

OASDI Benefits in Current-Payment Status

Table 4.
OASI survivors benefits, by type of beneficiary, May 2003–May 2004

Month	All beneficiaries	Widow(er)s and parents ^a	Widowed mothers and fathers ^b	Children
<i>Number (thousands)</i>				
2003				
May	6,873	4,735	185	1,953
June	6,835	4,731	187	1,917
July	6,786	4,729	186	1,870
August	6,788	4,726	186	1,876
September	6,798	4,725	188	1,885
October	6,803	4,722	188	1,893
November	6,808	4,717	189	1,902
December	6,810	4,709	190	1,910
2004				
January	6,767	4,677	173	1,917
February	6,773	4,671	175	1,927
March	6,785	4,669	178	1,938
April	6,795	4,668	180	1,947
May	6,803	4,668	182	1,954
<i>Total monthly benefits (millions of dollars)</i>				
2003				
May	5,296	4,029	117	1,150
June	5,277	4,029	119	1,128
July	5,249	4,030	120	1,099
August	5,254	4,031	120	1,103
September	5,264	4,033	122	1,109
October	5,270	4,033	122	1,115
November	5,277	4,032	123	1,122
December	5,391	4,113	126	1,152
2004				
January	5,360	4,087	113	1,160
February	5,368	4,086	115	1,167
March	5,380	4,088	117	1,175
April	5,390	4,090	118	1,182
May	5,399	4,093	120	1,187

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Month	All beneficiaries	Widow(er)s and parents ^a	Widowed mothers and fathers ^b	Children
<i>Average monthly benefit (dollars)</i>				
2003				
May	770.60	850.80	635.20	588.80
June	772.00	851.60	639.20	588.60
July	773.50	852.20	643.90	587.50
August	774.10	853.00	645.10	588.00
September	774.40	853.60	646.60	588.50
October	774.60	854.10	647.30	589.00
November	775.20	854.80	649.30	590.20
December	791.70	873.30	663.70	603.10
2004				
January	792.10	874.00	652.20	605.00
February	792.60	874.80	654.10	605.70
March	792.90	875.60	655.60	606.20
April	793.20	876.20	657.00	606.80
May	793.50	876.80	658.30	607.20

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

NOTES: Data are for the end of the specified month.

Some Social Security beneficiaries are entitled to more than one type of benefit. In most cases, they are dually entitled to a worker benefit and a higher spouse or widow(er) benefit. If both benefits are financed from the same trust fund, the beneficiary is usually counted only once in the statistics, as a retired-worker or a disabled-worker beneficiary, and the benefit amount recorded is the larger amount associated with the auxiliary benefit. If the benefits are paid from different trust funds the beneficiary is counted twice, and the respective benefit amounts are recorded for each type of benefit.

- a. Includes nondisabled widow(er)s aged 60 or older, disabled widow(er)s aged 50 or older, and dependent parents of deceased workers aged 62 or older.
- b. A widow(er) or surviving divorced parent caring for the entitled child of a deceased worker who is under age 16 or is disabled.

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