

Pensions

Adult Pension Rates

Single*	Previous Amount	20 March 2014	Increase
Base	\$ 751.70	\$ 766.00	\$ 14.30 pf
Supplement	\$ 61.70	\$ 62.90	\$ 1.20 pf
Clean Energy Supplement	\$ 13.70	\$ 13.90	\$ 0.20 pf
Total	\$ 827.10	\$ 842.80	\$ 15.70 pf
Partnered (ea)			
Base	\$ 566.60	\$ 577.40	\$ 10.80 pf
Supplement	\$ 46.50	\$ 47.40	\$ 0.90 pf
Clean Energy Supplement	\$ 10.30	\$ 10.50	\$ 0.20 pf
Total	\$ 623.40	\$ 635.30	\$ 11.90 pf

* Also Illness Separated, Respite Care or Partner in Gaol

Adult Transitional Pension Rate

Resident in Australia

Single	Previous Amount	20 March 2014	Increase
Maximum Transitional Pension Rate	\$ 686.80	\$ 699.80	\$ 13.00 pf
Clean Energy Supplement	\$ 13.70	\$ 13.90	\$ 0.20 pf
Total	\$ 700.50	\$ 713.70	\$ 13.20 pf
Partnered (ea)			
Maximum Transitional Pension Rate	\$ 554.60	\$ 565.10	\$ 10.50 pf
Clean Energy Supplement	\$ 10.30	\$ 10.50	\$ 0.20 pf
Total	\$ 564.90	\$ 575.60	\$ 10.70 pf

Not Resident in Australia or absent for period > 6 weeks

Single	\$ 629.90	\$ 641.90	\$ 12.00 pf
Partnered (ea)	\$ 526.30	\$ 536.30	\$ 10.00 pf

Adult Pension Supplement Basic Amount*

Family Situation	Previous Amount	20 March 2014	Increase
Single	\$ 21.50	\$ 21.90	\$ 0.40 pf
Illness Separated, Respite Care or Partner in Gaol	\$ 21.50	\$ 21.90	\$ 0.40 pf
Partnered (ea)	\$ 17.90	\$ 18.20	\$ 0.30 pf

* Formerly paid as (GST) Supplement. Not applicable for Transitional Rate customers

Adult Pension Supplement Minimum Amount

Family Situation	Previous Amount	20 March 2014	Increase
Single	\$ 33.00	\$ 33.70	\$ 0.70 pf
Illness Separated, Respite Care or Partner in Gaol	\$ 33.00	\$ 33.70	\$ 0.70 pf
Partnered (ea)	\$ 24.90	\$ 25.40	\$ 0.50 pf

Pension Disqualifying Income Limits

Family Situation	Previous Amount	20 March 2014	Increase
Single	\$ 1,810.20	\$ 1,841.60	\$ 31.40 pf
Single + 1 dependent child	\$ 1,810.20	\$ 1,841.60	\$ 31.40 pf
Couple (combined)	\$ 2,769.60	\$ 2,817.20	\$ 47.60 pf
Illness Separated couple (combined)	\$ 3,584.40	\$ 3,647.20	\$ 62.80 pf

Transitional Disqualifying Income Limits

Family Situation - Resident	Previous Amount	20 March 2014	Increase
Single	\$ 1,907.25	\$ 1,940.25	\$ 33.00 pf
Single + 1 dependent child	\$ 1,931.85	\$ 1,964.85	\$ 33.00 pf
Couple (combined)	\$ 3,100.50	\$ 3,154.00	\$ 53.50 pf
Illness Separated couple (combined)	\$ 3,778.50	\$ 3,844.50	\$ 66.00 pf
Family Situation - Non-Resident	Previous Amount	20 March 2014	Increase
Single	\$ 1,730.75	\$ 1,760.75	\$ 30.00 pf
Single + 1 dependent child	\$ 1,755.35	\$ 1,785.35	\$ 30.00 pf
Couple (combined)	\$ 2,907.50	\$ 2,957.50	\$ 50.00 pf
Illness Separated couple (combined)	\$ 3,425.50	\$ 3,485.50	\$ 60.00 pf

Pension Disqualifying Assets Limits

Family Situation	Previous Amount	20 March 2014	Increase
Single, homeowner	\$ 748,250	\$ 758,750	\$ 10,500
Single, non-homeowner	\$ 890,750	\$ 901,250	\$ 10,500
Couple, homeowner (combined)	\$ 1,110,500	\$ 1,126,500	\$ 16,000
Couple, non-homeowner (combined)	\$ 1,253,000	\$ 1,269,000	\$ 16,000
One partner eligible, homeowner	\$ 1,110,500	\$ 1,126,500	\$ 16,000
One partner eligible, non-homeowner	\$ 1,253,000	\$ 1,269,000	\$ 16,000
Illness separated couple, homeowner	\$ 1,382,000	\$ 1,403,000	\$ 21,000
Illness separated couple, non-homeowner	\$ 1,524,500	\$ 1,545,500	\$ 21,000

Transitional Rate Pension Disqualifying Assets Limits

Family Situation - Resident	Previous Amount	20 March 2014	Increase
Single, homeowner	\$ 663,750	\$ 672,750	\$ 9,000
Single, non-homeowner	\$ 806,250	\$ 815,250	\$ 9,000
Couple, homeowner (combined)	\$ 1,032,500	\$ 1,046,500	\$ 14,000
Couple, non-homeowner (combined)	\$ 1,175,000	\$ 1,189,000	\$ 14,000
One partner eligible, homeowner	\$ 1,032,500	\$ 1,046,500	\$ 14,000
One partner eligible, non-homeowner	\$ 1,175,000	\$ 1,189,000	\$ 14,000
Illness separated couple, homeowner	\$ 1,213,000	\$ 1,231,000	\$ 18,000
Illness separated couple, non-homeowner	\$ 1,355,500	\$ 1,373,500	\$ 18,000
Family Situation - Non-Resident	Previous Amount	20 March 2014	Increase
Single, homeowner	\$ 616,750	\$ 624,750	\$ 8,000
Single, non-homeowner	\$ 759,250	\$ 767,250	\$ 8,000
Couple, homeowner (combined)	\$ 981,000	\$ 994,500	\$ 13,500
Couple, non-homeowner (combined)	\$ 1,123,500	\$ 1,137,000	\$ 13,500
One partner eligible, homeowner	\$ 981,000	\$ 994,500	\$ 13,500
One partner eligible, non-homeowner	\$ 1,123,500	\$ 1,137,000	\$ 13,500
Illness separated couple, homeowner	\$ 1,119,000	\$ 1,135,000	\$ 16,000
Illness separated couple, non-homeowner	\$ 1,261,500	\$ 1,277,500	\$ 16,000

Pension Bonus Scheme*

Single			
Years (Bonus Periods)	Previous Amount	20 March 2014	Increase
1	\$ 1,889.70	\$ 1,925.60	\$ 35.90
2	\$ 7,558.80	\$ 7,702.50	\$ 143.70
3	\$ 17,007.30	\$ 17,330.60	\$ 323.30
4	\$ 30,235.20	\$ 30,810.00	\$ 574.80
5	\$ 47,242.50	\$ 48,140.70	\$ 898.20
Partnered (ea)			
Years (Bonus Periods)	Previous Amount	20 March 2014	Increase
1	\$ 1,428.50	\$ 1,455.60	\$ 27.10
2	\$ 5,714.10	\$ 5,822.60	\$ 108.50
3	\$ 12,856.70	\$ 13,100.80	\$ 244.10
4	\$ 22,856.30	\$ 23,290.30	\$ 434.00
5	\$ 35,713.00	\$ 36,391.20	\$ 678.20

* No new entrants eligible post 20 September 2009

Pension Supplement Component for Pension Bonus

Family Situation	Previous Amount	20 March 2014	Increase
Single	\$ 559.00	\$ 569.40	\$ 10.40 pa
Illness Separated, Respite Care or Partner in Gaol	\$ 559.00	\$ 569.40	\$ 10.40 pa
Partnered (ea)	\$ 465.40	\$ 473.20	\$ 7.80 pa

Allowances**Allowance Rates (NSA, WA, PA, SA)**

Family Situation	Previous Amount	20 March 2014	Increase
Single, 22 or over, no children	\$ 501.00	\$ 510.50	\$ 9.50 pf
Single, 22 or over, with children	\$ 542.10	\$ 552.40	\$ 10.30 pf
Single, 60 or over, after 9 months	\$ 542.10	\$ 552.40	\$ 10.30 pf
Partnered (each)	\$ 452.30	\$ 460.90	\$ 8.60 pf
Single, principal carer of child, exempt from activity test*	\$ 699.90	\$ 713.20	\$ 13.30 pf

* Rate includes amount of Supplement (for under Age Pension age recipients)

Clean Energy Supplement (NSA, WA, PA, SA)

Family Situation - under Age Pension age	Previous Amount	20 March 2014	Increase
Single, 22 or over, no children	\$ 8.50	\$ 8.70	\$ 0.20 pf
Single, 22 or over, with children	\$ 9.20	\$ 9.40	\$ 0.20 pf
Single, 60 or over, after 9 months	\$ 9.20	\$ 9.40	\$ 0.20 pf
Partnered (each)	\$ 7.70	\$ 7.80	\$ 0.10 pf
Single, principal carer of child, exempt from activity test	\$ 11.70	\$ 11.90	\$ 0.20 pf
Family Situation - over Age Pension age	Previous Amount	20 March 2014	Increase
Single	\$ 13.70	\$ 13.90	\$ 0.20 pf
Partnered (each)	\$ 10.30	\$ 10.50	\$ 0.20 pf

Allowance Supplement Amount (Over Age Pension Age)

	Previous Amount	20 March 2014	Increase
Single Allowance Supplement	\$ 61.70	\$ 62.90	\$ 1.20 pf
Partnered Allowance Supplement	\$ 46.50	\$ 47.40	\$ 0.90 pf

Youth Allowance Rates

	Previous Amount	20 March 2014	Increase
Single, principal carer of child, exempt from activity test*	\$ 699.90	\$ 713.20	\$ 13.30 pf

* Rate includes amount of Supplement (for under Age Pension age recipients)

Income Test Cutoffs for NSA, WA, PA, SA#

Family Situation	Previous Amount	20 March 2014	Increase
Single, 22 or over, no children	\$ 942.50	\$ 990.34	\$ 47.84 pf
Single, 22 or over, with children	\$ 1,012.17	\$ 1,061.34	\$ 49.17 pf
Single, 60 or over, after 9 months (PhA)	\$ 1,022.50	\$ 1,071.67	\$ 49.17 pf
Partnered (each)	\$ 860.00	\$ 906.17	\$ 46.17 pf
Single, principal carer of child, exempt from activity test	\$ 1,841.00	\$ 1,912.75	\$ 71.75 pf
NSA, Single, 22 or over, with children	\$ 1,440.25	\$ 1,504.50	\$ 64.25 pf
NSA, Single, 60 or over, after 9 months (PhA)	\$ 1,455.75	\$ 1,520.00	\$ 64.25 pf

Income cutouts for Allowance recipients over Age Pension age may differ from these amounts

Income Support Bonus

Family Situation	Previous Amount	20 March 2014	Increase
Single	\$ 105.80	\$ 107.80	\$ 2.00 ba
Partnered	\$ 88.20	\$ 89.90	\$ 1.70 ba

ABSTUDY**Living Allowance Rates**

Family Situation	Previous Amount	20 March 2014	Increase
Standard			
22 years or over, at home	\$ 501.00	\$ 510.50	\$ 9.50 pf
Away from home			
22 years or over	\$ 501.00	\$ 510.50	\$ 9.50 pf
Independent single, no children			
22 years or over	\$ 501.00	\$ 510.50	\$ 9.50 pf
60 years or over	\$ 542.10	\$ 552.40	\$ 10.30 pf
Independent partnered, no children			
22 years or over	\$ 452.30	\$ 460.90	\$ 8.60 pf
Independent, single with dependent child			
22 years or over	\$ 542.10	\$ 552.40	\$ 10.30 pf
Independent, partnered with dependent child			
22 years or over	\$ 452.30	\$ 460.90	\$ 8.60 pf

Clean Energy Supplement

Family Situation	Previous Amount	20 March 2014	Increase
Standard			
22 years or over, at home	\$ 8.50	\$ 8.70	\$ 0.20 pf
Away from home			
22 years or over	\$ 8.50	\$ 8.70	\$ 0.20 pf
Independent single, no children			
22 years or over	\$ 8.50	\$ 8.70	\$ 0.20 pf
60 years or over	\$ 9.20	\$ 9.40	\$ 0.20 pf
Independent partnered, no children			
22 years or over	\$ 7.70	\$ 7.80	\$ 0.10 pf
Independent, single with dependent child			
22 years or over	\$ 9.20	\$ 9.40	\$ 0.20 pf
Independent, partnered with dependent child			
22 years or over	\$ 7.70	\$ 7.80	\$ 0.10 pf
Over Age Pension age			
Single	\$ 13.70	\$ 13.90	\$ 0.20 pf
Partnered	\$ 10.30	\$ 10.50	\$ 0.20 pf

Personal Income Test for Living Allowance

Family Situation	Previous Amount	20 March 2014	Increase
Over 22 years			
Single, no children	\$ 1,278.00	\$ 1,294.17	\$ 16.17 pf
Partnered	\$ 1,195.50	\$ 1,210.00	\$ 14.50 pf
Single, with dependants	\$ 1,347.67	\$ 1,365.17	\$ 17.50 pf
Single, aged 60 or over	\$ 1,347.67	\$ 1,365.17	\$ 17.50 pf

Family Payments**Parenting Payment Basic Rates**

Under Age Pension age	Previous Amount	20 March 2014	Increase
Single Parent			
Base Rate of Pension	\$ 678.40	\$ 691.30	\$ 12.90 pf
Supplement Amount	\$ 21.50	\$ 21.90	\$ 0.40 pf
Clean Energy Supplement	\$ 11.70	\$ 11.90	\$ 0.20 pf
Total	\$ 711.60	\$ 725.10	\$ 13.50 pf
Partnered Parents			
Base Rate of Allowance	\$ 452.30	\$ 460.90	\$ 8.60 pf
Clean Energy Supplement	\$ 7.70	\$ 7.80	\$ 0.10 pf
Total	\$ 460.00	\$ 468.70	\$ 8.70 pf
Over Age Pension age			
Single Parent			
Base Rate of Pension	\$ 678.40	\$ 691.30	\$ 12.90 pf
Supplement Amount	\$ 61.70	\$ 62.90	\$ 1.20 pf
Clean Energy Supplement	\$ 13.70	\$ 13.90	\$ 0.20 pf
Total	\$ 753.80	\$ 768.10	\$ 14.30 pf
Partnered			
Base Rate of Allowance	\$ 452.30	\$ 460.90	\$ 8.60 pf
Supplement Amount	\$ 46.50	\$ 47.40	\$ 0.90 pf
Clean Energy Supplement	\$ 10.30	\$ 10.50	\$ 0.20 pf
Total	\$ 509.10	\$ 518.80	\$ 9.70 pf

Income Test for Parenting Payment#

Partnered	Previous Amount	20 March 2014	Increase
Partner's Free Area	\$ 848.00	\$ 894.00	\$ 46.00 pf
<i>For part payment of additional rate all of the following conditions must be met:</i>			
- customer's income must be less than	\$ 860.00	\$ 906.17	\$ 46.17 pf
- partner's income must be less than	\$ 1,614.67	\$ 1,675.17	\$ 60.50 pf
- combined income must be less than	\$ 1,708.00	\$ 1,800.17	\$ 92.17 pf
<i>If partner is on pension,</i>			
couple's combined income must be less than	\$ 1,720.00	\$ 1,812.34	\$ 92.34 pf
Single			
- under Age Pension age	\$ 1,959.60	\$ 1,993.35	\$ 33.75 pf
- under Age Pension age, including PhA	\$ 1,975.10	\$ 2,008.85	\$ 33.75 pf

Income cutouts for Allowance recipients of over Age Pension age may differ from these amounts

Rent Assistance - for Payments under the Social Security Act**Maximum Payment per Fortnight**

Family Situation	Previous Amount	20 March 2014	Increase
Single, no children	\$ 124.00	\$ 126.40	\$ 2.40 pf
Single, no children, sharer	\$ 82.67	\$ 84.27	\$ 1.60 pf
Couple, no children	\$ 116.60	\$ 118.80	\$ 2.20 pf
Partnered, illness separated, no children	\$ 124.00	\$ 126.40	\$ 2.40 pf
Partnered, temporarily separated, no children	\$ 116.60	\$ 118.80	\$ 2.20 pf

Rent Threshold

Family Situation	Previous Amount	20 March 2014	Increase
Single, no children	\$ 110.00	\$ 112.00	\$ 2.00 pf
Single, no children, sharer	\$ 110.00	\$ 112.00	\$ 2.00 pf
Couple, no children	\$ 179.00	\$ 182.40	\$ 3.40 pf
Partnered, illness separated, no children	\$ 110.00	\$ 112.00	\$ 2.00 pf
Partnered, temporarily separated, no children	\$ 110.00	\$ 112.00	\$ 2.00 pf

Minimum Rent to get Maximum Payment

Family Situation	Previous Amount	20 March 2014	Increase
Single, no children	\$ 275.33	\$ 280.53	\$ 5.20 pf
Single, no children, sharer	\$ 220.22	\$ 224.36	\$ 4.13 pf
Couple, no children	\$ 334.47	\$ 340.80	\$ 6.33 pf
Partnered, illness separated, no children	\$ 275.33	\$ 280.53	\$ 5.20 pf
Partnered, temporarily separated, no children	\$ 265.47	\$ 270.40	\$ 4.93 pf

Rent Assistance - for Payments under the Family Assistance Act**Maximum Payment per Fortnight**

Family Situation	Previous Amount	20 March 2014	Increase
Single, 1 or 2 children	\$ 145.18	\$ 147.98	\$ 2.80 pf
Single, 3 or more children	\$ 164.22	\$ 167.30	\$ 3.08 pf
Couple, 1 or 2 children	\$ 145.18	\$ 147.98	\$ 2.80 pf
Couple, 3 or more children	\$ 164.22	\$ 167.30	\$ 3.08 pf
Couple, Illness Separated, Temporarily Separated	Previous Amount	20 March 2014	Increase
1 or 2 children	\$ 145.18	\$ 147.98	\$ 2.80 pf
3 or more children	\$ 164.22	\$ 167.30	\$ 3.08 pf

Rent Threshold

Family Situation	Previous Amount	20 March 2014	Increase
Single, 1 or 2 children	\$ 144.76	\$ 147.56	\$ 2.80 pf
Single, 3 or more children	\$ 144.76	\$ 147.56	\$ 2.80 pf
Couple, 1 or 2 children	\$ 214.34	\$ 218.40	\$ 4.06 pf
Couple, 3 or more children	\$ 214.34	\$ 218.40	\$ 4.06 pf
Couple, Illness Separated, Temporarily Separated	Previous Amount	20 March 2014	Increase
1 or 2 children	\$ 144.76	\$ 147.56	\$ 2.80 pf
3 or more children	\$ 144.76	\$ 147.56	\$ 2.80 pf

Minimum Rent to get Maximum Payment

Family Situation	Previous Amount	20 March 2014	Increase
Single, 1 or 2 children	\$ 338.33	\$ 344.87	\$ 6.53 pf
Single, 3 or more children	\$ 363.72	\$ 370.63	\$ 6.91 pf
Couple, 1 or 2 children	\$ 407.91	\$ 415.71	\$ 7.79 pf
Couple, 3 or more children	\$ 433.30	\$ 441.47	\$ 8.17 pf
Couple, Illness Separated, Temporarily Separated	Previous Amount	20 March 2014	Increase
1 or 2 children	\$ 338.33	\$ 344.87	\$ 6.53 pf
3 or more children	\$ 363.72	\$ 370.63	\$ 6.91 pf

Miscellaneous Amounts**Seniors Supplement - Annual Amount**

Family Situation		Previous Amount	20 March 2014	Increase
Single*	Base Component	\$ 858.00	\$ 876.20	\$ 18.20 pa
	Clean Energy Supplement	\$ 356.20	\$ 361.40	\$ 5.20 pa
	Total	\$ 1,214.20	\$ 1,237.60	\$ 23.40 pa
Partnered	Base Component	\$ 647.40	\$ 660.40	\$ 13.00 pa
	Clean Energy Supplement	\$ 267.80	\$ 273.00	\$ 5.20 pa
	Total	\$ 915.20	\$ 933.40	\$ 18.20 pa

* Also Illness Separated, Respite Care or Partner in Gaol

Utilities Allowance (paid quarterly: 20 Mar, 20 June, 20 Sept, 20 Dec)

Payable to Widow and Partner Allowance customers under Age Pension Age and DSP under 21 without children

	Previous Amount	20 March 2014	Increase
Annual Amount (single or couple combined)	\$ 577.60	\$ 588.40	\$ 10.80 pa
Quarterly Payment (single or couple combined)	\$ 144.40	\$ 147.10	\$ 2.70 pq

People in receipt of an income support payment that attracts a Pension Supplement do not receive Utilities Allowance

Health Care Cards (HCC)

Average weekly income for eight weeks previous to applying:

Family Situation	Previous Amount	20 March 2014	Increase
Single (no children)	\$ 501.00	\$ 519.00	\$ 18.00 pw
Couple, combined (no children)	\$ 868.00	\$ 899.00	\$ 31.00 pw
Single, one dependent child	\$ 868.00	\$ 899.00	\$ 31.00 pw
For each additional dependent child add	\$ 34.00	\$ 34.00	- pw

Cutoffs for Health Care Cards (HCC)

Family Situation	Previous Amount	20 March 2014	Increase
Single (no children)	\$ 626.25	\$ 648.75	\$ 22.50 pw
Couple, combined (no children)	\$ 1,085.00	\$ 1,123.75	\$ 38.75 pw
Single, one dependent child	\$ 1,085.00	\$ 1,123.75	\$ 38.75 pw
For each additional dependent child add	\$ 42.50	\$ 42.50	- pw

CDEP Participation Supplement (CPS) Income Test

CPS is payable if income is below:

Family Situation	Previous Amount	20 March 2014	Increase
Single	\$ 1,135.00	\$ 1,186.50	\$ 51.50 pf
NSA, Single, principal carer of child	\$ 1,624.50	\$ 1,692.25	\$ 67.75 pf
Couple	\$ 1,041.50	\$ 1,091.17	\$ 49.67 pf
Total income of both partners must be under	\$ 2,083.00	\$ 2,182.34	\$ 99.34 pf