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| **Pensions - Fortnightly** | | |  | |  |  |  |
| **Adult Pension Rates** |  | |  | |  |  |  |
| Single\* |  | | **Previous Amount** | | **20 Sep 2019** | **Increase** |  |
|  | Base | | $843.60 | | $850.40 | $6.80 | pf |
|  | Supplement | | $68.50 | | $68.90 | $0.40 | pf |
|  | Energy Supplement | | $14.10 | | $14.10 | - | pf |
|  | Total | $926.20 | | | $933.40 | $7.20 | pf |
| Partnered (each) |  |  | | |  |  |  |
|  | Base | $635.90 | | | $641.00 | $5.10 | pf |
|  | Supplement | $51.60 | | | $51.90 | $0.30 | pf |
|  | Energy Supplement | $10.60 | | | $10.60 | - | pf |
|  | Total | $698.10 | | | $703.50 | $5.40 | pf |
| *\* Also illness-separated, respite care or partner in gaol.* | |  | | |  |  |  |
| **Adult Transitional Pension Rate** | |  | | |  |  |  |
| **Resident in Australia** |  |  | | |  |  |  |
| Single |  | **Previous Amount** | | | **20 Sep 2019** | **Increase** |  |
|  | Maximum Transitional Pension Rate | $761.40 | | | $766.00 | $4.60 | pf |
|  | Energy Supplement | $14.10 | | | $14.10 | - | pf |
|  | Total | $775.50 | | | $780.10 | $4.60 | pf |
| Partnered (each) |  |  | | |  |  |  |
|  | Maximum Transitional Pension Rate | $615.10 | | | $618.80 | $3.70 | pf |
|  | Energy Supplement | $10.60 | | | $10.60 | - | pf |
|  | Total | $625.70 | | | $629.40 | $3.70 | pf |
| **Not resident in Australia or absent for period > 6 weeks** | |  | | |  |  |  |
| Single |  | $698.40 | | | $702.60 | $4.20 | pf |
| Partnered (each) |  | $583.80 | | | $587.30 | $3.50 | pf |
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| **Adult Pension Supplement Basic Amount** | |  | | |  |  |  |
| **Family Situation** |  | **Previous Amount** | | | **20 Sep 2019** | **Increase** |  |
| Single |  | $23.80 | | | $23.90 | $0.10 | pf |
| Illness-separated, respite care or partner in gaol | | $23.80 | | | $23.90 | $0.10 | pf |
| Partnered (each) |  | $19.60 | | | $19.70 | $0.10 | pf |
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| **Adult Pension Supplement Minimum Amount** | |  | | |  |  |  |
| **Family Situation** |  | **Previous Amount** | | | **20 Sep 2019** | **Increase** |  |
| Single |  | $36.70 | | | $37.00 | $0.30 | pf |
| Illness-separated, respite care or partner in gaol | | $36.70 | | | $37.00 | $0.30 | pf |
| Partnered (each) |  | $27.70 | | | $27.90 | $0.20 | pf |
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| **Pension Disqualifying Income Limits** | |  | | |  |  |  |
| **Family Situation** |  | | | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2019** | **Increase** |  |
| Single |  | | | $2,026.40 | $2,040.80 | $14.40 | pf |
| Couple (combined) |  | | | $3,100.40 | $3,122.00 | $21.60 | pf |
| Illness-separated (couple combined) | | | | $4,012.80 | $4,041.60 | $28.80 | pf |
| **Family Situation - Non-Resident** | | | | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2019** | **Increase** |  |
| Single |  | | | $1,908.80 | $1,922.60 | $13.80 | pf |
| Couple (combined) |  | | | $2,930.00 | $2,950.80 | $20.80 | pf |
| Illness-separated (couple combined) | | | | $3,777.60 | $3,805.20 | $27.60 | pf |
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| **Transitional Pension Disqualifying Income Limits** | | | |  |  |  |  |
| **Family Situation - Resident** |  | | | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2019** | **Increase** |  |
| Single |  | $2,112.75 | | | $2,124.25 | $11.50 | pf |
| Single + 1 dependent child | | $2,137.35 | | | $2,148.85 | $11.50 | pf |
| Couple (combined) |  | $3,436.50 | | | $3,455.00 | $18.50 | pf |
| Illness-separated (couple combined) | | $4,185.50 | | | $4,208.50 | $23.00 | pf |

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| **Pensions – Fortnightly (continued)** | |  |  |  |  |
| **Family Situation - Non-Resident** | | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2019** | **Increase** |  |
| Single |  | $1,920.00 | $1,930.50 | $10.50 | pf |
| Single + 1 dependent child | | $1,944.60 | $1,955.10 | $10.50 | pf |
| Couple (combined) |  | $3,227.00 | $3,244.50 | $17.50 | pf |
| Illness-separated (couple combined) | | $3,800.00 | $3,821.00 | $21.00 | pf |
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| **Pension Disqualifying Assets Limits** | |  |  |  |  |
| **Family Situation** |  | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2019** | **Increase** |  |
| Single, homeowner |  | $572,000 | $574,500 | $2,500 |  |
| Single, non-homeowner | | $782,500 | $785,000 | $2,500 |  |
| Couple (combined), homeowner | | $860,000 | $863,500 | $3,500 |  |
| Couple (combined), non-homeowner | | $1,070,500 | $1,074,000 | $3,500 |  |
| One partner eligible (couple combined), homeowner | | $860,000 | $863,500 | $3,500 |  |
| One partner eligible (couple combined), non-homeowner | | $1,070,500 | $1,074,000 | $3,500 |  |
| Illness-separated (couple combined), homeowner | | $1,012,000 | $1,017,000 | $5,000 |  |
| Illness-separated (couple combined), non-homeowner | | $1,222,500 | $1,227,500 | $5,000 |  |
| **Family Situation – Non-Resident** | |  |  |  |  |
| Single, homeowner |  | $552,500 | $554,750 | $2,250 |  |
| Single, non-homeowner | | $763,000 | $765,250 | $2,250 |  |
| Couple (combined), homeowner | | $831,500 | $835,000 | $3,500 |  |
| Couple (combined), non-homeowner | | $1,042,000 | $1,045,500 | $3,500 |  |
| One partner eligible (couple combined), homeowner | | $831,500 | $835,000 | $3,500 |  |
| One partner eligible (couple combined), non-homeowner | | $1,042,000 | $1,045,500 | $3,500 |  |
| Illness-separated (couple combined), homeowner | | $973,000 | $977,500 | $4,500 |  |
| Illness-separated (couple combined), non-homeowner | | $1,183,500 | $1,188,000 | $4,500 |  |
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| **Transitional Pension Disqualifying Assets Limits** | |  |  |  |  |
| **Family Situation - Resident** |  | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2019** | **Increase** |  |
| Single, homeowner |  | $521,750 | $523,500 | $1,750 |  |
| Single, non-homeowner | | $732,250 | $734,000 | $1,750 |  |
| Couple (combined), homeowner | | $812,000 | $814,500 | $2,500 |  |
| Couple (combined), non-homeowner | | $1,022,500 | $1,025,000 | $2,500 |  |
| One partner eligible (couple combined), homeowner | | $812,000 | $814,500 | $2,500 |  |
| One partner eligible (couple combined), non-homeowner | | $1,022,500 | $1,025,000 | $2,500 |  |
| Illness-separated (couple combined), homeowner | | $911,500 | $915,000 | $3,500 |  |
| Illness-separated (couple combined), non-homeowner | | $1,122,000 | $1,125,500 | $3,500 |  |
| **Family Situation - Non-Resident** | | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2019** | **Increase** |  |
| Single, homeowner |  | $496,250 | $497,500 | $1,250 |  |
| Single, non-homeowner | | $706,750 | $708,000 | $1,250 |  |
| Couple (combined), homeowner | | $784,000 | $786,500 | $2,500 |  |
| Couple (combined), non-homeowner | | $994,500 | $997,000 | $2,500 |  |
| One partner eligible (couple combined), homeowner | | $784,000 | $786,500 | $2,500 |  |
| One partner eligible (couple combined), non-homeowner | | $994,500 | $997,000 | $2,500 |  |
| Illness-separated (couple combined), homeowner | | $860,500 | $863,000 | $2,500 |  |
| Illness-separated (couple combined), non-homeowner | | $1,071,000 | $1,073,500 | $2,500 |  |
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| **Pension Bonus Scheme\*** | |  |  |  |  |
| **Single** |  |  |  |  |  |
| Years (Bonus Periods) |  | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2019** | **Increase** |  |
| 1 |  | $2,119.90 | $2,136.80 | $16.90 |  |
| 2 |  | $8,479.70 | $8,547.20 | $67.50 |  |
| 3 |  | $19,079.30 | $19,231.10 | $151.80 |  |
| 4 |  | $33,918.80 | $34,188.60 | $269.80 |  |
| 5 |  | $52,998.10 | $53,419.70 | $421.60 |  |

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| **Pensions – Fortnightly (continued)** | |  |  |  |  |
| **Partnered (each)** |  |  |  |  |  |
| Years (Bonus Periods) |  | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2019** | **Increase** |  |
| 1 |  | $1,602.00 | $1,614.80 | $12.80 |  |
| 2 |  | $6,408.20 | $6,459.00 | $50.80 |  |
| 3 |  | $14,418.40 | $14,532.80 | $114.40 |  |
| 4 |  | $25,632.70 | $25,836.00 | $203.30 |  |
| 5 |  | $40,051.10 | $40,368.80 | $317.70 |  |
| *\* No new entrants post-20 September 2009.* | |  |  |  |  |
| **Pension Supplement Component for Pension Bonus** | |  |  |  |  |
| **Family Situation** |  | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2019** | **Increase** |  |
| Single |  | $618.80 | $621.40 | $2.60 | pa |
| Illness-separated, respite care or partner in gaol | | $618.80 | $621.40 | $2.60 | pa |
| Partnered (each) |  | $509.60 | $512.20 | $2.60 | pa |
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| **Allowances - Fortnightly** | |  |  |  |  |
| **Allowance Rates (Newstart Allowance, Widow Allowance, Partner Allowance, Sickness Allowance)** | | | | |  |
| **Family Situation** |  | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2019** | **Increase** |  |
| Single, 22 or over, no children | | $555.70 | $559.00 | $3.30 | pf |
| Single, 22 or over, with children | | $601.10 | $604.70 | $3.60 | pf |
| Single, 60 or over, after 9 months | | $601.10 | $604.70 | $3.60 | pf |
| Partnered (each) |  | $501.70 | $504.70 | $3.00 | pf |
| Single, principal carer of child, exempt from activity test\* | | $776.10 | $780.70 | $4.60 | pf |
| *\* Rate includes amount of Basic Pension Supplement (for under Age Pension age recipients).* | |  |  |  |  |
| **Energy Supplement (Newstart Allowance, Widow Allowance, Partner Allowance, Sickness Allowance)\*** | | | | |  |
| **Family Situation - under Age Pension age** | | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2019** | **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 2019** | **Increase** |  |
| Single |  | $14.10 | $14.10 | - | pf |
| Partnered (each) |  | $10.60 | $10.60 | - | pf |
| *\* Indexation of the Energy Supplement has been frozen since 1 January 2015.* | |  |  |  |  |
| **Allowance Supplement (Newstart Allowance, Widow Allowance, Partner Allowance, Sickness Allowance:  Over Age Pension Age)** | | | | | |
| **Family Situation** |  | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2019** | **Increase** |  |
| Single Allowance Supplement | | $68.50 | $68.90 | $0.40 | pf |
| Partnered Allowance Supplement | | $51.60 | $51.90 | $0.30 | pf |
| **Income Test Cut-offs for Newstart Allowance, Widow Allowance, Partner Allowance, Sickness Allowance#** | | | | | |
| **Family Situation** |  | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2019** | **Increase** |  |
| Single, 22 or over, no children | | $1,069.84 | $1,075.34 | $5.50 | pf |
| Single, 22 or over, with children | | $1,146.67 | $1,152.67 | $6.00 | pf |
| Single, 60 or over, after 9 months\* | | $1,157.00 | $1,163.00 | $6.00 | pf |
| Partnered (each) |  | $978.34 | $983.34 | $5.00 | pf |
| Single, principal carer of child, exempt from activity test | | $2,074.25 | $2,085.75 | $11.50 | pf |
| NSA, single, 22 or over, with children | | $1,630.50 | $1,639.50 | $9.00 | pf |
| NSA, single, 60 or over, after 9 months\* | | $1,646.00 | $1,655.00 | $9.00 | pf |
| *\* Includes Pharmaceutical Allowance.* |  |  |  |  |  |
| *#Income cut-outs for allowance recipients over Age Pension age may differ from these amounts.* | |  |  |  |  |

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| **Youth Allowance Rates** | |  |  |  |  |
| **Family Situation** |  | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2019** | **Increase** |  |
| Single, principal carer of child, exempt from activity test\* | | $776.10 | $780.70 | $4.60 | 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 2019** | **Increase** |  |
| Single, principal carer of child, exempt from activity test | | $1,474.34 | $1,482.00 | $7.66 | pf |
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| **ABSTUDY - Fortnightly** | | | | | |
| **Living Allowance Rates** | |  |  |  |  |
| **Family Situation** |  | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2019** | **Increase** |  |
| Standard |  |  |  |  |  |
| 22 years or over, at home | | $555.70 | $559.00 | $3.30 | pf |
| Away from home |  |  |  |  |  |
| 22 years or over |  | $555.70 | $559.00 | $3.30 | pf |
| Independent single, no children | |  |  |  |  |
| 22 years or over |  | $555.70 | $559.00 | $3.30 | pf |
| 60 years or over |  | $601.10 | $604.70 | $3.60 | pf |
| Independent partnered, no children | |  |  |  |  |
| 22 years or over |  | $501.70 | $504.70 | $3.00 | pf |
| Independent, single with dependent child | |  |  |  |  |
| 22 years or over |  | $601.10 | $604.70 | $3.60 | pf |
| Independent, partnered with dependent child | |  |  |  |  |
| 22 years or over |  | $501.70 | $504.70 | $3.00 | pf |
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| **Energy Supplement for Living Allowance** | | | | | |
| **Family Situation** |  | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2019** | **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 |
| 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 |
| *\* Indexation of the Energy Supplement has been frozen since 1 January 2015.* | |  |  |  |  |
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| **Personal Income Test for Living Allowance** | | | | | |
| **Family Situation** |  | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2019** | **Increase** |  |
| Over 22 years |  |  |  |  |  |
| Single, no children |  | $1,392.34 | $1,397.84 | $5.50 | pf |
| Partnered |  | $1,300.84 | $1,305.84 | $5.00 | pf |
| Single, with dependants | | $1,469.17 | $1,475.17 | $6.00 | pf |
| Aged 60 or over |  | $1,469.17 | $1,475.17 | $6.00 | pf |
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| **Parenting Payment - Fortnightly** | |  |  |  |  |
| **Parenting Payment Rates** | |  |  |  |  |
| **Under Age Pension age** |  | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2019** | **Increase** |  |
| Single Parent | Base Pension | $752.30 | $756.80 | $4.50 | pf |
|  | Supplement | $23.80 | $23.90 | $0.10 | pf |
|  | Energy Supplement | $12.00 | $12.00 | - | pf |
|  | Total | $788.10 | $792.70 | $4.60 | pf |
| Partnered Parents | Base Allowance | $501.70 | $504.70 | $3.00 | pf |
|  | Energy Supplement | $7.90 | $7.90 | - | pf |
|  | Total | $509.60 | $512.60 | $3.00 | pf |

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| **Parenting Payment – Fortnightly (continued)** | | | | | |
| **Over Age Pension age** |  | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2019** | **Increase** |  |
| Single Parent | Base Pension | $752.30 | $756.80 | $4.50 | pf |
|  | Supplement | $68.50 | $68.90 | $0.40 | pf |
|  | Energy Supplement | $14.10 | $14.10 | - | pf |
|  | Total | $834.90 | $839.80 | $4.90 | pf |
| Partnered | Base Allowance | $501.70 | $504.70 | $3.00 | pf |
|  | Supplement | $51.60 | $51.90 | $0.30 | pf |
|  | Energy Supplement | $10.60 | $10.60 | - | pf |
|  | Total | $563.90 | $567.20 | $3.30 | pf |
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| **Income Test for Parenting Payment#** | |  |  |  |  |
| **Partnered** |  | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2019** | **Increase** |  |
| Partner's Free Area |  | $979.00 | $984.00 | $5.00 | pf |
| *For part payment of additional rate all of the following conditions must be met:* | | |  |  |  |
| - recipient's income must be less than | | $978.34 | $983.34 | $5.00 | pf |
| - partner's income must be less than | | $1,828.33 | $1,838.33 | $10.00 | pf |
| - combined income must be less than | | $1,957.34 | $1,967.34 | $10.00 | pf |
| *If partner is on pension,* | |  |  |  |  |
| couple's combined income must be less than | | $1,956.68 | $1,966.68 | $10.00 | pf |
| **Single** |  | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2019** | **Increase** |  |
| Income Free area |  | $188.60 | $188.60 | - | pf |
| *Disqualifying Income Limits* | |  |  |  |  |
| - under Age Pension age | | $2,158.85 | $2,170.35 | $11.50 | pf |
| - under Age Pension age, including Pharmaceutical Allowance | | $2,174.35 | $2,185.85 | $11.50 | pf |
| *#Income cut-outs 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.* | | |  |  |  |
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| **Rent Assistance - for payments under the Social Security Act** | | | |  |  |
| **Maximum Rent Assistance** | |  |  |  |  |
| **Family Situation** |  | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2019** | **Increase** |  |
| Single, no children |  | $137.20 | $138.00 | $0.80 | pf |
| Single, no children, sharer | | $91.47 | $92.00 | $0.53 | pf |
| Couple, no children |  | $129.20 | $130.00 | $0.80 | pf |
| Partnered, illness-separated, no children | | $137.20 | $138.00 | $0.80 | pf |
| Partnered, temporarily separated, no children | | $129.20 | $130.00 | $0.80 | pf |
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| **Rent Threshold** |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Family Situation** |  | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2019** | **Increase** |  |
| Single, no children |  | $122.40 | $123.20 | $0.80 | pf |
| Single, no children, sharer | | $122.40 | $123.20 | $0.80 | pf |
| Couple, no children |  | $198.20 | $199.40 | $1.20 | pf |
| Partnered, illness-separated, no children | | $122.40 | $123.20 | $0.80 | pf |
| Partnered, temporarily separated, no children | | $122.40 | $123.20 | $0.80 | pf |
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| **Rent Ceiling** |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Family Situation** |  | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2019** | **Increase** |  |
| Single, no children |  | $305.33 | $307.20 | $1.87 | pf |
| Single, no children, sharer | | $244.36 | $245.87 | $1.51 | pf |
| Couple, no children |  | $370.47 | $372.73 | $2.26 | pf |
| Partnered, illness-separated, no children | | $305.33 | $307.20 | $1.87 | pf |
| Partnered, temporarily separated, no children | | $294.67 | $296.53 | $1.86 | pf |
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| **Rent Assistance - for payments under the Family Assistance Act** | | | |  |  |
| **Maximum Rent Assistance** | |  |  |  |  |
| **Family Situation** |  | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2019** | **Increase** |  |
| Single, 1 or 2 children |  | $161.14 | $162.12 | $0.98 | pf |
| Single, 3 or more children | | $182.00 | $183.12 | $1.12 | pf |
| Couple, 1 or 2 children |  | $161.14 | $162.12 | $0.98 | pf |
| Couple, 3 or more children | | $182.00 | $183.12 | $1.12 | pf |
| **Couple, Illness-Separated, Temporarily Separated** | | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2019** | **Increase** |  |
| 1 or 2 children |  | $161.14 | $162.12 | $0.98 | pf |
| 3 or more children |  | $182.00 | $183.12 | $1.12 | pf |
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| **Rent Threshold** |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Family Situation** |  | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2019** | **Increase** |  |
| Single, 1 or 2 children |  | $160.58 | $161.56 | $0.98 | pf |
| Single, 3 or more children | | $160.58 | $161.56 | $0.98 | pf |
| Couple, 1 or 2 children |  | $237.72 | $239.12 | $1.40 | pf |
| Couple, 3 or more children | | $237.72 | $239.12 | $1.40 | pf |
| **Couple, Illness-Separated, Temporarily Separated** | | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2019** | **Increase** |  |
| 1 or 2 children |  | $160.58 | $161.56 | $0.98 | pf |
| 3 or more children |  | $160.58 | $161.56 | $0.98 | pf |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Rent Ceiling** |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Family Situation** |  | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2019** | **Increase** |  |
| Single, 1 or 2 children |  | $375.43 | $377.72 | $2.29 | pf |
| Single, 3 or more children | | $403.25 | $405.72 | $2.47 | pf |
| Couple, 1 or 2 children |  | $452.57 | $455.28 | $2.71 | pf |
| Couple, 3 or more children | | $480.39 | $483.28 | $2.89 | pf |
| **Couple, Illness-Separated, Temporarily Separated** | | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2019** | **Increase** |  |
| 1 or 2 children |  | $375.43 | $377.72 | $2.29 | pf |
| 3 or more children |  | $403.25 | $405.72 | $2.47 | pf |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Miscellaneous Amounts** | |  |  |  |  |
| **Telephone Allowance** |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2019** | **Increase** |  |
| Annual Payment (single or couple combined) | | $118.40 | $120.80 | $2.40 | pa |
| Quarterly Payment (single or couple combined) | | $29.60 | $30.20 | $0.60 | 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 2019** | **Increase** |  |
| Annual Payment (single or couple combined) | | $175.20 | $178.40 | $3.20 | pa |
| Quarterly Payment (single or couple combined) | | $43.80 | $44.60 | $0.80 | pq |
| *Single rates shown. Each eligible member of a couple on maximum rate may receive half the single rate per annum.* | | |  |  |  |

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| **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 2019** | **Increase** |  |
| Annual Amount (single or couple combined) | | $640.40 | $644.40 | $4.00 | pa |
| Quarterly Payment (single or couple combined) | | $160.10 | $161.10 | $1.00 | pq |
| *Recipients 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 2019** | **Increase** |  |
| Single (no children) |  | $561.00 | $564.00 | $3.00 | pw |
| Couple, combined (no children) | | $969.00 | $974.00 | $5.00 | pw |
| Single, one dependent child | | $969.00 | $974.00 | $5.00 | pw |
| For each additional dependent child add | | $34.00 | $34.00 | - | pw |
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| **Miscellaneous Amounts (continued)** | | | | | |
| **Cut-offs for Health Care Cards (HCC)** | | | | | |
| **Average weekly income for eight weeks prior to applying:** | |  |  |  |  |
| **Family Situation** |  | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2019** | **Increase** |  |
| Single (no children) |  | $701.25 | $705.00 | $3.75 | pw |
| Couple, combined (no children) | | $1,211.25 | $1,217.50 | $6.25 | pw |
| Single, one dependent child | | $1,211.25 | $1,217.50 | $6.25 | 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 2019** | **Increase** |  |
| Single\* |  | $54,929 | $55,808 | $879 | pa |
| Partnered (each) |  | $43,942 | $44,645 | $703 | pa |
| Couple (combined) |  | $87,884 | $89,290 | $1,406 | pa |
| Additional amount for each dependent child of the person | | $639.60 | $639.60 | - | pa |
| *\* Also illness-separated, respite care or partner in gaol.* | |  |  |  |  |
| **CDEP Participation Supplement (CPS) Income Test** | |  |  |  |  |
| **CPS is payable if income is below:** | |  |  |  |  |
| **Family Situation** |  | **Previous Amount** | **20 Sep 2019** | **Increase** |  |
| Single |  | $1,283.84 | $1,290.67 | $6.83 | pf |
| Single, principal carer of child | | $1,836.25 | $1,846.50 | $10.25 | pf |
| Couple |  | $1,180.50 | $1,186.84 | $6.34 | pf |
| Total income of both partners must be under | | $2,361.00 | $2,373.68 | $12.68 | pf |