
Quarterly Benefit Statistics

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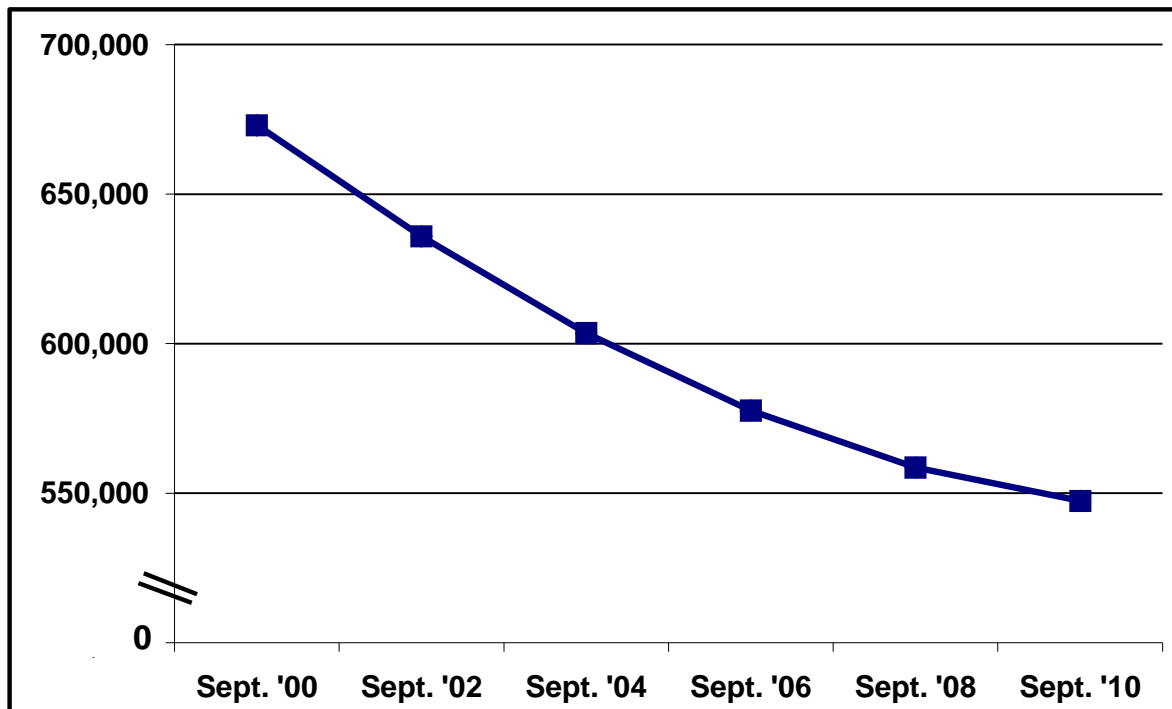
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Railroad Retirement and Unemployment Insurance Programs Selected Current Statistics for July - September 2010

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Total Monthly Railroad Retirement Beneficiaries, September 2000 through September 2010



**Table 1: Retirement and Survivor Programs, Benefit Statistics
July - September 2010**

Period	Total ¹		Employee annuities				Spouse annuities	Divorced spouse annuities
	Monthly benefits	Monthly beneficiaries	Age	Disability ²		Supplemental ³		
				Under full retirement age	Full retirement age and over			
Number in current-payment status at end of period								
September 2010	676,653	547,442	190,236	47,960	35,557	121,166	133,220	3,892
August 2010	676,591	547,533	190,115	48,039	35,497	121,039	133,068	3,893
July 2010	676,357	547,562	189,865	48,206	35,368	120,821	132,915	3,891
Average amount in current-payment status at end of period								
September 2010	.....	.....	\$2,185.79	\$2,418.65	\$1,953.88	\$41.63	\$826.38	\$503.84
August 2010	.....	.....	2,180.66	2,417.01	1,950.18	41.63	824.09	502.87
July 2010	.....	.....	2,174.80	2,415.72	1,947.12	41.63	821.86	502.11
Number awarded during period								
September 2010	3,656	2,981	992	279	.....	675	1,001	49
August 2010	3,729	2,959	1,085	242	.....	770	960	49
July 2010	4,035	3,185	1,242	238	.....	850	999	52
10/09 - 9/10	40,198	32,866	10,715	3,146	.....	7,332	10,610	652
10/08 - 9/09	39,309	32,286	10,324	3,192	.....	7,023	10,315	599
Average amount awarded during period⁴								
September 2010	.....	.....	\$2,787.20	\$2,505.01	.....	\$41.70	\$980.19	\$516.34
August 2010	.....	.....	2,844.98	2,442.53	.....	41.74	990.01	536.17
July 2010	.....	.....	2,859.52	2,420.67	.....	41.59	995.55	524.04
Benefit payments during period (thousands)								
September 2010	\$906,541	.....	\$416,819	\$120,342	\$69,099	\$5,042	\$111,203	\$1,999
August 2010	903,679	.....	415,346	120,015	68,727	5,043	110,643	1,994
July 2010	901,494	.....	413,613	120,240	68,236	5,014	110,355	1,980
10/09 - 9/10	10,780,219	.....	4,928,932	1,450,808	810,109	60,329	1,314,931	23,504
10/08 - 9/09	10,504,017	.....	4,750,942	1,451,529	765,689	60,378	1,260,487	21,962

¹Includes dependent parents' annuities. Except for benefit payment data, excludes insurance lump-sum and residual payment figures. Benefit payments also include hospital insurance benefits for services in Canada. ²Full retirement age, also known as normal retirement age, is gradually increasing from age 65 to age 67 over a 22 year period. For those born 1/2/1943-1/1/1955, the normal retirement age is 66. ³Excludes supplemental benefits paid to partitioned spouses and partitioned divorced spouses where the employee is deceased. Averages are after court-ordered partitions. ⁴Regular employee and spouse annuity averages are preliminary estimates.

NOTE--MONTHLY BENEFITS in CURRENT-PAYMENT STATUS at the end of month include all benefits awarded to date and payable for the month. BENEFITS AWARDED consist of those certified for the first time on either a partial or final basis. BENEFIT PAYMENTS for a month, shown in both the benefit and financial statistics, consist of recurrent monthly checks dated the first of the month, plus retroactive and lump-sum payments made during the month, less returned checks (excluding those not yet distributed by Account), refunds of benefits paid previously, etc. Data are on a cash basis (unaudited) and are partly estimated.

**Table 1: Retirement and Survivor Programs, Benefit Statistics
July - September 2010 -- Continued**

Survivor benefits

Period	Annuities						Children	Insurance lump sums	Residual payments	Partition payments ⁵
	Aged widows and widowers	Disabled widows and widowers	Widowed mothers and fathers	Remarried widows and widowers	Divorced widows and widowers					
Number in current-payment status at end of period										
September 2010	114,929	4,251	776	4,161	9,595	10,168	.....	.....	710
August 2010	115,233	4,260	771	4,175	9,588	10,180	.....	.....	701
July 2010	115,526	4,275	781	4,174	9,572	10,238	.....	.....	693
Average amount in current-payment status at end of period										
September 2010	\$1,328.52	\$1,108.00	\$1,643.43	\$895.50	\$879.58	\$937.25	.....	.....	\$286.93
August 2010	1,325.10	1,107.96	1,636.52	893.55	877.42	936.71	.....	.....	285.95
July 2010	1,322.42	1,105.82	1,633.50	890.81	875.72	937.10	.....	.....	285.95
Number awarded during period										
September 2010	539	15	8	11	52	35	274	----	.....
August 2010	493	15	4	21	57	33	297	----	.....
July 2010	491	14	12	16	70	51	290	3	.....
10/09 - 9/10	6,165	189	99	157	701	428	3,714	19	.....
10/08 - 9/09	6,281	181	142	165	621	463	3,738	18	.....
Average amount awarded during period⁴										
September 2010	\$1,764.72	\$1,109.84	\$1,313.39	\$1,149.73	\$913.52	\$1,194.28	\$910	----	.....
August 2010	1,701.24	1,524.10	1,573.54	1,025.64	1,054.12	1,071.97	873	----	.....
July 2010	1,690.82	1,775.43	1,758.34	1,277.81	814.01	1,290.65	890	\$2,044	.....
Benefit payments during period (thousands)										
September 2010	\$153,192	\$4,859	\$1,332	\$3,745	\$8,491	\$9,893	\$284	----	\$211	
August 2010	152,942	4,898	1,332	3,747	8,470	10,013	280	----	198	
July 2010	152,938	4,893	1,338	3,770	8,417	10,189	267	\$6	208	
10/09 - 9/10	1,841,321	58,437	15,918	45,390	100,417	121,590	3,559	38	4,530	
10/08 - 9/09	1,848,142	57,650	15,860	46,157	97,718	122,521	3,505	38	948	

⁵Limited to payments to partitioned spouses and partitioned divorced spouses where the employee is deceased or not otherwise entitled to an annuity. Partitioned payments from employees on the rolls are included with the employees' annuities.

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FOR WIDOWS and WIDOWERS aged 60 and over and WIDOWED MOTHERS and FATHERS, the number of benefits being paid and benefit payments include benefits temporarily being continued at spouse annuity rates, pending award of survivor annuities.

INSURANCE LUMP SUMS and RESIDUAL PAYMENTS are each counted only once with respect to an employee's death even though divided among 2 or more persons. Award data for insurance lump sums exclude deferred benefits, i.e., those payable a year after the employee's death.

Data on benefit payments are for CALENDAR MONTHS; all other data are for ACCOUNTING MONTHS ending on approximately the 29th of each month.

Table 2: Retirement and Survivor Programs, Financial Statistics
July - September 2010 (In thousands)
Cash Basis (Unaudited)

Item	September 2010	August 2010	July 2010	October 2009 - September 2010	October 2008 - September 2009
RAILROAD RETIREMENT ACCOUNT					
Balance at beginning of period¹	\$435,758	\$505,821	\$443,321	\$418,184	\$632,019
Income, total	581,423	427,327	543,009	6,013,290	5,377,210
Payroll taxes ²	194,281	199,826	189,240	2,284,981	2,301,205
Income tax transfers ³	.....	.....	79,000	314,000	200,000
Reimbursements for payment of SSA benefits	113,593	113,766	112,940	1,333,625	1,310,207
Transfers from National RR Investment Trust ⁴	192,000	112,000	161,000	1,989,000	1,553,000
Transfer from SSEB Account ⁴	81,000	.....	.....	81,000	.....
Undistributed recoveries of benefit payments ⁵	-432	551	-105	-689	328
Uncashed check credits from U.S. Treasury ⁶	22	61	19	369	486
Interest on investments ⁷	959	1,123	916	11,004	11,984
Outgo, total	498,169	497,390	480,509	5,912,462	5,591,046
Benefit payments-regular	373,559	372,002	369,877	4,413,963	4,266,553
Benefit payments-supplemental	5,046	5,046	5,017	60,428	60,389
Financial interchange adjustment	.....	.....	-13,105	-13,105	-104,562
Payments of SSA benefits	113,570	113,747	112,713	1,335,965	1,305,291
Loans to Railroad Unemployment Insurance Account	.....	.....	.....	46,500	.....
Administrative expenses ⁸	5,543	6,144	5,617	63,958	59,713
Funding for Office of Inspector General	451	451	390	4,753	3,662
Balance at end of period¹	519,012	435,758	505,821	519,012	418,184
NATIONAL RAILROAD RETIREMENT INVESTMENT TRUST					
Cash and investment balance at end of period⁹	\$23,770,376	\$22,459,387	\$22,985,518	\$23,770,376	\$23,330,764
DUAL BENEFITS PAYMENTS ACCOUNT¹⁰					
Balance at beginning of period	\$1,728	\$1,597	\$1,483	.....	.....
Congressional apportionments ¹¹	5,038	5,078	5,122	\$61,001	\$72,001
Income tax transfers ³	.....	.....	.....	3,000	.....
Vested dual benefit payments	4,902	4,948	5,008	62,138	69,464
Balance to be returned to U.S. Treasury	1,864	.....	.....	1,864	2,538
Balance at end of period	.....	1,728	1,597	.....	.....

Table 2: Retirement and Survivor Programs, Financial Statistics
July - September 2010 (In thousands)
Cash Basis (Unaudited) -- Continued

Item	September 2010	August 2010	July 2010	October 2009 - September 2010	October 2008 - September 2009
SOCIAL SECURITY EQUIVALENT BENEFIT ACCOUNT					
Balance at beginning of period	\$882,417	\$906,535	\$887,888	\$803,783	\$791,230
Income, total	528,291	500,124	556,246	10,744,384	10,346,256
Payroll taxes ²	197,398	202,610	188,632	2,361,887	2,407,877
Income tax transfers ³	.....	.....	33,000	153,000	121,000
Financial interchange advances ¹²	329,005	295,716	333,010	3,819,013	3,661,083
RRB-SSA financial interchange transfer	.....	.....	.....	4,391,604	4,137,305
Interest on investments ⁷	1,889	1,799	1,604	18,880	18,992
Outgo, total	606,696	524,241	537,599	10,744,154	10,333,703
Benefit payments	523,034	521,682	521,591	6,243,690	6,107,611
Financial interchange adjustment	.....	.....	13,105	13,105	104,562
Repayment of financial interchange advances ¹²	.....	.....	.....	3,837,640	3,564,777
RRB-CMS financial interchange transfer	.....	.....	.....	535,082	524,272
Transfer to Railroad Retirement Account ⁴	81,000	.....	.....	81,000	.....
Administrative expenses ⁸	2,455	2,353	2,714	31,341	30,616
Funding for Office of Inspector General	206	206	188	2,296	1,865
Balance at end of period	804,013	882,417	906,535	804,013	803,783
ECONOMIC RECOVERY PAYMENTS, AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT¹³					
Balance at beginning of period	\$5,109	\$5,109	\$5,109	\$5,458	.....
Congressional apportionments	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$135,000
Benefits	38	.....	.....	388	129,542
Balance at end of period	5,071	5,109	5,109	5,071	5,458

¹Balances include liabilities for uncashed checks. As of the end of September 2010, liabilities were \$11,923,000. ²Net of U.S. Treasury adjustments for payroll tax refunds to certain carriers and their employees for prior periods. ³Amounts include U.S. Treasury adjustments for prior period income tax reconciliations. ⁴Under the Railroad Retirement and Survivors' Improvement Act of 2001, as amended, the portion of the RR Account not needed to pay current administrative expenses is to be transferred to the National Railroad Retirement Investment Trust (Trust). The Trust may transfer funds back to the RR Account for payment of benefits. The balance of the SSEB Account not needed to pay current benefits and administrative expenses is to be transferred to the Trust or to the RR Account. ⁵Net of amounts distributed by account. ⁶Net of returns of uncashed check credits. Includes undistributed canceled checks under 1-year limited payability. ⁷Net of adjustments for payroll tax refunds (see note 2). ⁸Reflects adjustments for prior periods. ⁹Source: National Railroad Retirement Investment Trust. ¹⁰Total vested dual benefits paid during a fiscal year are limited to the amount appropriated to the Dual Benefits Payments Account for that year. Any amounts not spent are returned to the U.S. Treasury. The benefit appropriation for fiscal year 2010 was \$64.0 million, including income tax transfers. The appropriation for fiscal year 2009 was \$72.0 million, including income tax transfers. ¹¹Includes a small amount of interest on uncashed checks. ¹²Includes interest. ¹³The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, signed into law on February 17, 2009, provided for a one-time economic recovery payment of \$250 to be paid to most adults (including disabled adult children) who receive railroad retirement benefits. An appropriation of \$135,000,000 for these payments was received in March 2009.

NOTE--Data relate to CALENDAR month.

Detail may not add to totals shown because of rounding.

**Table 3: Unemployment and Sickness Programs, Benefit Statistics
July - September 2010**

Period	Normal benefit accounts			Beneficiaries		
	Applications received	Opened	Exhausted	Total	Normal benefits	Extended benefits
Unemployment¹						
September 2010	896	675	13	3,515	2,964	646
August 2010	1,024	1,665	19	3,735	2,805	1,028
July 2010	3,767	1,299	190	4,345	2,972	1,677
7/10 - 9/10	5,687	3,639	222	5,663	4,591	1,864
7/09 - 9/09	11,417	11,704	849	15,717	14,163	3,178
Sickness						
September 2010	1,515	1,480	9	5,679	5,541	187
August 2010	2,145	3,010	20	5,439	5,156	339
July 2010	5,750	2,770	186	4,998	4,621	512
7/10 - 9/10	9,410	7,260	215	7,967	7,768	566
7/09 - 9/09	9,415	7,403	226	8,124	7,937	550
Number of payments			Averages ²			
Total	Normal benefits	Extended benefits	Benefit days	Benefit per week	Benefit payments (thousands)	
Unemployment¹						
September 2010	6,985	5,642	1,343	9.0	\$326.35	\$4,302
August 2010	7,324	5,161	2,163	8.8	326.20	3,851
July 2010	7,171	4,014	3,157	8.2	320.05	3,966
7/10 - 9/10	21,480	14,817	6,663	8.7	324.70	12,119
7/09 - 9/09	72,498	54,377	18,121	8.7	313.45	40,688
Sickness						
September 2010	11,042	10,666	376	9.1	\$326.20	\$3,985
August 2010	9,884	9,208	676	9.0	326.35	4,503
July 2010	9,095	8,021	1,074	8.8	320.25	3,796
7/10 - 9/10	30,021	27,895	2,126	9.0	325.40	12,285
7/09 - 9/09	30,632	28,527	2,105	8.9	314.60	14,685

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. ² Benefit days--average benefit days per registration period. Benefit per week=equal to 5 times average daily benefit.

NOTE--An unemployment claimant files only one APPLICATION for a benefit year. A sickness claimant files an APPLICATION at the beginning of each period of continuing sickness. NORMAL BENEFIT ACCOUNTS are opened when the first payment is made.

The number of BENEFICIARIES is the count of persons receiving unemployment or sickness benefits in the period. Those receiving both normal and extended benefits for unemployment or sickness are counted only once in the total for each type.

PAYMENTS generally cover 14-day registration periods. Benefits are payable for days over 7 during an employee's first 14-day registration period. Sickness benefits are paid for days of sickness after the 4th consecutive day of sickness in the first claim in each period of continuing sickness; for subsequent registration periods in the same period of continuing sickness, payments are made for all days of sickness over 4 whether or not consecutive. Unemployment benefits are paid for days of unemployment over 4. However, in the case of unemployment benefits due to a legal authorized strike, unemployment benefits are not paid until after a 14-day waiting period. Non-strikers unemployed due to an illegal strike must also serve a 14-day waiting period.

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Table 4: Unemployment and Sickness Programs, Financial Statistics
July - September 2010 (In thousands)
Cash Basis (Unaudited)

Item	September 2010	August 2010	July 2010	October 2009 - September 2010	October 2008 - September 2009
RAILROAD UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACCOUNT					
Balance at beginning of period	\$37,214	\$40,508	\$28,842	\$38,123	\$105,287
Income, total	-187	4,397	18,222	131,812	83,927
Contributions ¹	-566	4,834	18,020	75,298	69,600
Loans from RR Account	.....	.....	.....	46,500	.....
Interest on investments	350	19	20	1,354	4,688
Undistributed recoveries of benefit payments ²	29	-456	182	354	-169
Transfers from Administration Fund	.....	.....	.....	8,305	9,808
Outgo, total	7,758	7,692	6,556	140,666	151,091
Unemployment benefit payments	3,766	3,174	2,666	89,434	101,490
Sickness benefit payments	3,985	4,503	3,796	49,958	48,065
Funding for Office of Inspector General	6	14	93	1,274	1,536
Balance at end of period	29,269	37,214	40,508	29,269	38,123
RAILROAD UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ADMINISTRATION FUND					
Balance at beginning of period	\$9,081	\$10,710	\$6,457	\$9,465	\$10,427
Income, total	678	-434	5,616	22,990	23,151
Contributions ¹	599	-434	5,616	22,773	23,076
Interest on investments	78	.....	.....	216	74
Outgo, total	1,338	1,196	1,363	24,034	24,113
Administrative expenses	1,338	1,196	1,363	15,729	14,305
Transfers to RUI Account	.....	.....	.....	8,305	9,808
Balance at end of period	8,421	9,081	10,710	8,421	9,465

¹ Amounts reflect quarterly re-allocation of contributions between the RUI Account and the RUI Administration Fund.

² Net of distributed amounts.

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BENEFIT PAYMENTS are on a cash basis (unaudited) and represent amounts paid during the period including retroactive payments, less recoveries distributed to beneficiary accounts, refunds, and cancellations of previous payments.

ADMINISTRATION FUND balances reflect current adjustments to income and disbursements for previous years.

All unemployment and sickness data relate to CALENDAR MONTHS.

Detail may not add to totals shown because of rounding.

Table 4: Unemployment and Sickness Programs, Financial Statistics
July - September 2010 (In thousands)
Cash Basis (Unaudited) -- Continued

Item	September 2010	August 2010	July 2010	October 2009 - September 2010	October 2008 - September 2009
LOANS DUE RAILROAD RETIREMENT ACCOUNT					
Balance at beginning of period	\$47,261	\$47,141	\$47,021	.....	.....
Loans from Railroad Retirement Account	.....	.....	.....	\$46,500	.....
Interest accrued	117	120	120	878	.....
Repayments from UI Account, total	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Principal	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Interest	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Balance at end of period	47,378	47,261	47,141	47,378	.....
EXTENDED UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS, AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT³					
Balance at beginning of period	\$8,917	\$8,782	\$8,683	\$9,751	.....
Congressional apportionments	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$20,000
Interest and other income	1	(4)	(4)	1	.....
Benefits ⁵	-20	-135	-99	814	10,249
Balance at end of period	8,938	8,917	8,782	8,938	9,751
EXTENDED UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS, WORKER, HOMEOWNERSHIP, AND BUSINESS ASSISTANCE ACT⁶					
Balance at beginning of period	\$156,198	\$157,010	\$158,409	.....	.....
Congressional apportionments	.....	.....	.....	\$175,000	.....
Interest and other income	(4)	.....	.....	(4)	.....
Benefits	556	811	1,399	19,357	.....
Balance at end of period	155,643	156,198	157,010	155,643	.....

³ The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Recovery Act), signed into law on February 17, 2009, contained an appropriation of \$20,000,000 to provide up to 13 additional weeks of unemployment benefits for certain railroad workers who exhaust their rights to the benefits normally provided under the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act.

⁴ Less than \$500.

⁵ Negative amounts due to recoveries exceeding benefit payments.

⁶ The Worker, Homeownership, and Business Assistance Act of 2009, signed into law on November 6, 2009, contained an appropriation of \$175,000,000 to extend the provisions of the Recovery Act by one year.

Detail may not add to totals shown because of rounding.

Table 5: Benefits and Beneficiaries -- September 2010

RETIREMENT - SURVIVOR

Total benefit payments - cash basis (unaudited)	\$906,541,000
Regular benefits	896,594,000
Vested dual benefits	4,902,000
Supplemental annuities	5,046,000

	Number	Average
Total benefits being paid at end of month	677,000	.....
Retired employees':		
Regular	274,000	\$2,196
Supplemental	121,000	42
Spouses' and divorced spouses'	137,000	817
Aged widows' and widowers'	115,000	1,329
Other benefits	30,000	940
Total beneficiaries being paid at end of month	547,000	.....

UNEMPLOYMENT-SICKNESS

	Unemployment¹	Sickness
Benefit payments - cash basis (unaudited)	\$4,302,000	\$3,985,000
Beneficiaries	3,500	5,700
Average payment per week	\$326	\$326

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.