total	Aged	Blind	Dis- abled	and dis abled chil- dren
Total	\$231 57	\$205 01	\$241 29	\$246 30	\$283 36
California Out-of-home care	228 15	187 95	234 72	247 38	291 59
Delaware Adult foster care	185 86	144 83	239 00	214 00	(1)
District of Columbia Adult foster care	145 25	133 17	(1)	148 59	(4)
Hawaii Domiciliary care	244 52	230 22	279 80	2 57 7 6	(4)
Level IILevel III	186 19 224 64 276 43	160 04 199 57 255 81	(¹) (¹) 319 8 0	196 03 242 60 306 87	(t)
Iowa Family life home/boarding	122 56	110 72	146 37	133 07	(1)
home Custodial care	132 40 117 66	116 23 108 36	143 46 149 61	144 69 126 63	(2) ~
Maine Foster home or licensed	164 88	138 26	185 23	182 78	210 39
boarding home (5 beds or less) Licensed boarding home	149 10	128 80	(1)	160 23	186 42
(more than 5 beds)	170 10	140 97	187 58	191 21	218 66
Massachusetts Boarding home care Domiciliary care	283 89 153 07 277 39	223 41 124 98 249 48	228 03 222 93 246 02	247 95 156 18 320 75	202 05 200 86 (1)
Michigan Domiciliary care Personal care Home for aged	243 35 200 36 260 68 226 30	223 31 186 29 237 98 215 64	261 35 193 96 273 52 316 27	253 32 202 86 267 47 286 83	285 99 223 56 308 37
Montana Adult foster care/boarding-	180 81	131 39	(1)	184 00	198 41
home care Licensed homes for develop	165 27	130 71	(1)	160 20	196 70
mentally disabled	213 16	(1)	(1)	212 63	(1)
Nevada Domiciliary care	178 01	180 44	(ı)	101 54	
New Jersey Licensed boarding home	219 86	187 98	210 23	229 13	286 20
New York	260 23	239 27	300 23	277 90	269 89
Congregate care Level I Level II Level III	203 93 278 57 547 65	203 76 249 20 456 68	246 79 330 18 (1)	202 42 320 74 550 24	231 44 370 56 500 33
Vermont Custodial care, licensed home Custodial care, unlicensed	162 21 151 81	144 29 139 30	168 02	173 56 178 19	190 59 (¹)
home	165 54	147 90	168 02	172 87	186 64
Washington Room and board Adult family home	126 94 121 11 168 55	100 34 93 12 142 47	145 82 137 19 (1)	133 82 128 08 178 09	160 03 156 26 188 50
Wisconsin Private nonmedical group home for mentally retarded.	307 24	- 	-4	287 65	338 92

¹ Not shown to avoid disclosure of information for particular individuals

similar to that for all SSI recipients—52 percent (table 8) Their average monthly social security benefit, however, was higher (\$157) than that for the entire SSI population (\$130) This difference reflects the fact that persons whose countable social security benefits exceed the Federal SSI pay-

ment level may still be eligible for payments under the SSI program where optional State provisions apply.

About 14 percent of the SSI recipients in domiciliary care facilities received unearned income (other than social security benefits) that averaged \$129 a month (table 9) Almost one-third of this group received veterans' benefits averaging \$90 a month

Age, Sex, and Race

The ages of persons in domiciliary care facilities and other supervised living arrangements ranged from under age 18 to over age 75 (table 10) About 50 percent were aged 65 or older, 15 percent were blind and disabled adults aged 55-64, and 30 percent were aged 22-54 Blind and disabled children under age 18 represented 4 percent of the total

Men accounted for 50 percent of the disabled adults and 30 percent of the aged beneficiaries in

Table 7—Supplemental security income Number of adults and children in domiciliary care facilities and under other supervised living arrangements and average monthly amount, by program status, March 1976

Type of payment and		Adults			Blind and dis-	
program status	Total	Aged	Blind	Dis- abled	abled chil dren 1	
			Number			
Total State supplementation	106,804	43 025	1,176	56,954	5 649	
only	23,550	15,065	182	8 121	182	
Transferees from State programs						
TotalState supplementation only	70 208 11,849	27,671 6,937	1 077 167	41,311 4,739	149 6	
New awardees						
TotalState supplementation only	36,596 11,701	15,354 8 128	99 15	15,643 3 382	5,500 176	
	Average monthly amount					
Total. Federal SSI payments State supplementation	\$231 57 114 21 143 27	\$205 01 92 43 145 80	\$241 29 115 49 143 79	\$246 30 122 62 141 86	\$283 36 150 22 138 21	
Transferees from State programs						
Total Federal SSI payments State supplementation	243 57 116 10 147 46	224 89 99 75 150 74	241 61 114 35 144 99	256 04 125 30 145 40	268 56 143 27 131 06	
New awardees ,						
Total Federal SSI payments State supplementation	208 56 109 79 135 18	169 18 71 42 136 85	237 79 127 85 130 63	220 60 114 65 132 43	283 77 150 41 138 40	

Includes 73 blind children

TABLE 8 —Supplemental security income Number and percent of all SSI recipients and of persons in domiciliary care facilities and under other supervised living arrangements with social security benefits and average monthly amount

		With so	cial security	benefits
Reason for eligibility	Total number	Number	Percent of total	Average monthly amount
	A11	SSI recipient	s, December	1975
Total	4,314,275	2 271,815	52 7	\$130 01
AgedBlind. Disabled	2 207 105 74 489 1,932,681	1 604 0°0 26,408 641,377	69 5 35 5 33 2	128 55 131 50 133 59
	Persons in other superv	domiciliary used living a	care facilities rrangements,	and under March 1976
Total	106,804	55 160	51 6	\$1 57 2 6
Aged	43 025 1 249 62,530	31 360 570 23 220	72 9 45 6 37 2	161 76 145 11 151 50

domiciliary care facilities. The proportion of white beneficiaries in supervised care was higher (79 percent) than for white beneficiaries in the total SSI population (69 percent). Conversely, proportionately fewer black beneficiaries were in domiciliary care facilities (7 percent) than were in the entire SSI population (17 percent) (table 11).

REPRESENTATIVE PAYMENT

During March 1976, two-thirds of the SSI recipients in domiciliary care facilities received their payments directly For 31 percent, payments were made to representative payees because the recipients were physically or mentally incapable of managing their own funds or were under age 18 (table 12).

Table 9—Supplemental security income Number of persons in domiciliary care facilities and under other supervised living arrangements with unearned income other than social security benefits and average monthly amount, March 1976

Type of unearned income	Number of persons 1	Average monthly amount
Total	14 581	\$129 43
Veterans benefits Railroad retirement Assistance based on need Support and maintenance in kind Support from absent parents Employment pension Asset income Other	4 158 750 1,318 228 166 1 913 591 6,631	90 28 183 10 198 95 67 87 74 30 91 94 64 15 131 30

¹ Figures do not add to total because some persons have more than one type of unearned income

TABLE 10—Supplemental security income Number and percentage distribution of adults and children receiving federally administered payments in domiciliary care facilities and under other supervised living arrangements, by age and sex, March 1976

		•	Adults		
Age and sex	Total	Aged	Blind	Dis abled	and dis- abled chil- dren 1
Age					
Total number	106 804	43,025	1,176	56,954	5,649
Total percent	100 0	100 0	100 0	100 0	100 0
Under 5	2 8 9 2 8 12 6 7 7 10 8 15 0 17 2 30 0	27 1 72 9	2 1 19 0 6 1 8 9 13 4 15 6 34 9	2 9 23 2 14 2 20 1 27 8 11 4	3 2 72 1 24 7
Total number	106 804	43 025	1,176	56 954	5 649
Men Women	44,881 61 413	13,115 29,719	494 678	28 001 28 640	3,271 2 376
Total percent	100 0	100 0	100 0	100 0	100 0
Men	42 0 57 5	30 5 69 1	42 0 57 7	49 2 50 3	57 9 42 1

¹ Includes 73 blind children ¹ Includes those with sex unreported

Relatives were the representative payees for one-third of the SSI beneficiaries Institutions were the payees for 34 percent and social agencies for 15 percent

The proportion of recipients with representative payees was highest for blind and disabled children (98 percent) For nearly half of these children, social agencies served as payees Parents received benefits for only 15 percent of the children in supervised care

Thirty-seven percent of the disabled adults in domiciliary care had payees Institutions and social agencies were payees for nearly half the disabled adults

Of the aged in domiciliary care facilities, 15 percent had representative payees Almost half the payees were relatives

The proportion of SSI recipients with representative payees varied—ranging from 16 percent in Nevada to 98 percent in Wisconsin (table 13). The lower percentage in Nevada reflects the fact that the disabled are not eligible for optional State payments there Disabled individuals at age 65 are, however, entitled to optional payments based on age Wisconsin provides optional State payments only to disabled adults and children

Table 11 -Supplemental security income Number and percentage distribution of all SSI recipients and of SSI recipients in domiciliary care facilities and under other supervised living arrangements, by race and State

State	Total	Percentage distribution			
	number 1	Total	White	Black	
	All SSI recipients, June 1976				
Total	1,633,986	100 0	69 0	17 (
California Delaware Delaware District of Columbia Hawaii Lowa Maine Massachusetts Michigan Montana Nevada New Jersey New York Vermont Washington Wisconsin	672, 514 6, 946 15, 443 9, 446 28, 943 24, 421 132, 840 119, 61, 324 81, 393 899, 430 9, 144 51, 855 67, 529 Persons under o	100 0 100 0	72 5 47 7 11 4 17 0 89 0 92 4 85 1 63 6 78 7 73 9 59 6 57 1 91 2 83 1 84 5	14 4 43 80 80 80 80 80 80 80 80 80 80 80 80 80	
Total	106,804	100 0	78 6	7 (
California Delaware District of Columbia Hawaii Iowa Maine Massachusetts Michigan Montana New Jersey New York Vermont Washington Wisconsin	44,740 412 847 1,365 1 255 2 369 6,945 13,973 211 4,314 25,512 1,424 2 422 602	100 0 100 0	79 8 61 2 32 3 14 1 86 9 88 9 84 6 82 0 83 1 85 3 80 2 75 5 88 6 86 5 92 7	7 (1) 2 (2) 8 8 6 6 6 2 2 1 1 1	

living in group homes for the mentally retarded or family home care facilities for the developmentally disabled

GROWTH IN STATE CASELOADS, 1974–76

Between November 1974 and March 1976, comparable data for California, Michigan, New Jersey, and New York show greater caseload growth for persons in domiciliary care (18 percent) than for the total SSI population (14 percent) 4 In

TABLE 12 - Supplemental security income Number and percentage distribution of adults and children in domiciliary care facilities and under other supervised living arrangements, by representative-payee status, March 1976

	Total	Adults			Blind and dis-
Representative-payee status		Aged	Blind	Dis- abled	abled chil dren 1
Total number Without payee With payee Total percent	106,804 73 528 33,276	43 025 36,362 6 663 100 0	1,176 961 215 100 0	56 954 36 082 20,872	5 649 123 5,526 100 0
Spouse Parent Other relative Institution Social agency Public official Other	5 12 3 19 5 33 5 15 1 5 4 13 6	1 3 47 1 25 8 3 6 6 5 15 4	5 17 2 29 3 21 9 6 5 6 0 18 6	15 2 15 3 37 4 10 3 6 2 15 0	15 5 1 6 28 4 47 2 1 3 5 9

¹ Includes 73 blind children

New York, the caseload increased 20 percent for persons in domiciliary care and 9 percent for all SSI beneficiaries In California the caseload growth for both groups was about 12 percent (table 14).

The increase in the proportion of new awards to domiciliary care facilities was more pronounced (170 percent) than for the entire SSI caseload (89 percent) The number of new awards rose from 9,400 in 1974 to 25,300 in 1976

The proportion of transferees from State public assistance programs in domiciliary care decreased at a lower rate (8 percent) than the comparable proportion for all those transferred to SSI (11 percent).

In Michigan, the number of persons in domi-

TABLE 13—Supplemental security income Number and percentage distribution of persons in domiciliary care facilities and under other supervised living arrangements, by representative-payee status and State, March 1976

		Percentage distribution			
State	Total number	Total	Without repre- sentative payee	With representative payee	
Total	106,804	100 0	68 8	31 2	
California Delaware District of Columbia Hawaii Iowa Maine Massachusetts Michigan Montana Nevada New Jersey New York Vermont Washington Wisconsin	44,740 412 847 1 365 1 255 2,369 6,945 13,973 413 211 4 314 25,512 1,424 2,422 602	100 0 100 0	67 7 70 77 70 77 70 77 70 77 70 77 70 77 70 77 70 77 70 77 70 77 70 77 70 77 70 77 70 77 70 70	32 3 32 3 29 3 41 6 47 6 47 6 420 9 42 1 1 68 8 15 6 20 5 49 1 38 6 98 0	

¹ includes other and not reported
2 Not shown to avoid disclosure of information for particular individuals

For a description of the 1974 data, see Satya Kochhar, Domiciliary Care Facilities Under the SSI Program in Selected States (Research and Statistics Note No 1), Office of Research and Statistics, Social Security Administration, 1976 Massachusetts is excluded because data on boarding homes were omitted from the 1974 study As a result of reclassification, some persons previously in the domiciliary care category were transferred to the boarding home care category during 1975

ciliary care facilities increased by 93 percent, compared with 9 percent for the total SSI population. Despite an overall decline of transferees in Michigan, their number in supervised care increased by 62 percent. Homes for the aged accounted for 2,550 additional SSI recipients in March 1976. These homes were approved for optional supplementation in January 1975.

In New Jersey, the new awards caseload rose by 58 percent. The number of new awards to persons in licensed boarding homes increased from 380 in November 1974 to 2,017 in March 1976.

PROVISIONS UNDER FEDERALLY ADMINISTERED STATE PROGRAMS

California

Type of facility and level of care.—Out-of-home care facilities provide nonmedical personal care in various settings (homes of relatives or friends, family-care homes, residential facilities, and other board and care facilities).

Program responsibility.—The State Department of Social Welfare administers the program. County departments of social services determine the need for care and are responsible for placement. Facilities with more than 15 residents are licensed and supervised by the State Department of Health; those with 15 or fewer residents are licensed and supervised by county departments of social services, according to criteria set by the State Department of Health.

Special provisions.—Optional supplementation is provided to patients in certified private medical facilities for whom Medicaid pays less than 50 percent of the cost of care. The State supplementation level, however, is the level applicable to the "independent living, with cooking facilities" category—\$259, compared with \$306 for out-of-home care in March 1976.

Delaware

Type of facility and level of care.—Adult foster care facilities provide custodial care in two

Table 14.—Supplemental security income: Number of persons in domiciliary care facilities and under other supervised living arrangements and of all SSI recipients, November 1974 and March 1976, and percentage changes, by program status, selected States

	Persons in and other sup	All SSI recipients, percentage				
State	Nun	aber	Percentage	change from November 1974 to		
	November 1974	March 1976	change	March 1976		
	Total					
Total	65,575	77,127	17.6	14.0		
California Michigan New Jersey New York	39,643 1,324 3,316 21,292	44,740 12,561 4,314 25,512	12.9 93.4 30.1 19.8	12.2 8.7 15.1 8.8		
	Transferees from State programs					
Total	56,211	51,869	-7.7	-11.2		
California Michigan New Jersey New York	35,115 1,150 2,936 17,010	32,607 11,867 2,297 15,098	-7.1 62.3 -21.8 -11.2	-10.4 -13.7 -14.7 -11.3		
	New awardees					
Total	9,364	25,258	169.7	88.8		
California Michigan New Jersey New York	4,528 174 380 4,282	12,133 1694 2,017 10,414	168.0 298.9 430.8 143.2	139.0 75.2 58.2 58.4		

 $^{^{1}\,\}mathrm{To}$ provide comparability, only persons in domiciliary care facilities category are included.

settings—adult foster care homes and rest homes, which are larger. Some residents were formerly patients in facilities for the mentally ill and mentally retarded.

Program responsibility.—The Department of Health and Social Services determines the need for care and is responsible for placement. The department supervises adult foster care homes with fewer than four individuals and licenses foster homes and rest homes with more than four residents.

District of Columbia

Type of facility and level of care.—Adult foster care homes provide care in various settings that include personal care homes, foster care homes, and community residences. Personal care homes, which are restricted to a maximum of four beds, offer personal care and protective supervision to persons who were former residents in

⁵ Because of an oversight in data collection for Michigan, individuals in personal care facilities were not included in the November 1974 study. Only persons in domiciliary care facilities were thus included in the 1976 figure.

mental institutions Some foster care homes and community residences provide only room, board, and limited supervision

Program responsibility—The Department of Human Resources determines the need for care and is responsible for placement Facilities are licensed

Hawaii

Type of facility and level of care—Domiciliary care, level I, facilities provide room, board, and some supervision in adult family boarding homes Domiciliary care, levels II and III, provide, in addition to the above, supervised medication, special diets, and 24-hour supervision in personal care homes The levels of care differ in the degree of supervision and personal care required

Program responsibility—The Department of Social Services licenses adult family boarding homes The Department of Health licenses personal care homes Each department determines the need for care and is responsible for placement

lowa

Type of facility and level of care —Family life homes provide a limited range of personal care to fewer than eight individuals Boarding care homes (which are larger) provide similar care to persons who are ambulatory Custodial care homes are private nonmedical facilities that provide a high degree of protective and personal care.

Program responsibility—The State Department of Health licenses the facilities The Department of Social Services determines the need for care and is responsible for placement

Special provisions—In January 1976, the Department of Social Services assumed responsibility for administration of optional supplementation to persons in custodial care (formerly federally administered) In March 1976, however, 838 persons in custodial care homes still were receiving federally administered payments

Maine

Type of facility and level of care.—Foster care or licensed boarding homes with five beds or less provide foster care to persons who are ambulatory and do not need medical or nursing care on a regular basis

Licensed boarding homes with more than five beds provide custodial care to those who need a relatively high degree of protective care but do not require nursing care. These individuals may be mentally retarded or former patients of State mental institutions

Program responsibility—The Department of Health and Welfare supervises and licenses the facilities It also determines the need for care and is responsible for placement

Special provisions—Maine has a cash reimbursement program for some facilities. The difference between the amount paid to the facility and the actual cost of care, as determined by the Department of Health and Welfare, is reimbursed to the boarding home

In nursing homes, persons who are receiving care not covered by Medicaid or Medicare are also eligible for optional State supplementation applicable to domiciliary care

Massachusetts

Type of facility and level of care—Boarding homes provide room and board and general supervision. This category includes commercial boarding homes, medical facilities where Medicald funds reimburse less than 50 percent of the cost of care, and adult foster care homes.

Domiciliary care facilities provide personal care and protective supervision for residents in rest homes who do not require nursing or other medical services on a regular basis

Program responsibility—The State Department of Social Services administers the programs Local offices of the State agency determine the need for care and are responsible for placement. The State Department of Health licenses rest homes

Special provisions—The State pays the difference between an individual's Federal SSI and State supplementation payments and the full cost of domiciliary care (up to a maximum of \$14 per

day), and also provides a personal allowance Only those facilities that submit an annual cost report to the Massachusetts Rate Setting Commission, which then issues an approved daily rate, can receive the additional reimbursement.

In October 1976, the "boarding home" category was eliminated Residents of these facilities now receive State supplementation in the "shared living arrangements" classification. The payment level is similar to that for the "boarding home" category

Michigan

Type of facility and level of care—Domiciliary care is provided to persons living in licensed foster care settings (family homes, group homes, congregate care facilities, and prototype facilities for the mentally retarded) These facilities offer room, board, and general supervision.

Personal care is provided to individuals (including children) living in foster care settings that may be family homes, group homes, or congregate care facilities In addition to room, board, and general supervision, these facilities offer personal care

Homes for the aged offer personal care and supervision, for the most part to persons aged 65 or older This level of care may also be provided in adult foster care settings or congregate care facilities. This category became effective January 1975

Program responsibility—The State Department of Social Services administers the program The State agency assists in the selection of appropriate care settings County offices are responsible for the placement of individuals leaving mental institutions and medical facilities

Montana

Type of facility and level of care—Licensed adult foster care homes provide personal care and general supervision to fewer than four persons. These facilities include approved boarding care homes and licensed foster homes for mentally retarded children.

Licensed group homes for the developmentally

disabled provide special care and supervision for two to eight persons

Program responsibility—The Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services licenses the facilities Local welfare offices determine the need for care and are responsible for placement.

Nevada

Type of facility and level of care—Domiciliary care is provided to ambulatory aged and blind individuals in private nonmedical facilities with four or more residents. These facilities offer personal care and general supervision

Program responsibility—The State Department of Health, Welfare, and Rehabilitation licenses the facilities Local offices determine the need for care and are responsible for placement

New Jersey

Type of facility and level of care—Licensed boarding homes, including incorporated homes for the aged and group residential facilities, provide personal care and general supervision

Group residential facilities for disabled adults and children provide varying levels of care to developmentally disabled, emotionally disturbed, and mentally retarded adults and children The provision for this category became effective in January 1976

Program responsibility—The State Department of Institutions and Agencies regulates the facilities County welfare agencies determine the need for care and are responsible for placement Residents of group residential facilities are supervised and placed by the department's Division of Mental Retardation

Special provisions—The State agency also reimburses the cost of special services provided by group residential facilities.

New York

Type of facility and level of care—Congregate care, level I, facilities provide personal care in family-type homes and foster homes with four or fewer residents

Congregate care, level II, facilities provide personal care and custodial care in nonmedical proprietary or nonprofit institutions such as homes for the aged and residential facilities for adults with mental disabilities

Congregate care, level III, facilities provide personal care and protective supervision in nonmedical residences for mentally retarded and brain-damaged adults and children

Program responsibility—The State Department of Mental Hygiene and the State Department of Social Services approve homes providing congregate care, levels I and II Caseworkers in these agencies are responsible for the placement and supervision of residents in these facilities. The State Department of Mental Hygiene licenses facilities for level III.

Special provisions—Payment standards are based on the level of care and geographic area. Congregate care, level I, facilities have two payment standards—one for those located in New York City and another for those in the rest of the State.

Congregate care, level II, facilities have the same payment standard throughout the State

Congregate care, level III, facilities have three payment standards based on geographic areas—New York City, Dutchess, Orange, Sullivan, Ulster and Westchester counties; and the remainder of the State

Pennsylvania

Type of facility and level of care—Foster care for adults is provided in facilities designed for mentally retarded and emotionally disturbed adults The provision for this category became effective April 1976.

Program responsibility—The State Department of Public Welfare regulates the facilities, determines the need for care, and is responsible for placement.

Vermont

Type of facility and level of care —Custodialcare licensed homes offer personal care and supervision Care may be provided to retarded or emotionally disturbed individuals. Residents receiving only room and board are considered to be living independently and do not qualify for optional supplementation.

Custodial-care unlicensed homes provide care similar to that in licensed homes

Custodial-care licensed homes with health care (effective July 1976) provide health care, some supervision, and personal care

Program responsibility—The State Department of Health regulates these facilities The Department of Social Welfare determines the need for care and is responsible for placement. The Department of Mental Health places former mental patients and provides after-care services through local community mental health centers.

Washinaton

Type of facility and level of care—Room and board facilities provide minimum personal care and some supervision.

Adult family homes provide personal care, social services, general supervision, and occasional nursing

Program responsibility—The State Department of Social and Health Services approves the facilities, determines need for care, and is responsible for placement In July 1976 the State assumed administrative responsibility for optional State supplementation in both categories

Wisconsin

Type of facility and level of care—Private nonmedical group homes provide personal care and protective services to former patients of mental institutions who are developmentally disabled Some family care facilities, limited to eight residents, offer minimum personal care to disabled children, disabled adults, and aged individuals

Program responsibility—The Department of Health and Social Services is responsible for placement and supervision of residents.