

Benefits and Beneficiaries Under the Railroad Retirement and Unemployment Insurance Systems - August 2011

Regular Retirement and Survivor Benefits

| Benefit payments | <u>August 2011</u> | <u>August 2010</u> |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Total | \$913,875,000 | \$898,632,000 |
| Retired employees | 617,570,000 | 604,088,000 |
| Spouses and divorced spouses | 116,645,000 | 112,637,000 |
| Widow(er)s - aged and disabled | 155,824,000 | 157,840,000 |
| Other benefits | 23,836,000 | 24,066,000 |

| Monthly benefits | Being paid end of month | | Awarded in month | | Average under Social Security August 2011 | |
|---|----------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|---|----------------------|
| | <u>Number</u> | <u>Average</u> ¹ | <u>Number</u> | <u>Average</u> ¹ | <u>Being Paid</u> | <u>Awarded</u> |
| Total | 550,800 | ..... | 3,000 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| Regular employee annuities, total | 273,100 | \$2,241 | 1,300 | \$2,740 | ..... | ..... |
| Age | 190,000 | 2,239 | ² 700 | ² 3,335 | \$1,182 | ³ \$1,633 |
| Disability, Full Retirement Age and Over | 36,200 | 1,992 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| Disability, Under Full Retirement Age | 46,900 | 2,436 | 300 | 2,463 | 1,070 | 1,147 |
| Spouses and divorced spouses | 138,000 | 837 | 1,100 | 958 | 564 | 437 |
| Widow(er)s--aged and disabled | 114,800 | 1,355 | 500 | 1,744 | 1,114 | 887 |
| Widowed mothers and fathers | 700 | 1,668 | <u>4</u> | 2,219 | 852 | 831 |
| Widow(er)s--remarried and divorced | 13,500 | 896 | 100 | 910 | <u>5</u> | <u>5</u> |
| Children | 9,900 | 940 | <u>4</u> | 1,062 | 754 | 735 |
| Other benefits | 900 | 308 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |

Supplemental Annuities⁶

| Benefit payments | Being paid end of month | | Awarded in month | | |
|------------------|----------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|----------------|---------------|
| | <u>August 2011</u> | <u>August 2010</u> | <u>Number</u> | <u>Average</u> | <u>Number</u> | Average |
| \$5,067,000 | \$5,046,000 | 121,300 | \$42 | 700 | \$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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Unemployment and Sickness Benefits

| Number of beneficiaries during month | Average payment | | |
|---|-----------------------------------|------------------|-------------|
| | Per 2-week registration period | Per full week | |
| Unemployment | 2,700 | \$581 | \$325 |
| Sickness | 5,400 | 583 | 326 |
| | | Benefit payments | |
| | | August 2011 | August 2010 |
| Total | | \$7,823,000 | \$8,354,000 |
| Unemployment¹ | | 3,117,000 | 3,851,000 |
| Sickness | | 4,705,000 | 4,503,000 |

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 by the Tax Relief, Unemployment Insurance Reauthorization, and Job Creation Act of 2010.

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