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Table 57.
All applications, by age of applicant, 1973–2022

Year	All ages	Under 18		18–64		65 or older	
		Number	Percentage of total	Number	Percentage of total	Number	Percentage of total
Total	97,062,666	15,389,780	15.9	67,856,375	69.9	13,816,511	14.2
State conversions ^a	3,402,474	3,939	0.1	1,419,041	41.7	1,979,494	58.2
Federal applications ^b							
1973	282,472	5,007	1.8	82,993	29.4	194,472	68.8
1974	2,069,452	125,028	6.0	1,098,373	53.1	846,051	40.9
1975	1,468,610	99,996	6.8	977,209	66.5	391,405	26.7
1976	1,207,448	83,960	7.0	865,790	71.7	257,698	21.3
1977	1,268,462	95,314	7.5	903,618	71.2	269,530	21.2
1978	1,265,436	99,610	7.9	902,756	71.3	263,070	20.8
1979	1,323,113	106,828	8.1	949,087	71.7	267,198	20.2
1980	1,408,034	114,508	8.1	1,013,221	72.0	280,305	19.9
1981	1,148,844	94,246	8.2	864,481	75.2	190,117	16.5
1982	1,015,848	93,872	9.2	775,491	76.3	146,485	14.4
1983	1,131,890	101,087	8.9	834,190	73.7	196,613	17.4
1984	1,264,820	104,748	8.3	868,375	68.7	291,697	23.1
1985	1,399,869	119,021	8.5	1,049,758	75.0	231,090	16.5
1986	1,467,326	124,938	8.5	1,098,832	74.9	243,556	16.6
1987	1,435,024	126,575	8.8	1,069,285	74.5	239,164	16.7
1988	1,365,117	125,953	9.2	1,013,316	74.2	225,848	16.5
1989	1,388,545	130,307	9.4	1,015,483	73.1	242,755	17.5
1990	1,547,230	166,416	10.8	1,133,564	73.3	247,250	16.0
1991	1,807,821	248,325	13.7	1,315,918	72.8	243,578	13.5
1992	2,087,788	378,808	18.1	1,465,039	70.2	243,941	11.7
1993	2,310,005	503,486	21.8	1,571,203	68.0	235,316	10.2
1994	2,260,271	540,124	23.9	1,517,140	67.1	203,007	9.0
1995	2,055,907	500,333	24.3	1,375,696	66.9	179,878	8.7
1996	1,922,472	465,685	24.2	1,289,985	67.1	166,802	8.7
1997	1,601,970	336,074	21.0	1,133,623	70.8	132,273	8.3
1998	1,629,223	339,243	20.8	1,139,825	70.0	150,155	9.2
1999	1,661,448	350,382	21.1	1,153,450	69.4	157,616	9.5
2000	1,744,386	360,329	20.7	1,224,826	70.2	159,231	9.1
2001	1,861,123	376,002	20.2	1,324,057	71.1	161,064	8.7
2002	2,084,828	414,068	19.9	1,490,731	71.5	180,029	8.6
2003	2,224,739	437,492	19.7	1,608,391	72.3	178,856	8.0
2004	2,418,096	458,236	19.0	1,771,003	73.2	188,857	7.8
2005	2,545,079	458,588	18.0	1,850,002	72.7	236,489	9.3
2006	2,648,570	459,805	17.4	1,923,288	72.6	265,477	10.0
2007	2,703,004	460,925	17.1	1,945,464	72.0	296,615	11.0
2008	2,827,541	476,251	16.8	2,030,774	71.8	320,516	11.3
2009	3,143,078	545,619	17.4	2,285,852	72.7	311,607	9.9

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Table 57.
All applications, by age of applicant, 1973–2022—Continued

Year	All ages	Under 18		18–64		65 or older	
		Number	Percentage of total	Number	Percentage of total	Number	Percentage of total
Federal applications ^b (cont.)							
2010	3,148,689	546,407	17.4	2,314,739	73.5	287,543	9.1
2011	3,041,500	532,216	17.5	2,235,535	73.5	273,749	9.0
2012	2,888,237	513,775	17.8	2,120,521	73.4	253,941	8.8
2013	2,571,864	458,616	17.8	1,879,330	73.1	233,918	9.1
2014	2,329,811	427,515	18.3	1,686,579	72.4	215,717	9.3
2015	2,281,250	444,913	19.5	1,623,538	71.2	212,799	9.3
2016	2,101,257	410,578	19.5	1,488,121	70.8	202,558	9.6
2017	2,006,446	391,879	19.5	1,405,664	70.1	208,903	10.4
2018	1,852,616	374,552	20.2	1,297,173	70.0	180,891	9.8
2019	1,845,437	363,807	19.7	1,304,381	70.7	177,249	9.6
2020	1,573,189	302,222	19.2	1,136,805	72.3	134,162	8.5
2021	1,484,728	272,666	18.4	1,019,125	68.6	192,937	13.0
2022	1,540,279	319,506	20.7	993,734	64.5	227,039	14.7

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

- a. Persons who were converted to the SSI program in 1973 from the state Old-Age Assistance, Aid to the Blind, and Aid to the Permanently and Totally Disabled programs.
- b. Includes applications taken under the abbreviated application process, which was used from 1987 to 1999. Omits reapplications filed as a result of the *Sullivan v. Zebley* decision. Those reapplications were received from 1991 to 1995.

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Table 58.
Applications for children under age 18, by selected characteristics, 2014–2022

Characteristic	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Total	427,515	444,913	410,578	391,879	374,552	363,807	302,222	272,666	319,506
Age									
Under 5	147,407	151,538	141,991	136,120	131,098	132,498	115,970	107,857	124,101
5–12	205,877	214,973	197,147	187,425	179,058	169,381	133,060	116,092	141,722
13–17	74,231	78,402	71,440	68,334	64,396	61,928	53,192	48,717	53,683
Sex									
Male	267,428	278,166	256,638	245,344	235,417	228,501	189,476	170,386	201,819
Female	160,087	166,747	153,940	146,535	139,135	135,306	112,746	102,280	117,687
Citizenship status									
Citizen	424,998	442,111	407,773	389,116	372,571	362,081	300,895	271,378	317,832
Noncitizen	2,517	2,802	2,805	2,763	1,981	1,726	1,327	1,288	1,674
SSA administrative region									
Boston	15,674	15,637	13,769	13,221	12,351	12,421	9,457	8,532	10,362
New York	32,997	36,576	33,445	32,008	29,295	27,401	21,710	20,828	25,416
Philadelphia	45,014	48,840	43,552	42,217	38,511	38,492	29,361	26,205	32,482
Atlanta	119,350	121,463	113,786	109,532	105,400	103,908	88,168	80,886	89,451
Chicago	65,153	66,620	60,128	57,414	58,126	53,441	46,214	41,915	48,252
Dallas	74,394	77,067	73,344	69,081	65,021	62,095	52,991	44,052	56,149
Kansas City	14,570	14,851	14,409	13,619	13,743	12,971	11,893	11,667	11,664
Denver	6,730	6,960	6,679	6,324	5,956	5,949	5,003	4,292	4,846
San Francisco	42,977	45,006	40,802	38,268	36,157	37,183	29,249	27,305	33,678
Seattle	10,613	11,836	10,384	9,784	9,661	9,651	7,849	6,600	6,793
Unknown	43	57	280	411	331	295	327	384	413

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

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Table 59.
Applications for adults aged 18–64, by selected characteristics, 2014–2022

Characteristic	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Total	1,686,579	1,623,538	1,488,121	1,405,664	1,297,173	1,304,381	1,136,805	1,019,125	993,734
Age									
18–21	117,236	117,597	108,078	108,922	102,855	104,980	93,499	86,199	83,375
22–25	96,124	94,951	84,783	83,058	73,116	71,328	64,871	58,178	55,622
26–29	97,695	97,225	90,156	90,567	82,838	81,952	72,247	62,834	58,457
30–39	282,717	277,395	256,280	243,644	224,143	225,775	195,172	174,185	172,325
40–49	395,171	369,711	332,630	301,956	274,580	274,906	238,401	215,019	209,908
50–59	553,194	526,697	485,092	452,314	420,373	421,409	363,160	317,440	305,640
60–64	144,442	139,962	131,102	125,203	119,268	124,031	109,455	105,270	108,407
Sex									
Men	847,039	818,135	754,617	715,141	661,593	669,486	587,724	522,985	512,126
Women	839,540	805,403	733,504	690,523	635,580	634,895	549,081	496,140	481,608
Citizenship status									
Citizen	1,620,487	1,559,919	1,431,298	1,355,499	1,254,459	1,265,531	1,106,933	990,114	963,374
Noncitizen	66,092	63,619	56,823	50,165	42,714	38,850	29,872	29,011	30,360
SSA administrative region									
Boston	75,749	71,858	63,443	60,235	55,681	55,193	43,301	39,183	38,801
New York	120,728	124,285	113,600	107,499	96,066	93,083	78,531	70,080	73,511
Philadelphia	167,714	163,266	149,318	143,720	128,457	132,864	105,978	96,511	98,194
Atlanta	448,044	420,979	383,997	360,682	336,371	334,851	301,513	273,479	247,455
Chicago	270,402	254,500	229,128	211,870	195,077	199,194	174,743	160,539	155,450
Dallas	229,565	220,652	212,549	201,365	187,951	186,647	170,816	149,194	146,002
Kansas City	69,931	70,089	67,173	63,829	57,880	59,669	53,061	46,723	42,668
Denver	39,317	38,839	37,028	35,309	31,395	31,333	29,593	26,554	25,209
San Francisco	206,470	202,456	178,230	168,637	158,307	160,620	135,552	119,755	130,473
Seattle	58,550	56,368	52,128	50,801	47,965	48,850	41,858	35,373	34,347
Unknown	109	246	1,527	1,717	2,023	2,077	1,859	1,734	1,624

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

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Table 60.
Applications for adults aged 65 or older, by selected characteristics, 2014–2022

Characteristic	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Total	215,717	212,799	202,558	208,903	180,891	177,249	134,162	192,937	227,039
Age									
65–69	125,102	122,494	115,978	118,426	101,905	98,474	78,254	102,238	120,095
70–74	40,313	40,043	38,186	41,915	35,359	35,536	26,327	43,697	52,160
75 or older	50,302	50,262	48,394	48,562	43,627	43,239	29,581	47,002	54,784
Sex									
Men	87,645	86,333	81,706	83,900	72,834	71,615	54,694	80,559	97,932
Women	128,072	126,466	120,852	125,003	108,057	105,634	79,468	112,378	129,107
Citizenship status									
Citizen	149,908	146,969	139,860	152,174	131,087	131,225	101,413	145,416	176,226
Noncitizen	65,809	65,830	62,698	56,729	49,804	46,024	32,749	47,521	50,813
SSA administrative region									
Boston	14,336	12,258	11,113	10,024	8,089	7,001	5,193	7,801	7,441
New York	28,838	29,563	27,722	28,451	26,614	24,021	16,657	27,203	27,090
Philadelphia	10,749	10,643	10,234	11,747	9,528	9,913	7,836	13,126	14,282
Atlanta	41,286	41,720	40,205	42,925	35,065	34,278	28,183	38,888	51,226
Chicago	18,195	16,701	15,509	16,649	13,330	12,892	10,244	13,706	19,473
Dallas	25,459	24,242	22,962	24,260	20,669	19,719	14,724	20,739	26,593
Kansas City	3,014	2,961	2,848	3,154	2,636	2,630	2,090	2,748	3,285
Denver	3,153	3,323	3,585	3,816	3,156	2,954	2,421	3,286	3,585
San Francisco	65,280	65,930	62,899	62,270	57,016	58,691	42,964	60,845	68,597
Seattle	5,395	5,415	5,271	5,411	4,521	4,822	3,653	4,400	5,325
Unknown	12	43	210	196	267	328	197	195	142

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

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Table 61.
All applications, by state or other area and age of applicant, 2022

State or area	Total	Under 18		18–64		65 or older	
		Number	Percentage of total	Number	Percentage of total	Number	Percentage of total
All areas	1,540,279	319,506	20.7	993,734	64.5	227,039	14.7
Alabama	29,963	6,783	22.6	21,096	70.4	2,084	7.0
Alaska	2,174	210	9.7	1,697	78.1	267	12.3
Arizona	26,690	4,930	18.5	18,077	67.7	3,683	13.8
Arkansas	21,096	6,054	28.7	13,957	66.2	1,085	5.1
California	188,525	25,951	13.8	100,616	53.4	61,958	32.9
Colorado	15,587	2,047	13.1	11,303	72.5	2,237	14.4
Connecticut	14,576	2,830	19.4	9,940	68.2	1,806	12.4
Delaware	3,828	996	26.0	2,397	62.6	435	11.4
District of Columbia	4,567	1,038	22.7	3,042	66.6	487	10.7
Florida	122,636	28,173	23.0	66,322	54.1	28,141	22.9
Georgia	62,596	15,412	24.6	39,828	63.6	7,356	11.8
Hawaii	5,086	445	8.7	3,445	67.7	1,196	23.5
Idaho	5,427	980	18.1	4,086	75.3	361	6.7
Illinois	49,582	11,257	22.7	32,001	64.5	6,324	12.8
Indiana	30,341	6,540	21.6	21,963	72.4	1,838	6.1
Iowa	11,365	2,575	22.7	8,195	72.1	595	5.2
Kansas	11,800	2,606	22.1	8,498	72.0	696	5.9
Kentucky	30,764	7,082	23.0	21,772	70.8	1,910	6.2
Louisiana	35,214	9,865	28.0	22,868	64.9	2,481	7.0
Maine	5,610	817	14.6	4,435	79.1	358	6.4
Maryland	27,361	5,074	18.5	19,162	70.0	3,125	11.4
Massachusetts	25,529	4,857	19.0	16,349	64.0	4,323	16.9
Michigan	46,179	10,375	22.5	31,878	69.0	3,926	8.5
Minnesota	16,895	2,565	15.2	12,598	74.6	1,732	10.3
Mississippi	27,520	6,443	23.4	19,530	71.0	1,547	5.6
Missouri	27,781	4,991	18.0	21,264	76.5	1,526	5.5
Montana	3,649	447	12.2	2,881	79.0	321	8.8
Nebraska	6,671	1,492	22.4	4,711	70.6	468	7.0
Nevada	12,239	2,290	18.7	8,257	67.5	1,692	13.8
New Hampshire	4,061	543	13.4	3,237	79.7	281	6.9
New Jersey	32,200	7,021	21.8	18,845	58.5	6,334	19.7
New Mexico	9,689	1,664	17.2	6,958	71.8	1,067	11.0
New York	93,817	18,395	19.6	54,666	58.3	20,756	22.1
North Carolina	49,023	10,899	22.2	33,606	68.6	4,518	9.2
North Dakota	2,046	323	15.8	1,591	77.8	132	6.5
Ohio	59,941	13,276	22.1	42,578	71.0	4,087	6.8
Oklahoma	21,603	4,228	19.6	16,069	74.4	1,306	6.0
Oregon	15,006	2,008	13.4	11,370	75.8	1,628	10.8
Pennsylvania	65,954	17,352	26.3	43,085	65.3	5,517	8.4
Rhode Island	4,858	1,032	21.2	3,298	67.9	528	10.9
South Carolina	28,352	6,579	23.2	18,886	66.6	2,887	10.2
South Dakota	3,181	463	14.6	2,485	78.1	233	7.3
Tennessee	37,278	8,080	21.7	26,415	70.9	2,783	7.5
Texas	141,142	34,338	24.3	86,150	61.0	20,654	14.6
Utah	7,343	1,333	18.2	5,442	74.1	568	7.7

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Table 61.
All applications, by state or other area and age of applicant, 2022—Continued

State or area	Total	Under 18		18–64		65 or older	
		Number	Percentage of total	Number	Percentage of total	Number	Percentage of total
Vermont	1,970	283	14.4	1,542	78.3	145	7.4
Virginia	32,367	6,322	19.5	21,983	67.9	4,062	12.5
Washington	23,858	3,595	15.1	17,194	72.1	3,069	12.9
West Virginia	10,881	1,700	15.6	8,525	78.3	656	6.0
Wisconsin	20,237	4,239	20.9	14,432	71.3	1,566	7.7
Wyoming	1,834	233	12.7	1,507	82.2	94	5.1
Outlying area							
Northern Mariana Islands	208	62	29.8	78	37.5	68	32.7
Unknown	2,179	413	19.0	1,624	74.5	142	6.5

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

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Table 62.
All applicants, by year of first application and age, 1973–2022

Year	All ages	Under 18		18–64		65 or older	
		Number	Percentage of total	Number	Percentage of total	Number	Percentage of total
Total	61,662,018	11,629,736	18.9	40,218,611	65.2	9,813,671	15.9
State conversions ^a	3,402,447	3,939	0.1	1,419,029	41.7	1,979,479	58.2
Federal applications ^b							
1973	279,923	4,921	1.8	81,976	29.3	193,026	69.0
1974	2,007,786	122,958	6.1	1,064,223	53.0	820,605	40.9
1975	1,303,896	93,684	7.2	859,790	65.9	350,422	26.9
1976	971,621	75,158	7.7	686,086	70.6	210,377	21.7
1977	943,084	81,750	8.7	661,112	70.1	200,222	21.2
1978	899,731	84,845	9.4	629,784	70.0	185,102	20.6
1979	912,850	89,054	9.8	637,521	69.8	186,275	20.4
1980	936,442	93,059	9.9	652,690	69.7	190,693	20.4
1981	721,999	74,306	10.3	529,231	73.3	118,462	16.4
1982	604,008	72,480	12.0	448,905	74.3	82,623	13.7
1983	645,244	78,616	12.2	467,151	72.4	99,477	15.4
1984	736,509	81,634	11.1	486,922	66.1	167,953	22.8
1985	857,757	91,242	10.6	628,241	73.2	138,274	16.1
1986	933,045	97,656	10.5	689,437	73.9	145,952	15.6
1987	892,945	98,174	11.0	653,728	73.2	141,043	15.8
1988	839,066	96,325	11.5	608,131	72.5	134,610	16.0
1989	852,453	98,931	11.6	605,939	71.1	147,583	17.3
1990	978,993	129,266	13.2	695,281	71.0	154,446	15.8
1991	1,198,677	208,822	17.4	835,058	69.7	154,797	12.9
1992	1,451,391	336,632	23.2	955,060	65.8	159,699	11.0
1993	1,624,332	440,585	27.1	1,030,912	63.5	152,835	9.4
1994	1,571,525	459,531	29.2	982,275	62.5	129,719	8.3
1995	1,381,111	406,498	29.4	860,162	62.3	114,451	8.3
1996	1,246,066	361,211	29.0	780,058	62.6	104,797	8.4
1997	981,841	256,888	26.2	644,982	65.7	79,971	8.1
1998	984,062	251,074	25.5	640,585	65.1	92,403	9.4
1999	996,186	256,120	25.7	641,973	64.4	98,093	9.8
2000	1,038,677	259,137	24.9	680,397	65.5	99,143	9.5
2001	1,127,672	272,977	24.2	753,650	66.8	101,045	9.0
2002	1,278,653	302,682	23.7	862,899	67.5	113,072	8.8
2003	1,367,391	320,201	23.4	938,352	68.6	108,838	8.0
2004	1,489,330	336,735	22.6	1,038,077	69.7	114,518	7.7
2005	1,559,272	335,539	21.5	1,079,252	69.2	144,481	9.3
2006	1,611,484	333,436	20.7	1,107,658	68.7	170,390	10.6
2007	1,635,005	333,377	20.4	1,100,954	67.3	200,674	12.3
2008	1,683,238	343,118	20.4	1,123,307	66.7	216,813	12.9
2009	1,847,784	392,481	21.2	1,247,597	67.5	207,706	11.2

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Table 62.
All applicants, by year of first application and age, 1973–2022—Continued

Year	All ages	Under 18		18–64		65 or older	
		Number	Percentage of total	Number	Percentage of total	Number	Percentage of total
Federal applications ^b (cont.)							
2010	1,831,983	394,599	21.5	1,254,710	68.5	182,674	10.0
2011	1,746,222	383,366	22.0	1,194,291	68.4	168,565	9.7
2012	1,635,635	366,930	22.4	1,117,483	68.3	151,222	9.2
2013	1,428,090	326,148	22.8	966,650	67.7	135,292	9.5
2014	1,279,917	304,340	23.8	852,445	66.6	123,132	9.6
2015	1,246,666	317,688	25.5	808,669	64.9	120,309	9.7
2016	1,133,857	291,557	25.7	730,091	64.4	112,209	9.9
2017	1,087,051	277,638	25.5	694,053	63.8	115,360	10.6
2018	992,004	266,790	26.9	628,454	63.4	96,760	9.8
2019	977,697	260,610	26.7	624,152	63.8	92,935	9.5
2020	833,895	219,347	26.3	542,280	65.0	72,268	8.7
2021	807,823	201,786	25.0	500,163	61.9	105,874	13.1
2022	867,682	243,895	28.1	496,785	57.3	127,002	14.6

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Supplemental Security Record, 100 percent data.

- a. Persons who were converted to the SSI program in 1973 from the state Old-Age Assistance, Aid to the Blind, and Aid to the Permanently and Totally Disabled programs.
- b. Includes applications taken under the abbreviated application process, which was used from 1987 to 1999. Omits reapplications filed as a result of the *Sullivan v. Zebley* decision. Those reapplications were received from 1991 to 1995.

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