

## Pensions – Fortnightly

### Adult Pension Rates

Single*	Previous Amount	20 Sep 2022	Increase	
Base	\$900.80	\$936.80	\$36.00	pf
Supplement	\$72.70	\$75.60	\$2.90	pf
Energy Supplement	\$14.10	\$14.10	-	pf
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$987.60</b>	<b>\$1,026.50</b>	<b>\$38.90</b>	<b>pf</b>
Partnered (each)				
Base	\$679.00	\$706.20	\$27.20	pf
Supplement	\$54.80	\$57.00	\$2.20	pf
Energy Supplement	\$10.60	\$10.60	-	pf
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$744.40</b>	<b>\$773.80</b>	<b>\$29.40</b>	<b>pf</b>

\* Also illness-separated, respite care or partner in gaol.

### Adult Transitional Pension Rate

#### Resident in Australia

Single	Previous Amount	20 Sep 2022	Increase	
Maximum Transitional Pension Rate	\$809.90	\$842.30	\$32.40	pf
Energy Supplement	\$14.10	\$14.10	-	pf
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$824.00</b>	<b>\$856.40</b>	<b>\$32.40</b>	<b>pf</b>
Partnered (each)				
Maximum Transitional Pension Rate	\$654.10	\$680.30	\$26.20	pf
Energy Supplement	\$10.60	\$10.60	-	pf
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$664.70</b>	<b>\$690.90</b>	<b>\$26.20</b>	<b>pf</b>
Not resident in Australia or absent for period > 6 weeks				
Single	\$742.70	\$772.40	\$29.70	pf
Partnered (each)	\$620.80	\$645.60	\$24.80	pf

### Adult Pension Supplement Basic Amount

Family Situation	Previous Amount	20 Sep 2022	Increase	
Single	\$25.20	\$26.20	\$1.00	pf
Illness-separated, respite care or partner in gaol	\$25.20	\$26.20	\$1.00	pf
Partnered (each)	\$20.80	\$21.60	\$0.80	pf

### Adult Pension Supplement Minimum Amount

Family Situation	Previous Amount	20 Sep 2022	Increase	
Single	\$39.10	\$40.70	\$1.60	pf
Illness-separated, respite care or partner in gaol	\$39.10	\$40.70	\$1.60	pf
Partnered (each)	\$29.50	\$30.70	\$1.20	pf

### Pension Disqualifying Income Limits

Family Situation - Resident	Previous Amount	20 Sep 2022	Increase	
Single	\$2,165.20	\$2,243.00	\$77.80	pf
Couple (combined)	\$3,313.60	\$3,431.20	\$117.60	pf
Illness-separated (couple combined)	\$4,286.40	\$4,442.00	\$155.60	pf
Family Situation - Non-Resident	Previous Amount	20 Sep 2022	Increase	
Single	\$2,042.00	\$2,116.00	\$74.00	pf
Couple (combined)	\$3,135.20	\$3,247.20	\$112.00	pf
Illness-separated (couple combined)	\$4,040.00	\$4,188.00	\$148.00	pf

## Pensions – Fortnightly (continued)

### Transitional Pension Disqualifying Income Limits

Family Situation - Resident	Previous Amount	20 Sep 2022	Increase	
Single	\$2,250.00	\$2,331.00	\$81.00	pf
Single + 1 dependent child	\$2,274.60	\$2,355.60	\$81.00	pf
Couple (combined)	\$3,659.50	\$3,790.50	\$131.00	pf
Illness-separated (couple combined)	\$4,456.00	\$4,618.00	\$162.00	pf
Family Situation - Non-Resident	Previous Amount	20 Sep 2022	Increase	
Single	\$2,046.75	\$2,121.00	\$74.25	pf
Single + 1 dependent child	\$2,071.35	\$2,145.60	\$74.25	pf
Couple (combined)	\$3,440.00	\$3,564.00	\$124.00	pf
Illness-separated (couple combined)	\$4,049.50	\$4,198.00	\$148.50	pf

### Pension Disqualifying Assets Limits

Family Situation - Resident	Previous Amount	20 Sep 2022	Increase
Single, homeowner	\$609,250	\$622,250	\$13,000.00
Single, non-homeowner	\$833,750	\$846,750	\$13,000.00
Couple (combined), homeowner	\$915,500	\$935,000	\$19,500.00
Couple (combined), non-homeowner	\$1,140,000	\$1,159,500	\$19,500.00
One partner eligible (couple combined), homeowner	\$915,500	\$935,000	\$19,500.00
One partner eligible (couple combined), non-homeowner	\$1,140,000	\$1,159,500	\$19,500.00
Illness-separated (couple combined), homeowner	\$1,077,500	\$1,103,500	\$26,000.00
Illness-separated (couple combined), non-homeowner	\$1,302,000	\$1,328,000	\$26,000.00
Family Situation - Non-Resident	Previous Amount	20 Sep 2022	Increase
Single, homeowner	\$588,750	\$601,000	\$12,250.00
Single, non-homeowner	\$813,250	\$825,500	\$12,250.00
Couple (combined), homeowner	\$886,000	\$904,500	\$18,500.00
Couple (combined), non-homeowner	\$1,110,500	\$1,129,000	\$18,500.00
One partner eligible (couple combined), homeowner	\$886,000	\$904,500	\$18,500.00
One partner eligible (couple combined), non-homeowner	\$1,110,500	\$1,129,000	\$18,500.00
Illness-separated (couple combined), homeowner	\$1,036,500	\$1,061,000	\$24,500.00
Illness-separated (couple combined), non-homeowner	\$1,261,000	\$1,285,500	\$24,500.00

### Transitional Rate Pension Disqualifying Assets Limits

Family Situation - Resident	Previous Amount	20 Sep 2022	Increase
Single, homeowner	\$554,750	\$565,500	\$10,750.00
Single, non-homeowner	\$779,250	\$790,000	\$10,750.00
Couple (combined), homeowner	\$862,500	\$880,000	\$17,500.00
Couple (combined), non-homeowner	\$1,087,000	\$1,104,500	\$17,500.00
One partner eligible (couple combined), homeowner	\$862,500	\$880,000	\$17,500.00
One partner eligible (couple combined), non-homeowner	\$1,087,000	\$1,104,500	\$17,500.00
Illness-separated (couple combined), homeowner	\$968,500	\$990,000	\$21,500.00
Illness-separated (couple combined), non-homeowner	\$1,193,000	\$1,214,500	\$21,500.00
Family Situation - Non-Resident	Previous Amount	20 Sep 2022	Increase
Single, homeowner	\$527,750	\$537,500	\$9,750.00
Single, non-homeowner	\$752,250	\$762,000	\$9,750.00
Couple (combined), homeowner	\$833,000	\$849,500	\$16,500.00
Couple (combined), non-homeowner	\$1,057,500	\$1,074,000	\$16,500.00
One partner eligible (couple combined), homeowner	\$833,000	\$849,500	\$16,500.00
One partner eligible (couple combined), non-homeowner	\$1,057,500	\$1,074,000	\$16,500.00
Illness-separated (couple combined), homeowner	\$914,500	\$934,000	\$19,500.00
Illness-separated (couple combined), non-homeowner	\$1,139,000	\$1,158,500	\$19,500.00

## Pensions – Fortnightly (continued)

### Pension Bonus Scheme\*

#### Single

Years (Bonus Periods)	Previous Amount	20 Sep 2022	Increase
1	\$2,263.10	\$2,353.60	\$90.50
2	\$9,052.60	\$9,414.30	\$361.70
3	\$20,368.30	\$21,182.10	\$813.80
4	\$36,210.30	\$37,657.20	\$1,446.90
5	\$56,578.60	\$58,839.30	\$2,260.70

#### Partnered (each)

Years (Bonus Periods)	Previous Amount	20 Sep 2022	Increase
1	\$1,710.30	\$1,778.70	\$68.40
2	\$6,841.20	\$7,115.00	\$273.80
3	\$15,392.80	\$16,008.70	\$615.90
4	\$27,365.00	\$28,459.90	\$1,094.90
5	\$42,757.80	\$44,468.60	\$1,710.80

\*No new entrants post-20 September 2009.

### Pension Supplement Component for Pension Bonus

Family Situation	Previous Amount	20 Sep 2022	Increase
Single	\$655.20	\$681.20	\$26.00 pa
Illness-separated, respite care or partner in gaol	\$655.20	\$681.20	\$26.00 pa
Partnered (each)	\$540.80	\$561.60	\$20.80 pa

## Allowances – Fortnightly

### Allowance Rates (JobSeeker Payment, Special Benefit)

Family Situation	Previous Amount	20 Sep 2022	Increase
Single, 22 or over, no children	\$642.70	\$668.40	\$25.70 pf
Single, 22 or over, with children	\$691.00	\$718.60	\$27.60 pf
Single, 60 or over, after 9 months	\$691.00	\$718.60	\$27.60 pf
Partnered (each)	\$585.30	\$608.70	\$23.40 pf
Single, principal carer of child, exempt from activity test*	\$880.20	\$915.40	\$35.20 pf

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

### Energy Supplement (JobSeeker Payment, Special Benefit)\*

Family Situation - under Age Pension age	Previous Amount	20 Sep 2022	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 2022	Increase
Single	\$14.10	\$14.10	- pf
Partnered (each)	\$10.60	\$10.60	- pf

\*Energy Supplement is not indexed.

### Pension Supplement for Allowance Recipients Over Age Pension Age (Special Benefit, ABSTUDY)

Family Situation	Previous Amount	20 Sep 2022	Increase
Single Allowance Supplement	\$72.70	\$75.60	\$2.90 pf
Partnered Allowance Supplement	\$54.80	\$57.00	\$2.20 pf

## Allowances – Fortnightly (continued)

### Income Limits for JobSeeker Payment

Family Situation	Previous Amount	20 Sep 2022	Increase	
Single, 22 or over, no children	\$1,253.50	\$1,296.34	\$42.84	pf
Single, 22 or over, with children	\$1,335.17	\$1,381.17	\$46.00	pf
Single, 60 or over, after 9 months*	\$1,345.50	\$1,391.50	\$46.00	pf
Partnered (each)	\$1,156.34	\$1,195.34	\$39.00	pf
Single, 22 or over, principal carer with children*	\$1,916.75	\$1,985.75	\$69.00	pf
Single, principal carer, exempt from activity test*	\$2,396.00	\$2,484.00	\$88.00	pf
Single income couple	\$2,145.67	\$2,223.67	\$78.00	pf

\*Includes Pharmaceutical Allowance.

### Partner Income Free Areas for Allowances (JobSeeker Payment, Parenting Payment Partnered, Youth Allowance, Austudy)<sup>-</sup>

Partner income test - partner income free area<sup>-</sup>

Partner aged between 22 and Age Pension age	\$1,157.00	\$1,196.00	\$39.00	pf
Partner aged under 22, no children	\$1,063.00	\$1,063.00	-	pf
Partner aged under 22, with children	\$1,142.00	\$1,142.00	-	pf

<sup>-</sup> Different policy applies if partner is a pensioner.

### Youth Allowance Rates

Family Situation	Previous Amount	20 Sep 2022	Increase	
Single, principal carer of child, exempt from activity test*	\$880.20	\$915.40	\$35.20	pf

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

### Income Limits for Youth Allowance

Family Situation	Previous Amount	20 Sep 2022	Increase	
Single, principal carer of child, exempt from activity test*	\$1,664.00	\$1,722.67	\$58.67	pf

\*Includes Pharmaceutical Allowance.

## ABSTUDY

### Living Allowance Rates

Family Situation	Previous Amount	20 Sep 2022	Increase	
Standard				
22 years or over, at home	\$642.70	\$668.40	\$25.70	pf
Away from home				
22 years or over	\$642.70	\$668.40	\$25.70	pf
Independent single, no children				
22 years or over	\$642.70	\$668.40	\$25.70	pf
60 years or over	\$691.00	\$718.60	\$27.60	pf
Independent partnered, no children				
22 years or over	\$585.30	\$608.70	\$23.40	pf
Independent, single with dependent child				
22 years or over	\$691.00	\$718.60	\$27.60	pf
Independent, partnered with dependent child				
22 years or over	\$585.30	\$608.70	\$23.40	pf

### Energy Supplement for Living Allowance\*

Family Situation	Previous Amount	20 Sep 2022	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.

## 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 2022	Increase	
Over 22 years				
Single, no children	\$1,552.84	\$1,595.67	\$42.83	pf
Partnered	\$1,455.67	\$1,494.67	\$39.00	pf
Single, with dependants	\$1,634.50	\$1,680.50	\$46.00	pf
Aged 60 or over*	\$1,644.84	\$1,690.84	\$46.00	pf

\*Includes Pharmaceutical Allowance.

## Parenting Payment – Fortnightly

### Parenting Payment Rates

Under Age Pension age		Previous Amount	20 Sep 2022	Increase	
Single Parent	Base Pension	\$855.00	\$889.20	\$34.20	pf
	Supplement	\$25.20	\$26.20	\$1.00	pf
	Energy Supplement	\$12.00	\$12.00	-	pf
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$892.20</b>	<b>\$927.40</b>	<b>\$35.20</b>	<b>pf</b>
Partnered Parents	Base Allowance	\$585.30	\$608.70	\$23.40	pf
	Energy Supplement	\$7.90	\$7.90	-	pf
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$593.20</b>	<b>\$616.60</b>	<b>\$23.40</b>	<b>pf</b>
Over Age Pension age		Previous Amount	20 Mar 2022	Increase	
Single Parent	Base Pension	\$855.00	\$889.20	\$34.20	pf
	Supplement	\$72.70	\$75.60	\$2.90	pf
	Energy Supplement	\$14.10	\$14.10	-	pf
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$941.80</b>	<b>\$978.90</b>	<b>\$37.10</b>	<b>pf</b>
Partnered	Base Allowance	\$585.30	\$608.70	\$23.40	pf
	Supplement	\$54.80	\$57.00	\$2.20	pf
	Energy Supplement	\$10.60	\$10.60	-	pf
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$650.70</b>	<b>\$676.30</b>	<b>\$25.60</b>	<b>pf</b>

### Income Test for Parenting Payment#

Partnered	Previous Amount	20 Sep 2022	Increase	
Partner income free area	\$1,157.00	\$1,196.00	\$39.00	pf
<i>For part payment of additional rate, all of the following conditions must be met:</i>				
- recipient's income must be less than	\$1,156.34	\$1,195.34	\$39.00	pf
- partner's income must be less than	\$2,145.67	\$2,223.67	\$78.00	pf
- combined income must be less than	\$2,313.34	\$2,391.34	\$78.00	pf
<i>If partner is on pension,</i>				
couple's combined income must be less than	\$2,312.68	\$2,390.68	\$78.00	pf

## Parenting Payment – Fortnightly (continued)

### Income Test for Parenting Payment (continued)#

Single*	Previous Amount	20 Sep 2022	Increase	
Income Free area	\$202.60	\$202.60	-	pf
<i>Disqualifying Income Limits</i>				
- under Age Pension age, including Pharmaceutical Allowance	\$2,448.60	\$2,536.60	\$88.00	pf

#Income limits for allowance recipients over Age Pension age may differ from these amounts.

\*Income free areas and income limits for parents with more than one child may differ from these amounts.

## Rent Assistance – for payments under the Social Security Act

### Maximum Payment per Fortnight

Family Situation	Previous Amount	20 Sep 2022	Increase	
Single, no children	\$145.80	\$151.60	\$5.80	pf
Single, no children, sharer	\$97.20	\$101.07	\$3.87	pf
Couple, no children	\$137.40	\$142.80	\$5.40	pf
Partnered, illness-separated, no children	\$145.80	\$151.60	\$5.80	pf
Partnered, temporarily separated, no children	\$137.40	\$142.80	\$5.40	pf

### Rent Threshold

Family Situation	Previous Amount	20 Sep 2022	Increase	
Single, no children	\$130.20	\$135.40	\$5.20	pf
Single, no children, sharer	\$130.20	\$135.40	\$5.20	pf
Couple, no children	\$210.80	\$219.20	\$8.40	pf
Partnered, illness-separated, no children	\$130.20	\$135.40	\$5.20	pf
Partnered, temporarily separated, no children	\$130.20	\$135.40	\$5.20	pf

### Rent Ceiling

Family Situation	Previous Amount	20 Sep 2022	Increase	
Single, no children	\$324.60	\$337.54	\$12.94	pf
Single, no children, sharer	\$259.80	\$270.16	\$10.36	pf
Couple, no children	\$394.00	\$409.60	\$15.60	pf
Partnered, illness-separated, no children	\$324.60	\$337.54	\$12.94	pf
Partnered, temporarily separated, no children	\$313.40	\$325.80	\$12.40	pf

## Rent Assistance – for payments under the Family Assistance Act

### Maximum Payment per Fortnight

Family Situation	Previous Amount	20 Sep 2022	Increase	
Single, 1 or 2 children	\$171.50	\$178.36	\$6.86	pf
Single, 3 or more children	\$193.62	\$201.32	\$7.70	pf
Couple, 1 or 2 children	\$171.50	\$178.36	\$6.86	pf
Couple, 3 or more children	\$193.62	\$201.32	\$7.70	pf
<b>Couple, Illness-separated, Temporarily Separated</b>	<b>Previous Amount</b>	<b>20 Sep 2022</b>	<b>Increase</b>	
1 or 2 children	\$171.50	\$178.36	\$6.86	pf
3 or more children	\$193.62	\$201.32	\$7.70	pf

### Rent Threshold

Family Situation	Previous Amount	20 Sep 2022	Increase	
Single, 1 or 2 children	\$170.94	\$177.80	\$6.86	pf
Single, 3 or more children	\$170.94	\$177.80	\$6.86	pf
Couple, 1 or 2 children	\$252.70	\$262.78	\$10.08	pf
Couple, 3 or more children	\$252.70	\$262.78	\$10.08	pf
<b>Couple, Illness-Separated, Temporarily Separated</b>	<b>Previous Amount</b>	<b>20 Sep 2022</b>	<b>Increase</b>	
1 or 2 children	\$170.94	\$177.80	\$6.86	pf
3 or more children	\$170.94	\$177.80	\$6.86	pf

## Rent Assistance – for payments under the Family Assistance Act (continued)

### Rent Ceiling

Family Situation	Previous Amount	20 Sep 2022	Increase	
Single, 1 or 2 children	\$399.61	\$415.62	\$16.01	pf
Single, 3 or more children	\$429.10	\$446.23	\$17.13	pf
Couple, 1 or 2 children	\$481.37	\$500.60	\$19.23	pf
Couple, 3 or more children	\$510.86	\$531.21	\$20.35	pf
<b>Couple, Illness-separated, Temporarily Separated</b>	<b>Previous Amount</b>	<b>20 Sep 2022</b>	<b>Increase</b>	
1 or 2 children	\$399.61	\$415.62	\$16.01	pf
3 or more children	\$429.10	\$446.23	\$17.13	pf

### Miscellaneous Amounts

#### Telephone Allowance

	Previous Amount	20 Sep 2022	Increase	
Annual Payment (single or couple combined)	\$125.60	\$133.60	\$8.00	pa
Quarterly Payment (single or couple combined)	\$31.40	\$33.40	\$2.00	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 2022	Increase	
Annual Payment (single or couple combined)	\$185.60	\$197.60	\$12.00	pa
Quarterly Payment (single or couple combined)	\$46.40	\$49.40	\$3.00	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 Disability Support Pensioners aged under 21 without children.

	Previous Amount	20 Sep 2022	Increase	
Annual Amount (single or couple combined)	\$681.20	\$708.40	\$27.20	pa
Quarterly Payment (single or couple combined)	\$170.30	\$177.10	\$6.80	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 2022	Increase	
Single (no children)	\$656.00	\$680.00	\$24.00	pw
Couple, combined (no children)	\$1,127.00	\$1,166.00	\$39.00	pw
Single, one dependent child	\$1,127.00	\$1,166.00	\$39.00	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 2022	Increase	
Single (no children)	\$820.00	\$850.00	\$30.00	pw
Couple, combined (no children)	\$1,408.75	\$1,457.50	\$48.75	pw
Single, one dependent child	\$1,408.75	\$1,457.50	\$48.75	pw
For each additional dependent child add	\$42.50	\$42.50	-	pw