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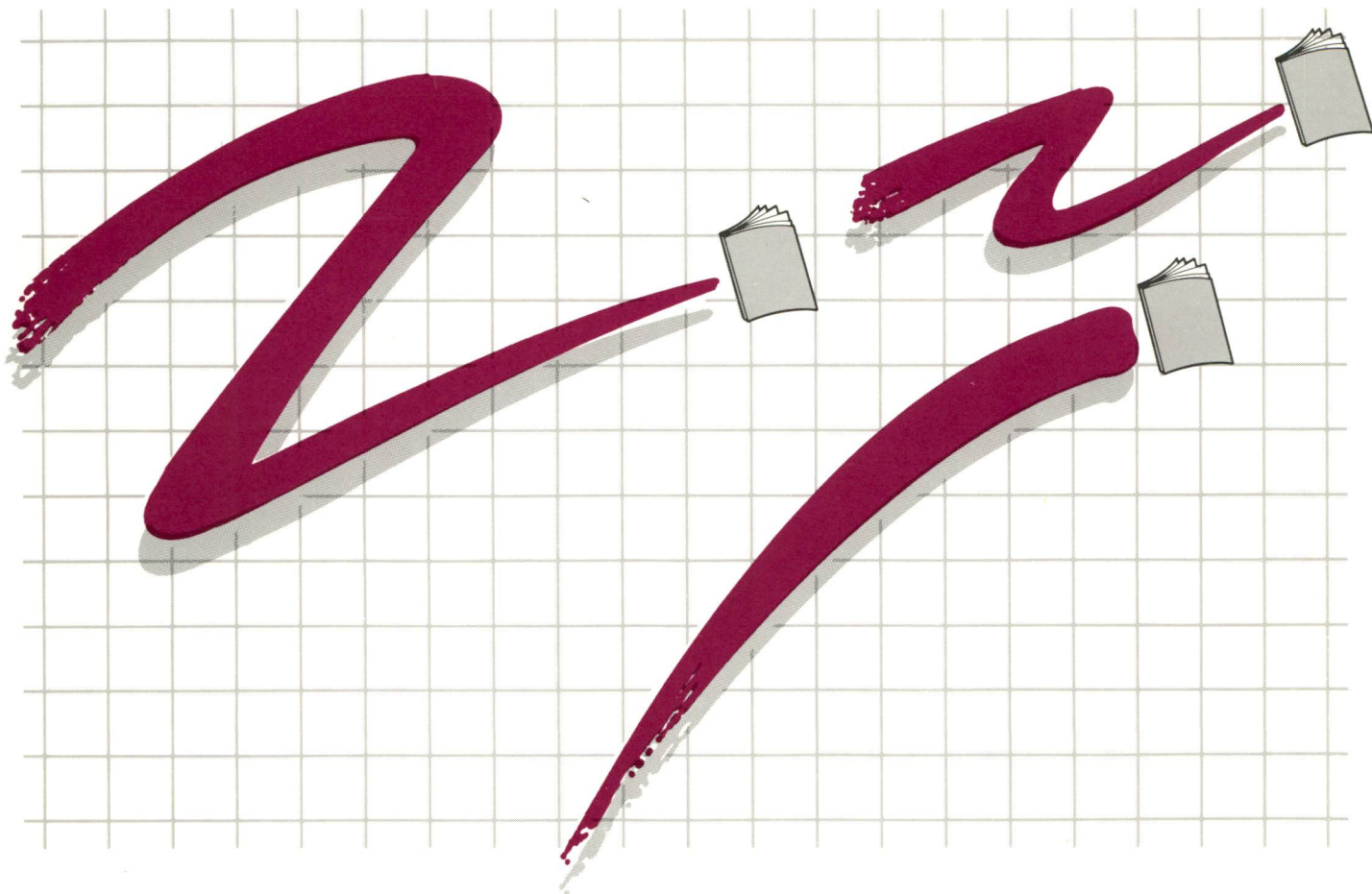
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Acronyms

AFDC	Aid to Families with Dependent Children	OASDI	Old-Age, Survivors, and Disability Insurance
CPI	Consumer Price Index	OASI	Old-Age and Survivors Insurance
CPS	Current Population Survey	ORS	Office of Research and Statistics
CWHS	Continuous Work History Sample	ORSIP	Office of Research, Statistics, and International Policy
DI	Disability Insurance	RHS	Retirement History Study
HEW	Department of Health, Education, and Welfare	SMI	Supplementary Medical Insurance
HHS	Department of Health and Human Services	SMSA	Standard Metropolitan Statistical Area
HI	Hospital Insurance	SSA	Social Security Administration
IRS	Internal Revenue Service	SSI	Supplemental Security Income
MBR	Master Beneficiary Record	SSR	Supplemental Security Record
OASDHI	Old-Age, Survivors, Disability, and Health Insurance	TDI	Temporary Disability Insurance

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Statistical Releases and Compilations

OASDI

Monthly Benefit Statistics

A monthly release of 13 tables containing the very latest available information on benefit awards and benefits in current-payment status for the OASDI, SSI, and AFDC programs. OASDI data are by number of awards, average amount awarded, number in current-payment status, average amount paid, and type of beneficiary; SSI data are by State and reason for eligibility; and AFDC data are by number of families, number of recipients, average payment per family and per recipient, and by State. Data on the OASDI, DI, HI, and SMI trust funds are also included. Source of the data: Department of the Treasury, individual States, and SSA.

Social Security Bulletin Current Operating Statistics section

Includes 43 monthly tables (and 38 additional quarterly tables) with data on income-maintenance programs, social security trust funds, OASDI cash benefits, SSI payments, AFDC payments, and data from programs related to social security (such as workers' compensation, veterans programs, unemployment insurance, civil service, railroad retirement). Source of data: Departments of Commerce, Labor, and Treasury; individual States; and SSA.

Annual Statistical Supplement, 1984-85 yearbook of the Social Security Bulletin

A yearly compilation of current and historical data on social security beneficiaries and covered workers and the

economy in general. Contains 202 detailed tables, as well as sections dealing with program definitions, historical program summaries, and current legislative developments in the areas of OASDI, Medicare, SSI, AFDC, the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance program, and other related income maintenance programs. Source of data: Departments of Commerce, Labor, and Treasury; Health Care Financing Administration; and SSA.

Social Security Beneficiaries by ZIP Code, June 1984 compiled by Philip R. Lerner April 1985

Tables show by State the number of OASDI beneficiaries, the number of adult beneficiaries by race and sex, the number of beneficiaries receiving child benefits, and the number of persons with federally administered SSI payments. Also shown is the amount of monthly benefits for all OASDI beneficiaries on the rolls. Report is published in 10 volumes corresponding to HHS administrative regions. (Data for earlier years are also available.)

Social Security Beneficiaries in Metropolitan Areas, 1983 by Joseph Bondar March 1985

Presents detailed information on the OASDI program. Specifically shown are the number of beneficiaries residing in each metropolitan area, monthly benefit amounts;

distribution of beneficiaries by age, race, and sex; and percentage distributions of retired-worker, disabled-worker, and widow and widower beneficiaries by monthly benefit amount. The data were derived on a 100-percent basis from SSA's MBR. Includes 6 tables. (Data for earlier years are also available.)

**Social Security Beneficiaries
by State and County, December 1983**
compiled by Philip R. Lerner
October 1984

Presents 225 pages of statistical data on the number of persons receiving OASDI benefits and the amounts being paid each month. The data are given by type of benefit and, for beneficiaries aged 62 and over, by sex. The compilation includes information for the 50 States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, American Samoa, Guam, and the Virgin Islands. Source of data: SSA's MBR. (Data for earlier years are also available.)

1978 Survey of Disability and Work: Data Book
by Mordechai E. Lando, Richard R. Cutler,
and Edward Gamber
May 1982

Compilation of data gathered in SSA's third major national survey of the disabled. Contains 175 tables, presenting a detailed picture of the characteristics of the working-age adult population of the United States who considered themselves to have a work disability. Source of data: samples from the 1976 Health Interview Survey and SSA records.

**A Technical Introduction to the
1978 Survey of Disability and Work**
by Barry Bye and Evan S. Schechter
January 1982

Describes the survey and the statistical sampling methods used. Survey questions pertain to health and economic status, limitations in work activity, and knowledge of SSA programs. Includes 20 tables and the survey questionnaire.

SSI

Monthly Benefit Statistics

See OASDI, p. 5.

Social Security Bulletin Current Operating Statistics section

See OASDI, p. 5.

Annual Statistical Supplement, 1984-85

See OASDI, p. 5.

SSI Recipients in Metropolitan Areas, December 1983

by Arthur L. Kahn
ORSIP Note No. 2 — 1985

Provides data on the metropolitan distribution of aged, blind, and disabled adults and blind and disabled children who receive SSI payments. Changes since 1974 in the distribution of these groups are noted, and comparisons are made with the total U.S. population and with the OASDI population. The revised criteria for defining metropolitan areas, based on the 1980 Census, are also discussed. Includes 11 tables. (Data for earlier years are also available.)

The Supplemental Security Income Program for the Aged, Blind, and Disabled: Characteristics of State Assistance Programs for SSI Recipients, January 1985

by Donald E. Rigby and Elsa Ponce
April 1985

Provides data on selected characteristics of State optional supplementation programs as of January 1, 1985. Focuses on eligibility provisions and basic levels of assistance for individuals and couples in the 50 States and the District of Columbia. Data were obtained from the State agencies and SSA regional offices. (Data for earlier years are also available.)

**Supplemental Security Income State
and County Data, December 1983**

compiled by Theodosia P. Rasberry
July 1984

Presents 137 pages of statistical data on the distributions of federally administered SSI payments to aged, blind, and disabled adults and blind and disabled children by State and county. Data were obtained from individual States. (Data for earlier years are also available.)

**Program and Demographic Characteristics
of Supplemental Security Income
Beneficiaries, December 1983**

by Arthur L. Kahn
with statistical compilation by Theodosia P. Rasberry
December 1984

Thirteen national and 31 State tables, covering demographic variables (living arrangements, income, age, race, and sex) as well as payment distributions (for individuals and couples) by reason for eligibility and amount of SSI payment. Also includes summary of SSI program provisions, definitions, and benefit rates. Data were obtained from SSA administrative records, Bureau of the Census, and SSI population reports. (Data for earlier years are also available.)

**Geographic Distribution
of SSI Recipients, December 1981**

by Arthur L. Kahn
Research and Statistics Note No. 3 — 1983

Examines the residential distribution of SSI recipients, and looks at the trend since the beginning of the SSI program in 1974. Source of data: Bureau of the Census and SSA. Includes 12 tables.

AFDC

Monthly Benefit Statistics

See OASDI, p. 5.

**Social Security Bulletin
Current Operating Statistics section**

See OASDI, p. 5.

Annual Statistical Supplement, 1984-85

See OASDI, p. 5.

Quarterly Public Assistance Statistics

Contains 16 tables on AFDC caseloads and payments (number of families/recipients/children for the Basic Program and the Unemployed Parent Segment, number of families receiving Emergency Assistance and general assistance and payment amounts, and AFDC average monthly payment by State), and 6 tables on AFDC applications and case dispositions (number of days to process, reason for approval or denial of application, and reason for discontinuance). Special topics are covered throughout the year in additional tables (topics such as requests for fair hearings, Federal matching provisions for AFDC, and payment standards). Source of data: State public assistance agencies.

**Public Assistance Recipients in Standard
Metropolitan Statistical Areas — February 1983
February 1985**

Presents data by SMSA's and by State and counties in SMSA's on the number of families, recipients, and children for the AFDC program and on the number of cases and recipients for the various State general assistance programs. Source of data: State Public Assistance agencies. Includes 2 tables. (Data for earlier years are also available.)

Geographic Areas

**Social Security Beneficiaries by State
and County, December 1983**

compiled by Philip R. Lerner
October 1984

See OASDI, p. 6.

**Social Security Beneficiaries
by ZIP Code, June 1984**

compiled by Philip R. Lerner
April 1985

See OASDI, p. 5.

**Social Security Beneficiaries
in Metropolitan Areas, 1983**

by Joseph Bondar
March 1985

See OASDI, p. 5.

SSI Recipients in Metropolitan Areas, December 1983

by Arthur L. Kahn
ORSIP Note No. 2 — 1985

See SSI, p. 6.

**The Supplemental Security Income Program for the
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**Supplemental Security Income State
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compiled by Theodosia P. Raspberry
July 1984

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**Geographic Distribution
of SSI Recipients, December 1981**

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Research and Statistics Note No. 3 — 1983

See SSI, p. 7.

**Public Assistance Recipients in Standard
Metropolitan Statistical Areas — February 1983**

February 1985

See AFDC, p. 7.

Other

Social Welfare Expenditures, 1981 and 1982

by Ann Kallman Bixby
Social Security Bulletin — December 1984

Presents compilation of statistical data on cash benefits, welfare services, and administrative costs for programs providing income maintenance through social insurance and public aid, and those providing public support of health, education, housing, and other welfare services. Data were taken or estimated from Bureau of Economic Analysis, Department of Commerce; local administrative agencies; and Department of Treasury reports. Includes 7 tables and 2 charts. (Data for earlier years are also available.)

Research Studies and Analyses

Retired and Survivor Population

The 1982 New Beneficiary Survey Series

This national, cross-sectional survey was fielded from October through December 1982 using a sample drawn from SSA's MBR. The survey consisted of 18,599 personal interviews with retired workers, disabled workers, and aged wives and widows (all of whom received a first benefit payment from mid-1980 through mid-1981) and a comparison group who had enrolled in Medicare but who had not yet filed for monthly cash benefits. As they become available, findings are being published in the **Social Security Bulletin**. (Each article listed below is annotated in the appropriate section of this Catalog.)

No. 1 — An Introduction

by Linda Drazga Maxfield

No. 2 — Distribution of Income Sources of Recent Retirees

by Linda Drazga Maxfield and Virginia P. Reno

No. 3 — Health Status of New Retired-Worker Beneficiaries

by Michael Packard

No. 4 — Women and Social Security

by Virginia P. Reno

No. 5 — Characteristics of the Longest Job for New Retired Workers

by Howard M. Iams

No. 6 — Reported Reasons Retired Workers Left Their Last Job

by Sally R. Sherman

No. 7 — Income of New Retired Workers by Social Security Benefit Levels

by Christine Irick

No. 8 — Assets of New Retired-Worker Beneficiaries

by Sally R. Sherman

No. 9 — Income of New Retired Workers by Age at First Benefit Receipt

by Linda Drazga Maxfield

Health Status of New Retired-Worker Beneficiaries: Findings From the New Beneficiary Survey

by Michael Packard

Social Security Bulletin — February 1985

Presents an overview of various measures of health and ability to work that were reported by men and women who recently began receiving social security retired-worker benefits. The data are from SSA's 1982 New Beneficiary Survey. Includes 12 tables.

Mortality and Early Retirement

by Diane Baker, Michael Packard, Anne Dee Rader, Virginia Reno, and Melinda Upp

Social Security Bulletin — December 1982

Examines and compares the survival rates of persons claiming retired-worker benefits at age 62 with those who did not. The study is based on a sample of social security insured workers who reached age 62 during 1962-72. The sample was taken from an extract from the 1977 1-percent CWHS. Includes 5 tables.

The Health of Very Early Retirees

by Eric R. Kingson

Social Security Bulletin — September 1982

Examines the health of a sample representative of 1.8 million men aged 45-59 in 1969 who permanently withdrew from the labor force before age 62 between 1966 and 1975. The analysis compares the health of men receiving social security disability benefits with that of men reporting work-limiting health conditions at labor force withdrawal but not receiving social security disability benefits. Includes 5 tables.

Why do People Retire From Work Early?

by Robert J. Myers

Social Security Bulletin — September 1982

Examines the validity of a mortality study of early retirees by Eric Kingson. The Kingson study supports the hypothesis that men who retired early were prone to have work-limiting conditions even though they were not awarded social security disability insurance benefits. This article maintains that Kingson's study is analytically faulty because of the procedure used to categorize the sample and that Kingson's findings are, therefore, not conclusive. Includes 2 tables.

Women and Social Security

by Virginia P. Reno

Social Security Bulletin — February 1985

Presents in chart form first findings from SSA's 1982 New Beneficiary Survey about average social security benefits, other pension receipt rates, marital status, and number of children raised by women entering retirement in the early 1980's. The article also presents projections for the year 2030 of average benefits for all married, widowed, divorced, and never-married women and men aged 62 or older. Includes 10 charts.

Women Social Security Beneficiaries

Aged 62 or Older, 1960-83

by Barbara A. Lingg

Social Security Bulletin — February 1985

Briefly examines the effects of women's increased participation in the labor force on the types of social security benefits received by women aged 62 or older. The benefit data were derived on a 100-percent basis from SSA's MBR. Includes 7 tables.

Social Security Benefits of Female

Retired Workers and Two-Worker Couples

by Barbara A. Lingg

Social Security Bulletin — February 1982

Presents for the first time actual program data on benefits of couples in which both spouses receive benefits as retired workers. Also examines benefit levels and entitlement status of never-married, divorced, and widowed female retired workers according to their marital status. Data are for 1976 and were obtained from SSA's MBR. Includes 33 tables.

Benefits for Individual Retired Workers and Couples Now Approaching Retirement Age

by Virginia Reno and Anne Dee Rader

Social Security Bulletin — February 1982

Presents information on the social security benefits of women and two-worker couples and estimates the potential full retired-worker benefits to be earned by men and women reaching retirement age in the early 1980's. Includes 3 tables and 1 chart. Source of data: sample of men and women aged 55-59 from SSA's 1978 Exact Match File.

Aged Widows and OASDI: Age At and

Economic Status Before and After Receipt of Benefits

by Gayle Thompson Rogers

Social Security Bulletin — March 1981

Analyzes the economic status of widows in late middle age. Describes the income, labor-force, and demographic characteristics of these widows 2-3 years before their eligibility for OASDI at age 60, examines the age and characteristics at which they elect benefits, and compares their economic status before and after they begin collecting benefits. The data were obtained from SSA's Retirement History Study. Includes 21 tables and 1 chart.

Impact on Widows of Proposed

Changes in OASI Mother's Benefits

by Susan Grad

Social Security Bulletin — February 1981

Examines the impact of a proposal to terminate benefits for mothers and fathers when the youngest child in their care reaches age 16 rather than age 18. Data are shown in 11 tables compiled from SSA's 1978 Survey of Survivor Families With Children.

Sex-Specific Equivalent Retirement Ages: 1940-2050

by Marilyn M. McMillen

Social Security Bulletin — March 1984

Presents four measures of equivalent retirement ages to be considered when analyzing retirement age issues. The analysis extends the question of equity when increased retirement age is considered by examining each measure separately for men and women. The measures are applied to data from 1940 to projections for 2050. Data were obtained from the National Center for Health Statistics, Bureau of the Census, and Health Care Financing Administration. Includes 5 tables and 1 chart.

Assets of New Retired-Worker Beneficiaries: Findings From the New Beneficiary Survey

by Sally R. Sherman

Social Security Bulletin — July 1985

Looks at the extent to which various types of assets are owned by new retired-worker beneficiaries and the value of the assets. Data are from SSA's 1982 New Beneficiary Survey. Includes 13 tables and 1 chart.

Assets of the Elderly as They Retire

by Joseph Friedman and Jane Sjogren

Social Security Bulletin — January 1981

Examines changes in the personal assets of older people as they approach and enter retirement. Includes 13 tables and 2 charts. Source of data: SSA's Retirement History Study for 1969, 1971, and 1975.

Characteristics of the Longest Job for New Retired Workers: Findings From the New Beneficiary Survey

By Howard M. Iams

Social Security Bulletin — March 1985

Describes the duration and type of employment, occupational and industrial classification, and pension coverage associated with the longest job ever held by new social security retired-worker beneficiaries and nonretired persons enrolled only for Medicare. The analysis is based on data from SSA's 1982 New Beneficiary Survey. Includes 10 tables.

Reported Reasons Retired Workers Left Their Last Job: Findings From the New Beneficiary Survey

by Sally R. Sherman

Social Security Bulletin — March 1985

Examines the reasons for leaving their last job as reported by men and women who recently began receiving social security retired-worker benefits. The population is categorized by sex, marital status, and age at which retired-worker benefits were first received. Data are from SSA's 1982 New Beneficiary Survey. Includes 9 tables and 1 chart.

The 1982 New Beneficiary Survey: An Introduction

by Linda Drazga Maxfield

Social Security Bulletin — November 1983

Describes the survey's development, sample selection procedures, sample characteristics, questionnaire, and field procedures. Includes 1 table and 1 chart.

Health Care Coverage of Survivor Families With Children: Determinants and Consequences

by Philip B. Springer

Social Security Bulletin — February 1984

Examines the continuity of health care coverage held by families headed by widows from the time of the husband's death to the survey interview (April-July 1978). The data are presented by duration of widowhood and kind of coverage the family had before the husband died. Data were obtained from SSA's 1978 Survey of Survivor Families With Children. Includes 18 tables and 1 chart.

Knowledge of Social Security:

Survivor Families With Young Children

by Julian Abbott

Social Security Bulletin — December 1983

Addresses the question of how well informed survivor family heads are regarding social security program provisions that are specifically relevant to them and their families. Data are from SSA's 1978 Survey of Survivor Families With Children. Includes 6 tables on selected characteristics such as level of knowledge by type of family head, years of schooling completed, income level, and source of income.

Disabled Population

Some Aspects of the Work Environment and Subsequent Disability Among Working-Age Men

by Robert Ferguson

Staff Paper No. 43, December 1983

Focuses on the relationship between various aspects of the predisability job/work environment and subsequent work disability rate. The study population consists of those men who developed some degree of work limitation during the 18-month period covering the last half of 1972 and all of 1973. The data base is the 1974 Followup Survey of Disabled and Nondisabled Adults, which involved a recontact with working-age persons interviewed in the 1972 Survey of Disabled and Nondisabled Adults. Includes 14 tables and 2 charts.

Recent Trends in the Social Security Disability Insurance Program

by Mordechai E. Lando, Alice V. Farley, and Mary A. Brown

Social Security Bulletin — August 1982

Discusses decreases in total awards, higher rates of denial, and the effect of the 1977 Social Security Amendments on the program. Data were obtained from Bureau of the Census and SSA. Includes 9 tables and 2 charts.

Disability in the United States — A Chartbook

by Mary Ellen Burdette and Shirley Baker
December 1980

Summarizes the highlights from a survey conducted in 1978 on the economic, medical, and social consequences of disability for disabled persons and their families. The data were collected from a sample of 12,000 persons from the civilian non-institutionalized population aged 18-64. Includes 18 charts.

Commitment to Work and the Self-Perception of Disability

by Evan S. Schechter

Social Security Bulletin — June 1981

Examines the characteristics of persons who continue to work despite their disability: analysis is by sex, race, age,

family size, education, marital status, health status, and length of work experience before onset of disability. Data were obtained from the 1972 Survey of Disabled and Nondisabled Adults and the 1974 Followup Survey of Disabled and Nondisabled Adults. Includes 5 tables.

Replacement of Earnings of the Disabled Under Social Security: Levels and Trends, 1969-75

by L. Scott Muller and Mordechai E. Lando

Research Report No. 53, June 1980

Examines the extent to which disability insurance benefits replace previous income to assess the economic incentives for individuals to apply for benefits, using data from the CWHS. Includes 28 tables and 3 charts.

Receipt of Multiple Benefits by Disabled-Worker Beneficiaries

by L. Scott Muller

Staff Paper No. 40, April 1981

Examines the benefit levels of persons who receive more than one benefit and compares benefit amounts to previous earnings. Data were obtained from SSA's 1972 Survey of Disabled and Nondisabled Adults and SSA's MBR. Includes 20 tables and 3 charts.

The Effect of Population Heterogeneity on Death-Termination Rates for Male Social Security Disability Beneficiaries

by John C. Hennessey and Jesse M. Levy

ORS Technical Note No. 3 — 1983

Reports findings using data for a cohort of men who were entitled to benefits in 1969. The sample was extracted from SSA's Continuous Disability History Sample. Includes 10 tables.

An Age Dependent, Absorbing, Semi-Markov Model of Post-Entitlement Work Histories of the Disabled Beneficiaries

by John C. Hennessey

Staff Paper No. 38, June 1980

The model was developed to describe the post-entitlement work patterns of disabled beneficiaries until retirement,

recovery, or death. The model is tested with data on a cohort of men who were entitled to benefits in 1969. The sample was extracted from SSA's CWHS. Includes 9 tables.

Estimating Response Variance From Latent Markov Models: An Application to Self-Reported Disability Status
by Barry Bye and Evan S. Schechter
Staff Paper No. 37, March 1980

Explains how the extent of measurement error in longitudinal data can be assessed without restricting the length of time between recording responses. Modifications are presented for two latent Markov models of response variance, using data from a set of SSA surveys of disabled persons. Includes 5 tables.

1978 Survey of Disability and Work: Data Book
by Mordachai E. Lando, Richard R. Cutler,
and Edward Gamber
May 1982

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A Technical Introduction to the 1978 Survey of Disability and Work
by Barry Bye and Evan S. Schechter
January 1982

See OASDI, p. 6.

1974 Followup Survey of Disabled and Nondisabled Adults

No. 1 — General Characteristics
by Robert E. Ferguson, December 1979

Examines the characteristics of persons from SSA's 1972 Survey of Disabled and Nondisabled Adults who became disabled during 1972 or 1973 and were still disabled at the time of the 1974 followup interview. Includes 19 tables.

No. 2 — Work Experience of the Disabled, 1972 and 1974
by Evan S. Schechter, December 1979

Discusses the relationship between change in disability status from 1972 to 1974 and actual labor-force behavior. Includes 10 tables.

No. 3 — Functional Capacity Limitations and Disability, 1972-74
by Sandra Duchnok Biscoe, August 1980

Presents findings on the prevalence of functional capacity limitations among working-age adults in 1974, and examines longitudinal data to determine the relationship of demographic characteristics and functional changes to changes in self-defined disability. Includes 14 tables.

Disability Survey '72, Disabled and Nondisabled Adults: A Monograph
compiled by Donald T. Ferron
Research Report No. 56, April 1981

Compilation of articles reporting the findings of the 1972 Social Security Survey of Disabled and Nondisabled Adults. Data are presented under such major topics as demographic and family characteristics of the disabled; the prevalence of chronic disease, injury, and work disability; health insurance coverage and health care utilization; medical care charges; economic factors and disability; government programs and disability; adjustment factors and disability; and changes in selected characteristics of the disabled. Includes 73 tables and 9 charts.

Workers' Compensation: Coverage, Benefits, and Costs, 1982
by Daniel N. Price
Social Security Bulletin — December 1984

Presents information on benefits for work-related injury and disease, including data on the combined benefits paid under the entire Federal black lung program. Data for 1981 and 1982, obtained from State administrative records, Federal publications, and various secondary sources. Includes 4 tables and 1 chart. (Data for earlier years are also available.)

Workers' Compensation: 1976-80 Benchmark Revisions
by Daniel N. Price
Social Security Bulletin — July 1984

Presents a new set of benchmark figures (1980) to serve as a basis for SSA's series on national workers' compensation benefits and program operations. These figures provide an opportunity to review program operations during the decade of the 1970's. Information

includes coverage, benefits, and employer costs. Data were obtained from Bureau of Labor Statistics, unpublished policy-year data from the National Council on Compensation Insurance, Federal publications, and State reports. Includes 12 tables and 5 charts.

Cash Benefits for Short-Term Sickness, 1948-81

by Daniel N. Price

Social Security Bulletin — August 1984

Discusses the protection for workers under mandatory and voluntary programs to replace wages under Temporary Disability Insurance laws. Explains the changes in benefit plans, scope of protection, type and amount of benefits, and benefit-income replacement rates. Also includes estimates for 1980 and 1981 and revisions for 1978 and 1979 of the income loss and benefits arising from short-term sickness, and losses and benefits for the first 6 months of long-term disability. Data were obtained from State agency records and private health insurance organizations. Includes 11 tables. (Data for earlier years are also available.)

SSI Recipients

A 10-Year Review of the Supplemental Security Income Program

by John Trout and David R. Mattson

Social Security Bulletin — January 1984

Looks at the SSI program in the context of the program's goals as set out by Congress and discusses the legislative changes since its inception. Statistical data are examined to determine whether the program is accomplishing what it was designed to do, and whether, as a result of legislation or because of changes in the characteristics of the recipient population, trends are developing that may have a future impact on the program. Includes 7 tables and 6 charts.

SSI: Trends in State Supplementation, 1979-81

by Sue C. Hawkins

Social Security Bulletin — June 1983

Presents a brief summary on the first 5 years of State supplementation programs under SSI (1974-78) and then

focuses on changes that took place from December 1979 to December 1981. Data were obtained from the SSR. Includes 5 tables and 1 chart.

SSI: Characteristics of Persons Receiving Federally Administered State Supplementation Only

by Sue C. Hawkins

Social Security Bulletin — April 1983

Summarizes the demographic and economic characteristics of the half million persons on the SSI rolls in January 1981 whose only payment was a federally administered State supplement. Data were obtained from SSA's SSR and Bureau of the Census. Includes 10 tables.

Low-Income Aged: Eligibility and Participation in SSI

by Linda Drazga, Melinda Upp, and Virginia Reno

Social Security Bulletin — May 1982

Reports the results of a study undertaken to evaluate SSA's methods for estimating the number of persons eligible for Federal SSI payments. The study also evaluates theories to explain why some persons eligible for SSI do not claim payments. Includes 5 tables.

Employment and Supplemental Security Income

by Arthur L. Kahn

Social Security Bulletin — October 1982

Examines the relationship between employment and SSI payments. Also discusses income exclusions, age, sex, and race variables, and the 1980 Social Security Disability Amendments as they relate to employment of SSI disabled beneficiaries. Data are based on SSA administrative records. Includes 6 tables of data for December 1975 and February 1979.

Unearned Income of Supplemental Security Income Recipients, May 1982

by Lenna D. Kennedy

Social Security Bulletin — May 1983

Presents for the first time detailed estimates of the distributions of income sources — social security benefits, veterans' pensions, pensions from employment, asset income, and support and maintenance in-kind — based on a 1-percent sample of May 1982 SSI recipients. Includes 10 tables.

Income and Living Arrangements Among Poor Aged Singles

by Thomas Tissue and John L. McCoy
Social Security Bulletin — April 1981

Focuses on the correlates of living arrangements among unmarried older welfare recipients in 1973; examines the effect of income change on living arrangements in 1974, based on data obtained in SSA's Survey of Low-Income Aged and Disabled.

Indochina Refugees Receiving Supplemental Security Income, July 1978

by Arthur L. Kahn
Research and Statistics Note No. 6 — 1980

Reviews the legislative history of Indochina refugee migration into the United States, examines the characteristics of those refugees receiving SSI, and compares this group to the overall Indochina refugee population. Data were obtained from the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare and SSA. Includes 8 tables.

AFDC Recipients

Aid to Families with Dependent Children: Characteristics of Recipients in 1979

by Henrietta J. Duvall, Karen W. Goudreau, and
Robert E. Marsh
Social Security Bulletin — April 1982

Discusses the financial circumstances of AFDC families and classifies this population according to age, sex, place of residence, race, ethnicity, and duration on the rolls. Source of data: SSA's 1979 AFDC Recipient Characteristics Study.

Utilization of Medicaid Services by AFDC Recipients

by Henrietta J. Duvall
Social Security Bulletin — June 1983

Describes the results of a sample survey of State AFDC agencies regarding the specific types of Medicaid services used by each AFDC family member for the 6-month period April-September 1977. Data were taken from **AFDC: 1977 Recipient Characteristics Study, Part 1 — Demographic and Program Statistics,**

September 1980, and **Part 2 — Financial Circumstances of AFDC Families,** February 1981, Office of Research and Statistics, SSA. Includes 3 tables.

AFDC: Good Cause Claims for Refusing to Cooperate in Establishing Paternity or Securing Child Support

by Ruthellen Mulberg
Social Security Bulletin — May 1983

Presents data concerning the number of good cause claims made and disposed of during the 6-month period from April 1 through September 30, 1981. The cooperation requirement was most frequently waived because of threats of physical harm to either the child or the parent/caretaker. The information was obtained from semiannual reports submitted by the State public assistance agencies. Includes 2 tables.

Low-Income Energy Assistance Program

by Donald E. Rigby and Charles Scott
Social Security Bulletin — January 1983

In fiscal year 1981, Congress appropriated \$1.85 billion for home heating assistance to help low-income households meet rapidly rising energy costs. This article presents program data and information on the characteristics of the more than 17 million persons who received aid under this program. Data were based on reports from States, Indian tribes, and territories. Includes 18 tables and 1 chart.

Study of Emergency Assistance and Special Needs Programs

by Michael Sosin
Social Security Bulletin — September 1981

Discusses the methodology and results of a study done in the late 1970's by the Institute for Research on Poverty, University of Wisconsin. Includes 3 tables.

Private Pensions

Private Pensions: 1982 Legislation

by Gene Carter
Social Security Bulletin — August 1983

Examines the private pension rules prior to the passage of the Tax Equity and Fiscal Responsibility Act of 1982 and

describes the ways in which that legislation changed the rules. Discusses the history of private pension plans, changes in annual limitations, changes in noncorporate plans, new rules for top-heavy plans, and other pension-related changes.

**Private Pension Coverage and Vesting
by Race and Hispanic Descent, 1979**

by Gayle Thompson Rogers
Staff Paper No. 42, March 1982

Examines the prevalence of private pension coverage and vesting among white, black, and Hispanic private wage and salary workers age 14 and older in 1979. The data are from the 1979 Survey of Pension Plan Coverage, jointly sponsored by SSA and the Department of Labor. Includes 33 tables.

**Vesting of Private Pension Benefits
in 1979 and Change From 1972**

by Gayle Thompson Rogers
Social Security Bulletin — July 1981

Examines the prevalence of vested private pension benefits in 1979 as reported by full-time private wage and salary workers actively participating in pension plans. Also analyzes the effect of selected demographic, economic, labor-force, and plan characteristics on vested status. Includes 19 tables and 2 charts. Source of data: joint SSA and Department of Labor surveys done in 1972 and 1979.

Public Pensions

**Benefits and Beneficiaries Under Public
Employee Retirement Systems, 1981 and 1982**

by Ann Kallman Bixby
Social Security Bulletin — April 1985

Presents calendar year data on the amount of benefits, the number of beneficiaries, and the average annual benefit amount by benefit category and level of government. Historical data (back to 1954) also give number of beneficiaries and amount of benefits paid by reason for benefit receipt and level of government. Source of data: administering agencies and the Bureau of the Census. Includes 6 tables. (Data for earlier years are also available.)

**Civil Service Retirement System
Annuitants and Social Security**

by Robert Dalrymple, Susan Grad, and Duke Wilson
Social Security Bulletin — February 1983

Examines the extent to which annuitants of the Federal employee Civil Service Retirement System are entitled to social security benefits. Data for 1979 are presented in 17 tables and 2 charts. Data were obtained from a 1979 Office of Personnel Management administrative file of primary Civil Service Retirement System annuitants, matched with SSA's CWSH and MBR.

**State and Local Government Employees
Covered Under Social Security, 1977-81**

by Bert Kestenbaum
Social Security Bulletin — December 1982

Presents data from SSA administrative records on the extent of OASDI coverage, characteristics of covered workers, and extent of coverage terminations. Includes 3 tables. (Data for earlier years are also available.)

Income

**Income of New Retired Workers by Age at First Benefit
Receipt: Findings From the New Beneficiary Survey**

by Linda Drazga Maxfield
Social Security Bulletin — July 1985

Examines how income sources and total monthly income received by newly retired social security beneficiaries vary with the age at which the first benefit check was received. The data are from SSA's 1982 New Beneficiary Survey. Includes 19 tables.

**Income of New Retired Workers
by Social Security Benefit Levels:
Findings From the New Beneficiary Survey**

by Christine Irick
Social Security Bulletin — May 1985

Examines the extent to which recent retirees with relatively low or relatively high earnings-related benefits from social security have other sources of income, and how total income varies by benefit level. Data are from SSA's 1982 New Beneficiary Survey. Includes 12 tables.

Distribution of Income Sources of Recent Retirees: Findings From the New Beneficiary Survey
by Linda Drazga Maxfield and Virginia P. Reno
Social Security Bulletin — January 1985

Examines income received by the newly retired from assets, employer-provided pensions, and social security. Data were obtained from SSA's 1982 New Beneficiary Survey. Includes 7 tables.

Income of the Population 55 and Over, 1982
by Susan Grad
March 1984

Presents information on the broad economic picture of a cross section of the population aged 55 and over. The tabulations focus on the major sources and combinations of sources of income for this age group and the amounts received from such sources. Source of data: March supplement to the CPS, which samples a large cross section of households in the United States each year and provides detailed information annually on income and labor-force participation. Includes 52 tables. (Data for 1976, 1980, and 1981 are also available.)

Income Changes At and After Social Security Benefit Receipt: Evidence From the Retirement History Study
by Alan Fox
Social Security Bulletin — September 1984

Details the changes in total income and the composition of its sources that occur on initial receipt of social security benefits, and in the first 4 years thereafter. Also traces income sources and amounts during the first few years of benefit receipts. Study is based on a sample of persons who entered the benefit rolls between the late 1960's and mid-1970's. Data were derived from the Retirement History Study. Includes 11 tables and 2 charts.

Earnings Replacement Rates and Total Income: Findings From the Retirement History Study
by Alan Fox
Social Security Bulletin — October 1982

Presents several measures of earnings-replacement rates for individuals and couples at 1976 levels, based on various definitions of preretirement earnings with and without private pensions and gross or net of taxes. Also presents preliminary estimates of changes in total income at retirement. Includes 12 tables and 2 charts.

Incomes of the Aged and Nonaged, 1950-82
by Susan Grad
Social Security Bulletin — June 1984

Discusses the results of previous studies, both supportive and nonsupportive of the conclusion that the aged are as well off as the nonaged, and presents a range of figures from Bureau of the Census reports over the period 1950-82 that measures the incomes of the aged and nonaged and those of subgroups within these populations. Includes 17 tables.

Price and Income Changes for the Elderly
by Benjamin Bridges, Jr. and Michael D. Packard
Social Security Bulletin — January 1981

Focuses on both price and income changes experienced by the elderly over the period 1970-77. Constructs a consumer price index for the elderly for 1967-79 using data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics. Examines income changes for the elderly using data from the March Current Population Survey. Includes 12 tables.

Relative Importance of Various Income Sources of the Aged, 1980
by Melinda Upp
Social Security Bulletin — January 1983

Looks at the extent to which aged couples and nonmarried persons rely on earnings, retirement pensions, assets, and public assistance. The study notes the importance of these various sources to aged units with different levels of both total money income and retirement income, then examines changes in the relative importance of the different sources over time. Data were extracted from the March 1981 CPS. Includes 5 tables.

A Look at the Economic Status of the Aged Then and Now
Melinda Upp
Social Security Bulletin — March 1982

Compares the economic status of the aged in 1936-37 as it was described in the first issue of the **Social Security Bulletin** with their status now. Also compares the early methods used to count the numbers of persons relying on different income sources with those used today. Includes 3 tables.

Purchasing Power of the U.S. Social Security Benefits Abroad, 1970-82

by Jonathan Aldrich, Alan Fox, and Eduard Lopez
Social Security Bulletin — September 1983

Examines whether the small number of social security beneficiaries living abroad enjoy a higher standard of living than they would with the same benefits if they lived in the United States. Includes 4 tables and 1 chart.

Economic Research

Social Security and Private Saving: Theory and Historical Evidence

by Selig D. Lesnoy and Dean R. Leimer
Social Security Bulletin — January 1985

A nontechnical presentation of the debate that has gone on during the past decade over whether the U.S. social security system has depressed private saving in the economy. Includes 4 tables and 2 charts.

Econometric Models and the Study of the Economic Effects of Social Security

by John C. Hambor
Social Security Bulletin — October 1984

Provides a relatively nontechnical discussion of previously published research on the use of econometric models in the study of the economic effects of social security. Illustrates the role of econometric model building by focusing on three major applications: forecasting, policy simulation, and hypothesis testing. Includes 2 tables.

Distribution of Family Income: Improved Estimates

by Daniel B. Radner
Social Security Bulletin — July 1982

Describes the results of research on improving estimates of family income using merged Current Population Surveys, tax returns, and social security data for 1972. Includes 10 tables.

Family Social Security Taxes Compared With Federal Income Taxes

by Benjamin Bridges, Jr.
Social Security Bulletin — December 1981

Examines what proportion of 1979 family units paid more in social security tax than in Federal income tax and how this proportion varied with unit income. Uses tax estimates produced by applying SSA's Simulated Tax and Transfer System model to the March 1980 Current Population Survey. Includes 7 tables.

Changing the Taxable Maximum: Effect on Social Security Taxes by Industry and Firm Size

by Louis Esposito, David Podoff, and Aaron J. Prero
Social Security Bulletin — July 1980

Analyzes the relationship between increases in payroll taxes and both firm size and industry group. The 1981 taxable maximum (as legislated in the 1977 Social Security Act Amendments) and two other hypothetical maximums are compared with the 1981 maximum that would have prevailed without the 1977 amendments. Estimates are based on 1974 data from SSA's 1-percent sample of social security covered workers. Includes 6 tables.

The Role of the Replacement Rate in the Design of the Social Security Benefit Structure

by Dean R. Leimer
Staff Paper No. 36, December 1979

Discusses the replacement rate and examines the ways in which the pattern of replacement rates can be controlled over time.

Social Security Programs in Foreign Countries

Social Security Programs Throughout the World, 1983

Research Report No. 59, May 1984

Highlights the principal features of 140 social security systems throughout the world. The data are based on laws, implementing decrees, and regulations in force at the beginning of 1983. Much of the information was received through the Annual Survey on Developments and Trends conducted by the International Social Security Association

under the sponsorship of the U.S. Social Security Administration. Other sources include official publications, periodicals, and other documents either received directly from social security institutions in many of the countries or obtained through the Foreign Law Section of the Library of Congress. (Data for earlier years are also available.)

Regímenes de seguridad social en las Américas — 1983

(Social Security Programs in the Americas — 1983)
September 1985

Translates into Spanish summaries of the social security programs from 38 countries in the Western Hemisphere. Data are from **Social Security Programs Throughout the World, 1983** (ORSIP Research Report No. 59, May 1984).

Worldwide Developments in Social Security, 1981-83

by Ilene R. Zietzer
Social Security Bulletin — June 1984

Highlights some of the legislative changes and developments in the social security programs of the 140 countries included in the 1983 edition of **Social Security Programs Throughout the World** (ORSIP Research Report No. 59, May 1984).

Social Security Trends and Developments in Industrialized Countries

by Ilene R. Zeitzer
Social Security Bulletin — March 1983

Examines some of the significant changes that have taken place in the social security programs of the Western European countries, Australia, Canada, Israel, and Japan since 1971. Data were obtained from **Social Security Programs Throughout the World, 1981** (Research Report No. 58, 1982), legislative changes, and other resources. Includes 4 tables.

Social Security Problems in Western European Countries

by Lillian Liu
Social Security Bulletin — February 1984

Discusses the current financial problems of social security systems in European countries. Data were obtained from a report by the Commission of the European Community entitled "Social Security Problems: Points for Consideration." Includes 6 tables of data for 1970, 1975, 1980, 1981, and 1982.

Slowing Down Pension Indexing: The Foreign Experience

by Daniel Wartonick and Michael Packard
Social Security Bulletin — June 1983

Looks at five countries -- Canada, Finland, Sweden, the United Kingdom, and West Germany — that have modified the way they index retirement benefits. An overview of the changes is presented, followed by a brief country-by-country description of each social security program, current indexing procedures, and changes in these procedures between 1975 and 1983. Includes 2 tables.

The Earnings Replacement Rate of Old-Age Benefits in 12 Countries, 1969-80

by Jonathan Aldrich
Social Security Bulletin — November 1982

Reports the findings of a cross-national study of earnings replacement rates — the proportion of immediate preretirement earnings replaced by social security retirement benefits. Data were obtained from wage figures published by the International Labor Organization. Includes 1 table.

European Attitudes Toward Retirement

by Daniel Wartonick
Social Security Bulletin — June 1980

Presents the results of a 1978 survey conducted by the Commission of the European Communities among the working population of member countries.

International Trends in Disability Program Growth

by Lois S. Copeland
Social Security Bulletin — October 1981

Presents the gross rate of disability incidence in five European programs and explores termination rates (for recovery and death) in three of those programs. Factors underlying growth patterns are also discussed. Data were obtained from official publications of Belgium, Finland, the Federal Republic of Germany, France, and the Netherlands, and from various institutions and their staffs who furnished statistical data and verified the comparability of time-series data used. Includes 4 tables of data for 1966-77.

Proposals for Social Security Reform in the United Kingdom

by Daniel Wartonick

Social Security Bulletin — August 1985

Discusses the proposed reforms and how they affect four major programs: State Earnings Related Pension Scheme, Supplementary Benefit, Housing Benefit, and Family Income Supplement. The proposals are perceived in the United Kingdom as being perhaps the most extensive to be put forward by a government since the Beveridge Report in 1942.

Consumer Price Indexes for the Elderly: British Experience

by Lois S. Copeland

Social Security Bulletin — January 1982

Shows a roughly parallel movement from 1970 to 1980 between the general index, excluding housing, and the special pensioner indexes, with the pensioner indexes advancing at a slightly faster pace. Includes 2 tables of data from the United Kingdom Department of Employment.

Children's Allowances in the United Kingdom

by Lynn M. Ellingson

Social Security Bulletin — October 1980

Explains the 3-year phase-in period of the program begun in 1977. Gives the background, implementation, and evaluation of the program. Includes 2 tables.

Promotion of Subsidized Savings in the Federal Republic of Germany

Social Security Bulletin — October 1981

Summarizes West Germany's subsidized savings program and its effectiveness, using January 1, 1975, data obtained from the Federal Republic of Germany.

Highlights From Canadian Government Green Paper: Better Pensions for Canadians

by Daniel Wartonick

Social Security Bulletin — August 1983

The Canadian Government proposed for public debate a series of possible changes to its social security and private retirement systems. Highlights from the Green Paper are reproduced verbatim.

Farmers' Pensions and the Polish Economic Crisis

by Joseph G. Simanis

Social Security Bulletin — April 1983

Discusses the eventual failure of policies introduced by the Polish Government in the late 1970's that were designed primarily to provide social protection but were also expected to encourage increased agricultural production and achieve other economic goals.

Retirement Options Under the Swedish National Pension System

by Michael D. Packard

Social Security Bulletin — November 1982

Examines various pension/work alternatives available to older Swedish workers, including the unique pension alternative called the partial pension program, which allows workers aged 60-64 to reduce their hours of work to within prescribed limits and receive a pension equal to half the earnings they lost. Includes 5 tables.

Private Pension Plans in West Germany and France

by Max Horlick

Research Report No. 55, October 1980

Discusses the interaction of foreign, private, and public pension plans. Also includes developments and trends of these plans in West Germany, France, and the United States through 1978. Data were obtained from publications and working documents from West Germany, France, and the United States.

Chile Changes Its Health Care System

by Barbara E. Kritzer

Social Security Bulletin — December 1983

Explains the new law enacted in August 1981, which gives workers the option of remaining under the old government health care program or joining a new private program intended to provide more comprehensive care than formerly had been available to most persons in that country. Includes 1 table.

Chile Changes Social Security

by Barbara E. Kritzer

Social Security Bulletin — May 1981

Discusses how Chile changed from public to mandatory private insurance coverage after almost half a century of following the European pattern of social security.

Commission Reports and Summaries of Social Security Legislation

Commission Reports

Report on the Earnings Sharing Implementation Study Social Security Bulletin — March 1985

Summarizes the report that was mandated by the Social Security Amendments of 1983. Several earnings sharing plans are analyzed. Transitional provisions are included and distributional and cost effects for each plan are provided. In addition, implementation concerns are analyzed and feasible time periods for implementing an earnings sharing plan are discussed. Includes 4 tables.

Report of the National Commission on Social Security Reform Social Security Bulletin — February 1983

Includes all four chapters of the Commission recommendations on how to solve the financing problems of the social security program. (The Commission's report was sent to Congress and the President on January 20, 1983.)

Financial Status of the Social Security Program by Robert J. Myers Social Security Bulletin — March 1983

Outlines the dimensions of the financing problem, discusses the operational and funding procedures of the Social Security Trust Funds, the measures developed to

determine the financial soundness of the program, and the financial status of each trust fund in the past, at present, and projected for the future. This article is Appendix J to the **Report of the National Commission on Social Security Reform**. Includes 8 tables of data for 1970-2060 from the **1982 OASDI and HI Trustees Reports**.

Actuarial Cost Estimates for OASDI and HI and Various Possible Changes in OASDI Social Security Bulletin — March 1983

Presents the actuarial cost estimates for possible revisions to the OASDI and HI programs. Data on cost estimates are shown in 45 statistical tabulations for 1983-89. Most estimates were prepared by SSA's Office of the Actuary. (This article is pages 1-55 of Appendix K to the **Report of the National Commission on Social Security Reform**.)

Report of the Universal Social Security Coverage Study Group: Executive Summary Social Security Bulletin — June 1980

Examines the feasibility and desirability of mandatory coverage under the social security program for noncovered workers. Discusses the major options available and the effects of these and mandatory coverage on the three major groups of noncovered workers — Federal workers, noncovered State and local government employees, and employees of private nonprofit organizations.

Social Security Financing

Social Security Bulletin — May 1980

Presents the findings and recommendations of the 1979 Advisory Council on Social Security. The report is the result of a 2-year study by the Council. Subjects covered include reducing reliance on the payroll tax, the level of the earnings base, financial projections, current cost financing and the role of the trust funds, and protecting social security against economic fluctuations. Includes 2 tables of data for 1979-2055 from the 1979 OASDI Trustees Report.

Summaries of Social Security Legislation

Social Security Disability Benefits Reform Act of 1984: Legislative History and Summary of Provisions

by Katharine P. Collins and Anne Erfle
Social Security Bulletin — April 1985

Describes the legislative history and summarizes the provisions in the new law. Major provisions include: standards for continuing disability reviews (CDR's) of DI beneficiaries and SSI recipients who get payments based on disability or blindness; the right of a DI beneficiary or an SSI recipient to have payments continued during appeal of a CDR decision to an administrative law judge that disability or blindness has ceased; and suspension of CDR's of mentally impaired persons until the evaluation criteria for mental impairments are revised.

Deficit Reduction Act of 1984: Provisions Related to the OASDI and SSI Programs

Social Security Bulletin — November 1984

The OASDI changes include provisions relating to social security coverage of employees of the executive and legislative branches of the government, and a provision allowing churches and church-related organizations to be exempt from social security employer taxes. The SSI program changes include provisions to increase the countable assets limit, to limit the rate of recovery for overpayments in nonfraud situations, and to waive certain overpayments resulting from countable resources exceeding the applicable limits by \$50 or less.

Deficit Reduction Act of 1984: Provisions Related to the Medicare and Medicaid Programs

Social Security Bulletin — November 1984

The Medicare provisions include changes in reimbursement and benefits, and administrative and other changes. The Medicaid provisions modify coverage requirements for pregnant women and children and provide that Medicaid applicants must assign their rights to third-party payments to the State as a condition of eligibility.

Deficit Reduction Act of 1984:

Provisions Related to the AFDC Program

Social Security Bulletin — December 1984

Identifies certain individuals living in the same household with the dependent child who must file for assistance and have their income and resources considered in determining the child's eligibility for an AFDC payment. The legislation also broadens the types of work programs in which the States may require AFDC recipients to participate by allowing States to use AFDC payments to subsidize certain public and private sector employment.

Social Security Amendments of 1983:

Legislative History and Summary of Provisions

by John A. Svahn and Mary Ross
Social Security Bulletin — July 1983

Describes the legislative history, final provisions, and financial aspects of the 1983 Social Security Amendments. Among other things, the legislation delays the annual cost-of-living adjustments in benefits from July to January of each year, makes up to one-half of the benefits received by high-income beneficiaries subject to income taxes, gradually raises the retirement age early in the next century, calls for the earlier implementation of scheduled payroll tax increases, and puts new Federal employees under the social security program.

Summary of 1982 Legislation

Affecting SSI, OASDI, and Medicare

Social Security Bulletin — July 1983

Summarizes Public Law 97-248, the Tax Equity and Fiscal Responsibility Act of 1982, and Public Law 97-253, the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1982.

**Omnibus Reconciliation Act of 1981:
Legislative History and Summary
of OASDI and Medicare Provisions**
by John A. Svahn
Social Security Bulletin — October 1981

Traces the legislative development and summarizes the final form of changes in the OASDI and Medicare programs incorporated in the legislation (Public Law 97-35). Includes 8 tables.

**Restoration of Certain Minimum Benefits
and Other OASDI Program Changes:
Legislative History and Summary of Provisions**
by John A. Svahn
Social Security Bulletin — March 1982

Discusses the legislative development of Public Law 97-123 which restored the minimum benefit for those who became eligible for it before January 1982 and made other changes to lessen the cash flow problems of the OASI Trust Fund in 1982. The major changes include interfund borrowing among the social security trust funds and coverage — for social security tax and benefit purposes — of sick pay during the first 6 months of nonwork. Includes 6 tables.

Miscellaneous

Actuarial Status of the OASI and DI Trust Funds

by Harry C. Ballantyne
Social Security Bulletin — June 1985

Discusses the financial and actuarial status of the OASI and DI Trust Funds, based on the 1985 Trustees Report. Includes 4 tables and 3 charts. (Data for earlier years are also available.)

Actuarial Status of the HI and SMI Trust Funds

by Sol Mussey
Social Security Bulletin — June 1985

Summarizes the 1985 HI and SMI Trustees Reports. Includes 6 tables and 4 charts. (Data for earlier years are also available.)

Present Policies and Methods Regarding the Long-Term Adjustment of Benefits

by Harry C. Ballantyne
Social Security Bulletin — October 1984

Describes the policies and practices employed by the Social Security Administration to periodically adjust benefits for changes in the cost of living. Presents the historical development of various automatic-adjustment provisions, how contributions are indexed to determine the initial benefit, and how the purchasing power of the benefit is adjusted as the result of changes in the Consumer Price Index. Also explores other factors affecting long-term benefits such as changes in the normal retirement age and in the size of the delayed retirement credit. Data for 1965-83 were obtained from legislative reports, SSA

administrative reports, and the 1983 OASDI Trustees Report. Includes 2 tables.

Economic Forecasting: Effect of Errors on OASDI Fund Ratios

by Dwight K. Bartlett, III and Joseph A. Applebaum
Social Security Bulletin — January 1982

Examines the experience of several key economic indicators during the 1970's, and presents a formula for making estimates of OASDI fund ratios, given the necessary assumptions. The formula is used to project fund ratios from 1981 to 1986. The article shows where the fund would stand if forecasting errors were to continue at the magnitudes experienced in 1970-76. Includes 5 tables and 1 chart.

Actual Costs of the Social Security System Over the Years Compared With 1935 Estimates

by Robert J. Myers
Social Security Bulletin — March 1982

Shows that the 1935 cost estimates expressed as a percentage of taxable payroll were very close to what actually developed. Includes 2 tables comparing the original old-age benefits program with the OASI program.

Long-Range Projection of Average Benefits Under OASDI

by Steven F. McKay
Social Security Bulletin — January 1982

Describes the "average benefit payable" projection and explains the historical development, basic sample of earnings histories, projections of the basic sample,

calculated amounts, average awards and benefits, and comparison of alternative assumptions. Includes 5 tables for 1960-2055 based on Alternative II-B assumptions of the **1981 OASDI Trustees Report**.

Interfund Borrowing Under the Social Security Act
by Bruce D. Schobel
Social Security Bulletin — September 1983

The Social Security Amendments of 1981 (December 29, 1981) provided for limited interfund borrowing among the OASI, DI, and HI trust funds until December 31, 1982. The Social Security Amendments of 1983 (April 20, 1983) reinstated the interfund borrowing authority through the end of 1987. This article details the three loans made in 1982 and notes the differences between the 1981 and 1983 legislation.

Investment Policies and Procedures of the Social Security Trust Funds
by Robert J. Myers
Social Security Bulletin — January 1982

Discusses the current and past investment policies of the four social security trust funds — OASI, DI, HI, and SMI — particularly as they relate to securities that are specially issued to the trust funds. Includes 4 tables.

Relationship Between the Retirement, Disability, and Unemployment Insurance Programs: The U.S. Experience
by Virginia P. Reno and Daniel N. Price
Social Security Bulletin — May 1985

Several European countries have made it easier to qualify for retirement or disability benefits as a way of alleviating long-term unemployment. The United States has not followed this trend. This article, presented at a 1984 International Social Security Association conference, describes recent U.S. developments in the areas of retirement, disability, and unemployment insurance. Includes 5 tables and 3 charts.

Special Age-72 Social Security Benefits Awarded in 1981
by Bruce D. Schobel
Social Security Bulletin — January 1983

Discusses the eligibility criteria for receipt of special age-72 benefits and looks at the characteristics of persons

awarded these benefits in December 1981. Data were obtained from SSA administrative records. Includes 2 tables.

Characteristics of Newly Awarded Recipients of the Social Security Regular Minimum Benefit
by Bruce D. Schobel and Steven F. McKay
Social Security Bulletin — June 1982

The regular minimum benefit was eliminated for both current and future recipients under Public Law 97-35. It was restored for certain current beneficiaries under Public Law 97-123. After the first legislation but before the second, a study was undertaken to examine a group of newly eligible beneficiaries who before Public Law 97-35 would have received the benefit but who after Public Law 97-35 would not. Although the persons sampled are now eligible for the minimum benefit because of Public Law 97-123, they closely resemble other future beneficiaries who will not be eligible for it. Includes 10 tables.

Home Equity Conversion Plans as a Source of Retirement Income
by Philip B. Springer
Social Security Bulletin — September 1985

Describes in detail a variety of home equity conversion plans and discusses their relevance for social security beneficiaries, as well as for the aged in general. Includes 2 tables.

Employment Covered Under the Social Security Program, 1935-84
by William J. Nelson, Jr.
Social Security Bulletin — April 1985

Provides data on the coverage status of workers by their major job in 1981. In addition, the initial coverage provisions in 1935 and coverage extensions since then are described. Includes 2 tables.

Domestic Workers Covered under OASDHI, 1976
by Bert Kestenbaum
Research and Statistics Note No. 1 — 1980

Includes 7 tables of data on domestic workers by age, sex, race, insured status, taxable wages, and quarters of coverage. Also includes data on number of domestic

workers covered by number of employers and taxable wages for 1965-76.

Social Security Farmworkers Statistics, 1977

by Bert Kestenbaum

Research and Statistics Note No. 3 — 1981

The results of a sample survey of farmworkers and farm employers under social security. Includes data by State, sex, race, eligibility for benefits, farm earnings, and type of employment. Data were obtained from Department of Agriculture, Bureau of the Census, employer tax reports (IRS Forms 943), and SSA records. Includes 8 tables.

Social Security Beneficiaries Enrolled In the Direct Deposit Program, December 1983

by Joseph Bondar

Social Security Bulletin — May 1984

Gives an overview of the direct deposit program and the events that led to the initiation of the electronic funds transfer system. Detailed data on the demographic characteristics of those using the program are also presented. The data were derived from a 10-percent sample of SSA's MBR. Includes 8 tables and 1 chart.

OASDI and SSI Beneficiaries With a Representative Payee, 1981

Social Security Bulletin — October 1983

Presents data on selected characteristics of social security beneficiaries and SSI recipients under the representative payee program in 1981. The data were obtained from SSA's MBR and SSR. Includes 2 tables. (Data for earlier years are also available.)

Mortality of Older Widows and Wives

by Bert Kestenbaum and Greg Diez

Social Security Administration — October 1982

Reports on a study of SSA administrative records of a sample of beneficiary widows and wives to determine if their mortality is different than that of other widows and wives not receiving social security benefits, and if the mortality of widows differs by the duration of widowhood. Includes 6 tables.

Changing Commitments of American Women to Work and Family Roles

by Helena Znaniecka Lopata and Kathleen Fordham Norr
Social Security Bulletin — June 1980

Discusses women's attitudes on employment and family roles based on a 1976 study of women in the Chicago area aged 25-54.

Work Experience and Earnings of Middle-Aged Black and White Men, 1965-71

by Julian Abbott

Social Security Bulletin — December 1980

Differences in the likelihood of holding full-time/full-year jobs, receiving comparable earnings, and reducing labor-market activity are examined in relation to health, education, and occupation. Statistical data are shown in 15 tables and 6 charts, obtained from the Department of Labor's 5-year National Longitudinal Survey of the labor-market experience of men aged 45-69 in 1966.

Changing the Method for Calculating Quarters of Coverage: The Impact on Workers' Insured Status

by William J. Nelson, Jr.

Social Security Bulletin — April 1984

Examines the hypothetical impact on the insured status of workers whose eligibility for OASDI benefits was not likely to have been affected by the 1977 legislation that changed the quarters of coverage provisions. Source of data: the 1977 employee-employer file of the 1-percent CWHS. Includes 1 table.

Beneficiaries Affected by the Annual Earnings Test in 1980

by Barbara A. Lingg

Social Security Bulletin — November 1984

Presents detailed statistical data on persons affected by the earnings test in 1980. Most of the data are for retired-worker beneficiaries. Limited data on dependent and survivor beneficiaries who had benefits offset because of their own earnings are also presented. Data were derived on a 100-percent basis from SSA's MBR. Includes 9 tables. (Data for earlier years are also available.)

Effects of OASDI Benefit Increase, December 1984

by Joseph Bondar

Social Security Bulletin — July 1985

Discusses the effects of the 3.5-percent cost-of-living benefit increase that was effective in December and reflected in the checks issued on January 3, 1985.

Includes 3 tables. (Data for earlier years are also available.)

The New CPI and Cost of Living Increases for OASDI and SSI

by Benjamin Bridges, Jr. and John C. Hambor

Social Security Bulletin — August 1982

Shows how if the new Consumer Price Index had been used in the past (1975-82), it would have resulted in lower social security benefit payments. Considers factors that could affect differences between the old and new indexes in the future. Estimates are based on CPI data and on SSA program data. Includes 3 tables.

Administration and Service Delivery in the SSI Program: The First 10 Years

by William Farrell, Rene Parent, and Michael Tenney

Social Security Bulletin — August 1984

An overview of the administrative structures and processes through which the Social Security Administration delivers its services to SSI claimants and recipients. It documents the improvements and adjustments that have been made in the administration of SSI from 1974, when the program began, through 1983, the 10th year of its operation.

Among the subjects covered are the legislative history, the claims process, posteligibility procedures, underpayments and overpayments, the administrative complexities that have had to be surmounted, and administrative efforts aimed at quality assurance. Includes 4 tables.

Fifty Years of Social Security

by Martha A. McSteen

Social Security Bulletin — August 1985

Presents a brief legislative history of the program and shows how social security has retained its essential character as it has evolved to keep pace with the times.

Includes several photographs of significant events in the program's development.

Messages Commemorating Social Security's 50th Anniversary

Social Security Bulletin — August 1985

Messages from President Reagan; Secretary Heckler; Acting Commissioner McSteen; former Commissioners John A. Svahn, William J. Driver, Stanford G. Ross, James Bruce Cardwell, Robert M. Ball, and Charles T. Schottland; former Secretary Wilbur J. Cohen; and other former high ranking officials John J. Corson, Alvin M. David, Jack S. Futterman, Ida C. Merriam, and Robert J. Myers; and Associate Commissioner Jo Anne B. Ross.

Fifty Years of Operations in the Social Security Administration

by Michael A. Cronin

Social Security Bulletin — June 1985

Traces 50 years of developments in two of SSA's most significant operations — social security number issuance and wage recording — and in the agency's network of field offices, with special emphasis on the years immediately following passage of the Social Security Act of 1935. This article describes how agency planners determined the configuration of the social security number, the kind of identifying material to issue to workers, and how the actual mechanics of the registration of workers and recording of earnings proceeded. Includes 1 table.

The Evolution of Privacy and Disclosure Policy in the Social Security Administration

by Sandy Crank

Social Security Bulletin — June 1985

Describes, from a historical perspective, the efforts of SSA to protect the confidentiality of personal information in its records. Traces the stages in policy development from the first agency-initiated pledge of confidentiality, through the formative years 1940-60, and into the period of rapid policy change occasioned by legislation, passed in the mid-1960's and 1970's, that addressed government dissemination of information and established fair information practices in government.

**Overview of the Office of Research,
Statistics, and International Policy Functions**

by Jane L. Ross

Social Security Bulletin — September 1985

Describes the various types of work performed in ORSIP, with a particular emphasis on current activities. Also explains how ORSIP's research and statistics are used and by whom.

Meaning of the Social Security Number

by Erma Barron and Felix Bamberger

Social Security Bulletin — November 1982

Explains the significance of the three parts of the social security number — the area number, the group number, and the serial number. Includes 1 table showing the assignment of area numbers by State.

Social Security Numbers Issued, 1976-79

by Felix Bamberger

Research and Statistics Note No. 7 — 1981

Reviews social security numbers issued by age group, race, and sex for 1976-79. Data are presented in 2 tables, obtained from SSA administrative records.

**Foreign-Born Workers Awarded
Retirement and Disability Benefits, 1978**

Social Security Bulletin — July 1982

Summarizes data on foreign-born workers who were living in the United States at the time they began receiving benefits. Source of data: a 4-percent sample of awards to retired and disabled workers in 1978. Includes 2 tables.

**Race and Ethnic Data Collection
on Social Security Number Applications**

by William J. Nelson, Jr.

Research and Statistics Note No. 6 — 1981

Explains the need for these data and the method by which these data are collected. Statistical data are shown in 6 tables and were obtained in a pretest of the new form SS-5 (Application for Social Security Number) conducted in 12 district offices throughout the country during 1979-80.

Approximately 6,000 applicants completed the new form's expanded questions on race and ethnic background.

**Socioeconomic Status of Indochinese Refugees
in the United States: Progress and Problems**

by Robert E. Marsh

Social Security Bulletin — October 1980

Examines the socioeconomic status of these refugees following the fall of the South Vietnamese government in 1975. Places particular emphasis on the extent to which this population relied on welfare through 1978 and how its characteristics changed by 1980 due to a second wave of immigration. Includes 11 tables of data compiled from a series of sample surveys commissioned by the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare in 1975, 1976, 1977, and 1978.

The 1985 Federal Poverty Income Guidelines

by Gordon M. Fisher

Social Security Bulletin — July 1985

Discusses the background information on the 1985 revision of the guidelines. Includes 2 tables.

**Goldfarb and Mathews: Legal Challenges
to the Dependency Test for Spouse's Benefits**

by Edmund T. Donovan and Eduard Lopez

Social Security Bulletin — December 1984

Describes the legislative changes (1977-84) in the eligibility criteria for a survivor's benefit under the social security program, the events leading up to these changes, the legal issues presented, and the judicial standard applied by the Supreme Court.

The Norris Decision

by Martha Remy Yohalem

Social Security Bulletin — April 1984

In a 5-4 decision, the Supreme Court ruled on July 6, 1983, that employers who offer retirement annuity plans that pay smaller monthly benefits to women than to similarly situated men violate the ban against sex discrimination in employment in Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. This article sets the background, reviews the case itself, and discusses early reactions to the decision.

The Retirement Equity Act of 1984: A Review

by Edmund T. Donovan

Social Security Bulletin — May 1985

Briefly discusses this major piece of pension legislation that amends the Employee Retirement Income Security Act and the Internal Revenue Code. The legislation was passed primarily in response to public concerns that working women are not receiving their fair share of private pension benefits.

Black Lung Benefit Revisions

by Daniel N. Price

Social Security Bulletin — November 1982

Discusses the history of the black lung program and its third major revision (Public Law 97-119, December 29, 1981) since it was established in 1969.

Recent Changes to the Railroad Retirement Act

Social Security Bulletin — December 1983

Explains the major provisions of the Railroad Retirement Solvency Act of 1983 (Public Law 98-76), enacted August 12, 1983. Includes 1 table.

The 1984 Amendments to the Longshore and Harbor Worker's Compensation Act

by Daniel N. Price

Social Security Bulletin — April 1985

The Act provides workers' compensation for disabilities suffered by marine workers in inland navigable waters. This article describes the 1984 amendments, the first legislation in this area since 1972.

Report of the National Commission on Unemployment Compensation

by Daniel N. Price

Social Security Bulletin — October 1981

Discusses major program changes recommended by the Commission in its final report released in early 1981.

Unemployment Insurance Legislation, 1983

by Daniel N. Price

Social Security Bulletin — June 1984

Briefly describes the unemployment insurance system and outlines changes included in Public Laws 98-21 (April 21, 1983) and 98-135 (October 24, 1983).

The Bellmon Report

Social Security Bulletin — May 1982

Provides results of a program to review decisions of SSA administrative law judges on claims for social security disability insurance benefits. The review was required by the Disability Amendments of 1980 and was begun in October 1981. This article is the executive summary of the report submitted to Congress in January 1982.

Social Security Bulletin Author, Title, and Subject Index, 1938-79

A cumulative index to the Social Security Bulletin, including a separate index to the statistical tables. (An author-title index for each year is published in the December issue of the **Social Security Bulletin**.)

Microdata Files

Various statistical data systems, containing both administrative and survey data, have been developed by the Office of Research, Statistics, and International Policy (ORSIP) of the Social Security Administration (SSA).

Although these data systems were developed to support SSA policy research and analysis, many of them contain data of interest to persons from other fields of study. It is ORSIP's policy to make these data systems available, when possible, to users outside of SSA. Use by such researchers is, of course, subject to legal, privacy, and operational constraints.

Descriptions of the various data files' content and technical features are listed below. Some of the files are for **public use**; no restrictions are placed on their use, as ORSIP has determined that these files do not reveal, actually or potentially, any information about individuals. Users are urged to take into account sampling errors and other limitations of the data in conducting and reporting on their analyses, to cite SSA as the source of the data, and to send ORSIP copies of any resulting publications based on analysis using SSA data.

Restricted files are released in microdata form only under certain legally defined conditions of privacy and confidentiality. These conditions are set forth in user agreements that are signed by the user and the Director, ORSIP. Conditions of use normally include a limitation to research purposes specified in advance by the user, and an agreement to refrain from attempting to identify specific individuals or to link data from other sources.

In some cases, microdata files are not available to the public, even on a restricted basis. However, tabulations

from such files may be obtained on a cost-reimbursable basis from SSA, provided these tabulations satisfy ORSIP disclosure guidelines.

General questions relating to the availability of data from ORSIP microdata files should be addressed to:

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New Beneficiary Survey (NBS) (Public use)

This is a national cross-sectional survey designed to gather information necessary to perform up-to-date program evaluation using data not otherwise available from the social security system. The sample was drawn from SSA's MBR and includes retired workers, disabled workers, and aged wives and widows who received a first benefit payment from mid-1980 through mid-1981. Personal interviews were conducted in October-December 1982 with 18,599 sample members in these categories of noninstitutionalized old-age, survivor, and disability

insurance beneficiaries and a comparison group who enrolled in Medicare but had not yet filed for monthly cash payments. All sample members resided in the 48 contiguous States. The survey instrument contained questions about household composition, employment, health, income and assets, marital history, childcare, program knowledge, and spouse. This cohort of new beneficiaries will provide data useful for investigating how well current program provisions are meeting societal needs, and for estimating how changes in the social security program during the 1980's will affect future beneficiaries. Publication of articles based on the analysis of first findings began in the January 1985 **Social Security Bulletin**. Additional information may be obtained from Virginia Reno, (202) 673-5704.

Retirement History Study

(Public use)

This is a six-wave biennial national longitudinal survey of persons aged 58-63 beginning in 1969; data are available for the 1969, 1971, 1973, 1975, 1977, and 1979 waves of the study. The study was designed to investigate the reasons for early retirement and the changes in the economic and social characteristics of older persons as they approach and attain retirement status. The substantive topics covered include recent work experience, health, living arrangements, financial resources and assets, expenditures, leisure activities, retirement plans, family composition, travel, life satisfaction, spouse's work history, and basic demographic descriptors. Orders for this microdata file should be made with National Archives Machine-Readable Archives Division, Washington, D.C. 20408. Additional information may be obtained from Karen Schwab, (301) 597-6857.

Master Beneficiary Record Extracts

(Restricted)

Each year, extracts are taken from the Master Beneficiary Record, which contains a record for each beneficiary (currently 36 million). The data contain such information as type of benefit, age, sex, race, ZIP code, State and county, and benefit amount. All data are on a 100-percent basis. Because of the volume of records, tape files are kept for only 1 year, but other printed data are available from 1980 to present. Some publication data have been retained from the onset of the social security program. Although the file

does not currently contain everything that is contained on SSA's primary record of beneficiaries, additional information can be added or deleted as needed. Additional information may be obtained from John W. Wagner, (301) 594-0354.

One-Percent Old-Age, Survivor, and Disability Insurance Sample

(Restricted)

Since January 1985, a monthly data record has been extracted from the master beneficiary records of all beneficiaries on a 1-percent basis. The data contain most of the data fields on SSA's Master Beneficiary Record — date of birth, sex, age, race, date of entitlement, monthly benefit amount, ZIP code, State and county code, and date of filing. Additional information may be obtained from John W. Wagner, (301) 594-0354.

Administrative Award and Termination Records

(Restricted)

Each month a record is produced of all new social security awards and all terminations. The data are received as part of an extract that is made while the Master Beneficiary Record is being updated. These data are summarized and used for research and publication on a monthly, quarterly, and yearly basis. Approximately 7 million records are received annually. The records contain data such as type of benefit, age, sex, race, State, date of entitlement, and benefit amount. Data are received on a 100-percent basis and tape files are kept for several years. The data records are approximately 80 characters in length and therefore only contain selective data from the MBR. Additional information may be obtained from John W. Wagner, (301) 594-0354.

The 1978 Survey of Disability and Work

(Public use)

This is a national sample of civilian noninstitutionalized adults aged 18-64 and is a two-panel stratified sample design. One panel is the 1976 cohort of the Health Interview Survey, which was an activity of the National Center for Health Statistics, and the other panel is a selection from the Social Security Administration's Master Beneficiary Record. There is complete documentation on

the sample design, and the tape file contains individual case weights. The file contains about 9,550 completed interviews conducted by the Bureau of Census from July to September 1978. Where possible, the file is augmented with selected data from SSA's Master Beneficiary Record. Mainly, the data include information on the economic, medical, and social circumstances of the disabled in order to assess the public knowledge of governmental programs for the disabled, to determine work incentives and their influence on labor market participation and benefit application, and to provide linkage between levels of medical severity and levels of work limitation. Additional information may be obtained from Richard R. Cutler, (301) 594-0436. (See **A Technical Introduction to the 1978 Survey of Disability and Work**, p. 6.)

Continuous Disability History Sample (CDHS) (Restricted)

This is a yearly cross-sectional data file that is made up of data for approximately 20 percent of the persons who filed for social security disability benefits starting with calendar year 1975. The files contain about 240,000 records per year. The basic data include: personal characteristics — sex, race, date of birth, occupation; agency decision — allowance/denial, legal basis, medical diagnoses, onset date; payment history — worker and family payments, reason for termination; and annual earnings. The file contains selected data from Social Security Administration's Disability Determination and Transmittal file, the MBR, and the Summary Earnings Record. It is used to create the yearly publication **Characteristics of Social Security Disability Insurance Beneficiaries** and to respond to a variety of research needs and inquiries. Additional information may be obtained from Audrey B. Coe, (301) 594-0721.

Continuing Disability Review File (Restricted)

The Social Security Administration conducts a variety of reviews of in-force disability cases. The result is a 100-percent composite confidential administrative record file. The file contains mainly program data such as onset date, basis for determination, reason for review, vocational rehabilitation action, diagnosis, diary information, and notice indication. Tables are generated from this file to furnish program managers with information on the results

of policies and procedures. Due to the sensitive nature of this file, it mainly serves internal needs. The yearly file contains about 500,000 records. Additional information may be obtained from Audrey B. Coe, (301) 594-0721.

SSI

Survey of Low Income Aged and Disabled (SLIAD) (Public use)

This survey was a two-stage panel study conducted in 1973 and 1974. The purposes of the survey were to provide the research data necessary to describe and assess the effect of SSI on its target population, and to provide base-line data for analyses of SSI policy and program changes. Data were collected via personal interviews with a national sample of about 18,000 aged, blind, and disabled low-income persons representing four separate populations: aged welfare recipients, disabled welfare recipients, aged persons in the general population, and disabled persons in the general population. The file contains information on income, assets, debts, household expenditures, health, mobility, housing, employment, social interaction, living arrangements, and biographical data relating to previous jobs, marriage, children, and education. Except for the biographical material, virtually identical questions were asked of the same persons in both years of the study, thus providing a before and after view of the circumstances of the initial SSI recipients. Additional information may be obtained from John L. McCoy, (202) 673-5763.

The SSI One-Percent Sample (Restricted)

This is an SSI microdata file consisting of 852 character records extracted monthly from the Supplemental Security Record (SSR) with case inclusion based on digital selection criteria applied to social security numbers. For each person included in the file there is information on payment status, living arrangement, marital status, optional State supplementation code, essential person indicator, concurrent eligibility for other benefits, chargeable income, deemed income, and earned and unearned income sources and amounts. The universe file from which the sample is created consists of approximately 8,000,000 SSI

current pay, denial, nonpay, and terminated cases housed in the SSR. The SSI One-Percent Sample provides the flexibility to obtain in a timely manner statistical information not available in other data systems. Also, by matching files for different months a limited amount of longitudinal information such as movements of recipients into or out of payment status can be derived. The system has been available since June 1981. Additional information may be obtained from Richard A. Bell, (301) 594-6595.

Supplemental Security Income Medicaid Institution Turnover (SSIMIT) Files (Restricted)

These files provide a longitudinal data base for addressing SSI research and policy questions concerning length of stay in Medicaid certified institutions. The files are organized by calendar month and each month's file consists of all SSI recipients who entered Medicaid certified institutions that month. Monthly cohorts are tracked over a period of 24 months. A total of 106,095 cases were selected for February 1982 through January 1983. All data were obtained from administrative records and include SSI payment amount, selected demographic characteristics, State and administrative region of residence, mortality status, and change from institutional to noninstitutional living arrangement. Personal characteristics data are augmented with data pertaining to the characteristics of Medicaid facilities for February and March 1982. Additional information may be obtained from Howard Oberheu, (202) 673-6305 or Gloria Holmes, (202) 673-5631.

Revised Management Information Counts System (REMICS) (Restricted)

This SSI data file summarizes each month microdata extracted from the SSR on a 100-percent basis. In particular, REMICS data cells present extensive count and limited dollar amount information by State and county and by SSI payment category for the following topical areas: payments, payment status, income, resources, living arrangements, age, race, sex, and marital status. The microdata universe from which REMICS is created consists of approximately 8,000,000 SSI current-pay, denial, nonpay, and terminated cases housed in the SSR. REMICS is used for SSI program statistics for ORSIP

publications and data inquiries from other components of SSA, HHS, other Federal agencies, and Congressional staff. In its current version, REMICS has existed since 1976, and at that time, it replaced a similar data base developed in 1974. To meet the needs of users, a parameter driven program with REMICS data cells as input and the user's desired SSI table as output has been developed. Additional information may be obtained from Richard A. Bell, (301) 594-6595.

The State-Administered Program File (Restricted)

Legislation authorized the SSI program to provide State payments as a supplement to the basic Federal SSI payment to aged, blind, and disabled persons who were formerly public assistance recipients and on the rolls on December 31, 1973, and subsequently transferred to the SSI program January 1, 1974. Payments are either federally administered — by the Social Security Administration at the request of the State — or directly administered by the State or local government. These data are collected and published monthly and quarterly. Additional information may be obtained from Sue C. Hawkins, (301) 594-3257.

AFDC

Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) Recipient Characteristics Survey (Public use)

The AFDC surveys were taken biennially through 1979 and were based primarily on administrative records. They provide information on AFDC program characteristics and on demographic and financial characteristics on the recipient families, adults, and children. Each household record contains the reason a family receives funds; length of time receiving AFDC; relationship of adults and children in the home; residential and geographical information; number of persons in the household; age, racial, and ethnic information on all persons; legitimacy of children; income sources for the family; and use of services such as food stamps and child care. Starting in 1973, all surveys include information on enforcement of child support payments. For the 1973 survey only information on drug

and alcohol use was collected. Survey results for 1967, 1969, 1971, 1973, and 1975 are available from the National Technical Information Service. Reference numbers of each survey file are as follows: 1967 — PB241034; 1969 — PB231177; 1971 — PB231240; 1973 — PB241033; and 1975 — PB264541. Since 1979, AFDC recipient characteristics have been collected through the AFDC Quality Control System (AFDC-QC). Data are available for May 1981 and May 1982 on the same characteristics that were collected previously, except for race and ethnic information, use of food stamps, and information on drug and alcohol use. Additional information may be obtained from Howard Rolston, (202) 245-3284.

Other

The 1973 CPS-IRS-SSA Exact Match Study (Public use)

This study, a joint undertaking of the Social Security Administration and the Bureau of the Census, links survey records for persons in the 1973 Current Population Survey (CPS) to their respective earnings and benefit information in SSA administrative records and to selected items from their 1972 Internal Revenue Service individual income tax returns. The study has produced six data bases that may be ordered individually or as a set from the National Archives Machine-Readable Archives Division (NNA) (accession number 375-227), Washington, D.C. 20408. Additional information may be obtained from Faye M. Aziz, (202) 673-5730.

Abstract for the Continuous Work History Sample (CWHS) Data System (Restricted)

This is a system of general multipurpose microdata statistical files designed primarily for socioeconomic research. The system consists of samples (1 percent and 0.1 percent) of records of individuals with employment covered by social security. Earnings, employment, and benefit data for the individual along with personal characteristics and employer characteristics are maintained at varying degrees among the five basic data files that make up the CWHS system. The system currently covers the years 1937-82 with information on about 2.9 million social security numbers. Data are obtained from records derived from reporting the informational forms and applications used in administering the retirement, survivors, and disability programs of the Social Security Administration. The date of birth, sex, and race are obtained from the Application for a Social Security Number (Form SS-5). Geographic (State and county) and industry (4-digit Standard Industrial Classification) information is obtained from the employer's Application for an Identification Number (Form SS-4) and other related forms that are used periodically to update this information and obtain additional information for employers who operate more than one place of business and meet other criteria for using SSA's Establishment Reporting Plan (ERP). Data on earnings and employment are derived from various reporting forms which are currently submitted annually by employers on Forms W-2 and self-employed persons on schedule SE of Form 1040. Claims and benefits information is obtained from applications and forms that are completed in the process of filing for and determining entitlement to benefits. Additional information may be obtained from Warren L. Buckler, (301) 594-0324 and Creston M. Smith, (301) 594-0361.

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