Benefits and Beneficiaries Under the Railroad Retirement and Unemployment Insurance Systems - February 2004

Benefit payments	February 2004	February 2003
Total	\$745,782,000	\$733,541,000
Retired employees	477,844,000	466,228,000
Spouses and divorced spouses	89,510,000	88,762,000
Widow(er)s - aged and disabled	156,559,000	156,919,000
Other survivors	21,869,000	21,632,000

Regular Retirement and Survivor Benefits

Monthly benefits	Being paid end of month		Awarded in month		Average under Social Security February 2004	
	Number	Average ¹	Number	Average ¹	Being Paid	Awarded
Total	619,100		2,900			
Regular employee annuities, total	290,300	\$1,633	1,100	\$2,213		
Age	207,600	1,595	² 500	² 2,629	\$924	³ \$1,196
Disability, Full Retirement Age and Over	35,800	1,458				
Disability, Under Full Retirement Age	46,900	1,935	400	2,252	863	940
Spouses and divorced spouses	145,000	613	800	761	451	331
Widow(er)saged and disabled	155,500	1,003	800	1,322	875	754
Widowed mothers and fathers	1,000	1,290	<u>4</u> /	1,238	654	683
Widow(er)sremarried and divorced	14,900	666	100	782	<u>5</u> /	<u>5</u> /
Children	12,400	763	<u>4</u> /	1,072	606	632
Other survivors	100	681				

Supplemental Employee Annuities

Benefit pay	yments	-	g paid month		arded nonth
February 2004	February 2003	<u>Number</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Average</u>
\$5,344,000	\$6,061,000	127,600	\$42	500	\$42

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 averaged34); 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.

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Unemployment and Sickness Benefits

		Average payment		
Number of beneficiaries during month		Per 2-week registration period	Per full week	
Unemployment	5,200	\$481	\$272	
Sickness	6,400	475	273	
		Benefit payments		
		February 2004	February 2003	
Total		\$8,585,000	\$10,114,000	
Unemployment		4,458,000	5,906,000	
Sickness		4,127,000	4,209,000	

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

