Benefits and Beneficiaries Under the Railroad Retirement and Unemployment Insurance Systems - January 2009

Benefit payments	January 2009	January 2008
Total	\$878,176,000	\$834,146,000
Retired employees	586,006,000	552,542,000
Spouses and divorced spouses	107,785,000	101,077,000
Widow(er)s - aged and disabled	160,189,000	157,379,000
Other survivors	24,196,000	23,147,000

Regular Retirement and Survivor Benefits

Monthly benefits	Being paid end of month		Awarded in month		Average under Social Security January 2009	
	Number	Average ¹	Number	Average ¹	Being Paid	Awarded
Total	562,100		2,900			
Regular employee annuities, total	274,100	\$2,115	1,300	\$2,683		
Age	190,300	2,088	² 700	² 3,273	\$1,155	³ \$1,660
Disability, Full Retirement Age and Over	34,100	1,880				
Disability, Under Full Retirement Age	49,700	2,381	200	2,553	1,063	1,117
Spouses and divorced spouses	136,100	781	1,000	902	552	404
Widow(er)saged and disabled	126,500	1,261	600	1,728	1,091	1,010
Widowed mothers and fathers	700	1,539	<u>4</u> /	1,722	824	842
Widow(er)sremarried and divorced	14,000	855	100	935	<u>5</u> /	<u>5</u> /
Children	10,700	930	<u>4</u> /	1,267	747	768
Other survivors	100	504				

Supplemental Employee Annuities

Benefit pa	yments	`	g paid month		arded month
January 2009	January 2008	Number	<u>Average</u>	Number	<u>Average</u>
\$5,065,000	\$5,083,000	120,600	\$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 35); about 400 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) January 2009

Unemployment and Sickness Benefits

		Average payment		
Number of beneficiaries during month		Per 2-week registration period	Per full week	
Unemployment	7,500	\$491	\$303	
Sickness	5,300	533	303	
		Benefit payments		
		January 2009	January 2008	
Total		\$10,908,000	\$8,057,000	
Unemployment		6,938,000	4,878,000	
Sickness		3,969,000	3,179,000	

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