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

Benefit payments	<u>May 2004</u>	<u>May 2003</u>
Total	\$746,693,000	\$733,410,000
Retired employees	479,928,000	466,842,000
Spouses and divorced spouses	89,259,000	88,556,000
Widow(er)s - aged and disabled	155,734,000	156,358,000
Other survivors	21,772,000	21,654,000

Regular Retirement and Survivor Benefits

Monthly benefits	Being paid end of month		Awarded in month		Average under Social Security May 2004	
	Number	Average ¹	Number	Average ¹	Being Paid	Awarded
Total	614,600		2,300			
Regular employee annuities, total	288,900	\$1,643	900	\$2,194		
Age	205,900	1,604	² 200	² 2,672	\$925	³ \$1,181
Disability, Full Retirement Age and Over	35,300	1,464				
Disability, Under Full Retirement Age	47,700	1,943	400	2,268	865	936
Spouses and divorced spouses	143,700	616	600	745	450	326
Widow(er)saged and disabled	153,600	1,010	600	1,405	877	742
Widowed mothers and fathers	1,000	1,296	<u>4/</u>	1,379	658	666
Widow(er)sremarried and divorced	14,800	668	100	709	<u>5</u> /	<u>5</u> /
Children	12,400	766	100	1,027	607	621
Other survivors	100	678				

Supplemental Employee Annuities

Benefit pa	yments	Being end of			rarded month
May 2004	May 2003	Number	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Average</u>
\$5,340,000	\$5,476,000	126,600	\$42	300	\$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 34); some 200 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	2,400	\$461	\$269	
Sickness	5,700	472	271	
		Benefit payments		
		May 2004	May 2003	
Total		\$3,696,000	\$6,051,000	
Unemployment		1,708,000	2,491,000	
Sickness		1,988,000	3,560,000	

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

