

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

**Regular Retirement
and Survivor Benefits**

Benefit payments	<u>May 2010</u>	<u>May 2009</u>
Total	\$893,983,000	\$880,164,000
Retired employees	599,880,000	587,876,000
Spouses and divorced spouses	112,100,000	108,313,000
Widow(er)s - aged and disabled	157,920,000	159,835,000
Other benefits	24,083,000	24,140,000

Monthly benefits	Being paid end of month		Awarded in month		Average under Social Security May 2010	
	<u>Number</u>	<u>Average¹</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Average¹</u>	<u>Being Paid</u>	<u>Awarded</u>
Total	555,900	.....	2,300	.....	.....	.....
Regular employee annuities, total	273,300	\$2,177	900	\$2,535	.....	.....
Age	189,700	2,161	² 300	² 3,345	\$1,169	³ \$1,592
Disability, Full Retirement Age and Over	35,100	1,939	.....	.....	.....	.....
Disability, Under Full Retirement Age	48,500	2,412	300	2,528	1,065	1,118
Spouses and divorced spouses	136,700	808	800	903	558	413
Widow(er)s--aged and disabled	120,400	1,308	500	1,654	1,104	876
Widowed mothers and fathers	800	1,625	<u>4</u>	1,146	835	819
Widow(er)s--remarried and divorced	13,700	878	100	974	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>
Children	10,400	942	<u>4</u>	1,343	751	750
Other benefits	700	311	.....	.....	.....	.....

Supplemental Annuities ⁶	Benefit payments		Being paid end of month		Awarded in month	
	<u>May 2010</u>	<u>May 2009</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Average</u>
	\$4,383,000	\$5,029,000	120,600	\$42	400	\$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.

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Unemployment and Sickness Benefits

	Number of beneficiaries during month	Average payment	
		Per 2-week registration period	Per full week
Unemployment	5,400	\$521	\$317
Sickness	4,600	559	318
		Benefit payments	
		May 2010	May 2009
Total		\$8,249,000	\$12,031,000
Unemployment¹		5,099,000	10,049,000
Sickness		3,149,000	1,982,000

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.

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