

Table 7.—Number of current adult recipients who first became eligible for SSI before age 18, and percentage distribution, by year of first eligibility and age in December 1999

Year of first eligibility	Total	Age in December 1999			
		18–21	22–29	30–39	40 or older ¹
Total Number.....	501,920	168,530	190,810	123,240	19,340
Total Percent.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1974–76.....	17.3	—	7.8	43.7	94.5
1977–80.....	18.6	4.0	20.7	37.5	5.5
1981–84.....	15.0	15.2	16.6	14.9	—
1985–89.....	14.9	16.3	22.2	3.9	—
1990–94.....	28.0	47.1	31.9	—	—
1995–99.....	6.2	17.4	0.8	—	—

¹ Those under age 18 in 1974 would be no more than 43 in 1999.