

# UNIVERSAL CREDIT ESSENTIALS

## Universal Credit Rates 2023-2024

These rates will apply for any assessment period starting on or after 10<sup>th</sup> April 2023.  
The first statements to be made with these rates will have  
a usual payment date of 16<sup>th</sup> May 2023.

Standard Allowance	Single and under 25	£292.11
	Single and 25 or over	£368.74
	Joint claim and both under 25	£458.51
	Joint claim and either person is 25 or over	£578.82
Child Element	First child (born prior to 6 April 2017)	£315.00
	First child (born on or after 6 April 2017) or second child and subsequent child (where <a href="#">an exception or transitional provision</a> applies)	£269.58
Disabled Child Element	Higher rate -if child receives high rate care (DLA) or enhanced daily living (PIP)	£456.89
	Lower rate - any other rate of DLA or PIP	£146.31
Childcare Element	One child - 85% of costs up to a maximum of:	£646.35
	Two or more children - 85% of costs up to a maximum of:	£1108.04
Limited Capability for Work Element	LCW (if in payment)	£146.31
	LCWRA	£390.06
Carers Element	Carers Element	£185.86
Transitional Element (SDP)	Single people with LCWRA	£120.00
	Single people without LCWRA	£285.00
	Joint claims where one member had SDP with LCWRA	£120.00
	Joint claims where one member had SDP without LCWRA	£285.00

	Couples where higher rate of SDP element was included	£405.00
NDD	Non-dependants' Deduction	£85.73

Work Allowances	Higher work allowance: one or more dependent children or limited capability for work and no housing element	£631.00
	Lower work allowance: one or more dependent children or limited capability for work and housing element/housing benefit	£379.00

AET amount <a href="#">Light touch earnings threshold</a>	Single claim	£617.00
	Joint claim	£988.00

Benefit Cap Amounts <a href="#">(more info)</a>	Couples (with or without children) or single claimants with a child of qualifying age (Outside Greater London)	£1,835.00
	Single adult households without children (Outside Greater London)	£1,229.42
	Couples (with or without children) or single claimants with a child of qualifying age (within Greater London)	£2,110.25
	Single adult households without children (within Greater London)	£1,413.92
Child Benefit (for calculating the benefit cap, if relevant)	Eldest or only child (per month)	£104.00
	Any other child (per month)	£68.90