

<b>Youth Allowance</b>	<b>Previous amount</b>	<b>1 Jan 2022</b>	<b>Increase</b>	
<b>Maximum rates of payment</b>				
Maximum basic rate				
<b>Family Situation</b>				
Single, no children				
Under 18, at home	\$303.20	\$313.80	\$10.60	pf
Under 18, away from home	\$512.50	\$530.40	\$17.90	pf
18 or over, away from home	\$512.50	\$530.40	\$17.90	pf
18 or over, at home	\$354.60	\$367.00	\$12.40	pf
Single, with children	\$656.00	\$679.00	\$23.00	pf
Partnered, no children	\$512.50	\$530.40	\$17.90	pf
Partnered, with children	\$557.90	\$577.40	\$19.50	pf
Special rate of Youth Allowance*				
Single, living at home	\$423.70	\$438.50	\$14.80	pf
Single, living away from home	\$611.90	\$633.30	\$21.40	pf
Partnered, no children	\$557.90	\$577.40	\$19.50	pf
<i>* For long-term unemployed or migrant English students aged 22 years or over commencing full-time study or an Australian Apprenticeship.</i>				
<b>Income limits</b>				
Full allowance income thresholds				
Youth Allowance (students and Australian Apprentices)				
Personal income threshold	\$437.00	\$452.00	\$15.00	pf
Personal income upper threshold	\$524.00	\$542.00	\$18.00	pf
Part allowance income limits				
<b>Family Situation</b>				
Single, under 18, at home				
Students and Australian Apprentices	\$963.34	\$996.50	\$33.16	pf
Job seekers	\$678.50	\$696.17	\$17.67	pf
Single, 18 and over, at home				
Students and Australian Apprentices	\$1,050.17	\$1,086.34	\$36.17	pf
Job seekers	\$765.34	\$786.00	\$20.66	pf
Single or partnered, away from home				
Students and Australian Apprentices	\$1,317.34	\$1,362.67	\$45.33	pf
Job seekers	\$1,032.50	\$1,062.34	\$29.84	pf
Partnered, with dependants				
Students and Australian Apprentices	\$1,394.17	\$1,442.17	\$48.00	pf
Job seekers	\$1,109.34	\$1,141.84	\$32.50	pf
Single, with dependants				
Students and Australian Apprentices	\$1,560.17	\$1,614.00	\$53.83	pf
Job seekers	\$1,275.34	\$1,313.67	\$38.33	pf
Special rate of Youth Allowance*				
Single, living at home	\$1,167.17	\$1,207.34	\$40.17	pf
Single, living away from home	\$1,485.67	\$1,536.84	\$51.17	pf
Partnered, no children	\$1,394.17	\$1,442.17	\$48.00	pf
<i>* For long-term unemployed or migrant English students aged 22 years or over commencing full-time study or an Australian Apprenticeship.</i>				
Parental income threshold for Youth Allowance				
Reduced payment if income exceeds	\$55,626	\$56,137	\$511	pa
Maintenance income free areas				
Single parent or one of a couple receiving maintenance	\$1,697.25	\$1,697.25	-	pa
For each additional child add	\$565.75	\$565.75	-	pa

<b>Youth Allowance (continued)</b>	<b>Previous amount</b>	<b>1 Jan 2022</b>	<b>Increase</b>	
Partner income test - partner income free area				
Partner aged between 22 and Age Pension age	\$1,137.00	\$1,137.00	-	pf
Partner aged under 22, no children	\$1,033.00	\$1,063.00	\$30.00	pf
Partner aged under 22, with children	\$1,110.00	\$1,142.00	\$32.00	pf
<i>~ Different policy applies if partner is a pensioner.</i>				

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### **Maximum rates of payment**

#### Maximum basic rate

##### **Family Situation**

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Special rate*				
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### **Income limits**

#### Full allowance income thresholds

Personal income threshold	\$437.00	\$452.00	\$15.00	pf
Personal income upper threshold	\$524.00	\$542.00	\$18.00	pf

#### Part allowance income limits<sup>#</sup>

##### **Family Situation**

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

\* For long-term unemployed or migrant English students aged 22 years or over commencing full-time study or an Australian Apprenticeship.

#### Partner income test – partner income free area<sup>~</sup>

Partner aged between 22 and Age Pension age	\$1,137.00	\$1,137.00	-	pf
Partner aged under 22, no children	\$1,033.00	\$1,063.00	\$30.00	pf
Partner aged under 22, with children	\$1,110.00	\$1,142.00	\$32.00	pf

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

**ABSTUDY****Previous  
amount****1 Jan 2022****Increase****Basic rates of payment****Living Allowance rates****Family Situation**

## Standard

Under 16 years, tertiary

\$34.80

\$36.00

\$1.20

pf

16 to 17 years

\$303.20

\$313.80

\$10.60

pf

18 to 21 years

\$354.60

\$367.00

\$12.40

pf

## Standard, in state care and Foster Care Allowance paid

Under 16 years

\$303.20

\$313.80

\$10.60

pf

16 to 17 years

\$303.20

\$313.80

\$10.60

pf

18 to 21 years

\$354.60

\$367.00

\$12.40

pf

## Standard, in state care only (no Foster Care Allowance paid)

Under 16 years

\$512.50

\$530.40

\$17.90

pf

16 to 21 years

\$512.50

\$530.40

\$17.90

pf

## Away from home

Under 16 years

\$512.50

\$530.40

\$17.90

pf

16 to 21 years

\$512.50

\$530.40

\$17.90

pf

## Independent single, no children

Under 16 years

\$512.50

\$530.40

\$17.90

pf

16 to 21 years

\$512.50

\$530.40

\$17.90

pf

Under 16 years, at home

\$303.20

\$313.80

\$10.60

pf

16 to 17 years, at home

\$303.20

\$313.80

\$10.60

pf

18 to 21 years, at home

\$354.60

\$367.00

\$12.40

pf

## Independent partnered, no children

Under 16 years

\$512.50

\$530.40

\$17.90

pf

16 to 21 years

\$512.50

\$530.40

\$17.90

pf

## Independent, single with dependent child

Under 16 years

\$656.00

\$679.00

\$23.00

pf

16 to 21 years

\$656.00

\$679.00

\$23.00

pf

## Independent, partnered with dependent child

Under 16 years

\$557.90

\$577.40

\$19.50

pf

16 to 21 years

\$557.90

\$577.40

\$19.50

pf

## Masters and Doctorate Students

\$1,096.90

\$1,106.70

\$9.80

pf

**Income limits****Part allowance income limits****Family Situation**

## Under 22 years

Single, under 18 years, at home

\$963.34

\$996.50

\$33.16

pf

Single, 18 and over, at home

\$1,050.17

\$1,086.34

\$36.17

pf

Single or partnered, away from home, no dependants

\$1,317.34

\$1,362.67

\$45.33

pf

Single with dependants

\$1,560.17

\$1,614.00

\$53.83

pf

Partnered with dependants

\$1,394.17

\$1,442.17

\$48.00

pf

## Over 22 years

Single, no children

\$1,515.34

\$1,530.84

\$15.50

pf

Partnered

\$1,420.17

\$1,435.67

\$15.50

pf

Single, with dependants

\$1,595.34

\$1,610.84

\$15.50

pf

Aged 60 or over

\$1,605.67

\$1,621.17

\$15.50

pf

**Partner income test**

Partner income free area, aged 22 and over, no dependent children

\$1,137.00

\$1,137.00

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pa

**Parental income threshold for ABSTUDY**

Reduced payment if income exceeds

\$55,626.00

\$56,137.00

\$511.00

pa

**ABSTUDY – Supplementary assistance**

	Previous amount	1 Jan 2022	Increase	
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**Supplementary assistance**

<b>School Fees Allowance (boarding)</b>				
Maximum rate	\$11,011	\$11,396	\$385	pa
Non-income tested component	\$8,557	\$8,856	\$299	pa
<b>Incidentals Allowance</b>				
Less than 12 week course	\$89.40	\$92.50	\$3.10	pa
12 to 16 week course	\$156.80	\$162.30	\$5.50	pa
17 to 23 week course	\$311.70	\$322.60	\$10.90	pa
24 week to one year course	\$633.50	\$655.70	\$22.20	pa
<b>Additional Incidentals Allowance</b>				
Less than 12 week course	\$153.90	\$159.30	\$5.40	pa
12 to 16 week course	\$304.90	\$315.60	\$10.70	pa
17 to 23 week course	\$609.40	\$630.70	\$21.30	pa
24 week to one year course	\$1,220.60	\$1,263.30	\$42.70	pa
<b>Education Provider Administration and Audit Costs</b>				
Maximum amount	\$5,032.00	\$5,208.00	\$176.00	pa
<b>Boarding School Scholarship Approval Threshold</b>				
Scholarship value	\$6,096.00	\$6,309.00	\$213.00	pa
<b>Supplementary Masters and Doctorate allowance</b>				
<b>Thesis Allowance one-off payment</b>				
Masters thesis	\$420	\$420	-	ea
Doctorate thesis	\$840	\$840	-	ea
Relocation Allowance	\$1,520	\$1,520	-	pa

**Other student payments**

	Previous amount	1 Jan 2022	Increase	
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**Assistance for Isolated Children (AIC)**

<b>Allowances</b>				
Basic Boarding Allowance	\$8,557	\$8,856	\$299	pa
Additional Boarding Allowance	\$2,454	\$2,540	\$86	pa
Maximum rate for AIC Boarding Allowance	\$11,011	\$11,396	\$385	pa
Second Home Allowance	\$6,499	\$6,726	\$227	pa
Maximum Second Home Allowance for each family (three children)	\$19,497	\$20,178	\$681	pa
Distance Education Allowance	\$4,278	\$4,428	\$150	pa
<b>Thresholds and limits</b>				
Minimum boarding charge threshold for Additional Boarding Allowance	\$8,307	\$8,606	\$299	pa
<b>Parental income test</b>				
Parental income threshold	\$55,626	\$56,137	\$511	pa

**Other student payments**

<b>Student Relocation Scholarship</b>				
Initial full payment	\$4,626	\$4,788	\$162	pa
Subsequent payment - metropolitan	\$1,156	\$1,196	\$40	pa
Subsequent payment - regional/remote	\$2,314	\$2,395	\$81	pa
<b>Student payment parameters</b>				
Student Income Bank Balance Threshold	\$10,900	\$11,300	\$400	pa
Merit and Equity-Based Scholarship Threshold	\$8,355	\$8,647	\$292	pa
<b>Student Start-Up Loan</b>				
Student Start-Up Loan	\$1,094	\$1,132	\$38	ba

Disability Support Pension	Previous amount	1 Jan 2022	Increase
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### Under 21 with no dependent children: Maximum rates of payment

#### Maximum basic rate including Youth Disability Supplement

##### Family Situation

Single, under 18			
Dependent	\$435.10	\$450.30	\$15.20 pf
Independent	\$644.40	\$666.90	\$22.50 pf
Single, 18 - 20			-
Dependent	\$486.50	\$503.50	\$17.00 pf
Independent	\$644.40	\$666.90	\$22.50 pf
Member of a couple	\$644.40	\$666.90	\$22.50 pf
Youth Disability Supplement	\$131.90	\$136.50	\$4.60 pf

### Under 21 with no dependent children: Income limits

#### Income Limits

##### Family Situation

Single, under 18			
Dependent	\$1,074.40	\$1,104.80	\$30.40 pf
Independent	\$1,499.40	\$1,544.40	\$45.00 pf
Single, 18 - 20			
Dependent	\$1,178.60	\$1,212.60	\$34.00 pf
Independent	\$1,499.40	\$1,544.40	\$45.00 pf
Couple (combined)	\$2,946.40	\$3,036.40	\$90.00 pf

### Under 21 with no dependent children: Part pension assets limits

#### Family Situation - Homeowners

Single, under 18			
Dependent	\$419,750	\$424,750	\$5,000
Independent	\$490,500	\$498,000	\$7,500
Single, 18 - 20			-
Dependent	\$437,000	\$442,750	\$5,750
Independent	\$490,500	\$498,000	\$7,500
Couple (combined)	\$843,000	\$858,000	\$15,000

#### Family Situation - Non-Homeowners

Single, under 18			-
Dependent	\$636,250	\$641,250	\$5,000
Independent	\$707,000	\$714,500	\$7,500
Single, 18 - 20			
Dependent	\$653,500	\$659,250	\$5,750
Independent	\$707,000	\$714,500	\$7,500
Couple (combined)	\$1,059,500	\$1,074,500	\$15,000

Miscellaneous Rates and Other Amounts	Previous amount	1 Jan 2022	Increase
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#### Pharmaceutical Allowance

##### Family Situation

Single	\$6.20	\$6.20	- pf
Couple	\$3.10	\$3.10	- pf
Illness-separated	\$6.20	\$6.20	- pf

#### Double Orphan Pension - rate

Double Orphan Pension	\$66.10	\$68.40	\$2.30 pf
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#### Carer Allowance - rate

Carer Allowance	\$131.90	\$136.50	\$4.60 pf
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<b>Miscellaneous Rates and Other Amounts (continued)</b>	<b>Previous amount</b>	<b>1 Jan 2022</b>	<b>Increase</b>	
<b>Carer Payment - Care Receiver Income and Asset Limits</b>				
Income limit	\$116,189	\$120,605	\$4,416	pa
Lower asset limit	\$716,750	\$744,000	\$27,250	
Higher asset limit	\$1,064,750	\$1,105,250	\$40,500	
<b>Mobility Allowance</b>				
Standard rate - single or couple	\$99.50	\$103.00	\$3.50	pf
Increased rate - single or couple	\$139.10	\$144.00	\$4.90	pf
<b>Additional Child Amounts (paid under some social security agreements)</b>				
Child aged under 13	\$131.30	\$135.90	\$4.60	pf
Child aged 13 - 15	\$182.80	\$189.20	\$6.40	pf
Payment to single parent <sup>ψ</sup>	\$62.50	\$64.70	\$2.20	pf
<sup>ψ</sup> <i>Formerly Guardian Allowance.</i>				
<b>Permissible Child Earnings Limits</b>				
Dependent child under 16	\$217.00	\$224.60	\$7.60	pw
Dependent child 16 - 21	\$11,893.60	\$12,309.90	\$416.30	pa