Table 8.

OASI retirement benefits, by type of beneficiary, August 2002–August 2003

Month	All beneficiaries	Retired workers	Spouses	Children
	Number (thousands)			
2002				
August	181	146	26	9
September	181	145	26	10
October	170	136	25	9
November	183	144	28	11
December	139	114	19	7
2003				
January	239	201	28	10
February	169	134	26	9
March	197	158	28	11
April	190	152	27	10
May	180	145	25	10
June	182	148	25	9
July	181	149	24	8
August	186	151	26	9
	Average monthly benefit (dollars)			
2002				
August	793.60	898.00	344.70	391.40
September	787.30	893.30	342.50	401.70
October	790.60	896.70	348.60	404.00
November	778.80	893.00	342.80	399.30
December	825.50	927.20	360.00	419.90
2003				
January	875.30	971.40	350.80	443.40
February	791.90	903.70	336.60	432.50
March	804.80	914.60	337.40	419.90
April	799.20	906.20	341.70	413.60
May	803.40	909.00	342.10	417.50
June	807.80	912.50	343.80	403.10
July	822.80	923.70	348.40	409.80
August	810.00	912.40	347.20	411.40

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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