

Benefits and Beneficiaries Under the Railroad Retirement and Unemployment Insurance Systems - March 2010

Regular Retirement and Survivor Benefits

Benefit payments	<u>March 2010</u>	<u>March 2009</u>
Total	\$893,042,000	\$880,477,000
Retired employees	598,892,000	587,588,000
Spouses and divorced spouses	111,590,000	107,950,000
Widow(er)s - aged and disabled	158,044,000	160,549,000
Other benefits	24,515,000	24,383,000

Monthly benefits	Being paid end of month		Awarded in month		Average under Social Security March 2010	
	<u>Number</u>	<u>Average¹</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Average¹</u>	<u>Being Paid</u>	<u>Awarded</u>
Total	557,000	.....	2,800	.....	.....	.....
Regular employee annuities, total	273,700	\$2,171	1,200	\$2,683	.....	.....
Age	190,100	2,154	² 600	² 3,323	\$1,168	³ \$1,586
Disability, Full Retirement Age and Over	35,100	1,932	.....	.....	.....	.....
Disability, Under Full Retirement Age	48,500	2,409	300	2,432	1,065	1,102
Spouses and divorced spouses	136,700	806	1,000	919	557	408
Widow(er)s--aged and disabled	121,100	1,302	600	1,720	1,102	890
Widowed mothers and fathers	800	1,601	<u>4</u>	1,460	832	817
Widow(er)s--remarried and divorced	13,700	874	100	961	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>
Children	10,400	940	<u>4</u>	1,279	750	758
Other benefits	700	313	.....	.....	.....	.....

Supplemental Annuities ⁶	Benefit payments		Being paid end of month		Awarded in month	
	<u>March 2010</u>	<u>March 2009</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Average</u>
	\$4,949,000	\$5,043,000	120,900	\$42	600	\$41

¹Railroad retirement benefits shown are net of reduction for social security benefit entitlement.

²For employees retiring directly from the railroad industry with full age annuity (their years of service averaged 35); about 300 other age annuities were awarded in the month.

³For men full retirement age or over.

⁴Fewer than 50.

⁵Remarried and divorced widow(er)s included with aged and disabled widow(er)s and widowed mothers and fathers.

⁶Benefit payments include supplemental benefits paid to partitioned spouses and partitioned divorced spouses where the employee is deceased. Number and averages are for employee annuitants only and reflect court-ordered partitions.

Note. --Data are on a cash basis (unaudited) and are partly estimated. Detail may not add to totals due to rounding. Regular retirement and survivor benefit payments total includes hospital insurance benefits for services in Canada.

(Over)

**Benefits and Beneficiaries Under the Railroad Retirement
and Unemployment Insurance Systems - (Continued)
March 2010**

Unemployment and Sickness Benefits

Number of beneficiaries during month	Average payment	
	Per 2-week registration period	Per full week
Unemployment 10,500	\$564	\$318
Sickness 5,300	555	317
	Benefit payments	
	March 2010	March 2009
Total	\$17,560,000	\$14,917,000
Unemployment¹	12,819,000	10,666,000
Sickness	4,741,000	4,251,000

¹ Starting in June 2009, includes temporary extended unemployment benefits authorized by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. Beginning in November 2009, temporary extended unemployment benefits are also being paid under the Worker, Homeownership, and Business Assistance Act of 2009.

Note. --Data are on a cash basis (unaudited). Detail may not add to totals due to rounding.