

means tested

Income Support & income-based Jobseeker's Allowance

Personal Allowances

Single	
under 18	31.95 / 42.00
18-24	42.00
25+	53.05
Lone parent	
under 18	31.95 / 42.00
18+	53.05
Couple	
both under 18	31.95 / 42.00 / 63.35
one under 18	42.00 / 53.05 / 83.25
both aged 18+	83.25
Dependant children	
to Sept after 16 th birthday	31.45 ^(a)
to day before 19 th birthday	32.25 ^(a)

Premiums

Bereavement	19.45
Carer	24.40
Disability	
single	22.60
couple	32.25
Disabled child	30.00
Enhanced Disability	
child/single person	11.05
couple	16.00
Family	14.50
lone parent rate	15.90
Pensioner	
single	39.10
couple	57.30
Severe Disability	
per qualifying person	41.55

Housing Benefit & Council Tax Benefit

As for Income Support/income-based JSA, except

Personal Allowance

Single person - under 18 (n/a for CTB)	42.00
Lone parent - under 18 (n/a for CTB)	42.00
Couple - both under 18 (n/a for CTB)	63.35
Couple - one under 18	83.25

Premiums

Family (lone parent rate)	22.20
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Non Dependant Deductions

(from housing costs - IS, income-based JSA, Housing Benefit & Council Tax Benefit)

Aged 18+ and in remunerative work

gross income	IS/JSA/HB	CTB
0.00 - 83.99	7.40	2.30
84.00 - 124.99	17.00	2.30
125.00 - 162.99	23.35	4.60
163.00 - 214.99	38.20	4.60
215.00 - 268.99	43.50	5.80
269.00+	47.75	6.95

All others for whom a deduction is made

	7.40	2.30
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Working Families' & Disabled Person's Tax Credits

Maximum Tax Credit	WFTC	DPTC
Adult credit ^(b)		
single person	59.00	61.05
couple/lone parent	59.00	91.25
Child Credit		
to Sept after 16 th birthday	26.00	26.00
to day before 19 th birthday	26.75	26.75
30+ hrs Credit	11.45	11.45
Enhanced Disability Credit		
couple/lone parent	16.00	16.00
single person/child	11.05	11.05
Disabled Child Credit	30.00	30.00
Childcare Credit	up to £135/wk (x70%) for one child ^(c)	
	up to £200/wk (x70%) for 2 or more ^(d)	
Applicable Amount		
Single person	92.90	72.25
Couple/lone parent	92.20	92.90

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Attendance Allowance

lower rate	37.00
higher rate	55.30

Bereavement Benefits^(e)

Bereavement Allowance (55+)	72.50
Widowed Parent's Allowance	72.50
child dependant	11.35 ^(f)

Child Benefit

only/eldest child	15.50
lone parent rate	17.55
other children	10.35

Disability Living Allowance

Care Component	lower rate	14.65
	middle rate	37.00
	higher rate	55.30
Mobility Component	lower rate	14.65
	higher rate	38.65

Guardians Allowance

	11.35 ^(f)
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Incapacity Benefit

short term (under pension age)	
lower rate	52.60
higher rate	62.20
adult dependant	32.55
child dep (paid with higher rate)	11.35 ^(f)
long term	
age addition	lower 7.35
	higher 14.65
adult dependant	41.75
child dependant	11.35 ^(f)
inv. allowance	lower 4.65
	middle 9.30
	higher 14.65

Industrial Injuries Disablement Benefit

(variable depending on % disablement)

under 18	13.83-69.15
18+ (or under 18 with dependants)	22.58-112.90

Invalid Care Allowance

adult dependant	24.95
child dependant	11.35 ^(f)

Jobseeker's Allowance (NI based)

under 18	31.95
18 - 24	42.00
25+	53.05

Maternity Allowance

standard rate	62.20
adult dependant	32.55

Retirement Pension

Cat A & B (widow/widower)	72.50
adult dependant (with Cat A)	43.40
Cat B (husband's NI)	43.40
Cat D (non contributory)	43.40
age addition	0.25
child dependant addition	11.35 ^(f)

Severe Disablement Allowance

age addition	lower 4.65
	middle 9.30
	higher 14.65
adult dependant	25.00
child dependant	11.35 ^(f)

Statutory Maternity Pay

	62.20
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Statutory Sick Pay

	62.20
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(a) increased by £1.50 from October 2001

(b) £5 less before June 2001

(c) £100 before June 2001

(d) £150 before June 2001

(e) Widow's Pension & Widowed Mother's Allowance paid at same rates

(f) for only/eldest child, reduced by -

• £1.65 where CB in payment;

• £3.70 where lone parent rate of CB in payment

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