

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

	Benefit payments¹	<u>October 2022</u>	<u>October 2021</u>
Retirement and Survivor Benefits, Including Supplemental Annuities	Total	\$1,124,230,000	\$1,092,240,000
	Retired employees	775,340,000	751,588,000
	Spouses and divorced spouses	166,647,000	161,864,000
	Widow(er)s - aged and disabled	153,588,000	151,622,000
	Other benefits	28,654,000	27,165,000

Monthly benefits	Being paid end of month		Awarded in month		Average under Social Security October 2022	
	<u>Number</u>	<u>Average²</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Average²</u>	<u>Being Paid</u>	<u>Awarded</u>
Total, regular annuities	485,600	.....	1,500	.....	.....	.....
Regular employee annuities, total	243,800	\$3,130	500	\$3,292	.....	.....
Awarded age annuity	179,000	3,213	³ 200	³ 4,146	\$1,677	⁴ \$2,297
Disability converted to age annuity ⁵	47,800	2,833	.....	.....	.....	.....
Disability	17,000	3,097	100	3,377	1,364	1,561
Spouses and divorced spouses	141,400	1,160	500	1,088	812	694
Widow(er)s--aged and disabled	77,700	1,975	400	2,570	1,524	1,443
Widowed mothers and fathers	600	2,135	<u>6/</u>	1,638	1,136	1,079
Widow(er)s--remarried and divorced	12,100	1,332	100	1,300	<u>7/</u>	<u>7/</u>
Children	7,300	1,335	<u>6/</u>	1,872	981	966
Other benefits	2,700	333	.....	.....	.....	.....
Employee supplemental annuities⁸	104,900	41	100	39	.....	.....

¹ Data provided by the Bureau of Fiscal Operations.

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

³ For employees retiring directly from the railroad industry with full age annuity (their years of service averaged 31); some 200 other age annuities were awarded in the month.

⁴ For men full retirement age or over.

⁵ A 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.

⁶ Fewer than 50.

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

⁸ 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.

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 payment ¹	
		Per 2-week registration period	Per full week
Unemployment	1,000	\$758	\$414
Sickness	4,200	751	411
		Benefit payments ¹	
		October 2022	October 2021
Total		\$8,318,000	\$11,767,000
Unemployment		1,533,000	3,928,000
Sickness		6,785,000	7,839,000

¹ In accordance with the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, as amended, amounts reflect a reduction of 5.9% under sequestration for days of unemployment and sickness after September 30, 2019, and 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. There is no current activity. The October 2021 amount was \$0.5 million.