

## Housing Benefit Circular

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### ADJUDICATION AND OPERATIONS CIRCULAR

<b>WHO SHOULD READ</b>	All Housing Benefit staff
<b>ACTION</b>	For information
<b>SUBJECT</b>	Housing Benefit uprating: 2021-22

### Revisions

We apologise for any inconvenience caused but this circular is being reissued as the original contained a number of errors:

#### Appendix A: Housing Benefit rates for people of working age

- Polygamous marriages - For each additional spouse who is a member of the same household as the claimant

#### Appendix C/Annex 1: Income Support rates

- Enhanced Disability Premium - Couple and Disabled child rate

#### Appendix C/Annex 2: Job Seekers Allowance rates

- Enhanced Disability Premium - Couple and Disabled child rate

#### Appendix C/Annex 3: Employment and Support Allowance rates

- Personal Allowances (Single) - Any age and in Main Phase

#### Appendix C/Annex 5: Universal Credit rates (monthly rates)

- Limited capability for work and work-related activity

#### Appendix D: Other contributory and non-contributory social security rates

- Carer's Allowance - Standard rate

## **Guidance Manual**

The information in this circular does affect the content of the HB Guidance Manual and the HB/CTB Overpayments Guide.

HB Guidance Manual: Please annotate this circular number against paragraph A4 4.750, 4.900, A5 Annex A, BW3 Annex A and BP3 Annex A.

HB/CTB Overpayments Guide: Please annotate this circular number against paragraphs 4.260 – 4.264.

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## Housing Benefit: Uprating 2021-22

### Introduction

1. In her [written statement](#) to Parliament on 25 November 2020, the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions announced proposals for the social security benefit rates that will apply from April 2021.
2. This circular advises you of the rates so you can take the appropriate action.  
**Note:** At the time of writing, the Orders or regulations bringing the changes into effect are still subject to the appropriate Parliamentary process.
3. Any queries about the information contained in this circular should be emailed to [housing.benefitsenquiries@dwp.gov.uk](mailto:housing.benefitsenquiries@dwp.gov.uk)

### Timing

4. In line with previous practice, the main Housing Benefit (HB) uprating will be introduced in advance of the setting of the main social security benefit rates. To coincide with the week in which many rents change, the 2021 uprating will take effect on:
  - Thursday 1 April 2021 for cases to which HB 2006 Regulation 79(3)(a)(i) (for Working Age customers) and HB (SPC) 2006 Regulation 59(3)(a)(i) (for people who have attained the qualifying age for Pension Credit) applies, when rent is paid monthly or at any interval which is not a week or multiples of a week
  - Monday 5 April 2021 for cases to which HB 2006 Regulation 79(3)(a)(ii) (for working age customers) and HB (SPC) 2006 Regulation 59(3)(a)(ii) (for people who have attained the qualifying age for Pension Credit) applies, when rent is paid on a weekly basis (or multiple of a week).

### Uprating of income-related social security benefits

5. The main points are:
  - the basic State Retirement Pension and the full rate of the new State Retirement Pension are being uprated by 2.5% in line with the government's 'triple lock' commitment
  - the Standard Minimum Guarantee in Pension Credit is being increased by 1.9% this year to match the cash increase in the basic State Pension. The Savings Credit maximum is increased by 0.5% Consumer Prices Index (CPI).
  - premiums paid to pensioner recipients of working age benefits will continue to be uprated to match Pension Credit rates

- premiums paid to disabled people receiving working age benefits and to Employment and Support Allowance claimants in the Support Group, will increase in 2021-22 by CPI which was 0.5% in September 2020.
- Working Age benefits (main rates and certain premiums and additions), including the main elements of UC and HB personal allowances will increase in line with CPI from April 2021.

## **Uprating of non-income related social security benefits**

6. The higher and middle rate invalidity allowances and age additions payable with Incapacity Benefit (IB) will be increased from April 2021.

## **Uprating of social security benefits: general**

7. The following Regulations allow you to take account of these rates on 1 April as appropriate:
  - a. HB 2006 Regulations 42(8) and 79(3)
  - b. HB (SPC) 2006 Regulations 41(9), 41(10) and 59(3).
  - Associated guidance is set out in HB/CTB Guidance Manual at BP2 P2.790.
8. There is no provision in regulations to uprate a claimant's social security benefit other than by using the correct amount. Most claimants will know their rates of benefit well before April each year.
9. We are aware that many local authorities' (LAs') IT systems apply a percentage increase to uprate income from other social security benefits in the assessment of HB. In previous years we have advised that this method should, in most cases, produce accurate results; providing the LA has satisfied itself as to the accuracy of its method, it should be able to meet its duty to make proper determinations.
10. However, given the fact that in recent years some of the components paid in addition to the main rates of some benefits and the main rates themselves have been uprated by different indices, LAs should consider carefully whether applying standard percentages will result in correct determinations.
11. LAs should also take into account that specific Automated Transfers to LA Systems (ATLAS) uprating notifications are issued for all benefits on the Customer Information System except for:
  - Attendance Allowance
  - Disability Living Allowance
  - Personal Independence Payment
  - Armed Forces Independence Payment

- Carer's Allowance
- State Retirement Pension
- Incapacity Benefit
- Severe Disability Allowance
- Bereavement Benefits
- Widow's Benefit

12. Should an LA decide to apply a percentage increase to uprate income, as a minimum, any information subsequently received via ATLAS should be compared with existing LA system data to ensure it matches.

13. LAs now have the facility to use the automation of the Pensions Strategy Computer System (PSCS) uprating process from December 2019. This allows LAs to use an Application Programme Interface (API) to look up the PSCS benefit amount when needed and removes the requirement for LAs to manually apply the uprating increase to the PSCS amount when conducting their yearly uprating review of customers' HB claim as the uprating process can be automated.

14. This solution is available for all LAs that are live with the Customer Information System (CIS) Interest Automation and completed the connectivity and testing for the PSCS solution. Full guidance on use will be provided by LA Software Suppliers. If you require further information regarding the new PSCS solution, you should email [lawelfare.ladsdeliveryteam@dpw.gov.uk](mailto:lawelfare.ladsdeliveryteam@dpw.gov.uk)

## **Tax Credits**

15. Any changes to Working Tax Credit and Child Tax Credit (see Appendix E: Annex 1) will be effective from 6 April 2021 in line with the start of the new tax year.

16. ATLAS will notify tax credit information to LAs. All the current and new tax credit rates will be available on [www.gov.uk](http://www.gov.uk) from April 2021.

## **War Pensions**

17. The new rates for War Pensions are not yet available and details of the new rates will be issued via a separate circular once Veterans UK release the figures.

## **Specific points of interest**

### **Non-dependant deductions in HB**

18. The deduction and income bands for 2021-22 are at Appendices A and B.

### **Disregards in HB which remain unchanged**

19. The childcare disregards in HB in line with Working Tax Credit weekly equivalents, remain at:

- a. £175.00 for one child
- b. £300.00 for two or more children

20. The additional earnings disregard in HB that can be applied to those entitled to Working Tax Credit is £17.10. The temporary increase to £37.10 in 2020-21 will not be continuing in 2021-22. See [HB Guidance manual BW2](#) paragraphs BW2.132-2.140.

### **Deductions for ineligible fuel charges**

21. The CPI for fuel and lighting in September 2020 was - 6.8% and the government has decided to freeze the rates for statutory fuel deductions from HB for 2021-22. The rates for statutory fuel deductions are shown in Appendix A.

### **One room rate deduction**

22. The formula for the one room rate deduction is set out in HB Regulations 2006 at Schedule 1, part 2, paragraph 6(2)(a) to (c) and (3). Sub-paragraph (3) states the ineligible amount for service charges when the accommodation consists of only one room shall be one half of the aggregate of the amounts specified in sub-paragraph (2)(a), (b) and (c), see Appendices A and B.

### **State Pension Credit: maximum Savings Credit**

23. The amount of the maximum Savings Credit will be £14.04 for a single person and £15.71 for a couple. These figures cannot be used to calculate a likely Savings Credit entitlement from April 2021. Savings Credit is calculated on an individual basis, using the income and capital of that person. In addition, HB (SPC) Regulation 27 states that the Pension Service calculation of income, capital and Savings Credit must be used.

### **National Insurance contribution rates**

24. A full set of rates for 2021-22 will be available on [www.gov.uk](http://www.gov.uk) from 6 April 2021.

### **Establishing eligible rent**

25. The calculation of eligible rent for a claimant renting in the social and private sectors is not affected by this circular or by the uprating of benefits overall. It continues to be subject to the rules in Part 3 of the HB Regulations 2006 and Part 3 of the HB (SPC) Regulations 2006.



## Appendix A

## Housing Benefit for people of working age

Housing Benefit rates for people who have not reached the qualifying age for State Pension Credit	April 2020 £ Weekly	April 2021 £ Weekly
<b>Personal Allowances</b>		
<b>Single</b>		
16 to 24	58.90	59.20
25 or over	74.35	74.70
Any age - entitled to main phase rate Employment and Support Allowance (ESA)	74.35	74.70
<b>Lone parent</b>		
Under 18	58.90	59.20
18 or over	74.35	74.70
Any age - entitled to main phase rate ESA	74.35	74.70
<b>Couple</b>		
Both under 18	89.00	89.45
One or both over 18	116.80	117.40
Any age - entitled to main phase rate ESA	116.80	117.40
<b>Polygamous marriages</b>		
If the claimant is a member of a polygamous marriage and no members of the marriage have attained pensionable age		
For the claimant and the other party to the marriage	116.80	117.40
For each additional spouse who is a member of the same household as the claimant	42.45	42.70
<b>Dependent children</b>		
From birth to September following 16 <sup>th</sup> birthday	68.27	68.60
From September following 16 <sup>th</sup> birthday to day before 20 <sup>th</sup> birthday	68.27	68.60
<b>Premiums</b>		
Family Premium	17.60	17.65
Family Premium (lone parent rate)	22.20	22.20
<b>Disability Premium</b>		
Single	34.95	35.10
Couple	49.80	50.05
<b>Enhanced Disability Premium</b>		
Single rate	17.10	17.20
Couple rate	24.50	24.60
Disabled child rate	26.60	26.67
<b>Severe Disability Premium</b>		
Single	66.95	67.30
Couple (one qualifies)	66.95	67.30
Couple (both qualify)	133.90	134.60
<b>Disabled Child Premium</b>		
Carer Premium	37.50	37.70

<b>Housing Benefit rates for people who have not reached the qualifying age for State Pension Credit</b>	<b>April 2020 £ Weekly</b>	<b>April 2021 £ Weekly</b>
<b>Components ESA income related (IR) and ESA (contribution-based)</b>		
Work-related activity component	29.55	29.70
Support component	39.20	39.40
<b>Deductions</b>		
<b>Non-dependant deductions</b>		
Aged under 25 and on Income Support (IS) or income-based Jobseeker's Allowance (JSA(IB)) or ESA(IR) which does not include an amount for the support component or work-related activity component or UC where the award is calculated on the basis that the non-dependant does not have any earned income	Nil	Nil
Aged 25 or over and on IS or JSA(IB), or aged 18 or over and not in remunerative work	15.85	15.95
In receipt of main phase ESA(IR) (any age)	15.85	15.95
In receipt of Pension Credit	Nil	Nil
Aged over 18 or over and in remunerative work		
- gross income: less than £149	15.85	15.95
- gross income: £149 to £216.99	36.45	36.65
- gross income: £217 to £282.99	50.05	50.30
- gross income: £283 to £376.99	81.90	82.30
- gross income: £377 to £468.99	93.25	93.70
- gross income: £469 and above	102.35	102.85
<b>Fuel deductions</b>		
Heating	34.30	34.30
Hot water	4.00	4.00
Lighting	2.75	2.75
Cooking	4.00	4.00
All fuel	45.05	45.05
<b>Fuel deductions one room</b>		
Heating and hot water and/or lighting	20.53	20.53
Cooking	4.00	4.00
<b>Amounts ineligible for meals</b>		
<b>Three or more meals a day</b>		
Single claimant	29.05	29.20
Each person in family aged 16 or over	29.05	29.20
Each child under 16	14.75	14.80
<b>Less than 3 meals a day</b>		
Single claimant	19.35	19.45
Each person in the family aged 16 or over	19.35	19.45
Each child under 16	9.70	9.75
Breakfast only - claimant and each member of family	3.60	3.60
<b>Disregards</b>		
Childcare charges	175.00	175.00

<b>Housing Benefit rates for people who have not reached the qualifying age for State Pension Credit</b>	<b>April 2020 £ Weekly</b>	<b>April 2021 £ Weekly</b>
Childcare charges (2 or more children)	300.00	300.00
Additional earnings	37.10	17.10
Income from sub-tenants	20.00	20.00
Permitted earnings - higher	140.00	143.00
Permitted earnings - lower	20.00	20.00
<b>Recovery of overpayments</b>		
Non-fraudulent overpayments	11.25	11.25
Fraudulent overpayments	18.75	18.75
<b>Capital limits</b>		
Upper limit	16,000	16,000
Lower limit	6,000	6,000

## Appendix B

## Housing Benefit for people of State Pension Credit age

Housing Benefit rates for people who have reached the qualifying age for State Pension Credit	April 2020 £ Weekly	April 2021 £ Weekly
<b>Personal Allowances</b>		
Single claimant who has attained pensionable age	187.75	191.15
Lone parent who has attained pensionable age	187.75	191.15
<b>Couple</b>		
One member or both members have attained pensionable age	280.85	286.05
<b>Polygamous marriages</b>		
If the claimant is a member of a polygamous marriage and one or more of the members of the marriage have attained pensionable age		
For the claimant and the other party to the marriage	280.85	286.05
For each additional spouse who is a member of the same household as the claimant	93.10	94.90
<b>Dependent children</b>		
From birth to September following 16 <sup>th</sup> birthday	68.27	68.60
From September following 16 <sup>th</sup> birthday to day before 20 <sup>th</sup> birthday	68.27	68.60
<b>Premiums</b>		
Family Premium	17.60	17.65
<b>Severe Disability Premium</b>		
Single	66.95	67.30
Couple (one qualifies)	66.95	67.30
Couple (both qualify)	133.90	134.60
<b>Enhanced Disability Premium</b>		
Disabled child rate	26.60	26.67
<b>Disabled Child Premium</b>	65.52	65.94
<b>Carer Premium</b>	37.50	37.70
<b>Non-dependant deductions</b>		
Aged under 25 and on Income Support (IS) or income-based Jobseeker's Allowance (JSA(IB)) or ESA(IR) which does not include an amount for the support component or work-related activity component or UC where the award is calculated on the basis that the non-dependant does not have any earned income	Nil	Nil

<b>Housing Benefit rates for people who have reached the qualifying age for State Pension Credit</b>	<b>April 2020 £ Weekly</b>	<b>April 2021 £ Weekly</b>
Aged 25 or over and on IS or JSA(IB) or aged over 18 or over and not in remunerative work	15.85	15.95
In receipt of main phase ESA(IR) (any age)	15.85	15.95
In receipt of State Pension Credit	Nil	Nil
<b>Aged 18 or over and in remunerative work</b>		
- gross income: less than £149	15.85	15.95
- gross income: £149 to £216.99	36.45	36.65
- gross income: £217 to £282.99	50.05	50.30
- gross income: £283 to £376.99	81.90	82.30
- gross income: £377 to £468.99	93.25	93.70
- gross income: £469 and above	102.35	102.85
<b>Fuel deductions</b>		
Heating	34.30	34.30
Hot water	4.00	4.00
Lighting	2.75	2.75
Cooking	4.00	4.00
All fuel	45.05	45.05
<b>Fuel deductions for one room</b>		
Heating, hot water and/or lighting	20.53	20.53
Cooking	4.00	4.00
<b>Amounts ineligible for meals</b>		
<b>Three or more meals a day</b>		
Single claimant	29.05	29.20
Each person in family aged 16 or over	29.05	29.20
Each child under 16	14.75	14.80
<b>Less than 3 meals a day</b>		
Single claimant	19.35	19.45
Each person in family aged 16 or over	19.35	19.45
Each child under 16	9.70	9.75
Breakfast only - claimant and each member of family	3.60	3.60
<b>Disregards</b>		
Childcare charges	175.00	175.00
Childcare charges (2 or more children)	300.00	300.00
Additional earnings disregard	37.10	17.10
Income from subtenants	20.00	20.00
Permitted earnings - higher	140.00	143.00
Permitted earnings - lower	20.00	20.00
<b>Recovery of Overpayments</b>		
Standard Rate (Non-fraud debt)	11.25	11.25
Maximum Rate (Fraud classified debt)	18.75	18.75
<b>Capital limits</b>		
Upper limit – State Pension Credit guarantee credit NOT in payment	16,000	16,000

<b>Housing Benefit rates for people who have reached the qualifying age for State Pension Credit</b>	<b>April 2020 £ Weekly</b>	<b>April 2021 £ Weekly</b>
Upper limit – State Pension Credit guarantee credit in payment	No limit	No limit
Lower limit – above the qualifying age for State Pension Credit	10,000	10,000

Appendix C / Annex 1

Income Support rates	April 2020 £ Weekly	April 2021 £ Weekly
<b>Personal Allowances</b>		
<b>Single</b>		
Under 25	58.90	59.20
Aged 25 or over	74.35	74.70
<b>Lone parent</b>		
Under 18	58.90	59.20
Aged 18 or over	74.35	74.70
<b>Couple</b>		
Both under 18	58.90	59.20
Both under 18 - higher rate (for example, with responsibility for a child)	89.00	89.45
One under 18, one 18 to 24	58.90	59.20
One under 18, one aged 25 or over	74.35	74.70
Both 18 or over	116.80	117.40
<b>Dependent children</b>		
Birth to September following 16 <sup>th</sup> birthday	68.27	68.60
From September following 16 <sup>th</sup> birthday to day before 20 <sup>th</sup> birthday	68.27	68.60
<b>Premiums</b>		
Family Premium	17.60	17.65
Family Premium (lone parent rate)	17.60	17.65
<b>Pensioner Premium (couples only)</b>	148.40	152.90
<b>Disability Premium</b>		
Single	34.95	35.10
Couple	49.80	50.05
<b>Enhanced Disability Premium</b>		
Single	17.10	17.20
Couple	24.50	24.60
Disabled child rate	26.60	26.67
<b>Severe Disability Premium</b>		
Single	66.95	67.30
Couple (one qualifies)	66.95	67.30
Couple (both qualify)	133.90	134.60
<b>Disabled child premium</b>	65.52	65.94
<b>Carer Premium</b>	37.50	37.70
<b>Capital limits</b>		
Upper	16,000	16,000
Lower	6,000	6,000

Appendix C / Annex 2

<b>Jobseeker's Allowance rates</b>	<b>April 2020 £ Weekly</b>	<b>April 2021 £ Weekly</b>
<b>Contribution-based Jobseeker's Allowance</b>		
<b>Personal Rates</b>		
Under 25	58.90	59.20
Aged 25 or over	74.35	74.70
<b>Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance</b>		
<b>Personal Allowances</b>		
<b>Single</b>		
Under 25	58.90	59.20
Aged 25 or over	74.35	74.70
<b>Lone parent</b>		
Under 18	58.90	59.20
18 or over	74.35	74.70
<b>Couple</b>		
Both under 18	58.90	59.20
Both under 18 – higher rate (for example with responsibility for a child)	89.00	89.45
One under 18, one 18 to 24	58.90	59.20
One under 18, one aged 25 or over	74.35	74.70
Both 18 or over	116.80	117.40
<b>Dependent children</b>		
Birth to September following 16 <sup>th</sup> birthday	68.27	68.60
From September following 16 <sup>th</sup> birthday to day before 20 <sup>th</sup> birthday	68.27	68.60
<b>Premiums</b>		
Family Premium	17.60	17.65
Family Premium (lone parent rate)	17.60	17.65
<b>Pensioner Premium</b>		
Single	99.40	102.40
Couple	148.40	152.90
<b>Disability Premium</b>		
Single	34.95	35.10
Couple	49.80	50.05
<b>Enhanced Disability Premium</b>		
Single	17.10	17.20
Couple	24.50	24.60
Disabled child rate	26.60	26.67
<b>Severe Disability Premium</b>		
Single	66.95	67.30
Couple (one qualifies)	66.95	67.30
Couple (both qualify)	133.90	134.60



<b>Jobseeker's Allowance rates</b>	<b>April 2020 £ Weekly</b>	<b>April 2021 £ Weekly</b>
<b>Disabled child premium</b>	65.52	65.94
<b>Carer Premium</b>	37.50	37.70
<b>Capital limits</b>		
Upper	16,000	16,000
Lower	6,000	6,000

Appendix C / Annex 3

<b>Employment and Support Allowance rates</b>	<b>April 2020 £ Weekly</b>	<b>April 2021 £ Weekly</b>
<b>Personal Allowances</b>		
<b>Single</b>		
Under 25 and in Assessment Phase	58.90	59.20
Aged 25 or over	74.35	74.70
Any age and in Main Phase	74.35	74.70
<b>Lone parent</b>		
Aged under 18 and in Assessment Phase	58.90	59.20
Aged 18 or over	74.35	74.70
Any age and in Main Phase	74.35	74.70
<b>Couple</b>		
Both under 18 and in Assessment Phase	58.90	59.20
Both under 18 with responsibility for a child and in Assessment Phase	89.00	89.45
Both under 18 and in Main Phase	74.35	74.70
Both under 18 with responsibility for a child and in Main Phase	116.80	117.40
One 18 or over and the other while under 18, also satisfies certain conditions	116.80	117.40
Both 18 or over	116.80	117.40
Claimant under 25 and in Assessment Phase and partner under 18	58.90	59.20
Claimant 25 or over and in Assessment Phase and partner under 18	74.35	74.70
Claimant in Main Phase and partner under 18	74.35	74.70
<b>Premiums</b>		
<b>Carer Premium</b>	37.50	37.70
<b>Enhanced Disability Premium</b>		
Single	17.10	17.20
Couple	24.50	24.60
<b>Pensioner Premium</b>		
Single and in Assessment Phase	99.40	102.40
Single, entitled to work-related activity component	69.85	72.20
Single, entitled to support component	60.20	63.00
Couple, and in Assessment Phase	148.40	152.90
Couple, entitled to work-related activity component	118.85	123.20
Couple, entitled to support component	109.20	113.50
<b>Severe Disability Premium</b>		
Single	66.95	67.30
Couple (one qualifies)	66.95	67.30
Couple (both qualify)	133.90	134.60
<b>Components</b>		
Work-related activity component	29.55	29.70
Support component	39.20	39.40

<b>Employment and Support Allowance rates</b>	<b>April 2020 £ Weekly</b>	<b>April 2021 £ Weekly</b>
<b>Capital limits</b>		
Upper	16,000	16,000
Lower	6,000	6,000

Appendix C / Annex 4

<b>Pension Credit rates</b>	<b>April 2020 £ Weekly</b>	<b>April 2021 £ Weekly</b>
<b>Standard Guarantee Credit</b>		
Single	173.75	177.10
Couple	265.20	270.30
<b>Additional amount for severe disability</b>		
Single	66.95	67.30
Couple (one qualifies)	66.95	67.30
Couple (both qualify)	133.90	134.60
<b>Polygamous marriages</b>		
Amount for claimant and first spouse	265.20	270.30
Amount for additional spouse	91.40	93.20
<b>Additional amount for Carers (Carer Premium)</b>	37.50	37.70
<b>Savings credit</b>		
Threshold – single	150.47	153.70
Threshold – couple	239.17	244.12
Maximum – single	13.97	14.04
Maximum – couple	15.62	15.71
<b>Dependent children</b>		
First child born before 1 April 2017	64.82	65.10
Subsequent children	54.32	54.60
<b>Disabled child</b>		
Lower rate	29.52	29.66
Higher rate	92.12	92.54

Appendix C / Annex 5

<b>Universal Credit rates (monthly rates)</b>	<b>April 2020 £ Assessment period</b>	<b>April 2021 £ Assessment period</b>
<b>Standard Allowance / Element</b>		
<b>Single</b>		
Under 25	342.72	257.33
25 or over	409.89	324.84
<b>Couple</b>		
Both under 25	488.59	403.93
One or both 25 or over	594.04	509.91
<b>Child element</b>		
First child	281.25	282.50
Second or subsequent child	235.83	237.08
<b>Additional amount for disabled child or qualifying young person</b>		
Lower rate	128.25	128.89
Higher rate	400.29	402.41
<b>Limited capability for work / limited capability for work and work-related activity elements</b>		
Limited capability for work	128.25	128.89
Limited capability for work and work-related activity	341.92	343.63
<b>Non-dependants' housing cost contributions</b>	75.15	75.53
<b>Carer Element</b>	162.92	163.73

Appendix D

<b>Other contributory and non-contributory social security rates</b>	<b>April 2020 £ Weekly</b>	<b>April 2021 £ Weekly</b>
<b>Attendance Allowance</b>		
Higher rate	89.15	89.60
Lower rate	59.70	60.00
<b>Bereavement Benefits</b>		
Widowed Parent's Allowance	121.95	122.55
<b>Bereavement Allowance</b>		
Standard Rate	121.95	122.55
<b>Age-related rate</b>		
Age 54	113.41	113.97
Age 53	104.88	105.39
Age 52	96.34	96.81
Age 51	87.80	88.24
Age 50	79.27	79.66
Age 49	70.73	71.08
Age 48	62.19	62.50
Age 47	53.66	53.92
Age 46	45.12	45.34
Age 45	36.59	36.77
<b>Bereavement Support Payment</b>		
<b>Lump sum</b>		
Higher rate	3,500	3,500
Lower rate	2,500	2,500
<b>Monthly payments</b>		
Higher rate	350.00	350.00
Lower rate	100.00	100.00
<b>Carer's Allowance</b>		
Standard rate	67.25	67.60
<b>Disability Living Allowance</b>		
<b>Care component</b>		
Higher rate	89.15	89.60
Middle rate	59.70	60.00
Lower rate	23.60	23.70
<b>Mobility component</b>		
Higher rate	62.25	62.55
Lower rate	23.60	23.70
<b>Incapacity Benefit</b>		
<b>Long term Incapacity Benefit</b>		
Single	114.15	114.70
Spouse or adult dependant (where appropriate)	66.30	66.65

<b>Other contributory and non-contributory social security rates</b>	<b>April 2020 £ Weekly</b>	<b>April 2021 £ Weekly</b>
<b>Short term Incapacity Benefit (under pension age)</b>		
Lower rate	86.10	86.55
Higher rate	101.90	102.40
Spouse or adult dependant (where appropriate)	51.65	51.90
<b>Short-term Incapacity Benefit (over pension age)</b>		
Lower rate	109.50	110.05
Higher rate	114.15	114.70
Spouse or adult dependant (where appropriate)	63.80	64.10
<b>Increase of long-term Incapacity Benefit for age</b>		
Higher rate	12.10	12.15
Lower rate	6.70	6.75
<b>Invalidity Allowance (transitional) for Incapacity Benefit recipients</b>		
Higher rate	12.10	12.15
Middle rate	6.70	6.75
Lower rate	6.70	6.75
<b>Industrial Death Benefit</b>		
<b>Widow's Pension</b>		
Higher rate	134.25	137.60
Lower rate	40.28	41.28
<b>Widower's pension</b>	134.25	137.60
<b>Industrial Injuries Disablement Benefit</b>		
Disablement Benefit (100% assessment)	182.00	182.90
Unemployability supplement	112.55	113.10
Reduced earnings allowance (maximum)	72.80	73.16
<b>Maternity Allowance</b>		
Standard Rate	151.20	151.97
Threshold	30.00	30.00
<b>Personal Independence Payment</b>		
<b>Daily Living Component</b>		
Standard Rate	59.70	60.00
Enhanced Rate	89.15	89.60
<b>Mobility component</b>		
Standard rate	23.60	23.70
Enhanced rate	62.25	62.55
<b>Severe Disablement Allowance</b>		
Basic rate	80.85	81.25
Spouse or other adult dependant (where appropriate)	39.75	39.95
Age-related additions		
Higher rate	12.10	12.15
Middle rate	6.70	6.75

<b>Other contributory and non-contributory social security rates</b>	<b>April 2020 £ Weekly</b>	<b>April 2021 £ Weekly</b>
Lower rate	6.70	6.75
<b>Old State Pension</b>		
Category A or B (Single Person)	134.25	137.60
Category B (lower) - spouse or civil partner's insurance	80.45	82.45
Category C (higher) or Category D non-contributory	80.45	82.45
Additional State Pension - rate may vary	1.70%	0.50%
Increments to:		
Basic State Pension	1.70%	0.50%
Additional State Pension	1.70%	0.50%
Graduated Retirement Benefit	1.70%	0.50%
Inheritable lump sum	1.70%	0.50%
Addition at age 80	0.25	0.25
Increase in respect of long-term incapacity for age:		
Higher rate	1.70%	0.50%
Lower rate	23.30	23.40
	11.70	11.75
Invalidity Allowance (transitional)		
Higher rate	23.30	23.40
Middle rate	14.90	15.00
Lower rate	7.45	7.50
<b>New State Pension (full rate)</b>	175.20	179.60
<b>Statutory Adoption Pay</b>		
Earnings threshold	120.00	120.00
Standard rate	151.20	151.97
<b>Statutory Maternity Pay</b>		
Earnings threshold	120.00	120.00
Standard rate	151.20	151.97
<b>Statutory Paternity Pay</b>		
Earnings threshold	120.00	120.00
Standard rate	151.20	151.97
<b>Statutory Shared Parental Pay</b>		
Earnings threshold	120.00	120.00
Standard rate	151.20	151.97
<b>Statutory Sick Pay</b>		
Earnings threshold	120.00	120.00
Standard rate	95.85	96.35



Appendix E

**Non-social security payments and rates**

Working Tax Credit, Child Tax Credit, Child Benefit and Guardian's Allowance rates

<b>£ per year (unless stated)</b>	<b>2020-21</b>	<b>2021-22</b>
<b>Working Tax Credit</b>		
Basic element	3,040	2,005
Couple and lone parent element	2,045	2,060
Thirty Hour element	825	830
Disabled worker element	3,220	3,240
Severe disability element	1,390	1,400
<b>Childcare element of Working Tax Credit</b>		
Maximum eligible cost of one child (per week)	175	175
Maximum eligible cost for two or more children (per week)	300	300
Percentage of eligible costs covered	70%	70%
<b>Child Tax Credit</b>		
Family element	545	545
Child element	2,830	2,845
Disabled child element	3,415	3,435
Severely disabled child element	4,800	4,825
<b>Income thresholds and withdrawal rates</b>		
Income threshold	6,530	6,565
Withdrawal rate (per cent %)	41%	41%
Threshold for those entitled to Child Tax Credit only	16,385	16,480
Income rise disregard	2,500	2,500
Income fall disregard	2,500	2,500
<b>Child Benefit (weekly)</b>		
Eldest /only child	21.05	21.15
Other children	13.95	14.00
<b>Guardian's Allowance (weekly)</b>		
	17.90	18.00