

Benefits and Beneficiaries Under the Railroad Retirement and Unemployment Insurance Systems - March 2022

	Benefit payments ¹	March 2022	March 2021
Retirement and Survivor	Total	\$1,130,555,000	\$1,097,107,000
Benefits, Including	Retired employees	780,731,000	755,616,000
Supplemental Annuities	Spouses and divorced spouses	167,338,000	162,198,000
	Widow(er)s - aged and disabled	153,465,000	151,886,000
	Other benefits	29,019,000	27,408,000

Monthly benefits	Being paid end of month		Awarded in month		Average under Social Security March 2022	
	Number	Average ²	Number	Average ²	Being Paid	Awarded
Total, regular annuities	491,000	.....	1,900	.....	.....	.....
Regular employee annuities, total	246,500	\$3,118	700	\$3,270	.....	.....
Awarded age annuity	180,700	3,200	³ 200	³ 4,134	\$1,665	⁴ \$2,594
Disability converted to age annuity ⁵	48,100	2,820	.....	.....	.....	.....
Disability	17,700	3,086	200	3,356	1,360	\$1,560
Spouses and divorced spouses	142,700	1,158	700	1,047	819	700
Widow(er)s--aged and disabled	79,100	1,941	500	2,427	1,516	1,446
Widowed mothers and fathers	600	2,093	<u>6/</u>	1,738	1,119	1,114
Widow(er)s--remarried and divorced	12,100	1,321	100	1,219	<u>7/</u>	<u>7/</u>
Children	7,500	1,325	<u>6/</u>	1,616	983	1,000
Other benefits	2,600	327	.....	.....	.....	.....
Employee supplemental annuities⁸	107,400	41	100	38	.....	.....

¹Data provided by the Bureau of Fiscal Operations.

²Railroad retirement benefits shown are net of reduction for social security benefit entitlement.

³For employees retiring directly from the railroad industry with full age annuity (their years of service averaged 31); about 300 other age annuities were awarded in the month.

⁴For men full retirement age or over.

⁵A disability annuity ends when the retiree attains full retirement age, at which time the annuity converts to an age and service annuity. Consequently, these annuitants are receiving age and service annuities. Full retirement age gradually increases, from age 65 to 67, for those born between 1937 and 1960. It is age 67 for those born after 1959 and age 65 for those born before 1938.

⁶Fewer than 50.

⁷Remarried and divorced widow(er)s included with aged and disabled widow(er)s and widowed mothers and fathers.

⁸Excludes 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 payment¹	
		Per 2-week registration period	Per full week
Unemployment	2,100	\$721	\$402
Sickness	5,100	731	405
		Benefit payments¹	
		March 2022	March 2021
Total		\$12,187,000	\$18,941,000
Unemployment		3,409,000	9,888,000
Sickness		8,778,000	9,053,000

¹ In accordance with the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, as amended, amounts reflect a reduction of 6.2% under sequestration for days of unemployment and sickness after September 30, 2018, 5.9% for days after September 30, 2019, 5.7% for days after September 30, 2020, and before January 3, 2021. Beginning January 3, 2021, the Continued Assistance to Rail Workers Act of 2020 (CARWA), temporarily suspended sequestration until 30 days after a Presidential declaration of an end to the national emergency concerning the COVID-19 pandemic.

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- Beginning in May 2020, RUIA claimants have also been paid under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act of 2020 (CARES Act), (CARWA), and the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA), with no benefits payable under these acts for registration periods beginning after September 6, 2021. The March 2022 amount calculated for payment was less than \$0.04 million and the March 2021 amount was \$15.0 million.