

# A Quick Guide to Benefit Rates - April 2024

Please see our Social Security Benefit Rates booklet for a more detailed guide of the benefit for period 2024-2025 including details of the 'legacy benefits' and Council Tax Support amounts.

## Universal Credit

<b>Standard Allowances</b>	<b>Monthly</b>
Single: Aged 25 years and over	£393.45
Single: Aged under 25	£311.68
Couple: One/both aged 25 or over	£617.60
Couple: Both aged under 25	£489.23
<b>Elements</b>	
First child ( <i>born before 6.4.2017</i> )	£333.33
Subsequent child(ren)	£287.92
Higher: Disabled child	£487.58
Lower: Disabled child	£156.11
Limited Capability for Work	£156.11
Limited Capability for Work-Related Activity	£416.19
Carer	£198.31

## Childcare Maximum (*from 28.6.2023*)

One child ( <i>85% of eligible cost</i> )	£1,014.63
Two or more children ( <i>85% of eligible cost</i> )	£1,739.37

## Non-dependant Deduction

Rented Housing Costs	£91.47
Owner Occupier Housing Costs	£NIL

## Work Allowance

Higher: Without housing costs	£673.00
Lower: With housing costs	£404.00

Taper	55%
<i>To qualify must have child(ren) or limited capability for work.</i>	

## Capital

Lower Limit	£6,000
Higher Limit	£16,000
Tariff Income: £4.35 per £250 between £6,000 and £16,000	

## Pension Credit

### Standard Minimum Guarantee

Single	£218.15
Couple	£332.95

### Dependent Child

First child ( <i>born before 6.4.2017</i> )	£76.79
Subsequent child(ren)	£66.29
Higher: Disabled child	£112.21
Lower: Disabled child	£35.93

### Additional Amounts

Single: Severe Disability	£81.50
Couple: Severe Disability ( <i>one qualifies</i> )	£81.50
Couple: Severe Disability ( <i>both qualify</i> )	£163.00
Carer's	£45.60

## Savings Credit

### Threshold

Single	£189.80
Couple	£301.22

### Maximum Payment

Single	£17.01
Couple	£19.04

## Capital

Lower Limit	£10,000
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Higher Limit	N/A
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Tariff Income: £1.00 per £500 on capital above £10,000

## Personal Independence Payment

### Daily Living Component

Enhanced: 12 points or more	£108.55
Standard: 8 points to 11 points	£72.65

### Mobility Component

Enhanced: 12 points or more	£75.75
Standard: 8 points to 11 points	£28.70

## Attendance Allowance

Higher	£108.55
Lower	£72.65

## Disability Living Allowance

### Care Component

Higher	£108.55
Middle	£72.65
Lower	£28.70

### Mobility Component

Higher	£75.75
Lower	£28.70

## Carer's Allowance

Claimant	£81.90
Earnings Threshold	£151.00

## Child Benefit

Eldest Child	£25.60
Other Child(ren)	£16.95

<b>Guardian's Allowance</b>	£21.75
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## Statutory Sick Pay

Amount	£116.75
Earnings Threshold	£123.00

## New Style JSA

Aged 25 or over	£90.50
Aged under 25	£71.70

## New Style ESA

### Assessment Phase (*First 13 weeks*)

Basic Allowance - aged 25 or over	£90.50
Basic Allowance - aged 16 to 24	£71.70

### Main Phase (*From week 14*)

Basic Allowance aged 16 or over	£90.50
Work-related Activity Component	£35.95
Support Component	£47.70
Permitted Work - Lower Limit	£20.00
Permitted Work - Higher Limit / Supported Permitted Work	£183.50

## Industrial Injuries

### Disablement Benefit

20% assessment	£44.30
to 100% assessment	£221.50

## State Retirement Pension

State Pension ( <i>Retirement from 6.4.2016</i> )	£221.20
Retirement Pension ( <i>Retirement before 6.4.2016</i> )	
Category A	£169.50
Category B	£101.55

Age Addition - aged 80 or over	£00.25
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## Maternity Allowance

Claimant	£184.03
Earnings Threshold	£30.00

## Statutory Maternity Pay, Statutory Paternity Pay, Statutory Adoption Pay, Statutory Shared Parental Pay and Parental Bereavement Pay

Standard Rate	£184.03
Earnings Threshold	£123.00

## Bereavement Support

### Higher

Bereavement Support Payment	£3,500 lump sum
Bereavement Support	£350 per month

### Standard

Bereavement Support Payment	£2,500 lump sum
Bereavement Support	£100 per month

## Benefit Cap (*Wolverhampton*)

### Couples / Couples with child(ren) / Single with child(ren)

per annum	£22,020
per month	£1,835.00
per week	£423.46

### Single without child(ren)

per annum	£14,753.00
per month	£1,229.42
per week	£283.71

## Wolverhampton Council Tax Bands - 2024/2025

Band A:	£1,530.01
Band B:	£1,785.02
Band C:	£2,040.01
Band D:	£2,295.02
Band E:	£2,805.02
Band F:	£3,315.02
Band G:	£3,825.03
Band H:	£4,590.04

## Local Housing Allowance

Shared Room Rate	£73.64 per week £319.98 per month
1 Bedroom	£113.92 per week £495.01 per month
2 Bedroom	£143.84 per week £625.02 per month
3 Bedroom	£172.60 per week £749.99 per month
4 Bedroom	£212.88 per week £925.01 per month

## National Living Wage / National Minimum Wage

Aged 21 or over	£11.44
Aged 18 to 20	£8.60
Aged 16 to 17	£6.40
Apprenticeship	£6.40