

Universal Credit monthly rates

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Universal Credit monthly rates		
	2020-21	2021-22
Universal Credit minimum amount	£0.01	£0.01
Standard Allowance		
Single under 25	£342.72	£344.00
Single 25 or over	£409.89	£411.51
Joint claimants – both under 25	£488.59	£490.60
Joint claimants – one or both 25 or over	£594.04	£596.58
Carer amount		
Carer amount	£162.92	£163.73
Child amounts		
First child or qualifying young person born before 6 April 2017	£281.25	£282.50
First child born on or after 6 April 2017 Second and subsequent child or qualifying young person	£235.83	£237.08

Disabled Child Additions		
Lower rate addition	£128.25	£128.89
Higher rate addition	£400.29	£402.41
Childcare costs amount		
Maximum for 1 child	£646.35	£646.35
Maximum for 2 or more children	£1108.04	£1108.04
Non-dependant's housing costs contributions		
Non-dependants housing costs contributions	£75.15	£75.53
Limited capability for work amounts		
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	£128.89
Limited capability for work and work-related activity amount	£341.92	£343.63
Work Allowances		
Higher Work Allowance (no housing costs) - single or joint claimant responsible for a child or qualifying young person, or with limited capability for work	£512.00	£515.00
Lower Work Allowance (housing costs included in Universal Credit) - single or joint claimant responsible for a child or qualifying young person, or with limited capability for work	£292.00	£293.00
Tariff Income		
Assumed income from capital for every £250 or part thereof between the capital disregard and the upper capital limit	£4.35	£4.35

Sanctions		
Universal Credit daily reduction		
100% reduction - High, medium or low-level sanctions apply (claimants aged 18 or over)		
Single under 25	£11.20	£11.30
Single 25 or over	£13.40	£13.50
Joint claimants - both under 25 (per sanctioned claimant)	£8.00	£8.00
Joint claimants - one or both 25 or over and one is sanctioned (per sanctioned claimant)	£9.70	£9.80
40% reduction - lowest level sanction applies		
Single under 25 (including under 18)	£4.50	£4.50
Single 25 or over	£5.30	£5.40
Joint claimants - both under 25 (per sanctioned claimant)	£3.20	£3.20
Joint claimants - one or both 25 or over (per sanctioned claimant)	£3.90	£3.90
Employment and Support Allowance daily reduction		
Under 25	£8.30	£8.40
25 or over	£10.50	£10.60
Deductions		
Third party deductions at 5% of the Universal Credit Standard Allowance (excludes deductions for rent and service charges included in rent)		
Single under 25	£17.14	£17.02
Single 25 or over	£20.49	£20.58
Joint claimants - both under 25	£24.43	£24.53
Joint claimants - one or both 25 or over	£29.70	£29.83
Maximum deductions for fines		
	£108.35	£108.35
Minimum deductions for rent and service charges included in rent at 10% of the Universal Credit Standard Allowance		
Single under 25	£34.27	£34.40

Single 25 or over	£40.99	£41.15
Joint claimants - both under 25	£48.86	£49.06
Joint claimants - one or both 25 or over	£59.40	£59.66
Maximum deductions for rent and service charges included in rent at 20% of the Universal Credit Standard Allowance		
Single under 25	£68.54	£68.80
Single 25 or over	£81.98	£82.30
Joint claimants – both under 25	£97.92	£98.12
Joint claimants - one or both 25 or over	£118.81	£119.32
Overall maximum deduction rate at 25% of the Universal Credit Standard Allowance:		
Single under 25	£102.82 (30%)	£86.00
Single 25 or over	£122.97 (£30%)	£102.88
Joint claimants – both under 25	£146.58 (£30%)	£122.65
Joint claimants - one or both 25 or over	£178.21 (£30%)	£149.15
Fraud overpayments, Recoverable Hardship Payments and Administrative Penalties at 25% of the Universal Credit Standard Allowance		
Single under 25	£102.82 (30%)	£86.00
Single 25 or over	£122.97 (£30%)	£102.88
Joint claimants – both under 25	£146.58 (£30%)	£122.65
Joint claimants - one or both 25 or over	£178.21 (£30%)	£149.15
Ordinary overpayments and Civil Penalties at 15% of the Universal Credit Standard Allowance		
Single under 25	£51.41	£51.60
Single 25 or over	£61.48	£61.73
Joint claimants - both under 25	£73.29	£73.59
Joint claimants - one or both 25 or over	£89.11	£89.49
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		

Single under 25	£85.68	£86.00
Single 25 or over	£102.47	£102.88
Joint claimants - both under 25	£122.15	£122.65
Joint claimants - one or both 25 or over	£148.51	£149.15

National Minimum Wage and National Living Wage (hourly rate) 2021-22	
Age 23+	£8.91
Age 21-22	£8.36
Age 18-20	£6.56
Under 18	£4.62
Apprenticeship	£4.30

National Minimum Wage and National Living Wage (hourly rate) 2020-21	
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

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