

STAGE 1

EARNINGS REPLACEMENT BENEFITS

NON MEANS TESTED

BEREAVEMENT ALLOWANCE	
Aged 45 – 54	35.13 – 108.90
Aged 55 – pension age	117.10
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
CARER'S ALLOWANCE	
Adult dependant	64.60
Child dependant (first child)	38.00
Earnings disregard	8.00
	120.00
EMPLOYMENT AND SUPPORT ALLOWANCE (contributory)	
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	37.65
INCAPACITY BENEFIT	
Long term	109.60
Age addition under 35	11.60
Aged 35 – 44	6.45
Adult dependant	63.65
Child dependant (first child)	8.00
JOBSEEKER'S ALLOWANCE (contribution based)	
Aged under 25	57.90
Aged 25 or over	73.10
MATERNITY ALLOWANCE (standard rate)	
Earnings threshold	145.18
	30.00
SEVERE DISABILITY ALLOWANCE	
Age addition aged under 40	77.65
Aged 40 – 49 and 50 – 59	11.60
Adult dependant	6.45
Child dependant (first child)	37.10
	8.00
STATE RETIREMENT PENSION	
Category A	125.95
Category B spouse's/ civil partner's	75.50
New State Pension (those retiring after April 2016)	164.35
WIDOWED PARENT'S ALLOWANCE	
Child dependant (first child)	117.10
	8.00
OTHER BENEFITS	
STATUTORY ADOPTION, MATERNITY AND PATERNITY PAY	145.18
STATUTORY SICK PAY	92.05
Earnings threshold	116.00

STAGE 2

UNIVERSAL BENEFITS

NON MEANS TESTED

ATTENDANCE ALLOWANCE	
Lower rate	57.30
Higher rate	85.60
DISABILITY LIVING ALLOWANCE	
Care component lower rate	22.65
Middle rate	57.30
Higher rate	85.60
Mobility component lower rate	22.65
Higher rate	59.75
GUARDIAN'S ALLOWANCE	
	17.20
INDUSTRIAL INJURIES DISABLEMENT BENEFIT (20-100% disabled)	
	34.96 – 174.80
PERSONAL INDEPENDENCE PAYMENT	
Daily Living Component standard rate	57.30
Daily Living Component enhanced rate	85.60
Mobility Component standard rate	22.65
Mobility Component enhanced rate	59.75
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/lone parents (weekly benefit)	442.31	384.62
Couples/lone 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		36.00
PREMIUMS: DISABILITY		
Single/couple	33.55/47.80	
Disabled Child		62.86
PREMIUMS: ENHANCED DISABILITY		
Single person/ lone parent		16.40
Couple		23.55
Child		25.48
PREMIUMS: FAMILY (withdrawn for new claimants from April 2016)		17.45
PREMIUMS: PENSIONER		
Single (JSA only)		89.90
Couple		133.95
PREMIUMS: SEVERE DISABILITY (per qualifying person)		
		64.30
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		37.65
<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		
Single		163.00
Couple		248.80
ADDITIONAL AMOUNTS		
Severe disability (per qualifying person)		64.30
Carer		36.00
SAVINGS CREDIT		
Threshold – single		140.67
Couple		223.82
Maximum – single		13.40
Couple		14.99
HOUSING BENEFIT		
As Income Support/Pension Credit rates except for:		
PERSONAL ALLOWANCES		
Single person/lone parent aged 65 and over		172.55
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		62.86
PREMIUMS: FAMILY - LONE PARENT RATE		22.20
NON-DEPENDANT DEDUCTIONS		15.25 – 98.30
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		3,090.00
Severe Disability element		1,330.00
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		3,275.00
Severely disabled child element		4,600.00
TAX CREDIT INCOME THRESHOLDS ANNUAL RATES		
1st threshold child tax credit only		16,105.00
If some working tax credit payable		6,420
Taper		41%
Income increase disregard		2,500
Income decrease disregard		2,500
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 or new claims)		231.67
Additional Disabled Child Element lower		126.11
Additional Disabled Child Element higher		383.86
Housing Costs Element variable		
Limited Capability for Work Element (not new claims post April 2017)		126.11
Limited Capability for Work-related Activity Element		328.32
Carer Element		156.45
Childcare Costs Element (85%)		
Maximum 1 child		646.35
2 or more children		1108.04
Taper		63%
UNIVERSAL CREDIT HOUSING COSTS CONTRIBUTION		
		72.16
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 <i>(note no upper limit if in receipt of guarantee credit)</i>
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