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| **Pensions – Fortnightly** |  |  |  |  |
| **Adult Pension Rates** |  |  |  |  |  |
| Single\* |  | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2021** | **Increase** |   |
|   | Base | $868.30 | $882.20 | $13.90 |  pf  |
|   | Supplement | $70.30 | $71.20 | $0.90 |  pf  |
|   | Energy Supplement | $14.10 | $14.10 | - |  pf  |
|   | Total | $952.70 | $967.50 | $14.80 |  pf  |
| Partnered (each) |   |   |   |   |   |
|   | Base | $654.50 | $665.00 | $10.50 |  pf  |
|   | Supplement | $53.00 | $53.70 | $0.70 |  pf  |
|   | Energy Supplement | $10.60 | $10.60 | - |  pf  |
|   | Total | $718.10 | $729.30 | $11.20 |  pf  |
| *\* Also illness-separated, respite care or partner in gaol.* |   |   |   |   |
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| **Adult Transitional Pension Rate** |  |  |  |  |
| **Resident in Australia** |  |   |   |   |   |
| Single |  | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2021** | **Increase** |   |
|   | Maximum Transitional Pension Rate | $782.20 | $793.20 | $11.00 |  pf  |
|   | Energy Supplement | $14.10 | $14.10 | - |  pf  |
|   | Total | $796.30 | $807.30 | $11.00 |  pf  |
| Partnered (each) |   |   | - | - |   |
|   | Maximum Transitional Pension Rate | $631.80 | $640.60 | $8.80 |  pf  |
|   | Energy Supplement | $10.60 | $10.60 | - |  pf  |
|   | Total | $642.40 | $651.20 | $8.80 |  pf  |
| **Not resident in Australia or absent for period > 6 weeks** |   |   |   |   |
| Single |   | $717.40 | $727.40 | $10.00 |  pf  |
| Partnered (each) |   | $599.60 | $608.00 | $8.40 |  pf  |
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| **Adult Pension Supplement Basic Amount** |   |   |   |   |
| **Family Situation** |  | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2021** | **Increase** |   |
| Single |   | $24.40 | $24.70 | $0.30 |  pf  |
| Illness-separated, respite care or partner in gaol | $24.20 | $24.70 | $0.30 |  pf |
| Partnered (each) |   | $20.10 | $20.40 | $0.30 |  pf  |
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| **Adult Pension Supplement Minimum Amount** |   |   |   |   |
| **Family Situation** |  | **20 Sep 2021** | **20 Sep 2021** | **Increase** |   |
| Single |   | $37.80 | $38.30 | $0.50 |  pf  |
| Illness-separated, respite care or partner in gaol | $37.80 | $38.30 | $0.50 |  pf |
| Partnered (each) |   | $28.50 | $28.90 | $0.40 |  pf  |
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| **Pension Disqualifying Income Limits** |   |   |   |   |
| **Family Situation - Resident** | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2021** | **Increase** |   |
| Single |   | $2,085.40 | $2,115.00 | $29.60 |  pf  |
| Couple (combined) |   | $3,192.40 | $3,237.20 | $44.80 |  pf  |
| Illness-separated (couple combined) | $4,130.80 | $4,190.00 | $59.20 |  pf |
| **Family Situation - Non-Resident** | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2021** | **Increase** |  |
| Single |   | $1,965.40 | $1,993.80 | $28.40 |  pf  |
| Couple (combined) |   | $3,018.40 | $3,061.60 | $43.20 |  pf  |
| Illness-separated (couple combined) | $3,890.80 | $3,947.60 | $56.80 |  pf |
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| **Pensions – Fortnightly (continued)** |  |  |  |  |
| **Transitional Pension Disqualifying Income Limits** |   |   |   |   |
| **Family Situation - Resident** | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2021** | **Increase** |   |
| Single |   | $2,170.75 | $2,198.25 | $27.50 |  pf  |
| Single + 1 dependent child | $2,195.35 | $2,222.85 | $27.50 |  pf  |
| Couple (combined) |   | $3,532.00 | $3,576.00 | $44.00 |  pf  |
| Illness-separated (couple combined) | $4,301.50 | $4,356.50 | $55.00 |  pf  |
| **Family Situation - Non-Resident** | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2021** | **Increase** |   |
| Single |   | $1,973.50 | $1,998.50 | $25.00 |  pf  |
| Single + 1 dependent child | $1,998.10 | $2,023.10 | $25.00 |  pf  |
| Couple (combined) |   | $3,318.00 | $3,360.00 | $42.00 |  pf  |
| Illness-separated (couple combined) | $3,907.00 | $3,957.00 | $50.00 |  pf  |
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| **Pension Disqualifying Assets Limits**  |   |   |   |   |
| **Family Situation - Resident** | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2021** | **Increase** |   |
| Single, homeowner |   | $588,250 | $593,000 | $4,750 |   |
| Single, non-homeowner | $804,750 | $809,500 | $4,750 |   |
| Couple (combined), homeowner | $884,000 | $891,500 | $7,500 |   |
| Couple (combined), non-homeowner | $1,100,500 | $1,108,000 | $7,500 |   |
| One partner eligible (couple combined), homeowner | $884,000 | $891,500 | $7,500 |   |
| One partner eligible (couple combined), non-homeowner | $1,100,500 | $1,108,000 | $7,500 |   |
| Illness-separated (couple combined), homeowner | $1,040,500 | $1,050,000 | $9,500 |   |
| Illness-separated (couple combined), non-homeowner | $1,257,000 | $1,266,500 | $9,500 |   |
| **Family Situation - Non-Resident** |  |  |  |  |
| Single, homeowner |  | $568,250 | $573,000 | $4,750 |   |
| Single, non-homeowner |  | $784,750 | $789,500 | $4,750 |   |
| Couple (combined), homeowner  | $855,000 | $862,000 | $7,000 |   |
| Couple (combined), non-homeowner  | $1,071,500 | $1,078,500 | $7,000 |   |
| One partner eligible (couple combined), homeowner | $855,000 | $862,000 | $7,000 |   |
| One partner eligible (couple combined), non-homeowner | $1,071,500 | $1,078,500 | $7,000 |   |
| Illness-separated (couple combined), homeowner | $1,000,500 | $1,010,000 | $9,500 |   |
| Illness-separated (couple combined), non-homeowner | $1,217,000 | $1,226,500 | $9,500 |   |
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| **Transitional Rate Pension Disqualifying Assets Limits** |   |   |   |   |
| **Family Situation - Resident** | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2021** | **Increase** |   |
| Single, homeowner |   | $536,000 | $539,750 | $3,750 |   |
| Single, non-homeowner | $752,500 | $756,250 | $3,750 |   |
| Couple (combined), homeowner | $833,500 | $839,500 | $6,000 |   |
| Couple (combined), non-homeowner | $1,050,000 | $1,056,000 | $6,000 |   |
| One partner eligible (couple combined), homeowner | $833,500 | $839,500 | $6,000 |   |
| One partner eligible (couple combined), non-homeowner | $1,050,000 | $1,056,000 | $6,000 |   |
| Illness-separated (couple combined), homeowner | $936,000 | $943,500 | $7,500 |   |
| Illness-separated (couple combined), non-homeowner | $1,152,500 | $1,160,000 | $7,500 |   |
| **Family Situation - Non-Resident** | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2021** | **Increase** |   |
| Single, homeowner |   | $509,750 | $513,000 | $3,250 |   |
| Single, non-homeowner | $726,250 | $729,500 | $3,250 |   |
| Couple (combined), homeowner | $805,000 | $810,500 | $5,500 |   |
| Couple (combined), non-homeowner | $1,021,500 | $1,027,000 | $5,500 |   |
| One partner eligible (couple combined), homeowner | $805,000 | $810,500 | $5,500 |   |
| One partner eligible (couple combined), non-homeowner | $1,021,500 | $1,027,000 | $5,500 |   |
| Illness-separated (couple combined), homeowner | $883,500 | $890,000 | $6,500 |   |
| Illness-separated (couple combined), non-homeowner | $1,100,000 | $1,106,500 | $6,500 |   |
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| **Pensions – Fortnightly (continued)** |  |  |  |  |
| **Pension Bonus Scheme\*** |   |   |   |   |
| **Single** |   |   |   |   |   |
| Years (Bonus Periods) |   | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2021** | **Increase** |   |
| 1 |   | $2,181.80 | $2,216.50 | $34.70 |   |
| 2 |   | $8,727.00 | $8,865.90 | $138.90 |   |
| 3 |   | $19,635.80 | $19,948.20 | $312.40 |   |
| 4 |   | $34,908.10 | $35,463.40 | $555.30 |   |
| 5 |   | $54,544.00 | $55,411.60 | $867.60 |   |
| **Partnered (each)** |   |   |   |   |   |
| Years (Bonus Periods) |   | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2021** | **Increase** |   |
| 1 |   | $1,648.70 | $1,675.10 | $26.40 |   |
| 2 |   | $6,594.90 | $6,700.50 | $105.60 |   |
| 3 |   | $14,838.50 | $15,076.10 | $237.60 |   |
| 4 |   | $26,379.60 | $26,801.90 | $422.30 |   |
| 5 |   | $41,218.10 | $41,877.90 | $659.80 |   |
| *\*No new entrants post-20 September 2009.* |   |   |   |   |
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| **Pension Supplement Component for Pension Bonus** |   |   |   |   |
| **Family Situation** |  | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2021** | **Increase** |   |
| Single |   | $634.40 | $642.20 | $7.80 | pa  |
| Illness-separated, respite care or partner in gaol | $634.40 | $642.20 | $7.80 | pa  |
| Partnered (each) |   | $522.60 | $530.40 | $7.80 | pa  |
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| **Allowances – Fortnightly** |  |  |  |  |
| **Allowance Rates (JobSeeker Payment, Widow Allowance, Partner Allowance, Special Benefit)** |  |
| **Family Situation** |  | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2021** | **Increase** |  |
| Single, 22 or over, no children | $620.80 | $629.50 | $8.70 | pf |
| Single, 22 or over, with children | $667.50 | $676.80 | $9.30 | pf |
| Single, 60 or over, after 9 months | $667.50 | $676.80 | $9.30 | pf |
| Partnered (each) |   | $565.40 | $573.30 | $7.90 | pf |
| Single, principal carer of child, exempt from activity test\* | $850.20 | $862.10 | $11.90 | pf |
| *\* Rate includes amount of Basic Pension Supplement (for under Age Pension age recipients).* |   |   |   |   |
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| **Energy Supplement (JobSeeker Payment, Widow Allowance, Partner Allowance, Special Benefit)\*** |   |
| **Family Situation - under Age Pension age** | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2021** | **Increase** |   |
| Single, 22 or over, no children | $8.80 | $8.80 | - | pf |
| Single, 22 or over, with children | $9.50 | $9.50 | - | pf |
| Single, 60 or over, after 9 months | $9.50 | $9.50 | - | pf |
| Partnered (each) |   | $7.90 | $7.90 | - | pf |
| Single, principal carer of child, exempt from activity test | $12.00 | $12.00 | - | pf |
| **Family Situation - over Age Pension age** | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2021** | **Increase** |   |
| Single |   | $14.10 | $14.10 | - | pf |
| Partnered (each) |   | $10.60 | $10.60 | - | pf |
| *\*Energy Supplement is not indexed.* |   |   |   |   |   |
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| **Pension Supplement for Allowance Recipients Over Age Pension Age (Widow Allowance, Partner Allowance, Special Benefit, ABSTUDY)** |   |
| **Family Situation** |   | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2021** | **Increase** |   |
| Single Allowance Supplement | $70.30 | $71.20 | $0.90 | pf |
| Partnered Allowance Supplement | $53.00 | $53.70 | $0.70 | pf |
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| **Allowances – Fortnightly (continued)** |  |  |  |  |
| **Income Limits for Adult Allowances (JobSeeker Payment, Widow Allowance, Partner Allowance)#** |
| **Family Situation** |  | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2021** | **Increase** |  |
| Single, 22 or over, no children | $1,217.00 | $1,231.50 | $14.50 | pf |
| Single, 22 or over, with children | $1,296.00 | $1,311.50 | $15.50 | pf |
| Single, 60 or over, after 9 months\* | $1,306.34 | $1,321.84 | $15.50 | pf |
| Partnered (each) |  | $1,123.17 | $1,136.34 | $13.17 | pf |
| Single, 22 or over, principal carer with children\* | $1,858.00 | $1,881.25 | $23.25 | pf |
| Single, principal carer, exempt from activity test\* | $2,321.00 | $2,350.75 | $29.75 | pf |
| Single income couple (excluding JobSeeker Payment) | $2,079.50 | $2,105.67 | $26.17 | pf |
| *\*Includes Pharmaceutical Allowance.* |  |  |  |  |   |
| *#Income limits for allowance recipients over Age Pension age may differ from these amounts.* |   |   |   |   |
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| **Partner Income Free Areas for Allowances (JobSeeker Payment, Partner Allowance, Parenting Payment Partnered, Youth Allowance, Austudy)~** |
| Partner income test - partner income free area~ |  |  |  |  |
| Partner aged between 22 and Age Pension age | $1,124.00 | $1,137.00 | $13.00 |  pf  |
| Partner aged under 22, no children | $1,033.00 | $1,033.00 | - |  pf  |
| Partner aged under 22, with children | $1,110.00 | $1,110.00 | - |  pf  |
| *~ Different policy applies if partner is a pensioner.* |  |  |  |  |
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| **Youth Allowance Rates** |  |  |  |  |
| **Family Situation** |  | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2021** | **Increase** |  |
| Single, principal carer of child, exempt from activity test\* | $850.20 | $862.10 | $11.90 | pf |
| *\*Rate includes amount of Basic Pension Supplement (for under Age Pension age recipients).* |   |   |   |   |
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| **Income Limits for Youth Allowance** |  |  |  |  |
| **Family Situation** |  | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2021** | **Increase** |  |
| Single, principal carer of child, exempt from activity test\* | $1,614.00 | $1,633.84 | $19.84 | pf |
| *\*Includes Pharmaceutical Allowance.* |   |   |   |   |   |
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| **ABSTUDY** |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Living Allowance Rates** |  |  |  |   |
| **Family Situation** |   | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2021** | **Increase** |   |
| Standard |  |  |  |  |   |
| 22 years or over, at home | $620.80 | $629.50 | $8.70 | pf |
| Away from home |  |  |  |  |   |
| 22 years or over |  | $620.80 | $629.50 | $8.70 | pf |
| Independent single, no children |  |  |  |  |
| 22 years or over |  | $620.80 | $629.50 | $8.70 | pf |
| 60 years or over |   | $667.50 | $676.80 | $9.30 | pf |
| Independent partnered, no children |  |  |  |  |
| 22 years or over |  | $565.40 | $573.30 | $7.90 | pf |
| Independent, single with dependent child |  |  |  |  |
| 22 years or over |   | $667.50 | $676.80 | $9.30 | pf |
| Independent, partnered with dependent child |  |  |  |  |
| 22 years or over |   | $565.40 | $573.30 | $7.90 | pf |
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| **Energy Supplement for Living Allowance\*** |  |  |  |  |
| **Family Situation** |  | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2021** | **Increase** |  |
| Standard |  |  |  |  |   |
| 22 years or over, at home | $8.80 | $8.80 | - | pf |
| Away from home |  |  |  |  |   |
| 22 years or over |  | $8.80 | $8.80 | - | pf |
| *\*Energy Supplement is not indexed.* |  |  |   |   |   |
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| **ABSTUDY (continued)** |  |  |  |  |
| **Energy Supplement for Living Allowance (continued)\*** |  |  |  |
| Independent single, no children |  |  |  |  |
| 22 years or over |  | $8.80 | $8.80 | - | pf |
| 60 years or over |   | $9.50 | $9.50 | - | pf |
| Independent partnered, no children |  |  |  |  |
| 22 years or over |  | $7.90 | $7.90 | - | pf |
| Independent, single with dependent child |  |  |  |  |
| 22 years or over |   | $9.50 | $9.50 | - | pf |
| Independent, partnered with dependent child |  |  |  |  |
| 22 years or over |   | $7.90 | $7.90 | - | pf |
| Over Age Pension age |   |  |  |  |  |
|  Single |   | $14.10 | $14.10 | - | pf |
|  Partnered |   | $10.60 | $10.60 | - | pf |
| *\*Energy Supplement is not indexed.* |  |  |   |   |   |
| **Personal Income Limits for Living Allowance** |  |  |  |  |
| **Family Situation** |   | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2021** | **Increase** |  |
| Over 22 years |  |  |  |  |  |
| Single, no children |  | $1,500.84 | $1,515.34 | $14.50 | pf |
| Partnered |  | $1,407.00 | $1,420.17 | $13.17 | pf |
| Single, with dependants | $1,579.84 | $1,595.34 | $15.50 | pf |
| Aged 60 or over\* |  | $1,590.17 | $1,605.67 | $15.50 | pf |
| *\*Includes Pharmaceutical Allowance.* |  |  |  |   |
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| **Parenting Payment – Fortnightly** |  |  |  |  |
| **Parenting Payment Rates** |  |  |  |  |
| **Under Age Pension age** |   | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2021** | **Increase** |   |
| Single Parent | Base Pension | $825.80 | $837.40 | $11.60 | pf |
|   | Supplement  | $24.40 | $24.70 | $0.30 | pf |
|   | Energy Supplement | $12.00 | $12.00 | - | pf |
|   | Total | $862.20 | $874.10 | $11.90 | pf |
| Partnered Parents | Base Allowance | $565.40 | $573.30 | $7.90 | pf |
|   | Energy Supplement | $7.90 | $7.90 | - | pf |
|   | Total | $573.30 | $581.20 | $7.90 | pf |
| **Over Age Pension age** |   | **Previous Amount** | **20 Mar 2021** | **Increase** |   |
| Single Parent | Base Pension | $825.80 | $837.40 | $11.60 | pf |
|   | Supplement  | $70.30 | $71.20 | $0.90 | pf |
|   | Energy Supplement | $14.10 | $14.10 | - | pf |
|   | Total | $910.20 | $922.70 | $12.50 | pf |
| Partnered | Base Allowance | $565.40 | $573.30 | $7.90 | pf |
|   | Supplement  | $53.00 | $53.70 | $0.70 | pf |
|   | Energy Supplement | $10.60 | $10.60 | - | pf |
|   | Total | $629.00 | $637.60 | $8.60 | pf |
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| **Income Test for Parenting Payment#** |  |  |  |  |
| **Partnered** |   | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2021** | **Increase** |  |
| Partner income free area | $1,124.00 | $1,137.00 | $13.00 | pf |
| *For part payment of additional rate, all of the following conditions must be met:*  |   |  |
| - recipient's income must be less than | $1,123.17 | $1,136.34 | $13.17 | pf |
| - partner's income must be less than | $2,079.50 | $2,105.67 | $26.17 | pf |
| - combined income must be less than | $2,247.17 | $2,273.34 | $26.17 | pf |
| *If partner is on pension,* |   |   |   |   |
| couple's combined income must be less than | $2,246.34 | $2,272.68 | $26.34 | pf |
| *#Income limits for allowance recipients over Age Pension age may differ from these amounts.* |   |   |   |   |
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| **Parenting Payment – Fortnightly (continued)** |  |  |  |  |
| **Income Test for Parenting Payment (continued)#** |  |  |  |  |
| **Single\*** |   | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2021** | **Increase** |   |
| Income Free area |   | $194.60 | $194.60 | - | pf |
| *Disqualifying Income Limits* |   |   |   |  |
| - under Age Pension age, including Pharmaceutical Allowance | $2,365.60 | $2,395.35 | $29.75 | pf |
| *\*Income free areas and income limits for parents with more than one child may differ from these amounts.* |   |   |   |
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| **Rent Assistance – for payments under the Social Security Act** |   |   |
| **Maximum Payment per Fortnight** |  |  |  |   |
| **Family Situation** |  | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2021** | **Increase** |   |
| Single, no children |   | $140.80 | $142.80 | $2.00 | pf |
| Single, no children, sharer | $93.87 | $95.20 | $1.33 | pf |
| Couple, no children |   | $132.80 | $134.60 | $1.80 | pf |
| Partnered, illness-separated, no children | $140.80 | $142.80 | $2.00 | pf |
| Partnered, temporarily separated, no children | $132.80 | $134.60 | $1.80 | pf |
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| **Rent Threshold** |   |  |  |  |   |
| **Family Situation** |   | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2021** | **Increase** |   |
| Single, no children |   | $125.80 | $127.60 | $1.80 | pf |
| Single, no children, sharer | $125.80 | $127.60 | $1.80 | pf |
| Couple, no children |   | $203.60 | $206.40 | $2.80 | pf |
| Partnered, illness-separated, no children | $125.80 | $127.60 | $1.80 | pf |
| Partnered, temporarily separated, no children | $125.80 | $127.60 | $1.80 | pf |
|   |   |   |   |   |   |
| **Rent Ceiling** |   |  |  |  |   |
| **Family Situation** |   | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2021** | **Increase** |   |
| Single, no children |   | $313.53 | $318.00 | $4.47 | pf |
| Single, no children, sharer | $250.96 | $254.54 | $3.58 | pf |
| Couple, no children |   | $380.67 | $385.87 | $5.20 | pf |
| Partnered, illness-separated, no children | $313.53 | $318.00 | $4.47 | pf |
| Partnered, temporarily separated, no children | $302.87 | $307.07 | $4.20 | pf |
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| **Rent Assistance – for payments under the Family Assistance Act** |   |   |
| **Maximum Payment per Fortnight** |  |  |  |   |
| **Family Situation** |  | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2021** | **Increase** |   |
| Single, 1 or 2 children |   | $165.62 | $168.00 | $2.38 | pf |
| Single, 3 or more children | $187.04 | $189.70 | $2.66 | pf |
| Couple, 1 or 2 children |   | $165.62 | $168.00 | $2.38 | pf |
| Couple, 3 or more children | $187.04 | $189.70 | $2.66 | pf |
| **Couple, Illness-separated, Temporarily Separated** | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2021** | **Increase** |   |
| 1 or 2 children |   | $165.62 | $168.00 | $2.38 | pf |
| 3 or more children |   | $187.04 | $189.70 | $2.66 | pf |
|   |   |   |   |   |   |
| **Rent Threshold** |   |  |  |  |   |
| **Family Situation** |   | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2021** | **Increase** |   |
| Single, 1 or 2 children |   | $165.06 | $167.44 | $2.38 | pf |
| Single, 3 or more children | $165.06 | $167.44 | $2.38 | pf |
| Couple, 1 or 2 children |   | $244.16 | $247.52 | $3.36 | pf |
| Couple, 3 or more children | $244.16 | $247.52 | $3.36 | pf |
| **Couple, Illness-Separated, Temporarily Separated** | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2021** | **Increase** |   |
| 1 or 2 children |   | $165.06 | $167.44 | $2.38 | pf |
| 3 or more children |   | $165.06 | $167.44 | $2.38 | pf |
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| **Rent Assistance – for payments under the Family Assistance Act (continued)**  |   |
| **Rent Ceiling** |   |  |  |  |   |
| **Family Situation** |   | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2021** | **Increase** |   |
| Single, 1 or 2 children |   | $385.89 | $391.44 | $5.55 | pf |
| Single, 3 or more children | $414.45 | $420.38 | $5.93 | pf |
| Couple, 1 or 2 children |   | $464.99 | $471.52 | $6.53 | pf |
| Couple, 3 or more children | $493.55 | $500.46 | $6.91 | pf |
| **Couple, Illness-separated, Temporarily Separated** | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2021** | **Increase** |   |
| 1 or 2 children |   | $385.89 | $391.44 | $5.55 | pf |
| 3 or more children |   | $414.45 | $420.38 | $5.93 | pf |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Miscellaneous Amounts** |   |   |   |   |
| **Telephone Allowance** |   |   |   |   |
|   | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2021** | **Increase** |   |
| Annual Payment (single or couple combined) | $120.80 | $125.60 | $4.80 | pa |
| Quarterly Payment (single or couple combined) | $30.20 | $31.40 | $1.20 | pq |
| *Single rates shown. Each eligible member of a couple on maximum rate may receive half the single rate per annum.*  |   |   |  |
| **Higher Rate Telephone Allowance** |   |   |   |   |
| *Requires home internet access.* |   | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2021** | **Increase** |   |
| Annual Payment (single or couple combined) | $178.40 | $185.60 | $7.20 | pa |
| Quarterly Payment (single or couple combined) | $44.60 | $46.40 | $1.80 | pq |
| *Single rates shown. Each eligible member of a couple on maximum rate may receive half the single rate per annum.* |   |   |   |
| **Utilities Allowance (Paid Quarterly: 20 Mar, 20 June, 20 Sept, 20 Dec)** |   |   |   |
| *Payable to Widow Allowance and Partner Allowance recipients under Age Pension age and Disability Support Pensioners aged under 21 without children.*  |   |
|   |  | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2021** | **Increase** |   |
| Annual Amount (single or couple combined) | $658.00 | $667.20 | $9.20 | pa |
| Quarterly Payment (single or couple combined) | $164.50 | $166.80 | $2.30 | pq |
| *Individuals 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 prior to applying:** |   |   |   |   |
| **Family Situation** |   | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2021** | **Increase** |   |
| Single (no children) |   | $636.00 | $644.00 | $8.00 | pw |
| Couple, combined (no children)  | $1,094.00 | $1,107.00 | $13.00 | pw |
| Single, one dependent child  | $1,094.00 | $1,107.00 | $13.00 | pw |
| For each additional dependent child add | $34.00 | $34.00 | - | pw |
|  |   |   |   |   |   |
| **Income limits for Health Care Cards (HCC)** |  |  |  |  |
| **Family Situation** |  | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2021** | **Increase** |   |
| Single (no children) |   | $795.00 | $805.00 | $10.00 | pw |
| Couple, combined (no children)  | $1,367.50 | $1,383.75 | $16.25 | pw |
| Single, one dependent child  | $1,367.50 | $1,383.75 | $16.25 | pw |
| For each additional dependent child add | $42.50 | $42.50 | - | pw |
|  |   |   |   |   |   |
| **Commonwealth Seniors Health Cards (CSHC) - Taxable Income Limits** |  |  |
| **Family Situation** |  | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2021** | **Increase** |   |
| Single\* |   | $55,808 | $57,761 | $1,953 | pa |
| Partnered (each) |   | $44,645 | $46,208 | $1,563 | pa |
| Couple (combined) |   | $89,290 | $92,416 | $3,126 | pa |
| Additional amount for each dependent child of the person  | $639.60 | $639.60 | - | pa |
| *\* Also illness-separated, respite care or partner in gaol.* |   |   |   |   |
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