

**Table 11.12-- RETIREMENT, SURVIVORS AND DISABILITY INSURANCE
(OASDI) BENEFICIARIES AND BENEFITS IN CURRENT-PAYMENT STATUS,
BY TYPE OF BENEFIT: 1996 AND 1997**

[December data. Based on 10-percent samples]

Type of benefit	Number of OASDI beneficiaries		Amount of monthly benefits (\$1,000)	
	1996	1997	1996	1997
Total	169,300	172,050	113,990	119,266
Retirement program:				
Retired workers	118,750	121,910	1/ 87,100	2/ 91,902
Spouses	10,530	10,430	3,740	3,839
Children	2,700	2,650	870	864
Survivor program:				
Widows, widowers, and parents	15,550	15,050	10,320	10,308
Children	6,820	6,800	3,390	3,390
Disability program:				
Disabled workers	10,800	10,940	7,750	8,076
Spouses	470	480	90	93
Children	3,680	3,790	730	794
Age 65 and over	130,590	133,360	92,390	97,111
Men	57,830	59,060	46,988	49,086
Women	72,760	74,300	45,402	48,026

1/ Average monthly benefit was \$717.30; median was \$687.00.

2/ Average monthly benefit was \$753.90; median was \$755.80.

Source: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Social Security Administration, *Social Security Bulletin, Annual Statistical Supplement* for 1997 and 1998, tables 5.J2, 5.J3, 5.J4, and 5.J6.

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