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

Retirement and Survivor Benefits, Including Supplemental Annuites

Benefit payments	<u>April 2015</u>	<u>April 2014</u>
Total	\$1,016,526,000	\$994,235,000
Retired employees	696,540,000	678,979,000
Spouses and divorced spouses	139,727,000	133,983,000
Widow(er)s - aged and disabled	154,480,000	155,742,000
Other benefits	25,779,000	25,531,000

Monthly benefits	Being paid end of month		Awarded in month		Average under Social Security April 2015	
	Number	Average <sup>1</sup>	Number	Average <sup>1</sup>	Being Paid	Awarded
Total, regular annuities Regular employee annuities, total	534,700 268,000	 \$2,562	2,400 900	 \$2,872		
Age Disability, Full Retirement Age and Over Disability, Under Full Retirement Age	189,600 42,400 36,000	2,600 2,308 2,658	<sup>2</sup> 400  200	<sup>2</sup> 3,651  2,585	\$1,333  1,165	<sup>3</sup> \$1,845  \$1,255
Spouses and divorced spouses Widow(er)saged and disabled Widowed mothers and fathers	143,100 99,400 600	968 1,548 1,801	900 500 <u>4</u> /	1,007 1,990 1,692	656 1,244 928	690 1,199 891
Widow(er)sremarried and divorced Children Other benefits	13,100 9,100 1,400	1,031 1,052 313	100 100	1,057 1,306	<u>5</u> / 833	<u>5</u> / 833
Employee supplemental annuities <sup>6</sup>	121,600	42	400	41		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Railroad 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.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>For employees retiring directly from the railroad industry with full age annuity (their years of service averaged 34); about 300 other age annuities were awarded in the month.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>For men full retirement age or over.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>Fewer than 50.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>Remarried and divorced widow(er)s included with aged and disabled widow(er)s and widowed mothers and fathers.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup>Excludes 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.

## Benefits and Beneficiaries Under the Railroad Retirement and Unemployment Insurance Systems - (Continued) April 2015

## **Unemployment and Sickness Benefits**

		Average payment <sup>1</sup>		
Number of beneficiaries during month		Per 2-week registration period	Per full week	
Unemployment	2,300	\$553	\$322	
Sickness	4,400	561	323	
		Benefit payments <sup>1</sup> April 2015 April 2014		
Total		\$6,456,000	\$6,542,000	
Unemployment <sup>2</sup>		2,310,000	1,070,000	
Sickness		4,146,000	5,472,000	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 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.

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 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.