Table 2.

OASI retirement benefits, by type of beneficiary, January 2006–December 2006

Month	All beneficiaries	Retired workers	Spouses	Children
		Number (th	nousands)	
January	33,595	30,583	2,519	492
February	33,671	30,658	2,517	496
March	33,719	30,706	2,513	500
April	33,754	30,741	2,509	503
May	33,793	30,781	2,506	505
June	33,824	30,825	2,503	497
July	33,811	30,832	2,497	482
August	33,803	30,830	2,492	481
September	33,851	30,879	2,489	483
October	33,879	30,908	2,485	486
November	33,930	30,959	2,483	488
December	33,938	30,971	2,476	490
	Total monthly benefits (millions of dollars)			
January	32,206	30,703	1,259	244
February	32,305	30,800	1,259	246
March	32,376	30,871	1,257	248
April	32,436	30,931	1,255	250
May	32,490	30,985	1,254	252
June	32,544	31,045	1,252	247
July	32,554	31,065	1,249	240
August	32,560	31,074	1,247	240
September	32,621	31,135	1,246	241
October	32,664	31,178	1,243	243
November	32,774	31,286	1,244	244
December	33,882	32,346	1,282	254
	Average monthly benefit (dollars)			
January	958.70	1,003.90	499.80	494.90
February	959.40	1,004.60	500.00	495.60
March	960.20	1,005.40	500.10	496.40
April	961.00	1,006.20	500.20	497.20
May	961.40	1,006.60	500.20	497.80
June	962.20	1,007.20	500.30	497.60
July	962.80	1,007.60	500.40	497.10
August	963.20	1,007.90	500.40	497.80
September	963.70	1,008.30	500.50	498.40
October	964.10	1,008.70	500.50	499.20
November	965.90	1,010.60	501.10	500.70
December	998.40	1,044.40	517.90	518.10

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.

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