

SECTION 8

Importance of Income Sources Relative to Total Income



Key Terms and Concepts for Section 8 ¹

Age. Age classification is based on the age of the person at his or her last birthday as of March 2013. A married couple's age is defined as the age of the husband—unless he is under age 55 and the wife is 55 or older, in which case it is the age of the wife.

Aged unit. With age 55 as the cutoff, aged units are defined as married couples living together—at least one of whom is 55 or older—and non-married persons 55 or older.

Marital status. Married persons are married and living with their spouse. Nonmarried persons may be divorced, widowed, never married, separated, or married but living apart from their spouse.

Race. The categories White alone, Black alone, and Asian alone reflect respondents who reported only one race. Because of changes to the race category, data on race are not directly comparable to editions prior to 2002. A person's race is his or her reported race. A married couple's race is defined as the race of the husband.

Hispanic origin. Persons of Hispanic origin may be of any race. A married couple is of Hispanic origin if the husband is of Hispanic origin.

Family. A family is a group of two or more people (one of whom is the householder) related by birth, marriage, or adoption and residing together; all such people (including related subfamily members) are considered as members of one family.

Social Security beneficiary. A beneficiary may be receiving retired-worker benefits, dependents' or survivor benefits, disability benefits, or transitionally insured benefits.

Per capita income. Per capita income is total family income divided by the number of persons in the family.

Relative Importance of Income Source. The relative importance of a source is the ratio of the amount of income from a given source to total income for an aged unit or family. These tables are distributions of persons or aged units by the importance of a given source at the individual unit level.

Poverty. The Census Bureau uses a set of money income thresholds that vary by family size and composition to detect who is poor. If a family's total income is less than that family's threshold, then that family, and every individual in it, is considered poor. The poverty thresholds do not vary geographically, but they are updated annually for inflation with the Consumer Price Index (CPI-U). The official poverty definition counts money income before taxes and excludes capital gains and noncash benefits (such as public housing, Medicaid, and SNAP benefits).

Income sources

Retirement benefits. Include Social Security benefits, Railroad Retirement income, government employee pensions, and private pensions or annuities.

Social Security. Includes retired-worker benefits, dependents' or survivor benefits, disability benefits, and transitionally insured benefits.

Government employee pensions. Government employee pensions include regular payments from federal government (civil service), military, and state or local governments.

Private pensions and annuities. Private pensions and annuities include regular payments from companies or unions, annuities or paid-up insurance policies, individual retirement accounts (IRAs), Keogh, or 401(k) payments.

Nonregular (nonannuitized or lump-sum) withdrawals from IRA, Keogh, and 401(k) plans are not included as income.

Earnings. Include wages and salaries and self-employment. *Wages and salaries* is defined as total money earnings received for work performed as an employee during the income year. It includes wages, salary, Armed Forces pay, commissions, tips, piece-rate payments, and cash bonuses earned, before deductions are made for taxes, bonds, pensions, union dues, and so forth. Earnings for self-employed persons in incorporated businesses are considered wage and salary. *Self-employment* is the combined income from farm and nonfarm self-employment.

Asset income. Includes income from interest, dividends, rent, royalties, and estates and trusts. *Interest* includes payments people receive (or have credited to their accounts) from bonds, treasury notes, IRAs, certificates of deposit, interest-bearing savings and checking accounts, and all other investments that pay interest. *Dividends* include income from stock holdings and mutual fund shares. The CPS does not include capital gains from the sale of stock holdings as income. *Rents, royalties, and estates and trusts* includes net income from the rental of a house, store, or other property, receipts from boarders or lodgers, net royalty income, and periodic payments from estate or trust funds.

Public Assistance. Includes Supplemental Security Income and other monetary public assistance programs. Noncash benefits are not included.

¹ For more information, consult the Glossary at the front of this publication.

Relative Importance of Income Sources for Aged Units

Table 8.A1
Percentage distribution of units, by source of income and age, 2012

Proportion of income	Aged 55–61	Aged 62–64	Aged 65 or older				
			Total	65–69	70–74	75–79	80 or older
Earnings							
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	17.8	30.9	71.2	49.3	69.0	79.9	91.3
1–19	1.6	3.7	4.7	6.2	5.3	5.5	2.1
20–39	2.1	4.1	4.7	6.7	6.4	4.0	1.8
40–59	4.3	7.6	5.3	8.5	7.0	3.8	1.6
60–79	8.2	8.7	5.7	11.0	6.3	3.0	1.0
80 or more	66.0	45.1	8.4	18.3	6.1	3.8	2.1
50 or more	77.0	58.2	16.8	33.8	15.7	9.1	4.1
90 or more	59.4	38.1	6.1	13.5	4.1	2.8	1.8
100	26.7	15.9	2.8	5.6	2.0	1.7	0.9
Mean proportion	73.3	55.0	16.4	32.0	16.0	9.3	4.3
Mean proportion (recipients only)	89.1	79.7	57.0	63.0	51.4	46.1	49.8
Number (thousands)	19,454	6,619	31,648	9,869	7,140	5,384	9,256
Retirement benefits							
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	76.2	48.3	8.8	16.7	6.4	4.8	4.5
1–19	5.3	9.1	4.8	9.4	4.1	2.6	1.8
20–39	4.4	8.6	8.5	12.3	10.2	6.9	4.1
40–59	2.7	6.4	8.6	10.8	10.4	7.5	5.7
60–79	1.7	5.3	9.5	9.4	10.7	9.2	8.8
80 or more	9.7	22.4	59.8	41.4	58.3	69.1	75.1
50 or more	12.3	30.7	73.7	56.5	74.1	82.1	86.9
90 or more	8.8	20.0	53.6	36.1	51.8	62.1	68.7
100	6.2	12.6	31.2	21.6	29.4	35.8	40.1
Mean proportion	13.8	32.2	72.5	56.9	73.1	80.1	84.1
Mean proportion (recipients only)	57.9	62.2	79.5	68.4	78.1	84.1	88.1
Number (thousands)	19,454	6,619	31,648	9,869	7,140	5,384	9,256

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Relative Importance of Income Sources for Aged Units

Table 8.A1
Percentage distribution of units, by source of income and age, 2012—Continued

Proportion of income	Aged 55–61	Aged 62–64	Aged 65 or older				
			Total	65–69	70–74	75–79	80 or older
Social Security							
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	86.1	58.2	11.7	21.3	9.1	6.7	6.4
1–19	2.6	9.8	8.9	13.6	8.0	7.6	5.2
20–39	2.4	9.5	15.0	18.2	18.4	13.1	10.2
40–59	1.7	5.8	14.5	14.2	16.1	14.9	13.4
60–79	1.2	3.7	12.3	9.6	12.3	13.8	14.2
80 or more	5.9	13.0	37.6	23.0	36.0	43.9	50.5
50 or more	7.9	19.4	57.1	39.5	56.4	65.2	71.6
90 or more	5.3	11.5	31.8	19.4	29.9	36.7	43.8
100	4.3	8.4	20.9	13.9	19.7	23.5	27.8
Mean proportion	8.5	21.9	57.8	43.0	57.9	64.5	69.6
Mean proportion (recipients only)	61.1	52.3	65.5	54.7	63.8	69.2	74.3
Number (thousands)	19,454	6,619	31,648	9,869	7,140	5,384	9,256
Government employee pensions							
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	93.8	88.9	85.2	84.2	85.4	84.4	86.6
1–19	1.8	2.2	3.0	3.7	3.0	2.9	2.5
20–39	1.8	3.1	4.0	4.2	4.1	4.1	3.6
40–59	1.0	2.3	3.6	3.8	3.3	3.6	3.5
60–79	0.5	1.7	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.6	2.4
80 or more	1.1	1.8	1.7	1.6	1.7	2.3	1.4
50 or more	2.0	4.6	5.7	5.5	5.4	6.3	5.6
90 or more	0.9	1.4	1.0	1.1	0.9	1.3	0.8
100	0.4	0.5	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.2	0.4
Mean proportion	2.6	5.1	6.6	6.7	6.4	7.3	6.1
Mean proportion (recipients only)	42.4	46.4	44.3	42.4	44.1	46.4	45.5
Number (thousands)	19,454	6,619	31,648	9,869	7,140	5,384	9,256

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Relative Importance of Income Sources for Aged Units

Table 8.A1
Percentage distribution of units, by source of income and age, 2012—Continued

Proportion of income	Aged 55–61	Aged 62–64	Aged 65 or older				
			Total	65–69	70–74	75–79	80 or older
<i>Private pensions or annuities</i>							
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	93.0	85.5	72.6	75.3	70.4	70.8	72.4
1–19	3.1	6.0	11.5	10.7	12.6	12.9	10.8
20–39	1.3	3.4	8.7	7.5	8.8	9.3	9.6
40–59	0.8	2.3	4.8	4.3	5.6	4.8	4.7
60–79	0.4	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.7	1.4	1.6
80 or more	1.3	1.3	0.9	0.8	0.9	0.9	1.0
50 or more	2.0	3.7	4.2	3.9	4.5	4.1	4.3
90 or more	1.2	1.0	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.5
100	0.5	0.6	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.3
Mean proportion	2.6	4.9	7.9	7.0	8.5	8.1	8.1
Mean proportion (recipients only)	37.0	34.0	28.7	28.4	28.7	27.6	29.4
Number (thousands)	19,454	6,619	31,648	9,869	7,140	5,384	9,256
<i>Income from assets</i>							
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	48.7	47.4	47.5	45.8	46.7	48.4	49.5
1–19	45.3	44.9	41.8	44.9	41.6	40.8	39.1
20–39	2.7	4.0	5.4	4.8	6.4	5.3	5.5
40–59	1.3	1.7	2.8	2.5	2.9	3.1	2.7
60–79	0.5	0.7	1.5	1.1	1.7	1.7	1.8
80 or more	1.5	1.2	1.0	0.8	0.8	0.8	1.5
50 or more	2.7	2.5	3.6	2.9	3.9	3.4	4.4
90 or more	1.3	1.0	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.7
100	1.3	0.8	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.6
Mean proportion	4.4	4.9	6.4	5.7	6.8	6.4	6.9
Mean proportion (recipients only)	8.6	9.2	12.2	10.5	12.8	12.4	13.7
Number (thousands)	19,454	6,619	31,648	9,869	7,140	5,384	9,256

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Relative Importance of Income Sources for Aged Units

Table 8.A1
Percentage distribution of units, by source of income and age, 2012—Continued

Proportion of income	Aged 55–61	Aged 62–64	Aged 65 or older					
			Total	65–69	70–74	75–79	80 or older	
<i>Cash public assistance</i>								
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	93.7	94.5	96.3	96.0	96.0	96.6	96.7	
1–19	1.3	1.1	1.0	1.0	1.2	1.1	0.7	
20–39	0.7	0.9	0.7	0.9	0.9	0.5	0.6	
40–59	0.6	0.7	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.3	0.3	
60–79	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	
80 or more	3.5	2.6	1.5	1.7	1.3	1.4	1.6	
50 or more	3.9	3.0	1.7	1.9	1.6	1.5	1.7	
90 or more	3.4	2.4	1.4	1.6	1.2	1.4	1.5	
100	3.2	2.3	1.3	1.4	1.2	1.2	1.4	
Mean proportion	4.2	3.4	2.1	2.3	2.0	1.8	2.0	
Mean proportion (recipients only)	67.2	62.0	55.8	56.4	49.4	54.4	61.7	
Number (thousands)	19,454	6,619	31,648	9,869	7,140	5,384	9,256	

NOTES: Units with zero total income or with negative total income, earnings, or income from assets are excluded.

The relative importance of a source of income may not accurately reflect the resources available to elderly persons or elderly aged units. The survey on which these data are based does not include some potentially important resources as income, including lump-sum pension payments and capital gains. In addition, these statistics do not take into consideration noncash benefits that supplement money income (housing and energy subsidies or SNAP benefits) or the amount of savings available to supplement monthly income. Consult the Frequently Asked Questions for further information.

Table 8.A2
Percentage distribution of units, by source of income, marital status, and age, 2012

Proportion of income	Married couples							Nonmarried persons						
	55-61	62-64	65 or older					55-61	62-64	65 or older				
			Total	65-69	70-74	75-79	80 or older			Total	65-69	70-74	75-79	80 or older
Earnings														
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	6.9	17.6	56.4	34.5	58.7	70.1	83.1	29.8	43.9	82.3	64.8	78.9	87.6	94.5
1-19	1.3	3.9	7.0	8.0	6.8	8.2	4.1	1.8	3.4	3.0	4.3	3.9	3.4	1.3
20-39	2.2	5.0	7.4	8.8	8.8	6.4	3.4	2.0	3.2	2.8	4.4	4.0	2.1	1.2
40-59	5.5	10.4	8.3	11.1	9.3	5.7	3.6	3.0	4.8	3.2	5.8	4.7	2.3	0.8
60-79	11.4	13.3	9.1	15.1	8.1	5.3	2.2	4.6	4.2	3.1	6.7	4.5	1.1	0.5
80 or more	72.6	49.9	11.9	22.4	8.2	4.2	3.5	58.8	40.4	5.7	14.0	4.0	3.5	1.6
50 or more	87.5	69.4	25.3	43.4	20.8	12.6	7.6	65.5	47.1	10.5	23.8	10.6	6.2	2.7
90 or more	63.4	40.0	8.2	15.5	5.3	2.8	2.7	55.0	36.2	4.6	11.4	2.8	2.8	1.4
100	22.3	14.0	3.0	5.5	2.0	1.3	1.2	31.7	17.7	2.6	5.8	2.0	2.0	0.8
Mean proportion	82.3	64.2	24.5	40.6	21.2	13.2	8.1	63.3	46.1	10.3	22.8	10.8	6.2	2.8
Mean proportion (recipients only)	88.4	77.9	56.3	62.1	51.5	44.1	48.1	90.2	82.1	58.3	64.7	51.3	50.1	51.8
Number (thousands)	10,184	3,277	13,592	5,067	3,529	2,374	2,622	9,270	3,342	18,056	4,802	3,611	3,009	6,634
Retirement benefits														
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	76.4	46.9	9.3	16.4	6.4	3.8	4.8	76.0	49.6	8.4	17.1	6.3	5.6	4.4
1-19	7.8	13.7	7.7	13.6	6.1	3.7	2.0	2.6	4.5	2.6	4.9	2.1	1.7	1.7
20-39	6.7	12.7	12.5	16.2	12.8	10.3	6.6	2.0	4.6	5.5	8.1	7.6	4.2	3.1
40-59	3.2	7.4	10.9	12.5	11.7	9.5	7.8	2.2	5.3	7.0	9.0	9.1	5.8	4.9
60-79	1.6	4.5	12.0	11.0	12.9	13.7	11.2	1.8	6.0	7.6	7.7	8.6	5.5	7.9
80 or more	4.4	14.7	47.6	30.2	50.0	59.0	67.7	15.5	30.1	69.0	53.1	66.4	77.1	78.1
50 or more	7.0	22.5	65.1	47.7	68.5	77.7	82.6	18.2	38.8	80.2	65.8	79.7	85.5	88.6
90 or more	3.9	11.6	40.1	24.3	42.3	50.1	58.9	14.2	28.3	63.7	48.6	61.0	71.5	72.6
100	2.5	6.1	19.2	11.5	20.2	25.2	27.4	10.3	19.0	40.2	32.2	38.4	44.3	45.1
Mean proportion	9.7	25.9	64.5	49.3	67.9	75.1	79.8	18.3	38.3	78.5	65.0	78.3	84.0	85.8
Mean proportion (recipients only)	41.0	48.9	71.2	59.0	72.5	78.0	83.8	76.2	75.9	85.6	78.4	83.5	89.0	89.8
Number (thousands)	10,184	3,277	13,592	5,067	3,529	2,374	2,622	9,270	3,342	18,056	4,802	3,611	3,009	6,634

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Relative Importance of Income Sources for Aged Units

Table 8.A2

Percentage distribution of units, by source of income, marital status, and age, 2012—Continued

Proportion of income	Married couples							Nonmarried persons						
	55-61	62-64	65 or older					55-61	62-64	65 or older				
			Total	65-69	70-74	75-79	80 or older			Total	65-69	70-74	75-79	80 or older
Social Security														
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	87.2	57.9	12.3	21.1	8.9	5.6	6.1	84.8	58.4	11.3	21.5	9.4	7.7	6.5
1-19	4.5	15.3	13.5	19.7	11.4	9.6	7.7	0.6	4.3	5.4	7.3	4.7	6.0	4.3
20-39	3.6	11.9	20.0	22.8	22.2	18.1	13.2	1.1	7.1	11.3	13.3	14.7	9.1	9.1
40-59	1.6	5.4	16.3	14.0	17.6	18.0	17.2	1.9	6.2	13.2	14.5	14.6	12.4	11.9
60-79	1.1	2.7	13.5	9.7	13.3	16.6	18.6	1.4	4.8	11.3	9.5	11.3	11.6	12.5
80 or more	2.1	6.7	24.4	12.7	26.5	32.0	37.3	10.2	19.2	47.5	33.9	45.4	53.2	55.8
50 or more	3.8	11.8	45.8	29.2	48.2	57.7	64.1	12.5	26.8	65.5	50.4	64.4	71.1	74.5
90 or more	1.8	5.3	18.9	9.5	20.5	24.2	30.2	9.1	17.6	41.6	29.9	39.1	46.6	49.1
100	1.5	3.1	10.9	6.3	11.7	14.2	15.7	7.4	13.6	28.4	21.8	27.5	30.9	32.6
Mean proportion	5.1	15.8	48.5	34.8	51.3	58.0	62.4	12.3	27.8	64.9	51.7	64.5	69.7	72.4
Mean proportion (recipients only)	39.7	37.7	55.3	44.1	56.3	61.5	66.5	80.8	66.8	73.1	65.9	71.1	75.5	77.4
Number (thousands)	10,184	3,277	13,592	5,067	3,529	2,374	2,622	9,270	3,342	18,056	4,802	3,611	3,009	6,634
Government employee pensions														
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	92.6	87.1	81.6	80.8	83.4	81.1	81.2	95.2	90.7	87.9	87.9	87.4	86.9	88.7
1-19	2.4	2.9	4.6	5.2	4.1	4.4	4.4	1.1	1.6	1.9	2.1	1.8	1.8	1.7
20-39	2.8	4.4	5.5	6.1	4.9	5.6	5.3	0.6	1.8	2.9	2.3	3.4	3.0	2.9
40-59	1.3	2.7	4.0	4.0	3.1	4.0	5.3	0.8	1.8	3.2	3.5	3.5	3.4	2.8
60-79	0.5	1.7	2.8	2.7	2.7	3.1	2.8	0.4	1.7	2.3	2.2	2.4	2.3	2.2
80 or more	0.5	1.2	1.4	1.2	1.8	1.8	1.0	1.9	2.4	1.9	2.0	1.5	2.8	1.6
50 or more	1.4	4.0	5.7	5.3	5.6	6.3	6.4	2.6	5.2	5.6	5.9	5.3	6.4	5.2
90 or more	0.4	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.9	0.9	0.2	1.5	2.1	1.2	1.5	1.0	1.5	1.0
100	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.7	0.8	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.2	0.4
Mean proportion	2.5	5.2	7.3	7.3	6.8	7.9	7.6	2.8	5.1	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.8	5.5
Mean proportion (recipients only)	33.4	40.0	39.9	38.0	41.1	41.8	40.3	57.6	55.0	49.5	49.9	48.0	51.6	48.9
Number (thousands)	10,184	3,277	13,592	5,067	3,529	2,374	2,622	9,270	3,342	18,056	4,802	3,611	3,009	6,634

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Table 8.A2
Percentage distribution of units, by source of income, marital status, and age, 2012—Continued

Proportion of income	Married couples							Nonmarried persons						
	55-61	62-64	65 or older					55-61	62-64	65 or older				
			Total	65-69	70-74	75-79	80 or older			Total	65-69	70-74	75-79	80 or older
Private pensions or annuities														
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	92.4	83.6	67.3	71.7	64.6	64.1	65.2	93.8	87.3	76.6	79.0	76.1	76.2	75.2
1-19	4.1	8.0	15.5	14.0	16.7	18.0	14.6	2.0	4.1	8.5	7.3	8.6	8.8	9.3
20-39	1.7	3.9	10.2	8.8	9.7	11.3	12.5	1.0	3.0	7.6	6.1	7.9	7.7	8.4
40-59	0.8	2.6	5.0	3.9	6.6	4.3	5.6	0.9	2.0	4.7	4.8	4.7	5.2	4.3
60-79	0.3	1.1	1.4	1.1	1.6	1.8	1.2	0.4	1.7	1.7	1.8	1.7	1.0	1.8
80 or more	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.5	0.8	0.5	1.0	2.0	1.9	1.0	1.1	1.0	1.1	1.0
50 or more	1.3	3.0	3.8	3.1	4.5	3.5	4.5	2.7	4.3	4.4	4.7	4.4	4.6	4.2
90 or more	0.5	0.6	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.2	0.3	1.9	1.4	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.6
100	0.1	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	1.0	0.8	0.5	0.4	0.8	0.5	0.3
Mean proportion	2.1	4.6	8.4	6.9	9.4	8.8	9.4	3.1	5.2	7.5	7.1	7.6	7.5	7.6
Mean proportion (recipients only)	27.4	28.3	25.6	24.5	26.6	24.5	27.1	49.8	41.2	31.8	34.0	31.9	31.3	30.7
Number (thousands)	10,184	3,277	13,592	5,067	3,529	2,374	2,622	9,270	3,342	18,056	4,802	3,611	3,009	6,634
Income from assets														
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	38.2	38.7	36.2	34.9	36.1	37.8	37.3	60.2	56.0	56.1	57.3	57.0	56.8	54.3
1-19	56.5	53.3	50.8	54.3	50.1	47.3	48.4	33.0	36.7	35.0	35.1	33.3	35.7	35.4
20-39	3.0	4.4	7.3	6.2	8.2	8.0	7.3	2.4	3.6	4.0	3.3	4.6	3.1	4.7
40-59	1.2	1.8	3.1	2.8	3.1	3.9	3.2	1.3	1.6	2.5	2.3	2.8	2.5	2.5
60-79	0.4	0.8	1.8	1.1	2.1	2.2	2.7	0.7	0.6	1.3	1.1	1.3	1.3	1.4
80 or more	0.7	1.0	0.7	0.7	0.4	0.9	1.0	2.4	1.4	1.2	1.0	1.1	0.7	1.7
50 or more	1.7	2.3	3.9	2.8	4.3	4.3	5.0	3.8	2.6	3.5	3.0	3.5	2.7	4.1
90 or more	0.5	0.7	0.4	0.4	0.2	0.4	0.7	2.2	1.3	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.4	0.7
100	0.5	0.6	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.7	2.2	1.1	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.4	0.6
Mean proportion	3.9	5.1	7.6	6.5	7.9	8.3	8.4	5.0	4.6	5.6	4.8	5.8	4.9	6.3
Mean proportion (recipients only)	6.3	8.3	11.8	10.0	12.4	13.4	13.5	12.7	10.5	12.7	11.2	13.5	11.3	13.9
Number (thousands)	10,184	3,277	13,592	5,067	3,529	2,374	2,622	9,270	3,342	18,056	4,802	3,611	3,009	6,634

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Relative Importance of Income Sources for Aged Units

Table 8.A2
Percentage distribution of units, by source of income, marital status, and age, 2012—Continued

Proportion of income	Married couples							Nonmarried persons						
	55-61	62-64	65 or older					55-61	62-64	65 or older				
			Total	65-69	70-74	75-79	80 or older			Total	65-69	70-74	75-79	80 or older
Cash public assistance														
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	96.8	96.6	97.9	98.1	97.5	97.8	98.0	90.2	92.5	95.1	93.7	94.5	95.7	96.2
1-19	1.5	1.1	0.8	0.8	1.1	0.8	0.6	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.3	0.7
20-39	0.7	0.9	0.4	0.6	0.5	0.3	0.1	0.7	0.8	1.0	1.3	1.3	0.6	0.8
40-59	0.3	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.9	0.9	0.5	0.6	0.8	0.3	0.3
60-79	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.4	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.1
80 or more	0.7	0.9	0.6	0.3	0.6	0.7	1.0	6.5	4.4	2.2	3.1	2.0	1.9	1.8
50 or more	0.8	1.0	0.7	0.5	0.6	0.8	1.1	7.3	4.9	2.5	3.4	2.6	2.0	2.0
90 or more	0.7	0.8	0.6	0.3	0.6	0.7	1.0	6.4	4.1	2.1	2.9	1.9	1.9	1.7
100	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.3	0.6	0.7	0.9	6.0	3.9	1.9	2.5	1.7	1.6	1.7
Mean proportion	1.2	1.4	0.9	0.7	1.0	1.1	1.2	7.6	5.3	2.9	3.9	3.0	2.4	2.3
Mean proportion (recipients only)	37.7	42.5	44.3	36.7	39.1	48.9	62.3	77.6	70.6	59.5	62.8	53.9	56.7	61.6
Number (thousands)	10,184	3,277	13,592	5,067	3,529	2,374	2,622	9,270	3,342	18,056	4,802	3,611	3,009	6,634

NOTES: Units with zero total income or with negative total income, earnings, or income from assets are excluded.

The relative importance of a source of income may not accurately reflect the resources available to elderly persons or elderly aged units. The survey on which these data are based does not include some potentially important resources as income, including lump-sum pension payments and capital gains. In addition, these statistics do not take into consideration noncash benefits that supplement money income (housing and energy subsidies or SNAP benefits) or the amount of savings available to supplement monthly income. Consult the Frequently Asked Questions for further information.

Table 8.A3
Percentage distribution of units, by source of income, Social Security beneficiary status, marital status, and age, 2012

Proportion of income	Beneficiary units									Nonbeneficiary units								
	All units			Married couples			Nonmarried persons			All units			Married couples			Nonmarried persons		
	55-61	62-64	65 or older	55-61	62-64	65 or older	55-61	62-64	65 or older	55-61	62-64	65 or older	55-61	62-64	65 or older	55-61	62-64	65 or older
Earnings																		
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	60.2	55.5	75.7	30.0	34.0	61.4	88.1	76.9	86.3	10.9	13.2	37.3	3.5	5.8	20.8	19.3	20.3	50.9
1-19	4.2	5.9	5.2	4.7	7.2	7.8	3.8	4.7	3.2	1.1	2.0	1.0	0.9	1.5	1.2	1.5	2.6	0.8
20-39	5.0	7.1	5.2	7.4	8.3	8.1	2.8	5.9	3.0	1.7	1.9	1.7	1.5	2.6	2.3	1.9	1.3	1.2
40-59	8.0	10.6	5.7	14.6	14.5	8.8	1.9	6.7	3.4	3.7	5.4	3.0	4.2	7.3	4.8	3.2	3.5	1.5
60-79	13.5	11.2	5.6	25.6	18.9	9.1	2.3	3.5	3.0	7.3	6.9	6.2	9.3	9.2	8.9	5.0	4.7	4.0
80 or more	9.1	9.6	2.7	17.8	17.0	4.8	1.2	2.3	1.1	75.3	70.6	50.9	80.6	73.7	62.1	69.2	67.6	41.6
50 or more	28.1	26.1	11.2	53.4	43.3	18.5	4.8	9.1	5.8	84.9	81.2	58.8	92.5	88.3	73.0	76.3	74.3	47.0
90 or more	2.4	3.8	0.8	4.3	6.6	1.4	0.7	1.0	0.3	68.6	62.7	46.5	72.1	64.2	56.4	64.8	61.2	38.3
100	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	31.1	27.3	23.7	25.5	24.2	24.5	37.4	30.3	23.1
Mean proportion	23.6	24.4	11.1	43.9	38.9	18.2	4.8	10.1	5.9	81.3	77.1	56.1	87.9	82.6	69.9	73.8	71.8	44.8
Mean proportion (recipients only)	59.2	54.9	45.9	62.7	58.8	47.1	40.2	43.6	43.4	91.3	88.8	89.5	91.1	87.6	88.2	91.5	90.1	91.1
Number (thousands)	2,709	2,770	27,940	1,301	1,378	11,916	1,409	1,391	16,024	16,744	3,850	3,709	8,883	1,899	1,676	7,861	1,951	2,032
Retirement benefits																		
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	88.5	83.0	75.0	87.5	81.0	75.7	89.6	84.9	74.3
1-19	14.2	14.9	4.9	27.2	23.7	7.9	2.3	6.2	2.6	3.9	4.9	4.2	5.0	6.5	6.1	2.7	3.3	2.7
20-39	15.4	15.5	9.2	25.6	22.8	13.6	5.9	8.4	5.9	2.7	3.6	3.4	3.9	5.4	4.3	1.3	2.0	2.6
40-59	10.5	11.7	9.5	13.5	13.7	12.1	7.8	9.7	7.7	1.4	2.5	1.9	1.7	2.9	2.3	1.2	2.1	1.6
60-79	7.8	10.8	10.5	7.8	8.9	13.5	7.8	12.7	8.3	0.7	1.3	1.7	0.6	1.4	1.8	0.7	1.1	1.7
80 or more	52.0	47.1	65.9	25.9	30.9	52.9	76.2	63.1	75.5	2.8	4.7	13.8	1.3	2.9	9.8	4.6	6.5	17.1
50 or more	64.0	63.7	81.4	38.8	46.3	72.4	87.3	80.9	88.0	4.0	7.0	16.3	2.4	5.2	13.0	5.8	8.7	19.1
90 or more	47.9	42.1	59.1	23.3	24.6	44.7	70.7	59.4	69.8	2.4	4.1	12.2	1.0	2.2	7.9	4.0	6.0	15.7
100	37.6	27.2	34.5	17.4	12.7	21.4	56.3	41.7	44.3	1.1	2.1	6.0	0.3	1.3	3.4	2.0	2.9	8.1
Mean proportion	67.9	65.5	79.8	48.1	51.7	71.7	86.2	79.1	85.9	5.0	8.2	17.0	4.1	7.3	13.7	6.1	9.1	19.7
Mean proportion (recipients only)	67.9	65.5	79.8	48.1	51.7	71.7	86.2	79.1	85.9	43.9	48.2	67.7	32.7	38.2	56.3	59.1	60.6	76.6
Number (thousands)	2,709	2,770	27,940	1,301	1,378	11,916	1,409	1,391	16,024	16,744	3,850	3,709	8,883	1,899	1,676	7,861	1,951	2,032

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Relative Importance of Income Sources for Aged Units

Table 8.A3

Percentage distribution of units, by source of income, Social Security beneficiary status, marital status, and age, 2012—Continued

Proportion of income	Beneficiary units									Nonbeneficiary units								
	All units			Married couples			Nonmarried persons			All units			Married couples			Nonmarried persons		
	55–61	62–64	65 or older	55–61	62–64	65 or older	55–61	62–64	65 or older	55–61	62–64	65 or older	55–61	62–64	65 or older	55–61	62–64	65 or older
Government employee pensions																		
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	91.7	86.2	85.0	88.0	83.0	80.7	95.1	89.3	88.2	94.2	90.9	87.1	93.3	90.1	88.2	95.2	91.6	86.2
1–19	2.7	3.1	3.2	3.8	3.9	4.9	1.7	2.2	2.0	1.6	1.7	1.5	2.2	2.1	2.5	1.0	1.2	0.7
20–39	2.2	3.6	4.3	3.8	4.8	6.0	0.8	2.5	3.0	1.7	2.7	2.0	2.6	4.1	2.4	0.6	1.3	1.7
40–59	2.3	3.0	3.8	2.9	3.6	4.4	1.8	2.4	3.5	0.8	1.7	1.4	1.0	2.1	1.6	0.6	1.4	1.2
60–79	1.0	3.3	2.6	1.4	3.6	3.0	0.6	3.1	2.4	0.4	0.6	1.2	0.4	0.3	1.1	0.4	0.8	1.4
80 or more	0.1	0.8	1.0	0.2	1.0	1.0	0.0	0.5	1.0	1.3	2.5	6.7	0.5	1.3	4.2	2.2	3.7	8.8
50 or more	1.8	5.6	5.3	2.7	6.2	5.7	1.0	5.1	5.0	2.0	3.9	8.3	1.2	2.4	5.9	2.9	5.3	10.3
90 or more	0.1	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.7	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.4	1.0	2.2	5.9	0.4	0.8	3.6	1.8	3.6	7.7
100	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.9	2.6	0.2	0.4	1.9	0.8	1.3	3.3
Mean proportion	2.7	5.8	6.3	3.9	6.9	7.4	1.6	4.7	5.4	2.6	4.7	8.8	2.3	3.9	6.7	3.0	5.4	10.6
Mean proportion (recipients only)	32.4	42.1	41.6	32.5	40.7	38.4	32.0	44.5	45.4	44.8	51.0	68.5	33.7	39.1	56.7	62.3	64.6	76.8
Number (thousands)	2,709	2,770	27,940	1,301	1,378	11,916	1,409	1,391	16,024	16,744	3,850	3,709	8,883	1,899	1,676	7,861	1,951	2,032
Private pensions or annuities																		
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	84.8	76.5	70.5	80.1	73.6	64.3	89.2	79.3	75.0	94.4	92.0	88.3	94.2	90.9	88.1	94.6	93.0	88.5
1–19	8.0	9.3	12.6	12.2	12.3	17.0	4.1	6.4	9.3	2.4	3.6	3.4	2.9	4.9	4.6	1.7	2.5	2.4
20–39	3.4	6.8	9.6	4.4	7.3	11.3	2.5	6.2	8.4	1.0	1.1	1.7	1.3	1.4	2.2	0.7	0.7	1.3
40–59	2.2	4.5	5.3	1.8	5.3	5.6	2.6	3.7	5.2	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.4	0.6	0.7	0.8
60–79	0.9	2.4	1.7	0.9	1.3	1.5	0.8	3.6	1.8	0.3	0.7	0.5	0.3	1.0	0.6	0.3	0.4	0.4
80 or more	0.6	0.5	0.3	0.5	0.3	0.2	0.7	0.8	0.3	1.4	1.9	5.5	0.7	1.1	4.1	2.2	2.7	6.6
50 or more	2.7	4.9	3.9	2.5	3.9	3.6	2.8	5.8	4.1	1.9	2.8	6.3	1.1	2.3	5.1	2.7	3.2	7.3
90 or more	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.7	0.0	0.1	1.3	1.7	4.8	0.6	1.1	2.9	2.1	2.3	6.4
100	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	1.1	2.8	0.2	0.8	1.1	1.2	1.4	4.1
Mean proportion	4.1	7.3	8.0	4.5	7.0	8.8	3.8	7.5	7.4	2.3	3.3	6.7	1.7	2.9	5.4	3.0	3.6	7.7
Mean proportion (recipients only)	27.1	30.9	27.1	22.4	26.5	24.7	35.1	36.4	29.7	41.2	40.6	57.3	29.9	32.0	45.7	55.0	51.4	67.3
Number (thousands)	2,709	2,770	27,940	1,301	1,378	11,916	1,409	1,391	16,024	16,744	3,850	3,709	8,883	1,899	1,676	7,861	1,951	2,032

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Relative Importance of Income Sources for Aged Units

Table 8.A3
Percentage distribution of units, by source of income, Social Security beneficiary status, marital status, and age, 2012—Continued

Proportion of income	Beneficiary units									Nonbeneficiary units								
	All units			Married couples			Nonmarried persons			All units			Married couples			Nonmarried persons		
	55–61	62–64	65 or older	55–61	62–64	65 or older	55–61	62–64	65 or older	55–61	62–64	65 or older	55–61	62–64	65 or older	55–61	62–64	65 or older
<i>Income from assets</i>																		
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	67.4	53.5	47.1	54.9	42.3	35.7	78.9	64.6	55.6	45.7	43.1	50.5	35.7	36.2	39.5	56.9	49.8	59.5
1–19	29.5	38.3	42.1	41.4	49.5	51.1	18.5	27.3	35.5	47.8	49.7	39.0	58.7	56.1	49.1	35.6	43.5	30.7
20–39	1.5	5.0	5.7	1.9	5.2	7.6	1.2	4.9	4.2	2.9	3.2	3.4	3.2	3.8	4.6	2.6	2.7	2.4
40–59	1.1	1.7	2.9	1.2	1.9	3.3	1.0	1.4	2.7	1.3	1.8	1.5	1.2	1.7	2.2	1.4	1.8	1.0
60–79	0.3	0.9	1.6	0.5	0.9	1.9	0.1	1.0	1.3	0.6	0.6	1.0	0.4	0.7	1.2	0.8	0.4	0.8
80 or more	0.2	0.6	0.5	0.1	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.8	0.6	1.7	1.6	4.7	0.8	1.5	3.5	2.8	1.8	5.6
50 or more	1.1	2.0	3.3	1.2	1.8	3.6	1.1	2.2	3.0	2.9	2.8	6.4	1.8	2.7	5.9	4.3	2.9	6.9
90 or more	0.0	0.3	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.1	1.6	1.5	4.5	0.6	1.3	3.3	2.6	1.8	5.5
100	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.5	1.4	4.3	0.6	1.1	2.9	2.6	1.8	5.4
Mean proportion	2.0	4.4	6.2	2.7	4.7	7.5	1.5	4.2	5.2	4.8	5.2	8.3	4.1	5.4	8.3	5.7	5.0	8.3
Mean proportion (recipients only)	6.2	9.5	11.7	5.9	8.2	11.6	6.9	11.8	11.8	8.9	9.1	16.8	6.3	8.4	13.7	13.2	9.9	20.6
Number (thousands)	2,709	2,770	27,940	1,301	1,378	11,916	1,409	1,391	16,024	16,744	3,850	3,709	8,883	1,899	1,676	7,861	1,951	2,032

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Relative Importance of Income Sources for Aged Units

Table 8.A3

Percentage distribution of units, by source of income, Social Security beneficiary status, marital status, and age, 2012—Continued

Proportion of income	Beneficiary units									Nonbeneficiary units								
	All units			Married couples			Nonmarried persons			All units			Married couples			Nonmarried persons		
	55–61	62–64	65 or older	55–61	62–64	65 or older	55–61	62–64	65 or older	55–61	62–64	65 or older	55–61	62–64	65 or older	55–61	62–64	65 or older
Cash public assistance																		
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	90.9	96.0	97.8	94.0	96.8	98.6	88.0	95.1	97.3	94.2	93.5	84.7	97.3	96.4	92.7	90.6	90.7	78.1
1–19	4.4	1.5	1.0	3.4	1.0	0.8	5.3	2.1	1.1	0.8	0.8	0.9	1.2	1.3	1.5	0.5	0.4	0.5
20–39	2.3	1.5	0.7	2.0	1.6	0.4	2.7	1.5	1.0	0.4	0.4	0.8	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.3	1.2
40–59	2.1	0.7	0.4	0.6	0.6	0.2	3.4	0.7	0.5	0.3	0.7	0.5	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.5	1.0	0.6
60–79	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.7	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.4	0.0	0.2
80 or more	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.0	4.5	12.7	0.8	1.5	4.8	7.7	7.5	19.3
50 or more	1.0	0.6	0.2	0.1	0.4	0.1	1.8	0.8	0.3	4.4	4.8	13.1	0.9	1.5	5.1	8.3	7.9	19.7
90 or more	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.0	4.2	12.4	0.8	1.3	4.8	7.6	7.0	18.6
100	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.7	4.0	11.3	0.7	1.1	4.5	7.1	6.7	16.8
Mean proportion	2.4	1.1	0.5	1.2	0.9	0.3	3.5	1.4	0.7	4.5	5.0	13.5	1.2	1.9	5.4	8.3	8.1	20.1
Mean proportion (recipients only)	25.8	28.1	25.5	19.1	28.0	21.9	28.9	28.2	26.8	77.6	77.1	87.9	43.7	51.8	74.7	88.8	86.5	91.6
Number (thousands)	2,709	2,770	27,940	1,301	1,378	11,916	1,409	1,391	16,024	16,744	3,850	3,709	8,883	1,899	1,676	7,861	1,951	2,032

NOTES: Units with zero total income or with negative total income, earnings, or income from assets are excluded.

The relative importance of a source of income may not accurately reflect the resources available to elderly persons or elderly aged units. The survey on which these data are based does not include some potentially important resources as income, including lump-sum pension payments and capital gains. In addition, these statistics do not take into consideration noncash benefits that supplement money income (housing and energy subsidies or SNAP benefits) or the amount of savings available to supplement monthly income. Consult the Frequently Asked Questions for further information.

Relative Importance of Income Sources for Units 65 or Older

Table 8.A4
Percentage distribution of units, by source of income, race, Hispanic origin, and marital status, 2012

Proportion of income	White alone			Black alone			Asian alone			Hispanic origin		
	All units	Married couples	Nonmarried persons	All units	Married couples	Nonmarried persons	All units	Married couples	Nonmarried persons	All units	Married couples	Nonmarried persons
Earnings												
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	70.9	56.7	82.3	75.0	55.4	82.8	68.0	52.0	83.4	72.4	57.3	82.7
1–19	5.0	7.1	3.2	2.9	5.6	1.8	2.3	3.8	0.8	1.9	2.5	1.5
20–39	4.9	7.4	2.9	3.5	7.3	2.0	3.3	5.6	1.2	3.3	5.9	1.6
40–59	5.5	8.3	3.3	4.2	8.0	2.7	5.3	7.7	2.9	4.9	8.6	2.4
60–79	5.8	9.2	3.0	4.4	8.3	2.9	7.0	10.4	3.7	5.9	10.9	2.5
80 or more	7.9	11.2	5.3	9.9	15.3	7.8	14.1	20.4	8.0	11.6	14.9	9.3
50 or more	16.6	24.6	10.1	16.3	27.8	11.7	24.3	36.4	12.7	20.5	30.9	13.4
90 or more	5.7	7.7	4.2	7.7	10.3	6.7	10.6	14.9	6.5	9.7	12.0	8.1
100	2.3	2.6	2.2	5.1	5.7	4.8	5.6	7.2	4.0	6.7	7.8	5.9
Mean proportion	16.2	24.0	10.0	16.0	26.9	11.7	22.4	33.1	12.2	19.1	28.5	12.6
Mean proportion (recipients only)	55.7	55.4	56.2	64.1	60.4	67.9	70.2	68.9	73.9	69.1	66.6	73.2
Number (thousands)	26,888	11,979	14,910	3,127	891	2,236	1,101	539	562	2,289	931	1,358
Retirement benefits												
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	7.8	8.5	7.2	12.4	11.9	12.7	21.2	23.2	19.2	15.7	14.0	17.0
1–19	4.9	7.7	2.7	3.4	6.9	2.1	6.8	11.2	2.6	3.7	6.1	2.1
20–39	8.8	12.7	5.7	6.0	9.7	4.5	8.6	12.8	4.6	7.2	12.7	3.5
40–59	8.9	11.0	7.1	6.9	9.6	5.8	7.4	8.8	6.1	7.8	10.1	6.3
60–79	9.8	12.2	7.9	7.0	10.5	5.6	8.4	10.4	6.4	7.1	9.1	5.7
80 or more	59.8	48.0	69.3	64.3	51.4	69.4	47.6	33.6	61.0	58.4	48.0	65.5
50 or more	74.1	65.7	80.9	75.3	66.9	78.7	60.1	48.5	71.1	69.5	62.7	74.2
90 or more	53.1	40.2	63.5	60.5	44.7	66.8	45.0	31.1	58.4	54.3	43.2	62.0
100	29.4	18.3	38.3	45.5	31.5	51.1	30.4	17.4	42.8	42.4	32.3	49.3
Mean proportion	72.8	65.1	79.1	74.0	66.2	77.1	59.7	49.6	69.5	69.0	62.9	73.2
Mean proportion (recipients only)	79.0	71.1	85.2	84.5	75.1	88.3	75.8	64.6	86.0	81.9	73.2	88.1
Number (thousands)	26,888	11,979	14,910	3,127	891	2,236	1,101	539	562	2,289	931	1,358

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Relative Importance of Income Sources for Units 65 or Older

Table 8.A4
Percentage distribution of units, by source of income, race, Hispanic origin, and marital status, 2012—Continued

Proportion of income	White alone			Black alone			Asian alone			Hispanic origin		
	All units	Married couples	Nonmarried persons	All units	Married couples	Nonmarried persons	All units	Married couples	Nonmarried persons	All units	Married couples	Nonmarried persons
Social Security												
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	10.6	11.5	9.9	16.5	15.0	17.1	23.7	25.3	22.2	18.2	16.7	19.2
1–19	9.2	13.7	5.5	6.9	11.5	5.1	9.0	14.0	4.1	5.8	9.0	3.6
20–39	15.7	20.3	12.0	10.8	17.8	7.9	11.6	17.3	6.2	10.0	16.1	5.7
40–59	14.9	16.7	13.5	12.2	13.3	11.8	10.2	10.5	9.9	11.1	12.6	10.0
60–79	12.6	13.8	11.7	10.5	11.7	10.1	9.2	10.4	8.1	8.5	9.6	7.8
80 or more	36.9	24.0	47.3	43.1	30.8	48.0	36.3	22.4	49.5	46.4	36.0	53.6
50 or more	56.9	46.0	65.7	60.2	48.0	65.0	50.8	37.5	63.6	60.4	51.9	66.2
90 or more	30.9	18.3	41.0	38.7	26.1	43.8	33.9	20.6	46.6	43.0	32.9	49.9
100	19.5	10.1	27.0	30.7	19.5	35.1	24.7	12.9	36.1	35.0	25.7	41.4
Mean proportion	57.8	48.6	65.3	59.7	51.2	63.1	51.6	40.9	61.9	60.9	54.1	65.6
Mean proportion (recipients only)	64.7	54.9	72.5	71.5	60.3	76.1	67.7	54.7	79.6	74.5	65.0	81.2
Number (thousands)	26,888	11,979	14,910	3,127	891	2,236	1,101	539	562	2,289	931	1,358
Government employee pensions												
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	84.9	81.3	87.8	86.0	81.7	87.8	91.4	90.7	92.0	93.0	90.3	94.8
1–19	3.2	4.8	1.9	2.5	4.0	1.9	1.9	2.2	1.6	1.1	1.8	0.7
20–39	4.1	5.6	2.9	3.6	5.4	2.9	2.2	2.9	1.6	1.9	3.3	0.9
40–59	3.6	4.0	3.3	3.2	5.4	2.4	2.9	2.6	3.3	1.4	1.5	1.4
60–79	2.6	2.9	2.3	2.1	2.8	1.8	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.4	1.4	1.4
80 or more	1.7	1.5	1.8	2.5	0.7	3.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	1.2	1.6	0.9
50 or more	5.8	5.9	5.6	5.6	5.5	5.6	3.1	2.6	3.5	3.1	3.3	3.0
90 or more	0.9	0.7	1.1	1.7	0.5	2.1	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.4
100	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.9	0.2	1.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.0
Mean proportion	6.6	7.5	6.0	6.7	7.3	6.5	3.5	3.6	3.5	3.4	4.4	2.7
Mean proportion (recipients only)	44.0	40.0	48.9	48.3	39.6	53.5	41.1	39.0	43.5	48.2	44.8	52.4
Number (thousands)	26,888	11,979	14,910	3,127	891	2,236	1,101	539	562	2,289	931	1,358

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Relative Importance of Income Sources for Units 65 or Older

Table 8.A4
Percentage distribution of units, by source of income, race, Hispanic origin, and marital status, 2012—Continued

Proportion of income	White alone			Black alone			Asian alone			Hispanic origin		
	All units	Married couples	Nonmarried persons	All units	Married couples	Nonmarried persons	All units	Married couples	Nonmarried persons	All units	Married couples	Nonmarried persons
<i>Private pensions or annuities</i>												
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	71.3	66.3	75.4	77.4	69.8	80.4	83.8	79.8	87.7	85.3	83.2	86.7
1–19	12.2	15.9	9.2	8.1	14.7	5.5	7.1	10.0	4.4	6.0	8.9	4.1
20–39	9.1	10.5	8.1	6.9	9.8	5.8	4.7	5.8	3.6	4.3	4.1	4.5
40–59	4.9	5.1	4.7	5.1	4.3	5.5	3.3	3.4	3.1	2.4	2.0	2.6
60–79	1.6	1.4	1.8	1.1	0.9	1.2	0.6	1.0	0.1	0.7	0.6	0.8
80 or more	0.9	0.7	0.9	1.3	0.5	1.7	0.6	0.0	1.1	1.3	1.1	1.4
50 or more	4.2	4.0	4.5	4.5	3.3	5.0	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.9	2.4	3.3
90 or more	0.6	0.4	0.7	1.0	0.4	1.3	0.1	0.0	0.1	1.2	1.1	1.2
100	0.3	0.1	0.4	0.8	0.4	0.9	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.8	0.6	0.9
Mean proportion	8.1	8.7	7.7	7.4	7.4	7.4	4.5	4.9	4.1	4.6	4.3	4.8
Mean proportion (recipients only)	28.3	25.8	31.1	32.6	24.5	37.5	27.5	24.0	33.1	31.1	25.7	35.7
Number (thousands)	26,888	11,979	14,910	3,127	891	2,236	1,101	539	562	2,289	931	1,358
<i>Income from assets</i>												
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	43.8	33.4	52.2	72.8	63.6	76.5	58.1	47.8	68.0	73.2	65.5	78.5
1–19	44.5	52.9	37.8	23.8	33.0	20.1	32.6	39.7	25.9	23.1	30.0	18.4
20–39	5.9	7.6	4.5	1.8	2.4	1.6	4.8	7.1	2.6	1.9	2.9	1.2
40–59	3.1	3.4	2.8	0.8	0.6	0.9	1.8	2.2	1.4	0.7	0.5	0.8
60–79	1.7	2.0	1.4	0.5	0.4	0.5	1.1	1.4	0.7	0.4	0.5	0.4
80 or more	1.1	0.7	1.3	0.2	0.0	0.3	1.6	1.8	1.5	0.7	0.6	0.8
50 or more	4.0	4.1	3.9	1.0	0.6	1.1	3.8	4.6	3.1	1.2	1.1	1.3
90 or more	0.6	0.4	0.7	0.2	0.0	0.3	1.6	1.8	1.5	0.6	0.6	0.5
100	0.5	0.3	0.6	0.2	0.0	0.3	1.6	1.6	1.5	0.5	0.4	0.5
Mean proportion	7.0	8.0	6.2	2.1	2.4	2.0	5.7	7.0	4.4	2.5	2.9	2.2
Mean proportion (recipients only)	12.5	12.0	13.0	7.8	6.5	8.7	13.6	13.5	13.7	9.2	8.4	10.0
Number (thousands)	26,888	11,979	14,910	3,127	891	2,236	1,101	539	562	2,289	931	1,358

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Relative Importance of Income Sources for Units 65 or Older

Table 8.A4

Percentage distribution of units, by source of income, race, Hispanic origin, and marital status, 2012—Continued

Proportion of income	White alone			Black alone			Asian alone			Hispanic origin		
	All units	Married couples	Nonmarried persons	All units	Married couples	Nonmarried persons	All units	Married couples	Nonmarried persons	All units	Married couples	Nonmarried persons
Cash public assistance												
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	97.3	98.4	96.4	91.8	96.4	89.9	86.9	88.7	85.1	89.2	93.9	85.9
1–19	0.8	0.8	0.8	2.3	1.3	2.7	1.5	1.7	1.2	2.3	2.2	2.5
20–39	0.6	0.3	0.8	1.9	1.6	2.0	1.6	1.4	1.8	2.5	1.8	3.0
40–59	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.3	0.7	1.2	1.0	1.4	1.1	1.0	1.3
60–79	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.0	0.4	0.1	0.3	0.0	0.5	0.2	0.6
80 or more	1.0	0.3	1.5	3.1	0.4	4.2	8.7	6.9	10.4	4.4	1.0	6.7
50 or more	1.2	0.4	1.7	3.7	0.4	5.0	9.1	7.2	11.0	5.2	1.5	7.8
90 or more	1.0	0.3	1.5	3.0	0.4	4.1	8.2	6.9	9.4	4.2	1.0	6.4
100	0.9	0.3	1.3	2.7	0.1	3.8	8.0	6.6	9.4	3.9	1.0	5.9
Mean proportion	1.4	0.6	2.1	4.4	1.1	5.7	9.9	8.1	11.5	6.2	2.3	8.9
Mean proportion (recipients only)	52.7	37.6	58.2	53.1	31.1	56.2	75.2	72.0	77.5	57.5	38.1	63.3
Number (thousands)	26,888	11,979	14,910	3,127	891	2,236	1,101	539	562	2,289	931	1,358

NOTES: Units with zero total income or with negative total income, earnings, or income from assets are excluded.

The relative importance of a source of income may not accurately reflect the resources available to elderly persons or elderly aged units. The survey on which these data are based does not include some potentially important resources as income, including lump-sum pension payments and capital gains. In addition, these statistics do not take into consideration noncash benefits that supplement money income (housing and energy subsidies or SNAP benefits) or the amount of savings available to supplement monthly income. Consult the Frequently Asked Questions for further information.

Relative Importance of Income Sources for Units 65 or Older

Table 8.A5
Percentage distribution of units, by source of income, marital status, and quintile of total money income, 2012

Proportion of income	All units					Married couples					Nonmarried persons				
	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth
Earnings															
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	94.8	91.3	79.5	60.8	32.6	85.7	78.7	57.9	39.3	22.6	95.9	95.0	91.0	77.5	54.9
1–19	0.9	2.4	4.1	6.9	8.6	2.7	4.9	8.4	10.0	8.5	0.6	1.5	2.5	4.3	5.4
20–39	0.7	1.9	4.6	8.0	8.0	2.8	6.1	9.8	9.5	8.3	0.1	1.1	2.3	4.1	5.7
40–59	0.4	1.3	4.4	8.1	11.9	2.2	3.7	9.3	12.8	12.9	0.4	0.7	1.4	5.4	7.3
60–79	0.5	0.8	2.6	6.8	17.1	1.2	2.7	6.3	14.9	19.9	0.6	0.2	0.9	3.2	10.0
80 or more	2.7	2.3	4.8	9.4	21.9	5.4	3.9	8.2	13.6	27.9	2.4	1.6	1.9	5.5	16.6
50 or more	3.4	3.4	9.7	20.5	45.6	7.4	9.0	19.0	35.3	54.2	3.3	1.8	3.2	11.4	31.3
90 or more	2.4	1.9	4.2	7.5	14.3	4.6	3.5	6.4	8.6	17.6	2.1	1.4	1.7	4.6	12.8
100	2.2	1.4	2.7	3.7	3.7	3.3	1.9	3.1	3.7	3.2	1.9	1.3	1.5	3.2	5.0
Mean proportion	3.5	4.1	10.4	20.9	41.6	8.2	9.9	20.7	33.2	49.5	3.0	2.4	4.0	11.9	28.8
Mean proportion (recipients only)	67.3	47.6	50.7	53.2	61.7	57.4	46.4	49.1	54.6	64.0	74.8	48.1	45.0	52.7	63.8
Number (thousands)	5,663	6,493	6,515	6,497	6,479	2,562	2,755	2,762	2,748	2,764	3,043	3,635	3,889	3,749	3,740
Retirement benefits															
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	13.6	4.0	5.3	8.1	13.6	11.3	3.9	6.3	9.1	16.3	18.4	3.0	3.1	5.9	13.3
1–19	0.3	0.3	1.2	3.6	18.1	0.3	1.2	3.3	7.7	25.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	1.5	10.3
20–39	1.4	1.1	3.7	10.9	24.5	2.2	3.1	9.2	20.2	26.8	1.4	0.8	0.9	5.3	18.4
40–59	2.1	4.3	8.6	13.4	14.1	4.3	6.3	13.6	18.1	11.6	2.0	2.2	4.8	11.5	13.4
60–79	4.3	6.3	11.1	15.2	9.9	6.4	13.1	18.2	13.9	8.2	3.9	4.7	6.9	12.4	9.3
80 or more	78.3	84.1	70.1	48.8	19.9	75.5	72.5	49.4	31.0	11.6	74.0	89.0	84.0	63.3	35.3
50 or more	83.8	93.0	86.1	71.1	35.8	85.1	89.0	75.4	52.9	24.5	79.0	94.9	93.6	82.2	51.2
90 or more	75.4	79.1	61.6	39.7	14.7	69.6	62.3	39.0	24.1	7.8	71.5	85.0	78.9	55.8	28.8
100	59.0	51.2	30.3	15.7	3.1	46.0	30.0	14.4	5.6	2.0	57.0	61.4	49.5	26.3	10.2
Mean proportion	82.1	89.8	81.6	68.2	41.8	81.7	83.9	70.2	55.2	32.9	77.6	92.6	90.3	77.8	53.8
Mean proportion (recipients only)	95.1	93.5	86.2	74.2	48.4	92.1	87.2	74.9	60.7	39.3	95.2	95.4	93.2	82.7	62.0
Number (thousands)	5,663	6,493	6,515	6,497	6,479	2,562	2,755	2,762	2,748	2,764	3,043	3,635	3,889	3,749	3,740

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Relative Importance of Income Sources for Units 65 or Older

Table 8.A5

Percentage distribution of units, by source of income, marital status, and quintile of total money income, 2012—Continued

Proportion of income	All units					Married couples					Nonmarried persons				
	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth
Social Security															
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	16.0	5.6	7.5	11.4	18.7	14.0	5.8	8.2	12.2	21.6	21.0	4.6	4.5	8.4	19.7
1–19	0.5	0.9	2.5	6.8	32.6	0.6	2.0	4.8	14.5	44.4	0.4	1.0	0.9	3.5	20.5
20–39	1.6	2.4	8.1	24.3	37.2	2.7	6.3	16.2	42.2	31.3	1.6	1.4	2.5	12.1	37.2
40–59	2.5	6.4	22.3	30.1	9.7	6.0	11.7	34.9	26.1	2.1	2.5	2.7	8.0	32.9	17.9
60–79	5.4	13.0	23.0	17.6	1.4	8.3	27.3	27.3	4.0	0.5	4.5	6.8	16.1	25.4	2.1
80 or more	74.0	71.7	36.6	9.8	0.3	68.3	46.9	8.6	1.1	0.2	70.0	83.6	68.0	17.7	2.5
50 or more	81.0	88.9	72.1	42.1	4.1	80.7	80.2	57.1	12.7	0.9	76.1	91.9	89.4	61.8	10.1
90 or more	69.8	61.1	27.4	5.4	0.2	60.0	33.0	3.8	0.5	0.1	66.6	77.0	55.5	12.0	1.9
100	54.3	38.3	13.6	2.5	0.1	39.1	15.4	1.8	0.1	0.1	52.9	55.0	33.0	5.6	1.0
Mean proportion	78.7	82.8	65.1	44.6	20.4	76.6	71.7	50.0	30.7	15.3	74.2	88.7	81.9	55.2	26.0
Mean proportion (recipients only)	93.6	87.8	70.4	50.3	25.1	89.0	76.1	54.4	35.0	19.6	94.0	93.0	85.7	60.3	32.4
Number (thousands)	5,663	6,493	6,515	6,497	6,479	2,562	2,755	2,762	2,748	2,764	3,043	3,635	3,889	3,749	3,740
Government employee pensions															
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	97.8	94.0	85.8	78.7	71.3	96.0	89.3	80.7	71.4	71.6	98.5	96.4	92.6	81.0	73.2
1–19	0.7	1.4	2.7	3.1	7.1	1.5	3.4	3.8	4.7	9.4	0.4	1.1	1.6	2.2	3.7
20–39	0.5	1.8	3.7	5.3	8.3	1.0	2.9	6.5	7.8	9.1	0.3	0.8	2.4	5.0	5.3
40–59	0.3	0.8	4.5	5.7	6.1	0.3	2.4	4.7	7.9	4.6	0.1	0.4	1.2	6.9	6.8
60–79	0.1	1.0	2.1	4.2	4.7	0.4	1.6	2.6	5.8	3.5	0.1	0.5	1.1	3.0	6.2
80 or more	0.6	1.0	1.2	3.0	2.5	0.7	0.5	1.7	2.5	1.7	0.6	0.8	1.1	2.0	4.8
50 or more	0.8	2.3	5.2	9.7	9.7	1.2	2.9	5.3	11.7	7.3	0.7	1.4	2.5	8.2	14.2
90 or more	0.5	0.7	0.7	1.9	1.0	0.5	0.2	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.6	0.5	0.7	1.3	2.9
100	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.0	0.3	0.1	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.5	0.1	0.5	0.4	0.3
Mean proportion	1.0	2.7	6.2	10.4	11.7	1.5	3.9	8.0	13.0	9.8	0.9	1.6	3.3	9.1	14.0
Mean proportion (recipients only)	47.1	45.3	43.8	49.0	40.7	38.7	36.5	41.4	45.4	34.6	55.8	45.6	44.3	47.9	52.3
Number (thousands)	5,663	6,493	6,515	6,497	6,479	2,562	2,755	2,762	2,748	2,764	3,043	3,635	3,889	3,749	3,740

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Relative Importance of Income Sources for Units 65 or Older

Table 8.A5
Percentage distribution of units, by source of income, marital status, and quintile of total money income, 2012—Continued

Proportion of income	All units					Married couples					Nonmarried persons				
	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth
<i>Private pensions or annuities</i>															
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	94.3	81.3	65.9	59.1	65.0	87.6	66.6	56.0	60.8	66.8	95.1	91.2	76.5	59.6	64.3
1–19	2.6	11.4	12.0	13.8	16.7	8.1	17.2	16.0	16.4	19.3	1.6	5.7	14.0	9.6	10.1
20–39	1.2	5.2	13.7	13.3	9.1	2.0	11.6	18.0	11.6	7.2	0.8	1.8	7.2	18.4	8.2
40–59	0.3	1.0	6.3	10.3	5.5	0.6	2.9	8.8	8.2	4.0	0.4	0.0	1.4	9.9	10.8
60–79	0.3	0.3	1.1	2.9	3.0	0.7	0.5	0.9	2.7	2.0	0.4	0.1	0.3	1.7	5.5
80 or more	1.4	0.9	1.0	0.5	0.7	1.0	1.2	0.2	0.3	0.7	1.6	1.1	0.6	0.8	1.1
50 or more	1.8	1.4	4.1	7.0	6.3	1.8	2.7	3.1	6.8	4.6	2.2	1.2	1.3	5.5	11.5
90 or more	1.1	0.7	0.6	0.3	0.3	0.8	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.4	1.4	0.9	0.4	0.6	0.7
100	0.9	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.5	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	1.3	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.2
Mean proportion	2.2	4.1	9.9	12.8	9.5	3.0	7.9	12.0	11.1	7.6	2.5	2.2	5.0	13.2	13.5
Mean proportion (recipients only)	38.8	22.0	29.1	31.3	27.2	24.1	23.7	27.3	28.2	22.8	50.6	24.8	21.3	32.6	37.7
Number (thousands)	5,663	6,493	6,515	6,497	6,479	2,562	2,755	2,762	2,748	2,764	3,043	3,635	3,889	3,749	3,740
<i>Income from assets</i>															
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	78.3	62.5	47.3	35.6	17.8	63.9	46.6	35.8	24.8	11.9	80.8	71.2	60.6	44.3	28.3
1–19	18.0	33.2	45.2	51.4	58.0	31.0	47.0	53.5	60.9	60.2	15.1	26.4	35.1	45.2	49.0
20–39	0.6	2.9	4.9	7.9	10.3	2.2	4.8	7.9	8.3	12.8	0.6	1.5	2.9	6.5	8.0
40–59	0.3	1.1	1.8	3.4	6.9	0.4	1.4	2.1	4.1	7.4	0.3	0.6	1.3	2.7	7.2
60–79	0.3	0.1	0.5	1.3	5.2	0.5	0.0	0.6	1.8	6.3	0.1	0.1	0.0	1.0	4.9
80 or more	2.6	0.1	0.3	0.4	1.8	2.0	0.2	0.1	0.1	1.4	3.1	0.2	0.1	0.3	2.6
50 or more	3.0	0.7	1.5	3.2	9.7	2.5	0.7	1.4	3.4	11.2	3.5	0.7	0.6	2.4	10.2
90 or more	2.5	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.4	1.9	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.2	3.1	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.5
100	2.5	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.1	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.1
Mean proportion	3.5	2.6	4.6	7.2	13.9	4.2	3.8	5.9	8.0	15.7	3.9	1.6	2.7	5.9	13.5
Mean proportion (recipients only)	16.1	6.9	8.7	11.2	17.0	11.5	7.2	9.1	10.6	17.8	20.2	5.6	6.8	10.5	18.9
Number (thousands)	5,663	6,493	6,515	6,497	6,479	2,562	2,755	2,762	2,748	2,764	3,043	3,635	3,889	3,749	3,740

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Relative Importance of Income Sources for Units 65 or Older

Table 8.A5

Percentage distribution of units, by source of income, marital status, and quintile of total money income, 2012—Continued

Proportion of income	All units					Married couples					Nonmarried persons					
	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth	
Cash public assistance																
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	86.3	97.2	98.5	99.0	99.3	93.5	98.3	98.8	98.9	99.6	80.7	95.7	98.3	98.8	99.3	
1–19	2.3	0.8	0.5	0.8	0.7	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.1	0.4	2.9	1.5	0.6	0.3	0.3	
20–39	2.6	0.5	0.5	0.2	0.1	1.2	0.6	0.2	0.1	0.0	3.3	1.1	0.4	0.4	0.3	
40–59	1.2	0.3	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.9	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.3	0.6	0.3	0.4	0.1	
60–79	0.4	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	
80 or more	7.1	1.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	11.3	0.9	0.5	0.0	0.0	
50 or more	8.0	1.3	0.2	0.0	0.0	3.7	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	12.2	1.4	0.6	0.1	0.0	
90 or more	6.8	1.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	11.1	0.6	0.5	0.0	0.0	
100	6.3	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	10.0	0.5	0.5	0.0	0.0	
Mean proportion	9.0	1.5	0.5	0.1	0.1	4.3	0.4	0.1	0.1	0.0	13.4	1.8	0.8	0.4	0.1	
Mean proportion (recipients only)	65.5	54.6	32.5	14.0	9.5	65.7	22.7	11.2	10.0	3.8	69.6	41.4	47.0	34.1	18.9	
Number (thousands)	5,663	6,493	6,515	6,497	6,479	2,562	2,755	2,762	2,748	2,764	3,043	3,635	3,889	3,749	3,740	

NOTES: Units with zero total income or with negative total income, earnings, or income from assets are excluded.

Quintile limits are \$13,292, \$22,021, \$35,493, and \$63,648 for all units; \$26,818, \$39,798, \$59,252, and \$94,000 for married couples; and \$10,799, \$15,599, \$21,941, and \$36,797 for nonmarried persons.

The relative importance of a source of income may not accurately reflect the resources available to elderly persons or elderly aged units. The survey on which these data are based does not include some potentially important resources as income, including lump-sum pension payments and capital gains. In addition, these statistics do not take into consideration noncash benefits that supplement money income (housing and energy subsidies or SNAP benefits) or the amount of savings available to supplement monthly income. Consult the Frequently Asked Questions for further information.

Relative Importance of Family Income Sources for Aged Persons

Table 8.B1
Percentage distribution, by source of family income, sex, and age, 2012

Proportion of family income	All persons			Men			Women		
	55-61	62-64	65 or older	55-61	62-64	65 or older	55-61	62-64	65 or older
Earnings									
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	14.1	26.3	60.0	12.8	23.6	56.4	15.3	28.6	62.8
1-19	2.0	4.7	6.1	1.6	4.4	6.6	2.4	5.1	5.8
20-39	3.3	5.7	6.6	2.7	4.9	7.2	3.8	6.4	6.0
40-59	6.0	8.8	7.6	5.0	9.2	8.3	6.9	8.5	6.9
60-79	11.5	12.9	8.7	11.4	12.2	9.3	11.7	13.5	8.2
80 or more	63.1	41.6	11.1	66.5	45.8	12.2	59.9	38.0	10.3
50 or more	78.2	59.4	23.8	81.1	63.2	25.8	75.6	56.2	22.1
90 or more	53.8	32.9	7.2	57.2	36.6	8.2	50.7	29.8	6.4
100	20.3	12.0	2.9	21.7	12.6	3.2	19.0	11.4	2.6
Mean proportion	73.4	55.5	22.8	76.0	59.0	24.9	70.9	52.5	21.2
Mean proportion (recipients only)	85.4	75.2	56.9	87.1	77.2	57.0	83.8	73.5	56.8
Number (thousands)	27,545	9,954	42,580	13,249	4,606	18,971	14,296	5,348	23,608
Retirement benefits									
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	68.4	40.5	8.9	72.4	44.9	9.8	64.7	36.7	8.1
1-19	9.2	12.6	7.8	8.6	12.8	8.3	9.6	12.6	7.5
20-39	7.5	12.3	11.5	6.5	11.7	12.3	8.4	12.9	10.9
40-59	4.2	8.2	10.5	3.1	7.2	10.9	5.3	9.1	10.1
60-79	2.5	6.2	11.2	2.1	5.2	11.5	2.8	7.1	10.9
80 or more	8.3	20.1	50.1	7.3	18.3	47.2	9.2	21.6	52.5
50 or more	12.5	30.1	66.5	10.7	26.9	64.1	14.2	32.8	68.4
90 or more	7.2	17.0	43.5	6.6	15.4	40.2	7.8	18.3	46.2
100	4.6	9.2	22.8	4.5	8.2	20.3	4.7	10.1	24.8
Mean proportion	15.0	32.7	66.1	12.9	29.5	63.8	16.9	35.5	67.9
Mean proportion (recipients only)	47.3	55.0	72.5	46.7	53.6	70.7	47.8	56.1	73.8
Number (thousands)	27,545	9,954	42,580	13,249	4,606	18,971	14,296	5,348	23,608

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Relative Importance of Family Income Sources for Aged Persons

Table 8.B1
Percentage distribution, by source of family income, sex, and age, 2012—Continued

Proportion of family income	All persons			Men			Women		
	55–61	62–64	65 or older	55–61	62–64	65 or older	55–61	62–64	65 or older
Social Security									
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	78.7	49.4	11.6	82.4	55.7	12.9	75.2	44.0	10.6
1–19	6.9	15.3	13.0	6.0	14.1	13.9	7.8	16.3	12.2
20–39	5.3	13.5	18.1	4.0	11.1	19.6	6.6	15.5	16.8
40–59	2.7	7.2	15.6	1.7	6.1	15.7	3.7	8.2	15.5
60–79	1.7	4.3	12.6	1.5	3.2	12.3	1.9	5.3	12.8
80 or more	4.6	10.3	29.2	4.4	9.8	25.6	4.9	10.7	32.2
50 or more	7.4	17.9	49.4	6.6	15.7	45.4	8.2	19.8	52.7
90 or more	4.0	8.6	23.6	4.0	8.2	20.1	4.0	8.9	26.5
100	3.1	5.6	14.3	3.2	5.3	11.9	3.0	5.8	16.2
Mean proportion	9.3	22.0	51.6	8.0	19.2	48.3	10.6	24.4	54.1
Mean proportion (recipients only)	43.8	43.5	58.3	45.4	43.4	55.5	42.7	43.6	60.5
Number (thousands)	27,545	9,954	42,580	13,249	4,606	18,971	14,296	5,348	23,608
Government employee pensions									
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	92.4	86.9	83.8	93.1	88.0	83.4	91.7	85.9	84.2
1–19	2.5	3.3	4.1	2.5	3.1	4.2	2.5	3.5	4.1
20–39	2.3	4.1	4.6	2.1	3.7	4.9	2.5	4.3	4.3
40–59	1.3	2.4	3.6	1.0	2.3	3.6	1.6	2.4	3.7
60–79	0.6	2.0	2.5	0.5	1.6	2.6	0.6	2.4	2.4
80 or more	0.9	1.4	1.4	0.7	1.3	1.4	1.1	1.6	1.3
50 or more	2.0	4.5	5.3	1.7	3.9	5.4	2.2	5.0	5.2
90 or more	0.7	1.0	0.8	0.6	1.0	0.8	0.8	1.1	0.8
100	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.2
Mean proportion	2.8	5.4	6.6	2.5	4.8	6.7	3.2	5.9	6.4
Mean proportion (recipients only)	37.2	41.2	40.5	35.4	40.2	40.5	38.6	41.9	40.5
Number (thousands)	27,545	9,954	42,580	13,249	4,606	18,971	14,296	5,348	23,608

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Relative Importance of Family Income Sources for Aged Persons

Table 8.B1
Percentage distribution, by source of family income, sex, and age, 2012—Continued

Proportion of family income	All persons			Men			Women		
	55-61	62-64	65 or older	55-61	62-64	65 or older	55-61	62-64	65 or older
<i>Private pensions or annuities</i>									
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	90.4	82.5	70.5	92.1	83.1	68.4	88.8	82.0	72.2
1-19	5.2	8.2	13.8	4.2	7.7	14.3	6.2	8.6	13.4
20-39	2.0	4.4	9.2	1.6	4.3	9.9	2.3	4.5	8.6
40-59	1.0	2.7	4.5	0.8	2.4	5.1	1.3	2.9	4.0
60-79	0.5	1.3	1.4	0.5	1.3	1.7	0.5	1.2	1.2
80 or more	0.9	1.0	0.7	0.9	1.2	0.7	0.9	0.7	0.6
50 or more	1.7	3.2	3.7	1.6	3.4	4.2	1.9	3.0	3.2
90 or more	0.8	0.7	0.4	0.7	1.0	0.4	0.8	0.4	0.4
100	0.3	0.4	0.2	0.3	0.6	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.2
Mean proportion	2.7	5.1	7.7	2.3	5.2	8.5	3.0	5.0	7.1
Mean proportion (recipients only)	28.1	29.2	26.1	29.7	30.8	26.8	27.1	27.8	25.4
Number (thousands)	27,545	9,954	42,580	13,249	4,606	18,971	14,296	5,348	23,608
<i>Income from assets</i>									
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	43.8	43.0	43.0	43.8	42.5	40.3	43.8	43.4	45.1
1-19	50.3	49.2	45.9	50.4	50.1	47.9	50.2	48.4	44.2
20-39	3.0	4.4	6.0	3.2	4.0	6.5	2.9	4.7	5.6
40-59	1.2	1.8	2.8	1.1	1.6	3.1	1.3	2.0	2.6
60-79	0.5	0.7	1.5	0.5	0.6	1.5	0.6	0.7	1.5
80 or more	1.1	1.0	0.8	1.1	1.2	0.7	1.1	0.8	0.9
50 or more	2.2	2.4	3.6	2.1	2.4	3.6	2.4	2.4	3.5
90 or more	0.9	0.8	0.4	1.0	1.0	0.4	0.9	0.7	0.5
100	0.9	0.7	0.4	0.9	0.8	0.3	0.8	0.6	0.4
Mean proportion	4.3	5.0	6.6	4.2	4.9	6.9	4.3	5.1	6.4
Mean proportion (recipients only)	7.6	8.7	11.6	7.5	8.5	11.6	7.7	8.9	11.6
Number (thousands)	27,545	9,954	42,580	13,249	4,606	18,971	14,296	5,348	23,608

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Relative Importance of Family Income Sources for Aged Persons

Table 8.B1
Percentage distribution, by source of family income, sex, and age, 2012—Continued

Proportion of family income	All persons			Men			Women		
	55–61	62–64	65 or older	55–61	62–64	65 or older	55–61	62–64	65 or older
Cash public assistance									
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	93.3	94.1	95.4	94.0	94.5	96.1	92.7	93.7	94.8
1–19	2.6	2.4	2.0	2.5	2.4	1.8	2.7	2.4	2.2
20–39	1.1	1.2	1.1	1.0	1.2	0.9	1.2	1.1	1.3
40–59	0.5	0.7	0.4	0.4	0.7	0.3	0.7	0.8	0.6
60–79	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.2
80 or more	2.2	1.5	0.9	1.8	1.0	0.8	2.5	1.9	1.0
50 or more	2.6	2.0	1.2	2.2	1.5	1.0	3.1	2.4	1.4
90 or more	2.1	1.4	0.9	1.8	0.9	0.8	2.4	1.7	1.0
100	1.9	1.3	0.8	1.6	0.8	0.7	2.2	1.6	0.9
Mean proportion	3.1	2.5	1.7	2.7	2.0	1.4	3.6	2.9	1.9
Mean proportion (recipients only)	47.2	41.8	37.2	44.9	36.6	37.0	48.9	45.7	37.3
Number (thousands)	27,545	9,954	42,580	13,249	4,606	18,971	14,296	5,348	23,608

NOTES: Persons in families with zero total income or with negative total income, earnings, or income from assets are excluded.

The relative importance of a source of income may not accurately reflect the resources available to elderly persons or elderly aged units. The survey on which these data are based does not include some potentially important resources as income, including lump-sum pension payments and capital gains. In addition, these statistics do not take into consideration noncash benefits that supplement money income (housing and energy subsidies or SNAP benefits) or the amount of savings available to supplement monthly income. Consult the Frequently Asked Questions for further information.

Relative Importance of Family Income Sources for Persons 65 or Older

Table 8.B2
Percentage distribution, by income source, sex, and age, 2012

Proportion of family income	All persons				Men				Women			
	65-69	70-74	75-79	80 or older	65-69	70-74	75-79	80 or older	65-69	70-74	75-79	80 or older
Earnings												
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	42.9	59.4	68.3	77.0	38.3	57.4	65.6	76.9	47.1	61.2	70.3	77.1
1-19	7.4	6.9	6.4	3.7	7.3	6.8	8.0	4.3	7.4	6.9	5.2	3.3
20-39	8.7	7.5	5.8	3.4	9.0	8.2	6.6	3.8	8.5	6.9	5.2	3.1
40-59	9.9	8.9	6.3	4.1	10.2	10.1	6.8	4.6	9.6	7.8	6.0	3.8
60-79	12.4	8.5	6.3	5.6	14.0	9.0	6.5	4.5	11.0	8.2	6.1	6.3
80 or more	18.7	8.8	6.9	6.2	21.3	8.7	6.5	5.9	16.4	9.0	7.2	6.5
50 or more	36.5	21.6	16.6	14.1	40.6	22.7	16.6	12.9	32.6	20.7	16.6	14.9
90 or more	12.7	5.4	4.6	3.5	14.4	5.7	4.4	3.9	11.0	5.2	4.7	3.2
100	4.8	2.3	2.2	1.3	5.0	2.3	2.6	1.8	4.6	2.3	1.9	1.0
Mean proportion	34.5	21.4	16.5	13.1	38.2	22.4	16.9	12.6	31.2	20.6	16.1	13.4
Mean proportion (recipients only)	60.5	52.8	51.9	56.9	61.9	52.5	49.1	54.4	58.9	53.1	54.4	58.7
Number (thousands)	14,197	10,083	7,455	10,845	6,787	4,621	3,168	4,396	7,411	5,461	4,287	6,449
Retirement benefits												
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	14.7	6.8	5.8	5.3	16.1	6.9	5.6	6.2	13.4	6.7	6.0	4.7
1-19	11.5	6.9	5.2	5.8	13.4	6.9	5.0	4.3	9.8	6.9	5.3	6.8
20-39	14.3	12.1	10.3	8.2	15.2	12.8	11.2	8.0	13.5	11.6	9.6	8.3
40-59	12.0	11.6	10.1	7.7	12.0	11.9	10.5	8.5	12.0	11.3	9.7	7.1
60-79	11.3	11.9	10.8	10.6	10.6	12.2	12.5	11.3	11.9	11.6	9.6	10.1
80 or more	36.2	50.7	57.8	62.5	32.8	49.2	55.2	61.8	39.4	52.0	59.8	63.0
50 or more	53.5	68.2	73.8	76.8	49.4	66.9	73.3	77.2	57.4	69.4	74.2	76.5
90 or more	30.2	43.9	50.1	56.2	26.6	42.4	46.6	54.4	33.4	45.2	52.6	57.4
100	16.1	22.6	26.1	29.5	13.7	21.1	24.3	26.8	18.4	23.9	27.5	31.3
Mean proportion	54.4	67.8	72.4	75.4	50.9	66.9	71.3	75.1	57.5	68.6	73.2	75.5
Mean proportion (recipients only)	63.7	72.7	76.9	79.6	60.6	71.9	75.5	80.0	66.5	73.5	77.9	79.2
Number (thousands)	14,197	10,083	7,455	10,845	6,787	4,621	3,168	4,396	7,411	5,461	4,287	6,449

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Relative Importance of Family Income Sources for Persons 65 or Older

Table 8.B2
Percentage distribution, by income source, sex, and age, 2012—Continued

Proportion of family income	All persons				Men				Women			
	65–69	70–74	75–79	80 or older	65–69	70–74	75–79	80 or older	65–69	70–74	75–79	80 or older
Social Security												
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	18.8	9.2	7.7	7.1	21.0	9.5	7.6	7.8	16.8	8.9	7.8	6.7
1–19	16.7	11.7	11.2	10.6	18.9	12.3	11.0	10.1	14.6	11.1	11.3	10.9
20–39	20.9	20.3	16.1	13.6	21.3	21.5	19.5	15.2	20.6	19.2	13.5	12.6
40–59	15.4	16.7	16.3	14.3	13.9	17.6	16.6	15.9	16.8	15.9	16.1	13.3
60–79	9.9	13.0	13.7	14.7	9.0	11.9	14.5	16.3	10.8	14.0	13.2	13.7
80 or more	18.3	29.2	35.0	39.6	16.0	27.2	30.9	34.8	20.4	30.9	38.1	42.9
50 or more	35.4	50.5	57.0	61.4	31.4	47.4	53.4	59.0	39.2	53.2	59.7	63.1
90 or more	14.5	23.3	28.0	32.9	12.5	21.4	23.4	28.0	16.4	24.9	31.4	36.2
100	9.7	14.1	16.4	19.0	8.2	12.5	13.9	15.5	11.0	15.5	18.3	21.4
Mean proportion	40.2	52.9	57.6	61.1	36.8	50.9	55.2	58.5	43.3	54.6	59.3	62.9
Mean proportion (recipients only)	49.5	58.2	62.4	65.8	46.6	56.2	59.7	63.4	52.0	59.9	64.4	67.3
Number (thousands)	14,197	10,083	7,455	10,845	6,787	4,621	3,168	4,396	7,411	5,461	4,287	6,449
Government employee pensions												
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	82.7	84.5	83.6	84.8	82.5	84.4	83.0	83.8	82.8	84.7	84.0	85.5
1–19	4.7	3.9	3.9	3.8	4.6	3.9	3.9	3.9	4.8	3.9	3.9	3.7
20–39	5.1	4.1	4.6	4.2	5.4	4.3	4.8	4.7	4.9	4.0	4.5	3.9
40–59	3.5	3.5	3.9	3.8	3.5	3.3	3.7	4.0	3.5	3.7	4.0	3.6
60–79	2.6	2.7	2.3	2.1	2.5	2.7	2.9	2.5	2.8	2.8	1.9	1.9
80 or more	1.3	1.2	1.7	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.7	1.1	1.2	1.0	1.6	1.5
50 or more	5.2	5.4	5.7	5.2	5.2	5.3	6.0	5.5	5.2	5.5	5.4	4.9
90 or more	0.8	0.7	1.1	0.7	0.9	0.8	1.1	0.3	0.8	0.6	1.0	0.9
100	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.0	0.4
Mean proportion	6.8	6.3	6.8	6.2	6.8	6.4	7.2	6.6	6.8	6.2	6.6	6.0
Mean proportion (recipients only)	39.3	40.9	41.7	41.0	39.2	41.1	42.3	40.6	39.3	40.8	41.2	41.3
Number (thousands)	14,197	10,083	7,455	10,845	6,787	4,621	3,168	4,396	7,411	5,461	4,287	6,449

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Relative Importance of Family Income Sources for Persons 65 or Older

Table 8.B2
Percentage distribution, by income source, sex, and age, 2012—Continued

Proportion of family income	All persons				Men				Women			
	65-69	70-74	75-79	80 or older	65-69	70-74	75-79	80 or older	65-69	70-74	75-79	80 or older
<i>Private pensions or annuities</i>												
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	72.6	68.1	69.2	70.9	73.0	65.8	66.4	65.4	72.2	70.1	71.3	74.6
1-19	12.9	15.1	15.1	12.8	12.8	15.8	15.9	13.7	12.9	14.4	14.6	12.2
20-39	8.5	9.4	9.5	9.7	8.4	9.6	10.7	12.0	8.5	9.3	8.6	8.1
40-59	4.1	5.2	4.3	4.4	4.0	6.2	4.5	5.9	4.2	4.4	4.1	3.3
60-79	1.3	1.5	1.4	1.5	1.2	1.8	2.0	2.3	1.4	1.3	0.9	1.0
80 or more	0.7	0.7	0.5	0.7	0.6	0.8	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.5	0.5	0.8
50 or more	3.6	3.8	3.5	3.7	3.4	4.6	4.6	4.9	3.7	3.2	2.8	2.9
90 or more	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.2	0.6	0.3	0.2	0.3
100	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.1
Mean proportion	7.1	8.3	7.7	7.8	7.0	9.2	8.7	9.8	7.3	7.5	7.0	6.4
Mean proportion (recipients only)	26.0	26.0	25.1	26.8	25.8	26.9	25.8	28.4	26.3	25.2	24.5	25.3
Number (thousands)	14,197	10,083	7,455	10,845	6,787	4,621	3,168	4,396	7,411	5,461	4,287	6,449
<i>Income from assets</i>												
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	41.6	42.9	43.2	44.6	39.0	40.5	41.5	41.3	44.0	44.8	44.6	46.9
1-19	48.4	44.8	45.3	43.9	51.0	47.1	45.4	45.7	46.0	42.9	45.3	42.7
20-39	5.4	7.1	5.8	5.9	5.6	7.4	6.7	6.7	5.1	6.8	5.2	5.4
40-59	2.8	2.9	3.2	2.4	2.7	2.8	3.9	3.2	2.9	3.0	2.7	1.9
60-79	1.2	1.6	1.7	1.8	1.0	1.7	1.9	1.9	1.3	1.6	1.6	1.7
80 or more	0.7	0.7	0.6	1.4	0.7	0.4	0.7	1.1	0.7	0.9	0.6	1.5
50 or more	3.0	3.7	3.6	4.2	2.7	3.8	4.0	4.5	3.3	3.6	3.3	4.0
90 or more	0.5	0.3	0.4	0.6	0.5	0.3	0.3	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.6
100	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.5
Mean proportion	6.1	7.0	6.7	6.9	6.0	7.0	7.5	7.7	6.1	7.0	6.1	6.4
Mean proportion (recipients only)	10.4	12.2	11.9	12.5	9.9	11.8	12.9	13.1	10.8	12.6	11.0	12.0
Number (thousands)	14,197	10,083	7,455	10,845	6,787	4,621	3,168	4,396	7,411	5,461	4,287	6,449

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Relative Importance of Family Income Sources for Persons 65 or Older

Table 8.B2
Percentage distribution, by income source, sex, and age, 2012—Continued

Proportion of family income	All persons				Men				Women			
	65–69	70–74	75–79	80 or older	65–69	70–74	75–79	80 or older	65–69	70–74	75–79	80 or older
Cash public assistance												
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	95.1	95.1	95.5	95.8	96.2	95.6	96.0	96.6	94.1	94.7	95.2	95.3
1–19	2.0	2.4	2.1	1.6	1.7	2.1	2.2	1.2	2.2	2.7	2.0	1.9
20–39	1.3	1.2	0.7	1.1	1.0	1.1	0.7	0.9	1.6	1.4	0.7	1.3
40–59	0.5	0.3	0.6	0.4	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.7	0.3	0.8	0.5
60–79	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.2
80 or more	1.0	0.7	1.0	0.9	0.8	0.7	0.9	1.1	1.3	0.8	1.1	0.8
50 or more	1.3	1.0	1.2	1.2	1.0	0.9	0.9	1.2	1.6	1.1	1.5	1.2
90 or more	1.0	0.7	1.0	0.9	0.7	0.6	0.9	1.1	1.2	0.8	1.1	0.8
100	0.9	0.7	0.9	0.8	0.6	0.6	0.8	0.9	1.1	0.7	1.0	0.8
Mean proportion	1.9	1.5	1.7	1.7	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.6	2.3	1.7	2.0	1.7
Mean proportion (recipients only)	38.6	31.5	38.9	39.9	36.5	32.2	35.5	45.8	39.8	31.1	41.0	36.9
Number (thousands)	14,197	10,083	7,455	10,845	6,787	4,621	3,168	4,396	7,411	5,461	4,287	6,449

NOTES: Persons in families with zero total income or with negative total income, earnings, or income from assets are excluded.

The relative importance of a source of income may not accurately reflect the resources available to elderly persons or elderly aged units. The survey on which these data are based does not include some potentially important resources as income, including lump-sum pension payments and capital gains. In addition, these statistics do not take into consideration noncash benefits that supplement money income (housing and energy subsidies or SNAP benefits) or the amount of savings available to supplement monthly income. Consult the Frequently Asked Questions for further information.

Relative Importance of Family Income Sources for Persons 65 or Older

Table 8.B3
Percentage distribution, by income source, sex, and marital status, 2012

Proportion of family income	All persons					Men					Women				
	Married	Nonmarried				Married	Nonmarried				Married	Nonmarried			
		Total	Widowed	Divorced	Never married		Total	Widowed	Divorced	Never married		Total	Widowed	Divorced	Never married
<i>Earnings</i>															
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	54.5	67.1	71.0	61.2	63.5	51.3	69.3	74.0	66.7	67.3	58.6	66.2	70.2	57.7	60.2
1-19	7.6	4.2	4.0	4.8	3.5	7.5	4.4	4.7	4.4	3.6	7.9	4.1	3.8	5.0	3.5
20-39	8.3	4.3	3.9	5.3	4.1	8.5	3.8	3.0	4.6	3.7	8.0	4.5	4.1	5.8	4.5
40-59	9.0	5.6	5.5	6.1	5.7	9.6	5.0	5.0	5.2	3.7	8.2	5.9	5.6	6.6	7.5
60-79	9.2	7.9	7.4	9.3	8.0	10.4	6.5	5.0	7.8	6.8	7.7	8.5	8.0	10.2	9.1
80 or more	11.3	10.9	8.3	13.4	15.0	12.6	11.0	8.3	11.3	15.0	9.5	10.9	8.3	14.7	15.1
50 or more	25.0	22.1	18.6	26.4	26.6	27.9	20.6	16.1	22.5	24.3	21.4	22.7	19.3	28.8	28.6
90 or more	7.4	6.9	4.3	9.2	12.0	8.2	8.1	5.0	8.6	12.7	6.3	6.5	4.1	9.6	11.3
100	2.7	3.1	1.8	4.0	6.2	3.0	3.7	2.2	4.0	6.0	2.3	2.8	1.7	4.0	6.4
Mean proportion	24.7	20.3	17.1	24.3	24.5	27.2	19.1	15.1	20.7	22.5	21.6	20.8	17.6	26.6	26.1
Mean proportion (recipients only)	54.3	61.7	59.0	62.7	67.1	55.7	62.2	58.2	62.1	69.0	52.1	61.5	59.2	62.9	65.7
Number (thousands)	24,127	18,453	10,914	4,708	1,839	13,554	5,418	2,288	1,812	854	10,573	13,035	8,626	2,896	985
<i>Retirement benefits</i>															
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	8.4	9.5	5.3	12.9	18.1	9.2	11.4	6.9	11.8	18.7	7.4	8.7	4.9	13.5	17.6
1-19	8.1	7.5	7.8	7.4	5.8	9.1	6.3	7.2	5.5	5.3	6.8	8.1	8.0	8.6	6.2
20-39	12.7	10.1	9.8	11.8	9.0	13.5	9.1	7.5	11.7	8.8	11.5	10.4	10.4	11.8	9.2
40-59	11.7	8.9	9.2	8.7	8.8	12.0	8.1	8.9	7.4	7.9	11.2	9.2	9.2	9.6	9.5
60-79	13.1	8.6	9.1	8.6	6.8	12.8	8.3	10.1	7.4	5.8	13.5	8.8	8.8	9.3	7.6
80 or more	46.1	55.5	58.8	50.6	51.6	43.4	56.8	59.4	56.1	53.4	49.5	54.9	58.7	47.2	49.9
50 or more	65.0	68.4	72.5	63.7	62.3	62.1	68.9	74.1	67.1	63.0	68.7	68.2	72.0	61.5	61.6
90 or more	38.5	50.1	53.2	45.6	46.8	36.1	50.5	52.6	50.7	46.8	41.5	50.0	53.4	42.4	46.8
100	17.7	29.5	30.3	28.8	27.4	16.6	29.6	30.7	31.0	26.3	19.2	29.4	30.1	27.5	28.4
Mean proportion	64.2	68.5	72.1	64.3	62.9	61.9	68.6	72.3	67.9	63.1	67.1	68.4	72.1	62.0	62.7
Mean proportion (recipients only)	70.1	75.6	76.2	73.8	76.8	68.2	77.4	77.7	77.0	77.6	72.5	74.9	75.8	71.7	76.0
Number (thousands)	24,127	18,453	10,914	4,708	1,839	13,554	5,418	2,288	1,812	854	10,573	13,035	8,626	2,896	985

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Relative Importance of Family Income Sources for Persons 65 or Older

Table 8.B3
Percentage distribution, by income source, sex, and marital status, 2012—Continued

Proportion of family income	All persons					Men					Women				
	Married	Nonmarried				Married	Nonmarried				Married	Nonmarried			
		Total	Widowed	Divorced	Never married		Total	Widowed	Divorced	Never married		Total	Widowed	Divorced	Never married
Social Security															
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	11.0	12.3	7.9	16.4	21.9	12.2	14.7	9.6	15.9	22.8	9.6	11.4	7.5	16.7	21.1
1–19	14.3	11.2	12.1	10.0	9.3	15.3	10.5	12.8	8.6	8.1	13.0	11.5	11.9	10.8	10.4
20–39	20.4	15.0	14.5	16.3	16.5	21.0	16.2	15.8	16.3	17.4	19.6	14.6	14.2	16.3	15.7
40–59	16.9	13.9	14.4	14.7	10.9	16.4	13.9	15.4	14.3	9.0	17.5	13.9	14.1	15.0	12.5
60–79	13.9	10.8	11.5	10.3	9.4	13.1	10.3	12.2	9.2	9.2	14.9	11.0	11.3	11.0	9.6
80 or more	23.5	36.7	39.6	32.3	32.1	22.0	34.4	34.2	35.7	33.6	25.4	37.7	41.0	30.2	30.7
50 or more	45.6	54.4	58.1	50.1	46.1	43.0	51.3	53.5	52.0	46.5	49.0	55.6	59.4	49.0	45.8
90 or more	17.8	31.2	33.5	28.0	26.8	16.7	28.7	27.5	31.1	27.9	19.3	32.3	35.1	26.1	25.9
100	10.0	20.0	20.5	19.3	19.0	9.3	18.4	18.2	19.9	18.2	10.8	20.6	21.1	19.0	19.7
Mean proportion	48.3	55.8	59.2	52.0	48.9	46.4	53.3	55.1	54.2	49.2	50.8	56.8	60.3	50.6	48.7
Mean proportion (recipients only)	54.3	63.7	64.3	62.2	62.7	52.8	62.5	60.9	64.4	63.7	56.2	64.1	65.2	60.8	61.8
Number (thousands)	24,127	18,453	10,914	4,708	1,839	13,554	5,418	2,288	1,812	854	10,573	13,035	8,626	2,896	985
Government employee pensions															
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	81.2	87.2	86.8	88.1	86.0	81.5	87.9	87.0	89.7	87.6	80.8	87.0	86.8	87.0	84.6
1–19	5.1	3.0	3.5	2.1	2.5	4.9	2.3	3.3	1.3	1.6	5.2	3.2	3.5	2.6	3.2
20–39	5.7	3.0	3.4	2.6	3.0	5.8	2.7	3.4	2.1	2.5	5.7	3.2	3.4	2.9	3.4
40–59	4.1	3.1	3.1	3.6	1.9	3.9	2.8	2.5	3.4	1.8	4.2	3.2	3.3	3.8	1.9
60–79	2.8	2.1	2.0	1.8	3.0	2.7	2.4	2.6	1.5	2.9	2.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	3.0
80 or more	1.2	1.6	1.2	1.8	3.7	1.2	1.9	1.3	2.0	3.6	1.2	1.4	1.2	1.7	3.8
50 or more	5.6	5.0	4.6	4.8	7.7	5.4	5.3	4.9	4.3	7.2	5.8	4.8	4.5	5.1	8.2
90 or more	0.6	1.1	0.7	1.4	2.9	0.6	1.2	0.4	1.5	2.8	0.6	1.0	0.7	1.4	3.1
100	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.5	0.4	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.7	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.6
Mean proportion	7.2	5.7	5.4	5.7	7.6	7.1	5.9	5.6	5.3	7.2	7.4	5.6	5.4	6.0	7.9
Mean proportion (recipients only)	38.4	44.5	41.3	48.0	54.2	38.3	48.6	42.6	51.6	58.3	38.5	42.9	40.9	46.2	51.3
Number (thousands)	24,127	18,453	10,914	4,708	1,839	13,554	5,418	2,288	1,812	854	10,573	13,035	8,626	2,896	985

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Relative Importance of Family Income Sources for Persons 65 or Older

Table 8.B3
Percentage distribution, by income source, sex, and marital status, 2012—Continued

Proportion of family income	All persons					Men					Women				
	Married	Nonmarried				Married	Nonmarried				Married	Nonmarried			
		Total	Widowed	Divorced	Never married		Total	Widowed	Divorced	Never married		Total	Widowed	Divorced	Never married
<i>Private pensions or annuities</i>															
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	66.3	76.0	73.7	77.8	79.4	67.0	71.8	65.3	75.1	78.5	65.5	77.7	75.9	79.5	80.2
1–19	16.4	10.3	11.8	8.9	8.1	16.2	9.4	11.4	7.8	8.7	16.7	10.7	11.9	9.5	7.6
20–39	10.6	7.3	7.9	6.7	6.4	10.3	9.0	11.4	8.0	6.4	11.1	6.6	7.0	5.9	6.4
40–59	4.6	4.3	4.4	4.5	3.2	4.6	6.3	8.0	5.6	3.0	4.7	3.4	3.4	3.8	3.3
60–79	1.3	1.5	1.4	1.5	2.3	1.3	2.7	2.9	2.6	3.0	1.3	1.1	1.0	0.9	1.6
80 or more	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.8	1.0	0.9	0.3	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.4	0.9
50 or more	3.6	3.8	3.8	4.0	4.2	3.5	6.0	7.2	5.6	4.7	3.6	2.9	2.8	2.9	3.9
90 or more	0.3	0.5	0.6	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.5	0.3	0.6
100	0.1	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.0	0.4
Mean proportion	8.3	6.8	7.2	6.5	6.3	8.1	9.3	11.3	8.4	6.6	8.6	5.8	6.2	5.4	6.0
Mean proportion (recipients only)	24.8	28.4	27.5	29.4	30.6	24.7	32.9	32.7	33.6	30.8	24.9	26.1	25.6	26.2	30.4
Number (thousands)	24,127	18,453	10,914	4,708	1,839	13,554	5,418	2,288	1,812	854	10,573	13,035	8,626	2,896	985
<i>Income from assets</i>															
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	35.6	52.6	50.5	54.3	54.8	35.7	51.9	49.3	54.8	50.2	35.5	52.9	50.9	54.0	58.9
1–19	51.3	38.8	40.2	37.9	36.4	51.6	38.5	39.2	37.3	38.7	50.8	38.9	40.4	38.3	34.4
20–39	7.5	4.0	4.5	3.3	4.3	7.3	4.6	5.8	3.6	4.8	7.8	3.8	4.2	3.1	3.8
40–59	3.1	2.4	2.5	2.3	2.5	3.0	3.1	3.7	2.5	3.8	3.2	2.1	2.2	2.2	1.4
60–79	1.8	1.2	1.2	1.2	0.9	1.7	1.1	1.2	1.1	1.3	2.0	1.2	1.2	1.3	0.7
80 or more	0.7	1.0	1.1	0.9	1.1	0.7	0.9	0.9	0.7	1.2	0.8	1.1	1.1	1.1	0.9
50 or more	3.9	3.1	3.2	3.1	3.1	3.7	3.3	3.5	2.8	4.3	4.1	3.1	3.1	3.3	2.0
90 or more	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.7	0.8	0.3	0.6	0.4	0.7	1.0	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.7	0.7
100	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.7	0.7	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.6	0.4	0.5	0.3	0.7	0.7
Mean proportion	7.6	5.4	5.7	4.9	5.3	7.3	5.9	6.7	4.8	6.8	7.9	5.2	5.4	4.9	4.1
Mean proportion (recipients only)	11.8	11.3	11.5	10.7	11.8	11.4	12.2	13.3	10.7	13.6	12.2	10.9	11.1	10.6	9.9
Number (thousands)	24,127	18,453	10,914	4,708	1,839	13,554	5,418	2,288	1,812	854	10,573	13,035	8,626	2,896	985

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Relative Importance of Family Income Sources for Persons 65 or Older

Table 8.B3
Percentage distribution, by income source, sex, and marital status, 2012—Continued

Proportion of family income	All persons					Men					Women				
	Married	Nonmarried				Married	Nonmarried				Married	Nonmarried			
		Total	Widowed	Divorced	Never married		Total	Widowed	Divorced	Never married		Total	Widowed	Divorced	Never married
Cash public assistance															
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	96.8	93.5	94.4	93.3	90.7	96.8	94.4	94.7	95.7	91.2	96.8	93.1	94.4	91.7	90.3
1–19	1.6	2.5	2.2	2.6	3.1	1.7	2.0	1.7	1.5	3.2	1.5	2.7	2.4	3.2	3.1
20–39	0.8	1.6	1.5	1.5	1.8	0.8	1.3	1.7	0.6	2.0	0.8	1.7	1.4	2.1	1.6
40–59	0.3	0.7	0.6	0.5	1.2	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.2	1.1	0.3	0.8	0.7	0.8	1.3
60–79	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.6	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.5	0.0	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.6
80 or more	0.5	1.5	1.1	1.8	2.7	0.5	1.8	1.6	1.9	2.1	0.5	1.4	0.9	1.8	3.2
50 or more	0.6	2.0	1.4	2.3	3.8	0.5	2.1	1.7	2.1	3.0	0.6	2.0	1.4	2.4	4.6
90 or more	0.5	1.5	1.1	1.8	2.4	0.4	1.7	1.6	1.9	1.5	0.5	1.4	0.9	1.8	3.2
100	0.4	1.3	1.0	1.4	2.3	0.4	1.4	1.5	1.2	1.5	0.5	1.2	0.8	1.5	3.0
Mean proportion	1.0	2.7	2.1	3.0	4.4	1.0	2.6	2.4	2.4	3.8	1.0	2.7	2.0	3.3	5.0
Mean proportion (recipients only)	30.6	41.4	37.7	44.1	47.3	30.0	47.1	45.8	55.3	42.5	31.3	39.5	35.8	40.4	51.1
Number (thousands)	24,127	18,453	10,914	4,708	1,839	13,554	5,418	2,288	1,812	854	10,573	13,035	8,626	2,896	985

NOTES: Persons in families with zero total income or with negative total income, earnings, or income from assets are excluded.

The relative importance of a source of income may not accurately reflect the resources available to elderly persons or elderly aged units. The survey on which these data are based does not include some potentially important resources as income, including lump-sum pension payments and capital gains. In addition, these statistics do not take into consideration noncash benefits that supplement money income (housing and energy subsidies or SNAP benefits) or the amount of savings available to supplement monthly income. Consult the Frequently Asked Questions for further information.

Relative Importance of Family Income Sources for Persons 65 or Older

Table 8.B4
Percentage distribution, by source of family income, family Social Security beneficiary status, sex, and marital status, 2012

Proportion of family income	Persons in beneficiary families									Persons in nonbeneficiary families								
	All			Men			Women			All			Men			Women		
	Total	Married	Non-married	Total	Married	Non-married	Total	Married	Non-married	Total	Married	Non-married	Total	Married	Non-married	Total	Married	Non-married
<i>Earnings</i>																		
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	64.3	58.8	71.6	61.4	55.9	75.5	66.5	62.3	70.0	27.0	20.1	35.1	22.9	17.7	33.5	31.1	24.0	35.9
1-19	6.8	8.4	4.6	7.3	8.3	4.8	6.3	8.6	4.5	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.5	1.2	2.0	1.1	1.3	1.0
20-39	7.1	9.0	4.6	7.9	9.3	4.2	6.5	8.6	4.7	2.5	2.7	2.1	2.5	2.9	1.7	2.4	2.5	2.4
40-59	8.0	9.5	6.1	8.9	10.2	5.5	7.4	8.6	6.3	3.9	5.3	2.3	4.5	5.6	2.1	3.4	4.8	2.5
60-79	8.6	9.1	8.0	9.2	10.4	6.1	8.2	7.6	8.8	8.9	10.2	7.3	10.1	10.9	8.5	7.6	9.0	6.6
80 or more	5.2	5.2	5.2	5.3	5.9	3.9	5.1	4.4	5.7	56.4	60.4	51.8	58.5	61.6	52.1	54.4	58.4	51.6
50 or more	18.0	19.1	16.6	19.1	21.3	13.3	17.2	16.3	17.9	67.5	73.0	61.0	71.2	75.3	62.7	63.8	69.2	60.1
90 or more	1.5	1.5	1.4	1.6	1.7	1.4	1.4	1.3	1.4	50.8	54.6	46.3	52.7	55.4	47.1	48.9	53.4	45.8
100	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	24.6	24.1	25.2	24.7	24.4	25.4	24.5	23.8	25.0
Mean proportion	17.4	19.1	15.1	18.6	21.0	12.3	16.5	16.8	16.2	64.0	69.6	57.6	67.2	71.4	58.7	60.9	66.6	57.0
Mean proportion (recipients only)	48.7	46.4	53.0	48.2	47.7	50.1	49.1	44.5	54.0	87.8	87.1	88.8	87.2	86.7	88.3	88.4	87.7	89.0
Number (thousands)	37,639	21,464	16,175	16,527	11,906	4,621	21,112	9,558	11,554	4,941	2,663	2,278	2,445	1,648	797	2,496	1,015	1,481
<i>Retirement benefits</i>																		
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	76.4	76.2	76.6	76.1	75.5	77.3	76.7	77.4	76.2
1-19	8.2	8.4	8.1	8.7	9.4	6.9	7.9	7.1	8.5	4.8	5.7	3.9	5.3	6.6	2.6	4.4	4.2	4.5
20-39	12.5	13.7	10.9	13.4	14.8	10.0	11.8	12.5	11.3	3.9	3.9	3.9	4.5	4.7	4.1	3.3	2.7	3.8
40-59	11.5	12.8	9.9	12.2	13.3	9.3	11.0	12.1	10.1	2.3	2.9	1.6	2.4	2.9	1.4	2.2	3.0	1.6
60-79	12.4	14.5	9.5	12.9	14.3	9.5	11.9	14.8	9.5	2.0	1.8	2.2	1.6	1.8	1.1	2.3	1.8	2.7
80 or more	55.3	50.6	61.6	52.7	48.2	64.3	57.4	53.6	60.5	10.6	9.5	11.9	10.2	8.6	13.5	11.0	10.9	11.1
50 or more	73.4	71.5	76.1	71.7	69.1	78.3	74.8	74.4	75.2	13.6	13.0	14.2	12.9	12.1	14.6	14.2	14.6	13.9
90 or more	48.1	42.3	55.7	44.9	40.2	57.2	50.5	45.0	55.1	9.1	7.8	10.6	8.5	7.0	11.5	9.7	9.1	10.2
100	25.3	19.5	32.9	22.7	18.5	33.7	27.3	20.8	32.6	4.0	3.4	4.7	3.8	2.9	5.6	4.2	4.2	4.2
Mean proportion	72.8	70.5	76.0	71.2	68.7	77.6	74.1	72.7	75.3	14.3	13.6	15.2	13.9	12.9	15.9	14.7	14.6	14.8
Mean proportion (recipients only)	72.8	70.5	76.0	71.2	68.7	77.6	74.1	72.7	75.3	60.7	57.1	65.0	58.1	52.8	69.9	63.3	64.6	62.5
Number (thousands)	37,639	21,464	16,175	16,527	11,906	4,621	21,112	9,558	11,554	4,941	2,663	2,278	2,445	1,648	797	2,496	1,015	1,481

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Relative Importance of Family Income Sources for Persons 65 or Older

Table 8.B4

Percentage distribution, by source of family income, family Social Security beneficiary status, sex, and marital status, 2012—*Continued*

Proportion of family income	Persons in beneficiary families									Persons in nonbeneficiary families								
	All			Men			Women			All			Men			Women		
	Total	Married	Non-married	Total	Married	Non-married	Total	Married	Non-married	Total	Married	Non-married	Total	Married	Non-married	Total	Married	Non-married
Government employee pensions																		
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	83.3	80.3	87.2	82.6	80.6	87.9	83.8	79.9	86.9	88.0	88.5	87.4	88.1	88.2	88.1	87.9	89.1	87.1
1–19	4.4	5.4	3.2	4.5	5.2	2.6	4.4	5.5	3.4	1.9	2.5	1.3	2.0	2.7	0.5	1.9	2.2	1.7
20–39	4.9	6.2	3.2	5.2	6.2	2.8	4.6	6.2	3.3	2.1	2.2	2.0	2.5	2.7	2.1	1.8	1.5	2.0
40–59	3.9	4.3	3.4	3.9	4.2	3.2	3.9	4.5	3.5	1.4	1.7	1.0	1.4	1.7	0.6	1.4	1.6	1.2
60–79	2.6	3.0	2.2	2.8	2.9	2.6	2.5	3.0	2.0	1.3	1.2	1.4	1.0	1.1	0.9	1.5	1.3	1.7
80 or more	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.8	5.2	3.9	6.8	5.0	3.6	7.8	5.5	4.3	6.3
50 or more	5.1	5.5	4.5	5.2	5.4	4.8	5.0	5.7	4.4	7.0	5.7	8.4	6.5	5.4	8.7	7.4	6.3	8.2
90 or more	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.4	4.7	3.6	5.9	4.3	3.4	6.2	5.0	3.9	5.8
100	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.0	1.9	2.2	1.8	1.7	2.1	2.2	2.3	2.2
Mean proportion	6.4	7.3	5.2	6.7	7.2	5.3	6.2	7.5	5.2	7.5	6.5	8.8	7.2	6.3	9.1	7.8	6.7	8.6
Mean proportion (recipients only)	38.4	37.1	41.0	38.4	37.1	43.9	38.4	37.1	39.9	62.9	56.5	69.7	61.0	53.4	76.7	64.7	61.9	66.3
Number (thousands)	37,639	21,464	16,175	16,527	11,906	4,621	21,112	9,558	11,554	4,941	2,663	2,278	2,445	1,648	797	2,496	1,015	1,481
Private pensions or annuities																		
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	68.1	63.6	74.1	65.4	64.1	68.8	70.2	62.9	76.2	88.9	88.5	89.3	88.5	88.0	89.7	89.2	89.3	89.1
1–19	15.1	18.0	11.3	15.7	17.8	10.6	14.6	18.2	11.6	3.7	4.1	3.2	4.1	5.0	2.3	3.2	2.7	3.6
20–39	10.1	11.7	8.0	11.0	11.4	10.2	9.4	12.1	7.2	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.2	2.1	2.4	2.0	2.0	1.9
40–59	5.0	5.1	4.7	5.7	5.1	7.2	4.4	5.1	3.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.8	1.0	0.7	0.8	0.7
60–79	1.5	1.4	1.7	1.9	1.4	3.2	1.2	1.4	1.1	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.5	0.6	0.2	0.8	0.5	1.0
80 or more	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.2	4.0	4.0	3.9	3.8	3.5	4.3	4.1	4.8	3.7
50 or more	3.5	3.4	3.7	4.2	3.4	6.2	3.0	3.4	2.6	4.9	5.1	4.8	4.7	4.6	4.9	5.1	5.7	4.7
90 or more	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	3.2	2.7	3.8	3.0	2.3	4.3	3.5	3.4	3.5
100	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.5	0.9	2.2	1.4	0.7	2.8	1.6	1.1	1.9
Mean proportion	8.0	8.7	7.0	8.9	8.6	9.9	7.2	8.9	5.9	5.5	5.4	5.5	5.3	5.1	5.7	5.6	5.9	5.4
Mean proportion (recipients only)	25.0	23.9	27.1	25.8	23.9	31.6	24.3	23.9	24.7	48.9	46.8	51.7	46.1	42.1	55.8	51.9	55.4	49.6
Number (thousands)	37,639	21,464	16,175	16,527	11,906	4,621	21,112	9,558	11,554	4,941	2,663	2,278	2,445	1,648	797	2,496	1,015	1,481

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Relative Importance of Family Income Sources for Persons 65 or Older

Table 8.B4

Percentage distribution, by source of family income, family Social Security beneficiary status, sex, and marital status, 2012—Continued

Proportion of family income	Persons in beneficiary families									Persons in nonbeneficiary families								
	All			Men			Women			All			Men			Women		
	Total	Married	Non-married	Total	Married	Non-married	Total	Married	Non-married	Total	Married	Non-married	Total	Married	Non-married	Total	Married	Non-married
<i>Income from assets</i>																		
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	42.2	34.8	51.9	39.6	35.1	51.2	44.2	34.6	52.1	49.1	41.7	57.7	45.3	40.3	55.8	52.7	43.9	58.7
1–19	46.5	51.8	39.4	48.3	52.0	38.6	45.0	51.5	39.7	41.4	47.3	34.5	45.3	48.9	38.0	37.5	44.7	32.6
20–39	6.4	7.9	4.3	6.9	7.7	5.0	5.9	8.2	4.0	3.2	4.2	2.1	3.7	4.5	2.0	2.8	3.7	2.2
40–59	3.0	3.2	2.6	3.2	3.2	3.5	2.7	3.3	2.3	1.6	2.1	1.0	1.8	2.2	0.9	1.4	1.9	1.0
60–79	1.6	1.9	1.2	1.6	1.8	1.2	1.6	2.0	1.2	1.1	1.3	0.8	0.9	1.2	0.3	1.3	1.5	1.1
80 or more	0.5	0.4	0.6	0.4	0.3	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.6	3.7	3.5	3.9	3.0	3.0	2.9	4.3	4.2	4.4
50 or more	3.3	3.6	2.9	3.4	3.5	3.3	3.2	3.8	2.7	5.6	6.1	5.1	4.7	5.4	3.4	6.5	7.2	6.1
90 or more	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.1	3.5	3.3	3.7	2.8	2.8	2.9	4.2	4.2	4.1
100	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.3	2.9	3.6	2.6	2.5	2.9	3.9	3.7	4.0
Mean proportion	6.5	7.5	5.2	6.9	7.3	5.9	6.2	7.8	4.9	7.4	8.1	6.6	6.9	7.7	5.4	7.8	8.7	7.2
Mean proportion (recipients only)	11.3	11.5	10.8	11.4	11.2	12.2	11.1	11.9	10.2	14.5	13.8	15.5	12.7	12.9	12.2	16.5	15.5	17.4
Number (thousands)	37,639	21,464	16,175	16,527	11,906	4,621	21,112	9,558	11,554	4,941	2,663	2,278	2,445	1,648	797	2,496	1,015	1,481

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Relative Importance of Family Income Sources for Persons 65 or Older

Table 8.B4

Percentage distribution, by source of family income, family Social Security beneficiary status, sex, and marital status, 2012—Continued

Proportion of family income	Persons in beneficiary families									Persons in nonbeneficiary families								
	All			Men			Women			All			Men			Women		
	Total	Married	Non-married	Total	Married	Non-married	Total	Married	Non-married	Total	Married	Non-married	Total	Married	Non-married	Total	Married	Non-married
Cash public assistance																		
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	96.7	97.6	95.4	97.2	97.5	96.5	96.2	97.7	95.0	85.5	90.3	79.8	88.3	91.3	82.1	82.7	88.7	78.6
1–19	1.8	1.5	2.3	1.6	1.6	1.6	2.0	1.4	2.6	3.3	2.8	3.9	3.0	2.5	4.1	3.6	3.1	3.8
20–39	1.0	0.7	1.4	0.9	0.7	1.3	1.1	0.7	1.5	2.1	1.5	2.7	1.5	1.5	1.6	2.6	1.6	3.3
40–59	0.4	0.2	0.7	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.5	0.2	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.7	0.5	0.6	0.3	1.1	1.4	1.0
60–79	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.2	0.3	0.0	0.6	0.2	0.8
80 or more	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	8.0	4.2	12.3	6.4	3.7	12.0	9.5	5.0	12.5
50 or more	0.2	0.1	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.4	0.3	0.0	0.5	8.5	4.5	13.1	6.7	4.1	12.0	10.2	5.3	13.6
90 or more	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	7.8	4.1	12.0	6.2	3.6	11.5	9.3	4.9	12.3
100	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.9	3.9	10.5	5.5	3.3	9.9	8.4	4.7	10.9
Mean proportion	0.7	0.4	1.1	0.6	0.4	0.9	0.8	0.4	1.2	9.5	5.5	14.1	7.4	4.9	12.8	11.4	6.5	14.8
Mean proportion (recipients only)	21.2	17.4	23.9	20.3	17.4	25.6	21.8	17.5	23.4	65.0	56.8	69.6	63.6	56.1	71.2	65.9	57.7	68.9
Number (thousands)	37,639	21,464	16,175	16,527	11,906	4,621	21,112	9,558	11,554	4,941	2,663	2,278	2,445	1,648	797	2,496	1,015	1,481

NOTES: Persons in families with zero total income or with negative total income, earnings, or income from assets are excluded.

The relative importance of a source of income may not accurately reflect the resources available to elderly persons or elderly aged units. The survey on which these data are based does not include some potentially important resources as income, including lump-sum pension payments and capital gains. In addition, these statistics do not take into consideration noncash benefits that supplement money income (housing and energy subsidies or SNAP benefits) or the amount of savings available to supplement monthly income. Consult the Frequently Asked Questions for further information.

Relative Importance of Family Income Sources for Persons 65 or Older

Table 8.B5
Percentage distribution, by source of family income, race, Hispanic origin, and sex, 2012

Proportion of family income	White alone			Black alone			Asian alone			Hispanic origin		
	All persons	Men	Women	All persons	Men	Women	All persons	Men	Women	All persons	Men	Women
Earnings												
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	61.2	57.5	64.2	58.0	54.8	60.3	38.1	35.6	39.9	50.4	50.2	50.6
1–19	6.3	6.8	6.0	4.9	5.4	4.6	3.9	3.4	4.3	3.8	3.6	4.0
20–39	6.6	7.2	6.2	6.0	7.4	5.0	5.3	6.3	4.5	4.9	5.9	4.1
40–59	7.5	8.4	6.7	8.2	8.4	8.1	8.7	8.3	9.1	8.7	9.7	7.9
60–79	8.4	9.1	7.8	8.9	9.4	8.6	14.0	13.8	14.1	12.1	12.6	11.8
80 or more	10.0	11.0	9.1	13.9	14.6	13.4	30.0	32.6	28.1	20.1	18.0	21.7
50 or more	22.2	24.4	20.5	26.9	28.3	25.9	49.5	51.9	47.7	37.4	36.2	38.2
90 or more	6.3	7.3	5.5	9.2	10.2	8.5	20.5	22.8	18.9	14.1	13.6	14.5
100	2.4	2.7	2.2	5.3	5.9	4.8	7.0	8.7	5.7	7.9	7.7	8.0
Mean proportion	21.5	23.7	19.7	25.7	27.4	24.5	44.6	47.1	42.8	33.8	33.2	34.2
Mean proportion (recipients only)	55.4	55.7	55.1	61.2	60.6	61.7	72.0	73.1	71.2	68.1	66.6	69.3
Number (thousands)	36,472	16,376	20,097	3,808	1,592	2,216	1,632	701	932	3,141	1,345	1,797
Retirement benefits												
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	7.7	8.6	7.0	12.8	14.3	11.7	24.2	27.4	21.8	18.3	17.3	19.1
1–19	7.4	8.0	6.9	7.4	7.3	7.4	19.5	18.7	20.0	10.3	9.7	10.8
20–39	11.7	12.5	11.0	10.2	10.7	9.9	12.9	12.5	13.2	12.7	13.1	12.4
40–59	10.5	10.8	10.2	10.6	11.8	9.7	8.6	9.7	7.8	10.1	11.1	9.3
60–79	11.5	11.7	11.3	9.0	10.0	8.3	8.4	8.8	8.2	7.7	7.2	8.1
80 or more	51.3	48.5	53.6	50.1	45.9	53.1	26.4	22.8	29.0	40.9	41.6	40.3
50 or more	68.0	65.5	70.0	64.5	61.7	66.5	38.7	36.2	40.5	53.2	53.5	52.9
90 or more	44.3	41.0	47.0	45.1	40.5	48.4	23.6	20.7	25.8	36.5	37.4	35.9
100	22.1	19.8	24.0	32.7	28.5	35.7	13.6	11.9	14.8	26.9	27.2	26.6
Mean proportion	67.3	65.1	69.2	64.6	61.8	66.6	41.7	39.0	43.6	55.3	56.2	54.7
Mean proportion (recipients only)	73.0	71.2	74.4	74.0	72.1	75.4	55.0	53.8	55.8	67.7	67.9	67.7
Number (thousands)	36,472	16,376	20,097	3,808	1,592	2,216	1,632	701	932	3,141	1,345	1,797

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Relative Importance of Family Income Sources for Persons 65 or Older

Table 8.B5
Percentage distribution, by source of family income, race, Hispanic origin, and sex, 2012—Continued

Proportion of family income	White alone			Black alone			Asian alone			Hispanic origin		
	All persons	Men	Women	All persons	Men	Women	All persons	Men	Women	All persons	Men	Women
Social Security												
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	10.4	11.6	9.3	16.7	18.0	15.7	26.6	29.3	24.6	20.7	19.8	21.3
1–19	12.7	13.9	11.8	11.6	11.8	11.4	22.5	22.0	22.8	13.2	13.3	13.1
20–39	18.5	20.1	17.2	15.6	17.2	14.5	15.7	15.6	15.7	14.6	15.7	13.8
40–59	16.0	16.0	15.9	13.7	14.7	12.9	10.4	9.5	11.2	12.2	12.7	11.9
60–79	13.0	12.6	13.4	10.0	10.8	9.5	7.7	8.4	7.3	8.2	7.3	8.9
80 or more	29.4	25.8	32.4	32.4	27.5	35.9	17.1	15.2	18.4	31.1	31.3	31.0
50 or more	50.3	46.0	53.7	49.4	45.4	52.3	29.3	27.6	30.7	44.6	44.0	45.1
90 or more	23.5	20.0	26.4	28.1	23.8	31.3	14.9	12.9	16.5	27.7	28.4	27.2
100	13.6	11.4	15.4	21.9	18.1	24.6	9.9	8.6	10.8	21.5	21.9	21.3
Mean proportion	52.4	49.0	55.1	51.4	48.1	53.8	34.0	32.0	35.4	48.1	48.1	48.1
Mean proportion (recipients only)	58.4	55.5	60.7	61.7	58.7	63.8	46.3	45.3	47.0	60.6	60.0	61.1
Number (thousands)	36,472	16,376	20,097	3,808	1,592	2,216	1,632	701	932	3,141	1,345	1,797
Government employee pensions												
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	83.4	82.9	83.8	85.1	84.8	85.3	90.6	92.0	89.6	92.1	91.4	92.6
1–19	4.3	4.3	4.3	3.9	3.6	4.1	2.1	2.4	2.0	1.9	1.9	1.9
20–39	4.7	4.9	4.4	3.9	4.8	3.3	3.6	2.9	4.0	2.6	2.9	2.4
40–59	3.7	3.7	3.8	3.1	3.5	2.8	2.7	2.0	3.2	1.2	1.3	1.2
60–79	2.6	2.7	2.4	2.1	2.0	2.2	0.9	0.7	0.9	1.3	1.3	1.3
80 or more	1.4	1.5	1.3	1.8	1.3	2.2	0.2	0.0	0.3	0.9	1.3	0.6
50 or more	5.5	5.6	5.3	4.9	4.7	5.1	2.4	2.0	2.8	2.6	2.8	2.4
90 or more	0.8	0.8	0.8	1.3	0.8	1.6	0.2	0.0	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.3
100	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.6	0.3	0.7	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2
Mean proportion	6.7	7.0	6.5	6.3	6.1	6.4	3.4	2.7	4.0	3.3	3.7	2.9
Mean proportion (recipients only)	40.4	40.7	40.2	42.3	40.4	43.8	36.5	33.1	38.5	41.1	43.1	39.3
Number (thousands)	36,472	16,376	20,097	3,808	1,592	2,216	1,632	701	932	3,141	1,345	1,797

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Relative Importance of Family Income Sources for Persons 65 or Older

Table 8.B5
Percentage distribution, by source of family income, race, Hispanic origin, and sex, 2012—Continued

Proportion of family income	White alone			Black alone			Asian alone			Hispanic origin		
	All persons	Men	Women	All persons	Men	Women	All persons	Men	Women	All persons	Men	Women
<i>Private pensions or annuities</i>												
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	69.3	67.3	70.9	75.4	72.3	77.6	82.1	80.8	83.1	84.8	84.5	85.0
1–19	14.3	14.6	14.0	11.0	12.7	9.8	10.1	11.8	8.8	7.7	7.4	7.9
20–39	9.6	10.3	9.1	7.5	8.7	6.6	4.4	4.5	4.3	4.2	4.1	4.3
40–59	4.6	5.3	4.1	4.5	4.6	4.4	2.4	2.1	2.6	1.9	2.0	1.7
60–79	1.5	1.8	1.2	1.0	1.0	0.9	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.9	0.4
80 or more	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.5	0.2	0.7	0.8	0.9	0.7
50 or more	3.8	4.5	3.3	3.3	3.1	3.5	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.2	2.7	1.8
90 or more	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.2	0.0	0.3	0.7	0.9	0.6
100	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.3	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.4
Mean proportion	8.0	8.8	7.3	6.7	7.3	6.3	4.2	4.2	4.2	3.9	4.2	3.6
Mean proportion (recipients only)	26.1	26.9	25.3	27.1	26.2	28.0	23.5	21.8	24.9	25.5	27.3	24.2
Number (thousands)	36,472	16,376	20,097	3,808	1,592	2,216	1,632	701	932	3,141	1,345	1,797
<i>Income from assets</i>												
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	39.7	37.2	41.8	70.0	66.8	72.3	45.2	46.0	44.7	68.0	66.9	68.8
1–19	48.1	50.0	46.5	27.0	29.9	25.0	45.1	43.7	46.2	28.4	29.5	27.5
20–39	6.5	7.0	6.1	1.8	2.1	1.7	6.2	6.8	5.7	1.9	1.8	1.9
40–59	3.1	3.3	2.9	0.9	1.1	0.8	1.6	1.8	1.4	0.8	0.6	0.9
60–79	1.7	1.7	1.7	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.8	0.7	0.9	0.5	0.7	0.4
80 or more	0.9	0.8	1.0	0.1	0.0	0.1	1.0	1.0	1.1	0.5	0.4	0.5
50 or more	3.9	3.9	3.9	0.7	0.8	0.6	3.1	3.1	3.1	1.1	1.2	1.0
90 or more	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	1.0	0.9	0.4	0.3	0.4
100	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.4	0.3	0.4
Mean proportion	7.2	7.5	7.0	1.9	2.2	1.7	5.3	5.3	5.3	2.5	2.6	2.5
Mean proportion (recipients only)	12.0	11.9	12.0	6.4	6.5	6.2	9.8	9.9	9.6	7.9	7.9	8.0
Number (thousands)	36,472	16,376	20,097	3,808	1,592	2,216	1,632	701	932	3,141	1,345	1,797

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Relative Importance of Family Income Sources for Persons 65 or Older

Table 8.B5
Percentage distribution, by source of family income, race, Hispanic origin, and sex, 2012—Continued

Proportion of family income	White alone			Black alone			Asian alone			Hispanic origin		
	All persons	Men	Women	All persons	Men	Women	All persons	Men	Women	All persons	Men	Women
<i>Cash public assistance</i>												
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	96.4	97.0	95.9	90.1	92.0	88.8	86.8	85.3	88.0	87.9	91.2	85.4
1–19	1.6	1.5	1.7	4.0	2.7	5.0	5.6	6.5	4.9	4.8	3.3	5.8
20–39	0.9	0.7	1.1	2.4	2.2	2.6	2.7	3.0	2.5	3.3	2.4	4.1
40–59	0.3	0.2	0.5	0.9	0.6	1.0	1.0	1.1	0.9	1.3	0.8	1.7
60–79	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.5	0.2	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.4	0.4	0.2	0.5
80 or more	0.7	0.6	0.8	2.1	2.3	2.0	3.4	3.6	3.3	2.4	2.1	2.6
50 or more	0.9	0.7	1.0	2.9	2.6	3.1	4.2	4.5	3.9	3.3	2.6	3.9
90 or more	0.7	0.5	0.8	2.1	2.2	2.0	3.3	3.6	3.0	2.2	2.0	2.4
100	0.6	0.5	0.7	1.9	1.9	1.8	3.3	3.6	3.0	1.9	1.8	2.0
Mean proportion	1.3	1.0	1.5	3.9	3.5	4.2	5.3	5.9	4.9	4.7	3.7	5.5
Mean proportion (recipients only)	35.9	34.3	36.8	39.6	44.3	37.2	40.5	39.8	41.2	38.8	42.0	37.3
Number (thousands)	36,472	16,376	20,097	3,808	1,592	2,216	1,632	701	932	3,141	1,345	1,797

NOTES: Persons in families with zero total income or with negative total income, earnings, or income from assets are excluded.

The relative importance of a source of income may not accurately reflect the resources available to elderly persons or elderly aged units. The survey on which these data are based does not include some potentially important resources as income, including lump-sum pension payments and capital gains. In addition, these statistics do not take into consideration noncash benefits that supplement money income (housing and energy subsidies or SNAP benefits) or the amount of savings available to supplement monthly income. Consult the Frequently Asked Questions for further information.

Relative Importance of Family Income Sources for Persons 65 or Older

Table 8.B6
Percentage distribution, by source of family income, race, Hispanic origin, sex, and marital status, 2012

Proportion of family income	White alone				Black alone				Asian alone				Hispanic origin			
	Men		Women		Men		Women		Men		Women		Men		Women	
	Married	Non-married	Married	Non-married	Married	Non-married	Married	Non-married	Married	Non-married	Married	Non-married	Married	Non-married	Married	Non-married
Earnings																
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	52.6	70.6	59.4	68.3	46.4	65.7	55.5	62.1	33.3	45.1	45.1	35.4	46.4	58.6	54.8	47.8
1–19	7.6	4.5	8.1	4.1	6.1	4.4	6.0	4.1	3.8	1.6	5.3	3.4	4.0	2.6	4.0	4.0
20–39	8.6	3.5	8.0	4.6	8.4	6.1	8.9	3.6	7.1	2.9	6.9	2.4	6.7	4.0	6.2	2.7
40–59	9.6	5.1	7.9	5.7	11.3	4.6	11.7	6.9	9.3	4.1	10.4	8.0	11.3	6.3	10.5	6.2
60–79	10.1	6.5	7.5	8.2	12.0	6.1	8.1	8.7	15.4	7.4	12.5	15.6	14.2	9.1	9.7	13.1
80 or more	11.5	9.8	9.0	9.2	15.8	13.1	9.8	14.6	31.1	39.0	19.9	35.1	17.4	19.3	14.9	26.1
50 or more	26.3	19.5	20.4	20.5	33.1	22.1	23.0	27.0	52.5	49.1	39.2	55.1	37.8	32.8	30.8	43.1
90 or more	7.4	7.2	6.0	5.2	10.4	10.1	6.6	9.2	21.5	28.1	12.2	24.6	12.7	15.6	11.4	16.5
100	2.5	3.2	2.2	2.2	5.3	6.5	2.9	5.5	9.0	7.7	3.8	7.3	6.7	10.0	6.3	9.1
Mean proportion	25.8	17.9	20.8	18.9	31.7	21.7	23.9	24.7	47.6	45.0	35.5	49.1	34.7	29.9	28.6	37.9
Mean proportion (recipients only)	54.4	60.9	51.2	59.5	59.2	63.4	53.6	65.1	71.3	82.1	64.7	76.0	64.7	72.1	63.3	72.7
Number (thousands)	11,907	4,469	9,423	10,673	897	695	584	1,631	566	134	432	500	929	416	713	1,084
Retirement benefits																
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	8.1	9.8	6.9	7.1	12.1	17.2	7.1	13.3	26.0	33.2	18.0	25.1	14.6	23.2	14.9	21.9
1–19	8.7	6.0	6.4	7.4	8.7	5.6	6.4	7.8	18.7	18.8	16.8	22.8	9.9	9.2	5.7	14.1
20–39	13.7	9.3	11.7	10.3	11.9	9.0	9.6	10.0	14.2	5.6	11.3	14.8	15.3	8.3	12.5	12.2
40–59	11.9	8.0	11.1	9.4	13.9	9.0	12.8	8.5	10.4	6.6	11.2	4.8	12.5	8.1	11.6	7.9
60–79	13.0	8.3	13.7	9.2	11.5	8.1	11.3	7.2	9.4	6.3	12.0	4.8	9.0	3.3	8.7	7.7
80 or more	44.7	58.6	50.2	56.6	41.9	51.1	52.8	53.2	21.2	29.5	30.7	27.6	38.7	47.9	46.7	36.2
50 or more	63.6	70.6	69.5	70.4	60.3	63.6	70.9	65.0	35.4	39.4	48.0	34.1	53.2	54.2	60.9	47.7
90 or more	37.0	51.8	41.9	51.4	35.9	46.4	45.8	49.4	19.0	27.7	27.4	24.3	33.9	45.2	40.1	33.1
100	16.2	29.2	18.4	28.9	24.7	33.3	32.4	36.9	10.6	17.5	15.6	14.2	24.7	32.7	29.3	24.9
Mean proportion	63.2	70.2	67.9	70.3	60.4	63.5	69.3	65.6	38.7	40.3	48.9	39.2	55.9	56.8	61.8	50.1
Mean proportion (recipients only)	68.7	77.8	72.9	75.7	68.7	76.7	74.6	75.7	52.4	60.3	59.6	52.3	65.5	73.9	72.6	64.1
Number (thousands)	11,907	4,469	9,423	10,673	897	695	584	1,631	566	134	432	500	929	416	713	1,084

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Relative Importance of Family Income Sources for Persons 65 or Older

Table 8.B6

Percentage distribution, by source of family income, race, Hispanic origin, sex, and marital status, 2012—*Continued*

Proportion of family income	White alone				Black alone				Asian alone				Hispanic origin			
	Men		Women		Men		Women		Men		Women		Men		Women	
	Married	Non-married	Married	Non-married	Married	Non-married	Married	Non-married	Married	Non-married	Married	Non-married	Married	Non-married	Married	Non-married
Social Security																
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	11.1	13.0	9.0	9.6	15.0	21.9	10.6	17.5	28.0	34.9	20.7	28.0	17.2	25.6	16.9	24.2
1–19	15.1	10.5	12.9	10.8	14.6	8.2	10.7	11.7	22.3	20.7	19.9	25.3	13.2	13.5	8.2	16.4
20–39	21.2	17.1	19.8	14.8	20.5	12.8	19.3	12.8	17.9	5.9	16.5	15.0	18.4	9.5	16.7	11.8
40–59	16.8	13.8	17.6	14.4	14.3	15.3	17.0	11.4	9.7	8.6	15.0	7.9	14.2	9.1	14.2	10.4
60–79	13.5	10.3	15.4	11.6	10.5	11.1	10.1	9.3	8.9	6.0	9.8	5.1	8.4	4.7	10.1	8.0
80 or more	22.2	35.2	25.4	38.7	25.1	30.7	32.2	37.2	13.2	24.0	18.1	18.7	28.5	37.5	33.9	29.1
50 or more	43.8	51.9	49.5	57.5	41.9	49.9	51.5	52.6	26.3	33.1	34.2	27.6	43.4	45.2	48.8	42.6
90 or more	16.5	29.1	19.0	33.0	21.4	26.9	27.5	32.6	11.8	17.5	15.8	17.1	25.3	35.2	29.3	25.8
100	8.8	18.1	10.1	20.2	15.8	21.0	21.2	25.8	7.6	12.8	11.4	10.3	19.6	26.9	22.3	20.6
Mean proportion	47.1	54.3	51.2	58.5	46.6	50.1	53.8	53.8	31.3	35.0	38.7	32.6	47.8	48.8	53.1	44.8
Mean proportion (recipients only)	52.9	62.4	56.2	64.7	54.8	64.1	60.2	65.3	43.5	53.7	48.8	45.2	57.7	65.6	63.9	59.1
Number (thousands)	11,907	4,469	9,423	10,673	897	695	584	1,631	566	134	432	500	929	416	713	1,084
Government employee pensions																
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	81.1	87.5	80.4	86.8	81.5	89.1	81.1	86.8	91.2	95.3	87.6	91.3	90.3	93.8	89.2	94.8
1–19	5.0	2.4	5.5	3.2	5.1	1.7	4.9	3.9	2.2	3.2	1.6	2.3	2.4	0.7	2.2	1.7
20–39	5.8	2.6	5.7	3.3	5.7	3.7	5.6	2.5	3.4	0.7	6.1	2.2	3.2	2.2	3.9	1.5
40–59	3.9	2.9	4.2	3.4	4.6	2.1	4.7	2.1	2.3	0.5	3.8	2.6	1.5	0.9	1.9	0.7
60–79	2.8	2.6	3.0	1.9	2.5	1.2	2.7	2.1	0.9	0.3	0.6	1.2	1.4	1.0	1.9	0.9
80 or more	1.3	2.0	1.2	1.3	0.6	2.1	0.9	2.7	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.4	1.2	1.5	0.9	0.4
50 or more	5.6	5.6	5.9	4.8	4.8	4.6	5.1	5.1	2.4	0.3	3.1	2.5	2.8	2.8	3.5	1.7
90 or more	0.7	1.2	0.6	0.9	0.4	1.3	0.6	1.9	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.4	0.2	0.7	0.4	0.2
100	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.5	0.3	0.9	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.4	0.0
Mean proportion	7.3	6.1	7.5	5.6	6.8	5.2	7.2	6.2	3.1	0.8	4.7	3.4	4.0	3.1	4.5	1.9
Mean proportion (recipients only)	38.6	48.9	38.5	42.4	36.8	48.3	38.1	46.7	35.2	16.6	37.7	39.5	40.9	50.9	41.5	36.4
Number (thousands)	11,907	4,469	9,423	10,673	897	695	584	1,631	566	134	432	500	929	416	713	1,084

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Relative Importance of Family Income Sources for Persons 65 or Older

Table 8.B6
Percentage distribution, by source of family income, race, Hispanic origin, sex, and marital status, 2012—Continued

Proportion of family income	White alone				Black alone				Asian alone				Hispanic origin			
	Men		Women		Men		Women		Men		Women		Men		Women	
	Married	Non-married	Married	Non-married	Married	Non-married	Married	Non-married	Married	Non-married	Married	Non-married	Married	Non-married	Married	Non-married
<i>Private pensions or annuities</i>																
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	66.0	70.6	64.7	76.5	69.2	76.2	68.4	80.9	80.3	82.8	76.8	88.5	83.2	87.6	82.7	86.5
1–19	16.5	9.5	17.1	11.4	16.1	8.3	14.5	8.1	12.1	10.4	12.7	5.6	9.4	3.0	9.4	7.0
20–39	10.6	9.7	11.4	7.0	10.3	6.5	10.7	5.1	5.0	2.5	6.1	2.7	3.9	4.6	5.1	3.8
40–59	4.8	6.5	4.8	3.4	3.5	6.1	5.2	4.1	1.9	3.1	3.0	2.3	2.0	2.2	1.6	1.9
60–79	1.4	3.0	1.4	1.1	0.5	1.8	0.6	1.0	0.7	0.0	0.9	0.1	0.7	1.5	0.6	0.3
80 or more	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.4	1.1	0.6	0.7	0.0	1.2	0.5	0.8	0.8	1.2	0.7	0.6
50 or more	3.7	6.4	3.7	2.9	2.1	4.3	3.6	3.5	1.8	2.9	2.7	1.4	2.3	3.6	2.1	1.6
90 or more	0.3	0.6	0.3	0.5	0.2	1.1	0.3	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.2	0.8	1.0	0.4	0.6
100	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.2	1.1	0.3	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.0	0.3	0.7	0.2	0.4
Mean proportion	8.5	9.7	8.8	6.0	6.7	8.0	7.9	5.7	4.1	4.6	5.5	3.1	4.0	4.6	4.1	3.3
Mean proportion (recipients only)	25.0	33.0	25.0	25.7	21.8	33.5	25.1	29.6	20.8	26.6	23.5	27.4	23.9	37.3	23.6	24.7
Number (thousands)	11,907	4,469	9,423	10,673	897	695	584	1,631	566	134	432	500	929	416	713	1,084
<i>Income from assets</i>																
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	33.0	48.3	33.1	49.4	62.9	71.7	64.9	75.0	44.5	52.5	41.6	47.4	64.2	73.0	63.7	72.3
1–19	53.5	40.9	52.5	41.3	34.1	24.5	31.8	22.6	44.5	40.1	45.0	47.3	31.7	24.7	30.9	25.2
20–39	7.7	5.0	8.1	4.2	2.2	1.9	2.4	1.4	7.2	5.4	8.5	3.4	2.5	0.4	3.0	1.2
40–59	3.3	3.4	3.4	2.4	0.6	1.6	0.6	0.8	1.7	2.1	2.4	0.6	0.7	0.4	1.5	0.5
60–79	1.8	1.3	2.2	1.4	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.9	0.0	0.7	1.1	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.2
80 or more	0.7	1.1	0.7	1.3	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1	1.3	0.0	1.9	0.3	0.3	0.8	0.4	0.6
50 or more	3.9	3.8	4.4	3.6	0.6	1.0	0.5	0.6	3.5	1.5	4.4	1.9	1.1	1.5	1.5	0.8
90 or more	0.3	0.7	0.4	0.6	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1	1.3	0.0	1.6	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4
100	0.3	0.5	0.3	0.5	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1	1.1	0.0	1.6	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4
Mean proportion	7.8	6.6	8.3	5.8	2.2	2.1	2.4	1.5	5.8	3.3	7.2	3.7	2.7	2.4	3.5	1.8
Mean proportion (recipients only)	11.7	12.8	12.4	11.5	5.9	7.6	6.8	5.9	10.5	7.0	12.3	7.1	7.6	8.8	9.6	6.5
Number (thousands)	11,907	4,469	9,423	10,673	897	695	584	1,631	566	134	432	500	929	416	713	1,084

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Relative Importance of Family Income Sources for Persons 65 or Older

Table 8.B6

Percentage distribution, by source of family income, race, Hispanic origin, sex, and marital status, 2012—Continued

Proportion of family income	White alone				Black alone				Asian alone				Hispanic origin				
	Men		Women		Men		Women		Men		Women		Men		Women		
	Married	Non-married	Married	Non-married	Married	Non-married	Married	Non-married	Married	Non-married	Married	Non-married	Married	Non-married	Married	Non-married	
<i>Cash public assistance</i>																	
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	97.3	96.0	97.4	94.5	94.7	88.5	95.5	86.3	88.3	72.6	87.4	88.6	91.5	90.4	90.5	82.0	
1–19	1.6	1.3	1.4	2.0	1.8	3.9	1.5	6.2	4.4	15.1	5.0	4.8	3.4	3.0	3.7	7.3	
20–39	0.6	1.1	0.7	1.4	2.4	1.9	2.0	2.8	2.6	4.6	2.6	2.5	2.6	1.8	3.2	4.6	
40–59	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.7	0.3	1.0	0.4	1.2	0.6	3.1	0.8	0.9	1.0	0.4	1.0	2.1	
60–79	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.5	0.0	0.9	0.7	0.0	0.9	0.0	0.1	0.4	0.0	0.8	
80 or more	0.3	1.3	0.4	1.2	0.8	4.2	0.5	2.5	3.3	4.6	3.4	3.1	1.3	4.0	1.6	3.2	
50 or more	0.4	1.5	0.4	1.6	0.8	5.0	0.6	3.9	4.0	6.6	4.3	3.6	1.8	4.4	1.8	5.3	
90 or more	0.3	1.2	0.3	1.2	0.8	4.0	0.5	2.5	3.3	4.6	3.4	2.7	1.1	4.0	1.3	3.1	
100	0.3	0.9	0.3	1.0	0.4	3.9	0.5	2.2	3.3	4.6	3.4	2.7	1.0	3.7	1.1	2.7	
Mean proportion	0.7	1.9	0.8	2.2	1.7	5.9	1.4	5.2	5.2	8.7	5.4	4.5	3.0	5.3	3.3	6.9	
Mean proportion (recipients only)	26.7	48.0	28.8	40.2	32.5	51.3	32.1	37.8	44.3	31.7	42.9	39.6	35.3	55.0	35.3	38.0	
Number (thousands)	11,907	4,469	9,423	10,673	897	695	584	1,631	566	134	432	500	929	416	713	1,084	

NOTES: Persons in families with zero total income or with negative total income, earnings, or income from assets are excluded.

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Relative Importance of Family Income Sources for Persons 65 or Older

Table 8.B7
Percentage distribution, by source of family income and quintile of per-capita family total money income, 2012

Proportion of family income	Total	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth
<i>Earnings</i>						
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	60.0	78.2	77.2	63.8	47.8	33.7
1–19	6.1	3.9	4.2	6.3	8.2	8.0
20–39	6.6	3.1	5.3	7.6	8.8	7.8
40–59	7.6	3.5	4.6	7.4	10.2	11.9
60–79	8.7	3.9	3.8	7.2	12.0	16.1
80 or more	11.1	7.3	4.9	7.6	13.1	22.6
50 or more	23.8	13.1	11.2	18.6	29.9	45.3
90 or more	7.2	5.6	3.6	4.9	8.0	13.8
100	2.9	4.1	2.1	2.2	3.1	2.9
Mean proportion	22.8	12.8	11.6	18.8	29.0	41.3
Mean proportion (recipients only)	56.9	58.5	51.1	51.8	55.6	62.2
Number (thousands)	42,580	8,162	8,604	8,598	8,597	8,618
<i>Retirement benefits</i>						
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	8.9	15.0	4.7	5.3	7.4	12.3
1–19	7.8	2.1	2.3	4.8	8.6	21.1
20–39	11.5	4.7	4.1	8.2	15.5	24.8
40–59	10.5	5.0	6.9	10.6	16.5	12.9
60–79	11.2	7.4	9.7	14.9	14.5	9.1
80 or more	50.1	65.9	72.3	56.1	37.5	19.8
50 or more	66.5	76.0	85.5	76.6	60.6	34.3
90 or more	43.5	61.1	64.8	47.7	30.0	15.0
100	22.8	43.1	36.3	21.8	9.9	4.1
Mean proportion	66.1	74.1	82.4	73.2	59.9	41.1
Mean proportion (recipients only)	72.5	87.2	86.4	77.3	64.7	46.8
Number (thousands)	42,580	8,162	8,604	8,598	8,597	8,618

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Relative Importance of Family Income Sources for Persons 65 or Older

Table 8.B7

Percentage distribution, by source of family income and quintile of per-capita family total money income, 2012—*Continued*

Proportion of family income	Total	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth
Social Security						
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	11.6	17.7	6.4	6.7	10.2	17.4
1–19	13.0	2.0	3.2	7.0	14.1	37.8
20–39	18.1	5.4	6.3	13.0	29.2	35.7
40–59	15.6	6.6	10.5	20.0	33.1	7.3
60–79	12.6	8.8	15.8	26.4	10.8	0.8
80 or more	29.2	59.5	57.7	26.8	2.7	1.0
50 or more	49.4	72.0	79.1	65.0	28.9	3.2
90 or more	23.6	53.9	45.9	17.9	1.4	0.7
100	14.3	37.9	25.1	8.7	0.5	0.4
Mean proportion	51.6	69.7	74.2	58.5	36.8	19.5
Mean proportion (recipients only)	58.3	84.7	79.3	62.7	40.9	23.7
Number (thousands)	42,580	8,162	8,604	8,598	8,597	8,618
Government employee pensions						
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	83.8	96.5	91.7	85.7	74.6	71.4
1–19	4.1	1.1	3.1	3.4	5.1	7.9
20–39	4.6	1.1	2.0	4.9	7.0	7.7
40–59	3.6	0.3	1.5	3.3	6.9	5.9
60–79	2.5	0.4	0.9	1.7	4.4	4.8
80 or more	1.4	0.6	0.7	1.0	2.0	2.5
50 or more	5.3	1.1	1.9	3.8	9.3	10.2
90 or more	0.8	0.5	0.4	0.4	1.2	1.4
100	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.1
Mean proportion	6.6	1.5	2.9	5.6	11.0	11.5
Mean proportion (recipients only)	40.5	41.9	35.1	39.1	43.2	40.2
Number (thousands)	42,580	8,162	8,604	8,598	8,597	8,618

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Relative Importance of Family Income Sources for Persons 65 or Older

Table 8.B7
Percentage distribution, by source of family income and quintile of per-capita family total money income, 2012—Continued

Proportion of family income	Total	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth
<i>Private pensions or annuities</i>						
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	70.5	90.2	75.8	64.3	58.8	64.4
1–19	13.8	5.4	14.3	15.9	15.4	17.3
20–39	9.2	2.2	7.0	14.0	14.3	8.1
40–59	4.5	0.5	1.8	4.8	9.5	5.6
60–79	1.4	0.5	0.5	0.6	1.6	3.7
80 or more	0.7	1.0	0.7	0.3	0.4	0.9
50 or more	3.7	1.8	1.7	2.3	5.2	7.2
90 or more	0.4	0.9	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.5
100	0.2	0.6	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1
Mean proportion	7.7	2.7	5.1	8.8	11.7	9.8
Mean proportion (recipients only)	26.1	27.9	21.0	24.7	28.4	27.6
Number (thousands)	42,580	8,162	8,604	8,598	8,597	8,618
<i>Income from assets</i>						
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	43.0	72.4	54.8	42.5	30.1	16.6
1–19	45.9	23.9	41.1	48.9	57.0	57.2
20–39	6.0	1.1	2.9	6.8	7.9	11.1
40–59	2.8	0.4	1.0	1.3	3.6	7.4
60–79	1.5	0.3	0.1	0.3	1.2	5.7
80 or more	0.8	1.8	0.1	0.2	0.2	2.0
50 or more	3.6	2.2	0.7	1.0	2.7	11.1
90 or more	0.4	1.8	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.4
100	0.4	1.7	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1
Mean proportion	6.6	3.2	2.8	4.6	7.2	15.1
Mean proportion (recipients only)	11.6	11.6	6.3	7.9	10.3	18.1
Number (thousands)	42,580	8,162	8,604	8,598	8,597	8,618

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Relative Importance of Family Income Sources for Persons 65 or Older

Table 8.B7

Percentage distribution, by source of family income and quintile of per-capita family total money income, 2012—Continued

Proportion of family income	Total	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth
<i>Cash public assistance</i>						
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	95.4	85.8	95.8	97.2	98.3	99.1
1–19	2.0	3.8	2.3	1.9	1.4	0.8
20–39	1.1	3.6	1.2	0.7	0.2	0.0
40–59	0.4	1.5	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.0
60–79	0.1	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
80 or more	0.9	4.5	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0
50 or more	1.2	5.7	0.3	0.1	0.0	0.0
90 or more	0.9	4.4	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0
100	0.8	4.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0
Mean proportion	1.7	7.2	1.0	0.5	0.2	0.1
Mean proportion (recipients only)	37.2	50.5	23.7	16.5	13.1	8.2
Number (thousands)	42,580	8,162	8,604	8,598	8,597	8,618

NOTES: Persons in families with zero total income or with negative total income, earnings, or income from assets are excluded.

Per-capita family total money income quintile limits are \$12,159, \$17,750, \$25,835, and \$41,479.

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Relative Importance of Family Income Sources for Persons 65 or Older

Table 8.B8

Percentage distribution, by source of family income, number of persons in family, and quintile of per-capita family total money income, 2012

Proportion of family income	Total	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth
Earnings						
<i>Persons in 1-person families</i>						
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	81.7	96.0	93.8	88.0	73.6	53.8
1–19	3.3	1.0	2.2	3.1	4.8	5.8
20–39	3.2	0.4	1.7	2.9	5.5	6.1
40–59	3.3	0.2	1.0	3.0	4.8	8.1
60–79	3.1	0.4	0.4	1.2	3.8	10.3
80 or more	5.4	2.0	0.9	1.8	7.5	15.9
50 or more	10.3	2.6	1.4	4.0	13.7	31.7
90 or more	4.2	1.8	0.9	1.5	6.1	11.9
100	2.1	1.8	0.8	1.0	3.6	3.9
Mean proportion	10.2	2.5	2.3	5.1	14.5	28.7
Mean proportion (recipients only)	55.9	63.9	37.7	42.6	54.9	62.1
Number (thousands)	13,254	2,695	2,860	2,798	2,302	2,599
<i>Persons in 2-person families</i>						
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	59.6	87.0	82.7	64.9	46.9	28.9
1–19	7.5	3.4	4.5	8.4	10.3	9.2
20–39	7.2	2.6	5.1	8.6	10.4	7.8
40–59	8.1	2.0	3.2	7.7	11.2	13.8
60–79	8.6	1.5	2.3	6.0	11.6	18.3
80 or more	9.0	3.6	2.2	4.4	9.5	22.0
50 or more	21.8	6.2	6.6	14.6	26.1	47.5
90 or more	5.6	2.8	2.1	3.3	5.5	12.4
100	1.9	2.1	1.3	1.8	2.2	2.2
Mean proportion	21.3	6.5	7.4	15.6	26.5	43.1
Mean proportion (recipients only)	52.7	50.2	42.7	44.5	49.9	60.7
Number (thousands)	22,354	3,475	4,387	4,456	4,913	5,124

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Relative Importance of Family Income Sources for Persons 65 or Older

Table 8.B8

Percentage distribution, by source of family income, number of persons in family, and quintile of per-capita family total money income, 2012—Continued

Proportion of family income	Total	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth
Earnings (cont.)						
<i>Persons in families of 3 or more</i>						
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	19.7	38.8	24.6	10.1	7.7	2.8
1–19	7.3	8.9	7.4	6.0	6.3	7.0
20–39	10.9	7.7	13.4	13.9	8.6	13.1
40–59	13.8	10.7	16.3	15.8	15.5	11.5
60–79	19.5	12.9	16.3	24.0	27.1	20.5
80 or more	28.8	21.0	22.0	30.2	34.8	45.1
50 or more	55.7	39.5	47.0	62.6	70.4	72.1
90 or more	18.0	15.5	14.0	17.2	20.0	28.0
100	7.2	10.7	7.2	6.0	5.3	4.3
Mean proportion	51.5	37.4	45.0	57.5	62.3	67.1
Mean proportion (recipients only)	64.2	61.1	59.8	63.9	67.5	69.0
Number (thousands)	6,971	1,992	1,358	1,344	1,383	895
Retirement benefits						
<i>Persons in 1-person families</i>						
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	7.3	13.4	2.0	3.2	7.0	11.5
1–19	3.1	0.2	0.2	0.6	2.2	12.7
20–39	6.0	1.4	0.7	2.0	7.1	19.8
40–59	7.5	1.7	3.8	6.2	13.9	13.5
60–79	8.4	5.1	5.3	8.9	14.5	9.3
80 or more	67.7	78.1	87.9	79.2	55.3	33.2
50 or more	80.2	84.1	95.5	91.8	77.9	48.8
90 or more	61.6	75.1	82.0	72.2	47.3	26.4
100	36.0	56.2	53.5	37.2	20.3	8.7
Mean proportion	78.1	82.2	92.3	87.5	73.2	52.2
Mean proportion (recipients only)	84.2	95.0	94.2	90.4	78.7	59.0
Number (thousands)	13,254	2,695	2,860	2,798	2,302	2,599

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Relative Importance of Family Income Sources for Persons 65 or Older

Table 8.B8
Percentage distribution, by source of family income, number of persons in family, and quintile of per-capita family total money income,
2012—Continued

Proportion of family income	Total	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth
<i>Retirement benefits (cont.)</i>						
<i>Persons in 2-person families</i>						
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	6.7	10.5	2.7	3.3	5.8	11.5
1–19	7.2	0.5	0.7	2.3	6.3	22.2
20–39	12.2	3.0	2.7	7.9	15.6	27.1
40–59	11.2	4.1	6.1	11.1	18.6	13.4
60–79	12.8	6.8	10.5	19.7	16.1	9.5
80 or more	49.9	75.2	77.3	55.6	37.6	16.3
50 or more	68.2	84.4	91.0	81.1	63.4	31.1
90 or more	42.3	70.0	68.3	44.8	29.0	11.7
100	19.8	47.7	33.8	18.2	7.2	2.6
Mean proportion	67.3	81.8	86.7	75.6	61.8	39.0
Mean proportion (recipients only)	72.2	91.3	89.1	78.2	65.6	44.1
Number (thousands)	22,354	3,475	4,387	4,456	4,913	5,124
<i>Persons in families of 3 or more</i>						
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	18.7	24.9	16.6	16.5	14.0	18.8
1–19	19.1	7.4	11.8	22.0	27.4	39.2
20–39	19.9	12.1	15.7	22.2	29.0	26.0
40–59	13.6	10.9	16.3	18.4	13.2	8.8
60–79	11.2	11.6	16.5	11.3	8.8	6.0
80 or more	17.5	33.0	23.2	9.6	7.5	1.3
50 or more	34.9	50.3	46.7	30.1	21.8	10.0
90 or more	13.2	26.8	17.2	6.2	4.9	0.3
100	7.2	17.3	8.0	1.5	2.0	0.0
Mean proportion	39.1	49.9	47.6	35.5	30.7	20.5
Mean proportion (recipients only)	48.1	66.5	57.1	42.5	35.7	25.2
Number (thousands)	6,971	1,992	1,358	1,344	1,383	895

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Relative Importance of Family Income Sources for Persons 65 or Older

Table 8.B8

Percentage distribution, by source of family income, number of persons in family, and quintile of per-capita family total money income, 2012—Continued

Proportion of family income	Total	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth
Social Security						
<i>Persons in 1-person families</i>						
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	10.2	15.5	3.0	4.3	10.5	18.6
1–19	6.3	0.3	1.0	1.2	5.6	24.5
20–39	12.3	1.6	1.6	4.4	16.7	39.5
40–59	14.5	2.5	4.8	14.4	41.4	13.8
60–79	12.1	5.8	10.0	24.3	19.5	1.0
80 or more	44.7	74.2	79.6	51.4	6.3	2.6
50 or more	64.2	81.6	92.6	85.4	47.3	6.9
90 or more	38.5	69.7	69.5	39.3	3.4	2.1
100	24.4	52.0	42.3	20.2	1.4	1.1
Mean proportion	63.5	79.1	87.4	75.0	46.0	24.3
Mean proportion (recipients only)	70.7	93.6	90.1	78.4	51.4	29.8
Number (thousands)	13,254	2,695	2,860	2,798	2,302	2,599
<i>Persons in 2-person families</i>						
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	9.4	13.5	4.5	4.6	8.4	16.0
1–19	12.8	0.6	1.7	3.6	10.9	40.3
20–39	20.2	3.9	5.4	13.0	33.7	37.2
40–59	17.1	5.5	10.5	25.1	36.3	5.2
60–79	14.4	9.1	20.1	34.3	9.0	0.8
80 or more	26.1	67.5	57.7	19.2	1.7	0.4
50 or more	48.7	79.4	83.4	68.3	27.0	1.9
90 or more	20.0	61.3	42.7	9.7	0.8	0.1
100	11.4	41.3	20.7	4.1	0.2	0.1
Mean proportion	51.0	76.5	76.5	58.5	37.2	18.7
Mean proportion (recipients only)	56.3	88.5	80.1	61.4	40.6	22.2
Number (thousands)	22,354	3,475	4,387	4,456	4,913	5,124

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Relative Importance of Family Income Sources for Persons 65 or Older

Table 8.B8

Percentage distribution, by source of family income, number of persons in family, and quintile of per-capita family total money income, 2012—Continued

Proportion of family income	Total	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth
Social Security (cont.)						
<i>Persons in families of 3 or more</i>						
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	21.3	27.8	19.6	18.6	15.8	21.8
1–19	26.2	6.8	12.7	30.6	39.7	62.3
20–39	22.2	13.1	19.3	31.1	33.9	15.7
40–59	12.8	14.1	22.7	14.5	7.7	0.2
60–79	7.7	12.5	14.0	4.5	2.7	0.0
80 or more	9.8	25.8	11.7	0.8	0.1	0.0
50 or more	23.7	46.1	36.9	11.8	5.4	0.0
90 or more	7.1	19.5	6.8	0.8	0.0	0.0
100	4.4	13.1	3.3	0.2	0.0	0.0
Mean proportion	30.5	45.2	39.0	24.3	19.8	10.9
Mean proportion (recipients only)	38.8	62.6	48.5	29.8	23.6	13.9
Number (thousands)	6,971	1,992	1,358	1,344	1,383	895
Government employee pensions						
<i>Persons in 1-person families</i>						
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	87.0	98.1	95.4	89.7	78.2	71.3
1–19	2.0	0.7	1.3	1.6	1.9	4.3
20–39	3.0	0.3	1.1	4.0	4.7	5.4
40–59	3.5	0.1	0.5	2.4	7.7	7.8
60–79	2.4	0.1	0.6	1.5	4.0	6.4
80 or more	2.0	0.6	1.1	0.7	3.5	4.7
50 or more	6.1	0.7	1.9	3.0	11.3	14.7
90 or more	1.4	0.5	0.8	0.5	2.4	2.9
100	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.2	0.7	0.1
Mean proportion	6.5	1.0	2.2	4.4	11.4	14.7
Mean proportion (recipients only)	49.9	50.0	48.5	42.3	52.5	51.2
Number (thousands)	13,254	2,695	2,860	2,798	2,302	2,599

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Relative Importance of Family Income Sources for Persons 65 or Older

Table 8.B8

Percentage distribution, by source of family income, number of persons in family, and quintile of per-capita family total money income, 2012—Continued

Proportion of family income	Total	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth
Government employee pensions (cont.)						
<i>Persons in 2-person families</i>						
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	81.1	96.2	90.5	83.2	71.5	70.3
1–19	4.9	0.8	3.6	4.3	5.4	8.8
20–39	5.6	1.2	2.4	5.1	8.4	8.9
40–59	4.2	0.3	1.9	4.3	7.6	5.6
60–79	2.9	0.6	1.1	1.8	5.4	4.6
80 or more	1.2	0.8	0.4	1.2	1.7	1.8
50 or more	5.8	1.6	1.9	4.4	10.0	9.4
90 or more	0.6	0.7	0.2	0.4	0.8	0.9
100	0.2	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.1
Mean proportion	7.4	1.8	3.1	6.5	12.2	11.1
Mean proportion (recipients only)	39.3	48.4	33.1	38.8	42.9	37.3
Number (thousands)	22,354	3,475	4,387	4,456	4,913	5,124
<i>Persons in families of 3 or more</i>						
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	86.3	94.6	87.6	85.4	79.5	77.4
1–19	5.9	2.2	5.6	4.0	9.2	12.8
20–39	4.3	1.9	2.9	5.7	5.9	7.3
40–59	2.0	0.7	2.5	2.2	3.4	1.5
60–79	1.1	0.5	0.7	1.9	1.4	1.0
80 or more	0.4	0.1	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.0
50 or more	2.2	0.8	1.9	3.3	3.5	1.9
90 or more	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.6	0.0
100	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.3	0.0	0.0
Mean proportion	3.9	1.6	3.7	5.1	5.8	4.9
Mean proportion (recipients only)	28.7	30.1	29.9	35.2	28.0	21.8
Number (thousands)	6,971	1,992	1,358	1,344	1,383	895

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Relative Importance of Family Income Sources for Persons 65 or Older

Table 8.B8
Percentage distribution, by source of family income, number of persons in family, and quintile of per-capita family total money income,
2012—Continued

Proportion of family income	Total	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth
<i>Private pensions or annuities</i>						
<i>Persons in 1-person families</i>						
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	74.7	94.7	85.1	68.6	56.4	65.1
1–19	9.2	2.3	9.9	14.1	8.7	10.7
20–39	8.3	1.0	4.0	12.5	17.8	8.0
40–59	5.1	0.2	0.6	3.5	13.5	9.3
60–79	1.9	0.4	0.2	0.7	2.9	5.7
80 or more	0.8	1.3	0.3	0.6	0.7	1.3
50 or more	4.6	1.7	0.6	2.1	8.1	11.6
90 or more	0.6	1.3	0.2	0.3	0.5	0.9
100	0.3	1.0	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2
Mean proportion	7.9	2.2	2.7	7.9	15.3	13.0
Mean proportion (recipients only)	31.2	40.9	17.9	25.3	35.2	37.3
Number (thousands)	13,254	2,695	2,860	2,798	2,302	2,599
<i>Persons in 2-person families</i>						
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	66.1	89.0	69.9	58.7	55.9	63.4
1–19	16.4	6.6	17.1	17.8	18.4	19.4
20–39	10.5	2.0	8.8	16.5	14.4	8.8
40–59	4.9	0.6	2.4	6.1	9.7	4.2
60–79	1.5	0.8	0.8	0.7	1.3	3.4
80 or more	0.7	1.1	1.0	0.2	0.3	0.8
50 or more	3.9	2.1	2.7	2.6	5.0	6.2
90 or more	0.3	0.9	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.4
100	0.1	0.4	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
Mean proportion	8.6	3.0	6.8	10.3	11.9	9.1
Mean proportion (recipients only)	25.2	27.0	22.4	25.0	27.1	24.9
Number (thousands)	22,354	3,475	4,387	4,456	4,913	5,124

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Relative Importance of Family Income Sources for Persons 65 or Older

Table 8.B8

Percentage distribution, by source of family income, number of persons in family, and quintile of per-capita family total money income, 2012—Continued

Proportion of family income	Total	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth
Private pensions or annuities (cont.)						
<i>Persons in families of 3 or more</i>						
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	76.8	86.3	75.5	73.9	73.0	68.0
1–19	13.9	7.6	14.8	13.5	16.2	23.9
20–39	6.6	4.2	7.2	8.9	8.3	4.7
40–59	2.1	0.9	2.1	3.2	2.1	3.2
60–79	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.1
80 or more	0.3	0.7	0.1	0.3	0.0	0.0
50 or more	1.2	1.4	0.7	1.8	1.1	0.7
90 or more	0.2	0.5	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0
100	0.2	0.4	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0
Mean proportion	4.5	3.1	4.7	5.6	4.9	4.7
Mean proportion (recipients only)	19.3	22.4	19.4	21.6	18.0	14.7
Number (thousands)	6,971	1,992	1,358	1,344	1,383	895
Income from assets						
<i>Persons in 1-person families</i>						
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	50.6	76.6	62.8	48.9	36.8	24.1
1–19	38.9	20.2	33.2	44.4	48.0	50.4
20–39	4.7	0.5	2.3	4.6	8.6	8.4
40–59	3.0	0.3	1.4	1.3	4.8	8.0
60–79	1.5	0.2	0.1	0.3	1.5	5.7
80 or more	1.3	2.2	0.2	0.4	0.3	3.4
50 or more	4.0	2.7	1.0	1.4	3.6	12.0
90 or more	0.7	2.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.6
100	0.6	2.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1
Mean proportion	6.5	3.2	2.6	4.0	8.1	15.5
Mean proportion (recipients only)	13.2	13.7	7.0	7.9	12.8	20.4
Number (thousands)	13,254	2,695	2,860	2,798	2,302	2,599

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Relative Importance of Family Income Sources for Persons 65 or Older

Table 8.B8

Percentage distribution, by source of family income, number of persons in family, and quintile of per-capita family total money income, 2012—Continued

Proportion of family income	Total	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth
<i>Income from assets (cont.)</i>						
<i>Persons in 2-person families</i>						
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	35.7	66.4	48.4	37.2	25.3	12.6
1–19	50.9	28.4	46.3	51.8	60.9	59.6
20–39	7.6	1.8	3.9	9.2	8.6	12.5
40–59	3.2	0.7	1.1	1.6	3.8	7.4
60–79	1.9	0.6	0.1	0.2	1.2	6.3
80 or more	0.8	2.2	0.2	0.0	0.1	1.6
50 or more	4.0	2.8	0.7	0.8	2.8	11.6
90 or more	0.4	2.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3
100	0.3	1.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
Mean proportion	7.8	4.3	3.5	5.5	7.7	15.8
Mean proportion (recipients only)	12.1	12.7	6.8	8.7	10.3	18.1
Number (thousands)	22,354	3,475	4,387	4,456	4,913	5,124
<i>Persons in families of 3 or more</i>						
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	51.8	77.4	58.6	46.5	35.8	17.5
1–19	43.1	21.2	40.7	48.9	58.3	63.3
20–39	3.2	0.7	0.7	3.5	4.4	10.3
40–59	1.2	0.2	0.0	0.6	1.1	6.3
60–79	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.3	2.6
80 or more	0.2	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0
50 or more	1.2	0.6	0.0	1.0	1.1	5.1
90 or more	0.2	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0
100	0.2	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Mean proportion	3.2	1.3	1.3	2.6	3.8	10.0
Mean proportion (recipients only)	6.6	5.9	3.1	4.8	6.0	12.1
Number (thousands)	6,971	1,992	1,358	1,344	1,383	895

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Relative Importance of Family Income Sources for Persons 65 or Older

Table 8.B8

Percentage distribution, by source of family income, number of persons in family, and quintile of per-capita family total money income, 2012—Continued

Proportion of family income	Total	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth
<i>Cash public assistance</i>						
<i>Persons in 1-person families</i>						
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	95.7	83.6	97.6	98.7	99.5	99.6
1–19	1.0	3.1	1.0	0.5	0.2	0.2
20–39	1.0	3.8	0.3	0.6	0.0	0.1
40–59	0.4	1.2	0.4	0.1	0.2	0.1
60–79	0.1	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0
80 or more	1.8	7.8	0.7	0.1	0.0	0.0
50 or more	2.0	8.8	0.9	0.1	0.2	0.0
90 or more	1.7	7.5	0.6	0.1	0.0	0.0
100	1.5	6.5	0.5	0.1	0.0	0.0
Mean proportion	2.4	10.1	1.0	0.4	0.2	0.1
Mean proportion (recipients only)	56.1	61.2	44.3	32.1	40.6	20.6
Number (thousands)	13,254	2,695	2,860	2,798	2,302	2,599
<i>Persons in 2-person families</i>						
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	97.3	90.6	97.6	98.0	99.2	99.3
1–19	0.9	1.6	0.9	1.2	0.5	0.7
20–39	0.7	2.2	0.9	0.6	0.3	0.0
40–59	0.4	1.7	0.5	0.2	0.0	0.0
60–79	0.1	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
80 or more	0.5	3.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
50 or more	0.8	4.6	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0
90 or more	0.5	3.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
100	0.5	3.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Mean proportion	1.1	5.4	0.7	0.4	0.1	0.1
Mean proportion (recipients only)	40.6	57.4	27.7	17.6	17.6	8.9
Number (thousands)	22,354	3,475	4,387	4,456	4,913	5,124

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Relative Importance of Family Income Sources for Persons 65 or Older

Table 8.B8

Percentage distribution, by source of family income, number of persons in family, and quintile of per-capita family total money income, 2012—Continued

Proportion of family income	Total	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth
<i>Cash public assistance (cont.)</i>						
<i>Persons in families of 3 or more</i>						
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	88.4	80.7	85.8	91.8	93.3	96.9
1–19	7.3	8.4	9.9	7.2	6.2	3.1
20–39	2.8	6.0	3.9	1.1	0.5	0.0
40–59	0.6	1.7	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0
60–79	0.3	0.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
80 or more	0.7	2.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
50 or more	1.0	3.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
90 or more	0.6	2.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
100	0.6	2.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Mean proportion	2.5	6.3	2.0	0.9	0.5	0.1
Mean proportion (recipients only)	21.3	32.5	14.4	10.5	7.4	2.9
Number (thousands)	6,971	1,992	1,358	1,344	1,383	895

NOTES: Persons in families with zero total income or with negative total income, earnings, or income from assets are excluded.

Per-capita family total money income quintile limits are \$12,159, \$17,750, \$25,835, and \$41,479.

The relative importance of a source of income may not accurately reflect the resources available to elderly persons or elderly aged units. The survey on which these data are based does not include some potentially important resources as income, including lump-sum pension payments and capital gains. In addition, these statistics do not take into consideration noncash benefits that supplement money income (housing and energy subsidies or SNAP benefits) or the amount of savings available to supplement monthly income. Consult the Frequently Asked Questions for further information.

Relative Importance of Family Income Sources for Persons 65 or Older

Table 8.B9

Percentage distribution, by source of family income, sex, and ratio of family total money income to the poverty threshold, 2012

Proportion of family income	All persons					Men					Women				
	Under 1.00	1.00–1.24	1.25–1.49	1.50–1.99	2.00 or more	Under 1.00	1.00–1.24	1.25–1.49	1.50–1.99	2.00 or more	Under 1.00	1.00–1.24	1.25–1.49	1.50–1.99	2.00 or more
Earnings															
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	87.1	85.2	84.9	80.1	48.2	81.4	84.3	82.9	81.1	47.0	89.7	85.8	86.0	79.5	49.5
1–19	2.3	2.8	3.5	4.6	7.4	3.1	3.1	4.4	4.2	7.6	1.9	2.6	3.0	4.9	7.2
20–39	1.0	3.5	2.4	4.1	8.4	1.6	3.5	2.7	3.9	8.7	0.7	3.5	2.2	4.2	8.1
40–59	1.4	2.4	2.0	4.2	9.9	1.8	2.1	1.8	4.4	10.3	1.3	2.5	2.1	4.1	9.5
60–79	1.9	1.9	2.8	2.9	11.7	3.4	1.8	2.0	2.3	11.9	1.2	2.1	3.2	3.4	11.6
80 or more	6.3	4.2	4.4	4.0	14.3	8.7	5.2	6.2	4.1	14.6	5.2	3.7	3.4	3.9	14.1
50 or more	9.0	7.5	7.9	9.1	31.3	12.8	8.0	8.7	8.8	31.9	7.2	7.2	7.4	9.4	30.7
90 or more	5.5	3.0	3.7	3.0	8.9	7.7	3.4	5.2	3.2	9.6	4.6	2.8	2.8	2.9	8.3
100	5.0	2.3	2.5	1.6	2.9	7.2	2.2	3.3	1.6	3.2	4.0	2.3	2.0	1.6	2.7
Mean proportion	8.7	7.9	8.1	9.6	29.7	12.5	8.6	9.4	9.3	30.4	6.9	7.6	7.4	9.8	29.1
Mean proportion (recipients only)	67.1	53.7	53.9	48.2	57.4	67.4	54.6	55.2	49.1	57.3	66.9	53.2	53.0	47.7	57.6
Number (thousands)	3,470	2,355	2,722	5,536	28,497	1,079	806	969	2,279	13,839	2,391	1,550	1,753	3,257	14,658
Retirement benefits															
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	21.8	7.3	6.0	4.6	8.5	29.8	8.8	7.4	5.0	9.3	18.2	6.5	5.3	4.4	7.8
1–19	0.5	1.6	0.8	1.4	11.2	0.7	1.9	0.6	1.2	11.0	0.5	1.5	1.0	1.5	11.4
20–39	2.5	3.2	3.3	3.6	15.7	2.8	2.4	2.6	2.7	15.8	2.4	3.6	3.7	4.2	15.5
40–59	3.5	3.9	4.2	6.3	13.3	3.1	4.9	3.5	5.5	13.3	3.6	3.4	4.5	6.8	13.3
60–79	5.2	6.8	5.7	9.9	13.0	5.7	6.2	5.3	8.9	13.1	5.0	7.1	5.9	10.6	12.9
80 or more	66.4	77.2	80.0	74.3	38.4	57.9	75.8	80.6	76.6	37.6	70.3	78.0	79.7	72.6	39.1
50 or more	74.0	85.8	88.1	87.4	57.9	65.6	84.6	88.5	88.0	57.1	77.8	86.4	87.9	87.0	58.5
90 or more	63.3	72.7	74.0	67.1	31.2	54.3	72.1	73.8	68.5	30.3	67.3	73.1	74.2	66.1	32.1
100	48.5	50.5	47.9	37.6	12.1	42.1	51.1	48.8	39.3	11.7	51.4	50.2	47.4	36.4	12.6
Mean proportion	71.9	83.8	85.8	84.0	58.5	63.6	82.4	85.4	84.8	57.8	75.7	84.6	86.0	83.4	59.2
Mean proportion (recipients only)	92.0	90.4	91.3	88.1	63.9	90.5	90.4	92.2	89.3	63.7	92.6	90.4	90.8	87.2	64.2
Number (thousands)	3,470	2,355	2,722	5,536	28,497	1,079	806	969	2,279	13,839	2,391	1,550	1,753	3,257	14,658

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Relative Importance of Family Income Sources for Persons 65 or Older

Table 8.B9
Percentage distribution, by source of family income, sex, and ratio of family total money income to the poverty threshold, 2012—Continued

Proportion of family income	All persons					Men					Women				
	Under 1.00	1.00–1.24	1.25–1.49	1.50–1.99	2.00 or more	Under 1.00	1.00–1.24	1.25–1.49	1.50–1.99	2.00 or more	Under 1.00	1.00–1.24	1.25–1.49	1.50–1.99	2.00 or more
Social Security															
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	24.7	9.3	7.8	6.2	11.6	33.2	10.5	9.2	6.9	12.7	20.8	8.6	7.0	5.8	10.6
1–19	0.5	2.0	1.2	1.9	18.7	0.3	2.5	0.8	1.7	18.6	0.6	1.8	1.3	2.1	18.7
20–39	2.9	3.8	3.9	5.2	24.9	3.4	3.3	3.6	3.6	25.6	2.7	4.0	4.0	6.3	24.3
40–59	4.2	4.7	5.0	10.5	19.9	3.3	5.2	4.1	9.3	19.1	4.6	4.5	5.5	11.4	20.5
60–79	6.1	8.5	9.4	15.7	13.4	6.4	7.4	8.7	14.7	12.9	5.9	9.0	9.8	16.4	13.8
80 or more	61.7	71.8	72.8	60.4	11.6	53.4	71.2	73.6	63.8	11.1	65.4	72.1	72.3	58.0	12.0
50 or more	70.6	82.9	85.0	82.1	34.3	61.8	82.0	84.7	83.5	32.9	74.6	83.4	85.2	81.0	35.7
90 or more	57.5	65.6	62.5	48.7	7.5	49.2	66.5	64.0	50.9	7.0	61.3	65.2	61.7	47.2	7.9
100	44.0	45.4	39.0	26.5	3.4	38.3	48.2	40.2	28.2	3.1	46.6	43.9	38.4	25.3	3.7
Mean proportion	68.2	80.1	81.2	76.3	39.5	59.7	79.2	80.9	77.6	38.6	72.0	80.5	81.3	75.4	40.5
Mean proportion (recipients only)	90.5	88.2	88.0	81.3	44.7	89.5	88.5	89.1	83.3	44.2	90.9	88.1	87.5	80.0	45.3
Number (thousands)	3,470	2,355	2,722	5,536	28,497	1,079	806	969	2,279	13,839	2,391	1,550	1,753	3,257	14,658
Government employee pensions															
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	97.8	96.3	95.7	93.2	78.1	98.0	97.4	96.0	94.1	78.7	97.7	95.7	95.6	92.6	77.5
1–19	0.7	1.3	1.2	1.8	5.5	0.6	0.9	1.0	1.7	5.3	0.7	1.5	1.3	1.9	5.8
20–39	0.6	0.9	1.1	2.3	6.1	0.6	0.7	1.3	2.6	6.1	0.6	1.0	1.0	2.1	6.2
40–59	0.2	0.3	0.3	1.1	5.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.6	4.8	0.3	0.4	0.5	1.5	5.4
60–79	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.9	3.4	0.4	0.7	0.9	0.4	3.3	0.4	0.4	0.3	1.2	3.4
80 or more	0.4	0.7	1.1	0.6	1.7	0.4	0.2	0.8	0.5	1.7	0.4	0.9	1.2	0.7	1.7
50 or more	0.9	1.2	1.8	1.8	7.2	0.8	0.9	1.7	1.1	7.0	0.9	1.4	1.8	2.4	7.4
90 or more	0.4	0.5	0.8	0.5	0.9	0.4	0.2	0.8	0.4	0.9	0.4	0.6	0.8	0.6	1.0
100	0.2	0.2	0.6	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.8	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.5	0.4	0.2
Mean proportion	0.9	1.6	2.0	2.7	8.8	0.8	1.0	1.9	2.1	8.6	1.0	1.9	2.1	3.1	9.0
Mean proportion (recipients only)	41.7	43.3	47.0	40.0	40.3	40.7	39.1	47.6	36.2	40.6	42.1	44.6	46.8	42.1	40.1
Number (thousands)	3,470	2,355	2,722	5,536	28,497	1,079	806	969	2,279	13,839	2,391	1,550	1,753	3,257	14,658

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Relative Importance of Family Income Sources for Persons 65 or Older

Table 8.B9

Percentage distribution, by source of family income, sex, and ratio of family total money income to the poverty threshold, 2012—Continued

Proportion of family income	All persons					Men					Women				
	Under 1.00	1.00–1.24	1.25–1.49	1.50–1.99	2.00 or more	Under 1.00	1.00–1.24	1.25–1.49	1.50–1.99	2.00 or more	Under 1.00	1.00–1.24	1.25–1.49	1.50–1.99	2.00 or more
Private pensions or annuities															
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	94.1	92.3	85.6	78.1	62.9	94.7	93.2	86.8	78.3	62.0	93.9	91.8	85.0	78.1	63.8
1–19	2.5	4.2	10.4	12.7	16.5	2.1	3.9	9.7	12.8	16.4	2.6	4.4	10.8	12.6	16.6
20–39	1.0	2.2	2.8	6.3	11.9	0.8	1.3	2.3	6.0	12.3	1.1	2.7	3.1	6.5	11.6
40–59	0.4	0.1	0.5	1.5	6.3	0.4	0.2	0.2	1.4	6.7	0.4	0.1	0.7	1.6	5.9
60–79	0.5	0.3	0.1	0.9	1.8	0.8	0.6	0.2	0.8	2.1	0.4	0.1	0.0	0.9	1.6
80 or more	1.4	0.9	0.6	0.5	0.6	1.2	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.6	1.5	0.9	0.5	0.2	0.6
50 or more	2.1	1.2	0.8	1.9	4.7	2.2	1.5	1.2	1.9	5.1	2.0	1.1	0.5	1.9	4.2
90 or more	1.2	0.9	0.5	0.2	0.3	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.4	0.3	1.3	0.8	0.4	0.0	0.3
100	1.1	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.7	0.3	0.6	0.4	0.1	1.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1
Mean proportion	2.4	2.1	2.6	4.9	9.8	2.3	2.0	2.5	4.9	10.3	2.5	2.1	2.6	4.8	9.4
Mean proportion (recipients only)	41.4	26.6	18.0	22.2	26.5	43.4	29.8	19.1	22.6	27.1	40.6	25.2	17.5	21.9	25.9
Number (thousands)	3,470	2,355	2,722	5,536	28,497	1,079	806	969	2,279	13,839	2,391	1,550	1,753	3,257	14,658
Income from assets															
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	77.2	71.8	64.7	56.7	31.7	77.0	72.3	66.4	58.0	30.9	77.3	71.6	63.7	55.8	32.4
1–19	17.1	26.5	31.9	39.2	53.6	16.2	26.1	30.9	39.7	54.2	17.5	26.7	32.4	38.9	53.1
20–39	0.6	1.0	2.0	3.1	8.0	0.6	0.8	1.6	2.2	8.4	0.6	1.1	2.3	3.7	7.7
40–59	0.5	0.4	0.9	0.9	3.8	0.4	0.6	0.5	0.1	4.1	0.5	0.2	1.2	1.4	3.6
60–79	0.5	0.1	0.4	0.0	2.2	0.8	0.0	0.4	0.0	2.0	0.4	0.1	0.4	0.0	2.4
80 or more	4.1	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.7	5.0	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.6	3.6	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.9
50 or more	4.8	0.4	1.0	0.4	4.5	5.8	0.4	0.6	0.1	4.4	4.3	0.4	1.2	0.6	4.7
90 or more	4.0	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.1	4.9	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.1	3.6	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.1
100	3.8	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.0	4.8	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.0	3.4	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.0
Mean proportion	5.3	1.4	2.4	2.6	8.4	6.4	1.5	2.1	2.1	8.4	4.8	1.4	2.6	3.0	8.4
Mean proportion (recipients only)	23.2	5.0	6.8	6.1	12.3	28.0	5.3	6.2	4.9	12.2	21.1	4.8	7.1	6.9	12.4
Number (thousands)	3,470	2,355	2,722	5,536	28,497	1,079	806	969	2,279	13,839	2,391	1,550	1,753	3,257	14,658

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Relative Importance of Family Income Sources for Persons 65 or Older

Table 8.B9

Percentage distribution, by source of family income, sex, and ratio of family total money income to the poverty threshold, 2012—Continued

Proportion of family income	All persons					Men					Women				
	Under 1.00	1.00–1.24	1.25–1.49	1.50–1.99	2.00 or more	Under 1.00	1.00–1.24	1.25–1.49	1.50–1.99	2.00 or more	Under 1.00	1.00–1.24	1.25–1.49	1.50–1.99	2.00 or more
Cash public assistance															
Total percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0	81.8	90.1	95.0	95.3	97.5	79.7	92.3	94.7	95.5	97.8	82.8	89.0	95.1	95.2	97.2
1–19	3.3	3.2	1.9	1.9	1.8	3.3	2.0	2.1	1.8	1.6	3.3	3.8	1.8	1.9	2.0
20–39	3.7	2.3	1.4	1.8	0.6	3.3	2.2	1.8	2.0	0.4	3.8	2.4	1.1	1.7	0.7
40–59	2.1	1.1	0.8	0.5	0.1	1.6	0.4	0.8	0.2	0.1	2.3	1.6	0.8	0.6	0.2
60–79	0.5	0.8	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.3	0.8	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.6	0.9	0.1	0.2	0.0
80 or more	8.6	2.4	0.8	0.4	0.0	11.7	2.4	0.4	0.4	0.0	7.2	2.3	1.0	0.3	0.0
50 or more	9.8	4.0	1.1	0.6	0.0	12.9	3.3	0.6	0.6	0.0	8.4	4.4	1.3	0.6	0.0
90 or more	8.3	2.3	0.8	0.4	0.0	11.1	2.4	0.4	0.4	0.0	7.1	2.2	1.0	0.3	0.0
100	7.4	2.2	0.6	0.4	0.0	9.7	2.3	0.2	0.4	0.0	6.4	2.1	0.8	0.3	0.0
Mean proportion	11.3	4.6	1.8	1.4	0.4	14.1	4.0	1.6	1.3	0.3	10.1	4.9	2.0	1.5	0.4
Mean proportion (recipients only)	62.2	46.3	36.7	30.3	14.7	69.2	51.9	29.9	29.8	14.5	58.6	44.3	40.8	30.7	14.8
Number (thousands)	3,470	2,355	2,722	5,536	28,497	1,079	806	969	2,279	13,839	2,391	1,550	1,753	3,257	14,658

NOTES: Persons in families with zero total income or with negative total income, earnings, or income from assets are excluded.

The family money income of aged persons is compared with the official poverty lines of families in 2012.

The relative importance of a source of income may not accurately reflect the resources available to elderly persons or elderly aged units. The survey on which these data are based does not include some potentially important resources as income, including lump-sum pension payments and capital gains. In addition, these statistics do not take into consideration noncash benefits that supplement money income (housing and energy subsidies or SNAP benefits) or the amount of savings available to supplement monthly income. Consult the Frequently Asked Questions for further information.