Benefits and Beneficiaries Under the Railroad Retirement and Unemployment Insurance Systems - October 2007

Benefit payments	October 2007	October 2006
Total	\$816,851,000	\$788,356,000
Retired employees	538,981,000	516,221,000
Spouses and divorced spouses	98,450,000	93,864,000
Widow(er)s - aged and disabled	156,574,000	155,903,000
Other survivors	22,846,000	22,365,000

Regular Retirement and Survivor Benefits

Monthly benefits	Being paid end of month		Awarded in month		Average under Social Security October 2007	
	Number	Average ¹	Number	Average ¹	Being Paid	<u>Awarded</u>
Total	574,600		2,800			
Regular employee annuities, total	277,500	\$1,929	1,200	\$2,587		
Age	193,100	1,895	² 600	² 3,069	\$1,052	³ \$1,311
Disability, Full Retirement Age and Over	34,000	1,715				
Disability, Under Full Retirement Age	50,400	2,204	300	2,373	980	1,034
Spouses and divorced spouses	137,300	711	900	947	504	364
Widow(er)saged and disabled	133,500	1,169	500	1,533	996	827
Widowed mothers and fathers	900	1,474	<u>4</u> /	1,659	763	733
Widow(er)sremarried and divorced	14,300	777	100	868	<u>5</u> /	<u>5</u> /
Children	11,100	854	<u>4</u> /	1,194	687	681
Other survivors	<u>4</u> /	810				

Supplemental Employee Annuities

Benefit payments		Being paid end of month		Awarded in month	
October 2007	October 2006	Number	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Average</u>
\$5,072,000	\$5,043,000	121,300	\$42	700	\$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); 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.

Benefits and Beneficiaries Under the Railroad Retirement and Unemployment Insurance Systems - (Continued) October 2007

Unemployment and Sickness Benefits

		Average payment		
Number of beneficiaries during month		Per 2-week registration period	Per full week	
Unemployment	2,900	\$530	\$292	
Sickness	6,100	529	292	
		Benefit payments		
		October 2007	October 2006	
Total		\$8,683,000	\$8,851,000	
Unemployment		3,459,000	3,449,000	
Sickness		5,224,000	5,402,000	
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