

## Universal Credit Rates - Amounts for each assessment period

Element		2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
<b>Standard Allowance</b>						
	Single claimant under 25	£246.81	£249.28	£251.77	£251.77	<b>£251.77</b>
	Single claimant 25 and over	£311.55	£314.67	£317.82	£317.82	<b>£317.82</b>
	Joint claimants, both under 25	£387.42	£391.29	£395.20	£395.20	<b>£395.20</b>
	Joint claimants, either/both 25 and over	£489.06	£493.95	£498.89	£498.89	<b>£498.89</b>
<b>Child Element</b>						
	1 <sup>st</sup> child or qualifying young person (if born before 6 April 2017)	£272.08	£274.58	£277.08	£277.08	<b>£277.08</b>
	2 <sup>nd</sup> & subsequent child or qualifying young person (1 <sup>st</sup> child rate if born on or after 6 April 2017)	£226.67	£229.17	£231.67	£231.67	<b>£231.67</b>
<b>Additional amount for disabled child or qualifying young person</b>						
	Lower rate	£123.62	£124.86	£126.11	£126.11	<b>£126.11</b>
	Higher rate	£352.92	£362.92	£367.92	£367.92	<b>£372.30</b>
<b>LCW and LCWRA</b>						
	Limited capability for work	£123.62	£124.86	£126.11	£126.11	<b>£126.11</b>
	Limited capability for work & work related activity	£303.66	£311.86	£315.60	£315.60	<b>£318.76</b>
<b>Carer element</b>						
		£144.70	£148.61	£150.39	£150.39	<b>£151.89</b>

<b>Childcare costs element</b> (up to April 2016, limited to 70% of the relevant childcare charges or the maximum amounts whichever is the lower, from April 2016, rate rises to 85% of the relevant childcare charges or the maximum amount whichever is the lower)	<b>Maximum amount for one child</b>	£532.29	£532.29	£532.29	£646.35	<b>£646.35</b>
	<b>Maximum amount for 2 or more children</b>	£912.50	£912.50	£912.50	£1108.04	<b>£1108.04</b>
<b>Housing costs element</b>						
	<b>Tenants</b>	The lower of the broad market rental area amount for the number of bedrooms the claimant is entitled to or the actual rent. As long as a claimant doesn't have a change of circumstance, the amount of Universal Credit received to cover housing costs will be the same each month. This	No change	no change	No change	<b>No Change</b>

		means that where rental agreements include rent free periods the Universal Credit payment will be based on the total yearly rent divided by 12.				
	<b>Owner occupier (not applicable if in paid work)</b>	Not payable during initial qualifying period of 3 months. Some service charges are covered by this element including internal or external maintenance or repair of the accommodation if it is part of a social housing property award. Calculated from the amount of mortgage/ loan outstanding up to maximum of £200k. Multiplied	No change	no change	No change	<b>No Change</b>

		by a standard rate (3.63%) and then divided by 12.				
<b>Capital limits</b>						
	<b>Lower limit</b>	£6000	£6000	£6000	£6000	<b>£6000</b>
	<b>Upper limit</b>	£16,000	£16000	£16000	£16000	<b>£16000</b>
	<b>Tariff income</b>	£4.35 per £250 of income between the lower limit and upper limit	£4.35 per £250 of income between the lower limit and upper limit	£4.35 per £250 of income between the lower limit and upper limit	£4.35 per £250 of income between the lower limit and upper limit	<b>£4.35 per £250 of income between the lower limit and upper limit</b>
<b>Higher work allowance (where the UC award does not contain any housing costs element)</b>						
	<b>Single claimant – no responsibility for a child or qualifying young person</b>	£111	£111	£111	nil	<b>nil</b>
	<b>Single claimant – responsible for one or more children or qualifying young people</b>	£734	£734	£734	£397.00	<b>£397.00</b>
	<b>Single claimant – limited capability for work</b>	£647	£647	£647	£397.00	<b>£397.00</b>
	<b>Joint claimants – neither responsible for a child or qualifying young person</b>	£111	£111	£111	nil	<b>nil</b>

	<b>Joint claimants – responsible for one or more children or qualifying young people</b>	£536	£536	£536	£397.00	<b>£397.00</b>
	<b>Joint claimants – one or both have limited capability for work</b>	£647	£647	£647	£397.00	<b>£397.00</b>
<b>Lower work allowance (where the UC award contains housing costs element)</b>						
	<b>Single claimant – no responsibility for a child or qualifying young person</b>	£111	£111	£111	nil	<b>nil</b>
	<b>Single claimant – responsible for one or more children or qualifying young people</b>	£263	£263	£263	£192.00	<b>£192.00</b>
	<b>Single claimant – limited capability for work</b>	£192	£192	£192	£192.00	<b>£192.00</b>
	<b>Joint claimants – neither responsible for a child or qualifying young person</b>	£111	£111	£111	nil	<b>nil</b>
	<b>Joint claimants – responsible for one or more children or qualifying young people</b>	£222	£222	£222	£192.00	<b>£192.00</b>
	<b>Joint claimants – one or both have limited capability for work</b>	£192	£192	£192	£192.00	<b>£192.00</b>
<b>Non-dependent housing cost contributions</b>		£68.00	£68.68	£69.37	£69.37	<b>£70.06</b>

<b>Overall maximum deduction rates at 40% of UC standard allowance</b>						
	<b>Single under 25</b>	£98.72	£99.71	£100.71	£100.71	<b>£100.71</b>
	<b>Single aged 25 or over</b>	£124.62	£125.87	£127.13	£127.13	<b>£127.13</b>
	<b>Couple – both under 25</b>	£154.97	£156.52	£158.08	£158.08	<b>£158.08</b>
	<b>Couple – one or both 25 or over</b>	£195.62	£197.58	£199.56	£199.56	<b>£199.56</b>
<b>Fraud overpayments, recoverable hardship payments and administrative penalties at 40% of UC standard allowance</b>						
	<b>Single under 25</b>	£98.72	£99.71	£100.71	£100.71	<b>£100.71</b>
	<b>Single aged 25 or over</b>	£124.62	£125.87	£127.13	£127.13	<b>£127.13</b>
	<b>Couple – both under 25</b>	£154.97	£156.52	£158.08	£158.08	<b>£158.08</b>
	<b>Couple – one or both 25 or over</b>	£195.62	£197.58	£199.56	£199.56	<b>£199.56</b>
<b>Normal overpayments and civil penalties at 15% of UC standard allowance</b>						
	<b>Single under 25</b>	£37.02	£37.39	£37.77	£37.77	<b>£37.77</b>
	<b>Single aged 25 or over</b>	£46.73	£47.20	£47.67	£47.67	<b>£47.67</b>
	<b>Couple – both under 25</b>	£58.11	£58.69	£59.28	£59.28	<b>£59.28</b>

	<b>Couple – one or both 25 or over</b>	£73.36	£74.09	£74.83	£74.83	<b>£74.83</b>
<b>Normal overpayments and civil penalties at 25% of UC standard allowance if the claimants and/or partner's earnings are over the work allowance</b>						
	<b>Single under 25</b>	£61.70	£62.32	£62.94	£62.94	<b>£62.94</b>
	<b>Single aged 25 or over</b>	£77.89	£78.67	£79.46	£79.46	<b>£79.46</b>
	<b>Couple – both under 25</b>	£96.86	£97.82	£98.80	£98.80	<b>£98.80</b>
	<b>Couple – one or both 25 or over</b>	£122.27	£123.49	£124.72	£124.72	<b>£124.72</b>
<b>Third party deductions at 5% of UC standard allowance</b>						
	<b>Single under 25</b>	£12.34	£12.46	£12.59	£12.59	<b>£12.59</b>
	<b>Single aged 25 or over</b>	£15.58	£15.73	£15.89	£15.89	<b>£15.89</b>
	<b>Couple – both under 25</b>	£19.37	£19.56	£19.76	£19.76	<b>£19.76</b>
	<b>Couple – one or both 25 or over</b>	£24.45	£24.70	£24.94	£24.94	<b>£24.94</b>
	<b>Maximum deduction for fines</b>	108.35	108.35	108.35	108.35	<b>108.35</b>