

# Universal Credit monthly rates

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Universal Credit monthly rates			
	2020-21	2021-22	2021-22
<b>Universal Credit minimum amount</b>	£0.01	£0.01	
<b>Standard Allowance</b>		If the assessment period ends before 6 October 2021	If the assessment period ends on or after 6 October 2021
Single under 25	£342.72	£344.00	£257.33
Single 25 or over	£409.89	£411.51	£324.84
Joint claimants – both under 25	£488.59	£490.60	£403.84
Joint claimants – one or both 25 or over	£594.04	£596.58	£509.91
<b>Carer amount</b>			
Carer amount	£162.92	£163.73	

<b>Child amounts</b>			
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	
<b>Disabled Child Additions</b>			
Lower rate addition	£128.25	£128.89	
Higher rate addition	£400.29	£402.41	
<b>Childcare costs amount</b>			
Maximum for 1 child	£646.35	£646.35	
Maximum for 2 or more children	£1108.04	£1108.04	
<b>Non-dependant's housing costs contributions</b>			
Non-dependants housing costs contributions	£75.15	£75.53	
<b>Limited capability for work amounts</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	£128.89	
Limited capability for work and work-related activity amount	£341.92	£343.63	
<b>Work Allowances</b>		If the assessment period ends before 24 November 2021	If the assessment period ends on or after 24 November 2021

<b>Higher Work Allowance</b> (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	£557.00
<b>Lower Work Allowance</b> (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	£335.00
<b>Tariff Income</b>			
Assumed income from capital for every £250 or part thereof between the capital disregard and the upper capital limit	£4.35	£4.35	
<b>Sanctions</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	£11.30	£8.40
Single 25 or over	£13.40	£13.50	£10.60
Joint claimants - both under 25 (per sanctioned claimant)	£8.00	£8.00	£6.60
Joint claimants - one or both 25 or over and one is sanctioned (per sanctioned claimant)	£9.70	£9.80	£8.30
<b>40% reduction - lowest level sanction applies</b>			
Single under 25 (including under 18)	£4.50	£4.50	£3.30
Single 25 or over	£5.30	£5.40	£4.20
Joint claimants - both under 25 (per sanctioned claimant)	£3.20	£3.20	£2.60
Joint claimants - one or both 25 or over (per sanctioned claimant)	£3.90	£3.90	£3.30
<b>Employment and Support Allowance daily reduction</b>			

Under 25	£8.30	£8.40	
25 or over	£10.50	£10.60	
<b>Deductions</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	£17020	
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	
<b>Maximum deductions for fines</b>	£108.35	£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	£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	
<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	£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	
<b>Overall maximum deduction rate at 25% of the Universal Credit Standard Allowance:</b>			
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	
<b>Fraud overpayments, Recoverable Hardship Payments and Administrative Penalties at 25% of the Universal Credit Standard Allowance</b>			
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	
<b>Ordinary overpayments and Civil Penalties at 15% of the Universal Credit Standard Allowance</b>			
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	
<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	£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	

<b>National Minimum Wage and National Living Wage (hourly rate) 2021-22</b>	
Age 23+	£8.91

Age 21-22	£8.36
Age 18-20	£6.56
Under 18	£4.62
Apprenticeship	£4.30

<b>National Minimum Wage and National Living Wage (hourly rate) 2020-21</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