

What's in this booklet

This booklet gives the rates of payment from the Department of 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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Rates of weekly payments:	Paid:
— From the Department	→ from 1 Jan 2011 to 31 Dec 2011
— PRSI Contributions	→ from 1 Jan 2011 to 1 July 2011

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 with the section of the Department dealing with that payment.

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

Note

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

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Pay-Related Social Insurance (PRSI)

The rates of PRSI given in the following tables are applicable from **1 January to 31 December 2011** and include the Social Insurance Contribution, which applies to **all** income in 2011.

Please note that the Health Contribution has been abolished and replaced with a new Universal Social Charge (for more details log onto www.revenue.ie).

In 2011, some subclasses (For example: AL and A1) feature identical rates. This reflects the removal of the Health Contribution charge from certain subclasses.

As a result of this change, other subclasses, such as, A2, B2, C2, D2, H2, J2 and S2 no longer exist but they have been retained in this publication so that significant changes to payroll systems are not required in moving from 2010 to 2011.

There is no need to change the PRSI subclass to account for the abolition of the Health Contribution. For example, those paying Subclass A1 in 2010 will continue to pay Subclass A1 in 2011 (assuming their wages remain the same).

Officeholders

Office holders will 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**.

Income of €100 or less

IMPORTANT: People with a nil liability, such as persons in receipt of occupational pensions and public office holders with a weekly income of €100 or less should be returned at **Class M**.

PRSI Classes B,C and D

PRSI Classes B, C and D will pay PRSI at 0.9% up to €1,443 per week and 4% above €1,443 per week.

PRSI exemption on low earnings

Employees covered under 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 his or her share of PRSI as normal. **This will not affect employees' entitlement to benefits and pensions.** Employees whose weekly pay fluctuates above and below the €352 exemption limit are **not** entitled to an annual refund.

Employee's PRSI-Free Allowance

The PRSI-Free Allowance remains at €127 per week for employees in Classes A and H with weekly earnings of **more than** €352 and at €26 per week for **all** employees in Classes B, C and D.

The allowance only applies for weeks of insurable employment in which PRSI is paid. **Remember** that this allowance does not affect the gross reckonable weekly pay thresholds in deciding the appropriate contribution subclass.

Contributions for self-employed people

Self-employed people with a total income of €5,000 or more in the 2011 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 €253, whichever is greater.
- Those paying PAYE tax will 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 €157 to this Department.
- 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 over the PRSI-Free Allowance of €2,500 per annum or €200, whichever is the greater.

Voluntary contributions

If you are no longer covered by compulsory PRSI, either as an employee or as a self-employed person, and you are under age 66, you may opt to become insured on a voluntary basis, so long as you satisfy certain conditions. The amount of a Voluntary Contribution in any contribution year is calculated as a percentage of your 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 (Transition)
✓		✓	State Pension (Contributory)
✓	✓	✓	Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's (Contributory) Pension
✓	✓	✓	Guardian's Payment (Contributory)
✓	✓	✓	Bereavement Grant

High rate: 6.6% for people who last paid PRSI at Classes A, E and H

Low rate: 2.6% for people who last paid PRSI at Classes B, C and D

Special rate: Flat rate of €253 for people who last paid PRSI at Class S.

For more information, log on to www.welfare.ie.

EE: employee; ER: employer

Class A			All income	
Weekly pay band	PRSI Sub-class	How much of weekly pay	EE %	ER %
€38 - €352	A0	All	Nil	8.50
€352.01 - €356	AX	First €127 Balance	Nil 4.00	8.50 8.50
€356.01 - €500	AL	First €127 Balance	Nil 4.00	10.75 10.75
More than €500	A1	First €127 Balance	Nil 4.00	10.75 10.75
	*A2	First €127 Balance	Nil 4.00	10.75 10.75

Community Employment participants only				
Weekly Limits	PRSI Sub-class	How much of weekly pay	All income EE %	All income ER %
Up to €352	A8	All	Nil	0.50
More than €352	A9	First €127 Balance	Nil 4.00	0.50 0.50

* Before 2011, subclass A2 applied to medical card holders and to people getting a Social Welfare Widow's or Widower's Pension, a One-Parent Family Payment or a Deserted Wife's Benefit or Allowance.

People within Class A

- 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.
- Adoptive Benefit
- Health and Safety Benefit
- Invalidity Pension
- Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's (Contributory) Pension
- Guardian's Payment (Contributory)
- State Pension (Contributory)
- State Pension (Transition)

Class A benefits

- Jobseeker's Benefit
- Illness Benefit
- Maternity Benefit
- Bereavement Grant
- Treatment Benefit
- Occupational Injuries Benefits
- Carer's Benefit

EE: employee; ER: employer

Class J			All income	
Weekly pay band	PRSI Sub-class	How much of weekly pay	EE %	ER %
Up to €500	J0	All	Nil	0.50
More than €500	J1	All	Nil	0.50
	*J2	All	Nil	0.50

* Before 2011, subclass J2 applied to medical card holders and to people getting a Social Welfare Widow's or Widower's Pension, a One-Parent Family Payment or a Deserted Wife's Benefit or Allowance.

People within Class J

- Normally people with reckonable pay of less than €38 per week (from **all** employments). However, a small number of employees are insurable at Class J, no matter how much they earn, such as employees over age 66 or people in subsidiary employment. For more information, log on to www.welfare.ie.

Class J benefits

- Occupational Injuries Benefit.

Class E			All income	
Weekly pay band	PRSI Sub-class	How much of weekly pay	EE %	ER %
Up to €352	E0	All	Nil	6.87
More than €352	E1	First €127	Nil	6.87
		Balance	3.33	6.87

People within Class E

- Ministers of Religion employed by the Church of Ireland Representative Body. PRSI is paid under the Special Collection System.

Class E benefits

- Illness Benefit
- Maternity Benefit
- Adoptive Benefit
- Health and Safety Benefit
- Invalidity Pension
- Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's (Contributory) Pension
- Guardian's Payment (Contributory)
- State Pension (Contributory)
- State Pension (Transition)
- Bereavement Grant
- Treatment Benefit
- Carer's Benefit

EE: employee; ER: employer

Class B			All income	
Weekly pay band	PRSI Sub-class	How much of weekly pay	EE %	ER %
Up to €352	B0	All	Nil	2.01
€352.01 - €500	BX	First €26	Nil	2.01
		Balance	0.90	2.01
More than €500	B1	First €26	Nil	2.01
		€26.01 - €1,443	0.90	2.01
	*B2	Balance	4.00	2.01
		First €26	Nil	2.01
		€26.01 - €1,443	0.90	2.01
		Balance	4.00	2.01

*Before 2011, subclass B2 applied to medical card holders and to people getting a Social Welfare Widow’s or Widower’s Pension, a One-Parent Family Payment or a Deserted Wife’s Benefit or Allowance.

People within Class B

- 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

Class B benefits

- Widow’s, Widower’s or Surviving Civil Partner’s (Contributory) Pension
- Guardian’s Payment (Contributory)
- Limited Occupational Injuries Benefits
- Bereavement Grant
- Carer’s Benefit

EE: employee; ER: employer

Class C			All income	
Weekly pay band	PRSI Sub-class	How much of weekly pay	EE %	ER %
Up to €352	C0	All	Nil	1.85
€352.01 - €500	CX	First €26	Nil	1.85
		Balance	0.90	1.85
More than €500	C1	First €26	Nil	1.85
		€26.01 - €1,443	0.90	1.85
	*C2	Balance	4.00	1.85
		First €26	Nil	1.85
		€26.01 - €1,443	0.90	1.85
		Balance	4.00	1.85

*Before 2011, subclass C2 applied to medical card holders and to people getting a Social Welfare Widow's or Widower's Pension, a One-Parent Family Payment or a Deserted Wife's Benefit or Allowance.

People within Class C

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

Class C benefits

- Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's (Contributory) Pension
- Guardian's Payment (Contributory)
- Bereavement Grant
- Carer's Benefit

EE: employee; ER: employer

Class D			All income	
Weekly pay band	PRSI Sub-class	How much of weekly pay	EE %	ER %
Up to €352	D0	All	Nil	2.35
€352.01 - €500	DX	First €26	Nil	2.35
		Balance	0.90	2.35
More than €500	D1	First €26	Nil	2.35
		€26.01 - €1,443	0.90	2.35
	*D2	Balance	4.00	2.35
		First €26	Nil	2.35
		€26.01 - €1,443	0.90	2.35
		Balance	4.00	2.35

*Before 2011, subclass D2 applied to medical card holders and to people getting a Social Welfare Widow’s or Widower’s Pension, a One-Parent Family Payment or a Deserted Wife’s Benefit or Allowance.

People within Class D

- 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 benefits

- Widow’s, Widower’s or Surviving Civil Partner’s (Contributory) Pension
- Guardian’s Payment (Contributory)
- Occupational Injuries Benefits
- Bereavement Grant
- Carer’s Benefit

EE: employee; ER: employer

Class H			All income	
Weekly pay band	PRSI Sub-class	How much of weekly pay	EE %	ER %
Up to €352	H0	All	Nil	10.05
€352.01 - €500	HX	First €127	Nil	10.05
		Balance	3.90	10.05
More than €500	H1	First €127	Nil	10.05
		Balance	3.90	10.05
	*H2	First €127	Nil	10.05
		Balance	3.90	10.05

*Before 2011, subclass H2 applied to medical card holders and to people getting a Social Welfare Widow's or Widower's Pension, a One-Parent Family Payment or a Deserted Wife's Benefit or Allowance.

People within Class H

- NCOs and enlisted personnel of the Defence Forces

Class H benefits

- Jobseeker's Benefit
- Illness Benefit
- Maternity Benefit
- Adoptive Benefit
- Health and Safety Benefit
- Invalidity Pension
- Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's (Contributory) Pension
- Guardian's Payment (Contributory)
- State Pension (Contributory)
- State Pension (Transition)
- Bereavement Grant
- *Treatment Benefit
- Carer's Benefit

*Only certain benefits are paid during service

EE: employee; ER: employer

Class K			No upper ceiling	
Weekly pay band	PRSI Sub-class	How much of weekly pay	All income EE %	All income ER %
Up to €100	No contribution payable. Record under Class M		Nil	Nil
More than €100	K1	All	4.00	Nil

People within Class K

Public Office holders with an income of over €100 a week.

No benefits under Class K.

Class M	No contribution payable
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People within Class M

- People with no contribution liability such as employees under age 16 or people within Class K with a nil liability

Class M benefits

- Occupational Injuries Benefits, in certain cases

S/E: Self-Employed Contributor

Class S			No upper ceiling
Weekly pay band	PRSI Sub-class	How much of weekly pay	All income %
Up to €500	S0	All	4.00
More than €500	S1	All	4.00
	*S2	All	4.00

* Before 2011, subclass S2 applied to medical card holders and to people getting a Social Welfare Widow's or Widower's Pension, a One-Parent Family Payment or a Deserted Wife's Benefit or Allowance.

People within Class S

- Self-employed people, including certain company directors and certain people with income from investments and rents. Log on to www.welfare.ie for more information.

The minimum annual contribution for Class S is €253 for the year 2011.

Class S benefits

- Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's (Contributory) Pension
- Guardian's Payment (Contributory)
- State Pension (Contributory)
- Maternity Benefit
- Adoptive Benefit
- Bereavement Grant

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

People within Class P

- Sharefishermen/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 or €200 whichever is the greater for the year 2011.

Class P benefits

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

Payments for retired or older people

State Pension (Contributory) from 7 January 2011

State Pension (Transition) from 6 January 2011

		Personal rate	Increase for Qualified Adult [‡]	
			Aged under 66 Rate per week	Aged 66 or over Rate per week
Yearly average contributions		Rate per week	Rate per week	Rate per week
State Pension (Contributory)	48 or over	€230.30	€153.50	€206.30
	20-47	€225.80	€153.50	€206.30
	15-19	€172.70	*€115.10	*€154.70
	10-14	€115.20	*€76.80	*€103.20
State Pension (Transition)	48 or over	€230.30	€153.50	€206.30
	24-47	€225.80	€153.50	€206.30

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	€123.00	Aged 66 or over	€154.70
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Increases:	Rate per week				
— Each qualified child	<table border="0"> <tr> <td>Full rate</td> <td>**€29.80</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Half-rate</td> <td>**€14.90</td> </tr> </table>	Full rate	**€29.80	Half-rate	**€14.90
Full rate	**€29.80				
Half-rate	**€14.90				

** You can get an increase of €29.80 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.

Extra benefits	Rate per week
— Living Alone Increase for people age 66 or over	€7.70
— Extra increase for people age 80 or over	€10.00
— Increase for people age 66 or over, 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 per week, (see pages 54-60).

State Pension (Non-Contributory) from 7 January 2011

Weekly means, as assessed by us:	Increase per week for Qualified Adult aged under 66	
	Personal rate	
Up to €30.00	€219.00	€144.70
Over €30.00 and up to €32.50	€216.50	€143.00
Over €32.50 and up to €35.00	€214.00	€141.40
Over €35.00 and up to €37.50	€211.50	€139.70
Over €37.50 and up to €40.00	€209.00	€138.10
Over €40.00 and up to €42.50	€206.50	€136.40
Over €42.50 and up to €45.00	€204.00	€134.80
Over €45.00 and up to €47.50	€201.50	€133.10
Over €47.50 and up to €50.00	€199.00	€131.50
Over €50.00 and up to €52.50	€196.50	€129.80
Over €52.50 and up to €55.00	€194.00	€128.20
Over €55.00 and up to €57.50	€191.50	€126.50
Over €57.50 and up to €60.00	€189.00	€124.90
Over €60.00 and up to €62.50	€186.50	€123.20
Over €62.50 and up to €65.00	€184.00	€121.60
Over €65.00 and up to €67.50	€181.50	€119.90
Over €67.50 and up to €70.00	€179.00	€118.30
Over €70.00 and up to €72.50	€176.50	€116.60
Over €72.50 and up to €75.00	€174.00	€115.00
Over €75.00 and up to €77.50	€171.50	€113.30
Over €77.50 and up to €80.00	€169.00	€111.70
Over €80.00 and up to €82.50	€166.50	€110.00
Over €82.50 and up to €85.00	€164.00	€108.40
Over €85.00 and up to €87.50	€161.50	€106.70
Over €87.50 and up to €90.00	€159.00	€105.10
Over €90.00 and up to €92.50	€156.50	€103.40
Over €92.50 and up to €95.00	€154.00	€101.80
Over €95.00 and up to €97.50	€151.50	€100.10
Over €97.50 and up to €100.00	€149.00	€98.40
Over €100.00 and up to €102.50	€146.50	€96.80
Over €102.50 and up to €105.00	€144.00	€95.10
Over €105.00 and up to €107.50	€141.50	€93.50
Over €107.50 and up to €110.00	€139.00	€91.80
Over €110.00 and up to €112.50	€136.50	€90.20
Over €112.50 and up to €115.00	€134.00	€88.50
Over €115.00 and up to €117.50	€131.50	€86.90
Over €117.50 and up to €120.00	€129.00	€85.20
Over €120.00 and up to €122.50	€126.50	€83.60
Over €122.50 and up to €125.00	€124.00	€81.90
Over €125.00 and up to €127.50	€121.50	€80.30

State Pension (Non-Contributory) from 7 January 2011

Weekly means as assessed by us:	Increase per week for Qualified Adult aged under 66	
	Personal rate	
Over €127.50 and up to €130.00	€119.00	€78.60
Over €130.00 and up to €132.50	€116.50	€77.00
Over €132.50 and up to €135.00	€114.00	€75.30
Over €135.00 and up to €137.50	€111.50	€73.70
Over €137.50 and up to €140.00	€109.00	€72.00
Over €140.00 and up to €142.50	€106.50	€70.40
Over €142.50 and up to €145.00	€104.00	€68.70
Over €145.00 and up to €147.50	€101.50	€67.10
Over €147.50 and up to €150.00	€99.00	€65.40
Over €150.00 and up to €152.50	€96.50	€63.80
Over €152.50 and up to €155.00	€94.00	€62.10
Over €155.00 and up to €157.50	€91.50	€60.50
Over €157.50 and up to €160.00	€89.00	€58.80
Over €160.00 and up to €162.50	€86.50	€57.20
Over €162.50 and up to €165.00	€84.00	€55.50
Over €165.00 and up to €167.50	€81.50	€53.80
Over €167.50 and up to €170.00	€79.00	€52.20
Over €170.00 and up to €172.50	€76.50	€50.50
Over €172.50 and up to €175.00	€74.00	€48.90
Over €175.00 and up to €177.50	€71.50	€47.20
Over €177.50 and up to €180.00	€69.00	€45.60
Over €180.00 and up to €182.50	€66.50	€43.90
Over €182.50 and up to €185.00	€64.00	€42.30
Over €185.00 and up to €187.50	€61.50	€40.60
Over €187.50 and up to €190.00	€59.00	€39.00
Over €190.00 and up to €192.50	€56.50	€37.30
Over €192.50 and up to €195.00	€54.00	€35.70
Over €195.00 and up to €197.50	€51.50	€34.00
Over €197.50 and up to €200.00	€49.00	€32.40
Over €200.00 and up to €202.50	€46.50	€30.70
Over €202.50 and up to €205.00	€44.00	€29.10
Over €205.00 and up to €207.50	€41.50	€27.40
Over €207.50 and up to €210.00	€39.00	€25.80
Over €210.00 and up to €212.50	€36.50	€24.10
Over €212.50 and up to €215.00	€34.00	€22.50
Over €215.00 and up to €217.50	€31.50	€20.80
Over €217.50 and up to €220.00	€29.00	€19.20
Over €220.00 and up to €222.50	€26.50	€17.50
Over €222.50 and up to €225.00	€24.00	€15.90
Over €225.00 and up to €227.50	€21.50	€14.20

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State Pension (Non-Contributory) Continued

Weekly means as assessed by us:	Increase per week for Qualified Adult aged under 66	
	Personal rate	
Over €227.50 and up to €230.00	€19.00	€12.60
Over €230.00 and up to €232.50	€16.50	€10.90
Over €232.50 and up to €235.00	€14.00	€9.30
Over €235.00 and up to €237.50	€11.50	€7.60
Over €237.50 and up to €240.00	€9.00	€5.90
Over €240.00 and up to €242.50	€6.50	€4.30
Over €242.50 and up to €245.00	€4.00	€2.60
Over €245.00	Nil	Nil

Increases	Rate per week	
— Each qualified child	Full rate	€29.80
	Half-rate	€14.90
— Living Alone Increase for people age 66 or over		€7.70
— Extra increase for people age 80 or over		€10.00
— Increase for people age 66 or over, living on certain offshore islands		€12.70

Pre-Retirement Allowance from 29 December 2010

*Pre-Retirement Allowance was abolished for all new customers from the 4th July 2007.

	Rate per week	
Maximum personal rate	€188.00	
Increases:	Rate per week	
— Increase for Qualified Adult [‡]		€124.80
— Each qualified child	Full rate	**€29.80
	Half-rate	**€14.90

** You can get an increase of €29.80 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 you were in receipt of Pre-Retirement Allowance (PRETA) 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 per week, (see pages 54-60).

Widows, widowers, surviving civil partners and one-parent families

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

from 7 January 2011

Deserted Wife's Benefit from 6 January 2011

		Aged under 66	Aged 66 or over
		Rate per week	Rate per week
Personal rate	48 or over	€193.50	€230.30
	36-47	€190.70	€225.80
	24-35	€188.00	€220.40

Increases:	Rate per week
— Each qualified child	€29.80
— Living Alone Increase for people age 66 or over	€7.70
— Extra increase for people age 80 or over	€10.00
— Increase for people age 66 or over living on certain offshore islands	€12.70

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(ren))	€6,000

Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Non-Contributory Pension from 7 January 2011

Deserted Wife's Allowance from 6 January 2011

Weekly means, as assessed by us:	Aged under 66 Rate per week
Up to €7.60	€188.00
Over €7.60 and up to €10.10	€185.50
Over €10.10 and up to €12.60	€183.00
Over €12.60 and up to €15.10	€180.50
Over €15.10 and up to €17.60	€178.00
Over €17.60 and up to €20.10	€175.50
Over €20.10 and up to €22.60	€173.00
Over €22.60 and up to €25.10	€170.50
Over €25.10 and up to €27.60	€168.00
Over €27.60 and up to €30.10	€165.50
Over €30.10 and up to €32.60	€163.00
Over €32.60 and up to €35.10	€160.50
Over €35.10 and up to €37.60	€158.00
Over €37.60 and up to €40.10	€155.50
Over €40.10 and up to €42.60	€153.00
Over €42.60 and up to €45.10	€150.50
Over €45.10 and up to €47.60	€148.00
Over €47.60 and up to €50.10	€145.50
Over €50.10 and up to €52.60	€143.00
Over €52.60 and up to €55.10	€140.50
Over €55.10 and up to €57.60	€138.00
Over €57.60 and up to €60.10	€135.50
Over €60.10 and up to €62.60	€133.00
Over €62.60 and up to €65.10	€130.50
Over €65.10 and up to €67.60	€128.00
Over €67.60 and up to €70.10	€125.50
Over €70.10 and up to €72.60	€123.00
Over €72.60 and up to €75.10	€120.50
Over €75.10 and up to €77.60	€118.00
Over €77.60 and up to €80.10	€115.50
Over €80.10 and up to €82.60	€113.00
Over €82.60 and up to €85.10	€110.50
Over €85.10 and up to €87.60	€108.00
Over €87.60 and up to €90.10	€105.50
Over €90.10 and up to €92.60	€103.00
Over €92.60 and up to €95.10	€100.50
Over €95.10 and up to €97.60	€98.00
Over €97.60 and up to €100.10	€95.50
Over €100.10 and up to €102.60	€93.00
Over €102.60 and up to €105.10	€90.50

Weekly means, as assessed by us:	Aged under 66 Rate per week
Over €105.10 and up to €107.60	€88.00
Over €107.60 and up to €110.10	€85.50
Over €110.10 and up to €112.60	€83.00
Over €112.60 and up to €115.10	€80.50
Over €115.10 and up to €117.60	€78.00
Over €117.60 and up to €120.10	€75.50
Over €120.10 and up to €122.60	€73.00
Over €122.60 and up to €125.10	€70.50
Over €125.10 and up to €127.60	€68.00
Over €127.60 and up to €130.10	€65.50
Over €130.10 and up to €132.60	€63.00
Over €132.60 and up to €135.10	€60.50
Over €135.10 and up to €137.60	€58.00
Over €137.60 and up to €140.10	€55.50
Over €140.10 and up to €142.60	€53.00
Over €142.60 and up to €145.10	€50.50
Over €145.10 and up to €147.60	€48.00
Over €147.60 and up to €150.10	€45.50
Over €150.10 and up to €152.60	€43.00
Over €152.60 and up to €155.10	€40.50
Over €155.10 and up to €157.60	€38.00
Over €157.60 and up to €160.10	€35.50
Over €160.10 and up to €162.60	€33.00
Over €162.60 and up to €165.10	€30.50
Over €165.10 and up to €167.60	€28.00
Over €167.60 and up to €170.10	€25.50
Over €170.10 and up to €172.60	€23.00
Over €172.60 and up to €175.10	€20.50
Over €175.10 and up to €177.60	€18.00
Over €177.60 and up to €180.10	€15.50
Over €180.10 and up to €182.60	€13.00
Over €182.60 and up to €185.10	€10.50
Over €185.10 and up to €187.60	€8.00
Over €187.60 and up to €190.10	€5.50
Over €190.10 and up to €192.60	€3.00
Over €192.60	Nil

One-Parent Family Payment from 6 January 2011

Weekly means, as assessed by us:	Aged under 66 Rate per week
Up to €7.60	€188.00
Over €7.60 and up to €10.10	€185.50
Over €10.10 and up to €12.60	€183.00
Over €12.60 and up to €15.10	€180.50
Over €15.10 and up to €17.60	€178.00
Over €17.60 and up to €20.10	€175.50
Over €20.10 and up to €22.60	€173.00
Over €22.60 and up to €25.10	€170.50
Over €25.10 and up to €27.60	€168.00
Over €27.60 and up to €30.10	€165.50
Over €30.10 and up to €32.60	€163.00
Over €32.60 and up to €35.10	€160.50
Over €35.10 and up to €37.60	€158.00
Over €37.60 and up to €40.10	€155.50
Over €40.10 and up to €42.60	€153.00
Over €42.60 and up to €45.10	€150.50
Over €45.10 and up to €47.60	€148.00
Over €47.60 and up to €50.10	€145.50
Over €50.10 and up to €52.60	€143.00
Over €52.60 and up to €55.10	€140.50
Over €55.10 and up to €57.60	€138.00
Over €57.60 and up to €60.10	€135.50
Over €60.10 and up to €62.60	€133.00
Over €62.60 and up to €65.10	€130.50
Over €65.10 and up to €67.60	€128.00
Over €67.60 and up to €70.10	€125.50
Over €70.10 and up to €72.60	€123.00
Over €72.60 and up to €75.10	€120.50
Over €75.10 and up to €77.60	€118.00
Over €77.60 and up to €80.10	€115.50
Over €80.10 and up to €82.60	€113.00
Over €82.60 and up to €85.10	€110.50
Over €85.10 and up to €87.60	€108.00
Over €87.60 and up to €90.10	€105.50
Over €90.10 and up to €92.60	€103.00
Over €92.60 and up to €95.10	€100.50
Over €95.10 and up to €97.60	€98.00
Over €97.60 and up to €100.10	€95.50
Over €100.10 and up to €102.60	€93.00
Over €102.60 and up to €105.10	€90.50

One-Parent Family Payment from 6 January 2011

Weekly means, as assessed by us:	Aged under 66 Rate per week
Over €105.10 and up to €107.60	€88.00
Over €107.60 and up to €110.10	€85.50
Over €110.10 and up to €112.60	€83.00
Over €112.60 and up to €115.10	€80.50
Over €115.10 and up to €117.60	€78.00
Over €117.60 and up to €120.10	€75.50
Over €120.10 and up to €122.60	€73.00
Over €122.60 and up to €125.10	€70.50
Over €125.10 and up to €127.60	€68.00
Over €127.60 and up to €130.10	€65.50
Over €130.10 and up to €132.60	€63.00
Over €132.60 and up to €135.10	€60.50
Over €135.10 and up to €137.60	€58.00
Over €137.60 and up to €140.10	€55.50
<i>(see note page 21)*</i>	
Over €140.10 and up to €142.60	€53.00
Over €142.60 and up to €145.10	€50.50
Over €145.10 and up to €147.60	€48.00
Over €147.60 and up to €150.10	€45.50
Over €150.10 and up to €152.60	€43.00
Over €152.60 and up to €155.10	€40.50
Over €155.10 and up to €157.60	€38.00
Over €157.60 and up to €160.10	€35.50
Over €160.10 and up to €162.60	€33.00
Over €162.60 and up to €165.10	€30.50
Over €165.10 and up to €167.60	€28.00
Over €167.60 and up to €170.10	€25.50
Over €170.10 and up to €172.60	€23.00
Over €172.60 and up to €175.10	€20.50
Over €175.10 and up to €177.60	€18.00
Over €177.60 and up to €180.10	€15.50
Over €180.10 and up to €182.60	€13.00
Over €182.60 and up to €185.10	€10.50
Over €185.10 and up to €187.60	€8.00
Over €187.60 and up to €190.10	€5.50
Over €190.10 and up to €192.60	€3.00
Over €192.60	Nil

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One-Parent Family Payment Continued

*Note:

If you are getting One-Parent Family Payment, you could earn up to €146.50 per week and may still qualify for full payment. If you earn between €146.50 and €425.00, you may qualify for a reduced payment. If you are in receipt of One-Parent Family Payment and your earnings subsequently exceed €425.00 per week, you may continue to receive transitional half-rate payment for 6 months.

Increases:	Rate per week
— Each qualified child	€29.80

Child-related payments

Child Benefit

	Rate per month
1st and 2nd child	€140.00
3rd child	€167.00
4th and subsequent children	€177.00
Multiple births	Special Grants Rate of Payment
	— Birth €635.00
	— At age 4 €635.00
	— At age 12 €635.00

Twins – Child Benefit is paid at one and a half times (150%) the normal monthly rate for each child.

All other multiple births – Double the normal monthly rate of Child Benefit is paid.

Maternity Benefit from 3 January 2011

Adoptive Benefit from 3 January 2011

	Rate per week
Maximum rate	€262.00
Minimum rate	€217.80

The rate payable is 80% of your earnings in the relevant tax year subject to a reckonable earnings ceiling.

Health & Safety Benefit from 3 January 2011

	Rate per week
Personal rate	€188.00
Increases:	
— Increase for Qualified Adult	€124.80
— Each qualified child	Full rate* €29.80 Half-rate* €14.90

*You can get an increase of €29.80 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 per week.

Health & Safety Benefit rates are graduated according to earnings in the relevant tax year. The earnings bands from 3 January 2011 are as follows:

Average weekly earnings	Personal rate	Increase for Qualified Adult
— Less than €150.00	€84.50	€80.90
— €150.00 and less than €220.00	€121.40	€80.90
— €220.00 and less than €300.00	€147.30	€80.90
— €300.00 or more	€188.00	€124.80

Guardian's Payment (Contributory) from 7 January 2011

	Rate per week
Rate per orphan	€161.00

Guardian's Payment (Non-Contributory) from 7 January 2011

Weekly means, as assessed by us:	Rate per week
Up to €7.60	€161.00
Over €7.60 and up to €10.10	€158.50
Over €10.10 and up to €12.60	€156.00
Over €12.60 and up to €15.10	€153.50
Over €15.10 and up to €17.60	€151.00
Over €17.60 and up to €20.10	€148.50
Over €20.10 and up to €22.60	€146.00
Over €22.60 and up to €25.10	€143.50
Over €25.10 and up to €27.60	€141.00
Over €27.60 and up to €30.10	€138.50
Over €30.10 and up to €32.60	€136.00
Over €32.60 and up to €35.10	€133.50
Over €35.10 and up to €37.60	€131.00
Over €37.60 and up to €40.10	€128.50
Over €40.10 and up to €42.60	€126.00
Over €42.60 and up to €45.10	€123.50
Over €45.10 and up to €47.60	€121.00
Over €47.60 and up to €50.10	€118.50
Over €50.10 and up to €52.60	€116.00
Over €52.60 and up to €55.10	€113.50
Over €55.10 and up to €57.60	€111.00
Over €57.60 and up to €60.10	€108.50
Over €60.10 and up to €62.60	€106.00
Over €62.60 and up to €65.10	€103.50
Over €65.10 and up to €67.60	€101.00
Over €67.60 and up to €70.10	€98.50
Over €70.10 and up to €72.60	€96.00
Over €72.60 and up to €75.10	€93.50
Over €75.10 and up to €77.60	€91.00
Over €77.60 and up to €80.10	€88.50
Over €80.10 and up to €82.60	€86.00
Over €82.60 and up to €85.10	€83.50
Over €85.10 and up to €87.60	€81.00
Over €87.60 and up to €90.10	€78.50
Over €90.10 and up to €92.60	€76.00
Over €92.60 and up to €95.10	€73.50
Over €95.10 and up to €97.60	€71.00
Over €97.60 and up to €100.10	€68.50
Over €100.10 and up to €102.60	€66.00
Over €102.60 and up to €105.10	€63.50
Over €105.10 and up to €107.60	€61.00
Over €107.60 and up to €110.10	€58.50

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Guardian's Payment (Non-Contributory) Continued

Weekly means, as assessed by us:	Rate per week
Over €110.10 and up to €112.60	€56.00
Over €112.60 and up to €115.10	€53.50
Over €115.10 and up to €117.60	€51.00
Over €117.60 and up to €120.10	€48.50
Over €120.10 and up to €122.60	€46.00
Over €122.60 and up to €125.10	€43.50
Over €125.10 and up to €127.60	€41.00
Over €127.60 and up to €130.10	€38.50
Over €130.10 and up to €132.60	€36.00
Over €132.60 and up to €135.10	€33.50
Over €135.10 and up to €137.60	€31.00
Over €137.60 and up to €140.10	€28.50
Over €140.10 and up to €142.60	€26.00
Over €142.60 and up to €145.10	€23.50
Over €145.10 and up to €147.60	€21.00
Over €147.60 and up to €150.10	€18.50
Over €150.10 and up to €152.60	€16.00
Over €152.60 and up to €155.10	€13.50
Over €155.10 and up to €157.60	€11.00
Over €157.60 and up to €160.10	€8.50
Over €160.10 and up to €162.60	€6.00
Over €162.60 and up to €165.10	€3.50
Over €165.10	Nil

Back to School Clothing and Footwear Allowance

The Back to School Clothing and Footwear Allowance is paid to parents whose income limits are at or below the following amounts:

Couple with:	Income limit	Lone Parent with:	Income limit
— 1 child	€563.60	— 1 child	€410.10
— 2 children	€593.40	— 2 children	€439.90
— 3 children	€623.20	— 3 children	€469.70
— 4 children	*€653.00	— 4 children	*€499.50

* Limit is increased by €29.80 for each additional child.

	Rate payable
— Rate for each child aged 2-11	€200.00
— Rate for each child aged 12-17**	€305.00

**This is also paid for children aged 18-22 if they are in full-time education, for whom a qualified child increase is payable.

Illness, disability and caring

Illness Benefit from 3 January 2011

	Rate per week
Personal rate	€188.00
Increases:	
— Increase for Qualified Adult[‡]	€124.80
— Each qualified child	Full rate *€29.80
	Half-rate *€14.90

Illness Benefit rates are graduated according to earnings in the relevant tax year. The earnings bands from 3 January 2011 are as follows:

Average weekly earnings	Personal rate	Increase for Qualified Adult [‡]
— Less than €150.00	€84.50	€80.90
— €150.00 and less than €220.00	€121.40	€80.90
— €220.00 and less than €300.00	€147.30	€80.90
— €300.00 or more	€188.00	€124.80

*You can get an increase of €29.80 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 per week.

[‡]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 per week (see pages 54-60).

Invalidity Pension from 6 January 2011

	Rate per week
Personal rate	
— Under age 65	€193.50
— Age 65	€230.30
Increases:	
Increase for Qualified Adult[‡]	
— Under age 66	€138.10
— Age 66 or over	€206.30
— Each qualified child	Full rate *€29.80
	Half-rate *€14.90

*You can get an increase of €29.80 for each qualified child if you get a payment 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.

Extra Benefit	Rate per week
— Living Alone Increase	€7.70
— 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 per week (see pages 54-60).

Disability Allowance from 5 January 2011

Weekly means, as assessed by us:	Rate per week
Up to €2.50	€188.00
Over €2.50 and up to €5.00	€185.50
Over €5.00 and up to €7.50	€183.00
Over €7.50 and up to €10.00	€180.50
Over €10.00 and up to €12.50	€178.00
Over €12.50 and up to €15.00	€175.50
Over €15.00 and up to €17.50	€173.00
Over €17.50 and up to €20.00	€170.50
Over €20.00 and up to €22.50	€168.00
Over €22.50 and up to €25.00	€165.50
Over €25.00 and up to €27.50	€163.00
Over €27.50 and up to €30.00	€160.50
Over €30.00 and up to €32.50	€158.00
Over €32.50 and up to €35.00	€155.50
Over €35.00 and up to €37.50	€153.00
Over €37.50 and up to €40.00	€150.50
Over €40.00 and up to €42.50	€148.00
Over €42.50 and up to €45.00	€145.50
Over €45.00 and up to €47.50	€143.00
Over €47.50 and up to €50.00	€140.50
Over €50.00 and up to €52.50	€138.00
Over €52.50 and up to €55.00	€135.50
Over €55.00 and up to €57.50	€133.00
Over €57.50 and up to €60.00	€130.50
Over €60.00 and up to €62.50	€128.00
Over €62.50 and up to €65.00	€125.50
Over €65.00 and up to €67.50	€123.00
Over €67.50 and up to €70.00	€120.50
Over €70.00 and up to €72.50	€118.00
Over €72.50 and up to €75.00	€115.50
Over €75.00 and up to €77.50	€113.00
Over €77.50 and up to €80.00	€110.50
Over €80.00 and up to €82.50	€108.00
Over €82.50 and up to €85.00	€105.50
Over €85.00 and up to €87.50	€103.00
Over €87.50 and up to €90.00	€100.50
Over €90.00 and up to €92.50	€98.00
Over €92.50 and up to €95.00	€95.50
Over €95.00 and up to €97.50	€93.00
Over €97.50 and up to €100.00	€90.50
Over €100.00 and up to €102.50	€88.00
Over €102.50 and up to €105.00	€85.50

Disability Allowance from 5 January 2011 continued

Weekly means, as assessed by us:	Rate per week
Over €105.00 and up to €107.50	€83.00
Over €107.50 and up to €110.00	€80.50
Over €110.00 and up to €112.50	€78.00
Over €112.50 and up to €115.00	€75.50
Over €115.00 and up to €117.50	€73.00
Over €117.50 and up to €120.00	€70.50
Over €120.00 and up to €122.50	€68.00
Over €122.50 and up to €125.00	€65.50
Over €125.00 and up to €127.50	€63.00
Over €127.50 and up to €130.00	€60.50
Over €130.00 and up to €132.50	€58.00
Over €132.50 and up to €135.00	€55.50
Over €135.00 and up to €137.50	€53.00
Over €137.50 and up to €140.00	€50.50
Over €140.00 and up to €142.50	€48.00
Over €142.50 and up to €145.00	€45.50
Over €145.00 and up to €147.50	€43.00
Over €147.50 and up to €150.00	€40.50
Over €150.00 and up to €152.50	€38.00
Over €152.50 and up to €155.00	€35.50
Over €155.00 and up to €157.50	€33.00
Over €157.50 and up to €160.00	€30.50
Over €160.00 and up to €162.50	€28.00
Over €162.50 and up to €165.00	€25.50
Over €165.00 and up to €167.50	€23.00
Over €167.50 and up to €170.00	€20.50
Over €170.00 and up to €172.50	€18.00
Over €172.50 and up to €175.00	€15.50
Over €175.00 and up to €177.50	€13.00
Over €177.50 and up to €180.00	€10.50
Over €180.00 and up to €182.50	€8.00
Over €182.50 and up to €185.00	€5.50
Over €185.00 and up to €187.50	€3.00
Over €187.50	Nil

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Disability Allowance from 5 January 2011 continued

Increases:	Rate per week
— Increase for Qualified Adult[‡]	€124.80
— Each qualified child	Full rate *€29.80 Half-rate *€14.90
— Living Alone Increase	€7.70
— Increase for people living on certain offshore islands	€12.70

*You can get an increase of €29.80 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 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 per week, (see pages 54-60).

Blind Pension from 7 January 2011

Weekly means, as assessed by us:	Personal rate per week	Increase per week for Qualified Adult aged under 66
Up to €7.60	€188.00	€124.80
Over €7.60 and up to €10.10	€185.50	€123.10
Over €10.10 and up to €12.60	€183.00	€121.50
Over €12.60 and up to €15.10	€180.50	€119.80
Over €15.10 and up to €17.60	€178.00	€118.20
Over €17.60 and up to €20.10	€175.50	€116.50
Over €20.10 and up to €22.60	€173.00	€114.80
Over €22.60 and up to €25.10	€170.50	€113.20
Over €25.10 and up to €27.60	€168.00	€111.50
Over €27.60 and up to €30.10	€165.50	€109.90
Over €30.10 and up to €32.60	€163.00	€108.20
Over €32.60 and up to €35.10	€160.50	€106.50
Over €35.10 and up to €37.60	€158.00	€104.90
Over €37.60 and up to €40.10	€155.50	€103.20
Over €40.10 and up to €42.60	€153.00	€101.60
Over €42.60 and up to €45.10	€150.50	€99.90
Over €45.10 and up to €47.60	€148.00	€98.20
Over €47.60 and up to €50.10	€145.50	€96.60
Over €50.10 and up to €52.60	€143.00	€94.90
Over €52.60 and up to €55.10	€140.50	€93.30
Over €55.10 and up to €57.60	€138.00	€91.60
Over €57.60 and up to €60.10	€135.50	€89.90
Over €60.10 and up to €62.60	€133.00	€88.30
Over €62.60 and up to €65.10	€130.50	€86.60
Over €65.10 and up to €67.60	€128.00	€85.00
Over €67.60 and up to €70.10	€125.50	€83.30
Over €70.10 and up to €72.60	€123.00	€81.70
Over €72.60 and up to €75.10	€120.50	€80.00
Over €75.10 and up to €77.60	€118.00	€78.30
Over €77.60 and up to €80.10	€115.50	€76.70
Over €80.10 and up to €82.60	€113.00	€75.00
Over €82.60 and up to €85.10	€110.50	€73.40
Over €85.10 and up to €87.60	€108.00	€71.70
Over €87.60 and up to €90.10	€105.50	€70.00
Over €90.10 and up to €92.60	€103.00	€68.40
Over €92.60 and up to €95.10	€100.50	€66.70
Over €95.10 and up to €97.60	€98.00	€65.10
Over €97.60 and up to €100.10	€95.50	€63.40
Over €100.10 and up to €102.60	€93.00	€61.70
Over €102.60 and up to €105.10	€90.50	€60.10
Over €105.10 and up to €107.60	€88.00	€58.40

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Blind Pension from 7 January 2011 continued

Weekly means, as assessed by us:	Personal rate per week	Increase per week for Qualified Adult aged under 66
Over €107.60 and up to €110.10	€85.50	€56.80
Over €110.10 and up to €112.60	€83.00	€55.10
Over €112.60 and up to €115.10	€80.50	€53.40
Over €115.10 and up to €117.60	€78.00	€51.80
Over €117.60 and up to €120.10	€75.50	€50.10
Over €120.10 and up to €122.60	€73.00	€48.50
Over €122.60 and up to €125.10	€70.50	€46.80
Over €125.10 and up to €127.60	€68.00	€45.10
Over €127.60 and up to €130.10	€65.50	€43.50
Over €130.10 and up to €132.60	€63.00	€41.80
Over €132.60 and up to €135.10	€60.50	€40.20
Over €135.10 and up to €137.60	€58.00	€38.50
Over €137.60 and up to €140.10	€55.50	€36.80
Over €140.10 and up to €142.60	€53.00	€35.20
Over €142.60 and up to €145.10	€50.50	€33.50
Over €145.10 and up to €147.60	€48.00	€31.90
Over €147.60 and up to €150.10	€45.50	€30.20
Over €150.10 and up to €152.60	€43.00	€28.50
Over €152.60 and up to €155.10	€40.50	€26.90
Over €155.10 and up to €157.60	€38.00	€25.20
Over €157.60 and up to €160.10	€35.50	€23.60
Over €160.10 and up to €162.60	€33.00	€21.90
Over €162.60 and up to €165.10	€30.50	€20.20
Over €165.10 and up to €167.60	€28.00	€18.60
Over €167.60 and up to €170.10	€25.50	€16.90
Over €170.10 and up to €172.60	€23.00	€15.30
Over €172.60 and up to €175.10	€20.50	€13.60
Over €175.10 and up to €177.60	€18.00	€11.90
Over €177.60 and up to €180.10	€15.50	€10.30
Over €180.10 and up to €182.60	€13.00	€8.60
Over €182.60 and up to €185.10	€10.50	€7.00
Over €185.10 and up to €187.60	€8.00	€5.30
Over €187.60 and up to €190.10	€5.50	€3.70
Over €190.10 and up to €192.60	€3.00	€2.00
Over €192.60	Nil	Nil

Blind Pension from 7 January 2011 continued

Increases:	Rate per week	
— Each qualified child	Full rate	*€29.80
— Living Alone Increase	Half-rate	*€14.90 €7.70
— Increase for people living on certain offshore islands		€12.70

* You can get an increase of €29.80 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.

Respite Care Grant

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

**This is payable from the first Thursday in June 2011. Please note that applications for the 2011 scheme (rate €1,700) can be made from 7 April 2011 up to 31 December 2012. Applications for the 2010 scheme (rate €1,700) can be made up to 31 December 2011.

Carer's Benefit from 6 January 2011

Where the carer is caring for:	one person Rate per week		more than one person Rate per week
Personal rate	€205.00		€307.50
Increases:			
— Each qualified child	Full rate	€29.80	€29.80
	Half-rate	€14.90	€14.90

ATTENTION CARERS !!!

Do you need to take time off work to look after someone who needs full time care?

If so, you may be entitled to Carer's Benefit, which is not means tested.

← **See Carer's Benefit rates on previous page**

FOR MORE INFORMATION....

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- Drop in to your local Social Welfare Office or Citizens Information Centre.

Note

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

Carer's Allowance from 6 January 2011

Weekly means, as assessed by us:	Where the carer is aged under 66 and caring for:	
	one person Rate per week	more than one person Rate per week
Up to €7.60	€204.00	€306.00
Over €7.60 and up to €10.10	€201.50	€303.50
Over €10.10 and up to €12.60	€199.00	€301.00
Over €12.60 and up to €15.10	€196.50	€298.50
Over €15.10 and up to €17.60	€194.00	€296.00
Over €17.60 and up to €20.10	€191.50	€293.50
Over €20.10 and up to €22.60	€189.00	€291.00
Over €22.60 and up to €25.10	€186.50	€288.50
Over €25.10 and up to €27.60	€184.00	€286.00
Over €27.60 and up to €30.10	€181.50	€283.50
Over €30.10 and up to €32.60	€179.00	€281.00
Over €32.60 and up to €35.10	€176.50	€278.50
Over €35.10 and up to €37.60	€174.00	€276.00
Over €37.60 and up to €40.10	€171.50	€273.50
Over €40.10 and up to €42.60	€169.00	€271.00
Over €42.60 and up to €45.10	€166.50	€268.50
Over €45.10 and up to €47.60	€164.00	€266.00
Over €47.60 and up to €50.10	€161.50	€263.50
Over €50.10 and up to €52.60	€159.00	€261.00
Over €52.60 and up to €55.10	€156.50	€258.50
Over €55.10 and up to €57.60	€154.00	€256.00
Over €57.60 and up to €60.10	€151.50	€253.50
Over €60.10 and up to €62.60	€149.00	€251.00
Over €62.60 and up to €65.10	€146.50	€248.50
Over €65.10 and up to €67.60	€144.00	€246.00
Over €67.60 and up to €70.10	€141.50	€243.50
Over €70.10 and up to €72.60	€139.00	€241.00
Over €72.60 and up to €75.10	€136.50	€238.50
Over €75.10 and up to €77.60	€134.00	€236.00
Over €77.60 and up to €80.10	€131.50	€233.50
Over €80.10 and up to €82.60	€129.00	€231.00
Over €82.60 and up to €85.10	€126.50	€228.50
Over €85.10 and up to €87.60	€124.00	€226.00
Over €87.60 and up to €90.10	€121.50	€223.50
Over €90.10 and up to €92.60	€119.00	€221.00
Over €92.60 and up to €95.10	€116.50	€218.50
Over €95.10 and up to €97.60	€114.00	€216.00
Over €97.60 and up to €100.10	€111.50	€213.50

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Carer's Allowance from 6 January 2011 continued

Weekly means, as assessed by us:	Where the carer is aged under 66 and caring for:	
	one person Rate per week	more than one person Rate per week
Over €100.10 and up to €102.60	€109.00	€211.00
Over €102.60 and up to €105.10	€106.50	€208.50
Over €105.10 and up to €107.60	€104.00	€206.00
Over €107.60 and up to €110.10	€101.50	€203.50
Over €110.10 and up to €112.60	€99.00	€201.00
Over €112.60 and up to €115.10	€96.50	€198.50
Over €115.10 and up to €117.60	€94.00	€196.00
Over €117.60 and up to €120.10	€91.50	€193.50
Over €120.10 and up to €122.60	€89.00	€191.00
Over €122.60 and up to €125.10	€86.50	€188.50
Over €125.10 and up to €127.60	€84.00	€186.00
Over €127.60 and up to €130.10	€81.50	€183.50
Over €130.10 and up to €132.60	€79.00	€181.00
Over €132.60 and up to €135.10	€76.50	€178.50
Over €135.10 and up to €137.60	€74.00	€176.00
Over €137.60 and up to €140.10	€71.50	€173.50
Over €140.10 and up to €142.60	€69.00	€171.00
Over €142.60 and up to €145.10	€66.50	€168.50
Over €145.10 and up to €147.60	€64.00	€166.00
Over €147.60 and up to €150.10	€61.50	€163.50
Over €150.10 and up to €152.60	€59.00	€161.00
Over €152.60 and up to €155.10	€56.50	€158.50
Over €155.10 and up to €157.60	€54.00	€156.00
Over €157.60 and up to €160.10	€51.50	€153.50
Over €160.10 and up to €162.60	€49.00	€151.00
Over €162.60 and up to €165.10	€46.50	€148.50
Over €165.10 and up to €167.60	€44.00	€146.00
Over €167.60 and up to €170.10	€41.50	€143.50
Over €170.10 and up to €172.60	€39.00	€141.00
Over €172.60 and up to €175.10	€36.50	€138.50
Over €175.10 and up to €177.60	€34.00	€136.00
Over €177.60 and up to €180.10	€31.50	€133.50
Over €180.10 and up to €182.60	€29.00	€131.00
Over €182.60 and up to €185.10	€26.50	€128.50
Over €185.10 and up to €187.60	€24.00	€126.00
Over €187.60 and up to €190.10	€21.50	€123.50
Over €190.10 and up to €192.60	€19.00	€121.00
Over €192.60 and up to €195.10	€16.50	€118.50

Carer's Allowance from 6 January 2011 continued

Weekly means, as assessed by us:	Where the carer is aged under 66 and caring for:	
	one person Rate per week	more than one person Rate per week
Over €195.10 and up to €197.60	€14.00	€116.00
Over €197.60 and up to €200.10	€11.50	€113.50
Over €200.10 and up to €202.60	€9.00	€111.00
Over €202.60 and up to €205.10	€6.50	€108.50
Over €205.10 and up to €207.60	€4.00	€106.00
Over €207.60	Nil	€103.50

You can have means of up to €310.10 per week and still qualify for a reduced rate of Carer's Allowance if you are aged 66 or under and caring for 2 or more people.

Increases:	Rate per week	
— Each qualified child	Full rate	*€29.80
	Half rate	**€14.90

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

** You can get this, if you are living with your qualified adult.

Domiciliary Care Allowance

	Rate per month
The allowance is paid monthly at a rate of	€309.50*

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 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).

Carer's Allowance from 6 January 2011

Weekly means, as assessed by us:	Where the carer is aged 66 or over and caring for:	
	one person Rate per week	more than one person Rate per week
Up to €7.60	€239.00	€358.50
Over €7.60 and up to €10.10	€236.50	€356.00
Over €10.10 and up to €12.60	€234.00	€353.50
Over €12.60 and up to €15.10	€231.50	€351.00
Over €15.10 and up to €17.60	€229.00	€348.50
Over €17.60 and up to €20.10	€226.50	€346.00
Over €20.10 and up to €22.60	€224.00	€343.50
Over €22.60 and up to €25.10	€221.50	€341.00
Over €25.10 and up to €27.60	€219.00	€338.50
Over €27.60 and up to €30.10	€216.50	€336.00
Over €30.10 and up to €32.60	€214.00	€333.50
Over €32.60 and up to €35.10	€211.50	€331.00
Over €35.10 and up to €37.60	€209.00	€328.50
Over €37.60 and up to €40.10	€206.50	€326.00
Over €40.10 and up to €42.60	€204.00	€323.50
Over €42.60 and up to €45.10	€201.50	€321.00
Over €45.10 and up to €47.60	€199.00	€318.50
Over €47.60 and up to €50.10	€196.50	€316.00
Over €50.10 and up to €52.60	€194.00	€313.50
Over €52.60 and up to €55.10	€191.50	€311.00
Over €55.10 and up to €57.60	€189.00	€308.50
Over €57.60 and up to €60.10	€186.50	€306.00
Over €60.10 and up to €62.60	€184.00	€303.50
Over €62.60 and up to €65.10	€181.50	€301.00
Over €65.10 and up to €67.60	€179.00	€298.50
Over €67.60 and up to €70.10	€176.50	€296.00
Over €70.10 and up to €72.60	€174.00	€293.50
Over €72.60 and up to €75.10	€171.50	€291.00
Over €75.10 and up to €77.60	€169.00	€288.50
Over €77.60 and up to €80.10	€166.50	€286.00
Over €80.10 and up to €82.60	€164.00	€283.50
Over €82.60 and up to €85.10	€161.50	€281.00
Over €85.10 and up to €87.60	€159.00	€278.50
Over €87.60 and up to €90.10	€156.50	€276.00
Over €90.10 and up to €92.60	€154.00	€273.50
Over €92.60 and up to €95.10	€151.50	€271.00
Over €95.10 and up to €97.60	€149.00	€268.50
Over €97.60 and up to €100.10	€146.50	€266.00
Over €100.10 and up to €102.60	€144.00	€263.50
Over €102.60 and up to €105.10	€141.50	€261.00

Carer's Allowance from 6 January 2011 continued

Weekly means, as assessed by us:	Where the carer is aged 66 or over and caring for:	
	one person Rate per week	more than one person Rate per week
Over €105.10 and up to €107.60	€139.00	€258.50
Over €107.60 and up to €110.10	€136.50	€256.00
Over €110.10 and up to €112.60	€134.00	€253.50
Over €112.60 and up to €115.10	€131.50	€251.00
Over €115.10 and up to €117.60	€129.00	€248.50
Over €117.60 and up to €120.10	€126.50	€246.00
Over €120.10 and up to €122.60	€124.00	€243.50
Over €122.60 and up to €125.10	€121.50	€241.00
Over €125.10 and up to €127.60	€119.00	€238.50
Over €127.60 and up to €130.10	€116.50	€236.00
Over €130.10 and up to €132.60	€114.00	€233.50
Over €132.60 and up to €135.10	€111.50	€231.00
Over €135.10 and up to €137.60	€109.00	€228.50
Over €137.60 and up to €140.10	€106.50	€226.00
Over €140.10 and up to €142.60	€104.00	€223.50
Over €142.60 and up to €145.10	€101.50	€221.00
Over €145.10 and up to €147.60	€99.00	€218.50
Over €147.60 and up to €150.10	€96.50	€216.00
Over €150.10 and up to €152.60	€94.00	€213.50
Over €152.60 and up to €155.10	€91.50	€211.00
Over €155.10 and up to €157.60	€89.00	€208.50
Over €157.60 and up to €160.10	€86.50	€206.00
Over €160.10 and up to €162.60	€84.00	€203.50
Over €162.60 and up to €165.10	€81.50	€201.00
Over €165.10 and up to €167.60	€79.00	€198.50
Over €167.60 and up to €170.10	€76.50	€196.00
Over €170.10 and up to €172.60	€74.00	€193.50
Over €172.60 and up to €175.10	€71.50	€191.00
Over €175.10 and up to €177.60	€69.00	€188.50
Over €177.60 and up to €180.10	€66.50	€186.00
Over €180.10 and up to €182.60	€64.00	€183.50
Over €182.60 and up to €185.10	€61.50	€181.00
Over €185.10 and up to €187.60	€59.00	€178.50
Over €187.60 and up to €190.10	€56.50	€176.00
Over €190.10 and up to €192.60	€54.00	€173.50
Over €192.60 and up to €195.10	€51.50	€171.00
Over €195.10 and up to €197.60	€49.00	€168.50
Over €197.60 and up to €200.10	€46.50	€166.00

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Carer's Allowance from 6 January 2011 continued

Weekly means, as assessed by us:	Where the carer is aged 66 or over and caring for:	
	one person Rate per week	more than one person Rate per week
Over €200.10 and up to €202.60	€44.00	€163.50
Over €202.60 and up to €205.10	€41.50	€161.00
Over €205.10 and up to €207.60	€39.00	€158.50
Over €207.60 and up to €210.10	€36.50	€156.00
Over €210.10 and up to €212.60	€34.00	€153.50
Over €212.60 and up to €215.10	€31.50	€151.00
Over €215.10 and up to €217.60	€29.00	€148.50
Over €217.60 and up to €220.10	€26.50	€146.00
Over €220.10 and up to €222.60	€24.00	€143.50
Over €222.60 and up to €225.10	€21.50	€141.00
Over €225.10 and up to €227.60	€19.00	€138.50
Over €227.60 and up to €230.10	€16.50	€136.00
Over €230.10 and up to €232.60	€14.00	€133.50
Over €232.60 and up to €235.10	€11.50	€131.00
Over €235.10 and up to €237.60	€9.00	€128.50
Over €237.60 and up to €240.10	€6.50	€126.00
Over €240.10 and up to €242.60	€4.00	€123.50
Over €242.60	Nil	€121.00

You can have means of up to €362.60 per week and still qualify for a reduced rate of Carer's Allowance if you are aged 66 or more and caring for 2 or more people.

Increases:	Rate per week	
— For carers age 80 or over		€10.00
— Each qualified child	Full rate	*€29.80
	Half rate	**€14.90
— Increase for people age 66 or over 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 living with your qualified adult.

ATTENTION CARERS !!!

Are you providing home care for someone in need of full time assistance and getting a social welfare payment?

If so, you may be entitled to a half rate payment of 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 payments. 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.

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- Drop in to your local Social Welfare Office or Citizens Information Centre.

Note

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Injury Benefit from 3 January 2011

	Rate per week
Personal rate	€188.00
Increases:	
— Increase for Qualified Adult[‡]	€124.80
— Each qualified child	Full rate *€29.80 Half-rate *€14.90

*You can get an increase of €29.80 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 earnings of €400 or less per week.

‡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 per week (see pages 54-60).

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 Social Protection or the Health Service Executive.

Disablement Benefit from 7 January 2011

Over 90% disablement Maximum personal pension	€219.00 per week
20% to 90% disablement	Reduced pension
— 90%	€197.10
— 80%	€175.20
— 70%	€153.30
— 60%	€131.40
— 50%	€109.50
— 40%	€87.60
— 30%	€65.70
— 20%	€43.80
Up to 19% disablement You may get a lump sum, up to a maximum of	€15,320

Constant Attendance Allowance from 7 January 2011

	Rate per week
Constant Attendance Allowance	€205.00

Incapacity Supplement from 7 January 2011

	Rate per week	
Personal rate		
— Under age 66		€188.00
— Age 66 or over		€204.30
Increases:		
Increase for Qualified Adult[‡]		
— Under age 66		€124.80
— Age 66 or over		€135.60
— Each qualified child	Full rate	**€29.80
	Half-rate	**€14.90
— Living Alone Increase		€7.70
— Increase for people under age 66, living on certain offshore islands		€12.70

**You can get an increase of €29.80 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.

‡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 per week (see pages 54-60).

Death Benefits (Survivor's Benefits) from 7 January 2011

	Rate per week	
Pension for a widow or widower	aged under 66	€218.50
	aged 66 or over	€234.70
Increases:		
— Each qualified child		€29.80

	Rate per week
— Living Alone Increase for people age 66 or over	€7.70
— 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	€164.80
— Funeral Grant	€850.00

Jobseeker's supports

Jobseeker's Benefit from 30 December 2010

	Rate per week
Personal rate	€188.00
Increases:	
— Increase for Qualified Adult ‡	€124.80
— Each qualified child	Full rate *€29.80 Half-rate *€14.90

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	€84.50	€80.90
— €150.00 and less than €220.00	€121.40	€80.90
— €220.00 and less than €300.00	€147.30	€80.90
— €300.00 or more	€188.00	€124.80

*You can get an increase of €29.80 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 from 29 December 2010

	Rate per week
Maximum personal rate aged 25 or over	€188.00
— Increase for Qualified Adult ‡	€124.80
— Increase for Qualified Child	*€29.80
**Maximum rate for claimant who is 22 - 24	€144.00
— Increase for Qualified Adult	€124.80
**Maximum rate for claimant who is 18 - 21	€100.00
— Increase for Qualified Adult	€100.00

**Under 25 rates for Jobseeker's Allowance

Persons not affected:

- 18 to 24 year olds with a qualified child;
- those transferring to Jobseeker's Allowance immediately after exhausting their entitlement to Jobseeker's Benefit;
- 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.

Where a person is in receipt of a rate of Jobseeker's Allowance applicable to persons aged under 25 (as outlined in the table on page 45) and he or she participates in a course of education, training, Community Employment, Rural Social Scheme or Tús, the full normal rate of payment applicable to that course/scheme applies without any reduction for persons aged under 25.

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

Specific provisions for claimants aged 22 – 24

Where a claimant of Jobseeker's Allowance is aged 22 - 24 years of age, the rate applicable to 22 - 24 year olds shown above does not apply where:

- The period of unemployment commenced on or before December 30, 2009.
- The claimant is participating in the Work Placement programme operated by FAS.

Specific provisions for claimants aged 18 – 21

Where a claimant of Jobseeker's Allowance is aged under 18 - 21 years, the rate applicable to 18 to 21 year olds shown above does not apply where/to:

- The period of unemployment commenced on or before December 30, 2009.
- The claimant was aged 18 or 19 on December 30, 2009 and the period of unemployment commenced on or before April 29, 2009.
- Certain people who were in the care of the HSE during the period of 12 months before he or she attained the age of 18.

‡ If you were in receipt of Jobseeker's 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 per week, (see pages 54-60).

* You can get an increase of €29.80 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.

Employment supports

Family Income Supplement from 6 January 2011

To qualify for Family Income Supplement (FIS), your net average weekly family income must be below a certain amount for your family size.

You have:	Your net family income is less than:
1 child	€506
2 children	€602
3 children	€703
4 children	€824
5 children	€950
6 children	€1,066
7 children	€1,202
8 or more children	€1,298

The FIS you receive is 60% of the difference between your net family income (that is, gross pay minus tax, employee PRSI, superannuation, and Universal Social Charge (USC) and the income limit that applies to your family.

Note

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

Farm Assist from 29 December 2010

	Rate per week
Maximum personal rate	€188.00
Increases	
— Increase for a Qualified Adult [‡]	€124.80
— Each qualified child	
Full rate	*€29.80
Half-rate	*€14.90

*You can get an increase of €29.80 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 you were in receipt of Farm Assist 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 per week, (see pages 54-60).

Rural Social Scheme from 3 January 2011

The Rural Social Scheme provides income support for farmers and fishermen who are in receipt of certain social welfare payments. The rates of payment are outlined in the table below.

		Rate per week
Maximum personal rate		€208.00
Increases		
— Increase for a Qualified Adult[‡]		€124.80
— Each qualified child	Full rate	*€29.80
	Half-rate	*€14.90

*You can get an increase of €29.80 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.

[‡]You may be entitled to an increase for a qualified adult if your qualified adult has gross earnings under €310.00 per week.

Tús from 3 January 2011

Tús provides short-term quality and suitable work placement opportunities in the community and voluntary sector for people who have been unemployed for one year or more and are in receipt of Jobseeker's Allowance at the time of placement. The rates of payment are outlined in the table below.

		Rate per week
Personal rate (includes €20 top-up payment)		€208.00
Increases		
— Maximum Rate of Increase for a Qualified Adult[‡]		€124.80
— Each qualified child	Full rate	*€29.80
	Half-rate	*€14.90

*You can get an increase of €29.80 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.

[‡]You will retain the existing rate payable on your Jobseeker's Allowance in respect of a qualified adult

Back to Work Enterprise Allowance from 29 December 2010

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

Only payable for 2 years to new applicants since 01 May 2009. Those who started on the scheme prior to 1 May 2009 will continue to receive support at 50% in year 3 and 25% in year 4.

Short-Term Enterprise Allowance from 30 December 2010

- **100% of jobseekers benefit entitlement for the duration of entitlement which may be up to 12 months.**

Part-time Job Incentive Scheme from 29 December 2010

	Rate per week
Personal rate	€119.00
Rate including an Increase for a Qualified Adult	€193.90

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

Back to Education Allowance

Payment is made at a standard rate and is not means-tested. If you qualify for the Back to Education Allowance, you will receive a weekly personal rate equivalent to the maximum personal standard rate of the relevant social welfare payment that actually qualified you for participation in the scheme. Where applicable, you may also qualify for increases in respect of a qualified adult and each qualified child. Also, an annual Cost of Education Allowance of €500.00 per annum is paid at the start of each academic year.

Extra benefits

Bereavement Grant

Bereavement Grant	€850
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Assistance towards funeral expenses can also be made under the Supplementary Welfare Allowance Scheme. An application for this scheme, which is means-tested, should be made to your local Community Welfare Officer.

Widowed or Surviving Civil Partner Grant

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

	Rate per week
Allowance paid from September to May (32 weeks)	€20.00

Smokeless Fuel Allowance

	Rate per week
Allowance paid from September to May (32 weeks)	€3.90

Electricity Allowance

Allowance — Individual Account	Normal standing charges and up to 2,400 units per year
— Group Account	€43.80 per month

Gas Allowance

Natural Gas Allowance	Provides a credit of up to €111.00 in each two-monthly billing period in winter and a credit of up to €52.00 in each two-monthly billing period in summer.
Bottled Gas Refill Allowance	€40.70 per month

Telephone Allowance

Allowance	
— Landline	Provides a credit of €26.00 every month towards your telephone bill.
— Mobile Phone	€26.00 per month

Free Television Licence

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

Supplementary Welfare Allowance

Supplementary Welfare Allowance from 3 January 2011

	Rate per week
Maximum personal rate aged 25 or over	€186.00
— Increase for Qualified Adult	€124.80
— Increase for Qualified Child	€29.80
Maximum personal rate where claimant is aged under 22 years	€100.00
— Increase for Qualified Adult	€100.00
Maximum personal rate where claimant is between 22 to 24 years inclusive	€144.00
— Increase for Qualified Adult	€124.80

Under 25 age related rates of Supplementary Welfare Allowance

Persons not affected:

- If aged under 20 on 30 December, 2009 and in receipt of Supplementary Welfare Allowance on or before 29 April, 2009.
- If aged 20 to 24 inclusive and in receipt of Supplementary Welfare Allowance on or before 30 December, 2009.
- certain people who were in the care of the HSE during the period of 12 months before he or she attained the age of 18.
- Under 24 year olds with a qualified child.

Appendix

Increase for Qualified Adult rates for State Pension (Transition) and 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 for State Pension (Contributory) or
- a yearly average of 24 or more contributions for State Pension (Transition).

Increase for Qualified Adult		
Qualified Adult gross weekly income or earnings	Age 65 or under	Age 66 or over
	Rate per week	Rate per week
— Up to €100	€153.50	€206.30
— From €100.01 to €110.00	€146.50	€196.90
— From €110.01 to €120.00	€139.50	€187.50
— From €120.01 to €130.00	€132.50	€178.10
— From €130.01 to €140.00	€125.50	€168.70
— From €140.01 to €150.00	€118.50	€159.30
— From €150.01 to €160.00	€111.50	€149.90
— From €160.01 to €170.00	€104.50	€140.50
— From €170.01 to €180.00	€97.50	€131.10
— From €180.01 to €190.00	€90.50	€121.70
— From €190.01 to €200.00	€83.50	€112.30
— From €200.01 to €210.00	€76.50	€102.90
— From €210.01 to €220.00	€69.50	€93.50
— From €220.01 to €230.00	€62.50	€84.10
— From €230.01 to €240.00	€55.50	€74.70
— From €240.01 to €250.00	€48.50	€65.30
— From €250.01 to €260.00	€41.50	€55.90
— From €260.01 to €270.00	€34.50	€46.50
— From €270.01 to €280.00	€27.50	€37.10
— From €280.01 to €290.00	€20.50	€27.70
— From €290.01 to €300.00	€13.50	€18.30
— From €300.01 to €310.00	€6.50	€8.90
— Over €310.00	Nil	Nil

Increase for Qualified Adult rates for State Pension (Contributory)

For claims made on or after 6 April 2001

If you are getting State Pension (Contributory) where your personal rate is based on a yearly average of 15 - 19 contributions (see page 12), you can get an increase for your qualified adult as follows:

Qualified Adult gross weekly income or earnings	Increase for Qualified Adult	
	Age 65 or under	Age 66 or over
	Rate per week	Rate per week
— Up to €100.00	€115.10	€154.70
— From €100.01 to €110.00	€109.80	€147.60
— From €110.01 to €120.00	€104.50	€140.50
— From €120.01 to €130.00	€99.20	€133.40
— From €130.01 to €140.00	€93.90	€126.30
— From €140.01 to €150.00	€88.60	€119.20
— From €150.01 to €160.00	€83.30	€112.10
— From €160.01 to €170.00	€78.00	€105.00
— From €170.01 to €180.00	€72.70	€97.90
— From €180.01 to €190.00	€67.40	€90.80
— From €190.01 to €200.00	€62.10	€83.70
— From €200.01 to €210.00	€56.80	€76.60
— From €210.01 to €220.00	€51.50	€69.50
— From €220.01 to €230.00	€46.20	€62.40
— From €230.01 to €240.00	€40.90	€55.30
— From €240.01 to €250.00	€35.60	€48.20
— From €250.01 to €260.00	€30.30	€41.10
— From €260.01 to €270.00	€25.00	€34.00
— From €270.01 to €280.00	€19.70	€26.90
— From €280.01 to €290.00	€14.40	€19.80
— From €290.01 to €300.00	€9.10	€12.70
— From €300.01 to €310.00	€3.80	€5.60
— Over €310.00	Nil	Nil

Increase for Qualified Adult rates for State Pension (Contributory)

For claims made on or after 6 April 2001

If you are getting State Pension (Contributory) where your personal rate is based on a yearly average of 10 - 14 contributions (see page 12), you can get an increase for your qualified adult, as follows:

Qualified Adult gross weekly income or earnings	Increase for Qualified Adult	
	Age 65 or under	Age 66 or over
	Rate per week	Rate per week
— Up to €100.00	€76.80	€103.20
— From €100.01 to €110.00	€73.30	€98.50
— From €110.01 to €120.00	€69.80	€93.80
— From €120.01 to €130.00	€66.30	€89.10
— From €130.01 to €140.00	€62.80	€84.40
— From €140.01 to €150.00	€59.30	€79.70
— From €150.01 to €160.00	€55.80	€75.00
— From €160.01 to €170.00	€52.30	€70.30
— From €170.01 to €180.00	€48.80	€65.60
— From €180.01 to €190.00	€45.30	€60.90
— From €190.01 to €200.00	€41.80	€56.20
— From €200.01 to €210.00	€38.30	€51.50
— From €210.01 to €220.00	€34.80	€46.80
— From €220.01 to €230.00	€31.30	€42.10
— From €230.01 to €240.00	€27.80	€37.40
— From €240.01 to €250.00	€24.30	€32.70
— From €250.01 to €260.00	€20.80	€28.00
— From €260.01 to €270.00	€17.30	€23.30
— From €270.01 to €280.00	€13.80	€18.60
— From €280.01 to €290.00	€10.30	€13.90
— From €290.01 to €300.00	€6.80	€9.20
— From €300.01 to €310.00	€3.30	€4.50
— 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 State Pension (Contributory) where your personal rate is based on a yearly average of less than 20 contributions (see page 12), you can get an increase for your qualified adult, as follows:

Increase for Qualified Adult		
Qualified Adult gross weekly income or earnings	Age 65 or under	Age 66 or over
	Rate per week	Rate per week
— Up to €100.00	€123.00	€154.70
— From €100.01 to €110.00	€117.20	€147.60
— From €110.01 to €120.00	€111.40	€140.50
— From €120.01 to €130.00	€105.60	€133.40
— From €130.01 to €140.00	€99.80	€126.30
— From €140.01 to €150.00	€94.00	€119.20
— From €150.01 to €160.00	€88.20	€112.10
— From €160.01 to €170.00	€82.40	€105.00
— From €170.01 to €180.00	€76.60	€97.90
— From €180.01 to €190.00	€70.80	€90.80
— From €190.01 to €200.00	€65.00	€83.70
— From €200.01 to €210.00	€59.20	€76.60
— From €210.01 to €220.00	€53.40	€69.50
— From €220.01 to €230.00	€47.60	€62.40
— From €230.01 to €240.00	€41.80	€55.30
— From €240.01 to €250.00	€36.00	€48.20
— From €250.01 to €260.00	€30.20	€41.10
— From €260.01 to €270.00	€24.40	€34.00
— From €270.01 to €280.00	€18.60	€26.90
— From €280.01 to €290.00	€12.80	€19.80
— From €290.01 to €300.00	€7.00	€12.70
— From €300.01 to €310.00	€1.20	€5.60
— Over €310.00	Nil	Nil

Increase for a Qualified Adult rates for Invalidation Pension

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

Qualified Adult gross weekly income or earnings	Increase for Qualified Adult	
	Age 65 or under Rate per week	Age 66 or over Rate per week
— Up to €100.00	€138.10	€206.30
— From €100.01 to €110.00	€131.90	€196.90
— From €110.01 to €120.00	€125.50	€187.50
— From €120.01 to €130.00	€119.30	€178.10
— From €130.01 to €140.00	€113.00	€168.70
— From €140.01 to €150.00	€106.70	€159.30
— From €150.01 to €160.00	€100.50	€149.90
— From €160.01 to €170.00	€94.20	€140.50
— From €170.01 to €180.00	€87.90	€131.10
— From €180.01 to €190.00	€81.60	€121.70
— From €190.01 to €200.00	€75.40	€112.30
— From €200.01 to €210.00	€69.00	€102.90
— From €210.01 to €220.00	€62.80	€93.50
— From €220.01 to €230.00	€56.60	€84.10
— From €230.01 to €240.00	€50.30	€74.70
— From €240.01 to €250.00	€44.00	€65.30
— From €250.01 to €260.00	€37.70	€55.90
— From €260.01 to €270.00	€31.50	€46.50
— From €270.01 to €280.00	€25.20	€37.10
— From €280.01 to €290.00	€18.90	€27.70
— From €290.01 to €300.00	€12.70	€18.30
— From €300.01 to €310.00	€6.30	€8.90
— Over €310.00	Nil	Nil

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*, Pre-Retirement Allowance* and Farm Assist*

Increase for Qualified Adult	
Qualified Adult gross weekly income or earnings	Rate per week
— Up to €100.00	€124.80
— From €100.01 to €110.00	€119.80
— From €110.01 to €120.00	€114.80
— From €120.01 to €130.00	€109.10
— From €130.01 to €140.00	€103.20
— From €140.01 to €150.00	€97.50
— From €150.01 to €160.00	€91.70
— From €160.01 to €170.00	€85.90
— From €170.01 to €180.00	€80.10
— From €180.01 to €190.00	€74.20
— From €190.01 to €200.00	€68.50
— From €200.01 to €210.00	€62.60
— From €210.01 to €220.00	€56.90
— From €220.01 to €230.00	€51.00
— From €230.01 to €240.00	€45.30
— From €240.01 to €250.00	€39.50
— From €250.01 to €260.00	€33.70
— From €260.01 to €270.00	€27.90
— From €270.01 to €280.00	€22.10
— From €280.01 to €290.00	€16.30
— From €290.01 to €300.00	€10.50
— From €300.01 to €310.00	€4.70
— Over €310.00	Nil

*In the case of these four 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:

Increase for Qualified Adult	
Qualified Adult gross weekly income or earnings	Rate per week
— Up to €100.00	€80.90
— From €100.01 to €110.00	€77.30
— From €110.01 to €120.00	€73.50
— From €120.01 to €130.00	€69.90
— From €130.01 to €140.00	€66.20
— From €140.01 to €150.00	€62.50
— From €150.01 to €160.00	€58.80
— From €160.01 to €170.00	€55.10
— From €170.01 to €180.00	€51.40
— From €180.01 to €190.00	€47.80
— From €190.01 to €200.00	€44.00
— From €200.01 to €210.00	€40.40
— From €210.01 to €220.00	€36.80
— From €220.01 to €230.00	€33.00
— From €230.01 to €240.00	€29.40
— From €240.01 to €250.00	€25.70
— From €250.01 to €260.00	€22.00
— From €260.01 to €270.00	€18.30
— From €270.01 to €280.00	€14.60
— From €280.01 to €290.00	€10.90
— From €290.01 to €300.00	€7.30
— From €300.01 to €310.00	€3.60
— Over €310.00	Nil

