Congressional Budget Office Supplemental Data for The Budget and Economic Outlook: 2021 to 2031

Baseline Projections

Supplemental Security Income

Under the Supplemental Security Income (SSI) program, the federal government and the states provide monthly cash assistance to people who are disabled, blind, or aged, and who have low income and few assets. To qualify for SSI, a disabled beneficiary must have a physical or mental impairment that meets the definition of disability under Social Security law. Federal benefits are calculated from the maximum benefit set each year by law, which is reduced for individual beneficiaries on the basis of their existing income. The federal portion of SSI is funded by the general fund of the Treasury (not one of the Social Security trust funds). Several states provide supplemental payments to some or all state residents who receive federal SSI benefits.



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, , ,	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2022- 2026	2022- 2031
BUDGET INFORMATION Outlays in Billions of dollars, by fiscal year													
Estimated Outlays for Benefits	57	64	61	59	66	68	70	78	68	77	80	318	691
Components of the Supplemental Security Income program													
Estimated Outlays for Benefits Aged Blind and disabled adults Blind and disabled children	6 41 9	6 46 11	6 44 10	6 42 10	6 47 11	6 49 12	7 50 12	7 56 13	7 49 12	7 55 13	8 57 14	30 228 54	66 495 118
Estimated Outlays for Vocational Rehabilitation, Research,													
Demonstration Projects, and Other	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	5	10
PARTICIPATION AND BENEFIT INFORMATION By fiscal year													
Average Monthly Benefit Per Beneficiary (Dollars)	591	610	624	639	654	670	687	705	724	741	760	n.a.	n.a.
Average Monthly Beneficiaries (Thousands of People)	7,842	7,878	7,963	8,031	8,045	8,059	8,087	8,125	8,176	8,243	8,328	n.a.	n.a.
OTHER INFORMATION													
Maximum Monthly Benefit (Individual)	794	810	826	845	864	885	906	928	951	974	997	n.a.	n.a.
Percentage Change of Maximum Monthly Benefit	1.3	2.0	2.0	2.3	2.3	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.5	2.4	2.4	n.a.	n.a.
Number of Payments ^a	12	13	12	11	12	12	12	13	11	12	12	n.a.	n.a.

Components may not sum to totals because of rounding; n.a. = not applicable.

a. The Social Security Administration (SSA) is required to pay Supplemental Security Income payments on the first day of the month. If the first day of the month occurs on a holiday or a weekend, SSA will instead make the payments on the preceding business day. As a result, in any given fiscal year there may be 11, 12, or 13 payments.