Benefits and Beneficiaries Under the Railroad Retirement and Unemployment Insurance Systems - August 2006

Benefit payments	August 2006	<u>August 2005</u>
Total	\$790,692,000	\$763,537,000
Retired employees	516,800,000	495,369,000
Spouses and divorced spouses	94,005,000	91,181,000
Widow(er)s - aged and disabled	157,004,000	154,952,000
Other survivors	22,882,000	22,035,000

Regular Retirement and Survivor Benefits

Monthly benefits	Being paid end of month		Awarded in month		Average under Social Security August 2006	
	Number	Average ¹	Number	Average ¹	Being Paid	Awarded
Total	585,100		2,700			
Regular employee annuities, total	279,700	\$1,825	1,200	\$2,463		
Age	195,500	1,785	² 600	² 2,914	\$1,008	³ \$1,158
Disability, Full Retirement Age and Over	34,000	1,625				
Disability, Under Full Retirement Age	50,200	2,116	400	2,335	945	996
Spouses and divorced spouses	138,500	670	800	855	486	347
Widow(er)saged and disabled	139,900	1,114	600	1,493	956	772
Widowed mothers and fathers	900	1,421	<u>4</u> /	1,282	731	718
Widow(er)sremarried and divorced	14,600	742	100	854	<u>5</u> /	<u>5</u> /
Children	11,500	823	100	1,102	659	652
Other survivors	<u>4</u> /	803				

Supplemental Employee Annuities

Benefit payments		_	g paid month		Awarded in month	
August 2006	August 2005	Number	<u>Average</u>	Number	<u>Average</u>	
\$5,085,000	\$5,180,000	121,400	\$42	600	\$41	

¹Railroad retirement benefits shown are net of reduction for social security benefit entitlement.

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.

²For employees retiring directly from the railroad industry with full age annuity (their years of service averaged 36); some 200 other age annuities were awarded in the month.

³For men aged 65 or over insured on regular basis.

⁴Fewer than 50.

⁵Remarried and divorced widow(er)s included with aged and disabled widow(er)s and widowed mothers and fathers.

Benefits and Beneficiaries Under the Railroad Retirement and Unemployment Insurance Systems - (Continued) August 2006

Unemployment and Sickness Benefits

		Average payment		
Number of beneficiaries during month		Per 2-week registration period	Per full week	
Unemployment	2,200	\$501	\$279	
Sickness	6,200	506	283	
		Benefit payments		
		August 2006	August 2005	
Total		\$5,240,000	\$6,341,000	
Unemployment		1,742,000	2,006,000	
Sickness		3,499,000	4,334,000	

Note. -- Data are on a cash basis (unaudited). Detail may not add to totals due to rounding.

