

Table 34.
Household and family characteristics, by age, 2001

Characteristic	Number				Percentage of all recipients			
	Total	Under 18	18–64	65 or older	Total	Under 18	18–64	65 or older
All recipients	6,312,331	846,010	3,566,871	1,899,450	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Household type								
Family								
Married couple present	2,050,836	324,892	1,130,394	595,550	32.5	38.4	31.7	31.4
No married couple, male householder	336,529	73,461	169,056	94,012	5.3	8.7	4.7	5.0
No married couple, female householder	1,788,543	442,526	1,015,678	330,339	28.3	52.3	28.5	17.4
Nonfamily								
Male householder	733,761	0	541,849	186,781	11.6	0	15.2	9.8
Female householder	1,343,660	0	679,711	663,950	21.3	0	19.1	35.0
Group quarters	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ownership status of living quarters								
Owned	2,560,789	320,969	1,448,204	791,616	40.6	37.9	40.6	41.7
Not owned	3,751,542	525,041	2,118,667	1,107,834	59.4	62.1	59.4	58.3
Residence in public housing	886,810	85,098	466,911	334,801	14.1	10.1	13.1	17.6
Household receipt of ^a —								
Energy assistance	689,114	114,386	395,148	179,580	10.9	13.5	11.1	9.5
Housing assistance	618,388	98,819	366,094	153,475	9.8	11.7	10.3	8.1
Food stamps	2,517,307	276,567	1,515,509	725,231	39.9	32.7	42.5	38.2
Household size								
1 person	1,747,279	0	912,499	834,780	27.7	0	25.6	44.0
2 persons	1,577,400	69,789	983,215	524,397	25.0	8.3	27.6	27.6
3–4 persons	1,907,309	443,327	1,119,103	344,880	30.2	52.4	31.4	18.2
5 or more persons	1,080,343	332,895	552,055	195,393	17.1	39.4	15.5	10.3
Family size								
1 person	2,217,882	24,731	1,307,373	885,779	35.1	2.9	36.7	46.6
2 persons	1,386,177	80,707	795,559	509,910	22.0	9.5	22.3	26.9
3–4 persons	1,733,093	439,204	981,220	312,670	27.5	51.9	27.5	16.5
5 or more persons	975,179	301,369	482,720	191,091	15.5	35.6	13.5	10.1
Under age 18 in family								
None	4,160,923	0	2,556,855	1,604,068	65.9	0	71.7	84.5
1 person	868,077	206,313	503,154	158,610	13.8	24.4	14.1	8.4
2–3 persons	616,413	306,848	247,177	62,389	9.8	36.3	6.9	3.3
4 persons	597,337	299,848	226,714	70,774	9.5	35.4	6.4	3.7
5 or more persons	69,582	33,002	0	0	1.1	3.9	0	0
Total household income in wave 2 ^b (dollars)								
Less than 2,500	1,438,812	42,062	789,988	606,762	22.8	5.0	22.2	31.9
2,500–4,999	1,537,968	176,836	799,026	562,107	24.4	20.9	22.4	29.6
5,000–7,499	924,569	130,921	568,301	225,348	14.7	15.5	15.9	11.9
7,500–9,999	609,524	165,653	354,630	89,241	9.7	19.6	9.9	4.7
10,000–14,999	781,942	178,878	485,317	117,746	12.4	21.1	13.6	6.2
15,000–19,999	419,743	66,822	227,310	125,611	6.7	7.9	6.4	6.6
20,000 or more	599,773	84,839	342,300	172,635	9.5	10.0	9.6	9.1

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Noninstitutionalized Recipients: SIPP

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Characteristic	Number				Percentage of all recipients			
	Total	Under 18	18–64	65 or older	Total	Under 18	18–64	65 or older
Total family income in wave 2 ^b (dollars)								
Less than 2,500	1,705,177	74,383	1,006,698	624,096	27.0	8.8	28.2	32.9
2,500–4,999	1,648,954	203,925	868,823	576,207	26.1	24.1	24.4	30.3
5,000–7,499	893,280	125,414	545,581	222,284	14.2	14.8	15.3	11.7
7,500–9,999	502,946	137,580	284,200	81,166	8.0	16.3	8.0	4.3
10,000–14,999	674,492	169,630	391,633	113,229	10.7	20.1	11.0	6.0
15,000–19,999	392,367	71,723	195,166	125,478	6.2	8.5	5.5	6.6
20,000 or more	495,115	63,356	274,770	156,990	7.8	7.5	7.7	8.3

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, SSA administrative records, matched to U.S. Census Bureau, 2001 Survey of Income and Program Participation (SIPP), wave 2, reference month 4.

NOTES: Individuals receiving SSI benefits in reference month 4 of wave 2 of the 2001 SIPP are identified using SSA administrative data for those who provided a valid Social Security number and using self-reported SIPP data for those who did not provide a valid number. The unweighted sample size is 1,729 cases for all SSI recipients: 209 cases aged 17 or younger, 1,061 cases aged 18 to 64, and 459 cases aged 65 or older.

Cells that contain less than 1.0 percent of all beneficiaries are rounded to zero because of concerns about sampling variability. Therefore, some distributions will not add to the total.

A family is a group of two or more persons related by birth, marriage, or adoption and residing together. A household includes related family members and all the unrelated persons, if any, such as lodgers, foster children, wards, or employees who share the housing unit. A person living alone in a housing unit or a group of unrelated persons sharing a housing unit as partners is also counted as a household.

- a. Individuals may be counted in more than one category.
- b. Data are based on the sum of the 4 months included in wave 2. This represents a change from tables for previous years, in which annual income data were reported.

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