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| **Youth Allowance** |  |  | **Previous amount** | **1 Jan 2022** | **Increase** |  |
| **Maximum rates of payment** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Maximum basic rate |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Family Situation** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 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  |
| *\* For long-term unemployed or migrant English students aged 22 years or over commencing full-time study or an Australian Apprenticeship.* |
| **Income limits** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 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  |
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| Part allowance income limits |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Family Situation** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 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  |
| *\* For long-term unemployed or migrant English students aged 22 years or over commencing full-time study or an Australian Apprenticeship.* |
| 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  |

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| **Youth Allowance (continued)** |  |  | **Previous amount** | **1 Jan 2022** | **Increase** |  |
| 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  |
| *~ Different policy applies if partner is a pensioner.* |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| **Austudy** |  |  | **Previous amount** | **1 Jan 2022** | **Increase** |  |
| **Maximum rates of payment** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Maximum basic rate |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Family Situation** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Single |  |  | $512.50 | $530.40 | $17.90 | pf  |
| Single, with children |  |  | $656.00 | $679.00 | $23.00 | pf  |
| Partnered, with children |  |  | $557.90 | $577.40 | $19.50 | pf  |
| Partnered, no children |  |  | $512.50 | $530.40 | $17.90 | pf  |
| Special rate\* |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Single, living away from home |  |  | $611.90 | $633.30 | $21.40 | pf  |
| Partnered, no children |  |  | $557.90 | $577.40 | $19.50 | pf  |
| *\* For long-term unemployed or migrant English students aged 22 years or over commencing full-time study or an Australian Apprenticeship.* |
| **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  |
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| Part allowance income limits# |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Family Situation** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Single |  |  | $1,317.34 | $1,362.67 | $45.33 | pf  |
| Single, with children |  |  | $1,560.17 | $1,614.00 | $53.83 | pf  |
| Partnered, with children |  |  | $1,394.17 | $1,442.17 | $48.00 | pf  |
| Partnered, no children |  |  | $1,317.34 | $1,362.67 | $45.33 | pf  |
| Special rate\* |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 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  |
| *# 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~ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 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  |
| *~ Different policy applies if partner is a pensioner.* |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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| **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 | - | pa  |
| **Parental income threshold for ABSTUDY** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Reduced payment if income exceeds |  |  | $55,626.00 | $56,137.00 | $511.00 | pa  |

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| **ABSTUDY – Supplementary assistance** | **Previous amount** | **1 Jan 2022** | **Increase** |  |
| **Supplementary assistance** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| School Fees Allowance (boarding) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Maximum rate |  |  | $11,011 | $11,396 | $385 | pa  |
| Non-income tested component |  |  | $8,557 | $8,856 | $299 | pa  |
| Incidentals Allowance |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 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  |
| Additional Incidentals Allowance |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 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  |
| Education Provider Administration and Audit Costs |  |  |  |  |
| Maximum amount |  |  | $5,032.00 | $5,208.00 | $176.00 | pa  |
| Boarding School Scholarship Approval Threshold |  |  |  |  |  |
| Scholarship value |  |  | $6,096.00 | $6,309.00 | $213.00 | pa  |
| Supplementary Masters and Doctorate allowance |  |  |  |  |
| Thesis Allowance one-off payment |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Masters thesis |  |  | $420 | $420 | - |  ea  |
| Doctorate thesis |  |  | $840 | $840 | - |  ea  |
| Relocation Allowance |  |  | $1,520 | $1,520 | - |  pa  |
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| **Other student payments** |  |  | **Previous amount** | **1 Jan 2022** | **Increase** |  |
| **Assistance for Isolated Children (AIC)** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Allowances |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 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  |
| Thresholds and limits |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Minimum boarding charge threshold for Additional Boarding Allowance | $8,307 | $8,606 | $299 | pa  |
| Parental income test |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Parental income threshold |  |  | $55,626 | $56,137 | $511 | pa  |
| **Other student payments** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Student Relocation Scholarship |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 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  |
| Student payment parameters |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Student Income Bank Balance Threshold |  |  | $10,900 | $11,300 | $400 | pa  |
| Merit and Equity-Based Scholarship Threshold |  |  | $8,355 | $8,647 | $292 | pa  |
| Student Start-Up Loan |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Student Start-Up Loan  |  |  | $1,094 | $1,132 | $38 | ba  |

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| **Disability Support Pension** |  |  | **Previous amount** | **1 Jan 2022** | **Increase** |  |
| **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 |   |
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| **Miscellaneous Rates and Other Amounts** |  | **Previous amount** | **1 Jan 2022** | **Increase** |  |
| 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  |
| Carer Allowance - rate |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Carer Allowance |  |  | $131.90 | $136.50 | $4.60 | pf  |

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| **Miscellaneous Rates and Other Amounts (continued)** | **Previous amount** | **1 Jan 2022** | **Increase** |  |
| Carer Payment - Care Receiver Income and Asset Limits |  |  |  |  |
| 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 |   |
| Mobility Allowance |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Standard rate - single or couple |  |  | $99.50 | $103.00 | $3.50 | pf  |
| Increased rate - single or couple |  |  | $139.10 | $144.00 | $4.90 | pf  |
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| Additional Child Amounts (paid under some social security agreements) |  |  |  |
| 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  |  |  | $62.50 | $64.70 | $2.20 | pf  |
|  *Formerly Guardian Allowance.* |  |
| Permissible Child Earnings Limits |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dependent child under 16 |  |  | $217.00 | $224.60 | $7.60 | pw  |
| Dependent child 16 - 21 |  |  | $11,893.60 | $12,309.90 | $416.30 | pa  |