

STAGE 1 EARNINGS REPLACEMENT BENEFITS NON MEANS TESTED

BEREAVEMENT ALLOWANCE	
Aged 45 – 54	35.97 – 111.51
Aged 55 – pension age	119.99
BEREAVEMENT PAYMENT (one off)	
2,000.00	
BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT PAYMENT	
Pregnant women or entitled to child benefit	
18 (monthly) payments of 350.00 plus (one off) 3,500.00	
Others 18 (monthly) payments of 100.00 plus (one off) 2,500.00	
	66.15
CARER'S ALLOWANCE	
Adult dependant	38.90
Child dependant (first child)	8.00
Earnings disregard	123.00
EMPLOYMENT AND SUPPORT ALLOWANCE (contributory / new style)	
Assessment Phase aged under 25	57.90
Assessment Phase aged 25 and over	73.10
Main Phase basic allowance	73.10
Work-related activity component (not new claims post April 2017)	29.05
Support component	38.55
Permitted work disregard	131.50
Pension disregard	85.00
INCAPACITY BENEFIT	
Long term (+ additions)	112.25
JOBSEEKER'S ALLOWANCE (contribution based / new style)	
Aged under 25	57.90
Aged 25 or over	73.10
Pension disregard	50.00
MATERNITY ALLOWANCE (standard rate)	
Earnings threshold	145.18
	30.00
SEVERE DISABILITY ALLOWANCE (+ additions)	
79.50	
STATE RETIREMENT PENSION	
Old state pension category A	129.20
Old state pension category B spouse's/ civil partner's	77.45
New State Pension (those retiring after April 2016)	168.60
WIDOWED PARENT'S ALLOWANCE	
Child dependant (first child)	119.90
	8.00

OTHER BENEFITS

STATUTORY ADOPTION, MATERNITY AND PATERNITY PAY	
148.68	
STATUTORY SICK PAY	
Earnings threshold	94.25
	118.00
NATIONAL INSURANCE THRESHOLDS	
Primary threshold	118.00
Secondary threshold	166.00

STAGE 2 UNIVERSAL BENEFITS NON MEANS TESTED

ATTENDANCE ALLOWANCE	
Lower rate	58.70
Higher rate	87.65
DISABILITY LIVING ALLOWANCE	
Care component lower rate	23.20
Middle rate	58.70
Higher rate	87.65
Mobility component lower rate	23.20
Higher rate	61.20
GUARDIAN'S ALLOWANCE	
17.60	
INDUSTRIAL INJURIES DISABILITY BENEFIT (20-100% disabled)	
35.80 – 179.00	
PERSONAL INDEPENDENCE PAYMENT	
Daily Living Component standard rate	58.70
Daily Living Component enhanced rate	87.65
Mobility Component standard rate	23.20
Mobility Component enhanced rate	61.20
WINTER FUEL PAYMENTS PER WINTER	
Aged Pension Credit age - 79	200.00
Aged 80 and over	300.00

THE BENEFIT CAP

	IN LONDON	OUTSIDE LONDON
Couples/one parents (weekly benefit)	442.31	384.62
Couples/one parents (monthly benefit)	1916.67	1666.67
Single (weekly benefit)	296.35	257.69
Single (monthly benefit)	1284.17	1116.67

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(INCLUDING UNIVERSAL CREDIT)

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STAGE 3 MEANS TESTED BENEFITS

CHILD BENEFIT	
1st child	20.70
Other child(ren)	13.70
INCOME SUPPORT & JOBSEEKER'S ALLOWANCE (income based)	
PERSONAL ALLOWANCES	
SINGLE	
Aged under 25	57.90
Aged 25 and over	73.10
Lone parent aged under 18	57.90
Aged 18 and above	73.10
COUPLE	
Both aged under 18	57.90/87.50
One aged under 18	57.90/73.10/114.85
Both aged 18+	114.85
Dependent children-some pre-2004 claims	66.90
PREMIUMS: CARER	
36.85	
PREMIUMS: DISABILITY	
Single/couple	34.35/48.95
Disabled Child	64.19
PREMIUMS: ENHANCED DISABILITY	
Single person/lone parent	16.80
Couple	24.10
Child	26.04
PREMIUMS: FAMILY (withdrawn for new claimants from April 2016)	
17.45	
PREMIUMS: PENSIONER	
Single (JSA only)	94.15
Couple	140.40
PREMIUMS: SEVERE DISABILITY (per qualifying person)	
65.85	
EMPLOYMENT AND SUPPORT ALLOWANCE (income related)	
Single/lone parent	73.10
Except if lone parent aged under 18s/single person	
aged under 25 and in assessment phase	57.90
Couple	73.10/114.85
Work-related activity component (not new claims post April 2017)	29.05
Support component	38.55
<i>(Carer, Enhanced Disability, Pensioner and Severe Disability Premiums paid at the same rate as Income Support/JSA (income-based))</i>	
PENSION CREDIT	
Minimum guarantee	167.25
Single	
Couple	255.25
ADDITIONAL AMOUNTS	
Severe disability (per qualifying person)	65.85
Carer	36.85
SAVING CREDIT	
Threshold – single	144.38
Couple	229.67
Maximum – single	13.72
Couple	15.35
HOUSING BENEFIT	
As Income Support/Pension Credit rates except for:	
PERSONAL ALLOWANCES	
Single person/lone parent aged 65 and over	176.40
Couple both under 18	87.50
one aged under 18	114.85
one or both aged 65 and over	263.80
PREMIUMS: DISABLED CHILD PREMIUM	
64.19	
PREMIUMS: FAMILY - LONE PARENT RATE	
22.20	
NON-DEPENDANT DEDUCTIONS	
15.60 – 100.60	
LOCAL COUNCIL TAX SUPPORT	
Variable-contact local authority	
LOCAL WELFARE PROVISION & DHPS	
Variable-contact local authority	
SOCIAL FUND SURE START MATERNITY GRANT	
One off-first child only	500.00
SOCIAL FUND COLD WEATHER PAYMENTS	
25.00	
WORKING TAX CREDIT ANNUAL RATES	
Basic element	1,960.00
Couple/lone parent	2,010.00
30 hours element	810.00
Disabled worker element	3,165.00
Severe Disability element	1,365.00
CHILDCARE COSTS (70%)	
1 child (weekly rate) (maximum)	175.00
2 and over children (maximum)	300.00
CHILD TAX CREDIT ANNUAL RATES	
Family element (pre April 2017 claims)	545.00
Child element (limited to 2 children - post April 2017 births)	2,780.00
Disabled child element	3,355.00
Severely disabled child element	4,715.00
TAX CREDIT INCOME THRESHOLDS ANNUAL RATES	
1st threshold child tax credit only	16,105.00
If some working tax credit payable	6,420.00
Taper	41%
Income increase / decrease disregard	2,500.00
UNIVERSAL CREDIT MONTHLY RATES	
Standard Allowance	
SINGLE	
Aged under 25	251.77
Aged 25 and over	317.82
COUPLE	
Both aged under 25	395.20
At least one aged 25 and above	498.89
Elements	
Child Element	
1st child (not new claims post April 2017)	277.08
Other children (limited to 2 children - post April 2017 births)	231.67
Additional Disabled Child Element lower	126.11
Additional Disabled Child Element higher	392.08
Housing Costs Element variable	
Limited Capability for Work Element (not new claims post April 2017)	126.11
Limited Capability for Work-related Activity Element	336.20
Carer Element	160.20
Childcare Costs Element (85%)	
Maximum 1 child	646.35
2 or more children	1,108.04
Taper	63%
UNIVERSAL CREDIT HOUSING COSTS CONTRIBUTION	
73.89	
UNIVERSAL CREDIT WORK ALLOWANCES	
Higher (without housing costs)	503.00
Lower (with housing costs)	287.00

CAPITAL RULES

MEANS TESTED BENEFITS: LOWER/UPPER LIMITS

BENEFIT	UNDER PENSION CREDIT AGE	PENSION CREDIT AGE
Income Support/JSA (income based)/ESA (income related)/Universal Credit	£6,000 / £16,000	n/a
Income Support/JSA (income based)/ESA (income related) - Universal Credit (Care Homes)	(£6,000 or £10,000) / £16,000	n/a
Housing Benefit	£6,000 / £16,000	£10,000/ £16,000 (note no upper limit if in receipt of guarantee credit)
Pension Credit (including Care Homes)	n/a	£10,000/ no upper limit
Tariff income rules	£1(£4.35 monthly) for every £250 above lower limit	£1 for every £500 above lower limit