Table 1. All OASDI benefits, by program and type of benefit, March 2003–March 2004

	Total,	Subtotal,					
Month	OASDI ^a	OASI ^b	Retirement	Survivors	Subtotal, DI °		
		Num	ber (thousands)				
2003							
March	46,612	39,254	32,399	6,855	7,357		
April	46,701	39,301	32,435	6,866	7,399		
May	46,771	39,339	32,466	6,873	7,432		
June	46,753	39,316	32,481	6,835	7,438		
July	46,727	39,294	32,508	6,786	7,434		
August	46,787	39,321	32,534	6,788	7,466		
September	46,868	39,368	32,570	6,798	7,499		
October	46,933	39,406	32,603	6,803	7,526		
November	46,993	39,428	32,620	6,808	7,565		
December	47,038	39,443	32,633	6,810	7,595		
2004							
January	47,066	39,452	32,685	6,767	7,614		
February	47,136	39,492	32,719	6,773	7,644		
March	47,212	39,505	32,719	6,785	7,707		
	Total monthly benefits (millions of dollars)						
2003							
March	38,073	32,933	27,655	5,278	5,140		
April	38,167	32,995	27,706	5,288	5,172		
May	38,244	33,046	27,749	5,296	5,199		
June	38,282	33,061	27,784	5,277	5,221		
July	38,318	33,081	27,832	5,249	5,238		
August	38,395	33,129	27,875	5,254	5,267		
September	38,481	33,187	27,923	5,264	5,294		
October	38,555	33,238	27,968	5,270	5,318		
November	38,672	33,317	28,040	5,277	5,355		
December	39,542	34,049	28,658	5,391	5,493		
2004							
January	39,624	34,113	28,752	5,360	5,511		
February	39,709	34,174	28,806	5,368	5,535		
March	39,787	34,201	28,821	5,380	5,587		
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Month		OASI						
	Total, OASDI ^a	Subtotal, OASI ^b	Retirement		Subtotal, DI ^c			
				Survivors				
	Average monthly benefit (dollars)							
2003								
March	816.80	839.00	853.60	769.90	698.60			
April	817.30	839.50	854.20	770.20	699.00			
May	817.70	840.00	854.70	770.60	699.50			
June	818.80	840.90	855.40	772.00	701.90			
July	820.00	841.90	856.20	773.50	704.60			
August	820.60	842.50	856.80	774.10	705.40			
September	821.10	843.00	857.30	774.40	706.00			
October	821.50	843.50	857.80	774.60	706.50			
November	822.90	845.00	859.60	775.20	707.90			
December	840.60	863.20	878.20	791.70	723.20			
2004								
January	841.90	864.70	879.70	792.10	723.90			
February	842.40	865.30	880.40	792.60	724.10			
March	842.70	865.70	880.90	792.90	724.80			

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 special age-72 beneficiaries.
 - Excludes a number of Railroad Retirement beneficiaries who would have been eligible for Social Security benefits had they applied. The reason they have not applied is that receipt of a Social Security benefit would reduce their Railroad Retirement benefit by a like amount. The number of Railroad Retirement beneficiaries who would be eligible for a Social Security benefit if they applied is not available, but is estimated to be less than 100,000.
- b. Benefits paid from the OASI trust fund to retired workers and their spouses and children and to all survivors.
- c. Benefits paid from the DI trust fund to disabled workers and their spouses and children.

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