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

Benefit payments	October 2006	October 2005
Total	\$788,356,000	\$765,937,000
Retired employees	516,224,000	497,343,000
Spouses and divorced spouses	93,864,000	91,277,000
Widow(er)s - aged and disabled	155,903,000	155,315,000
Other survivors	22,365,000	22,001,000

Regular Retirement and Survivor Benefits

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Monthly benefits	Being paid end of month		Awarded in month		Average under Social Security October 2006	
	Number	Average ¹	Number	<u>Average¹</u>	Being Paid	Awarded
Total	584,200		2,600			
Regular employee annuities, total	279,700	\$1,832	1,100	\$2,460		
Age	195,300	1,794	² 600	² 2,923	\$1,009	³ \$1,343
Disability, Full Retirement Age and Over	34,100	1,631				
Disability, Under Full Retirement Age	50,300	2,120	300	2,327	945	1,002
Spouses and divorced spouses	138,500	673	900	902	486	358
Widow(er)saged and disabled	139,100	1,119	500	1,503	957	785
Widowed mothers and fathers	900	1,428	<u>4/</u>	883	732	709
Widow(er)sremarried and divorced	14,600	743	100	743	<u>5</u> /	<u>5</u> /
Children	11,400	824	<u>4/</u>	1,010	660	659
Other survivors	100	802				

	Benefit payments		Being paid end of month		Awarded in month	
Supplemental Employee	October 2006	October 2005	Number	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Average</u>
Annuities	\$5,043,000	\$5,179,000	121,500	\$42	700	\$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 300 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.

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.

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

Unemployment and Sickness Benefits

		Average payment		
Number of beneficiaries during month		Per 2-week registration period	Per full week	
Unemployment	2,300	\$516	\$282	
Sickness	6,300	514	283	
		Benefit October 2006	t payments October 2005	
Total		\$8,851,000	\$6,886,000	
Unemployment		3,449,000	2,574,000	
Sickness		5,402,000	4,312,000	

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



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