

Benefits and Beneficiaries Under the Railroad Retirement and Unemployment Insurance Systems - August 2009

Regular Retirement and Survivor Benefits

Benefit payments	<u>August 2009</u>	<u>August 2008</u>
Total	\$884,360,000	\$837,515,000
Retired employees	591,070,000	556,034,000
Spouses and divorced spouses	109,400,000	101,954,000
Widow(er)s - aged and disabled	159,638,000	156,513,000
Other benefits	24,251,000	23,015,000

Monthly benefits	Being paid end of month		Awarded in month		Average under Social Security August 2009	
	Number	Average ¹	Number	Average ¹	Being Paid	Awarded
Total	559,600	.....	3,000	.....	.....	.....
Regular employee annuities, total	274,000	\$2,143	1,400	\$2,726	.....	.....
Age	190,200	2,120	² 800	² 3,222	\$1,160	³ \$1,613
Disability, Full Retirement Age and Over	34,600	1,905	.....	.....	.....	.....
Disability, Under Full Retirement Age	49,200	2,398	300	2,696	1,062	1,112
Spouses and divorced spouses	136,300	793	1,000	937	554	405
Widow(er)s--aged and disabled	124,000	1,283	500	1,676	1,097	882
Widowed mothers and fathers	800	1,587	<u>4</u>	1,749	841	814
Widow(er)s--remarried and divorced	13,900	869	100	1,005	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>
Children	10,500	935	<u>4</u>	1,224	745	722
Other benefits	200	418	.....	.....	.....	.....

Supplemental Annuities⁶

Benefit payments	Being paid end of month		Awarded in month		
August 2009	August 2008	Number	Average	Number	Average
\$5,020,000	\$5,048,000	120,700	\$42	800	\$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 aged 65 or over insured on regular basis.

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.

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	10,800	\$557	\$317
Sickness	5,600	562	316
		Benefit payments	
		August 2009	August 2008
Total		\$18,402,000	\$5,886,000
Unemployment¹		12,540,000	1,761,000
Sickness		5,862,000	4,125,000

¹ Starting in June 2009, includes temporary extended unemployment benefits authorized by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

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