

Social Security Essentials

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Idaho

With a debate raging over the future of Social Security, it's time to look at some of the facts about what it means for Idaho congressional districts.

Who Gets Social Security Benefits in Idaho by Congressional District

CD	Representative	Total Number of Recipients	Recipients as % of Population	Percentage of Beneficiaries that receive benefits as:				
				Retired Workers	Disabled Workers	Spouses of <==	Surviving Spouses	Children
State		211,540	16%	64%	12%	10%	7%	8%
1	C.L. "Butch" Otter	113,275	17%	63%	13%	10%	7%	8%
2	Michael K. Simpson	98,265	15%	64%	11%	10%	7%	8%

For more information on the Social Security program and the debate over its future, go to <http://www.epinet.org/socialsecurity>

Notes and Sources:

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