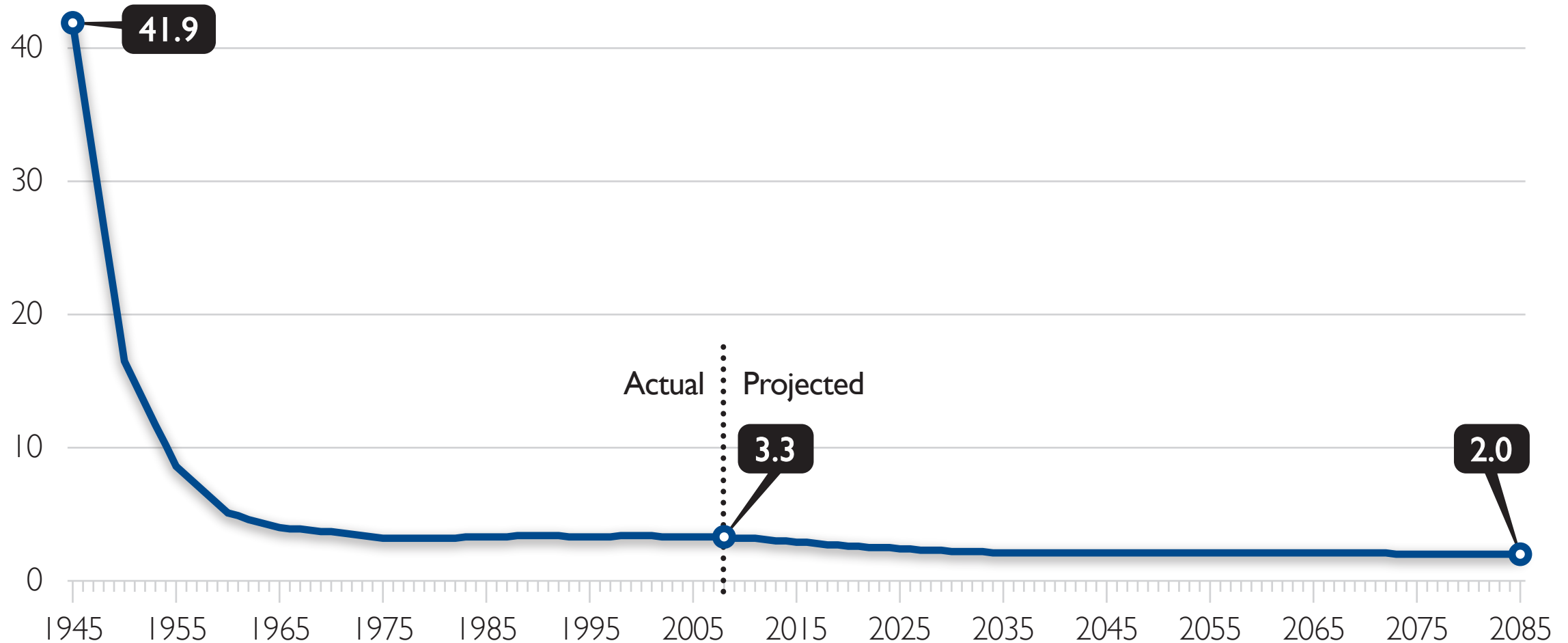


# The Ratio of Workers to Social Security Beneficiaries Is Declining

As the baby boomers age, the nation's demographic makeup will change greatly. Currently, there are approximately 3.3 workers for every Social Security beneficiary, while in 1945 the ratio was approximately 42 workers per retiree. This declining ratio means that fewer and fewer workers will be left to support more and more beneficiaries.

Covered Workers per Social Security Beneficiary, Intermediate Scenario



Source: Social Security Administration.