

**CHILDREN  
UNDER AGE 18**





**Table 17.**  
**Recipients and average monthly payment, by SSA administrative region and state or other area,**  
**December 2020**

Region and state or area	Number	Average monthly payment <sup>a</sup> (dollars)
All areas	1,108,612	675.47
Boston	40,267	659.88
Connecticut	8,597	669.47
Maine	3,735	655.04
Massachusetts	20,928	655.19
New Hampshire	2,010	628.94
Rhode Island	3,657	668.13
Vermont	1,340	708.94
New York	100,126	678.92
New Jersey	23,325	670.26
New York	76,801	681.54
Philadelphia	112,002	667.34
Delaware	3,297	653.14
District of Columbia	3,572	673.05
Maryland	18,680	657.58
Pennsylvania	57,791	673.39
Virginia	21,839	659.99
West Virginia	6,823	670.42
Atlanta	276,885	669.43
Alabama	20,693	676.74
Florida	96,927	666.28
Georgia	42,705	673.94
Kentucky	23,580	681.79
Mississippi	18,370	678.25
North Carolina	34,804	661.53
South Carolina	17,507	661.84
Tennessee	22,299	665.70
Chicago	164,682	673.70
Illinois	33,925	683.47
Indiana	21,620	667.96
Michigan	34,147	674.41
Minnesota	11,744	656.40
Ohio	43,036	674.53
Wisconsin	20,210	670.47
Dallas	201,287	674.07
Arkansas	23,816	686.00
Louisiana	31,119	689.06
New Mexico	7,441	678.82
Oklahoma	15,014	676.77
Texas	123,897	667.39
Kansas City	39,644	658.05
Iowa	8,158	656.37
Kansas	8,359	654.48
Missouri	19,183	664.02
Nebraska	3,944	640.08

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**Table 17.**  
**Recipients and average monthly payment, by SSA administrative region and state or other area,**  
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Region and state or area	Number	Average monthly payment <sup>a</sup> (dollars)
Denver	19,382	644.16
Colorado	8,296	652.91
Montana	2,047	675.87
North Dakota	1,146	615.58
South Dakota	2,242	637.22
Utah	4,806	625.60
Wyoming	845	644.14
San Francisco	122,528	721.41
Arizona	16,771	672.92
California	95,061	734.22
Hawaii	1,165	661.69
Nevada	9,295	685.47
Northern Mariana Islands	236	723.40
Seattle	31,809	647.38
Alaska	1,153	635.08
Idaho	4,779	628.33
Oregon	9,995	654.14
Washington	15,882	649.71

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

a. Includes federally administered state supplementation payments.

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**Table 18.**  
**Percentage distribution of recipients, by monthly payment, December 2020**

Payment (dollars)	Percentage of total
Total	
Number	1,108,612
Percent	100.0
None <sup>a</sup>	0.1
Under 50	1.8
50–99	0.8
100–199	2.0
200–299	2.5
300–399	3.3
400–499	4.2
500–599	10.4
600–699	8.8
700–782	8.1
783	58.2

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

a. Persons receiving only a federally administered state supplementary payment on December 1, 2020.

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**Table 19.**  
**Recipients, by selected characteristics, December 2020**

Characteristic	Number	Percentage of total
Total	1,108,612	100.0
<b>Age</b>		
Under 1 year	12,069	1.1
1	21,744	2.0
2	26,251	2.4
3	36,711	3.3
4	47,703	4.3
5	54,291	4.9
6	59,770	5.4
7	63,931	5.8
8	68,971	6.2
9	72,467	6.5
10	76,564	6.9
11	81,373	7.3
12	83,748	7.6
13	84,673	7.6
14	83,567	7.5
15	80,053	7.2
16	78,770	7.1
17	75,956	6.9
<b>Sex</b>		
Male	750,621	67.7
Female	357,991	32.3
<b>Citizenship status</b>		
Citizen	1,105,933	99.8
Noncitizen	2,679	0.2
<b>Living arrangements</b>		
Own household	142,293	12.8
Another's household	39,578	3.6
Parent's household	914,031	82.4
Medicaid institution	12,627	1.1
Unknown	83	(L)

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

NOTE: (L) = less than 0.05 percent.

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**Table 20.**  
**Recipients, by diagnostic group and age, December 2020**

Diagnostic group	All ages	Under 3	3–5	6–12	13–17
	<b>Number</b>				
All recipients under age 18	1,108,612	60,064	138,705	506,824	403,019
Congenital anomalies	62,417	10,388	12,953	25,038	14,038
Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases	8,356	414	1,485	4,165	2,292
Infectious and parasitic diseases	303	20	40	121	122
Injuries	5,008	313	834	2,193	1,668
Mental disorders					
Autism spectrum disorders	215,174	898	29,839	116,093	68,344
Developmental disorders	217,634	4,684	45,406	110,871	56,673
Childhood and adolescent disorders not elsewhere classified	24,928	(X)	(X)	11,732	12,742
Intellectual disorders	95,643	22	1,695	36,979	56,947
Depressive, bipolar, and related disorders	28,839	(X)	(X)	7,943	20,820
Neurocognitive disorders	16,505	66	1,125	8,832	6,482
Schizophrenia spectrum and other psychotic disorders	1,932	0	3	367	1,562
Other mental disorders	212,895	94	3,525	100,677	108,599
Neoplasms	9,039	555	1,932	4,158	2,394
Diseases of the—					
Blood and blood-forming organs	7,955	266	791	3,737	3,161
Circulatory system	3,660	565	847	1,276	972
Digestive system	16,334	5,320	5,545	4,148	1,321
Genitourinary system	2,516	195	344	1,046	931
Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue	8,322	601	1,355	3,504	2,862
Nervous system and sense organs	78,905	3,484	11,225	36,568	27,628
Respiratory system	13,024	1,019	2,642	5,971	3,392
Skin and subcutaneous tissue	1,674	72	265	825	512
Other	64,681	30,273	14,490	14,686	5,232
Unknown	12,868	809	1,840	5,894	4,325
	<b>Percent</b>				
All recipients under age 18	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Congenital anomalies	5.6	17.3	9.3	4.9	3.5
Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases	0.8	0.7	1.1	0.8	0.6
Infectious and parasitic diseases	(L)	(L)	(L)	(L)	(L)
Injuries	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.4	0.4
Mental disorders					
Autism spectrum disorders	19.4	1.5	21.5	22.9	17.0
Developmental disorders	19.6	7.8	32.7	21.9	14.1
Childhood and adolescent disorders not elsewhere classified	2.2	(X)	(X)	2.3	3.2
Intellectual disorders	8.6	(L)	1.2	7.3	14.1
Depressive, bipolar, and related disorders	2.6	(X)	(X)	1.6	5.2
Neurocognitive disorders	1.5	0.1	0.8	1.7	1.6
Schizophrenia spectrum and other psychotic disorders	0.2	0.0	(L)	0.1	0.4
Other mental disorders	19.2	0.2	2.5	19.9	26.9
Neoplasms	0.8	0.9	1.4	0.8	0.6
Diseases of the—					
Blood and blood-forming organs	0.7	0.4	0.6	0.7	0.8
Circulatory system	0.3	0.9	0.6	0.3	0.2
Digestive system	1.5	8.9	4.0	0.8	0.3
Genitourinary system	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2
Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue	0.8	1.0	1.0	0.7	0.7
Nervous system and sense organs	7.1	5.8	8.1	7.2	6.9
Respiratory system	1.2	1.7	1.9	1.2	0.8
Skin and subcutaneous tissue	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.1
Other	5.8	50.4	10.4	2.9	1.3
Unknown	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.1

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

NOTES: (L) = less than 0.05 percent; (X) = suppressed to avoid disclosing information about particular individuals.

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**Table 21.**  
**Recipients, by diagnostic group and sex, December 2020**

Diagnostic group	Total		Male		Female	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
All recipients under age 18	1,108,612	100.0	750,621	100.0	357,991	100.0
Congenital anomalies	62,417	5.6	33,491	4.5	28,926	8.1
Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases	8,356	0.8	4,342	0.6	4,014	1.1
Infectious and parasitic diseases	303	(L)	163	(L)	140	(L)
Injuries	5,008	0.5	2,944	0.4	2,064	0.6
Mental disorders						
Autism spectrum disorders	215,174	19.4	172,909	23.0	42,265	11.8
Developmental disorders	217,634	19.6	149,492	19.9	68,142	19.0
Childhood and adolescent disorders not elsewhere classified	24,928	2.2	18,852	2.5	6,076	1.7
Intellectual disorders	95,643	8.6	58,606	7.8	37,037	10.3
Depressive, bipolar, and related disorders	28,839	2.6	16,500	2.2	12,339	3.4
Neurocognitive disorders	16,505	1.5	10,639	1.4	5,866	1.6
Schizophrenia spectrum and other psychotic disorders	1,932	0.2	1,053	0.1	879	0.2
Other mental disorders	212,895	19.2	159,193	21.2	53,702	15.0
Neoplasms	9,039	0.8	5,106	0.7	3,933	1.1
Diseases of the—						
Blood and blood-forming organs	7,955	0.7	4,529	0.6	3,426	1.0
Circulatory system	3,660	0.3	1,992	0.3	1,668	0.5
Digestive system	16,334	1.5	8,778	1.2	7,556	2.1
Genitourinary system	2,516	0.2	1,521	0.2	995	0.3
Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue	8,322	0.8	4,113	0.5	4,209	1.2
Nervous system and sense organs	78,905	7.1	43,513	5.8	35,392	9.9
Respiratory system	13,024	1.2	7,952	1.1	5,072	1.4
Skin and subcutaneous tissue	1,674	0.2	872	0.1	802	0.2
Other	64,681	5.8	35,652	4.7	29,029	8.1
Unknown	12,868	1.2	8,409	1.1	4,459	1.2

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

NOTE: (L) = less than 0.05 percent.

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**Table 22.**  
**Adult recipients who first became eligible for SSI before age 18, by year of first eligibility and age in December 2020**

Year of first eligibility	All ages	Age in December 2020					
		18–21	22–25	26–29	30–39	40–49	50 or older <sup>a</sup>
Total							
Number	1,179,640	249,909	183,090	178,224	331,490	154,205	82,722
Percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1974–1976	3.8	...	...	...	...	3.4	47.2
1977–1980	4.0	...	...	...	(L)	12.8	32.7
1981–1984	3.8	...	...	...	2.6	16.1	14.0
1985–1989	6.7	...	...	...	12.8	20.7	6.1
1990–1994	20.4	...	(L)	20.0	43.0	40.8	...
1995–1999	17.4	1.5	28.5	33.3	24.2	6.2	...
2000–2004	19.1	30.0	32.7	25.2	13.9	...	...
2005–2009	13.7	31.8	21.7	17.2	3.4	...	...
2010–2014	8.1	23.7	15.5	4.3	...	...	...
2015–2019	2.9	12.7	1.6	...	...	...	...
2020	0.1	0.4	...	...	...	...	...

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

NOTES: ... = not applicable; (L) = less than 0.05 percent.

a. Those under age 18 in 1974 would be no older than 64 in 2020.

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**Table 23.**  
**Recipients and average monthly amount of child's income, by type of income, December 2020**

Type of income	Number	Percent	Average monthly amount (dollars)
Total	1,108,612	100.0	...
No earned or unearned income <sup>a</sup>	806,751	72.8	...
With income <sup>b</sup>	301,861	27.2	294
Earned income only	1,193	0.1	682
Unearned income only	300,105	27.1	253
Both earned and unearned income	563	0.1	890
With unearned income <sup>c</sup>	300,668	27.1	253
Social Security benefits	70,093	6.3	262
Veterans' benefits	8,892	0.8	78
Income based on need	16,519	1.5	235
Support from absent parents	157,738	14.2	238
Support and maintenance	69,606	6.3	193
Asset income	468	(L)	13
Other	6,109	0.6	335

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

NOTES: ... = not applicable; (L) = less than 0.05 percent.

- a. The percentage of children receiving the full federal benefit rate, as shown in Table 18, is smaller than the percentage of those with no income, as shown here, because of the effect of parental deemed income in the payment computation.
- b. Does not include income deemed from parents in the household.
- c. The sum of the entries may be greater than the total because some recipients may receive more than one type of unearned income.

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**Table 24.**  
**Recipients, by number of parents in the household, December 2020**

Parents in household	Number	Percentage of total
Total	1,108,612	100.0
No parents <sup>a</sup>	138,941	12.5
One parent	756,936	68.3
Two parents	212,735	19.2

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

NOTE: The total of children with one or two parents in the household differs slightly from the number of children living in a parent's household in Table 19. This is because the data in Table 19 represent only households in which a parent is the head of the household, whereas the data in this table include children living with parents who are not the head of the household.

a. Children with no parents in the household reside independently, with other relatives or nonrelatives, or in institutions or in foster care. Deeming does not apply in these situations.

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**Table 25.**  
**Recipients with one parent in the household, by type and monthly amount of parental income,**  
**December 2020**

Parental income	All children living with one parent		Children living with—			
			Mother only		Father only	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total	756,936	100.0	708,210	100.0	48,726	100.0
No parental income	343,874	45.4	323,529	45.7	20,345	41.8
Parental income <sup>a</sup>	413,062	54.6	384,681	54.3	28,381	58.2
Earned income	299,975	39.6	280,272	39.6	19,703	40.4
Unearned income	133,547	17.6	123,771	17.5	9,776	20.1
Total income (dollars)						
None	343,874	45.4	323,529	45.7	20,345	41.8
Under 200	30,855	4.1	29,559	4.2	1,296	2.7
200–399	23,333	3.1	21,908	3.1	1,425	2.9
400–599	26,216	3.5	24,601	3.5	1,615	3.3
600–999	76,363	10.1	71,392	10.1	4,971	10.2
1,000 or more	256,295	33.9	237,221	33.5	19,074	39.1
Earned income (dollars)						
None	456,961	60.4	427,938	60.4	29,023	59.6
Under 200	5,524	0.7	5,238	0.7	286	0.6
200–399	8,976	1.2	8,478	1.2	498	1.0
400–599	14,208	1.9	13,487	1.9	721	1.5
600–999	40,774	5.4	38,897	5.5	1,877	3.9
1,000 or more	230,493	30.5	214,172	30.2	16,321	33.5
Unearned income (dollars)						
None	623,389	82.4	584,439	82.5	38,950	79.9
Under 200	33,889	4.5	32,550	4.6	1,339	2.7
200–399	18,940	2.5	17,785	2.5	1,155	2.4
400–599	15,836	2.1	14,681	2.1	1,155	2.4
600–999	41,942	5.5	38,433	5.4	3,509	7.2
1,000 or more	22,940	3.0	20,322	2.9	2,618	5.4

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

a. The sum of the entries may be greater than the total because some parents may receive both earned and unearned income.

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**Table 26.**  
**Recipients with two parents in the household, by type and monthly amount of parental income,**  
**December 2020**

Parental income	All children living with two parents		Mother		Father	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total	212,735	100.0	212,735	100.0	212,735	100.0
No parental income	38,743	18.2	136,860	64.3	71,899	33.8
Parental income <sup>a</sup>	173,992	81.8	75,875	35.7	140,836	66.2
Earned income	148,224	69.7	56,857	26.7	116,436	54.7
Unearned income	42,268	19.9	21,946	10.3	29,559	13.9
Total income (dollars)						
None	38,743	18.2	136,860	64.3	71,899	33.8
Under 200	3,116	1.5	7,555	3.6	3,872	1.8
200–399	3,613	1.7	4,631	2.2	3,137	1.5
400–599	4,495	2.1	5,273	2.5	4,661	2.2
600–999	14,106	6.6	13,394	6.3	14,494	6.8
1,000 or more	148,662	69.9	45,022	21.2	114,672	53.9
Earned income (dollars)						
None	64,511	30.3	155,878	73.3	96,299	45.3
Under 200	1,318	0.6	1,878	0.9	1,240	0.6
200–399	1,780	0.8	2,453	1.2	1,628	0.8
400–599	2,898	1.4	3,357	1.6	2,637	1.2
600–999	7,926	3.7	7,845	3.7	6,880	3.2
1,000 or more	134,302	63.1	41,324	19.4	104,051	48.9
Unearned income (dollars)						
None	170,467	80.1	190,789	89.7	183,176	86.1
Under 200	4,522	2.1	7,072	3.3	4,176	2.0
200–399	4,291	2.0	2,745	1.3	2,270	1.1
400–599	4,392	2.1	2,339	1.1	2,885	1.4
600–999	13,338	6.3	6,364	3.0	9,477	4.5
1,000 or more	15,725	7.4	3,426	1.6	10,751	5.1

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

a. The sum of the entries may be greater than the total because some parents may receive both earned and unearned income.

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**Table 27.**  
**Recipients with one or more parents who have income and average monthly amount of parental income, by type of income, December 2020**

Type of income	All children with parental income		Children with parental income from—			
	Number	Average monthly amount (dollars)	Mother		Father	
			Number	Average monthly amount (dollars)	Number	Average monthly amount (dollars)
Total <sup>a</sup>	587,054	1,694	460,556	1,393	169,217	2,081
Earned income	448,199	1,955	337,129	1,647	136,139	2,341
Unearned income <sup>b</sup>	175,815	692	145,717	592	39,335	849
Social Security benefits	74,369	821	57,872	754	19,843	872
Other pensions	8,040	573	6,041	366	3,148	762
Public income-maintenance	40,806	167	38,202	166	5,023	188
Asset income	3,045	160	2,367	131	915	214
Other	55,935	806	45,493	744	11,611	1,083

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

- a. The sum of the entries may be greater than the total because some parents may receive more than one type of earned or unearned income or both earned and unearned income.
- b. The sum of the entries may be greater than the total because some parents may receive more than one type of unearned income.

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**Table 28.**  
**Recipients subject to deeming, by factors affecting parental deemed income, December 2020**

Deeming factors	All children living with parent(s)		Children living with—			
			One parent		Two parents	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total	969,671	100.0	756,936	78.1	212,735	21.9
<b><i>No deemed income used in child's payment computation</i></b>						
Subtotal	783,430	100.0	632,114	100.0	151,316	100.0
No parental income	382,617	48.8	343,874	54.4	38,743	25.6
Parent(s) receive public income-maintenance payments	40,806	5.2	35,325	5.6	5,481	3.6
Income less than deeming allocations <sup>a</sup>	40,387	5.2	32,447	5.1	7,940	5.2
Income less than exclusions <sup>b</sup>	319,620	40.8	220,468	34.9	99,152	65.5
<b><i>Deemed income used in child's payment computation</i></b>						
Subtotal	186,241	100.0	124,822	100.0	61,419	100.0
Parent(s) with—						
Earned income only	138,981	74.6	90,542	72.5	48,439	78.9
Unearned income only	29,775	16.0	25,124	20.1	4,651	7.6
Both earned and unearned income	14,942	8.0	6,911	5.5	8,031	13.1
Manually computed deemed income	2,543	1.4	2,245	1.8	298	0.5

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

a. Includes allocations for ineligible children and SSI-eligible aliens sponsored by parents.

b. Includes the general income exclusion (\$20), the earned income exclusion (\$65 plus one-half of the remaining earned income), and the parental living allowance.

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