Table 9.

OASI survivors benefits, by type of beneficiary, August 2003–August 2004

Month		Widow(er)s	Widowed mothers	
	All beneficiaries	and parents ^a	and fathers ^b	Children
		Number (tho	usands)	
2003				
August	68	42	3	23
September	71	41	3	26
October	67	38	3	26
November	85	49	4	32
December	48	26	2	19
2004				
January	80	51	3	26
February	77	47	3	27
March	83	49	4	30
April	74	44	3	27
May	75	44	3	27
June	77	47	4	26
July	43	22	2	19
August	62	31	4	27
	Average monthly benefit (dollars)			
2003				
August	682.10	728.50	666.70	600.40
September	683.60	732.40	650.80	611.10
October	677.80	724.80	661.90	610.90
November	682.00	729.80	658.30	612.80
December	703.20	754.80	677.40	636.10
2004				
January	753.20	815.20	684.30	639.30
February	707.50	752.60	681.00	632.60
March	698.20	740.30	672.80	633.10
April	696.50	742.40	659.30	626.90
May	694.40	740.40	663.80	622.10
June	689.90	741.40	664.60	600.40
July	650.40	674.80	680.90	617.70
August	636.50	646.30	678.00	619.10

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.

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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.