

Benefits and Beneficiaries Under the Railroad Retirement and Unemployment Insurance Systems - January 2015

	Benefit payments	<u>January 2015</u>	<u>January 2014</u>
Retirement and Survivor Benefits, Including Supplemental Annuities	Total	\$1,014,340,000	\$994,254,000
	Retired employees	694,996,000	678,794,000
	Spouses and divorced spouses	138,885,000	133,273,000
	Widow(er)s - aged and disabled	154,823,000	156,826,000
	Other benefits	25,635,000	25,361,000

Monthly benefits	Being paid end of month		Awarded in month		Average under Social Security January 2015	
	<u>Number</u>	<u>Average¹</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Average¹</u>	<u>Being Paid</u>	<u>Awarded</u>
Total, regular annuities	535,700	.....	2,500	.....	.....	.....
Regular employee annuities, total	268,400	\$2,552	900	\$3,002	.....	.....
Age	189,600	2,588	² 500	² 3,726	\$1,331	³ \$1,901
Disability, Full Retirement Age and Over	42,100	2,299	.....	.....	.....	.....
Disability, Under Full Retirement Age	36,800	2,654	100	2,588	1,165	1,262
Spouses and divorced spouses	142,700	964	900	1,032	653	669
Widow(er)s--aged and disabled	100,300	1,535	500	1,913	1,242	1,279
Widowed mothers and fathers	600	1,803	<u>4</u>	1,576	926	914
Widow(er)s--remarried and divorced	13,100	1,024	100	1,108	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>
Children	9,100	1,048	100	1,167	832	849
Other survivors	1,300	313	.....	.....	.....	.....
Employee supplemental annuities⁶	121,800	42	500	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 36); about 300 other age annuities were awarded in the month.

³For men full retirement age or over.

⁴Fewer than 50.

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

⁶Excludes 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	2,800	\$567	\$323
Sickness	4,800	566	323
		Benefit payments ¹	
		January 2015	January 2014
Total		\$8,090,000	\$10,874,000
Unemployment²		3,167,000	6,502,000
Sickness		4,922,000	4,372,000

¹ In accordance with the Balanced Budget and Deficit Control Act of 1985, as amended by the Budget Control Act of 2011, amounts reflect a reduction of 9.2% under sequestration for days of unemployment and sickness after February 28, 2013, a reduction of 7.2% for days after September 30, 2013, and 7.3% for days after September 30, 2014.

² 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, as amended.

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