

Supplemental Security Income Recipients and State Supplements

Priced Out in 2010

Supplemental Security Income (SSI) is the federal income maintenance program that provides a monthly income to meet the basic needs for food, clothing, and shelter for people with significant and long-term disabilities who have virtually no assets.¹ As shown in **Table 1**, approximately 4.4 million people with disabilities between the ages of 18-64 rely on SSI payments to pay for these basic necessities – including housing.

In 2010, the federal SSI program provided a single adult with a disability with a monthly income of \$674. In addition to the federal payment, 21 states provided an additional state SSI supplement to individuals with disabilities living independently in the community,³ raising the national average SSI monthly payment to \$703, or \$8,436 per year. **Table 2** lists those states that provide this specific type of state SSI supplement.

Table 1: Non-Elderly Adults with Disabilities Receiving SSI Benefits²

State	SSI Recipients Aged 18-64	State	SSI Recipients Aged 18-64
Alabama	108,629	Montana	11,692
Alaska	7,664	Nebraska	16,659
Arizona	61,010	Nevada	21,290
Arkansas	61,246	New Hampshire	12,512
California	600,768	New Jersey	85,485
Colorado	38,919	New Mexico	34,114
Connecticut	35,364	New York	353,115
Delaware	9,253	North Carolina	127,015
District of Columbia	14,873	North Dakota	5,442
Florida	221,428	Ohio	188,094
Georgia	131,317	Oklahoma	58,966
Hawaii	14,092	Oregon	46,424
Idaho	17,341	Pennsylvania	218,082
Illinois	164,514	Rhode Island	20,185
Indiana	75,256	South Carolina	66,712
Iowa	31,826	South Dakota	8,180
Kansas	29,041	Tennessee	111,854
Kentucky	126,481	Texas	303,403
Louisiana	102,843	Utah	17,234
Maine	25,443	Vermont	10,363
Maryland	61,915	Virginia	86,549
Massachusetts	114,789	Washington	84,231
Michigan	164,253	West Virginia	58,904
Minnesota	52,509	Wisconsin	67,980
Mississippi	73,741	Wyoming	4,450
Missouri	87,262	NATIONAL	4,451,288

Table 2: State SSI Supplements for People with Disabilities Living Independently

State	2010 State Supplement	State	2010 State Supplement
Alaska	\$362.00	New Jersey	\$31.25
California	\$171.00	New York	\$87.00
Colorado	\$25.00	Oklahoma	\$42.00
Connecticut	\$168.00	Oregon	\$0.00
Idaho	\$53.00	Pennsylvania	\$22.10
Maine	\$10.00	Rhode Island	\$39.92
Massachusetts	\$114.39	South Dakota	\$15.00
Michigan	\$14.00	Vermont	\$52.04
Minnesota	\$81.00	Washington	\$46.00
Nebraska	\$5.00	Wisconsin	\$83.78
New Hampshire	\$41.00	Wyoming	\$25.00

1. Single individuals receiving SSI may not have assets that exceed \$2,000. The asset limit for a couple is \$3,000.

2. *SSI Recipients by State and County, 2009*. U.S. Social Security Administration, Office of Retirement and Disability Policy. http://www.socialsecurity.gov/policy/docs/statcomps/ssi_sc/2009/

3. Some states provide SSI supplements for people with specific types of disabilities and/or people with disabilities residing in specific housing arrangements (such as congregate living or structured residential settings). Only those supplements uniformly applied to all people with disabilities living in the community were included as part of the *Priced Out in 2010* analysis.