

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

**Regular Retirement
and Survivor Benefits**

Benefit payments	<u>March 2011</u>	<u>March 2010</u>
Total	\$905,578,000	\$893,042,000
Retired employees	610,712,000	598,892,000
Spouses and divorced spouses	114,516,000	111,590,000
Widow(er)s - aged and disabled	156,454,000	158,044,000
Other benefits	23,897,000	24,515,000

Monthly benefits	Being paid end of month		Awarded in month		Average under Social Security March 2011	
	<u>Number</u>	<u>Average¹</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Average¹</u>	<u>Being Paid</u>	<u>Awarded</u>
Total	552,400	.....	2,800	.....	.....	.....
Regular employee annuities, total	273,200	\$2,219	1,100	\$2,685	.....	.....
Age	190,000	2,213	² 500	² 3,415	\$1,179	³ \$1,603
Disability, Full Retirement Age and Over	35,900	1,975	.....	.....	.....	.....
Disability, Under Full Retirement Age	47,300	2,427	300	2,493	1,068	1,138
Spouses and divorced spouses	137,400	827	900	941	562	417
Widow(er)s--aged and disabled	116,600	1,338	600	1,755	1,110	890
Widowed mothers and fathers	700	1,650	4/	1,249	840	811
Widow(er)s--remarried and divorced	13,600	886	100	911	5/	5/
Children	10,100	942	4/	1,128	755	757
Other benefits	800	308	.....	.....	.....	.....

Supplemental Annuities ⁶	Benefit payments		Being paid end of month		Awarded in month	
	March 2011	March 2010	<u>Number</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Average</u>
	\$5,068,000	\$4,949,000	121,100	\$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.

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	4,800	\$566	\$325
Sickness	5,100	581	327
		Benefit payments	
		March 2011	March 2010
Total		\$11,673,000	\$17,560,000
Unemployment¹		5,744,000	12,819,000
Sickness		5,930,000	4,741,000

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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