

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

Regular Retirement and Survivor Benefits

Benefit payments	<u>October 2011</u>	<u>October 2010</u>
Total	\$917,095,000	\$901,356,000
Retired employees	620,000,000	606,286,000
Spouses and divorced spouses	117,317,000	113,183,000
Widow(er)s - aged and disabled	156,029,000	157,694,000
Other benefits	23,749,000	24,192,000

Monthly benefits	Being paid end of month		Awarded in month		Average under Social Security October 2011	
	<u>Number</u>	<u>Average¹</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Average¹</u>	<u>Being Paid</u>	<u>Awarded</u>
Total	550,900	.....	2,600	.....	.....	.....
Regular employee annuities, total	273,200	\$2,248	1,100	\$2,743	.....	.....
Age	190,100	2,249	² 600	² 3,433	\$1,184	³ \$1,624
Disability, Full Retirement Age and Over	36,300	1,999	.....	.....	.....	.....
Disability, Under Full Retirement Age	46,700	2,439	200	2,501	1,071	1,148
Spouses and divorced spouses	138,400	840	1,000	955	565	437
Widow(er)s--aged and disabled	114,200	1,361	500	1,826	1,115	881
Widowed mothers and fathers	700	1,670	<u>4</u>	1,615	853	819
Widow(er)s--remarried and divorced	13,600	897	100	928	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>
Children	9,900	943	<u>4</u>	1,307	754	751
Other benefits	900	309	.....	.....	.....	.....

Supplemental Annuities ⁶	Benefit payments		Being paid end of month		Awarded in month	
	<u>October 2011</u>	<u>October 2010</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Average</u>
	\$5,060,000	\$5,089,000	121,500	\$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); about 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	2,800	\$587	\$324
Sickness	5,200	600	327
		Benefit payments	
		October 2011	October 2010
Total		\$6,880,000	\$9,546,000
Unemployment¹		3,038,000	3,813,000
Sickness		3,842,000	5,732,000

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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