

Benefits and Beneficiaries Under the Railroad Retirement and Unemployment Insurance Systems - November 2021

	Benefit payments ¹	<u>November 2021</u>	<u>November 2020</u>
	Retirement and Survivor Benefits, Including Supplemental Annuities	Total	\$1,093,908,000	$1,094,934,000
	Retired employees	752,250,000 ^R	754,770,000
	Spouses and divorced spouses	162,431,000 ^R	161,503,000
	Widow(er)s - aged and disabled	152,131,000 ^R	151,820,000
	Other benefits	27,097,000 ^R	26,841,000

Monthly benefits	Being paid end of month		Awarded in month		Average under Social Security November 2021	
	Number	Average ²	Number	Average ²	Being Paid	Awarded
Total, regular annuities	495,600	.....	1,800	.....	.....	.....
Regular employee annuities, total	249,000	\$2,970	600	\$3,075	.....	.....
Awarded age annuity	182,200	3,051	³ 200	³ 4,038	\$1,564	⁴ \$2,123
Disability converted to age annuity ⁵	48,600	2,682	.....	.....	.....	.....
Disability	18,200	2,934	100	3,227	1,282	1,479
Spouses and divorced spouses	143,900	1,109	600	1,061	775	660
Widow(er)s--aged and disabled	79,900	1,899	500	2,481	1,426	1,366
Widowed mothers and fathers	600	2,056	<u>6</u>	1,554	1,066	1,071
Widow(er)s--remarried and divorced	12,200	1,241	100	1,530	<u>7</u>	<u>7</u>
Children	7,500	1,243	<u>6</u>	1,687	923	946
Other benefits	2,500	322	.....	.....	.....	.....
Employee supplemental annuities⁸	109,100	42	100	39	.....	.....

R : Revised numbers

¹Data provided by the Bureau of Fiscal Operations.

²Railroad retirement benefits shown are net of reduction for social security benefit entitlement.

³For employees retiring directly from the railroad industry with full age annuity (their years of service averaged 32); about 300 other age annuities were awarded in the month.

⁴For men full retirement age or over.

⁵A disability annuity ends when the retiree attains full retirement age, at which time the annuity converts to an age and service annuity. Consequently, these annuitants are receiving age and service annuities. Full retirement age gradually increases, from age 65 to 67, for those born between 1937 and 1960. It is age 67 for those born after 1959 and age 65 for those born before 1938.

⁶Fewer than 50.

⁷Remarried and divorced widow(er)s included with aged and disabled widow(er)s and widowed mothers and fathers.

⁸Excludes partition payments to spouses and 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 ¹	
	Per 2-week registration period	Per full week
Unemployment	2,600	\$754
Sickness	5,500	728
		\$403
		406
		Benefit payments¹
	November 2021	November 2020
Total	\$11,956,000	\$18,352,000
Unemployment	4,017,000	11,058,000
Sickness	7,939,000	7,294,000

¹ In accordance with the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, as amended, amounts reflect a reduction of 6.2% under sequestration for days of unemployment and sickness after September 30, 2018, 5.9% for days after September 30, 2019, 5.7% for days after September 30, 2020 and before January 3, 2021. Beginning January 3, 2021, the Continued Assistance to Rail Workers Act of 2020 (CARWA), temporarily suspended sequestration until 30 days after a Presidential declaration of an end to the national emergency concerning the COVID-19 pandemic.

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- Beginning in May 2020, RUIA claimants have also been paid under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act of 2020 (CARES Act), CARWA, and the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) with no benefits payable under these acts for registration periods beginning after September 6, 2021. The November 2021 amount calculated for payment was \$0.2 million and the November 2020 amount was \$1.4 million.