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Table 2.F12—Social Security numbers issued, and percentage distribution by age, selected years 1937–2023

Year	Number (thousands)	Percentage distribution by age group				
		Under 15	15–19	20–49	50–64	65 or older
1937	^a 37,139	0.2	9.5	76.2	13.0	1.1
1940	5,227	0.9	40.0	49.2	8.0	1.9
1945	3,321	10.7	45.1	34.9	7.4	1.9
1950	2,891	4.9	60.4	27.2	6.2	1.3
1955	4,323	6.9	50.3	23.4	12.1	7.3
1960	3,415	6.5	72.7	15.2	4.2	1.4
1965	6,131	17.7	57.2	9.7	3.1	12.3
1970	6,132	31.4	51.9	12.9	2.4	1.4
1975	8,164					
1980	5,984					
1985	5,720					
1990	9,054					
1995	5,465					
2000	5,476					
2005	5,280					
2010	5,442					
2015	5,844	73.4	3.1	19.9	2.6	1.1
2020	4,461	83.9	1.4	12.2	1.8	0.6
2021	4,934	79.0	1.9	16.1	2.2	0.8
2022	5,975	67.3	2.7	25.0	3.7	1.4
2023	6,909	59.8	3.2	30.5	4.7	1.8

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Enumeration Performance Reports.

NOTES: Through the 2023 edition of the Supplement, counts of Social Security numbers issued were included in Table 4.B1.

Some individuals have been issued more than one Social Security number.

Totals do not necessarily equal the sum of rounded components.

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^{-- =} not available.

a. Includes about 17.2 million issued in November and December 1936.