

Benefits and Beneficiaries Under the Railroad Retirement and Unemployment Insurance Systems - August 2012

Regular Retirement and Survivor Benefits

Benefit payments	<u>August 2012</u>	<u>August 2011</u>
Total	\$989,271,000	\$913,875,000
Retired employees	673,373,000	617,570,000
Spouses and divorced spouses	127,098,000	116,645,000
Widow(er)s - aged and disabled	163,121,000	155,824,000
Other benefits	25,679,000	23,836,000

Monthly benefits	Being paid end of month		Awarded in month		Average under Social Security August 2012	
	<u>Number</u>	<u>Average</u> ¹	<u>Number</u>	<u>Average</u> ¹	<u>Being Paid</u>	<u>Awarded</u>
Total	547,400	.....	2,900	.....	.....	.....
Regular employee annuities, total	272,300	\$2,350	1,300	\$2,848	.....	.....
Age	189,800	2,359	² 700	² 3,448	\$1,236	³ \$1,733
Disability, Full Retirement Age and Over	37,200	2,094	.....	.....	.....	.....
Disability, Under Full Retirement Age	45,300	2,524	300	2,642	1,111	1,186
Spouses and divorced spouses	139,500	881	1,100	1,008	591	476
Widow(er)s--aged and disabled	110,700	1,414	500	1,820	1,162	928
Widowed mothers and fathers	700	1,701	<u>4</u>	1,786	887	854
Widow(er)s--remarried and divorced	13,500	942	100	1,099	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>
Children	9,700	978	100	1,082	784	764
Other benefits	1,000	307	.....	.....	.....	.....

Supplemental Annuities ⁶	Benefit payments		Being paid end of month		Awarded in month	
	<u>August 2012</u>	<u>August 2011</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Average</u>
	\$5,080,000	\$5,067,000	121,500	\$42	700	\$42

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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August 2012**

Unemployment and Sickness Benefits

Number of beneficiaries during month	Average payment		
	Per 2-week registration period	Per full week	
Unemployment	2,900	\$577	\$327
Sickness	5,100	588	327
		Benefit payments	
		August 2012	August 2011
Total		\$8,278,000	\$7,823,000
Unemployment¹		3,428,000	3,117,000
Sickness		4,850,000	4,705,000

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.

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