

Benefits and Beneficiaries Under the Railroad Retirement and Unemployment Insurance Systems - October 2014

Benefit payments	<u>October 2014</u>	<u>October 2013</u>
Total	\$1,003,651,000	\$977,297,000
Retired employees	686,362,000	666,775,000
Spouses and divorced spouses	136,648,000	129,775,000
Widow(er)s - aged and disabled	155,308,000	155,868,000
Other benefits	25,333,000	24,879,000

Monthly benefits	Being paid end of month		Awarded in month		Average under Social Security October 2014	
	<u>Number</u>	<u>Average</u> ¹	<u>Number</u>	<u>Average</u> ¹	<u>Being Paid</u>	<u>Awarded</u>
Total, regular annuities	538,200	.....	2,600	.....	.....	.....
Regular employee annuities, total	269,400	\$2,508	1,100	\$2,991	.....	.....
Age	190,100	2,542	² 600	² 3,737	\$1,303	³ \$1,804
Disability, Full Retirement Age and Over	41,700	2,256	.....	.....	.....	.....
Disability, Under Full Retirement Age	37,600	2,614	200	2,610	1,145	1,246
Spouses and divorced spouses	142,600	948	1,000	1,056	638	655
Widow(er)s--aged and disabled	101,800	1,518	400	1,961	1,219	1,168
Widowed mothers and fathers	700	1,814	<u>4</u>	2,157	922	891
Widow(er)s--remarried and divorced	13,200	1,006	100	1,053	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>
Children	9,100	1,030	<u>4</u>	1,375	815	821
Other benefits	1,300	309	.....	.....	.....	.....
Employee supplemental annuities⁶	122,000	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 36); 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.

⁶Excludes 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 ¹	
		Per 2-week registration period	Per full week
Unemployment	2,500	\$596	\$323
Sickness	5,100	584	323
		Benefit payments ¹	
		October 2014	October 2013
Total		\$8,163,000	\$7,163,000
Unemployment²		2,999,000	4,172,000
Sickness		5,164,000	2,991,000

¹ In accordance with the Balanced Budget and Deficit Control Act of 1985, as amended by the Budget Control Act of 2011, amounts reflect a reduction of 9.2% under sequestration for days of unemployment and sickness after February 28, 2013, a reduction of 7.2% for days after September 30, 2013, and 7.3% for days after September 30, 2014.

² 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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