

More than three million children of disabled, deceased or retired workers receive Social Security benefits.

Children Receiving Social Security Benefits, December 2009

	Children under age 18				Students ages 18–19			
	Total	Children of:			Total	Children of:		
		Disabled workers	Deceased workers	Retired workers		Disabled workers	Deceased workers	Retired workers
Alabama	77,430	43,522	28,024	5,884	4,366	1,977	1,947	442
Alaska	7,258	2,425	3,740	1,093	331	81	188	62
Arizona	60,006	28,125	25,966	5,915	2,756	961	1,407	388
Arkansas	48,427	28,500	16,646	3,281	2,364	1,159	958	247
California	275,723	120,910	117,281	37,532	9,012	2,857	4,489	1,666
Colorado	36,439	15,976	16,878	3,585	1,875	648	989	238
Connecticut	30,437	15,553	11,686	3,198	1,073	397	525	151
Delaware	9,566	4,912	3,929	725	526	214	259	53
District of Columbia	4,883	1,618	2,669	596	170	43	103	24
Florida	183,603	84,479	76,191	22,933	9,793	3,319	4,925	1,549
Georgia	103,662	48,045	46,183	9,434	6,052	2,234	3,094	724
Hawaii	11,398	4,444	4,599	2,355	177	53	76	48
Idaho	15,583	8,018	6,203	1,362	696	264	347	85
Illinois	114,205	54,176	48,286	11,743	6,178	2,254	3,060	864
Indiana	71,071	37,026	29,013	5,032	5,041	2,143	2,399	499
Iowa	25,476	12,922	10,697	1,857	1,417	572	689	156
Kansas	27,071	13,489	11,545	2,037	1,357	539	658	160
Kentucky	65,773	40,634	21,516	3,623	3,073	1,595	1,230	248
Louisiana	64,448	31,768	28,027	4,653	3,261	1,253	1,667	341
Maine	17,384	11,736	4,559	1,089	754	418	255	81
Maryland	49,499	20,456	24,356	4,687	1,476	385	885	206
Massachusetts	64,846	41,024	19,134	4,688	2,746	1,362	1,048	336
Michigan	115,523	62,716	42,700	10,107	5,570	2,297	2,605	668
Minnesota	40,497	22,074	15,732	2,691	2,353	969	1,096	288
Mississippi	52,691	28,072	20,343	4,276	3,140	1,353	1,495	292
Missouri	72,059	38,651	28,539	4,869	4,522	1,978	2,093	451
Montana	9,877	4,356	4,441	1,080	563	204	283	76
Nebraska	15,153	7,678	6,381	1,094	766	281	398	87
Nevada	22,895	9,795	10,249	2,851	844	274	445	125
New Hampshire	15,598	10,389	4,348	861	677	354	268	55
New Jersey	75,891	37,430	30,175	8,286	3,322	1,221	1,627	474
New Mexico	23,891	10,851	10,875	2,165	1,016	358	530	128
New York	183,958	104,024	59,056	20,878	6,216	2,571	2,682	963
North Carolina	105,221	55,773	41,372	8,076	5,342	2,272	2,515	555
North Dakota	5,008	2,351	2,294	363	315	119	157	39
Ohio	110,923	56,254	46,166	8,503	7,066	2,816	3,415	835
Oklahoma	45,718	22,413	19,714	3,591	2,811	1,085	1,447	279
Oregon	30,953	14,421	12,636	3,896	1,548	527	769	252
Pennsylvania	133,367	74,397	49,002	9,968	7,102	3,019	3,256	827
Rhode Island	10,982	6,836	3,282	864	330	155	122	53
South Carolina	58,273	30,011	23,464	4,798	3,366	1,427	1,585	354
South Dakota	6,956	3,100	3,331	525	468	163	259	46
Tennessee	82,233	42,832	33,289	6,112	4,335	1,799	2,118	418
Texas	239,687	112,016	106,268	21,403	11,494	4,112	5,950	1,432
Utah	23,178	9,666	11,497	2,015	807	247	444	116
Vermont	6,985	4,323	1,984	678	297	137	107	53
Virginia	75,463	38,965	30,028	6,470	3,639	1,443	1,739	457
Washington	52,042	25,819	20,787	5,436	2,836	1,065	1,350	421
West Virginia	28,614	17,693	9,085	1,836	1,468	751	568	149
Wisconsin	51,415	28,530	19,275	3,610	2,821	1,213	1,278	330
Wyoming	4,875	1,955	2,519	401	238	77	129	32
United States	3,064,114	1,553,149	1,225,960	285,005	149,766	59,015	71,928	18,823

Source: Social Security Administration, *Annual Statistical Supplement to the Social Security Bulletin, 2010* (February 2011), Table 5.J10, at <http://www.ssa.gov/policy/docs/statcomps/supplement/>. Calculations by Children's Defense Fund.