

Poverty

Table 47.—Poverty gap for families with SSI recipients, before and after SSI payments, by age group in 1998

Selected Characteristics	Average aggregate poverty gap before SSI	Average aggregate poverty gap after SSI	Percent reduction in poverty gap
Total	\$25,031,713,407	\$8,306,609,161	66.8
Age:			
Under 18	2,237,763,034	641,339,039	71.3
Age 18—64	16,650,528,058	5,720,640,934	65.6
Aged 65 and over	6,143,422,314	1,944,629,189	68.3
Sex:			
Female	14,975,121,902	5,046,653,242	66.3
Male	10,056,591,504	3,259,955,920	67.6
Race:			
White	14,685,613,756	4,715,267,570	67.9
Black	8,259,226,298	3,104,743,138	62.4
American Indian, Aleut, Eskimo	812,907,296	226,695,379	72.1
Asian, Pacific Islander	1,273,966,056	259,903,075	79.6
Ethnicity:			
Hispanic	4,627,144,823	1,652,943,879	64.3
Not Hispanic	20,404,568,584	6,653,665,282	67.4

Source: 1996 Survey of Income and Program Participation matched to SSA Administrative records.