

Table 9.
OASI survivors benefits, by type of beneficiary, September 2002–September 2003

Month	All beneficiaries	Widow(er)s and parents ^a	Widowed mothers and fathers ^b	Children
<i>Number (thousands)</i>				
2002				
September	71	42	4	26
October	67	38	3	26
November	90	51	4	34
December	48	27	2	19
2003				
January	76	48	3	25
February	74	44	3	27
March	86	51	4	31
April	76	44	3	28
May	71	42	3	25
June	70	43	3	23
July	62	39	3	20
August	68	42	3	23
September	71	41	3	26
<i>Average monthly benefit (dollars)</i>				
2002				
September	666.60	713.10	634.90	596.70
October	663.80	712.60	637.10	596.50
November	666.80	715.50	641.10	596.30
December	685.40	732.00	654.20	623.20
2003				
January	729.40	789.80	654.30	620.80
February	691.80	739.00	664.40	617.40
March	687.50	731.70	655.80	617.60
April	680.40	727.30	643.30	609.90
May	680.00	724.70	641.60	610.50
June	682.90	728.30	662.20	601.30
July	687.90	734.90	662.20	599.80
August	682.10	728.50	666.70	600.40
September	683.60	732.40	650.80	611.10

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

NOTE: Award actions are processed not only for new beneficiaries but also for persons already on the rolls whose benefits in one category are terminated but who become entitled to another type of benefit. These actions are called conversions. Benefit conversions are included in the data, except for conversions of benefits for children of retired workers to benefits for children of deceased workers upon the death of the worker.

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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