

# Ticket Evaluation

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

### **How many SSA beneficiaries with disabilities work or have work goals? How many have recently demonstrated their interest in working?**

- Almost one-third (31%) of all SSA beneficiaries with disabilities have goals that include work and/or career advancement.
  - ◊ Nearly 9% of all SSA beneficiaries were already working at the time of interview.
  - ◊ Approximately 13% of all SSA beneficiaries worked in the year prior to interview (2003).
  - ◊ Almost 27% see themselves working in the next five years and 21% see themselves working in the next year.

#### Work and Work Goals

Among all beneficiaries...	TOTAL	SSI ONLY	SSDI ONLY	CONCURRENT
Working at interview *	8.8%	6.7%	9.3%	10.8%
Goals include work/career advancement	31.1%	37.2%	26.2%	35.8%

#### Not Working but Demonstrating an Interest in Work

Among all beneficiaries not currently working...	TOTAL	SSI ONLY	SSDI ONLY	CONCURRENT
Worked in year prior to interview (2003) *	12.9%	10.8%	12.9%	17.1%
Used services in the last year (2003) to find a job or get a better job	9.2%	9.3%	8.5%	11.2%
Looked for work during the 4 weeks prior to interview	6.3%	8.1%	4.4%	9.3%

#### Not Working but with Near-Term Work Goals

Among all beneficiaries not currently working...	TOTAL	SSI ONLY	SSDI ONLY	CONCURRENT
Sees self working for pay in the next year	20.5%	22.2%	18.2%	24.9%
Sees self working for pay in the next five years	26.9%	31.1%	22.7%	32.6%

\* Includes only those beneficiaries with limited earnings who remained eligible for SSI or SSDI benefits.

Additional details on SSA beneficiaries who work are available at:

[http://www.mathematica-mpr.com/publications/pdfs/earnings\\_disbrief1.pdf](http://www.mathematica-mpr.com/publications/pdfs/earnings_disbrief1.pdf)