

UNIVERSAL CREDIT ESSENTIALS

UC Rates Table 2024-2025 (applicable for assessment periods starting on or after 8/4/2024)

Standard Allowance	Single and under 25	£311.68
	Single and 25 or over	£393.45
	Joint claim and both under 25	£489.23
	Joint claim and either person is 25 or over	£617.60
Child Element	First child (born prior to 6 April 2017)	£333.33
	First child (born on or after 6 April 2017) or second child and subsequent child (where an exception or transitional provision applies)	£287.92
Disabled Child Element	Higher rate -if child receives high rate care (DLA) or enhanced daily living (PIP) – also included if child is registered severely sight impaired	£487.58
	Lower rate - any other rate of DLA or PIP	£156.11
Childcare Element	One child - 85% of costs up to a maximum of:	£1014.63
	Two or more children - 85% of costs up to a maximum of:	£1739.37
Limited Capability for Work Element	LCW (if in payment)	£156.11
	LCWRA	£416.19
Carers Element	Carers Element	£198.31
NDD	Non-dependents' Deduction (exemptions apply)	£91.47
Work Allowances	Higher work allowance (no housing amount) one or more dependent children or limited capability for work	£673.00
	Lower work allowance one or more dependent children or limited capability for work	£404.00

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<p>Transitional Element (SDP)</p> <p>Any of the amounts in this section can only be included if you are eligible for SDP transition.</p> <p>This is not part of managed migration.</p>	SDP - Single people with LCWRA	£140.97
	SDP - Single people without LCWRA	£334.81
	SDP - Joint claims where one member had SDP with LCWRA	£140.97
	SDP - Joint claims where one member had SDP without LCWRA	£334.81
	SDP - Couples where higher rate of SDP element was included	£475.79
	Enhanced disability premium – Additional amount for single EDP	£89.63
	Enhanced disability premium – Additional amount for couple EDP	£128.04
	Disability premium – Additional amount for single DP	£183.52
Disability premium – Additional amount for couple DP	£262.48	
Disabled child – Additional amount for disabled children	£188.86	
<p>AET amount</p> <p>Light touch earnings threshold since 13th May 2024</p>	Single claim	£892.00
	Joint claim	£1437.00
<p>Benefit Cap Amounts (what is included and exemptions)</p>	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
<p>Benefit Cap – in work exemption amount</p>	Monthly equivalent of 16 hours at National Living Wage	£793.00
<p>Child Benefit (for calculating the benefit cap, if relevant)</p>	Eldest or only child (£25.60 weekly)	£110.93
	Any other child (£16.95 weekly)	£73.45