

Table 1.
Number of people receiving Social Security, Supplemental Security Income (SSI), or both, May 2016
(in thousands)

Type of beneficiary	Total	Social Security only	SSI only	Both Social Security and SSI
All beneficiaries	65,697	57,363	5,574	2,759
Aged 65 or older	44,664	42,489	967	1,208
Disabled, under age 65 ^a	14,177	8,018	4,607	1,552
Other ^b	6,856	6,856

SOURCES: Social Security Administration, Master Beneficiary Record and Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

NOTES: Social Security beneficiaries who are entitled to a primary and a secondary benefit (dual entitlement) are counted only once in this table. SSI counts include recipients of federal SSI, federally administered state supplementation, or both.

... = not applicable.

a. Includes children receiving SSI based on their own disability.

b. Social Security beneficiaries who are neither aged nor disabled (for example, early retirees, young survivors).

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Table 2.
Social Security benefits, May 2016

Type of beneficiary	Beneficiaries		Total monthly benefits (millions of dollars)	Average monthly benefit (dollars)
	Number (thousands)	Percent		
Total	60,535	100.0	74,651	1,233.18
Old-Age and Survivors Insurance	49,755	82.2	63,626	1,278.77
Retirement benefits	43,658	72.1	56,831	1,301.74
Retired workers	40,621	67.1	54,740	1,347.59
Spouses of retired workers	2,364	3.9	1,652	698.59
Children of retired workers	673	1.1	440	653.60
Survivor benefits	6,097	10.1	6,794	1,114.27
Children of deceased workers	1,935	3.2	1,616	835.21
Widowed mothers and fathers	134	0.2	125	931.39
Nondisabled widow(er)s	3,768	6.2	4,866	1,291.48
Disabled widow(er)s	260	0.4	186	717.18
Parents of deceased workers	1	(L)	1	1,140.61
Disability Insurance	10,780	17.8	11,025	1,022.75
Disabled workers	8,884	14.7	10,360	1,166.18
Spouses of disabled workers	139	0.2	45	320.47
Children of disabled workers	1,757	2.9	621	353.24

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Master Beneficiary Record, 100 percent data.

NOTE: (L) = less than 0.05 percent.

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Table 3.
Supplemental Security Income recipients, May 2016

Age	Recipients		Total payments ^a (millions of dollars)	Average monthly payment ^b (dollars)
	Number (thousands)	Percent		
All recipients	8,334	100.0	4,787	540.58
Under 18	1,256	15.1	859	645.72
18–64	4,903	58.8	2,978	560.53
65 or older	2,175	26.1	950	435.18

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

a. Includes retroactive payments.

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