

MEANS-TESTED BENEFITS

(All figures weekly amount unless stated otherwise)

***Universal credit** Monthly.

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

Single Standard Allowance

under 25 311.68.

25 or over £393.45.

Couple Standard Allowance.

both under 25 £489.23.

one or both 25+ £617.60.

Child Element** £287.92/£333.33*

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

Disabled Child Element

Low £156.11. High £487.58.

Limited Capability Work. £156.11 (pre 04/17).

Limited Capability Work Related Activity.

£416.19

Carer Element. £198.31

Childcare Costs. one Child up to £1014.63 two or more children up to £1739.37

Percentage covered 85%

Transitional SDP Element: £140.97/£334.81/£475.79

Work Allowance Only applies if claimant has child or LCW/LCWRA -

Low Rate if UC includes Housing Costs £404

High Rate applies if no Housing Cost Element in UC (unless in Temp. Accom) £673

Earnings taper 55%.

Benefit Cap Monthly Couples/ families

£1,835.00. Single £1,229.42.

Housing Cost Element – See Local Housing Allowance Rates www.sefton.gov.uk/benefits

*Universal Credit is replacing means tested in-and-out of work benefits (commonly referred to as legacy benefits) for all working-age applicants. The DWP has commenced the 'migration process' for existing claimants of legacy benefits, and will be

sending all claimants a 'Migration Notice' informing them of when they need to claim Universal Credit, and the date payment of Legacy Benefits will cease.

Income-Related Employment Support Allowance.

Single Person under 25 £71.70 / £90.50.

25 or over £90.50.

Lone Parent under 18 £71.70 / £90.50.

18 or over £90.50.

Couple

One or both under 18 £71.70/£90.50/£142.25

Both over 18 £142.25

Components.

WRAG - (claims pre 03.04.17). £35.95.

Support Component. £47.70.

Premiums

Carer Premium. £45.60.

Enhanced disability premium

single £20.85 couple £29.75

Severe Disability premium. £81.50.

Pensioner.

Single work related activity £91.70.

Single - support component. £79.95.

Single - neither component. £127.65.

Couple with Work related Activity £154.75.

Couple with support component. £143.

Couple with neither component £190.70.

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

Single person. under 25. £71.70.

25 years +. £90.50.

Lone Parent. - under 18. £71.70.

- Over 18 years £90.50.

Couple - Both over 18 years. £142.25.

premiums as for Income related ESA except:

Disability Single £42.50 Couple £60.60

Pensioner

Single (Income based 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. £218.15

Couple. £332.95.

premiums

Severe Disability Premium. £81.50.

Couple (if both qualify). £152.80.

Carers. £45.60.

Children

First child born before 06.04.2017 £76.79

Any other Child £66.29

Disabled Child Lower Rate £35.93

Higher Rate £112.21

(Child Elements payable were applicable)

Savings Credit.

Saving Credit Threshold.

Single. £189.80. couple. £301.22.

Maximum Saving Credit.

Single. £17.01. couple. £19.04.

Working Tax Credit (Yearly figures).

Basic element. £2435.

Couple/lone parent element. £2500.

30 hour element. £1015.

Disabled worker element. £3935.

Severe Disability element. £1705.

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.	**£3,455.
Disabled child.	£4170.
Severely Disabled child.	£1680.
Income threshold.	£7,455.
Taper.	41%.
CTC income threshold.	£19995.
Income +/- disregard.	£2,500. <i>*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.</i>

For help with Council Tax – please see
www.sefton@gov.uk/benefits

NON-MEANS TESTED BENEFITS.
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Child Benefit. Only or Eldest child. £25.60.
 Each Subsequent Child. £16.95.

Guardians Allowance. £21.75

Maternity Allowance standard rate £184.03

Statutory Sick Pay. £116.75

Statutory Maternity/Adoption Pay 90% of wage for first 6 weeks - £184.03/week or 90% of wage (whichever is lower).

Statutory Paternity/Shared Paternity Pay / Parental Bereavement Maternity Allowance/Adoption Pay £184.03/week or 90% of wage (whichever is lower).

New Style JSA.
 Age 16 to 24. £71.70.
 Age 25 and over. £90.50.

New-Style ESA.
 Assessment phase Under 25. £71.70
 Age 25+. £90.50.
 Main phase. £90.50.
 Work Related Activity Component £35.95. (pre 04/17).
 Support Component. £47.70.

State Retirement Pension (basic rate)*.
 Category A. £169.50.
 *(exact amount based on NI contributions)
New State Pension. (applies if reach Pension age after 6/4/16). £221.20.

Residential/Nursing Personal Expenses.
 £30.15.

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

Attendance Allowance.
 Higher Rate. £108.55
 Lower Rate. £72.65

Disability Living Allowance.
 Care Component. £28.70/ £72.65/ £108.55
 Mobility Component. £28.70/ £75.75

Personal Independence Payment.
 Daily Living Component. £72.65/ £108.55
 Mobility Component. £28.70/ £75.75

Carers Allowance. £81.90.



Benefit Rates. April 2024 – 2025.

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,
 and Friday.
 10.00am to 12.30pm.

welfareadvice@sefton.gov.uk

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Sefton.gov.uk and search for benefits.