

**Table 8.1**  
**By Social Security beneficiary status, marital status, race, Hispanic origin, sex, and age**

| Sex and age                    | Number<br>(thousands) | Percentage below<br>poverty line | Percentage below<br>125% of<br>poverty line | Sex and age                          | Number<br>(thousands) | Percentage below<br>poverty line | Percentage below<br>125% of<br>poverty line |
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| <b>All persons</b>             |                       |                                  |                                             | <b>By beneficiary status (cont.)</b> |                       |                                  |                                             |
|                                |                       |                                  |                                             | <i>Nonbeneficiary</i>                |                       |                                  |                                             |
| All persons                    |                       |                                  |                                             | All persons                          |                       |                                  |                                             |
| 55-61                          | 20,563                | 9.0                              | 12.0                                        | 55-61                                | 18,848                | 8.1                              | 10.4                                        |
| 62-64                          | 6,836                 | 10.4                             | 14.5                                        | 62-64                                | 3,649                 | 11.2                             | 13.9                                        |
| 65 or older                    | 34,234                | 10.4                             | 16.9                                        | 65 or older                          | 3,842                 | 24.1                             | 30.4                                        |
| Men                            |                       |                                  |                                             | Men                                  |                       |                                  |                                             |
| 55-61                          | 9,886                 | 8.0                              | 10.4                                        | 55-61                                | 9,135                 | 7.5                              | 9.4                                         |
| 62-64                          | 3,280                 | 8.8                              | 12.6                                        | 62-64                                | 1,852                 | 9.0                              | 10.9                                        |
| 65 or older                    | 14,528                | 7.7                              | 12.1                                        | 65 or older                          | 1,654                 | 21.9                             | 27.5                                        |
| Women                          |                       |                                  |                                             | Women                                |                       |                                  |                                             |
| 55-61                          | 10,677                | 9.9                              | 13.4                                        | 55-61                                | 9,712                 | 8.8                              | 11.4                                        |
| 62-64                          | 3,556                 | 11.8                             | 16.2                                        | 62-64                                | 1,797                 | 13.5                             | 17.1                                        |
| 65 or older                    | 19,706                | 12.4                             | 20.4                                        | 65 or older                          | 2,188                 | 25.8                             | 32.6                                        |
| <b>By beneficiary status</b>   |                       |                                  |                                             | <b>By marital status</b>             |                       |                                  |                                             |
| <i>Beneficiary<sup>a</sup></i> |                       |                                  |                                             | <i>Married</i>                       |                       |                                  |                                             |
| All persons                    |                       |                                  |                                             | All persons                          |                       |                                  |                                             |
| 55-61                          | 1,715                 | 18.7                             | 29.1                                        | 55-61                                | 14,293                | 5.0                              | 6.7                                         |
| 62-64                          | 3,187                 | 9.5                              | 15.1                                        | 62-64                                | 4,657                 | 6.5                              | 9.8                                         |
| 65 or older                    | 30,392                | 8.7                              | 15.2                                        | 65 or older                          | 18,427                | 5.1                              | 8.5                                         |
| Men                            |                       |                                  |                                             | Men                                  |                       |                                  |                                             |
| 55-61                          | 751                   | 14.7                             | 23.2                                        | 55-61                                | 7,472                 | 4.7                              | 6.4                                         |
| 62-64                          | 1,428                 | 8.6                              | 14.8                                        | 62-64                                | 2,497                 | 6.4                              | 9.3                                         |
| 65 or older                    | 12,873                | 5.9                              | 10.1                                        | 65 or older                          | 10,341                | 5.2                              | 8.6                                         |
| Women                          |                       |                                  |                                             | Women                                |                       |                                  |                                             |
| 55-61                          | 965                   | 21.7                             | 33.8                                        | 55-61                                | 6,821                 | 5.2                              | 7.1                                         |
| 62-64                          | 1,759                 | 10.1                             | 15.3                                        | 62-64                                | 2,159                 | 6.7                              | 10.3                                        |
| 65 or older                    | 17,518                | 10.8                             | 18.9                                        | 65 or older                          | 8,086                 | 4.9                              | 8.4                                         |

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**Poverty Status of Aged Persons  
Based on Family Income**

**Table 8.1  
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| Sex and age                      | Number<br>(thousands) | Percentage below<br>poverty line | Percentage below<br>125% of<br>poverty line | Sex and age                      | Number<br>(thousands) | Percentage below<br>poverty line | Percentage below<br>125% of<br>poverty line |
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| <b>By marital status (cont.)</b> |                       |                                  |                                             | <b>By marital status (cont.)</b> |                       |                                  |                                             |
| <i>Nonmarried<sup>b</sup></i>    |                       |                                  |                                             | <i>Never married</i>             |                       |                                  |                                             |
| All persons                      |                       |                                  |                                             | All persons                      |                       |                                  |                                             |
| 55-61                            | 6,270                 | 18.3                             | 24.0                                        | 55-61                            | 1,243                 | 20.4                             | 24.9                                        |
| 62-64                            | 2,180                 | 18.6                             | 24.6                                        | 62-64                            | 325                   | 20.5                             | 27.9                                        |
| 65 or older                      | 15,806                | 16.7                             | 26.7                                        | 65 or older                      | 1,345                 | 21.8                             | 29.9                                        |
| Men                              |                       |                                  |                                             | Men                              |                       |                                  |                                             |
| 55-61                            | 2,414                 | 18.3                             | 22.8                                        | 55-61                            | 629                   | 23.6                             | 28.0                                        |
| 62-64                            | 783                   | 16.6                             | 23.2                                        | 62-64                            | 134                   | 19.7                             | 29.5                                        |
| 65 or older                      | 4,187                 | 14.0                             | 20.7                                        | 65 or older                      | 621                   | 23.0                             | 31.0                                        |
| Women                            |                       |                                  |                                             | Women                            |                       |                                  |                                             |
| 55-61                            | 3,856                 | 18.3                             | 24.7                                        | 55-61                            | 614                   | 17.0                             | 21.8                                        |
| 62-64                            | 1,397                 | 19.7                             | 25.4                                        | 62-64                            | 191                   | 21.1                             | 26.7                                        |
| 65 or older                      | 11,620                | 17.7                             | 28.8                                        | 65 or older                      | 724                   | 20.7                             | 29.0                                        |
| <i>Widowed</i>                   |                       |                                  |                                             | <i>Divorced</i>                  |                       |                                  |                                             |
| All persons                      |                       |                                  |                                             | All persons                      |                       |                                  |                                             |
| 55-61                            | 1,135                 | 21.2                             | 30.0                                        | 55-61                            | 3,218                 | 15.9                             | 20.7                                        |
| 62-64                            | 645                   | 16.8                             | 22.1                                        | 62-64                            | 939                   | 17.7                             | 23.6                                        |
| 65 or older                      | 10,811                | 15.1                             | 25.6                                        | 65 or older                      | 2,726                 | 19.2                             | 28.5                                        |
| Men                              |                       |                                  |                                             | Men                              |                       |                                  |                                             |
| 55-61                            | 174                   | 19.7                             | 22.4                                        | 55-61                            | 1,284                 | 14.9                             | 19.5                                        |
| 62-64                            | 118                   | 20.6                             | 22.6                                        | 62-64                            | 395                   | 13.9                             | 20.2                                        |
| 65 or older                      | 2,074                 | 11.4                             | 16.7                                        | 65 or older                      | 1,022                 | 14.0                             | 22.5                                        |
| Women                            |                       |                                  |                                             | Women                            |                       |                                  |                                             |
| 55-61                            | 961                   | 21.5                             | 31.3                                        | 55-61                            | 1,934                 | 16.6                             | 21.5                                        |
| 62-64                            | 527                   | 15.9                             | 22.0                                        | 62-64                            | 543                   | 20.4                             | 26.0                                        |
| 65 or older                      | 8,737                 | 16.0                             | 27.8                                        | 65 or older                      | 1,705                 | 22.3                             | 32.1                                        |

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| Sex and age                     | Number<br>(thousands) | Percentage below<br>poverty line | Percentage below<br>125% of<br>poverty line | Sex and age                         | Number<br>(thousands) | Percentage below<br>poverty line | Percentage below<br>125% of<br>poverty line |
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| <b>By race</b>                  |                       |                                  |                                             | <b>Hispanic origin <sup>d</sup></b> |                       |                                  |                                             |
| <i>White alone <sup>c</sup></i> |                       |                                  |                                             |                                     |                       |                                  |                                             |
| All persons                     |                       |                                  |                                             | All persons                         |                       |                                  |                                             |
| 55–61                           | 17,583                | 8.2                              | 10.9                                        | 55–61                               | 1,591                 | 14.4                             | 20.7                                        |
| 62–64                           | 5,782                 | 9.4                              | 13.4                                        | 62–64                               | 511                   | 20.6                             | 28.9                                        |
| 65 or older                     | 29,980                | 9.1                              | 15.3                                        | 65 or older                         | 2,053                 | 21.4                             | 32.7                                        |
| Men                             |                       |                                  |                                             | Men                                 |                       |                                  |                                             |
| 55–61                           | 8,558                 | 7.3                              | 9.6                                         | 55–61                               | 788                   | 13.1                             | 18.8                                        |
| 62–64                           | 2,813                 | 8.0                              | 11.5                                        | 62–64                               | 229                   | 16.6                             | 26.1                                        |
| 65 or older                     | 12,792                | 6.7                              | 10.8                                        | 65 or older                         | 906                   | 19.3                             | 31.1                                        |
| Women                           |                       |                                  |                                             | Women                               |                       |                                  |                                             |
| 55–61                           | 9,025                 | 9.1                              | 12.2                                        | 55–61                               | 802                   | 15.7                             | 22.6                                        |
| 62–64                           | 2,969                 | 10.8                             | 15.1                                        | 62–64                               | 281                   | 23.8                             | 31.1                                        |
| 65 or older                     | 17,188                | 11.0                             | 18.6                                        | 65 or older                         | 1,147                 | 23.0                             | 33.9                                        |
| <i>Black alone <sup>c</sup></i> |                       |                                  |                                             |                                     |                       |                                  |                                             |
| All persons                     |                       |                                  |                                             |                                     |                       |                                  |                                             |
| 55–61                           | 1,945                 | 15.6                             | 21.3                                        |                                     |                       |                                  |                                             |
| 62–64                           | 687                   | 20.1                             | 26.2                                        |                                     |                       |                                  |                                             |
| 65 or older                     | 2,856                 | 23.8                             | 33.3                                        |                                     |                       |                                  |                                             |
| Men                             |                       |                                  |                                             |                                     |                       |                                  |                                             |
| 55–61                           | 849                   | 14.8                             | 18.5                                        |                                     |                       |                                  |                                             |
| 62–64                           | 299                   | 18.4                             | 23.8                                        |                                     |                       |                                  |                                             |
| 65 or older                     | 1,112                 | 18.1                             | 25.2                                        |                                     |                       |                                  |                                             |
| Women                           |                       |                                  |                                             |                                     |                       |                                  |                                             |
| 55–61                           | 1,096                 | 16.2                             | 23.4                                        |                                     |                       |                                  |                                             |
| 62–64                           | 389                   | 21.4                             | 28.0                                        |                                     |                       |                                  |                                             |
| 65 or older                     | 1,744                 | 27.4                             | 38.5                                        |                                     |                       |                                  |                                             |

NOTE: The family money income of aged persons is compared with the official poverty lines of families in 2002.

- a. Social Security beneficiaries may be receiving retired-worker benefits, dependents' or survivors' benefits, disability benefits, transitionally insured benefits, or special age-72 benefits.
- b. Includes persons who are separated or married but living apart from their spouse.
- c. Beginning with data for 2002, respondents may identify themselves in more than one racial group. The categories White alone and Black alone reflect respondents who reported only one race. Less than 1 percent of persons aged 55 or older reported more than one race.
- d. Persons of Hispanic origin may be of any race.

**Table 8.2**  
**By Social Security beneficiary status, marital status, race, Hispanic origin, sex, and age**

| Sex and age        | Number<br>(thousands) | Percentage below<br>poverty line | Percentage below<br>125% of<br>poverty line | Sex and age                    | Number<br>(thousands) | Percentage below<br>poverty line | Percentage below<br>125% of<br>poverty line |
|--------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| <b>All persons</b> |                       |                                  |                                             | <b>By beneficiary status</b>   |                       |                                  |                                             |
|                    |                       |                                  |                                             | <i>Beneficiary<sup>a</sup></i> |                       |                                  |                                             |
| All persons        |                       |                                  |                                             | All persons                    |                       |                                  |                                             |
| 65-69              | 9,438                 | 8.7                              | 13.1                                        | 65-69                          | 7,884                 | 6.9                              | 11.3                                        |
| 70-74              | 8,673                 | 10.1                             | 16.0                                        | 70-74                          | 7,776                 | 8.5                              | 14.3                                        |
| 75-79              | 7,482                 | 11.0                             | 18.1                                        | 75-79                          | 6,809                 | 8.8                              | 15.7                                        |
| 80 or older        | 8,640                 | 12.2                             | 20.8                                        | 80 or older                    | 7,923                 | 10.7                             | 19.4                                        |
| Men                |                       |                                  |                                             | Men                            |                       |                                  |                                             |
| 65-69              | 4,317                 | 7.0                              | 10.5                                        | 65-69                          | 3,603                 | 5.4                              | 8.6                                         |
| 70-74              | 3,957                 | 8.5                              | 13.0                                        | 70-74                          | 3,587                 | 7.0                              | 11.5                                        |
| 75-79              | 3,007                 | 7.1                              | 11.7                                        | 75-79                          | 2,748                 | 5.2                              | 9.3                                         |
| 80 or older        | 3,246                 | 8.4                              | 13.4                                        | 80 or older                    | 2,935                 | 6.0                              | 11.0                                        |
| Women              |                       |                                  |                                             | Women                          |                       |                                  |                                             |
| 65-69              | 5,121                 | 10.2                             | 15.3                                        | 65-69                          | 4,280                 | 8.2                              | 13.5                                        |
| 70-74              | 4,715                 | 11.4                             | 18.5                                        | 70-74                          | 4,188                 | 9.8                              | 16.8                                        |
| 75-79              | 4,476                 | 13.7                             | 22.4                                        | 75-79                          | 4,062                 | 11.2                             | 20.0                                        |
| 80 or older        | 5,394                 | 14.5                             | 25.3                                        | 80 or older                    | 4,988                 | 13.4                             | 24.4                                        |

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| Sex and age                          | Number<br>(thousands) | Percentage below<br>poverty line | Percentage below<br>125% of<br>poverty line | Sex and age              | Number<br>(thousands) | Percentage below<br>poverty line | Percentage below<br>125% of<br>poverty line |
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| <b>By beneficiary status (cont.)</b> |                       |                                  |                                             | <b>By marital status</b> |                       |                                  |                                             |
| <i>Nonbeneficiary</i>                |                       |                                  |                                             | <i>Married</i>           |                       |                                  |                                             |
| All persons                          |                       |                                  |                                             | All persons              |                       |                                  |                                             |
| 65-69                                | 1,555                 | 18.0                             | 22.4                                        | 65-69                    | 6,200                 | 4.7                              | 7.5                                         |
| 70-74                                | 897                   | 23.5                             | 30.7                                        | 70-74                    | 5,198                 | 4.9                              | 8.5                                         |
| 75-79                                | 673                   | 33.8                             | 42.3                                        | 75-79                    | 3,912                 | 5.3                              | 9.0                                         |
| 80 or older                          | 717                   | 29.1                             | 36.2                                        | 80 or older              | 3,118                 | 5.8                              | 10.0                                        |
| Men                                  |                       |                                  |                                             | Men                      |                       |                                  |                                             |
| 65-69                                | 714                   | 15.2                             | 19.8                                        | 65-69                    | 3,271                 | 5.1                              | 7.9                                         |
| 70-74                                | 370                   | 23.2                             | 28.4                                        | 70-74                    | 2,870                 | 4.9                              | 8.2                                         |
| 75-79                                | 259                   | 27.3                             | 37.2                                        | 75-79                    | 2,177                 | 4.5                              | 8.0                                         |
| 80 or older                          | 311                   | 31.3                             | 36.0                                        | 80 or older              | 2,023                 | 6.5                              | 10.8                                        |
| Women                                |                       |                                  |                                             | Women                    |                       |                                  |                                             |
| 65-69                                | 841                   | 20.4                             | 24.5                                        | 65-69                    | 2,929                 | 4.3                              | 7.0                                         |
| 70-74                                | 527                   | 23.6                             | 32.3                                        | 70-74                    | 2,328                 | 4.9                              | 8.7                                         |
| 75-79                                | 414                   | 37.9                             | 45.4                                        | 75-79                    | 1,735                 | 6.3                              | 10.3                                        |
| 80 or older                          | 406                   | 27.4                             | 36.4                                        | 80 or older              | 1,095                 | 4.3                              | 8.5                                         |

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Poverty Status of Persons 65 or Older  
Based on Family Income

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| Sex and age                      | Number<br>(thousands) | Percentage below<br>poverty line | Percentage below<br>125% of<br>poverty line | Sex and age                      | Number<br>(thousands) | Percentage below<br>poverty line | Percentage below<br>125% of<br>poverty line |
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| <b>By marital status (cont.)</b> |                       |                                  |                                             | <b>By marital status (cont.)</b> |                       |                                  |                                             |
| <i>Nonmarried<sup>b</sup></i>    |                       |                                  |                                             | <i>Widowed</i>                   |                       |                                  |                                             |
| All persons                      |                       |                                  |                                             | All persons                      |                       |                                  |                                             |
| 65-69                            | 3,239                 | 16.4                             | 23.9                                        | 65-69                            | 1,466                 | 14.9                             | 23.2                                        |
| 70-74                            | 3,474                 | 17.8                             | 27.4                                        | 70-74                            | 2,151                 | 16.2                             | 25.6                                        |
| 75-79                            | 3,571                 | 17.3                             | 28.1                                        | 75-79                            | 2,569                 | 14.7                             | 25.8                                        |
| 80 or older                      | 5,523                 | 15.8                             | 27.0                                        | 80 or older                      | 4,625                 | 14.9                             | 26.4                                        |
| Men                              |                       |                                  |                                             | Men                              |                       |                                  |                                             |
| 65-69                            | 1,046                 | 12.8                             | 18.4                                        | 65-69                            | 283                   | 9.2                              | 12.6                                        |
| 70-74                            | 1,087                 | 18.2                             | 25.7                                        | 70-74                            | 443                   | 16.4                             | 22.0                                        |
| 75-79                            | 830                   | 13.9                             | 21.5                                        | 75-79                            | 431                   | 9.2                              | 14.6                                        |
| 80 or older                      | 1,223                 | 11.4                             | 17.8                                        | 80 or older                      | 917                   | 10.8                             | 16.5                                        |
| Women                            |                       |                                  |                                             | Women                            |                       |                                  |                                             |
| 65-69                            | 2,192                 | 18.1                             | 26.4                                        | 65-69                            | 1,183                 | 16.3                             | 25.7                                        |
| 70-74                            | 2,387                 | 17.6                             | 28.1                                        | 70-74                            | 1,708                 | 16.1                             | 26.5                                        |
| 75-79                            | 2,741                 | 18.3                             | 30.0                                        | 75-79                            | 2,138                 | 15.8                             | 28.0                                        |
| 80 or older                      | 4,300                 | 17.1                             | 29.6                                        | 80 or older                      | 3,709                 | 15.9                             | 28.8                                        |

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| Sex and age                                        | Number<br>(thousands) | Percentage below<br>poverty line | Percentage below<br>125% of<br>poverty line | Sex and age                                   | Number<br>(thousands) | Percentage below<br>poverty line | Percentage below<br>125% of<br>poverty line |
|----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| <b>By marital status (cont.)<br/>Never married</b> |                       |                                  |                                             | <b>By marital status (cont.)<br/>Divorced</b> |                       |                                  |                                             |
| All persons                                        |                       |                                  |                                             | All persons                                   |                       |                                  |                                             |
| 65-69                                              | 374                   | 17.9                             | 24.4                                        | 65-69                                         | 1,106                 | 15.9                             | 22.9                                        |
| 70-74                                              | 347                   | 23.0                             | 30.0                                        | 70-74                                         | 741                   | 19.9                             | 30.7                                        |
| 75-79                                              | 323                   | 28.9                             | 38.9                                        | 75-79                                         | 493                   | 24.0                             | 35.3                                        |
| 80 or older                                        | 301                   | 17.5                             | 27.1                                        | 80 or older                                   | 387                   | 21.2                             | 31.6                                        |
| Men                                                |                       |                                  |                                             | Men                                           |                       |                                  |                                             |
| 65-69                                              | 213                   | 19.8                             | 24.5                                        | 65-69                                         | 403                   | 10.6                             | 17.3                                        |
| 70-74                                              | 170                   | 28.4                             | 35.8                                        | 70-74                                         | 341                   | 17.6                             | 25.7                                        |
| 75-79                                              | 141                   | 25.9                             | 37.5                                        | 75-79                                         | 168                   | 17.0                             | 29.4                                        |
| 80 or older                                        | 97                    | 16.6                             | 27.5                                        | 80 or older                                   | 110                   | 10.5                             | 20.8                                        |
| Women                                              |                       |                                  |                                             | Women                                         |                       |                                  |                                             |
| 65-69                                              | 161                   | 15.4                             | 24.3                                        | 65-69                                         | 703                   | 18.9                             | 26.1                                        |
| 70-74                                              | 177                   | 17.9                             | 24.4                                        | 70-74                                         | 399                   | 21.9                             | 34.9                                        |
| 75-79                                              | 181                   | 31.2                             | 40.1                                        | 75-79                                         | 325                   | 27.6                             | 38.3                                        |
| 80 or older                                        | 204                   | 17.9                             | 26.9                                        | 80 or older                                   | 277                   | 25.5                             | 35.9                                        |

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**Poverty Status of Persons 65 or Older  
Based on Family Income**

**Table 8.2  
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| Sex and age                    | Number<br>(thousands) | Percentage below<br>poverty line | Percentage below<br>125% of<br>poverty line | Sex and age                    | Number<br>(thousands) | Percentage below<br>poverty line | Percentage below<br>125% of<br>poverty line |
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| <b>By race</b>                 |                       |                                  |                                             | <b>By race (cont.)</b>         |                       |                                  |                                             |
| <i>White alone<sup>c</sup></i> |                       |                                  |                                             | <i>Black alone<sup>c</sup></i> |                       |                                  |                                             |
| All persons                    |                       |                                  |                                             | All persons                    |                       |                                  |                                             |
| 65–69                          | 8,080                 | 7.3                              | 11.5                                        | 65–69                          | 885                   | 22.2                             | 28.0                                        |
| 70–74                          | 7,489                 | 8.4                              | 14.0                                        | 70–74                          | 776                   | 24.6                             | 34.8                                        |
| 75–79                          | 6,667                 | 9.8                              | 16.6                                        | 75–79                          | 571                   | 23.7                             | 34.5                                        |
| 80 or older                    | 7,744                 | 11.1                             | 19.3                                        | 80 or older                    | 624                   | 25.1                             | 38.0                                        |
| Men                            |                       |                                  |                                             | Men                            |                       |                                  |                                             |
| 65–69                          | 3,726                 | 6.1                              | 9.7                                         | 65–69                          | 382                   | 16.6                             | 20.3                                        |
| 70–74                          | 3,428                 | 7.1                              | 11.1                                        | 70–74                          | 320                   | 19.9                             | 29.7                                        |
| 75–79                          | 2,698                 | 6.2                              | 10.8                                        | 75–79                          | 204                   | 16.4                             | 23.2                                        |
| 80 or older                    | 2,941                 | 7.4                              | 12.2                                        | 80 or older                    | 206                   | 19.9                             | 29.5                                        |
| Women                          |                       |                                  |                                             | Women                          |                       |                                  |                                             |
| 65–69                          | 4,354                 | 8.4                              | 13.2                                        | 65–69                          | 503                   | 26.5                             | 33.8                                        |
| 70–74                          | 4,062                 | 9.5                              | 16.5                                        | 70–74                          | 456                   | 27.9                             | 38.4                                        |
| 75–79                          | 3,969                 | 12.3                             | 20.7                                        | 75–79                          | 367                   | 27.8                             | 40.8                                        |
| 80 or older                    | 4,803                 | 13.4                             | 23.7                                        | 80 or older                    | 418                   | 27.6                             | 42.2                                        |

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| Sex and age                        | Number<br>(thousands) | Percentage below<br>poverty line | Percentage below<br>125% of<br>poverty line |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| <i>Hispanic origin<sup>d</sup></i> |                       |                                  |                                             |
| All persons                        |                       |                                  |                                             |
| 65–69                              | 693                   | 20.5                             | 29.6                                        |
| 70–74                              | 530                   | 19.8                             | 34.9                                        |
| 75–79                              | 445                   | 22.3                             | 33.8                                        |
| 80 or older                        | 385                   | 24.1                             | 33.7                                        |
| Men                                |                       |                                  |                                             |
| 65–69                              | 321                   | 19.7                             | 29.1                                        |
| 70–74                              | 236                   | 18.1                             | 33.2                                        |
| 75–79                              | 210                   | 19.1                             | 31.2                                        |
| 80 or older                        | 140                   | 20.8                             | 32.1                                        |
| Women                              |                       |                                  |                                             |
| 65–69                              | 372                   | 21.1                             | 30.0                                        |
| 70–74                              | 294                   | 21.2                             | 36.3                                        |
| 75–79                              | 235                   | 25.1                             | 36.1                                        |
| 80 or older                        | 245                   | 26.0                             | 34.7                                        |

NOTE: The family money income of aged persons is compared with the official poverty lines of families in 2002.

- a. Social Security beneficiaries may be receiving retired-worker benefits, dependents' or survivors' benefits, disability benefits, transitionally insured benefits, or special age-72 benefits.
- b. Includes persons who are separated or married but living apart from their spouse.
- c. Beginning with data for 2002, respondents may identify themselves in more than one racial group. The categories White alone and Black alone reflect respondents who reported only one race. Less than 1 percent of persons aged 55 or older reported more than one race.
- d. Persons of Hispanic origin may be of any race.

**Table 8.3**  
**Social Security beneficiaries, by marital status, race, Hispanic origin, sex, and age**

| Sex and age             | Number<br>(thousands) | Percentage below<br>poverty line | Percentage below<br>125% of<br>poverty line | Sex and age              | Number<br>(thousands) | Percentage below<br>poverty line | Percentage below<br>125% of<br>poverty line |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| <b>All persons</b>      |                       |                                  |                                             | <b>By marital status</b> |                       |                                  |                                             |
|                         |                       |                                  |                                             | <i>Married</i>           |                       |                                  |                                             |
| All persons 65 or older | 30,392                | 8.7                              | 15.2                                        | All persons 65 or older  | 16,391                | 3.3                              | 6.7                                         |
| 65-69                   | 7,884                 | 6.9                              | 11.3                                        | 65-69                    | 5,228                 | 3.1                              | 5.9                                         |
| 70-74                   | 7,776                 | 8.5                              | 14.3                                        | 70-74                    | 4,715                 | 3.4                              | 6.9                                         |
| 75-79                   | 6,809                 | 8.8                              | 15.7                                        | 75-79                    | 3,583                 | 3.3                              | 6.7                                         |
| 80 or older             | 7,923                 | 10.7                             | 19.4                                        | 80 or older              | 2,865                 | 3.6                              | 7.9                                         |
| Men 65 or older         | 12,873                | 5.9                              | 10.1                                        | Men 65 or older          | 9,225                 | 3.5                              | 6.9                                         |
| 65-69                   | 3,603                 | 5.4                              | 8.6                                         | 65-69                    | 2,741                 | 3.6                              | 6.6                                         |
| 70-74                   | 3,587                 | 7.0                              | 11.5                                        | 70-74                    | 2,625                 | 3.5                              | 6.8                                         |
| 75-79                   | 2,748                 | 5.2                              | 9.3                                         | 75-79                    | 2,016                 | 3.1                              | 6.3                                         |
| 80 or older             | 2,935                 | 6.0                              | 11.0                                        | 80 or older              | 1,843                 | 3.8                              | 8.1                                         |
| Women 65 or older       | 17,518                | 10.8                             | 18.9                                        | Women 65 or older        | 7,167                 | 3.1                              | 6.5                                         |
| 65-69                   | 4,280                 | 8.2                              | 13.5                                        | 65-69                    | 2,488                 | 2.5                              | 5.2                                         |
| 70-74                   | 4,188                 | 9.8                              | 16.8                                        | 70-74                    | 2,089                 | 3.3                              | 7.1                                         |
| 75-79                   | 4,062                 | 11.2                             | 20.0                                        | 75-79                    | 1,567                 | 3.4                              | 7.2                                         |
| 80 or older             | 4,988                 | 13.4                             | 24.4                                        | 80 or older              | 1,022                 | 3.3                              | 7.7                                         |

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**Table 8.3**  
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| Sex and age                      | Number<br>(thousands) | Percentage below<br>poverty line | Percentage below<br>125% of<br>poverty line | Sex and age                      | Number<br>(thousands) | Percentage below<br>poverty line | Percentage below<br>125% of<br>poverty line |
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| <b>By marital status (cont.)</b> |                       |                                  |                                             | <b>By marital status (cont.)</b> |                       |                                  |                                             |
| <i>Nonmarried<sup>a</sup></i>    |                       |                                  |                                             | <i>Widowed</i>                   |                       |                                  |                                             |
| All persons 65 or older          | 14,001                | 15.0                             | 25.1                                        | All persons 65 or older          | 9,866                 | 13.6                             | 24.3                                        |
| 65-69                            | 2,655                 | 14.4                             | 21.8                                        | 65-69                            | 1,271                 | 13.4                             | 22.0                                        |
| 70-74                            | 3,061                 | 16.3                             | 25.8                                        | 70-74                            | 1,942                 | 14.1                             | 23.5                                        |
| 75-79                            | 3,226                 | 14.9                             | 25.7                                        | 75-79                            | 2,382                 | 13.0                             | 24.0                                        |
| 80 or older                      | 5,058                 | 14.7                             | 26.0                                        | 80 or older                      | 4,271                 | 13.8                             | 25.4                                        |
| Men 65 or older                  | 3,649                 | 12.0                             | 18.3                                        | Men 65 or older                  | 1,905                 | 9.5                              | 14.5                                        |
| 65-69                            | 863                   | 11.0                             | 15.0                                        | 65-69                            | 257                   | 8.4                              | 11.5                                        |
| 70-74                            | 962                   | 16.5                             | 24.2                                        | 70-74                            | 412                   | 13.3                             | 19.2                                        |
| 75-79                            | 732                   | 11.0                             | 17.6                                        | 75-79                            | 403                   | 8.1                              | 12.5                                        |
| 80 or older                      | 1,092                 | 9.7                              | 16.1                                        | 80 or older                      | 832                   | 8.6                              | 14.0                                        |
| Women 65 or older                | 10,352                | 16.1                             | 27.5                                        | Women 65 or older                | 7,961                 | 14.6                             | 26.6                                        |
| 65-69                            | 1,793                 | 16.1                             | 25.0                                        | 65-69                            | 1,014                 | 14.7                             | 24.7                                        |
| 70-74                            | 2,099                 | 16.2                             | 26.5                                        | 70-74                            | 1,530                 | 14.4                             | 24.7                                        |
| 75-79                            | 2,494                 | 16.1                             | 28.1                                        | 75-79                            | 1,979                 | 14.0                             | 26.4                                        |
| 80 or older                      | 3,966                 | 16.1                             | 28.7                                        | 80 or older                      | 3,439                 | 15.0                             | 28.2                                        |

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**Poverty Status of Persons 65 or Older  
Based on Family Income**

**Table 8.3  
Continued**

| Sex and age                      | Number<br>(thousands) | Percentage below<br>poverty line | Percentage below<br>125% of<br>poverty line | Sex and age                      | Number<br>(thousands) | Percentage below<br>poverty line | Percentage below<br>125% of<br>poverty line |
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| <b>By marital status (cont.)</b> |                       |                                  |                                             | <b>By marital status (cont.)</b> |                       |                                  |                                             |
| <i>Never married</i>             |                       |                                  |                                             | <i>Divorced</i>                  |                       |                                  |                                             |
| All persons 65 or older          | 1,047                 | 18.1                             | 26.8                                        | All persons 65 or older          | 2,332                 | 18.1                             | 27.2                                        |
| 65–69                            | 257                   | 15.9                             | 22.2                                        | 65–69                            | 911                   | 13.6                             | 20.2                                        |
| 70–74                            | 274                   | 19.6                             | 26.1                                        | 70–74                            | 656                   | 20.3                             | 31.0                                        |
| 75–79                            | 257                   | 21.4                             | 33.0                                        | 75–79                            | 426                   | 21.6                             | 32.6                                        |
| 80 or older                      | 260                   | 15.5                             | 26.2                                        | 80 or older                      | 338                   | 21.8                             | 32.0                                        |
| Men 65 or older                  | 468                   | 20.2                             | 29.5                                        | Men 65 or older                  | 883                   | 12.4                             | 20.3                                        |
| 65–69                            | 151                   | 18.0                             | 22.5                                        | 65–69                            | 334                   | 7.5                              | 12.5                                        |
| 70–74                            | 136                   | 23.1                             | 32.5                                        | 70–74                            | 308                   | 18.3                             | 27.3                                        |
| 75–79                            | 107                   | 20.6                             | 33.4                                        | 75–79                            | 148                   | 11.8                             | 22.4                                        |
| 80 or older                      | 74                    | b                                | b                                           | 80 or older                      | 93                    | 11.5                             | 22.2                                        |
| Women 65 or older                | 579                   | 16.4                             | 24.7                                        | Women 65 or older                | 1,449                 | 21.6                             | 31.4                                        |
| 65–69                            | 106                   | 12.9                             | 21.7                                        | 65–69                            | 576                   | 17.1                             | 24.7                                        |
| 70–74                            | 138                   | 16.0                             | 19.8                                        | 70–74                            | 348                   | 22.1                             | 34.3                                        |
| 75–79                            | 150                   | 22.0                             | 32.7                                        | 75–79                            | 279                   | 26.8                             | 38.0                                        |
| 80 or older                      | 185                   | 14.2                             | 23.5                                        | 80 or older                      | 245                   | 25.7                             | 35.7                                        |

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**Table 8.3**  
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| Sex and age                    | Number<br>(thousands) | Percentage below<br>poverty line | Percentage below<br>125% of<br>poverty line | Sex and age                    | Number<br>(thousands) | Percentage below<br>poverty line | Percentage below<br>125% of<br>poverty line |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| <b>By race</b>                 |                       |                                  |                                             | <b>By race (cont.)</b>         |                       |                                  |                                             |
| <i>White alone<sup>c</sup></i> |                       |                                  |                                             | <i>Black alone<sup>c</sup></i> |                       |                                  |                                             |
| All persons 65 or older        | 27,103                | 7.6                              | 13.8                                        | All persons 65 or older        | 2,344                 | 21.8                             | 31.7                                        |
| 65–69                          | 6,889                 | 5.8                              | 10.0                                        | 65–69                          | 672                   | 19.0                             | 24.7                                        |
| 70–74                          | 6,846                 | 7.2                              | 12.5                                        | 70–74                          | 651                   | 22.2                             | 33.0                                        |
| 75–79                          | 6,167                 | 7.8                              | 14.4                                        | 75–79                          | 481                   | 20.7                             | 32.0                                        |
| 80 or older                    | 7,201                 | 9.6                              | 18.0                                        | 80 or older                    | 540                   | 25.8                             | 38.7                                        |
| Men 65 or older                | 11,523                | 5.1                              | 9.1                                         | Men 65 or older                | 919                   | 15.5                             | 23.0                                        |
| 65–69                          | 3,161                 | 4.6                              | 7.9                                         | 65–69                          | 294                   | 14.3                             | 18.2                                        |
| 70–74                          | 3,164                 | 6.1                              | 9.9                                         | 70–74                          | 279                   | 17.0                             | 26.9                                        |
| 75–79                          | 2,510                 | 4.7                              | 8.7                                         | 75–79                          | 172                   | 11.4                             | 18.9                                        |
| 80 or older                    | 2,688                 | 5.0                              | 9.8                                         | 80 or older                    | 174                   | 19.5                             | 28.9                                        |
| Women 65 or older              | 15,580                | 9.4                              | 17.3                                        | Women 65 or older              | 1,425                 | 25.8                             | 37.3                                        |
| 65–69                          | 3,728                 | 6.9                              | 11.9                                        | 65–69                          | 378                   | 22.6                             | 29.7                                        |
| 70–74                          | 3,683                 | 8.1                              | 14.7                                        | 70–74                          | 372                   | 26.2                             | 37.6                                        |
| 75–79                          | 3,656                 | 9.9                              | 18.4                                        | 75–79                          | 308                   | 25.9                             | 39.3                                        |
| 80 or older                    | 4,513                 | 12.3                             | 22.9                                        | 80 or older                    | 366                   | 28.8                             | 43.4                                        |

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Poverty Status of Persons 65 or Older  
Based on Family Income

**Table 8.3**  
**Continued**

| Sex and age                        | Number<br>(thousands) | Percentage below<br>poverty line | Percentage below<br>125% of<br>poverty line |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| <i>Hispanic origin<sup>d</sup></i> |                       |                                  |                                             |
| All persons 65 or older            | 1,577                 | 18.8                             | 30.2                                        |
| 65–69                              | 502                   | 16.2                             | 25.4                                        |
| 70–74                              | 417                   | 17.2                             | 32.5                                        |
| 75–79                              | 341                   | 21.1                             | 32.4                                        |
| 80 or older                        | 317                   | 22.7                             | 32.8                                        |
| Men 65 or older                    | 712                   | 17.0                             | 28.0                                        |
| 65–69                              | 236                   | 15.4                             | 24.1                                        |
| 70–74                              | 196                   | 14.8                             | 29.3                                        |
| 75–79                              | 164                   | 20.7                             | 30.9                                        |
| 80 or older                        | 117                   | 18.7                             | 29.8                                        |
| Women 65 or older                  | 865                   | 20.4                             | 32.1                                        |
| 65–69                              | 266                   | 16.9                             | 26.5                                        |
| 70–74                              | 221                   | 19.3                             | 35.2                                        |
| 75–79                              | 177                   | 21.5                             | 33.8                                        |
| 80 or older                        | 200                   | 25.1                             | 34.5                                        |

NOTE: The family money income of aged persons is compared with the official poverty lines of families in 2002.

- a. Includes persons who are separated or married but living apart from their spouse.
- b. Fewer than 75,000 weighted cases.
- c. Beginning with data for 2002, respondents may identify themselves in more than one racial group. The categories White alone and Black alone reflect respondents who reported only one race. Less than 1 percent of persons aged 55 or older reported more than one race.
- d. Persons of Hispanic origin may be of any race.