

means tested

Income Support & income-based Jobseeker's Allowance

Personal allowances

Single	
under 25	47.95
25+	60.50
Lone parent	
under 18	47.95
18+	60.50
Couple	
both under 18	47.95 / 72.35
one under 18	47.95 / 60.50 / 94.95
both aged 18+	94.95
Dependent children	52.59 ^(a)
Premiums	
Carer	27.75
Disability	
single	25.85
couple	36.85
Disabled Child	48.72 ^(a)
Enhanced Disability	
single person/lone parent	12.60
couple	18.15
child	19.60 ^(a)
Family	16.75 ^(a)
Pensioner	
single (JSA only)	63.55
couple	94.40
Severe Disability	
per qualifying person	50.35

Employment and Support Allowance^(b)

Basic Allowance	
single	60.50
couple	94.95
Work-related activity component	xx.xx
Support component	xx.xx
(Carer, Enhanced Disability, Pensioner and Severe Disability Premiums paid at the same rate as Income Support/income-based JSA)	

Pension Credit

Minimum guarantee	
single	124.05
couple	189.35

Additional amounts	
severe disability (per qualifying person)	50.35
carer	27.75

Savings Credit	
Threshold – single	91.20
couple	145.80
Maximum – single	19.71
couple	26.13

Housing Benefit & Council Tax Benefit^(c)

As for Income Support/income-based JSA, or Pension Credit, except –

Personal Allowances

Single person – aged 65+	143.80
Couple – both under 18 (n/a for CTB)	72.35
– one under 18	94.95
– one or both aged 65+	215.50

Premiums

Family – lone parent rate	22.20
– lone parent/baby rate	32.70
– couple/baby rate	27.25

Working Tax Credit^(d)

Basic element	1,800.00
Couple/lone parent	1,770.00
30 hours element	735.00
Disability element	2,405.00
Severe Disability element	1,020.00
50+ return to work	
16–29 hours	1,235.00
30+ hours	1,840.00
Childcare costs (80% of up to)	
1 child (weekly rate)	175.00
2+ children (weekly rate)	300.00

Child Tax Credit^(d)

Family element	545.00
Baby addition	545.00
Child element	2,085.00
Disabled child	2,540.00
Severely disabled child	1,020.00

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Attendance Allowance

lower rate	44.85
higher rate	67.00

Bereavement Benefits

Bereavement Allowance	
aged 45–54	27.21–84.35
aged 55–pension age ^(e)	90.70
Widowed Parent's Allowance	90.70
child dependant	11.35 ^(f)

Carer's Allowance

adult dependant	50.55
child dependant	30.20
	11.35 ^(f)

Child Benefit

only/eldest child	18.80
other children	12.55

Disability Living Allowance

Care component	
lower rate	17.75
middle rate	44.85
higher rate	67.00
Mobility component	
lower rate	17.75
higher rate	46.75

Employment and Support Allowance (NI based)^(b)

Basic Allowance	60.50
Work-related activity component	xx.xx
Support component	xx.xx

Guardian's Allowance

13.45

Incapacity Benefit

short term (under pension age) ^(e)	
lower rate	63.75
higher rate	75.40
adult dependant	39.40
child dependant (paid with higher rate)	11.35 ^(f)
long term	84.50
age addition	
under 35	17.75
aged 35–44	8.90
adult dependant	50.55
child dependant	11.35 ^(f)

Industrial Injuries Disablement Benefit

(variable depending on % disablement)	
under 18	16.77–83.85
18+ (or under 18 with dependants)	27.36–136.80

Jobseeker's Allowance (NI based)

under 25	47.95
25+	60.50

Maternity Allowance

standard rate	117.18
adult dependant	39.40

Retirement Pension

Cat A (and Cat B for widows/widowers)	90.70
adult dependant (with Cat A)	54.35
Cat B (husband's NI)	54.35
Cat D (non contributory, aged 80 or over)	54.35
age addition (aged 80 or over)	0.25
child dependant	11.35 ^(f)

Severe Disablement Allowance

51.05	
age addition	
aged under 40	17.75
aged 40–49	11.40
aged 50–59	5.70
adult dependant	30.40
child dependant	11.35 ^(f)

Statutory Adoption, Maternity and Paternity Pay

117.18

Statutory Sick Pay

75.40

(a) Not applicable for new claimants.

(b) Due to be introduced from autumn 2008 for new claimants. Paid at a reduced rate to under-25s during 13 week assessment phase.

(c) Replaced by Local Housing Allowance – based on area and family size – in the private rented sector from April 2008.

(d) Annual figures. First threshold £6,420 (£15,575 if not entitled to WTC). Second threshold £50,000.

(e) 60 for women, 65 for men.

(f) Reduced for an eldest/only child where CB is payable. Not applicable for new claimants.



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