

Table 1.
Beneficiaries as a percentage of the total resident population and of the population aged 65 or older, by state, December 2020

State	Total population		Population aged 65 or older	
	Number ^a	Percentage receiving benefits	Number ^a	Percentage receiving benefits
United States	329,484,123	19.2	55,659,365	87.3
Alabama	4,921,532	23.7	874,244	91.7
Alaska	731,158	14.8	95,876	85.6
Arizona	7,421,401	19.3	1,373,975	82.9
Arkansas	3,030,522	23.4	536,306	91.1
California	39,368,078	15.6	5,976,166	83.0
Colorado	5,807,719	15.8	876,387	84.5
Connecticut	3,557,006	19.6	645,996	86.5
Delaware	986,809	22.8	197,594	89.6
District of Columbia	712,816	11.7	89,833	70.4
Florida	21,733,312	22.3	4,638,094	82.6
Georgia	10,710,017	17.8	1,574,667	88.3
Hawaii	1,407,006	20.1	275,080	86.0
Idaho	1,826,913	20.3	305,994	93.8
Illinois	12,587,530	18.1	2,089,234	85.1
Indiana	6,754,953	20.5	1,115,285	92.3
Iowa	3,163,561	21.0	566,136	92.8
Kansas	2,913,805	19.5	488,316	90.4
Kentucky	4,477,251	22.5	770,835	89.9
Louisiana	4,645,318	19.9	763,750	85.3
Maine	1,350,141	26.3	293,776	91.1
Maryland	6,055,802	17.0	987,352	82.2
Massachusetts	6,893,574	18.8	1,198,402	83.6
Michigan	9,966,555	22.6	1,812,441	92.0
Minnesota	5,657,342	18.9	948,841	90.1
Mississippi	2,966,786	23.0	499,955	92.7
Missouri	6,151,548	21.5	1,089,714	89.3
Montana	1,080,577	22.7	213,392	90.9
Nebraska	1,937,552	18.4	319,437	89.0
Nevada	3,138,259	18.0	519,316	85.5
New Hampshire	1,366,275	23.2	263,129	92.2
New Jersey	8,882,371	18.6	1,510,028	87.4
New Mexico	2,106,319	21.5	389,911	87.3
New York	19,336,776	19.0	3,369,569	84.7
North Carolina	10,600,823	20.6	1,814,542	90.0
North Dakota	765,309	18.1	123,141	90.1
Ohio	11,693,217	20.6	2,097,638	86.6
Oklahoma	3,980,783	20.4	653,159	90.7
Oregon	4,241,507	21.4	789,527	91.9
Pennsylvania	12,783,254	22.5	2,447,687	90.5
Rhode Island	1,057,125	21.8	192,477	90.6
South Carolina	5,218,040	22.9	976,375	91.4
South Dakota	892,717	20.8	157,177	95.3
Tennessee	6,886,834	21.7	1,180,543	91.9
Texas	29,360,759	15.1	3,873,683	86.9
Utah	3,249,879	13.2	381,593	88.0
Vermont	623,347	25.0	128,594	93.9
Virginia	8,590,563	18.5	1,401,044	87.4
Washington	7,693,612	18.2	1,247,874	89.6
West Virginia	1,784,787	26.9	373,569	90.7
Wisconsin	5,832,655	21.9	1,047,935	94.4
Wyoming	582,328	20.3	103,776	89.4

SOURCES: Social Security Administration, Master Beneficiary Record, 100 percent data; U.S. Postal Service geographic data; and Census Bureau, Population Division, 2020 estimates of resident population.

a. Population estimates for the United States as of July 1, 2020, as reported by the Census Bureau.

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