

MEANS-TESTED BENEFITS

(All figures weekly amount unless stated otherwise)

Universal credit Monthly.

Capital - Max £16,000 / Disregard £6,000).

Single Standard Allowance.

under 25 £292.11.

25 or over £368.74.

Couple Standard Allowance.

both under 25 £458.51.

one or both 25+ £578.82.

Child Element** £269.58/£315.00*.

*Higher amount 1st child, if born before 6.4.17.

Disabled Child Element

Low £146.31. High £456.89.

Limited Capability Work. £146.31 (pre 04/17).

Limited Capability Work Related Activity.

£390.06.

Carer Element. £185.86.

Childcare Element. 85% monthly costs covered up to max of - one Child £646.35 / two+ children £1,108.04.

Transitional SDP Element: £132.12 / £313.79 / £445.91.

Work Allowance Low / High.*

Single, Couple, no child/ren. 0. 0.

Single parent. £379. £631.

Single with LCW/LCWRA. £379. £631.

Couple, with child/ren. £379. £631

Couple one with LCW/LCWRA. £379. £631.

*High rate applies where no Housing Costs Element is included in the UC award unless claimant is living in temporary accommodation.

Earnings taper 55%.

Benefit Cap Mthly Couples/ families £1,835.00.

Single people £1,229.42.

Housing Cost Element – Help with rent please see www.sefton.gov.uk/benefits

Income-Related Employment Support Allowance.

Single Person Aged 25 or over. £84.80.

Aged under 25 - assessment phase. £67.20.

- main phase. £84.80.

Lone Parent Aged 18 or over. £84.80.

Under 18 - assessment phase. £67.20.

- main phase. £84.80.

Couple both aged 18 or over. £133.30.

both under 18 assessment phase. £101.50.

- main phase. £133.30.

- one 25 or over. £84.80

one 18-24. - assessment phase. £67.20.

- one 18-24 main phase. £84.80.

Additional Components.

WRAG - (claims pre 03.04.17). £33.70.

Support Component. £44.70.

Premiums.

Enhanced disability Single. £19.55.

Couple. £27.90.

Severe Disability Premium. £76.40.

Couple (if both qualify). £152.80.

Pensioner.

Single – WRAG. £82.55.

Single - support component. £71.55.

Single - neither component. £116.25.

Couple – WRAG. £139.85.

- support component. £128.85.

- neither component. £173.55.

Carer Premium. £42.75.

Income Support / Income Based Job Seekers Allowance (JSA).

Single person. under 25. £67.20.

25 years +. £84.80.

Lone Parent. - under 18. £67.20.

- 18 years +. £84.80.

Couple. - both 18 years +. £133.30.

premiums as for Income related ESA except:

Disability Single £39.85. Couple £56.80.

Pensioner Single (Income related JSA only).

£116.25.

Pensioner Premium Couple *£173.55.

*Pensioner premium reduced if entitled ESA component.

Pension Credit.

Disregard Capital £10,000 No Upper Limit.

Standard Minimum Guarantee.

Single. £201.05.

Couple. £306.85.

premiums

Severe Disability Premium. £76.40.

Couple (if both qualify). £152.80.

Carers. £42.75.

First Child (born before 06/04/17). £72.31.

Standard **(subject 2 child rules). £61.88.

Child Disability. Lower £33.67.

Higher £104.86.

**No child element for child born after 6th April 2017 if 2 or more children already included in award unless exempt.

Savings Credit.

Saving Credit Threshold.

Single. £174.49. couple. £277.12.

Maximum Saving Credit.

Single. £15.94. couple. £17.84.

Working Tax Credit (Yearly figures).

Basic element. £2,280.

Couple/lone parent element. £2,340.

30 hour element. £950.

Disabled worker element. £3,685.

Severe Disability element. £1,595.

Child Care Element. 1 Child £175. / Two+.

Children £300.. Max entitlement 70% cost.

(i.e., £122.50 /£210 per week).

Child Tax Credit. (Yearly figures).	
Family element.	*£545.
Child.	**£3,235.
Disabled child.	£3,905.
Severely Disabled child.	£5,480.
Income threshold.	£7,455.
Taper.	41%.
CTC income threshold.	£18,725.
Income +/- disregard.	£2,500.

**Abolished from April 2017 unless exemption **No child element for child born after 6th April 2017 if 2 or more children already included in award unless exempt.*

For additional information regarding help with **Rent and Council Tax** please see www.sefton.gov.uk/benefits.

NON-MEANS TESTED BENEFITS.

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Child Benefit.

Only or Eldest child.	£24.00.
Each Subsequent Child.	£15.90.

Guardians Allowance. £20.40.

Maternity Allowance £172.48.

Statutory Sick Pay. £109.40.

Statutory Maternity/Paternity/Shared Paternity/Parental Bereavement /Maternity Allowance/Adoption Pay. £172.48.

Contributory and New Style JSA.

Age 16 to 24.	£67.20.
Age 25 and over.	£84.80.

Contributory /New-Style ESA.

Assessment phase Under 25.	£67.20.
Age 25+.	£84.80.
Main phase.	£84.80.
Work Related Activity Component.	£33.70.
Support Component.	£44.70.

State Retirement Pension (basic rate).

Category A.	£156.20.
Category B spouse/partner.	£93.60.

New State Pension.

(If reach Pension age after 6/4/16). £203.85.

Residential/Nursing Personal Expenses. £28.25.

Bereavement Support Payment.

Higher Payment.	£3,500.	then	£350 month.
Lower Payment.	£2,500.	then	£100 month.

Attendance Allowance.

Higher Rate.	£101.75.
Lower Rate.	£68.10.

Disability Living Allowance.

Care Component.	£26.90/ £68.10/ £101.75.
Mobility Component.	£26.90/ £71.00.

Personal Independence Payment.

Daily Living Component.	£68.10/ £101.75.
Mobility Component.	£26.90/ £71.00.

Carers Allowance. £76.75.

Benefit Rates. April 2023 – 2024.

This leaflet is intended to be a brief guide only, if you require more information please contact:

Welfare Rights Advice Line.
Tel: 0151 934 3660.

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday,
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10.00am to 12.30pm.

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