

Ticket Evaluation

Interesting Facts from SSA's National Beneficiary Survey (NBS)

What are the characteristics of Ticket to Work participants and how do they compare with non-participants?*

- Ticket to Work participants tend to have higher levels of education than non-participants: 85% of participants have at least a high school education, compared to 62% of non-participants.
- Ticket to Work participants are younger than non-participants.
 - ◊ 14% of participants are ages 18-24, compared to 5% of non-participants.
 - ◊ 33% of participants are ages 25-39, compared to 15% of non-participants.
- Ticket to Work participants are more likely to have never been married than non-participants: 54% of participants have never been married compared to 35% of non-participants.

Sociodemographic Characteristics of Beneficiaries

	All Beneficiaries	TTW Participants	TTW Non-Participants
Age in Years (%)			
18-24	5.2	13.5	5.2
25-39	15.5	32.7	15.4
40-54	37.9	40.3	37.9
55+	41.4	13.6	41.5
Mean Age (Years)	49.2	40.2	49.2
Male (%)	49.8	51.7	49.7
Hispanic or Latino Ethnicity (%)	10.8	8.2	10.8
Race (%)			
White only	69.3	69.1	69.2
Black or African-American only	23.0	25.2	23.0
Other	7.7	5.7	7.7
Education (%)			
Did not complete high school or GED	37.9	15.5	37.8
High school diploma, GED, or certificate	37.3	41.0	37.2
More than high school	24.9	43.5	25.1
Marital Status (%)			
Never married	35.4	54.4	35.2
Divorced, widowed, or separated	33.7	27.1	34.0
Married	30.9	18.5	30.9

*Based on data from 2006. Ticket to Work participants are beneficiaries who are participants in Ticket to Work at the time of sample selection.