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About this booklet

This booklet gives the rates of payment from the Department of Employment Affairs and Social Protection. It also contains the percentage rates of Pay-Related Social Insurance (PRSI) contributions for employees, employers and for self-employed people.

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- Visit www.gov.ie.
- Telephone 071 91 93302
- LoCall Information Line at 1890 66 22 44. If you are calling from outside the Republic of Ireland, please call + 353 71 91 93302.
- Drop in to your local Citizen Information Centre, your local Intreo Centre or your local social welfare branch office.
- For MyWelfare.ie queries telephone 076 628 5191.

Note

The rates charged for using 1890 (LoCall) numbers may vary among different service providers.

Charges from mobiles may be significantly higher.

Please note that the tables contained in this booklet for some of the means-tested payments are not exhaustive and the relevant rate should be checked directly with the section of the Department dealing with that payment.

The information in this booklet is correct at the time of going to publication.

Pay Related Social Insurance

The rates of Pay Related Social Insurance (PRSI) given in the following tables are applicable from 1 January 2020 and include the Social Insurance Contribution, which applies to all income in 2020.

Employer PRSI

The National Training Fund Levy (NTFL), collected alongside Employer PRSI for Classes A and H, will increase by 0.1% from 0.9% to 1% from 1 January 2020. This means that Employer rates (combined PRSI and NTFL) for Classes A and H will increase by 0.1%.

The Class A Employer PRSI threshold increases from 1 February 2020 by €9. This means that the Employer PRSI rates will be charged at 8.8% for earnings between €38 - €395 and 11.05% for earnings above €395.

Income for PRSI purposes

PRSI is calculated on the employee's reckonable pay. Reckonable pay is the gross money pay plus notional pay (or benefit in kind) if applicable.

Share-based remuneration

Share-based remuneration is subject to Employee PRSI only, at the rate of 4%. Share-based remuneration, where applicable, should be included as income when determining the appropriate subclass for employees and when charging Employee PRSI.

Share-based remuneration is not subject to Employer PRSI. It should not be included as income when determining the appropriate subclass for employers and when charging Employer PRSI.

In some cases this may result in a different PRSI subclass for the employer and for the employee.

Employer and Employee PRSI should be added together as normal. If a different subclass applies to the Employee and Employer PRSI, the return must always be made at the Employee's PRSI subclass.

Pension Contributions

PRSI is fully chargeable on payments by private sector employees in respect of:

- Superannuation contributions
- Permanent health benefit schemes (including income continuance schemes)
- Revenue approved schemes established under irrevocable trusts, overseas pension schemes and other Revenue exempt approved schemes
- Personal Retirement Savings Account
- Deductions in respect of Revenue approved retirement funds.

Civil and public servants will pay Employee PRSI on the 'Pension levy', i.e. the 'Additional Superannuation Contribution' portion of their salaries.

Civil and public service employers do not have to pay any Employer PRSI on the 'Pension levy' i.e. the 'Additional Superannuation Contribution'.

PRSI Credits

How to Calculate the PRSI charge for Classes A and H

The PRSI Credit was introduced in 2016 which reduces the amount of PRSI payable for people earning between €352.01 and €424 per week. The Credit is tapered and the amount of the Credit depends on your earnings. It is applicable to both Classes A and H.

Class A Employee PRSI is calculated at 4% of gross weekly earnings and Class H Employee PRSI is calculated at 3.90% of gross weekly earnings.

However, for gross earnings between €352.01 and €424 in a week, the Employee PRSI charge is reduced by the PRSI Credit.

The amount of PRSI Credit depends on gross weekly earnings. At gross weekly earnings of €352.01, the maximum PRSI Credit of €12 per week applies. For earnings between €352.01 and €424, the maximum weekly PRSI Credit of €12, is reduced by one sixth of earnings in excess of €352.01.

The calculation of the PRSI charge for Class A, with gross weekly earnings between €352.01 and €424, involves 3 separate calculations:

1. Calculate the PRSI Credit
2. Calculate the PRSI charge @ 4%*
3. Deduct the PRSI Credit from the 4%* PRSI charge

The following example shows how to calculate the PRSI Credit and the PRSI charge, for gross weekly earnings of €377:

1. **Calculate the PRSI Credit:**

Maximum PRSI Credit	€ 12.00
One-sixth of earnings in excess of €352.01 (377.00 - 352.01 = 24.99/6)	(€ 4.17)
Reduced PRSI Credit	€ 7.83
2. **Calculate the PRSI charge @ 4%**

Deduct the reduced PRSI Credit on €377 from the 4% PRSI charge	€ 15.08
	€ 7.83
3. **Weekly PRSI charge**

	€ 7.25
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*To calculate the PRSI charge for Class H, follow steps 1-3 replacing 4% for 3.90%.

How to Calculate the PRSI charge for Class E

For gross weekly earnings between €352.01 and €412 the PRSI charged is reduced by a weekly PRSI Credit of €10.

At gross weekly earnings of €352.01, the maximum PRSI Credit of €10 per week applies.

For earnings between €352.01 and €412, the maximum weekly PRSI Credit of €10, is reduced by one-sixth of earnings in excess of €352.01. There is no PRSI Credit once gross weekly earnings exceed €412.

PRSI exemption on low earnings/income

PRSI Classes A, B, C, D, E and H with reckonable weekly pay of €352 or less are exempt from paying PRSI for that week. However, the employer must pay their share of PRSI as normal. **This will not affect employees' entitlement to benefits and pensions.** Employees whose weekly pay/income fluctuates above and below the €352 exemption limit are **not** entitled to an annual refund.

Members of a Local Authority

Since January 2017, members of a local authority are no longer liable to pay Class K PRSI contributions. Members under pensionable age, currently 66 years, are liable to pay a Class S contribution.

Contributions for self-employed people

Self-employed people with a total income of €5,000 or more in the tax year pay Class S social insurance contributions. The contributions are paid on a person's gross income less capital allowances and allowable superannuation.

The arrangements for paying self-employed contributions are described below.

- Those who pay their tax directly to the Collector General will pay their Social Insurance Contribution with their income tax. They will have to pay a Social Insurance Contribution of 4% of **all** income, or €500, whichever is greater.
- Those paying PAYE tax may have their contributions deducted from their income by their employers.
- Those who have been told by an Inspector of Taxes that they need not make a return of income must pay a flat rate contribution of €310 to the Department of Employment Affairs and Social Protection.
- Those whose main income comes from share fishing and who have been classified as self-employed may opt to pay an extra contribution for certain benefits under Class P. In addition to the Class S contribution, they will pay a contribution of 4% of all income in the preceding contribution year, over the PRSI-Free Allowance of €2,500 per annum or €200, whichever is the greater.

Voluntary contributions

Those who are no longer covered by compulsory PRSI, either as an employee or as a self-employed person, and are under pensionable age, currently 66 years, may opt to become insured on a voluntary basis provided that they satisfy certain conditions. The amount of a Voluntary Contribution in any contribution year is calculated as a percentage of reckonable income, subject to a minimum and a maximum payment. There are three rates of Voluntary Contributions:

High rate	Low rate	Special rate	Benefits covered
✓		✓	State Pension (Contributory)
✓	✓	✓	Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's (Contributory) Pension
✓	✓	✓	Guardian's Payment (Contributory)

High rate: 6.6% for people who last paid PRSI at Classes A, E and H, subject to a minimum annual payment of €500.

Low rate: 2.6% for people who last paid PRSI at Classes B, C and D, subject to a minimum annual payment of €250.

Special rate: Flat rate of €500 for people who last paid PRSI at Class S.

PRSI Class A Rates

Employees in the following employments will be classed as PRSI Class A and will pay the rate in the table below;

- People in industrial, commercial and service-type employment who are employed under a contract of service with reckonable pay of €38 or more per week from all employments.
- Civil and public servants recruited from 6 April 1995.

Class A January 2020 Only			All income	
Weekly income band	PRSI Subclass	How much of weekly income	Employee %*	Employer %
€38 - €352	A0	All	Nil	8.80
€352.01 - €386**	AX	All	4.00	8.80
€386.01 - €424**	AL	All	4.00	11.05
More than €424	A1	All	4.00	11.05

Class A from 1 February 2020			All income	
Weekly income band	PRSI Subclass	How much of weekly income	Employee %*	Employer %
€38 - €352	A0	All	Nil	8.80
€352.01 - €395**	AX	All	4.00	8.80
€395.01 - €424**	AL	All	4.00	11.05
More than €424	A1	All	4.00	11.05

Community Employment participants only				
Weekly income band	PRSI Subclass	How much of weekly income	Employee %	Employer %
Up to €352	A8	All	Nil	0.50
More than €352**	A9	All	4.00	0.50

*Share-based remuneration may, in certain circumstances, be subject to Employee PRSI. Employer PRSI is not chargeable on share-based remuneration.

** A tapered employee PRSI Credit of €12 per week applies on earnings up to €424 (see “PRSI Credits” on page 7).

Class A benefits

- Adoptive Benefit
- Carer's Benefit
- Guardian's Payment (Contributory)
- Health and Safety Benefit
- Illness Benefit
- Invalidity Pension
- Jobseeker's Benefit
- Maternity Benefit
- Occupational Injuries Benefits
- Parent's Benefit (since November 2019)
- Partial Capacity Benefit
- Paternity Benefit

- State Pension (Contributory)
- Treatment Benefit
- Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's (Contributory) Pension.

PRSI Class J Rates

Employees in the following employments will be classed as PRSI Class J and will pay the rate in the table below;

- People with reckonable pay of less than €38 per week (from all employments), normally. However, a small number of employees are insurable at Class J regardless of how much they earn, such as employees over current pensionable age of 66 years, or people in subsidiary employment.

Class J			All income	
Weekly income band	PRSI Subclass	How much of weekly income	Employee %*	Employer %
Up to €500	J0	All	Nil	0.50
More than €500	J1	All	Nil	0.50

*Share-based remuneration may, in certain circumstances, be subject to Employee PRSI. Employer PRSI is not chargeable on share based remuneration.

Class J benefits

- Occupational Injuries Benefit.

PRSI Class E Rates

Employees in the following employments will be classed as PRSI Class E and will pay the rate in the table below;

- Ministers of Religion employed by the Church of Ireland Representative Body. PRSI is paid under the Special Collection System of the Department of Employment Affairs and Social Protection.

Class E			All income	
Weekly income band	PRSI Subclass	How much of weekly income	Employee %	Employer %
Up to €352	E0	All	Nil	6.87
More than €352**	E1	All	3.33	6.87

**A tapered employee PRSI Credit of €10 per week applies on earnings up to €412 (see “PRSI Credits” on page 7).

Class E benefits

- Adoptive Benefit
- Carer’s Benefit
- Guardian’s Payment (Contributory)
- Health and Safety Benefit
- Illness Benefit
- Invalidity Pension
- Maternity Benefit
- Parent’s Benefit (since November 2019)
- Paternity Benefit
- State Pension (Contributory)
- Treatment Benefit
- Widow’s, Widower’s or Surviving Civil Partner’s (Contributory) Pension.

PRSI Class B Rates

Employees in the following employment will be classed as PRSI Class B and will pay the rate in the table below;

- Permanent and pensionable civil servants recruited prior to 6 April 1995.
- Registered doctors and dentists employed in the Civil Service.
- Gardaí, recruited prior to 6 April 1995.

Weekly income band	Class B		All income	
	PRSI Subclass	How much of weekly pay	Employee %	Employer %
Up to €352	B0	All	Nil	2.01
€352.01 - €500	BX	All	0.90	2.01
More than €500	B1	First €1,443	0.90	2.01
		Balance	4.00	2.01

Class B benefits

- Carer's Benefit
- Guardian's Payment (Contributory)
- Limited Occupational Injuries Benefits
- Parent's Benefit (since November 2019)
- Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's (Contributory) Pension.

PRSI Class C Rates

Employees in the following employment will be classed as PRSI Class C and will pay the rate in the table below;

- Commissioned Army Officers and members of the Army Nursing Service, recruited prior to 6 April 1995.

Weekly income band	Class C		All income	
	PRSI Subclass	How much of weekly pay	Employee %	Employer %
Up to €352	C0	All	Nil	1.85
€352.01 - €500	CX	All	0.90	1.85
More than €500	C1	First €1,443	0.90	1.85
		Balance	4.00	1.85

Class C benefits

- Carer's Benefit
- Guardian's Payment (Contributory)
- Parent's Benefit (since November 2019)
- Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's (Contributory) Pension.

PRSI Class D Rates

Employees in the following employments will be classed as PRSI Class D and will pay the rate in the table below;

- Permanent and pensionable employees in the public service other than those mentioned in Classes B and C, recruited prior to 6 April 1995.

Class D			All income	
Weekly income band	PRSI Subclass	How much of weekly income	Employee %*	Employer %
Up to €352	D0	All	Nil	2.35
€352.01 - €500	DX	All	0.90	2.35
More than €500	D1	First €1,443	0.90	2.35
		Balance	4.00	2.35

*Share-based remuneration may, in certain circumstances, be subject to Employee PRSI. Employer PRSI is not chargeable on share based remuneration.

Class D benefits

- Carer's Benefit
- Guardian's Payment (Contributory)
- Occupational Injuries Benefits
- Parent's Benefit (since November 2019)
- Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's (Contributory) Pension.

PRSI Class H Rates

Employees in the following employments will be classed as PRSI Class H and will pay the rate in the table below;

- NCOs and enlisted personnel of the Defence Forces .

Class H			All income	
Weekly income band	PRSI Subclass	How much of weekly pay	Employee %	Employer %
Up to €352	H0	All	Nil	10.35
€352.01 - €424*	HX	All	3.90	10.35
More than €424	H1	All	3.90	10.35

*A tapered employee PRSI Credit of €12 per week applies on earnings up to €424 (see “PRSI Credits” on page 7).

** Only these benefits are paid during service.

Class H Benefits

- **Carer's Benefit
- **Treatment Benefit
- **Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's (Contributory) Pension
- Adoptive Benefit
- Guardian's Payment (Contributory)
- Health and Safety Benefit
- Illness Benefit
- Invalidity Pension
- Jobseeker's Benefit
- Maternity Benefit
- Parent's Benefit (since November 2019)
- Paternity Benefit
- State Pension (Contributory)

PRSI Class K

Certain public office holders pay PRSI at a rate of 4% on all income, where their income is over €5,200 a year. They should be returned at **Class K**. Public office holders with weekly income of €100 or less should be returned at **Class M**.

Class K also applies to the additional earned self-employed income from a trade or profession of a modified rate contributor, for example, civil and public servants recruited prior to 6 April 1995, and on any unearned income they may have. This income is liable to a 4% PRSI charge.

Class K may also apply to the unearned income of employed contributors and occupational pensioners (whether the pension arises from the person's own employment or the employment of their spouse or civil partner) under pensionable age, currently 66 years, where this is the only additional income. This means that unearned income such as rental income, investment income, dividends and interest on deposits and savings may be liable to a 4% PRSI charge.

For further details see 'Information on the Extension of PRSI Liability to Unearned Income' on www.gov.ie.

PRSI Class K1 Rates*

Employees in the following employments will be classed as PRSI Class K1 and will pay the rate in the table below;

- Certain public office holders with an income in excess of €100 a week (The public office holders affected include the President, the holder of a "qualifying office", members of the Oireachtas and the judiciary, certain military judges, the Attorney General, the Comptroller and Auditor General and certain members of the European Parliament).

*Class K1 refers to public office holders only.

Class K1			No upper ceiling	
Weekly income band	PRSI Subclass	How much of weekly pay	Employee %	Employer %
Up to €100	No contribution payable. Record under Class M	Nil	Nil	Nil
More than €100	K1	All	4.00	Nil

Class K1 benefits

Class K1 has no benefits under Class K.

PRSI Class K9 Rates

Employees in the following employments will be classed as PRSI Class K9 and will pay the rate in the table below;

- Modified rate contributors for example, civil and public servants recruited prior to 6 April 1995, with self-employed earned income (from a profession or trade) and any other unearned income.
- Employees with no additional earned self-employed income but who do have unearned income only such as rental income, investment income, dividends and interest on deposits and savings.

Class K9			No upper ceiling	
Weekly income band	PRSI Subclass	How much of weekly pay	Employee %	Employer %
Up to €100	No contribution payable. Record under Class M	Nil	Nil	Nil
More than €100	K9	All	4.00	Nil

Class K9 benefits

There are no benefits under Class K9

PRSI Class M Rates

Employees in the following employments will be classed as PRSI Class M and will pay the rate in the table below;

- People with no contribution liability such as employees under age 16 or people of pensionable age, currently 66 years, or over (including those previously liable for **Class S**), persons in receipt of occupational pensions (on the Occupational Pension income only) or people within Class K with no contribution liability.

Class M benefits

- Occupational Injuries Benefits, in certain cases

Class M	No contribution payable
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PRSI Class S Rates

Employees in the following employments will be classed as PRSI Class S and will pay the rate in the table below;

- Self-employed people, including certain company directors and certain people with income from investments and rents and, since January 2017, members of a local authority.
- The minimum annual contribution for Class S is €500 for the year 2020.

Class S			No upper ceiling
Weekly income band	PRSI Subclass	How much of weekly income	All income %
Up to €500	S0	All	4.00
More than €500	S1	All	4.00

Class S benefits

- Adoptive Benefit
- Guardian's Payment (Contributory)
- Invalidity Pension (since December 2017)

- Jobseeker's Benefit (Self-Employed) (since November 2019)
- Maternity Benefit
- Parent's Benefit (since November 2019)
- Paternity Benefit
- State Pension (Contributory)
- Treatment Benefit (since March 2017)
- Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's (Contributory) Pension.

PRSI Class P Rates

Employees in the following employments will be classed as PRSI Class P and will pay the rate in the table below;

- Share fishermen/women who are classified as self-employed and who are already paying PRSI under Class S.
- This contribution is over and above the PRSI paid under Class S. The minimum annual contribution for Class P is 4% of all income in excess of €2,500 or €200, whichever is the greater amount.

Class P (optional)	All income %
First €2,500 per year	Nil
Balance	4.00*

*Subject to a minimum of €200

Class P benefits

- Limited Jobseeker's Benefit
- Limited Illness Benefit
- Treatment Benefit

Pensions

State Pension (Non-Contributory) 2020

Weekly means, as assessed by us	Personal rate	Weekly increase for Qualified Adult aged under 66
Up to €30.00	€237.00	€156.60
Over €30.00 and up to €32.50	€234.50	€154.90
Over €32.50 and up to €35.00	€232.00	€153.30
Over €35.00 and up to €37.50	€229.50	€151.60
Over €37.50 and up to €40.00	€227.00	€150.00
Over €40.00 and up to €42.50	€224.50	€148.30
Over €42.50 and up to €45.00	€222.00	€146.70
Over €45.00 and up to €47.50	€219.50	€145.00
Over €47.50 and up to €50.00	€217.00	€143.40
Over €50.00 and up to €52.50	€214.50	€141.70
Over €52.50 and up to €55.00	€212.00	€140.10
Over €55.00 and up to €57.50	€209.50	€138.40
Over €57.50 and up to €60.00	€207.00	€136.80
Over €60.00 and up to €62.50	€204.50	€135.10
Over €62.50 and up to €65.00	€202.00	€133.50
Over €65.00 and up to €67.50	€199.50	€131.80
Over €67.50 and up to €70.00	€197.00	€130.20
Over €70.00 and up to €72.50	€194.50	€128.50
Over €72.50 and up to €75.00	€192.00	€126.90
Over €75.00 and up to €77.50	€189.50	€125.20
Over €77.50 and up to €80.00	€187.00	€123.60
Over €80.00 and up to €82.50	€184.50	€121.90
Over €82.50 and up to €85.00	€182.00	€120.30

State Pension (Non-Contributory) 2020

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Weekly means, as assessed by us	Personal rate	Weekly increase for Qualified Adult aged under 66
Over €85.00 and up to €87.50	€179.50	€118.60
Over €87.50 and up to €90.00	€177.00	€117.00
Over €90.00 and up to €92.50	€174.50	€115.30
Over €92.50 and up to €95.00	€172.00	€113.70
Over €95.00 and up to €97.50	€169.50	€112.00
Over €97.50 and up to €100.00	€167.00	€110.30
Over €100.00 and up to €102.50	€164.50	€108.70
Over €102.50 and up to €105.00	€162.00	€107.00
Over €105.00 and up to €107.50	€159.50	€105.40
Over €107.50 and up to €110.00	€157.00	€103.70
Over €110.00 and up to €112.50	€154.50	€102.10
Over €112.50 and up to €115.00	€152.00	€100.40
Over €115.00 and up to €117.50	€149.50	€98.80
Over €117.50 and up to €120.00	€147.00	€97.10
Over €120.00 and up to €122.50	€144.50	€95.50
Over €122.50 and up to €125.00	€142.00	€93.80
Over €125.00 and up to €127.50	€139.50	€92.20
Over €127.50 and up to €130.00	€137.00	€90.50
Over €130.00 and up to €132.50	€134.50	€88.90
Over €132.50 and up to €135.00	€132.00	€87.20
Over €135.00 and up to €137.50	€129.50	€85.60
Over €137.50 and up to €140.00	€127.00	€83.90
Over €140.00 and up to €142.50	€124.50	€82.30
Over €142.50 and up to €145.00	€122.00	€80.60
Over €145.00 and up to €147.50	€119.50	€79.00
Over €147.50 and up to €150.00	€117.00	€77.30
Over €150.00 and up to €152.50	€114.50	€75.70

State Pension (Non-Contributory) 2020

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Weekly means, as assessed by us	Personal rate	Weekly increase for Qualified Adult aged under 66
Over €152.50 and up to €155.00	€112.00	€74.00
Over €155.00 and up to €157.50	€109.50	€72.40
Over €157.50 and up to €160.00	€107.00	€70.70
Over €160.00 and up to €162.50	€104.50	€69.00
Over €162.50 and up to €165.00	€102.00	€67.40
Over €165.00 and up to €167.50	€99.50	€65.70
Over €167.50 and up to €170.00	€97.00	€64.10
Over €170.00 and up to €172.50	€94.50	€62.40
Over €172.50 and up to €175.00	€92.00	€60.80
Over €175.00 and up to €177.50	€89.50	€59.10
Over €177.50 and up to €180.00	€87.00	€57.50
Over €180.00 and up to €182.50	€84.50	€55.80
Over €182.50 and up to €185.00	€82.00	€54.20
Over €185.00 and up to €187.50	€79.50	€52.50
Over €187.50 and up to €190.00	€77.00	€50.90
Over €190.00 and up to €192.50	€74.50	€49.20
Over €192.50 and up to €195.00	€72.00	€47.60
Over €195.00 and up to €197.50	€69.50	€45.90
Over €197.50 and up to €200.00	€67.00	€44.30
Over €200.00 and up to €202.50	€64.50	€42.60
Over €202.50 and up to €205.00	€62.00	€41.00
Over €205.00 and up to €207.50	€59.50	€39.30
Over €207.50 and up to €210.00	€57.00	€37.70
Over €210.00 and up to €212.50	€54.50	€36.00
Over €212.50 and up to €215.00	€52.00	€34.40
Over €215.00 and up to €217.50	€49.50	€32.70
Over €217.50 and up to €220.00	€47.00	€31.10

State Pension (Non-Contributory) 2020

Continued

Weekly means, as assessed by us	Personal rate	Weekly increase for Qualified Adult aged under 66
Over €220.00 and up to €222.50	€44.50	€29.40
Over €222.50 and up to €225.00	€42.00	€27.80
Over €225.00 and up to €227.50	€39.50	€26.10
Over €227.50 and up to €230.00	€37.00	€24.40
Over €230.00 and up to €232.50	€34.50	€22.80
Over €232.50 and up to €235.00	€32.00	€21.10
Over €235.00 and up to €237.50	€29.50	€19.50
Over €237.50 and up to €240.00	€27.00	€17.80
Over €240.00 and up to €242.50	€24.50	€16.20
Over €242.50 and up to €245.00	€22.00	€14.50
Over €245.00 and up to €247.50	€19.50	€12.90
Over €247.50 and up to €250.00	€17.00	€11.20
Over €250.00 and up to €252.50	€14.50	€9.60
Over €252.50 and up to €255.00	€12.00	€7.90
Over €255.00 and up to €257.50	€9.50	€6.30
Over €257.50 and up to €260.00	€7.00	€4.60
Over €260.00 and up to €262.50	€4.50	€3.00
Over €262.50	Nil	Nil

Increases	Weekly rate	Weekly rate
Each qualified child aged*	Under 12 years	12 years and over
Full rate from 6 January 2020	€36.00	€40.00
Half-rate from 6 January 2020	€18.00	€20.00
Living Alone Increase from 6 January 2020	€14.00	
Extra increase for people age 80 or over	€10.00	
Increase for people living on certain offshore islands	€12.70	

State Pension (Contributory) 2020

The rates on this page apply to those who qualify for a State Pension (Contributory) **from** 1 September 2012.

Yearly average contributions State Pension (Contributory)	Personal Weekly Rate	Increase for Qualified Adult [‡]	
		Aged under 66 Weekly Rate	Aged 66 or over Weekly Rate
48 or over	€248.30	€165.40	€222.50
40-47	€243.40	€157.40	€211.40
30-39	€223.20	€149.80	€200.50
20-29	€211.40	€140.10	€188.70
15-19	€161.80	€107.80	€144.50
10-14	€99.20	€65.70	€89.50

[‡] You may get a reduced rate increase if your qualified adult has earnings or income in excess of €100.00 and up to €310.00 gross a week (see Appendix).

Increases:	Weekly rate	
Each qualified child aged*	Under 12 years	12 years and over
Full rate from 6 January 2020	€36.00	€40.00
Half-rate from 6 January 2020	€18.00	€20.00
Living Alone Increase from 6 January 2020	€14.00	
Extra increase for people age 80 or over	€10.00	
Increase for people living on certain offshore islands	€12.70	

*You can get a weekly increase for each qualified child if you get an increase for a qualified adult or if you are parenting alone. If you do not qualify for an increase for a qualified adult, you may get a half-rate qualified child increase.

State Pension (Contributory) 2020

The rates on this page apply to those who qualify for a State Pension (Contributory) **before** 1 September 2012.

Yearly average contributions State Pension (Contributory)	Personal Weekly Rate	Increase for Qualified Adult [†]	
		Aged under 66 Weekly Rate	Aged 66 or over Weekly Rate
48 or over	€248.30	€165.40	€222.50
20-47	€243.40	€165.40	€222.50
15-19	€186.20	*€124.10	*€166.90
10-14	€124.20	*€82.80	*€111.20

Note

*These Increases for Qualified Adult rates apply to claims made after 6 April 2001. For persons getting similar reduced personal rates before 6 April 2001, the following Increases for Qualified Adult Rates apply:

Aged under 66	€129.90	Aged 66 or over	€166.90
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Increases:	Weekly rate	
Each qualified child aged	Under 12 years	12 years and over
Full rate from 6 January 2020	€36.00	€40.00
Half-rate from 6 January 2020	€18.00	€20.00
Living Alone Increase from 6 January 2020	€14.00	
Extra increase for people age 80 or over	€10.00	
Increase for people living on certain offshore islands	€12.70	

**You can get a weekly increase for each qualified child if you get an increase for a qualified adult or if you are parenting alone. If you do not qualify for an increase for a qualified adult, you may get a half-rate qualified child increase.

Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pension 2020

Contributions Personal Rate	Aged under 66 Weekly Rate	Aged 66 or over Weekly Rate
48 or over	€208.50	€248.30
36-47	€205.40	€243.40
24-35	€202.90	€237.70

Increases:	Weekly rate	
Each qualified child aged	Under 12 years	12 years and over
Full rate from 6 January 2020	€36.00	€40.00
Living Alone Increase for people age 66 or over from 6 January 2020	€14.00	
Extra increase for people age 80 or over	€10.00	
Increase for people living on certain offshore islands	€12.70	

Working Age Income Supports

Jobseeker's Benefit 2020

	Weekly Rate	
Personal rate	€203.00	
Increase for Qualified Adult ‡	€134.70	
Each qualified child aged*	Under 12 years	12 years and over
Full rate from 6 January 2020	€36.00	€40.00
Half-rate from 6 January 2020	€18.00	€20.00

Jobseeker's Benefit rates are graduated according to earnings in the relevant tax year. The earnings bands are as follows:

Average weekly earnings	Personal rate	Increase for a Qualified Adult‡
Less than €150.00	€91.10	€87.20
€150.00 and less than €220.00	€131.00	€87.20
€220.00 and less than €300.00	€159.00	€87.20
€300.00 or more	€203.00	€134.70

‡You may get a reduced rate increase if your qualified adult has earnings or income in excess of €100.00 and up to €310.00 gross a week, (see Appendix).

*You can get a weekly increase for each qualified child if you qualify for an increase for a qualified adult or if you are parenting alone. If you do not qualify for an increase for a qualified adult, you may get a half-rate qualified child increase, if your qualified adult has income of €400 or less a week.

Jobseeker's Allowance 2020

Weekly rate		
Maximum personal rate aged 25 or over	€203.00	
Increase for Qualified Adult ‡	€134.70	
Each qualified child aged *	Under 12 years	12 years and over
Full rate from 6 January 2020	€36.00	€40.00
Half-rate from 6 January 2020	€18.00	€20.00
Maximum rate for claimant who is 18 - 24	€112.70	
Increase for Qualified Adult	€112.70	

‡Your rate of payment may be affected by any means assessed against you.

*You can get a weekly increase for each qualified child if you qualify for an increase for a qualified adult or if you are parenting alone. If you do not qualify for an increase for a qualified adult, you may get a half-rate qualified child increase.

Under 25 rates for Jobseeker's Allowance

Persons not affected:

- 18 to 24 year olds with a qualified child;
- those making a claim for Jobseeker's Allowance where that claim is linked to a Jobseeker's Allowance claim made within the previous 12 months, to which the maximum personal rate applied;
- those transferring directly to Jobseeker's Allowance from Disability Allowance;
- persons aged 18-24 years who were in the care of the Child and Family Agency (TUSLA) during the period of 12 months before they reached the age of 18 will not be subject to the reduced rates of €112.70.
- 18 to 24 year olds who are living independently of the family home and are in receipt of certain housing supports (Rent Supplement, Housing Assistance Payment (HAP), Rental Accommodation Scheme (RAS), Local Authority Housing and housing provided by certain approved housing bodies).

Where a person is under 25 and has completed such a course of education, Training, Community Employment, Rural Social Scheme or Tús, they will revert to the appropriate age related rate of Jobseeker's Allowance, if they previously had been in receipt of such a rate.

One-Parent Family Payment 2020

Weekly means, as assessed by us:	Weekly rate
Up to €7.60	€203.00
Over €7.60 and up to €10.10	€200.50
Over €10.10 and up to €12.60	€198.00
Over €12.60 and up to €15.10	€195.50
Over €15.10 and up to €17.60	€193.00
Over €17.60 and up to €20.10	€190.50
Over €20.10 and up to €22.60	€188.00
Over €22.60 and up to €25.10	€185.50
Over €25.10 and up to €27.60	€183.00
Over €27.60 and up to €30.10	€180.50
Over €30.10 and up to €32.60	€178.00
Over €32.60 and up to €35.10	€175.50
Over €35.10 and up to €37.60	€173.00
Over €37.60 and up to €40.10	€170.50
Over €40.10 and up to €42.60	€168.00
Over €42.60 and up to €45.10	€165.50
Over €45.10 and up to €47.60	€163.00
Over €47.60 and up to €50.10	€160.50
Over €50.10 and up to €52.60	€158.00
Over €52.60 and up to €55.10	€155.50
Over €55.10 and up to €57.60	€153.00
Over €57.60 and up to €60.10	€150.50
Over €60.10 and up to €62.60	€148.00
Over €62.60 and up to €65.10	€145.50
Over €65.10 and up to €67.60	€143.00
Over €67.60 and up to €70.10	€140.50
Over €70.10 and up to €72.60	€138.00
Over €72.60 and up to €75.10	€135.50
Over €75.10 and up to €77.60	€133.00
Over €77.60 and up to €80.10	€130.50

One-Parent Family Payment 2020

Continued

Weekly means, as assessed by us:	Weekly rate
Over €80.10 and up to €82.60	€128.00
Over €82.60 and up to €85.10	€125.50
Over €85.10 and up to €87.60	€123.00
Over €87.60 and up to €90.10	€120.50
Over €90.10 and up to €92.60	€118.00
Over €92.60 and up to €95.10	€115.50
Over €95.10 and up to €97.60	€113.00
Over €97.60 and up to €100.10	€110.50
Over €100.10 and up to €102.60	€108.00
Over €102.60 and up to €105.10	€105.50
Over €105.10 and up to €107.60	€103.00
Over €107.60 and up to €110.10	€100.50
Over €110.10 and up to €112.60	€98.00
Over €112.60 and up to €115.10	€95.50
Over €115.10 and up to €117.60	€93.00
Over €117.60 and up to €120.10	€90.50
Over €120.10 and up to €122.60	€88.00
Over €122.60 and up to €125.10	€85.50
Over €125.10 and up to €127.60	€83.00
Over €127.60 and up to €130.10	€80.50
Over €130.10 and up to €132.60	€78.00
Over €132.60 and up to €135.10	€75.50
Over €135.10 and up to €137.60	€73.00
Over €137.60 and up to €140.10	€70.50
Over €140.10 and up to €142.60	€68.00
Over €142.60 and up to €145.10	€65.50
Over €145.10 and up to €147.60	€63.00
Over €147.60 and up to €150.10	€60.50
Over €150.10 and up to €152.60	€58.00

One-Parent Family Payment 2020

Continued

Weekly means, as assessed by us:		Weekly rate
Over €152.60 and up to €155.10		€55.50
Over €155.10 and up to €157.60		€53.00
Over €157.60 and up to €160.10		€50.50
Over €160.10 and up to €162.60		€48.00
Over €162.60 and up to €165.10		€45.50
Over €165.10 and up to €167.60		€43.00
Over €167.60 and up to €170.10		€40.50
Over €170.10 and up to €172.60		€38.00
Over €172.60 and up to €175.10		€35.50
Over €175.10 and up to €177.60		€33.00
Over €177.60 and up to €180.10		€30.50
Over €180.10 and up to €182.60		€28.00
Over €182.60 and up to €185.10		€25.50
Over €185.10 and up to €187.60		€23.00
Over €187.60 and up to €190.10		€20.50
Over €190.10 and up to €192.60		€18.00
Over €192.60 and up to €195.10		€15.50
Over €195.10 and up to €197.60		€13.00
Over €197.60 and up to €200.10		€10.50
Over €200.10 and up to €202.60		€8.00
Over €202.60 and up to €205.10		€5.50
Over €205.10 and up to €207.60		€3.00
Over €207.60		Nil

Increases:		Weekly rate
Each qualified child aged	Under 12 Years	12 years and over
Full rate from 6 January 2020	€36.00	€40.00

Note: From January 2020 if you are getting One-Parent Family Payment, you can earn up to €165.00 a week and may still qualify for full payment. If you earn between €165.00 and €425.00 a week, you may qualify for a reduced payment.

Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Non-Contributory Pension 2020, Deserted Wife's Allowance 2020

Weekly means, as assessed by us:	Weekly rate
Up to €7.60	€203.00
Over €7.60 and up to €10.10	€200.50
Over €10.10 and up to €12.60	€198.00
Over €12.60 and up to €15.10	€195.50
Over €15.10 and up to €17.60	€193.00
Over €17.60 and up to €20.10	€190.50
Over €20.10 and up to €22.60	€188.00
Over €22.60 and up to €25.10	€185.50
Over €25.10 and up to €27.60	€183.00
Over €27.60 and up to €30.10	€180.50
Over €30.10 and up to €32.60	€178.00
Over €32.60 and up to €35.10	€175.50
Over €35.10 and up to €37.60	€173.00
Over €37.60 and up to €40.10	€170.50
Over €40.10 and up to €42.60	€168.00
Over €42.60 and up to €45.10	€165.50
Over €45.10 and up to €47.60	€163.00
Over €47.60 and up to €50.10	€160.50
Over €50.10 and up to €52.60	€158.00
Over €52.60 and up to €55.10	€155.50
Over €55.10 and up to €57.60	€153.00
Over €57.60 and up to €60.10	€150.50
Over €60.10 and up to €62.60	€148.00
Over €62.60 and up to €65.10	€145.50
Over €65.10 and up to €67.60	€143.00
Over €67.60 and up to €70.10	€140.50
Over €70.10 and up to €72.60	€138.00

Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Non-Contributory Pension 2020, Deserted Wife's Allowance 2020

Continued

Weekly means, as assessed by us:	Weekly rate
Over €72.60 and up to €75.10	€135.50
Over €75.10 and up to €77.60	€133.00
Over €77.60 and up to €80.10	€130.50
Over €80.10 and up to €82.60	€128.00
Over €82.60 and up to €85.10	€125.50
Over €85.10 and up to €87.60	€123.00
Over €87.60 and up to €90.10	€120.50
Over €90.10 and up to €92.60	€118.00
Over €92.60 and up to €95.10	€115.50
Over €95.10 and up to €97.60	€113.00
Over €97.60 and up to €100.10	€110.50
Over €100.10 and up to €102.60	€108.00
Over €102.60 and up to €105.10	€105.50
Over €105.10 and up to €107.60	€103.00
Over €107.60 and up to €110.10	€100.50
Over €110.10 and up to €112.60	€98.00
Over €112.60 and up to €115.10	€95.50
Over €115.10 and up to €117.60	€93.00
Over €117.60 and up to €120.10	€90.50
Over €120.10 and up to €122.60	€88.00
Over €122.60 and up to €125.10	€85.50
Over €125.10 and up to €127.60	€83.00
Over €127.60 and up to €130.10	€80.50
Over €130.10 and up to €132.60	€78.00
Over €132.60 and up to €135.10	€75.50
Over €135.10 and up to €137.60	€73.00
Over €137.60 and up to €140.10	€70.50
Over €140.10 and up to €142.60	€68.00

**Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's
Non-Contributory Pension 2020,
Deserted Wife's Allowance 2020**

Continued

Weekly means, as assessed by us:	Weekly rate
Over €142.60 and up to €145.10	€65.50
Over €145.10 and up to €147.60	€63.00
Over €147.60 and up to €150.10	€60.50
Over €150.10 and up to €152.60	€58.00
Over €152.60 and up to €155.10	€55.50
Over €155.10 and up to €157.60	€53.00
Over €157.60 and up to €160.10	€50.50
Over €160.10 and up to €162.60	€48.00
Over €162.60 and up to €165.10	€45.50
Over €165.10 and up to €167.60	€43.00
Over €167.60 and up to €170.10	€40.50
Over €170.10 and up to €172.60	€38.00
Over €172.60 and up to €175.10	€35.50
Over €175.10 and up to €177.60	€33.00
Over €177.60 and up to €180.10	€30.50
Over €180.10 and up to €182.60	€28.00
Over €182.60 and up to €185.10	€25.50
Over €185.10 and up to €187.60	€23.00
Over €187.60 and up to €190.10	€20.50
Over €190.10 and up to €192.60	€18.00
Over €192.60 and up to €195.10	€15.50
Over €195.10 and up to €197.60	€13.00
Over €197.60 and up to €200.10	€10.50
Over €200.10 and up to €202.60	€8.00
Over €202.60 and up to €205.10	€5.50
Over €205.10 and up to €207.60	€3.00
Over €207.60	Nil

Basic Supplementary Welfare Allowance 2020

	Weekly rate	
Maximum personal rate aged 25 or over	€201.00	
Increase for Qualified Adult		€134.70
Each qualified child aged	Under 12 Years	12 years and over
Full rate from 6 January 2020	€36.00	€40.00
Maximum rate for claimant who is 18 - 24	€112.70	
Increase for Qualified Adult	€112.70	

Under 25 age related rates of Supplementary Welfare Allowance

Persons not affected:

- Those aged 18 - 24 years inclusive with a qualified child(ren).
- Persons aged 18 - 24 who were in the care of the Child and Family Agency (TUSLA) during the period of 12 months before they reached the age of 18.
- 18 to 24 year olds who are living independently of the family home and are in receipt of certain housing supports (Rent Supplement, Housing Assistance Payment (HAP), Rental Accommodation Scheme (RAS), Local Authority Housing and housing provided by certain approved housing bodies).

Farm Assist 2020

	Weekly rate	
Maximum personal rate	€203.00	
Increase for Qualified Adult ‡	€134.70	
Each qualified child aged*	Under 12 Years	12 years and over
Full rate from 6 January 2020	€36.00	€40.00
Half-rate from 6 January 2020	€18.00	€20.00

‡Your rate of payment may be affected by any means assessed against you.

*You can get a weekly increase for each qualified child if you get an increase for a qualified adult or if you are parenting alone. If you do not qualify for an increase for a qualified adult, you may get a half-rate qualified child increase.

Deserted Wife's Benefit 2020

Contributions	Aged under 66 weekly rate	Aged 66 or over weekly rate
Personal rate 48 or over	€208.50	€248.30
36-47	€205.40	€243.40
24-35	€202.90	€237.70

Increases	Weekly rate	
Each qualified child aged	Under 12 Years	12 years and over
Full rate from 6 January 2020	€36.00	€40.00
Living alone increase for people aged 66 or over from 6 January 2020	€14.00	
Extra increase for people aged 80 or over	€10.00	
Increase for people living on certain offshore islands	€12.70	

Maternity Benefit, Paternity Benefit, Adoptive Benefit and Parent's Benefit 2020

Personal rate	Weekly rate
Maternity Benefit	€245.00
Paternity Benefit	€245.00
Adoptive Benefit	€245.00
Parent's Benefit	€245.00

The rate of Maternity/Adoptive/Paternity and Parent's Benefit is compared to the rate of Illness Benefit that you would get if you were absent from work through Illness and the higher of the two will be paid automatically.

Health and Safety Benefit 2020

	Weekly rate	
Maximum personal rate	€203.00	
Increase for Qualified Adult [‡]	€134.70	
Each qualified child aged *	Under 12 Years	12 years and over
Full rate from 6 January 2020	€36.00	€40.00
Half-rate from 6 January 2020	€18.00	€20.00

[‡]If your spouse or partner is earning €100.00 a week or less you will get a full increase for a qualified adult. If their earnings are between €100.01 and €310.00 a week, you will get a reduced rate of the increase for a qualified adult (see Appendix).

*You can get a weekly increase for each qualified child if you get an increase for a qualified adult or if you are parenting alone. If you do not qualify for an increase for a qualified adult, you may get a half-rate qualified child increase, if your qualified adult has income of €400 or less a week.

Health and Safety Benefits rates are graduated according to earnings in the relevant tax year. The earnings bands are as follows:

Average weekly earnings	Personal Rate	Increase for qualified adult
Less than €150.00	€91.10	€87.20
€150.00 and less than €220.00	€131.00	€87.20
€220.00 and less than €300.00	€159.00	€87.20
€300.00 or more	€203.00	€134.70

Redundancy Payments

Where an employee has been made redundant they may be entitled to a redundancy payment. To qualify for a redundancy payment the main conditions are:

- two years of continuous employment with the same employer
- employment is fully insurable for all benefits under the Social Welfare Acts
- employee must be over 16
- the job no longer exists

It is the responsibility of the employer to pay statutory redundancy to all eligible employees.

An eligible employee is entitled to a statutory redundancy payment of 2 weeks' pay for every year of service, plus a bonus week. The gross weekly wage is used to calculate the payment, subject to a maximum of €600.

If the employer is unable to pay statutory redundancy to its eligible employees the Department may make redundancy payments directly to those employees under the Redundancy Payments Scheme. The time-limit for submitting an application for a redundancy payment is 52 weeks.

Once a payment is made by the Department a debt is immediately raised against the employer. This debt must be repaid by the employer.

In some circumstances the employee may make a complaint to the Workplace Relations Commission –

- Where the employer is unwilling to engage with the employee or the Department
- If the employee wants to extend the time limit for submitting a redundancy application (up to 104 weeks)
- If the employee wants to appeal the decision of the Department under the Redundancy Payments Scheme

Insolvency Payments

This scheme provides for the payment of certain outstanding entitlements relating to the pay of an eligible employee where employment has been terminated due to the insolvency of the employer. For the purposes of the scheme, insolvency can include bankruptcy, formal winding up of the company or death of the employer.

The entitlements covered under the scheme include arrears of wages, minimum notice, holiday pay, pension deductions and certain awards made by the Workplace Relations Commission. The entitlement must relate to the period of 18 months before the date of insolvency or 12 months in the case of pension deductions.

Payments under the insolvency payments scheme are calculated by reference to an employee's gross weekly wage subject to a limit of €600 a week. A limit of eight weeks applies in respect of arrears of wages, holiday pay and minimum notice payments.

All applications for entitlements under the insolvency payments scheme must be made by the employer representative.

Working Age Employment Supports

Community Employment Programme

The Community Employment (CE) Programme is designed to help people who are long-term unemployed and other disadvantaged people to get back to work by offering part-time and temporary placements/training opportunities in jobs based within local communities. The Department gives financial support in the form of allowances and funding to assist with the Community Employment schemes. The rate of payment for new applicants based on 19.5 hours worked will be the equivalent to your existing Social Welfare payment plus a €22.50 participation bonus with a minimum weekly payment of €225.50.*

*You may receive extra payment in respect of a qualified adult dependent and qualified child dependents.

Rural Social Scheme

The Rural Social Scheme (RSS) provides income support for farmers and fishermen who are in receipt of certain Department of Employment Affairs and Social Protection (DEASP) payments. The rates of payment payable for participating on RSS depend on your qualifying DEASP payment. The following table outlines the rate of payment for certain participants.

DEASP qualifying payment	Rate of Payment
Jobseeker's Allowance, Jobseekers Transitional Payment, Farm Assist, One-Parent Family Payment, *Widow's/Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory/Non Contributory Pension or *Disability Allowance	Equal to the maximum personal rate of payment plus €22.50 top-up. Minimum weekly payment of €225.50.**
Qualified Adult on a State Pension (Non-Contributory) (IQA) if actively farming	Your spouse will continue to receive the IQA payment. Your rate on the RSS will be the difference between your IQA payment and €225.50.

*If the qualifying payment is Widow's/Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory/Non Contributory Pension or Disability Allowance, you will retain your existing payment and receive a top-up on RSS to bring your payment to a minimum of €225.50.

**You may receive extra payment in respect of a qualified adult dependent and qualified child dependents.

Tús - Community Work Placement Initiative

Tús provides short-term quality and suitable work placement opportunities in the community and voluntary sector for people who have been continuously unemployed for 1 year or more and are in receipt of Jobseeker's Allowance or Jobseekers Transitional Allowance at the time of placement. (No qualifying period applies to Jobseekers Transitional Allowance).

Generally, the rate of payment for new applicants will be equivalent to the maximum personal rate of Jobseeker's Allowance plus a €22.50 top-up with a minimum payment of €225.50*.

*You may receive extra payment in respect of a qualified adult dependent and qualified child dependents.

Back to Work Enterprise Allowance

The Back to Work Enterprise Allowance scheme (BTWEA) allows you to take up self-employment and continue to receive a qualifying social welfare payment, plus secondary benefits (in certain circumstances) over two years. It is paid at a rate of:

100% of social welfare payment for the first year
75% of social welfare payment for the second year

Back to Education Allowance Scheme

The Back to Education Allowance Scheme (BTEA) is available to those getting certain social welfare payments who would like to start a second or third level course in education. You may qualify as long as you continue to meet the qualifying conditions. The rate payable will be based on your previous scheme from which you qualified for BTEA. A maximum family household rate applies and where applicable, you may qualify for increases in respect of a qualified adult or qualified child. The rate may be subject to review.

The Cost of Education Allowance of €500 a year is payable to participants with children.

Jobseeker's Allowance - under age 25

The personal maximum rate of €203.00 a week will apply to participants of Back to Education Allowance who were previously on an age related rate of Jobseeker's Allowance. If household means apply, they will be assessed against the €203.00 rate.

Short Term Enterprise Allowance

The Short Term Enterprise Allowance (STEA) provides immediate support for someone who loses their job and qualifies for Jobseeker's Benefit (JB) but wants to start a business.

A person working part-time and claiming Jobseekers Benefit is not eligible for the scheme.

The maximum length of time on the allowance is the same as if you remained on Jobseeker's Benefit until your entitlement finishes.

You may receive 100% of your Jobseeker's Benefit entitlement for either 6 or 9 months while on Short Term Enterprise Allowance.

Part-time Job Incentive Scheme

	Weekly rate
Personal rate	€128.60
Increase for a Qualified Adult	€81.10

Your pay from the part-time job will not affect the supplement.

Working Family Payment (WFP)

Working Family Payment (WFP) (formerly known as Family Income Supplement (FIS)) is a weekly tax-free payment available to employees with children. It gives extra financial support to people on low pay. You must be an employee to qualify for WFP and you cannot qualify if you are only self-employed.

You must work 38 or more hours per fortnight (any combination of hours that reaches 38 hours each fortnight is acceptable). You can combine your weekly hours with your spouse, civil partner, cohabitant's hours to meet this condition. You cannot use time spent in self-employment (or on Community Employment, Gateway, Tús or the Rural Social Scheme) to meet this condition.

You must have at least one child who normally lives with you or is financially supported by you. Your child must be under 18 years of age or between 18 and 22 years of age and in full-time education. (Your child continues to qualify until the end of the academic year if they turn 22 while in full-time education.)

To qualify for WFP, your average weekly family income must be below a certain amount for your family size. The payment you receive is 60% of the difference between your average weekly family income and the income limit which applies to your family.

Your Working Family Payment is not taxed. If you are getting WFP you may also be entitled to the Back to School Clothing and Footwear Allowance. Your income from WFP is not taken into account in the assessment for a medical card.

WFP income limits from the 9 January 2020

If you have	And your weekly family income is less than:
One child	€531
Two children	€632
Three children	€733
Four children	€834
Five children	€960
Six children	€1,076
Seven children	€1,212
Eight or more children	€1,308

Back to Work Family Dividend

Back to Work Family Dividend is a payment that supports jobseekers, including Jobseeker's Transitional Payment (JST) customers, and One-Parent Family Payment (OFP) customers that are leaving these schemes and are in or take up employment or self-employment. These customers must have been paid for qualified child(ren) on their claim.

The payment is €31.80 (increasing to €36.00 for a child aged under 12 or €40.00 for a child aged 12 and over from January 2020 and will be paid for each child (up to a limit of 4 children) for one year, reduced to half, €18.00 or €20.00 for each child for the second year.

Back to Work Family Dividend can be paid at the same time as Working Family Payment (WFP) (formerly Family Income Supplement).

JobsPlus Incentive

JobsPlus is an incentive designed to encourage employers and businesses to focus their recruitment efforts on those who have been out of work for long periods and on young people seeking employment.

JobsPlus provides a direct monthly financial incentive to employers in the form of a monthly grant paid over two years with two levels of grant payable - €7,500 or €10,000 provided the employment is maintained. The level of payment depends on the length of time the employee was unemployed and on the Live Register and is paid monthly in arrears.



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What is MyWelfare.ie?

MyWelfare.ie is the online home of welfare services. It allows you easy online access to a range of services - from making appointments and applying for certain schemes to updating your details and ordering statements.

MyWelfare.ie is safe, secure, and accessible anytime, anywhere and on all devices.

How do I access MyWelfare.ie?

Visit www.mywelfare.ie. You need a MyGovID account to access services. See the MyGovID section of this leaflet for more information.

What can I do on MyWelfare.ie?

You can apply for a range of schemes and services on MyWelfare.ie and upload supporting documentation where this is required.

You can apply online for the following:

- Paternity Benefit
- Maternity Benefit
- Parent's Benefit
- Jobseeker's Benefit
- Child Benefit*
- PRSI refunds.

*Only for first child that is born in Ireland and where invited to apply by correspondence from DEASP. Payment is automatic for subsequent children so no application needed.

You can make an appointment at a time and location that best suits you to get a:

- Personal Public Services Number (PPSN)
- Public Services Card (PSC).

The services available on MyWelfare.ie are growing, with more being added all the time.



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What else can I do on MyWelfare.ie?

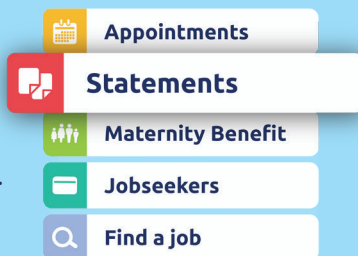
You can also use MyWelfare.ie to:

- Request a PRSI Contribution Statement
- Request a Social Welfare Payment Statement
- Change your address
- Close your Jobseeker's claim
- Request a Jobseeker's Holiday
- Complete your Work and Skills History
- Check your eligibility for Dental and Optical Benefits
- Compare how changes to your work pattern could affect your payment via the anonymous "Benefit of Work Estimator".

Customer Dashboard

With your own personalised dashboard, you have 24/7 access to your claim information, such as:

- Status of all your claims with the Department
- Date of the last payment made to you
- A further breakdown of your payment amounts for certain claims
- Summary of all payments made to you over the past 24 months
- Filter to search for payments made to you within specified dates.



What is MyGovID?

MyGovID is a single account that gives you safe, online access to a range of Irish Government services. This means you only have to sign up once and remember one password.

To create a basic account you just need an email address and it only takes 2 minutes:

1. Log on to **www.mywelfare.ie**
2. Click **Login with MyGovID**
3. Click **Create Account**
4. Enter your details and click **Register Now**

With a basic account you can now book an appointment, request a contribution statement, and access **www.jobsireland.ie** to search for jobs.

A verified MyGovID account lets you access the full range of MyWelfare.ie services listed on the previous page, as well as other Government online services.

To upgrade to a verified MyGovID account, you will need a Public Services Card and a mobile phone which has been verified.

When creating a verified MyGovID account you will be advised whether your phone is verified or not. If not, you are given the option to verify it at a Social Welfare Office/Intreo Centre, or by requesting a code to be posted to you.

Follow the steps on **www.mygovid.ie**

Further information

For access, assistance or general questions:

Log on to: www.mywelfare.ie

Email: support@mywelfare.ie

Phone: 076 628 5191*

(Mon - Fri: 9am - 5pm)

* The rates charged may vary among service providers.
These rates can be considerably higher from mobile network providers.

€7,500 over two years for:

- Jobseekers who are under 25 years of age and on the Live Register for at least 4 months (104 days) in the previous 6 months. This element of the Incentive is co-funded by the European Social Fund.
- Jobseekers who are over 25 and under 50 years of age and at least 12 months (312 days) on the Live Register in the previous 18 months.
- Former One-Parent Family Payment customers whose youngest child is 7 years of age or over who transfer to the Live Register and are in receipt of Jobseeker's Transitional Payment, no qualifying periods applies.
- Refugees who are in receipt of Jobseeker's Allowance, no qualifying period applies.

€10,000 over two years for:

- Jobseekers who are at least 36 months (936 days) on the Live Register in the previous 42 months.
- Jobseekers who are over 50 years of age and are at least 12 months (312 days) on the Live Register in the previous 18 months.

Persons pursuing internships under CE Schemes, TÚS or training courses provided by SOLAS/ETB who were in receipt of a qualifying payment prior to same, may also be employed directly into full-time employment once the qualifying period and conditions are satisfied.

In order to qualify an employer can have their eligibility assessed by registering on www.jobsplus.ie. An employer must be tax compliant and be employing an employee directly from the Live Register. The employer must offer full-time employment of at least 30 hours a week, spanning at least 4 days to eligible employees.

Likewise a prospective employee can have their eligibility for JobsPlus assessed by registering on www.jobsplus.ie.

All prospective employees approved for this incentive are notified by post and receive a form titled **JP1**. Employees must complete **Part (A)** of this form on starting employment and you as the employer must verify the employment details on **Part (B)** of the form.

It is open to employers to verify with prospective employees if they are eligible for the JobsPlus incentive.

The Wage Subsidy Scheme (WSS)

The Wage Subsidy Scheme (WSS) gives financial incentives to private sector employers to employ people with a disability. The work offered must be for a minimum of 21 hours per week. An employee with a disability on the WSS has the same conditions of employment as other employees. These include:

- PRSI contributions;
- tax deductions;
- annual leave; and
- other leave entitlements.

The employer must pay the employee with a disability the going rate for the job. This must be at least the statutory minimum wage. These terms and conditions of employment should be set out in the employee's contract.

The Scheme is structured in three strands. The employer can benefit from one or all, simultaneously:

- **Strand I** – is a subsidy payable to an employer for the employment of a person with a disability with a perceived productivity shortfall of at least 20%, in comparison to a peer without a disability. An employee must work a minimum of 21 hours per week up to a maximum of 39 subsidised hours per week. The rate of the subsidy is €5.30 per hour, giving a total maximum annual subsidy available of €10,748 per annum based on a 39 hour week.
- **Strand II** – is based on the total number of employments supported by WSS in a company. The employer receives an additional percentage increase on the total value of WSS for a period, ranging from 10% to 50%, determined by the total number of employments in that organisation supported by WSS.
- **Strand III** – is a grant of €30,000 per annum to assist with the cost of employing an Employment Assistance Officer, available once 25 employments are supported in an organisation through WSS. The successful job seeking applicant is required to give up their primary Social Welfare payment on commencement of employment under this scheme.

Partial Capacity Benefit

Partial Capacity Benefit is a social welfare scheme which allows individuals in receipt of an Illness Benefit payment for a minimum of 6 months or Invalidity Pension to return to work (if they have a reduced capacity to work) and continue to receive a payment from this Department.

You will qualify for Partial Capacity Benefit if, following assessment by a Medical Assessor of the Department, the restriction on capacity is assessed as moderate, severe or profound. If the restriction is assessed as mild the individual will not qualify.

You may not work until you have received written approval to do so from this Department.

The personal rate of payment is based on the medical assessments and is outlined below:

Medical Assessment	
% or your personal rate of Illness Benefit or Invalidity Pension payment	
Moderate	50%
Severe	75%
Profound	100%

Subject to approval from your own doctor, there is no restriction on earnings or number of hours you can work if approved for Partial Capacity Benefit.

Payment lasts as long as an underlying entitlement to payment of Illness Benefit or Invalidity Pension exists. Partial Capacity Benefit is subject to review and reassessment.

Illness, Disability and Carers

Illness Benefit 2020

Weekly rate		
Personal rate	€203.00	
Increase for Qualified Adult †	€134.70	
Increase for each qualified child aged*	Under 12 years	12 years and over
Full rate from 6 January 2020	€36.00	€40.00
Half-rate from 6 January 2020	€18.00	€20.00

Illness Benefit rates are graduated according to earnings in the relevant tax year. The earnings bands are as follows:

Average weekly earnings	Personal Rate	Increase for qualified adult†
Less than €150.00	€91.10	€87.20
€150.00 and less than €220.00	€131.00	€87.20
€220.00 and less than €300.00	€159.00	€87.20
€300.00 or more	€203.00	€134.70

†You may get a reduced rate increase if your qualified adult has earnings or income in excess of €100.00 and up to €310.00 gross a week (see Appendix).

*You can get a weekly increase for each qualified child if you qualify for an increase for a qualified adult or if you are parenting alone. If you do not qualify for an increase for a qualified adult, you may get a half-rate qualified child increase, if your qualified adult has income of €400 or less a week.

Invalidity Pension 2020

	Weekly rate	
Maximum personal rate	€208.50	
Increase for Qualified Adult ‡	€148.90	
Increase for each qualified child aged	Under 12 years	12 years and over
Full rate from 6 January 2020	€36.00	€40.00
Half-rate from 6 January 2020	€18.00	€20.00

Where a qualified adult has attained pensionable age before 2 January 2014 you may get an additional increase of €73.60.

‡You may get a reduced rate increase if your qualified adult has earnings or income in excess of €100.00 and up to €310.00 gross a week (see Appendix).

*You can get a weekly increase for each qualified child if you qualify for an increase for a qualified adult or if you are parenting alone. For claims received since 5 July 2012, If you do not qualify for an increase for a qualified adult, you may get a half-rate qualified child increase, if your qualified adult has income of €400 or less a week.

Extra Benefit	Weekly rate
Living alone increase from 6 January 2020	€14.00
Increase for people living on certain offshore islands	€12.70

Disability Allowance 2020

Weekly means, as assessed by us:	Weekly rate
Up to €2.50	€203.00
Over €2.50 and up to €5.00	€200.50
Over €5.00 and up to €7.50	€198.00
Over €7.50 and up to €10.00	€195.50
Over €10.00 and up to €12.50	€193.00
Over €12.50 and up to €15.00	€190.50
Over €15.00 and up to €17.50	€188.00
Over €17.50 and up to €20.00	€185.50
Over €20.00 and up to €22.50	€183.00
Over €22.50 and up to €25.00	€180.50
Over €25.00 and up to €27.50	€178.00
Over €27.50 and up to €30.00	€175.50
Over €30.00 and up to €32.50	€173.00
Over €32.50 and up to €35.00	€170.50
Over €35.00 and up to €37.50	€168.00
Over €37.50 and up to €40.00	€165.50
Over €40.00 and up to €42.50	€163.00
Over €42.50 and up to €45.00	€160.50
Over €45.00 and up to €47.50	€158.00
Over €47.50 and up to €50.00	€155.50
Over €50.00 and up to €52.50	€153.00
Over €52.50 and up to €55.00	€150.50
Over €55.00 and up to €57.50	€148.00
Over €57.50 and up to €60.00	€145.50
Over €60.00 and up to €62.50	€143.00
Over €62.50 and up to €65.00	€140.50
Over €65.00 and up to €67.50	€138.00

Disability Allowance 2020

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Weekly means, as assessed by us:	Weekly rate
Over €67.50 and up to €70.00	€135.50
Over €70.00 and up to €72.50	€133.00
Over €72.50 and up to €75.00	€130.50
Over €75.00 and up to €77.50	€128.00
Over €77.50 and up to €80.00	€125.50
Over €80.00 and up to €82.50	€123.00
Over €82.50 and up to €85.00	€120.50
Over €85.00 and up to €87.50	€118.00
Over €87.50 and up to €90.00	€115.50
Over €90.00 and up to €92.50	€113.00
Over €92.50 and up to €95.00	€110.50
Over €95.00 and up to €97.50	€108.00
Over €97.50 and up to €100.00	€105.50
Over €100.00 and up to €102.50	€103.00
Over €102.50 and up to €105.00	€100.50
Over €105.00 and up to €107.50	€98.00
Over €107.50 and up to €110.00	€95.50
Over €110.00 and up to €112.50	€93.00
Over €112.50 and up to €115.00	€90.50
Over €115.00 and up to €117.50	€88.00
Over €117.50 and up to €120.00	€85.50
Over €120.00 and up to €122.50	€83.00
Over €122.50 and up to €125.00	€80.50
Over €125.00 and up to €127.50	€78.00
Over €127.50 and up to €130.00	€75.50
Over €130.00 and up to €132.50	€73.00
Over €132.50 and up to €135.00	€70.50
Over €135.00 and up to €137.50	€68.00

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Disability Allowance 2020

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Weekly means, as assessed by us:	Weekly rate
Over €137.50 and up to €140.00	€65.50
Over €140.00 and up to €142.50	€63.00
Over €142.50 and up to €145.00	€60.50
Over €145.00 and up to €147.50	€58.00
Over €147.50 and up to €150.00	€55.50
Over €150.00 and up to €152.50	€53.00
Over €152.50 and up to €155.00	€50.50
Over €155.00 and up to €157.50	€48.00
Over €157.50 and up to €160.00	€45.50
Over €160.00 and up to €162.50	€43.00
Over €162.50 and up to €165.00	€40.50
Over €165.00 and up to €167.50	€38.00
Over €167.50 and up to €170.00	€35.50
Over €170.00 and up to €172.50	€33.00
Over €172.50 and up to €175.00	€30.50
Over €175.00 and up to €177.50	€28.00
Over €177.50 and up to €180.00	€25.50
Over €180.00 and up to €182.50	€23.00
Over €182.50 and up to €185.00	€20.50
Over €185.00 and up to €187.50	€18.00
Over €187.50 and up to €190.00	€15.50
Over €190.00 and up to €192.50	€13.00
Over €192.50 and up to €195.00	€10.50
Over €195.00 and up to €197.50	€8.00
Over €197.50 and up to €200.00	€5.50
Over €200.00 and up to €202.50	€3.00
Over €202.50	Nil

Disability Allowance 2020

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Increases	Weekly rate	
Increase for Qualified Adult‡	€134.70	
Each qualified child aged *	Under 12 years	12 years and over
Full rate from 8 January 2020	€36.00	€40.00
Half-rate from 8 January 2020	€18.00	€20.00
Living alone increase from 8 January 2020	€14.00	
Increase for people living on certain offshore islands	€12.70	

‡If you were in receipt of Disability Allowance prior to 26 September 2007, you may get a reduced rate increase if your qualified adult has earnings or income in excess of €100.00 and up to €310.00 gross a week, (see Appendix).

*You can get a weekly increase for each qualified child if you qualify for an increase for a qualified adult or if you are parenting alone. If you do not qualify for an increase for a qualified adult, you may get a half-rate qualified child increase.

Blind Pension 2020

Weekly means as assessed by us	Personal weekly rate	Weekly increase for Qualified Adult aged under 66
Up to €7.60	€203.00	€134.70
Over €7.60 and up to €10.10	€200.50	€133.00
Over €10.10 and up to €12.60	€198.00	€131.40
Over €12.60 and up to €15.10	€195.50	€129.70
Over €15.10 and up to €17.60	€193.00	€128.10
Over €17.60 and up to €20.10	€190.50	€126.40
Over €20.10 and up to €22.60	€188.00	€124.70
Over €22.60 and up to €25.10	€185.50	€123.10
Over €25.10 and up to €27.60	€183.00	€121.40
Over €27.60 and up to €30.10	€180.50	€119.80
Over €30.10 and up to €32.60	€178.00	€118.10
Over €32.60 and up to €35.10	€175.50	€116.50
Over €35.10 and up to €37.60	€173.00	€114.80
Over €37.60 and up to €40.10	€170.50	€113.10
Over €40.10 and up to €42.60	€168.00	€111.50
Over €42.60 and up to €45.10	€165.50	€109.80
Over €45.10 and up to €47.60	€163.00	€108.20
Over €47.60 and up to €50.10	€160.50	€106.50
Over €50.10 and up to €52.60	€158.00	€104.80
Over €52.60 and up to €55.10	€155.50	€103.20
Over €55.10 and up to €57.60	€153.00	€101.50
Over €57.60 and up to €60.10	€150.50	€99.90
Over €60.10 and up to €62.60	€148.00	€98.20
Over €62.60 and up to €65.10	€145.50	€96.50
Over €65.10 and up to €67.60	€143.00	€94.90
Over €67.60 and up to €70.10	€140.50	€93.20
Over €70.10 and up to €72.60	€138.00	€91.60
Over €72.60 and up to €75.10	€135.50	€89.90

Blind Pension 2020

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Weekly means as assessed by us	Personal weekly rate	Weekly increase for Qualified Adult aged under 66
Over €75.10 and up to €77.60	€133.00	€88.30
Over €77.60 and up to €80.10	€130.50	€86.60
Over €80.10 and up to €82.60	€128.00	€84.90
Over €82.60 and up to €85.10	€125.50	€83.30
Over €85.10 and up to €87.60	€123.00	€81.60
Over €87.60 and up to €90.10	€120.50	€80.00
Over €90.10 and up to €92.60	€118.00	€78.30
Over €92.60 and up to €95.10	€115.50	€76.60
Over €95.10 and up to €97.60	€113.00	€75.00
Over €97.60 and up to €100.10	€110.50	€73.30
Over €100.10 and up to €102.60	€108.00	€71.70
Over €102.60 and up to €105.10	€105.50	€70.00
Over €105.10 and up to €107.60	€103.00	€68.30
Over €107.60 and up to €110.10	€100.50	€66.70
Over €110.10 and up to €112.60	€98.00	€65.00
Over €112.60 and up to €115.10	€95.50	€63.40
Over €115.10 and up to €117.60	€93.00	€61.70
Over €117.60 and up to €120.10	€90.50	€60.10
Over €120.10 and up to €122.60	€88.00	€58.40
Over €122.60 and up to €125.10	€85.50	€56.70
Over €125.10 and up to €127.60	€83.00	€55.10
Over €127.60 and up to €130.10	€80.50	€53.40
Over €130.10 and up to €132.60	€78.00	€51.80
Over €132.60 and up to €135.10	€75.50	€50.10
Over €135.10 and up to €137.60	€73.00	€48.40
Over €137.60 and up to €140.10	€70.50	€46.80
Over €140.10 and up to €142.60	€68.00	€45.10

Blind Pension 2020

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Weekly means as assessed by us	Personal weekly rate	Weekly increase for Qualified Adult aged under 66
Over €142.60 and up to €145.10	€65.50	€43.50
Over €145.10 and up to €147.60	€63.00	€41.80
Over €147.60 and up to €150.10	€60.50	€40.10
Over €150.10 and up to €152.60	€58.00	€38.50
Over €152.60 and up to €155.10	€55.50	€36.80
Over €155.10 and up to €157.60	€53.00	€35.20
Over €157.60 and up to €160.10	€50.50	€33.50
Over €160.10 and up to €162.60	€48.00	€31.90
Over €162.60 and up to €165.10	€45.50	€30.20
Over €165.10 and up to €167.60	€43.00	€28.50
Over €167.60 and up to €170.10	€40.50	€26.90
Over €170.10 and up to €172.60	€38.00	€25.20
Over €172.60 and up to €175.10	€35.50	€23.60
Over €175.10 and up to €177.60	€33.00	€21.90
Over €177.60 and up to €180.10	€30.50	€20.20
Over €180.10 and up to €182.60	€28.00	€18.60
Over €182.60 and up to €185.10	€25.50	€16.90
Over €185.10 and up to €187.60	€23.00	€15.30
Over €187.60 and up to €190.10	€20.50	€13.60
Over €190.10 and up to €192.60	€18.00	€11.90
Over €192.60 and up to €195.10	€15.50	€10.30
Over €195.10 and up to €197.60	€13.00	€8.60
Over €197.60 and up to €200.10	€10.50	€7.00
Over €200.10 and up to €202.60	€8.00	€5.30
Over €202.60 and up to €205.10	€5.50	€3.60
Over €205.10 and up to €207.60	€3.00	€2.00
Over €207.60	Nil	Nil

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Increases	Weekly rate	
Each qualified child aged *	Under 12 years	12 years and over
Full rate from 6 January 2020	€36.00	€40.00
Half-rate from 6 January 2020	€18.00	€20.00
Living Alone Increase from 6 January 2020	€14.00	
Increase for people living on certain offshore islands	€12.70	

*You can get a weekly increase for each qualified child if you qualify for an increase for a qualified adult or if you are parenting alone. If you do not qualify for an increase for a qualified adult, you may get a half-rate qualified child increase.

Carer's Allowance 2020 for carers aged under 66

Where the carer is aged under 66 and caring for		
Weekly means as assessed by us	One person weekly rate	More than one person weekly rate
Up to €7.60	€219.00	€328.50
Over €7.60 and up to €10.10	€216.50	€326.00
Over €10.10 and up to €12.60	€214.00	€323.50
Over €12.60 and up to €15.10	€211.50	€321.00
Over €15.10 and up to €17.60	€209.00	€318.50
Over €17.60 and up to €20.10	€206.50	€316.00
Over €20.10 and up to €22.60	€204.00	€313.50
Over €22.60 and up to €25.10	€201.50	€311.00
Over €25.10 and up to €27.60	€199.00	€308.50
Over €27.60 and up to €30.10	€196.50	€306.00
Over €30.10 and up to €32.60	€194.00	€303.50
Over €32.60 and up to €35.10	€191.50	€301.00
Over €35.10 and up to €37.60	€189.00	€298.50
Over €37.60 and up to €40.10	€186.50	€296.00
Over €40.10 and up to €42.60	€184.00	€293.50
Over €42.60 and up to €45.10	€181.50	€291.00
Over €45.10 and up to €47.60	€179.00	€288.50
Over €47.60 and up to €50.10	€176.50	€286.00
Over €50.10 and up to €52.60	€174.00	€283.50
Over €52.60 and up to €55.10	€171.50	€281.00
Over €55.10 and up to €57.60	€169.00	€278.50
Over €57.60 and up to €60.10	€166.50	€276.00
Over €60.10 and up to €62.60	€164.00	€273.50
Over €62.60 and up to €65.10	€161.50	€271.00
Over €65.10 and up to €67.60	€159.00	€268.50
Over €67.60 and up to €70.10	€156.50	€266.00
Over €70.10 and up to €72.60	€154.00	€263.50

Carer's Allowance 2020 for carers aged under 66

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Where the carer is aged under 66 and caring for		
Weekly means as assessed by us	One person weekly rate	More than one person weekly rate
Over €72.60 and up to €75.10	€151.50	€261.00
Over €75.10 and up to €77.60	€149.00	€258.50
Over €77.60 and up to €80.10	€146.50	€256.00
Over €80.10 and up to €82.60	€144.00	€253.50
Over €82.60 and up to €85.10	€141.50	€251.00
Over €85.10 and up to €87.60	€139.00	€248.50
Over €87.60 and up to €90.10	€136.50	€246.00
Over €90.10 and up to €92.60	€134.00	€243.50
Over €92.60 and up to €95.10	€131.50	€241.00
Over €95.10 and up to €97.60	€129.00	€238.50
Over €97.60 and up to €100.10	€126.50	€236.00
Over €100.10 and up to €102.60	€124.00	€233.50
Over €102.60 and up to €105.10	€121.50	€231.00
Over €105.10 and up to €107.60	€119.00	€228.50
Over €107.60 and up to €110.10	€116.50	€226.00
Over €110.10 and up to €112.60	€114.00	€223.50
Over €112.60 and up to €115.10	€111.50	€221.00
Over €115.10 and up to €117.60	€109.00	€218.50
Over €117.60 and up to €120.10	€106.50	€216.00
Over €120.10 and up to €122.60	€104.00	€213.50
Over €122.60 and up to €125.10	€101.50	€211.00
Over €125.10 and up to €127.60	€99.00	€208.50
Over €127.60 and up to €130.10	€96.50	€206.00
Over €130.10 and up to €132.60	€94.00	€203.50
Over €132.60 and up to €135.10	€91.50	€201.00
Over €135.10 and up to €137.60	€89.00	€198.50

Carer's Allowance 2020 for carers aged under 66

continued

Where the carer is aged under 66 and caring for		
Weekly means as assessed by us	One person weekly rate	More than one person weekly rate
Over €137.60 and up to €140.10	€86.50	€196.00
Over €140.10 and up to €142.60	€84.00	€193.50
Over €142.60 and up to €145.10	€81.50	€191.00
Over €145.10 and up to €147.60	€79.00	€188.50
Over €147.60 and up to €150.10	€76.50	€186.00
Over €150.10 and up to €152.60	€74.00	€183.50
Over €152.60 and up to €155.10	€71.50	€181.00
Over €155.10 and up to €157.60	€69.00	€178.50
Over €157.60 and up to €160.10	€66.50	€176.00
Over €160.10 and up to €162.60	€64.00	€173.50
Over €162.60 and up to €165.10	€61.50	€171.00
Over €165.10 and up to €167.60	€59.00	€168.50
Over €167.60 and up to €170.10	€56.50	€166.00
Over €170.10 and up to €172.60	€54.00	€163.50
Over €172.60 and up to €175.10	€51.50	€161.00
Over €175.10 and up to €177.60	€49.00	€158.50
Over €177.60 and up to €180.10	€46.50	€156.00
Over €180.10 and up to €182.60	€44.00	€153.50
Over €182.60 and up to €185.10	€41.50	€151.00
Over €185.10 and up to €187.60	€39.00	€148.50
Over €187.60 and up to €190.10	€36.50	€146.00
Over €190.10 and up to €192.60	€34.00	€143.50
Over €192.60 and up to €195.10	€31.50	€141.00
Over €195.10 and up to €197.60	€29.00	€138.50
Over €197.60 and up to €200.10	€26.50	€136.00
Over €200.10 and up to €202.60	€24.00	€133.50

Carer's Allowance 2020 for carers aged under 66

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Where the carer is aged under 66 and caring for		
Weekly means as assessed by us	One person weekly rate	More than one person weekly rate
Over €202.60 and up to €205.10	€21.50	€131.00
Over €205.10 and up to €207.60	€19.00	€128.50
Over €207.60 and up to €210.10	€16.50	€126.00
Over €210.10 and up to €212.60	€14.00	€123.50
Over €212.60 and up to €215.10	€11.50	€121.00
Over €215.10 and up to €217.60	€9.00	€118.50
Over €217.60 and up to €220.10	€6.50	€116.00
Over €220.10 and up to €222.60	€4.00	€113.50
Over €222.60	Nil	* €111.00

* means continues to deduct from the payment at €2.50 intervals. If means are over €332.60 payment is Nil.

Increases	Weekly rate	
Each qualified child aged	Under 12 years	12 years and over
* Full rate from 6 January 2020	€36.00	€40.00
** Half-rate from 6 January 2020	€18.00	€20.00

* You can get this, if you are single, widowed, a surviving civil partner or separated.

** You can get this, if you are married, in a civil partnership or cohabitating.

Carer's Allowance 2020 for carers aged 66 or over

Where the carer is aged 66 or over and caring for:		
Weekly means as assessed by us	One person weekly rate	More than one person weekly rate
Up to €7.60	€257.00	€385.50
Over €7.60 and up to €10.10	€254.50	€383.00
Over €10.10 and up to €12.60	€252.00	€380.50
Over €12.60 and up to €15.10	€249.50	€378.00
Over €15.10 and up to €17.60	€247.00	€375.50
Over €17.60 and up to €20.10	€244.50	€373.00
Over €20.10 and up to €22.60	€242.00	€370.50
Over €22.60 and up to €25.10	€239.50	€368.00
Over €25.10 and up to €27.60	€237.00	€365.50
Over €27.60 and up to €30.10	€234.50	€363.00
Over €30.10 and up to €32.60	€232.00	€360.50
Over €32.60 and up to €35.10	€229.50	€358.00
Over €35.10 and up to €37.60	€227.00	€355.50
Over €37.60 and up to €40.10	€224.50	€353.00
Over €40.10 and up to €42.60	€222.00	€350.50
Over €42.60 and up to €45.10	€219.50	€348.00
Over €45.10 and up to €47.60	€217.00	€345.50
Over €47.60 and up to €50.10	€214.50	€343.00
Over €50.10 and up to €52.60	€212.00	€340.50
Over €52.60 and up to €55.10	€209.50	€338.00
Over €55.10 and up to €57.60	€207.00	€335.50
Over €57.60 and up to €60.10	€204.50	€333.00
Over €60.10 and up to €62.60	€202.00	€330.50
Over €62.60 and up to €65.10	€199.50	€328.00
Over €65.10 and up to €67.60	€197.00	€325.50
Over €67.60 and up to €70.10	€194.50	€323.00
Over €70.10 and up to €72.60	€192.00	€320.50

Carer's Allowance 2020 for carers aged 66 or over

continued

Where the carer is aged 66 or over and caring for:		
Weekly means as assessed by us	One person weekly rate	More than one person weekly rate
Over €72.60 and up to €75.10	€189.50	€318.00
Over €75.10 and up to €77.60	€187.00	€315.50
Over €77.60 and up to €80.10	€184.50	€313.00
Over €80.10 and up to €82.60	€182.00	€310.50
Over €82.60 and up to €85.10	€179.50	€308.00
Over €85.10 and up to €87.60	€177.00	€305.50
Over €87.60 and up to €90.10	€174.50	€303.00
Over €90.10 and up to €92.60	€172.00	€300.50
Over €92.60 and up to €95.10	€169.50	€298.00
Over €95.10 and up to €97.60	€167.00	€295.50
Over €97.60 and up to €100.10	€164.50	€293.00
Over €100.10 and up to €102.60	€162.00	€290.50
Over €102.60 and up to €105.10	€159.50	€288.00
Over €105.10 and up to €107.60	€157.00	€285.50
Over €107.60 and up to €110.10	€154.50	€283.00
Over €110.10 and up to €112.60	€152.00	€280.50
Over €112.60 and up to €115.10	€149.50	€278.00
Over €115.10 and up to €117.60	€147.00	€275.50
Over €117.60 and up to €120.10	€144.50	€273.00
Over €120.10 and up to €122.60	€142.00	€270.50
Over €122.60 and up to €125.10	€139.50	€268.00
Over €125.10 and up to €127.60	€137.00	€265.50
Over €127.60 and up to €130.10	€134.50	€263.00
Over €130.10 and up to €132.60	€132.00	€260.50
Over €132.60 and up to €135.10	€129.50	€258.00

Carer's Allowance 2020 for carers aged 66 or over

continued

Where the carer is aged 66 or over and caring for:		
Weekly means as assessed by us	One person weekly rate	More than one person weekly rate
Over €135.10 and up to €137.60	€127.00	€255.50
Over €137.60 and up to €140.10	€124.50	€253.00
Over €140.10 and up to €142.60	€122.00	€250.50
Over €142.60 and up to €145.10	€119.50	€248.00
Over €145.10 and up to €147.60	€117.00	€245.50
Over €147.60 and up to €150.10	€114.50	€243.00
Over €150.10 and up to €152.60	€112.00	€240.50
Over €152.60 and up to €155.10	€109.50	€238.00
Over €155.10 and up to €157.60	€107.00	€235.50
Over €157.60 and up to €160.10	€104.50	€233.00
Over €160.10 and up to €162.60	€102.00	€230.50
Over €162.60 and up to €165.10	€99.50	€228.00
Over €165.10 and up to €167.60	€97.00	€225.50
Over €167.60 and up to €170.10	€94.50	€223.00
Over €170.10 and up to €172.60	€92.00	€220.50
Over €172.60 and up to €175.10	€89.50	€218.00
Over €175.10 and up to €177.60	€87.00	€215.50
Over €177.60 and up to €180.10	€84.50	€213.00
Over €180.10 and up to €182.60	€82.00	€210.50
Over €182.60 and up to €185.10	€79.50	€208.00
Over €185.10 and up to €187.60	€77.00	€205.50
Over €187.60 and up to €190.10	€74.50	€203.00
Over €190.10 and up to €192.60	€72.00	€200.50
Over €192.60 and up to €195.10	€69.50	€198.00
Over €195.10 and up to €197.60	€67.00	€195.50
Over €197.60 and up to €200.10	€64.50	€193.00

Carer's Allowance 2020 for carers aged 66 or over

continued

Where the carer is aged 66 or over and caring for:		
Weekly means as assessed by us	One person weekly rate	More than one person weekly rate
Over €200.10 and up to €202.60	€62.00	€190.50
Over €202.60 and up to €205.10	€59.50	€188.00
Over €205.10 and up to €207.60	€57.00	€185.50
Over €207.60 and up to €210.10	€54.50	€183.00
Over €210.10 and up to €212.60	€52.00	€180.50
Over €212.60 and up to €215.10	€49.50	€178.00
Over €215.10 and up to €217.60	€47.00	€175.50
Over €217.60 and up to €220.10	€44.50	€173.00
Over €220.10 and up to €222.60	€42.00	€170.50
Over €222.60 and up to €225.10	€39.50	€168.00
Over €225.10 and up to €227.60	€37.00	€165.50
Over €227.60 and up to €230.10	€34.50	€163.00
Over €230.10 and up to €232.60	€32.00	€160.50
Over €232.60 and up to €235.10	€29.50	€158.00
Over €235.10 and up to €237.60	€27.00	€155.50
Over €237.60 and up to €240.10	€24.50	€153.00
Over €240.10 and up to €242.60	€22.00	€150.50
Over €242.60 and up to €245.10	€19.50	€148.00
Over €245.10 and up to €247.60	€17.00	€145.50
Over €247.60 and up to €250.10	€14.50	€143.00
Over €250.10 and up to €252.60	€12.00	€140.50
Over €252.60 and up to €255.10	€9.50	€138.00
Over €255.10 and up to €257.60	€7.00	€135.50
Over €257.60 and up to €260.10	€4.50	€133.00
Over €260.10	Nil	*€130.50

* means continues to deduct from the payment at €2.50 intervals. If means are over €390.10 payment is Nil.

Increases	Weekly rate	
For carers age 80 or over	€10.00	
Each qualified child aged	Under 12 years	12 years and over
*Full rate from 6 January 2020	€36.00	€40.00
**Half-rate from 6 January 2020	€18.00	€20.00
Increase for people living on certain offshore islands	€12.70	

*You can get this, if you are single, widowed, a surviving civil partner or separated.

** You can get this, if you are married, in a civil partnership or cohabiting.

Half-rate Carer's Allowance

Since 27 September 2007, if you are getting certain payment(s) from this Department and you satisfy the conditions for Carer's Allowance, you may get half the rate of Carer's Allowance along with your existing payment(s). It may also be possible for you to receive half rate Carer's Allowance in addition to someone receiving an increase for you as a qualified adult on their own payment. The qualifying conditions for receipt of the half rate Carer's Allowance payment are exactly the same as Carer's Allowance.

Shared Caring

Two carers who provide care can be accommodated on the carer's allowance scheme. In general the care sharing pattern must be on a weekly basis, each caring Monday to Sunday. However other caring patterns may be considered. If granted you will each be paid an amount of carer's allowance proportionate to the level of care provided. The rate of payment for each carer will depend on each individual's financial resources and you will both share the annual carer's support grant proportionally.

A carer who provides care on alternate weeks while the care recipient attends a residential institution every other week can also be accommodated on the carer's allowance scheme.

Each carer should apply for carer's allowance using form **CR 1**. If a person is caring for someone on alternate weeks where the care recipient attends a residential institution then this detail must be recorded on the application form. All the usual qualifying conditions for carer's allowance will apply to carers availing of these arrangements.

Both carers will receive the household benefits package of free schemes if they meet the qualifying criteria for the scheme.

Carers Benefit 2020

Where the carer is caring for:	One person weekly rate	More than one person weekly rate
Personal rate	€220.00	€330.00
Increases		
Each qualified child aged	Under 12 years	12 years and over
*Full rate from 6 January 2020	€36.00	€40.00
**Half-rate from 6 January 2020	€18.00	€20.00

*You can get this, if you are single, widowed, a surviving civil partner or separated.

** You can get this, if you are married, in a civil partnership or cohabiting.

Working/Training while Caring

A Carer may work outside the home and/or attend an educational/training course/participate in voluntary/community based activity but the combined hours cannot exceed a cumulative **18.5 hours a week from 01/01/2020** (Prior to 01/01/2020 the hours allowed was 15 per week). This applies to both **Carers Allowance and Carers Benefit** schemes. There is no change to the income thresholds (i.e the income disregard for Carers Allowance remains at €332.50 gross per week for a single person and €665.00 gross for a couple. The income disregard for Carers Benefit remains at €332.50 after deductions of Paye Tax, PRSI, Superannuation, USC, Union Fees and Private Health Insurance).

For more information:

Email: carersallowance@welfare.ie for queries relating to Carers Allowance or carersbenefit@welfare.ie for queries relating to Carers Benefit
Telephone: 043 3340000 or LoCall 1890 92 77 70. If you are calling from outside the Republic of Ireland please call ++353 43 3340000.

Carer's Support Grant

Annual rate for each person you are caring for - **€1,700

**This is payable from the first Thursday in June 2020. Please note that applications for the 2019 Carer's Support Grant (rate €1,700) can be made from April 2019 up to 31 December 2020.

Domiciliary Care Allowance

Monthly rate	€309.50*
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Domiciliary Care Allowance is a monthly payment for a severely disabled child who is under age 16 and needs full-time care and attention far beyond what is normally required by a child of the same age. It is paid to the person with whom the child is living and who is providing for the care of the child.

*If the child is in your care between 5-7 days per week, (if the child is in your care for between 2-4 days per week the allowance is paid at 50% of the full rate).

Medical Care Scheme

This scheme covers the cost of certain medical care expenses due to an occupational accident or disease. However, these costs must not have already been paid by either the Treatment Benefit Section of the Department of Employment Affairs and Social Protection or the Health Service Executive.

Injury Benefit 2020

Weekly rate		
Personal rate	€203.00	
Increase for Qualified Adult ‡	€134.70	
Increase for each qualified child aged *	Under 12 years	12 years and over
Full rate from 6 January 2020	€36.00	€40.00
Half-rate from 6 January 2020	€18.00	€20.00

‡You may get a reduced rate increase if your qualified adult has earnings or income in excess of €100.00 and up to €310.00 gross a week (see Appendix).

*You can get a weekly increase for each qualified child if you qualify for an increase for a qualified adult or if you are parenting alone. If you do not qualify for an increase for a qualified adult, you may get a half-rate qualified child increase, if your qualified adult has income of €400 or less a week.

Disablement Benefit 2020

Weekly rate	
100% disablement Maximum personal pension	€234.00 a week
20% to 90% disablement	Reduced pension
90%	€210.60
80%	€187.20
70%	€163.80
60%	€140.40
50%	€117.00
40%	€93.60
30%	€70.20
20%	€46.80
Between 15% and 19% disablement You may get a lump sum, up to a maximum of	€16,370

Constant Attendance Allowance 2020

Weekly rate	
Constant Attendance Allowance	€220.00

Constant Attendance Allowance is an increase payable on Disablement Pension with a loss of faculty assessment of 50% or higher and where as a result of the occupational injury, the pensioner requires constant attendance.

It is not payable if someone is getting a Carer's Allowance or Benefit for the care of the pensioner.

Incapacity Supplement 2020

Weekly rate		
Personal rate		
Under age 66	€203.00	
Age 66 or over	€222.30	
Increases:		
Increase for Qualified Adult †		
Under age 66	€134.70	
Age 66 or over	€147.50	
Each qualified child aged *	Under 12 years	12 years and over
Full rate from 6 January 2020	€36.00	€40.00
Half-rate from 6 January 2020	€18.00	€20.00
Living Alone Increase from 6 January 2020	€14.00	
Increase for people living on certain offshore islands	€12.70	

‡You may get a reduced rate increase if your qualified adult has earnings or income in excess of €100.00 and up to €310.00 gross a week (see Appendix).

*You can get a weekly increase for each qualified child if you qualify for an increase for a qualified adult or if you are parenting alone. If you do not qualify for an increase for a qualified adult, you may get a half-rate qualified child increase.

Death Benefit 2020

Weekly rate		
Pension for widow, widower, or surviving civil partner	aged under 66	€233.50
	aged 66 or over	€252.70
Increases:		
Each qualified child aged *	Under 12 years	12 years and over
Full rate from 6 January 2020	€36.00	€40.00
Half-rate from 6 January 2020	€18.00	€20.00
Living Alone Increase for people age 66 or over from the 6 January 2020	€14.00	
Extra increase for people age 80 or over	€10.00	
Increase for people age 66 or over living on certain offshore islands	€12.70	
Orphan's Payment	€189.80	

*You can get a weekly increase for each qualified child if you qualify for an increase for a qualified adult or if you are parenting alone. If you do not qualify for an increase for a qualified adult, you may get a half-rate qualified child increase.

Funeral Grant	once off paid €850.00
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Children

Child Benefit

Monthly rate	€140 a child
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Twins – Child Benefit is paid at one and a half times the normal monthly rate for each child increasing the rate to €210.

All other multiple births – Child Benefit is paid at double the normal monthly rate for each child increasing the rate to €280.

Working Family Payment (formerly known as Family Income Supplement)

To qualify for Working Family Payment (WFP), your average weekly family income must be below a certain amount for your family size.

You have:	Your weekly family income is less than:
1 child	€531
2 children	€632
3 children	€733
4 children	€834
5 children	€960
6 children	€1,076
7 children	€1,212
8 or more children	€1,308

WFP payable is 60% of the difference between your weekly family income (that is, gross taxable earnings less tax, employee PRSI, Universal Social Charge (USC) and any other income your family has) and the income limit that applies to your family size.

Note: No matter how little you may qualify for, you will get a minimum of €20 each week.

Guardian's Payment (Contributory) 2020

Weekly rate	
Rate for each orphan	€186.00

Guardian's Payment (Non-Contributory) 2020

Weekly means as assessed by us	Weekly rate
Up to €7.60	€186.00
Over €7.60 and up to €10.10	€183.50
Over €10.10 and up to €12.60	€181.00
Over €12.60 and up to €15.10	€178.50
Over €15.10 and up to €17.60	€176.00
Over €17.60 and up to €20.10	€173.50
Over €20.10 and up to €22.60	€171.00
Over €22.60 and up to €25.10	€168.50
Over €25.10 and up to €27.60	€166.00
Over €27.60 and up to €30.10	€163.50
Over €30.10 and up to €32.60	€161.00
Over €32.60 and up to €35.10	€158.50
Over €35.10 and up to €37.60	€156.00
Over €37.60 and up to €40.10	€153.50
Over €40.10 and up to €42.60	€151.00
Over €42.60 and up to €45.10	€148.50
Over €45.10 and up to €47.60	€146.00
Over €47.60 and up to €50.10	€143.50
Over €50.10 and up to €52.60	€141.00
Over €52.60 and up to €55.10	€138.50
Over €55.10 and up to €57.60	€136.00
Over €57.60 and up to €60.10	€133.50
Over €60.10 and up to €62.60	€131.00
Over €62.60 and up to €65.10	€128.50

Guardian's Payment (Non-Contributory) 2020 Continued

Weekly means as assessed by us	Weekly rate
Over €65.10 and up to €67.60	€126.00
Over €67.60 and up to €70.10	€123.50
Over €70.10 and up to €72.60	€121.00
Over €72.60 and up to €75.10	€118.50
Over €75.10 and up to €77.60	€116.00
Over €77.60 and up to €80.10	€113.50
Over €80.10 and up to €82.60	€111.00
Over €82.60 and up to €85.10	€108.50
Over €85.10 and up to €87.60	€106.00
Over €87.60 and up to €90.10	€103.50
Over €90.10 and up to €92.60	€101.00
Over €92.60 and up to €95.10	€98.50
Over €95.10 and up to €97.60	€96.00
Over €97.60 and up to €100.10	€93.50
Over €100.10 and up to €102.60	€91.00
Over €102.60 and up to €105.10	€88.50
Over €105.10 and up to €107.60	€86.00
Over €107.60 and up to €110.10	€83.50
Over €110.10 and up to €112.60	€81.00
Over €112.60 and up to €115.10	€78.50
Over €115.10 and up to €117.60	€76.00
Over €117.60 and up to €120.10	€73.50
Over €120.10 and up to €122.60	€71.00
Over €125.10 and up to €127.60	€66.00
Over €127.60 and up to €130.10	€63.50
Over €130.10 and up to €132.60	€61.00
Over €132.60 and up to €135.10	€58.50
Over €135.10 and up to €137.60	€56.00
Over €137.60 and up to €140.10	€53.50

Guardian's Payment (Non-Contributory) 2020 Continued

Weekly means as assessed by us	Weekly rate
Over €140.10 and up to €142.60	€51.00
Over €142.60 and up to €145.10	€48.50
Over €145.10 and up to €147.60	€46.00
Over €147.60 and up to €150.10	€43.50
Over €150.10 and up to €152.60	€41.00
Over €152.60 and up to €155.10	€38.50
Over €155.10 and up to €157.60	€36.00
Over €157.60 and up to €160.10	€33.50
Over €160.10 and up to €162.60	€31.00
Over €162.60 and up to €165.10	€28.50
Over €165.10 and up to €167.60	€26.00
Over €167.60 and up to €170.10	€23.50
Over €170.10 and up to €172.60	€21.00
Over €172.60 and up to €175.10	€18.50
Over €175.10 and up to €177.60	€16.00
Over €177.60 and up to €180.10	€13.50
Over €180.10 and up to €182.60	€11.00
Over €182.60 and up to €185.10	€8.50
Over €185.10 and up to €187.60	€6.00
Over €187.60 and up to €190.10	€3.50
Over €190.10	Nil

Back to School Clothing and Footwear Allowance

The Back to School Clothing and Footwear Allowance is paid to eligible families to assist with the extra costs when children start school each autumn.

Rate payable in 2020	
Rate for each child aged 4-11	€150.00
Rate for each child aged 12-17**	€275.00

**This is also paid for children aged 18 - 22 if they are in second level education and for whom a qualified child increase is payable.

Widowed or Surviving Civil Partner Grant

	Rate
Widowed or Surviving Civil Partner Grant (a once off payment for a widow, widower or surviving civil partner with a qualified child)	€6,000

Supplementary Payments

Electricity Allowance

Allowance	
Credit on Bill	Provides a credit worth €1.15 a day towards your electricity bill
Cash Electricity Allowance	€1.15 a day payable monthly

Gas Allowance

Allowance	
Credit on Bill	Provides a credit worth €1.15 a day towards your gas bill
Cash Gas Allowance	€1.15 a day payable monthly

Free Television Licence

If you qualify for the Household Benefits Package you will automatically get a free television licence from your next licence renewal date.

Fuel Allowance

The Fuel Allowance is paid to qualifying customers at the weekly rate of €24.50 from October to April for 28 weeks, or in 2 lump sums of €343, the first paid in October and the second paid in January.

Telephone Support Allowance

A weekly Telephone Support Allowance of €2.50 is paid to those receiving the Living Alone Increase together with the Fuel Allowance on qualifying payments.

Appendix

Increase for Qualified Adult rates for State Pension (Contributory)

You can get an increase for your qualified adult, as follows, if your personal rate is based on:

- a yearly average of 20 or more contributions, if you reach pension age on or before the 31 August 2012.
- a yearly average of 48 or more contributions, if you reach(ed) pension age on or after 1 September 2012.

Increase for Qualified Adult rates for State Pension (Contributory)

Qualified Adult (QA) gross weekly income and earnings	Increase for QA age 66 or under Weekly rate	Increase for QA age 66 or over Weekly rate
Up to €100.00	€165.40	€222.50
From €100.01 to €110.00	€158.40	€213.10
From €110.01 to €120.00	€151.40	€203.70
From €120.01 to €130.00	€144.40	€194.30
From €130.01 to €140.00	€137.40	€184.90
From €140.01 to €150.00	€130.40	€175.50
From €150.01 to €160.00	€123.40	€166.10
From €160.01 to €170.00	€116.40	€156.70
From €170.01 to €180.00	€109.40	€147.30
From €180.01 to €190.00	€102.40	€137.90
From €190.01 to €200.00	€95.40	€128.50
From €200.01 to €210.00	€88.40	€119.10
From €210.01 to €220.00	€81.40	€109.70
From €220.01 to €230.00	€74.40	€100.30
From €230.01 to €240.00	€67.40	€90.90
From €240.01 to €250.00	€60.40	€81.50
From €250.01 to €260.00	€53.40	€72.10
From €260.01 to €270.00	€46.40	€62.70
From €270.01 to €280.00	€39.40	€53.30
From €280.01 to €290.00	€32.40	€43.90
From €290.01 to €300.00	€25.40	€34.50
From €300.01 to €310.00	€18.40	€25.10
Over €310.00	Nil	Nil

Increase for Qualified Adult rates for State Pension (Contributory)

For claims made on or after 6 April 2001 and up to 31 August 2012

If you are getting a pension where your personal rate is based on a yearly average of 15 - 19 contributions, you can get an increase for your qualified adult, as follows:

Qualified Adult (QA) gross weekly income and earnings	Increase for QA age 66 or under Weekly rate	Increase for QA age 66 or over Weekly rate
Up to €100.00	€124.10	€166.90
From €100.01 to €110.00	€118.80	€159.80
From €110.01 to €120.00	€113.50	€152.70
From €120.01 to €130.00	€108.20	€145.60
From €130.01 to €140.00	€102.90	€138.50
From €140.01 to €150.00	€97.60	€131.40
From €150.01 to €160.00	€92.30	€124.30
From €160.01 to €170.00	€87.00	€117.20
From €170.01 to €180.00	€81.70	€110.10
From €180.01 to €190.00	€76.40	€103.00
From €190.01 to €200.00	€71.10	€95.90
From €200.01 to €210.00	€65.80	€88.80
From €210.01 to €220.00	€60.50	€81.70
From €220.01 to €230.00	€55.20	€74.60
From €230.01 to €240.00	€49.90	€67.50
From €240.01 to €250.00	€44.60	€60.40
From €250.01 to €260.00	€39.30	€53.30
From €260.01 to €270.00	€34.00	€46.20
From €270.01 to €280.00	€28.70	€39.10
From €280.01 to €290.00	€23.40	€32.00
From €290.01 to €300.00	€18.10	€24.90
From €300.01 to €310.00	€12.80	€17.80
Over €310.00	Nil	Nil

Increase for Qualified Adult rates for State Pension (Contributory)

For claims made on or after 6 April 2001 and up to 31 August 2012

If you are getting a pension where your personal rate is based on a yearly average of 10 - 14 contributions, you can get an increase for your qualified adult, as follows:

Qualified Adult (QA) gross weekly income and earnings	Increase for QA age 66 or under Weekly rate	Increase for QA age 66 or over Weekly rate
Up to €100.00	€82.80	€111.20
From €100.01 to €110.00	€79.30	€106.50
From €110.01 to €120.00	€75.80	€101.80
From €120.01 to €130.00	€72.30	€97.10
From €130.01 to €140.00	€68.80	€92.40
From €140.01 to €150.00	€65.30	€87.70
From €150.01 to €160.00	€61.80	€83.00
From €160.01 to €170.00	€58.30	€78.30
From €170.01 to €180.00	€54.80	€73.60
From €180.01 to €190.00	€51.30	€68.90
From €190.01 to €200.00	€47.80	€64.20
From €200.01 to €210.00	€44.30	€59.50
From €210.01 to €220.00	€40.80	€54.80
From €220.01 to €230.00	€37.30	€50.10
From €230.01 to €240.00	€33.80	€45.40
From €240.01 to €250.00	€30.30	€40.70
From €250.01 to €260.00	€26.80	€36.00
From €260.01 to €270.00	€23.30	€31.30
From €270.01 to €280.00	€19.80	€26.60
From €280.01 to €290.00	€16.30	€21.90
From €290.01 to €300.00	€12.80	€17.20
From €300.01 to €310.00	€9.30	€12.50
Over €310.00	Nil	Nil

Increase for Qualified Adult rates for State Pension (Contributory)

For claims made before 6 April 2001

If you are getting a pension where your personal rate is based on a yearly average of less than 20 contributions, you can get an increase for your qualified adult, as follows:

Qualified Adult (QA) gross weekly income and earnings	Increase for QA age 66 or under Weekly rate	Increase for QA age 66 or over Weekly rate
Up to €100.00	€129.90	€166.90
From €100.01 to €110.00	€124.10	€159.80
From €110.01 to €120.00	€118.30	€152.70
From €120.01 to €130.00	€112.50	€145.60
From €130.01 to €140.00	€106.70	€138.50
From €140.01 to €150.00	€100.90	€131.40
From €150.01 to €160.00	€95.10	€124.30
From €160.01 to €170.00	€89.30	€117.20
From €170.01 to €180.00	€83.50	€110.10
From €180.01 to €190.00	€77.70	€103.00
From €190.01 to €200.00	€71.90	€95.90
From €200.01 to €210.00	€66.10	€88.80
From €210.01 to €220.00	€60.30	€81.70
From €220.01 to €230.00	€54.50	€74.60
From €230.01 to €240.00	€48.70	€67.50
From €240.01 to €250.00	€42.90	€60.40
From €250.01 to €260.00	€37.10	€53.30
From €260.01 to €270.00	€31.30	€46.20
From €270.01 to €280.00	€25.50	€39.10
From €280.01 to €290.00	€19.70	€32.00
From €290.01 to €300.00	€13.90	€24.90
From €300.01 to €310.00	€8.10	€17.80
Over €310.00	Nil	Nil

Increase for Qualified Adult rates for State Pension (Contributory)

For claims made on or after 1 September 2012

If you are getting a pension where your personal rate is based on a yearly average of 40 - 47 contributions, you can get an increase for your qualified adult, as follows:

Qualified Adult (QA) gross weekly income and earnings	Increase for QA age 66 or under Weekly rate	Increase for QA age 66 or over Weekly rate
Up to €100.00	€157.40	€211.40
From €100.01 to €110.00	€150.70	€202.40
From €110.01 to €120.00	€144.00	€193.40
From €120.01 to €130.00	€137.30	€184.40
From €130.01 to €140.00	€130.60	€175.40
From €140.01 to €150.00	€123.90	€166.40
From €150.01 to €160.00	€117.20	€157.40
From €160.01 to €170.00	€110.50	€148.40
From €170.01 to €180.00	€103.80	€139.40
From €180.01 to €190.00	€97.10	€130.40
From €190.01 to €200.00	€90.40	€121.40
From €200.01 to €210.00	€83.70	€112.40
From €210.01 to €220.00	€77.00	€103.40
From €220.01 to €230.00	€70.30	€94.40
From €230.01 to €240.00	€63.60	€85.40
From €240.01 to €250.00	€56.90	€76.40
From €250.01 to €260.00	€50.20	€67.40
From €260.01 to €270.00	€43.50	€58.40
From €270.01 to €280.00	€36.80	€49.40
From €280.01 to €290.00	€30.10	€40.40
From €290.01 to €300.00	€23.40	€31.40
From €300.01 to €310.00	€16.70	€22.40
Over €310.00	Nil	Nil

Increase for Qualified Adult rates for State Pension (Contributory)

For claims made on or after 1 September 2012

If you are getting a pension where your personal rate is based on a yearly average of 30 - 39 contributions, you can get an increase for your qualified adult, as follows:

Qualified Adult (QA) gross weekly income and earnings	Increase for QA age 66 or under Weekly rate	Increase for QA age 66 or over Weekly rate
Up to €100.00	€149.80	€200.50
From €100.01 to €110.00	€143.40	€191.90
From €110.01 to €120.00	€137.00	€183.30
From €120.01 to €130.00	€130.60	€174.70
From €130.01 to €140.00	€124.20	€166.10
From €140.01 to €150.00	€117.80	€157.50
From €150.01 to €160.00	€111.40	€148.90
From €160.01 to €170.00	€105.00	€140.30
From €170.01 to €180.00	€98.60	€131.70
From €180.01 to €190.00	€92.20	€123.10
From €190.01 to €200.00	€85.80	€114.50
From €200.01 to €210.00	€79.40	€105.90
From €210.01 to €220.00	€73.00	€97.30
From €220.01 to €230.00	€66.60	€88.70
From €230.01 to €240.00	€60.20	€80.10
From €240.01 to €250.00	€53.80	€71.50
From €250.01 to €260.00	€47.40	€62.90
From €260.01 to €270.00	€41.00	€54.30
From €270.01 to €280.00	€34.60	€45.70
From €280.01 to €290.00	€28.20	€37.10
From €290.01 to €300.00	€21.80	€28.50
From €300.01 to €310.00	€15.40	€19.90
Over €310.00	Nil	Nil

Increase for Qualified Adult rates for State Pension (Contributory)

If you reach pension age on or after 1 September 2012

If you are getting a pension where your personal rate is based on a yearly average of 20 - 29 contributions, you can get an increase for your qualified adult, as follows:

Qualified Adult (QA) gross weekly income and earnings	Increase for QA age 66 or under Weekly rate	Increase for QA age 66 or over Weekly rate
Up to €100.00	€140.10	€188.70
From €100.01 to €110.00	€134.10	€180.60
From €110.01 to €120.00	€128.10	€172.50
From €120.01 to €130.00	€122.10	€164.40
From €130.01 to €140.00	€116.10	€156.30
From €140.01 to €150.00	€110.10	€148.20
From €150.01 to €160.00	€104.10	€140.10
From €160.01 to €170.00	€98.10	€132.00
From €170.01 to €180.00	€92.10	€123.90
From €180.01 to €190.00	€86.10	€115.80
From €190.01 to €200.00	€80.10	€107.70
From €200.01 to €210.00	€74.10	€99.60
From €210.01 to €220.00	€68.10	€91.50
From €220.01 to €230.00	€62.10	€83.40
From €230.01 to €240.00	€56.10	€75.30
From €240.01 to €250.00	€50.10	€67.20
From €250.01 to €260.00	€44.10	€59.10
From €260.01 to €270.00	€38.10	€51.00
From €270.01 to €280.00	€32.10	€42.90
From €280.01 to €290.00	€26.10	€34.80
From €290.01 to €300.00	€20.10	€26.70
From €300.01 to €310.00	€14.10	€18.60
Over €310.00	Nil	Nil

Increase for Qualified Adult rates for State Pension (Contributory)

If you reach pension age on or after 1 September 2012

If you are getting a pension where your personal rate is based on a yearly average of 15 - 19 contributions, you can get an increase for your qualified adult, as follows:

Qualified Adult (QA) gross weekly income and earnings	Increase for QA age 66 or under Weekly rate	Increase for QA age 66 or over Weekly rate
Up to €100.00	€107.80	€144.50
From €100.01 to €110.00	€103.20	€138.30
From €110.01 to €120.00	€98.60	€132.10
From €120.01 to €130.00	€94.00	€125.90
From €130.01 to €140.00	€89.40	€119.70
From €140.01 to €150.00	€84.80	€113.50
From €150.01 to €160.00	€80.20	€107.30
From €160.01 to €170.00	€75.60	€101.10
From €170.01 to €180.00	€71.00	€94.90
From €180.01 to €190.00	€66.40	€88.70
From €190.01 to €200.00	€61.80	€82.50
From €200.01 to €210.00	€57.20	€76.30
From €210.01 to €220.00	€52.60	€70.10
From €220.01 to €230.00	€48.00	€63.90
From €230.01 to €240.00	€43.40	€57.70
From €240.01 to €250.00	€38.80	€51.50
From €250.01 to €260.00	€34.20	€45.30
From €260.01 to €270.00	€29.60	€39.10
From €270.01 to €280.00	€25.00	€32.90
From €280.01 to €290.00	€20.40	€26.70
From €290.01 to €300.00	€15.80	€20.50
From €300.01 to €310.00	€11.20	€14.30
Over €310.00	Nil	Nil

Increase for Qualified Adult rates for State Pension (Contributory)

If you reach pension age on or after 1 September 2012

If you are getting a pension where your personal rate is based on a yearly average of 10 - 14 contributions, you can get an increase for your qualified adult, as follows:

Qualified Adult gross weekly income and earnings	Increase for Qualified Adult	
	Age 66 or under Weekly rate	Age 66 or over Weekly rate
Up to €100.00	€65.70	€89.50
From €100.01 to €110.00	€62.90	€85.70
From €110.01 to €120.00	€60.10	€81.90
From €120.01 to €130.00	€57.30	€78.10
From €130.01 to €140.00	€54.50	€74.30
From €140.01 to €150.00	€51.70	€70.50
From €150.01 to €160.00	€48.90	€66.70
From €160.01 to €170.00	€46.10	€62.90
From €170.01 to €180.00	€43.30	€59.10
From €180.01 to €190.00	€40.50	€55.30
From €190.01 to €200.00	€37.70	€51.50
From €200.01 to €210.00	€34.90	€47.70
From €210.01 to €220.00	€32.10	€43.90
From €220.01 to €230.00	€29.30	€40.10
From €230.01 to €240.00	€26.50	€36.30
From €240.01 to €250.00	€23.70	€32.50
From €250.01 to €260.00	€20.90	€28.70
From €260.01 to €270.00	€18.10	€24.90
From €270.01 to €280.00	€15.30	€21.10
From €280.01 to €290.00	€12.50	€17.30
From €290.01 to €300.00	€9.70	€13.50
From €300.01 to €310.00	€6.90	€9.70
Over €310.00	Nil	Nil

Increase for a Qualified Adult rates for Invalidity Pension

If you are getting Invalidity Pension, you can get an increase for your qualified adult, as follows:

Qualified Adult gross weekly income or earnings	Increase for Qualified Adult Weekly rate
Up to €100.00	€148.90
From €100.01 to €110.00	€142.70
From €110.01 to €120.00	€136.30
From €120.01 to €130.00	€130.10
From €130.01 to €140.00	€123.80
From €140.01 to €150.00	€117.50
From €150.01 to €160.00	€111.30
From €160.01 to €170.00	€105.00
From €170.01 to €180.00	€98.70
From €180.01 to €190.00	€92.40
From €190.01 to €200.00	€86.20
From €200.01 to €210.00	€79.80
From €210.01 to €220.00	€73.60
From €220.01 to €230.00	€67.40
From €230.01 to €240.00	€61.10
From €240.01 to €250.00	€54.80
From €250.01 to €260.00	€48.50
From €260.01 to €270.00	€42.30
From €270.01 to €280.00	€36.00
From €280.01 to €290.00	€29.70
From €290.01 to €300.00	€23.50
From €300.01 to €310.00	€17.10
Over €310.00	Nil

The higher rate paid to Qualified Adults over 66 years of age does not apply to those who reach pension age on or after 2 January 2014.

Increase for a Qualified Adult (IQA)

If you are getting one of the payments listed below, you may get an increase for your qualified adult ; **Illness Benefit, Jobseeker's Benefit, Occupational Injury Benefit, Health and Safety Benefit, Incapacity Supplement, Disability Allowance*, Jobseeker's Allowance*, and Farm Assist***.

Qualified Adult gross weekly income or earnings	Increase for Qualified Adult Weekly rate
Up to €100.00	€134.70
From €100.01 to €110.00	€129.70
From €110.01 to €120.00	€124.70
From €120.01 to €130.00	€119.00
From €130.01 to €140.00	€113.10
From €140.01 to €150.00	€107.40
From €150.01 to €160.00	€101.60
From €160.01 to €170.00	€95.80
From €170.01 to €180.00	€90.00
From €180.01 to €190.00	€84.10
From €190.01 to €200.00	€78.40
From €200.01 to €210.00	€72.50
From €210.01 to €220.00	€66.80
From €220.01 to €230.00	€60.90
From €230.01 to €240.00	€55.20
From €240.01 to €250.00	€49.40
From €250.01 to €260.00	€43.60
From €260.01 to €270.00	€37.80
From €270.01 to €280.00	€32.00
From €280.01 to €290.00	€26.20
From €290.01 to €300.00	€20.40
From €300.01 to €310.00	€14.60
Over €310.00	Nil

*In the case of these three schemes, this table applies only to certain claims made prior to 26 September 2007.

Illness or Jobseeker's or Health and Safety Benefit only

If you are getting a reduced rate of Illness or Jobseeker's or Health and Safety Benefit, you can get an increase for your qualified adult, as follows:

Qualified Adult gross weekly income or earnings	Increase for Qualified Adult Weekly rate
Up to €100.00	€87.20
From €100.01 to €110.00	€83.60
From €110.01 to €120.00	€79.80
From €120.01 to €130.00	€76.20
From €130.01 to €140.00	€72.50
From €140.01 to €150.00	€68.80
From €150.01 to €160.00	€65.10
From €160.01 to €170.00	€61.40
From €170.01 to €180.00	€57.70
From €180.01 to €190.00	€54.10
From €190.01 to €200.00	€50.30
From €200.01 to €210.00	€46.70
From €210.01 to €220.00	€43.10
From €220.01 to €230.00	€39.30
From €230.01 to €240.00	€35.70
From €240.01 to €250.00	€32.00
From €250.01 to €260.00	€28.30
From €260.01 to €270.00	€24.60
From €270.01 to €280.00	€20.90
From €280.01 to €290.00	€17.20
From €290.01 to €300.00	€13.60
From €300.01 to €310.00	€9.90
Over €310.00	Nil

