

Benefits and Beneficiaries Under the Railroad Retirement and Unemployment Insurance Systems - March 2012

Regular Retirement and Survivor Benefits

Benefit payments	<u>March 2012</u>	<u>March 2011</u>
Total	\$944,673,000	\$905,578,000
Retired employees	640,543,000	610,712,000
Spouses and divorced spouses	122,470,000	114,516,000
Widow(er)s - aged and disabled	157,185,000	156,454,000
Other benefits	24,475,000	23,897,000

Monthly benefits	Being paid end of month		Awarded in month		Average under Social Security March 2012	
	<u>Number</u>	<u>Average</u> ¹	<u>Number</u>	<u>Average</u> ¹	<u>Being Paid</u>	<u>Awarded</u>
Total	548,400	.....	2,600	.....	.....	.....
Regular employee annuities, total	272,500	\$2,331	1,000	\$2,729	.....	.....
Age	189,800	2,335	² 500	² 3,475	\$1,232	³ \$1,690
Disability, Full Retirement Age and Over	36,600	2,076	.....	.....	.....	.....
Disability, Under Full Retirement Age	46,100	2,517	300	2,555	1,111	1,174
Spouses and divorced spouses	138,900	871	900	953	588	449
Widow(er)s--aged and disabled	112,100	1,397	500	1,816	1,158	934
Widowed mothers and fathers	700	1,669	4/	852	874	839
Widow(er)s--remarried and divorced	13,500	933	100	1,113	5/	5/
Children	9,800	979	4/	1,154	785	784
Other benefits	900	309	.....	.....	.....	.....

Supplemental Annuities⁶

Benefit payments	Being paid end of month		Awarded in month		
March 2012	March 2011	<u>Number</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Average</u>
\$5,076,000	\$5,068,000	121,400	\$42	500	\$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); some 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.

⁶Includes partition payments to spouses and 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.

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**Benefits and Beneficiaries Under the Railroad Retirement
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March 2012**

Unemployment and Sickness Benefits

Number of beneficiaries during month	Average payment		
	Per 2-week registration period	Per full week	
Unemployment	3,800	\$574	\$326
Sickness	5,100	576	326
		Benefit payments	
		March 2012	March 2011
Total		\$8,571,000	\$11,673,000
Unemployment¹		4,218,000	5,744,000
Sickness		4,353,000	5,930,000

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, as amended.

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