

## Universal Credit monthly rates

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<b>Universal Credit (monthly rates)</b>	<b>April 2020 – March 2021</b>
<b>Universal Credit minimum amount</b>	0.01
<b>Standard Allowance</b>	
Single under 25	342.72
Single 25 or over	409.89
Joint claimants - both under 25	488.59
Joint claimants - one or both 25 or over	594.04
<b><a href="#">Carer amount</a></b>	162.92
<b>Child amounts</b>	
First child or qualifying young person born before 6 April 2017	281.25
First child born on or after 6 April 2017	
Second and subsequent child or qualifying young person	235.83
<b>Disabled Child Additions</b>	
Lower rate addition	128.25
Higher rate addition	400.29
<b><a href="#">Childcare costs amount</a></b>	
Maximum for one child	646.35

Maximum for two or more children	1108.04
<b><u>Non-dependant's housing cost contributions</u></b>	75.15
<b><u>Limited capability for work amount</u></b>	
Limited capability for work amount and you started your health-related Universal Credit or Employment and Support Allowance claim before 3 April 2017	128.25
Limited capability for work and work-related activity amount	341.92
<b><u>Work Allowances</u></b>	
<b>Higher Work Allowance</b> (no housing) - single or joint claimant responsible for a child or qualifying young person, or with limited capability for work	512.00
<b>Lower Work Allowance</b> (housing included in Universal Credit) - single or joint claimant responsible for a child or qualifying young person, or with limited capability for work	292.00
<b>Assumed income from <u>capital</u> for every £250 or part thereof between the capital disregard and the upper capital limit</b>	4.35
<b><u>Sanctions</u></b>	
<b>Universal Credit daily reduction</b>	
100% reduction - High, medium or low-level sanctions apply (claimants aged 18 or over)	
Single under 25	11.20
Single 25 or over	13.40
Joint claimants - both under 25 (per sanctioned claimant)	8.00
Joint claimants - one or both 25 or over and one is sanctioned (per sanctioned claimant)	9.70
<b>40% reduction - lowest level sanction applies</b>	
Single under 25 (including under 18)	4.50
Single 25 or over	5.30
Joint claimants - both under 25 (per sanctioned claimant)	3.20
Joint claimants - one or both 25 or over (per sanctioned claimant)	3.90
<b>Employment and Support Allowance daily reduction</b>	
Under 25	8.30
25 or over	10.50

<b><u>Deductions</u></b>	
<b>Third party deductions at 5% of the Universal Credit Standard Allowance (excludes deductions for rent and service charges included in rent)</b>	
Single under 25	17.14
Single 25 or over	20.49
Joint claimants - both under 25	24.43
Joint claimants - one or both 25 or over	29.70
<b>Maximum deductions for fines</b>	108.35
<b>Minimum deductions for rent and service charges included in rent at 10% of the Universal Credit Standard Allowance</b>	
Single under 25	34.27
Single 25 or over	40.99
Joint claimants - both under 25	48.86
Joint claimants - one or both 25 or over	59.40
<b>Maximum deductions for rent and service charges included in rent at 20% of the Universal Credit Standard Allowance</b>	
Single under 25	68.54
Single 25 or over	81.98
Joint claimants - both under 25	97.72
Joint claimants - one or both 25 or over	118.81
<b>Overall maximum deduction rate at 30% of the Universal Credit Standard Allowance:</b>	
Single under 25	102.82
Single 25 or over	122.97
Joint claimants - both under 25	146.58
Joint claimants - one or both 25 or over	178.21
<b>Fraud overpayments, Recoverable Hardship Payments and Administrative Penalties at 30% of the Universal Credit Standard Allowance</b>	
Single under 25	102.82
Single 25 or over	122.97
Joint claimants - both under 25	146.58
Joint claimants - one or both 25 or over	178.21

<b>Ordinary overpayments and Civil Penalties at 15% of the Universal Credit Standard Allowance</b>	
Single under 25	51.41
Single 25 or over	61.48
Joint claimants - both under 25	73.29
Joint claimants - one or both 25 or over	89.11
<b>Ordinary overpayments and Civil Penalties at 25% of the Universal Credit Standard Allowance if the claimant's and/or partner's earnings are over the Work Allowance</b>	
Single under 25	85.68
Single 25 or over	102.47
Joint claimants - both under 25	122.15
Joint claimants - one or both 25 or over	148.51

<b><u>National Minimum Wage and National Living Wage (hourly rate)</u></b>	
Age 25+	£8.72
Age 21 – 24	£8.20
Age 18-20	£6.45
Under 18	£4.55
Apprenticeship	£4.15

### **Benefit Uprating Schedule**

A full list of all benefit rates can be found in the Benefit Uprating Schedule