
Notes

In December 2023, approximately 367,000 disabled workers on the Social Security Disability Insurance program had filed for workers' compensation or public disability benefits. Disability payments from private sources, such as private pension or insurance benefits, do not affect Social Security disability benefits, but workers' compensation and other public disability benefits may reduce them. Workers' compensation is paid to a worker because of a job-related injury or illness. It may be paid by federal or state workers' compensation agencies or employers or by insurance companies on behalf of employers.

Other public disability benefits that may affect Social Security disability benefits are those paid by a federal, state, or local government for disabling medical conditions that are not job related. Examples are civil service disability benefits, military disability benefits, state temporary disability benefits, and state or local government retirement benefits that are based on disability. Persons who receive Social Security disability benefits and one of the following types of public benefits will not have their Social Security disability benefit reduced:

- Veterans Administration benefits;
- State and local government benefits, if Social Security taxes were deducted from earnings; or
- Supplemental Security Income.

The total amount received from workers' compensation or other public disability benefits and Social Security disability benefits cannot exceed 80 percent of the worker's average current earnings before he or she became disabled. The monthly Social Security disability benefit includes benefits payable to family members. If the total amount of these benefits exceeds 80 percent of average current earnings, the excess amount is deducted from the Social Security benefit. The benefit is reduced until the month the worker reaches full retirement age or the month the other benefits stop, whichever comes first.

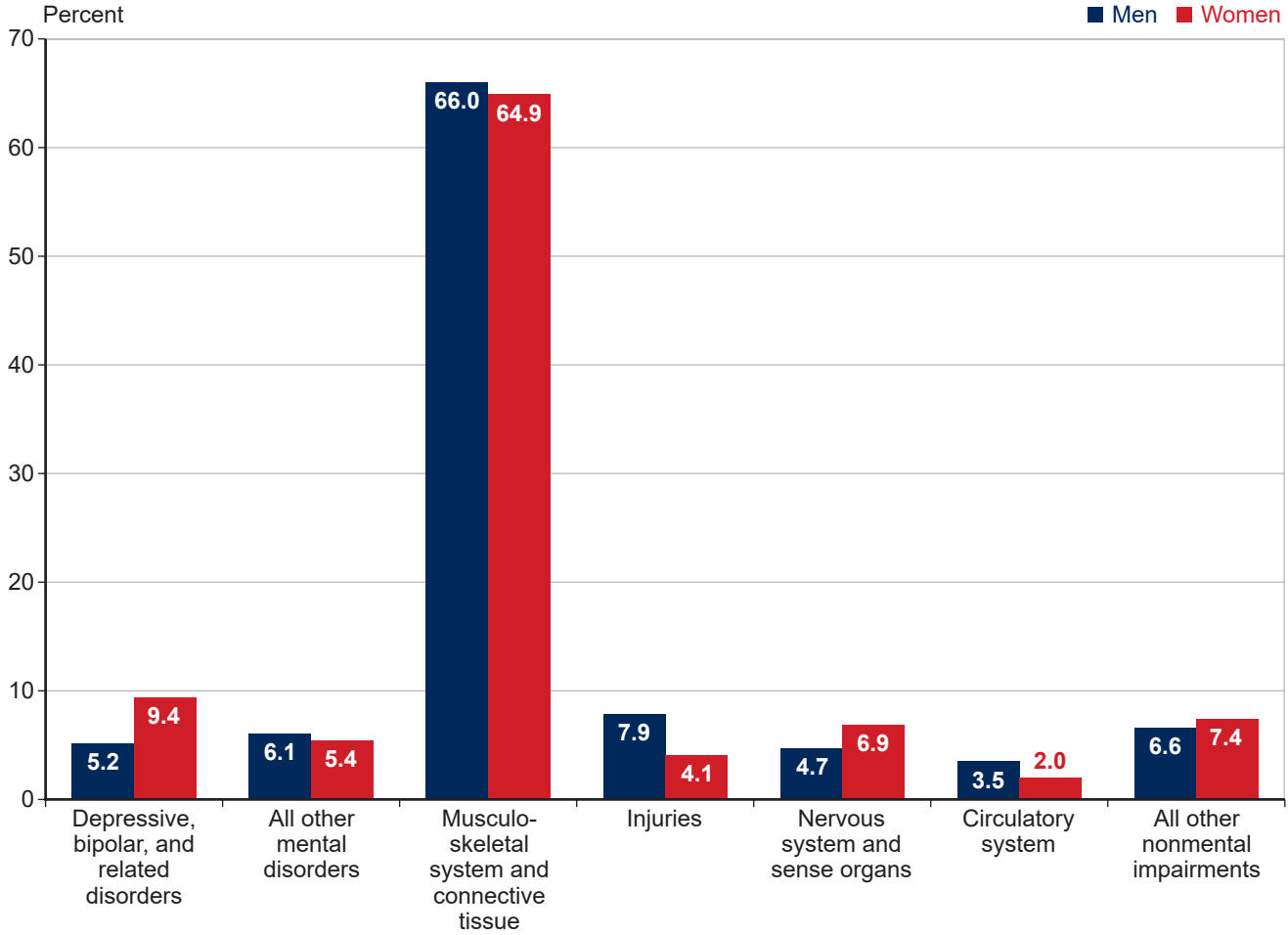
Example

Before becoming disabled, the worker's average current earnings were \$4,000 a month. The disabled worker, his or her spouse, and their two children would be eligible to receive a total of \$2,200 a month in Social Security disability benefits. However, the disabled worker also receives \$2,000 a month from workers' compensation. Because the total amount of benefits received (\$4,200) is more than \$3,200 (80 percent of average current earnings), the family's Social Security disability benefits will be reduced by \$1,000.

Chart 7.

Distribution of workers, by diagnostic group and sex, December 2023

Among disabled workers who are also receiving workers' compensation or public disability benefits, a disease of the musculoskeletal system and connective tissue was the primary diagnosis in December 2023. Depressive, bipolar, and related disorders were the second leading disabling condition for women. Injuries were the second leading disabling condition for men. A disorder of the nervous system and sense organs was the third most common disability for women. Depressive, bipolar, and related disorders were the third most common disability for men. All other impairments were fairly evenly split between men and women.



SOURCE: Table 34.

Beneficiaries Who Have Filed for Workers' Compensation or Public Disability Benefits

Table 31.
Distribution of workers and dependents who have filed, by reason for having or not having an offset,
December 2023

Reason	Total		Workers		Spouses and children	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
All disabled beneficiaries and dependents	423,313	100.0	367,052	100.0	56,261	100.0
With offset						
Receipt of—						
Workers' compensation only						
Black Lung	338	0.1	251	0.1	87	0.2
Harbor Workers and Longshoremen	191	(L)	152	(L)	39	0.1
Federal employees	3,245	0.8	2,827	0.8	418	0.7
State	50,063	11.8	39,819	10.8	10,244	18.2
Public disability only						
Federal	240	0.1	217	0.1	23	(L)
State	7,092	1.7	6,202	1.7	890	1.6
Local	349	0.1	293	0.1	56	0.1
Workers' compensation and public disability	333	0.1	287	0.1	46	0.1
Social Security Disability Insurance (reverse offset)	28,876	6.8	24,936	6.8	3,940	7.0
Without offset						
High average current earnings	288,610	68.2	253,091	69.0	35,519	63.1
Entitlement to workers' compensation or public disability benefits is pending	43,976	10.4	38,977	10.6	4,999	8.9

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Workers' Compensation and Public Disability Benefit file, 100 percent data.

NOTE: (L) = less than 0.05 percent.

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Beneficiaries Who Have Filed for Workers' Compensation or Public Disability Benefits

Table 32.
Distribution of workers and dependents who have filed, by state or other area of residence,
December 2023

State or area	Total		Workers		Spouses and children	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
All areas	423,313	100.0	367,052	100.0	56,261	100.0
Alabama	7,748	1.8	6,461	1.8	1,287	2.3
Alaska	277	0.1	242	0.1	35	0.1
Arizona	5,171	1.2	4,525	1.2	646	1.1
Arkansas	3,511	0.8	2,979	0.8	532	0.9
California	48,303	11.4	43,040	11.7	5,263	9.4
Colorado	4,308	1.0	3,836	1.0	472	0.8
Connecticut	4,178	1.0	3,648	1.0	530	0.9
Delaware	1,407	0.3	1,241	0.3	166	0.3
District of Columbia	179	(L)	169	(L)	10	(L)
Florida	22,154	5.2	19,323	5.3	2,831	5.0
Georgia	15,505	3.7	13,402	3.7	2,103	3.7
Hawaii	1,168	0.3	985	0.3	183	0.3
Idaho	1,724	0.4	1,491	0.4	233	0.4
Illinois	11,918	2.8	10,309	2.8	1,609	2.9
Indiana	3,477	0.8	2,992	0.8	485	0.9
Iowa	3,626	0.9	3,166	0.9	460	0.8
Kansas	1,959	0.5	1,677	0.5	282	0.5
Kentucky	10,341	2.4	8,713	2.4	1,628	2.9
Louisiana	6,016	1.4	5,044	1.4	972	1.7
Maine	3,729	0.9	3,295	0.9	434	0.8
Maryland	3,070	0.7	2,722	0.7	348	0.6
Massachusetts	12,901	3.0	11,112	3.0	1,789	3.2
Michigan	19,943	4.7	17,044	4.6	2,899	5.2
Minnesota	6,046	1.4	5,255	1.4	791	1.4
Mississippi	4,098	1.0	3,423	0.9	675	1.2
Missouri	7,218	1.7	6,327	1.7	891	1.6
Montana	1,178	0.3	1,046	0.3	132	0.2
Nebraska	1,159	0.3	996	0.3	163	0.3
Nevada	2,355	0.6	2,140	0.6	215	0.4
New Hampshire	2,980	0.7	2,568	0.7	412	0.7
New Jersey	9,987	2.4	8,602	2.3	1,385	2.5
New Mexico	2,016	0.5	1,798	0.5	218	0.4
New York	56,479	13.3	48,580	13.2	7,899	14.0
North Carolina	17,705	4.2	15,460	4.2	2,245	4.0
North Dakota	437	0.1	394	0.1	43	0.1
Ohio	9,492	2.2	8,393	2.3	1,099	2.0
Oklahoma	4,519	1.1	3,979	1.1	540	1.0
Oregon	4,037	1.0	3,569	1.0	468	0.8
Pennsylvania	30,007	7.1	25,914	7.1	4,093	7.3
Rhode Island	2,430	0.6	2,095	0.6	335	0.6

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Table 32.
Distribution of workers and dependents who have filed, by state or other area of residence,
December 2023—Continued

State or area	Total		Workers		Spouses and children	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
South Carolina	10,850	2.6	9,394	2.6	1,456	2.6
South Dakota	645	0.2	553	0.2	92	0.2
Tennessee	9,337	2.2	8,040	2.2	1,297	2.3
Texas	7,645	1.8	6,401	1.7	1,244	2.2
Utah	1,013	0.2	853	0.2	160	0.3
Vermont	926	0.2	785	0.2	141	0.3
Virginia	7,395	1.7	6,367	1.7	1,028	1.8
Washington	7,287	1.7	6,366	1.7	921	1.6
West Virginia	3,117	0.7	2,525	0.7	592	1.1
Wisconsin	6,088	1.4	5,285	1.4	803	1.4
Wyoming	422	0.1	365	0.1	57	0.1
Outlying areas						
Puerto Rico	13,025	3.1	11,571	3.2	1,454	2.6
Other ^a	69	(L)	54	(L)	15	(L)
Foreign countries	738	0.2	538	0.1	200	0.4

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Workers' Compensation and Public Disability Benefit file, 100 percent data.

NOTES: Distribution is by state or other area of residence, not by the state paying benefits.

(L) = less than 0.05 percent.

a. Includes American Samoa, Guam, Northern Mariana Islands, and U.S. Virgin Islands.

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Beneficiaries Who Have Filed for Workers' Compensation or Public Disability Benefits

Table 33.
Distribution of workers who have filed, by diagnostic group and age, December 2023

Diagnostic group	Total, all ages	Under 35	35–39	40–44	45–49	50–54	55–59	60–FRA
	<i>Number</i>							
Total	367,052	2,097	3,520	8,472	17,568	41,696	91,696	202,003
Congenital anomalies	203	5	0	7	19	31	44	97
Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases	3,853	20	22	76	161	441	979	2,154
Infectious and parasitic diseases	1,708	10	18	28	78	176	414	984
Injuries	23,433	314	400	909	1,479	2,964	5,606	11,761
Mental disorders								
Autism spectrum disorders	69	27	8	6	3	6	8	11
Developmental disorders	73	3	5	5	6	8	19	27
Childhood and adolescent disorders not elsewhere classified	32	(X)	(X)	4	7	4	5	7
Intellectual disorders	2,187	29	37	68	106	257	577	1,113
Depressive, bipolar, and related disorders	25,136	169	270	649	1,437	3,147	6,310	13,154
Neurocognitive disorders	7,383	95	164	317	528	1,028	1,735	3,516
Schizophrenia spectrum and other psychotic disorders	3,391	163	111	181	274	431	737	1,494
Other mental disorders	8,270	136	220	470	743	1,241	1,986	3,474
Neoplasms	5,203	121	98	210	280	620	1,250	2,624
Diseases of the—								
Blood and blood-forming organs	266	9	11	10	23	35	58	120
Circulatory system	10,682	50	95	193	418	1,139	2,591	6,196
Digestive system	1,808	31	36	84	112	223	419	903
Genitourinary system	2,573	95	92	151	234	410	606	985
Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue	240,688	461	1,423	4,090	9,790	25,833	60,977	138,114
Nervous system and sense organs	20,388	294	396	773	1,385	2,589	5,007	9,944
Respiratory system	5,167	19	39	79	175	501	1,254	3,100
Skin and subcutaneous tissue	350	5	6	16	28	43	68	184
Other	183	(X)	(X)	8	9	30	42	88
Unknown	4,006	37	62	138	273	539	1,004	1,953

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Beneficiaries Who Have Filed for Workers' Compensation or Public Disability Benefits

Table 33.
Distribution of workers who have filed, by diagnostic group and age, December 2023—Continued

Diagnostic group	Total, all ages	Under 35	35–39	40–44	45–49	50–54	55–59	60–FRA
<i>Percent</i>								
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Congenital anomalies	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	(L)	(L)
Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases	1.0	1.0	0.6	0.9	0.9	1.1	1.1	1.1
Infectious and parasitic diseases	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5
Injuries	6.4	15.0	11.4	10.7	8.4	7.1	6.1	5.8
Mental disorders								
Autism spectrum disorders	(L)	1.3	0.2	0.1	(L)	(L)	(L)	(L)
Developmental disorders	(L)	0.1	0.1	0.1	(L)	(L)	(L)	(L)
Childhood and adolescent disorders not elsewhere classified	(L)	(X)	(X)	(L)	(L)	(L)	(L)	(L)
Intellectual disorders	0.6	1.4	1.1	0.8	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6
Depressive, bipolar, and related disorders	6.8	8.1	7.7	7.7	8.2	7.5	6.9	6.5
Neurocognitive disorders	2.0	4.5	4.7	3.7	3.0	2.5	1.9	1.7
Schizophrenia spectrum and other psychotic disorders	0.9	7.8	3.2	2.1	1.6	1.0	0.8	0.7
Other mental disorders	2.3	6.5	6.3	5.5	4.2	3.0	2.2	1.7
Neoplasms	1.4	5.8	2.8	2.5	1.6	1.5	1.4	1.3
Diseases of the—								
Blood and blood-forming organs	0.1	0.4	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Circulatory system	2.9	2.4	2.7	2.3	2.4	2.7	2.8	3.1
Digestive system	0.5	1.5	1.0	1.0	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.4
Genitourinary system	0.7	4.5	2.6	1.8	1.3	1.0	0.7	0.5
Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue	65.6	22.0	40.4	48.3	55.7	62.0	66.5	68.4
Nervous system and sense organs	5.6	14.0	11.3	9.1	7.9	6.2	5.5	4.9
Respiratory system	1.4	0.9	1.1	0.9	1.0	1.2	1.4	1.5
Skin and subcutaneous tissue	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1
Other	(L)	(X)	(X)	0.1	0.1	0.1	(L)	(L)
Unknown	1.1	1.8	1.8	1.6	1.6	1.3	1.1	1.0

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Workers' Compensation and Public Disability Benefit file, 100 percent data.

NOTE: FRA = full retirement age; (L) = less than 0.05 percent; (X) = suppressed to avoid disclosing information about particular individuals.

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Beneficiaries Who Have Filed for Workers' Compensation or Public Disability Benefits

Table 34.
Distribution of workers who have filed, by diagnostic group and sex, December 2023

Diagnostic group	Total		Men		Women	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
All disabled workers	367,052	100.0	223,136	100.0	143,916	100.0
Congenital anomalies	203	0.1	115	0.1	88	0.1
Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases	3,853	1.0	2,104	0.9	1,749	1.2
Infectious and parasitic diseases	1,708	0.5	1,343	0.6	365	0.3
Injuries	23,433	6.4	17,542	7.9	5,891	4.1
Mental disorders						
Autism spectrum disorders	69	(L)	54	(L)	15	(L)
Developmental disorders	73	(L)	47	(L)	26	(L)
Childhood and adolescent disorders not elsewhere classified	32	(L)	23	(L)	9	(L)
Intellectual disorders	2,187	0.6	1,627	0.7	560	0.4
Depressive, bipolar, and related disorders	25,136	6.8	11,569	5.2	13,567	9.4
Neurocognitive disorders	7,383	2.0	5,421	2.4	1,962	1.4
Schizophrenia spectrum and other psychotic disorders	3,391	0.9	2,254	1.0	1,137	0.8
Other mental disorders	8,270	2.3	4,272	1.9	3,998	2.8
Neoplasms	5,203	1.4	2,673	1.2	2,530	1.8
Diseases of the—						
Blood and blood-forming organs	266	0.1	140	0.1	126	0.1
Circulatory system	10,682	2.9	7,744	3.5	2,938	2.0
Digestive system	1,808	0.5	1,092	0.5	716	0.5
Genitourinary system	2,573	0.7	1,745	0.8	828	0.6
Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue	240,688	65.6	147,328	66.0	93,360	64.9
Nervous system and sense organs	20,388	5.6	10,529	4.7	9,859	6.9
Respiratory system	5,167	1.4	3,087	1.4	2,080	1.4
Skin and subcutaneous tissue	350	0.1	181	0.1	169	0.1
Other	183	(L)	108	(L)	75	0.1
Unknown	4,006	1.1	2,138	1.0	1,868	1.3

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