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Universal Credit



Universal Credit is the main benefit for most people of working age. You should check if you can get Universal Credit if:

- You're over 18 and under State Pension age you can <u>check your State Pension age on GOV.UK</u>
- You have less than £16,000 in savings or other investments

It's worth checking if you can get Universal Credit, even if you work full-time. There's no set amount of income where you stop being eligible for Universal Credit – it depends on your situation.

If you're already claiming benefits, <u>talk to an adviser</u> first to check if you're better off on Universal Credit <u>Check if you can get Universal Credit</u>.



If You're Over State Pension Age

You can check your State Pension age on GOV.UK.

If you've been paying National Insurance contributions, you might get a State Pension. <u>Check how State Pensions work</u>.

If you're sick or have a disability you might be able to get Attendance Allowance if you have difficulty with everyday tasks and getting around. <u>Check if you can get Attendance</u> <u>Allowance</u>.

If you have a low amount of income and savings You might be able to get Pension Credit – even if you own your own home or have a small private pension. Claiming Pension Credit can give you access to other help like money off council tax, healthcare and energy. <u>Check if</u> <u>you can claim Pension Credit</u>.

If you're struggling to pay your rent, you should <u>check if you</u> <u>can claim Housing Benefit</u>.





If you don't get a basic State Pension or your basic State Pension is less than £85 a week, you could get extra money - this is called a 'category D pension'.

You can only get a category D pension if you've lived in the UK for at least 10 years of the past 20 years.

<u>Check if you can get a category D pension on</u> <u>GOV.UK</u>.

If You're Looking For Full Time Work



You might get 'new style' Jobseeker's Allowance (JSA) if:

- You're over 18 and under State Pension age
- You've worked and paid Class 1 National Insurance in the last 2 to 3 years

You can claim new style JSA on its own or with Universal Credit. <u>Check if you can get new style JSA</u>.

If you already get contribution-based JSA, <u>check if</u> <u>you can add income-based JSA</u>.





If you care for a person with a disability for at least 35 hours a week, <u>check if you can get</u> <u>Carer's Allowance</u>.

If you can't get Carer's Allowance you might be able to get Carer's Credit if you care for a person with a disability for at least 20 hours a week. <u>Check if you can get Carer's Credit on</u> <u>GOV.UK</u>.

lf You're Having a Baby



If you work and you're having a child, you might be able to get:

- Maternity pay, if you're pregnant or you gave birth recently – <u>check if you can get</u> <u>maternity benefits</u>
- Adoption pay, if you're adopting <u>check if</u> you can get adoption pay on GOV.UK
- Paternity pay, if your partner's pregnant or adopting – <u>check if you can get paternity</u> <u>pay on GOV.UK</u>





If you're finding things difficult, you should contact your local council's child services. They might be able to give you money to afford essentials and give you access to counselling and care. You can <u>find your local council on</u> <u>GOV.UK</u>.

You might also be able to get Universal Credit if:

- You're a carer
- You're a single parent or you're the only person responsible for children in your household
- You can't work or have difficulty working because you're sick or have a disability
- You're not in contact with your parents and you're not in care

If you're responsible for a child under 18, you might be able to get Child Benefit. You should <u>talk to an adviser about</u> <u>what benefits you can get</u>.



lf Your Partner has Died

You might be able to get bereavement benefits, depending on when your partner died.

Check if you can get bereavement benefits.







Other Financial Help

If you don't have enough money to live on, you might be able to get extra money from the government, your local council or a charity.

<u>Check what help you can get with the cost of living.</u>









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