

# Ticket Evaluation

## Interesting Facts from SSA's National Beneficiary Survey (NBS)

### How do SSA beneficiaries with disabilities rate their health?

- Overall, nearly three-quarters of beneficiaries with disabilities (73%) rate their health as no better than "fair."
- Far more beneficiaries with disabilities think their health has gotten worse in the last year (41%) than feel their health has gotten better (16%).
- There is a strong link between self-reported health status and work.
  - ◊ Nearly 60% of working beneficiaries rate their health as being "good" to "excellent" as compared to 24% among non-working beneficiaries.

### NBS Question (asked in 2004): How would you rate your health during the past 4 weeks?

Health status of those with disabilities...	TOTAL	SSI ONLY	SSDI ONLY	CONCURRENT
Good, Very Good and Excellent	27%	31%	23%	30%
Fair	30%	29%	30%	35%
Poor, or Very Poor	43%	41%	47%	36%

### NBS Question (asked in 2004) : Compared to last year, how would you rate your health in general now?

Health status of those with disabilities...	TOTAL	SSI ONLY	SSDI ONLY	CONCURRENT
Better or Much Better	16%	18%	15%	18%
About the Same	43%	45%	41%	46%
Worse or Much Worse	41%	37%	44%	36%

### Self-reported health status of those not working:

Health status of those not working...	TOTAL	SSI ONLY	SSDI ONLY	CONCURRENT
Good, Very Good, or Excellent	23%	28%	20%	25%
Fair	31%	30%	30%	37%
Poor, or Very Poor	46%	42%	50%	38%

### Self-reported health status of those working:

Health status of those working...	TOTAL	SSI ONLY	SSDI ONLY	CONCURRENT
Good, Very Good, or Excellent	59%	67%	54%	65%
Fair	24%	19%	28%	19%
Poor, or Very Poor	17%	14%	19%	16%