

Benefits and Beneficiaries Under the Railroad Retirement and Unemployment Insurance Systems - December 2010

Benefit payments	<u>December 2010</u>	<u>December 2009</u>
Total	\$902,217,000	\$905,950,000
Retired employees	606,476,000	606,994,000
Spouses and divorced spouses	113,614,000	111,350,000
Widow(er)s - aged and disabled	157,945,000	162,297,000
Other benefits	24,181,000	25,303,000

**Regular Retirement
and Survivor Benefits**

Monthly benefits	Being paid end of month		Awarded in month		Average under Social Security December 2010	
	<u>Number</u>	<u>Average</u> ¹	<u>Number</u>	<u>Average</u> ¹	<u>Being Paid</u>	<u>Awarded</u>
Total	555,600	.....	2,000	.....	.....	.....
Regular employee annuities, total	273,900	\$2,205	700	\$2,640	.....	.....
Age	190,400	2,197	² 300	² 3,351	\$1,175	³ \$1,619
Disability, Full Retirement Age and Over	35,900	1,964	.....	.....	.....	.....
Disability, Under Full Retirement Age	47,700	2,422	300	2,520	1,068	1,135
Spouses and divorced spouses	137,600	821	700	940	561	433
Widow(er)s--aged and disabled	118,400	1,329	500	1,790	1,108	903
Widowed mothers and fathers	800	1,660	<u>4</u>	1,514	849	816
Widow(er)s--remarried and divorced	13,800	887	100	934	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>
Children	10,200	939	<u>4</u>	1,124	752	767
Other benefits	800	310	.....	.....	.....	.....

Supplemental Annuities ⁶	Benefit payments		Being paid end of month		Awarded in month	
	<u>December 2010</u>	<u>December 2009</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Average</u>
	\$5,051,000	\$4,702,000	121,400	\$42	300	\$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); about 200 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 partitioned 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	4,100	\$580	\$325
Sickness	5,500	589	327
		Benefit payments	
		December 2010	December 2009
Total		\$10,311,000	\$20,552,000
Unemployment¹		4,957,000	14,799,000
Sickness		5,354,000	5,752,000

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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