RAILROAD RETIREMENT - INTERESTED PARTIES MEMO (JANUARY 2007)

(fiscal year)	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
NUMBER OF BENEFICIARIES Railroad Retirement System	568,500	560,900	554,300	549,000	544,200	540,000	536,200	532,600	528,900	525,000	520,400
TOTAL BENEFIT OUTLAYS (in \$millions))										
TIER I: Social Security Equivalent Benefit	5,758	5,880	6,019	6,191	6,372	6,561	6,766	6,979	7,197	7,425	7,658
TIER II: Rail Industry Pension Fund	3,994	4,190	4,362	4,538	4,721	4,910	5,092	5,267	5,436	5,591	5,775
Windfall Benefits: Dual Benefits	88	78	70	62	54	48	41	36	31	26	21
Total	9,840	10,148	10,451	10,791	11,147	11,519	11,899	12,282	12,664	13,042	13,454

NOTES:

- 1. Total benefit outlays include benefit payments and interest on refunds of taxes.
- 2. Tier I benefits receive a full COLA, which is based on the CPI. Tier II benefits increase by 32.5% of the Tier I COLA amount.
- 3. Dual benefits are partially funded via income taxes. The portion not funded by income taxes is classified as discretionary spending.