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| **Youth Allowance** |  |  | **Previous amount** | **1 Jan 2023** | **Increase** |  |
| **Maximum rates of payment** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Maximum basic rate |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Family Situation** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Single, no children |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Under 18, living at home |  |  | $313.80 | $332.90 | $19.10 | pf |
| Under 18, living away from home |  |  | $530.40 | $562.80 | $32.40 | pf |
| 18 or over, living away from home |  |  | $530.40 | $562.80 | $32.40 | pf |
| 18 or over, living at home |  |  | $367.00 | $389.40 | $22.40 | pf |
| Single, with children |  |  | $679.00 | $720.40 | $41.40 | pf |
| Partnered, no children |  |  | $530.40 | $562.80 | $32.40 | pf |
| Partnered, with children |  |  | $577.40 | $612.60 | $35.20 | pf |
| Special rate of Youth Allowance\* |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Single, living at home |  |  | $438.50 | $465.20 | $26.70 | pf |
| Single, living away from home |  |  | $633.30 | $671.90 | $38.60 | pf |
| Partnered, no children |  |  | $577.40 | $612.60 | $35.20 | pf |
| *\* For long-term unemployed or migrant English students aged 22 years or over commencing full-time study or an Australian Apprenticeship.* | | | | | | |
| **Income test** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Full allowance income thresholds |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Youth Allowance (students and Australian Apprentices) | |  |  |  |  |  |
| Personal income threshold |  |  | $452.00 | $480.00 | $28.00 | pf |
| Personal income upper threshold |  |  | $542.00 | $575.00 | $33.00 | pf |
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| Part allowance income limits |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Family Situation** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Single, under 18, at home |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Students and Australian Apprentices |  |  | $996.50 | $1,057.17 | $60.67 | pf |
| Job seekers |  |  | $696.17 | $728.00 | $31.83 | pf |
| Single, 18 and over, at home |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Students and Australian Apprentices |  |  | $1,086.34 | $1,152.50 | $66.16 | pf |
| Job seekers |  |  | $786.00 | $823.34 | $37.34 | pf |
| Single or partnered, away from home |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Students and Australian Apprentices |  |  | $1,362.67 | $1,445.50 | $82.83 | pf |
| Job seekers |  |  | $1,062.34 | $1,116.34 | $54.00 | pf |
| Partnered, with dependants |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Students and Australian Apprentices |  |  | $1,442.17 | $1,529.67 | $87.50 | pf |
| Job seekers |  |  | $1,141.84 | $1,200.50 | $58.66 | pf |
| Single, with dependants |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Students and Australian Apprentices |  |  | $1,614.00 | $1,711.84 | $97.84 | pf |
| Job seekers |  |  | $1,313.67 | $1,382.67 | $69.00 | pf |
| Special rate of Youth Allowance\* |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Single, living at home |  |  | $1,207.34 | $1,280.67 | $73.33 | pf |
| Single, living away from home |  |  | $1,536.84 | $1,630.00 | $93.16 | pf |
| Partnered, no children |  |  | $1,442.17 | $1,529.67 | $87.50 | 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 |  |  | $56,137 | $58,108 | $1,971 | pa |
| Maintenance income free areas |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Single parent or one of a couple receiving maintenance | |  | $1,752.00 | $1,752.00 | - | pa |
| For each additional child add |  |  | $584.00 | $584.00 | - | pa |

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| **Youth Allowance (continued)** |  |  | **Previous amount** | **1 Jan 2023** | **Increase** |  |
| Partner income test - partner income free area | | |  |  |  |  |
| Partner aged between 22 and Age Pension age |  |  | $1,196.00 | $1,196.00 | - | pf |
| Partner aged under 22, no children |  |  | $1,063.00 | $1,117.00 | $54.00 | pf |
| Partner aged under 22, with children |  |  | $1,142.00 | $1,201.00 | $59.00 | pf |
| *~ Different policy applies if partner is a pensioner.* |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| **Austudy** |  |  | **Previous amount** | **1 Jan 2023** | **Increase** |  |
| **Maximum rates of payment** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Maximum basic rate |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Family Situation** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Single |  |  | $530.40 | $562.80 | $32.40 | pf |
| Single, with children |  |  | $679.00 | $720.40 | $41.40 | pf |
| Partnered, with children |  |  | $577.40 | $612.60 | $35.20 | pf |
| Partnered, no children |  |  | $530.40 | $562.80 | $32.40 | pf |
| Special rate\* |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Single, living away from home |  |  | $633.30 | $671.90 | $38.60 | pf |
| Partnered, no children |  |  | $577.40 | $612.60 | $35.20 | pf |
| *\* For long-term unemployed or migrant English students aged 22 years or over commencing full-time study or an Australian Apprenticeship.* | | | | | | |
| **Income test** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Full allowance income thresholds |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Personal income threshold |  |  | $452.00 | $480.00 | $28.00 | pf |
| Personal income upper threshold |  |  | $542.00 | $575.00 | $33.00 | pf |
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| Part allowance income limits# |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Family Situation** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Single |  |  | $1,362.67 | $1,445.50 | $82.83 | pf |
| Single, with children |  |  | $1,614.00 | $1,711.84 | $97.84 | pf |
| Partnered, with children |  |  | $1,442.17 | $1,529.67 | $87.50 | pf |
| Partnered, no children |  |  | $1,362.67 | $1,445.50 | $82.83 | pf |
| Special rate\* |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Single, living away from home |  |  | $1,536.84 | $1,630.00 | $93.16 | pf |
| Partnered, no children |  |  | $1,442.17 | $1,529.67 | $87.50 | 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 |  |  | $1,196.00 | $1,196.00 | - | pf |
| Partner aged under 22, no children |  |  | $1,063.00 | $1,117.00 | $54.00 | pf |
| Partner aged under 22, with children |  |  | $1,142.00 | $1,201.00 | $59.00 | pf |
| *~ Different policy applies if partner is a pensioner.* |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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| **ABSTUDY** |  |  | **Previous amount** | **1 Jan 2023** | **Increase** |  | |
| **Basic rates of payment** |  |  |  |  |  |  | |
| Living Allowance rates |  |  |  |  |  |  | |
| **Family Situation** |  |  |  |  |  |  | |
| Standard |  |  |  |  |  |  | |
| Under 16 years, tertiary |  |  | $36.00 | $38.20 | $2.20 | pf | |
| 16 to 17 years |  |  | $313.80 | $332.90 | $19.10 | pf | |
| 18 to 21 years |  |  | $367.00 | $389.40 | $22.40 | pf | |
| Standard, in state care and Foster Care Allowance paid | |  |  |  |  |  | |
| Under 16 years |  |  | $313.80 | $332.90 | $19.10 | pf | |
| 16 to 17 years |  |  | $313.80 | $332.90 | $19.10 | pf | |
| 18 to 21 years |  |  | $367.00 | $389.40 | $22.40 | pf | |
| Standard, in state care only (no Foster Care Allowance paid) | | |  |  |  |  | |
| Under 16 years |  |  | $530.40 | $562.80 | $32.40 | pf | |
| 16 to 21 years |  |  | $530.40 | $562.80 | $32.40 | pf | |
| Away from home |  |  |  |  |  |  | |
| Under 16 years |  |  | $530.40 | $562.80 | $32.40 | pf | |
| 16 to 21 years |  |  | $530.40 | $562.80 | $32.40 | pf | |
| Independent single, no children |  |  |  |  |  |  | |
| Under 16 years |  |  | $530.40 | $562.80 | $32.40 | pf | |
| 16 to 21 years |  |  | $530.40 | $562.80 | $32.40 | pf | |
| Under 16 years, at home |  |  | $313.80 | $332.90 | $19.10 | pf | |
| 16 to 17 years, at home |  |  | $313.80 | $332.90 | $19.10 | pf | |
| 18 to 21 years, at home |  |  | $367.00 | $389.40 | $22.40 | pf | |
| Independent partnered, no children |  |  |  |  |  |  | |
| Under 16 years |  |  | $530.40 | $562.80 | $32.40 | pf | |
| 16 to 21 years |  |  | $530.40 | $562.80 | $32.40 | pf | |
| Independent, single with dependent child |  |  |  |  |  |  | |
| Under 16 years |  |  | $679.00 | $720.40 | $41.40 | pf | |
| 16 to 21 years |  |  | $679.00 | $720.40 | $41.40 | pf | |
| Independent, partnered with dependent child |  |  |  |  |  |  | |
| Under 16 years |  |  | $577.40 | $612.60 | $35.20 | pf | |
| 16 to 21 years |  |  | $577.40 | $612.60 | $35.20 | pf | |
| Masters and Doctorate Students |  |  | $1,106.70 | $1,145.40 | $38.70 | pf | |
| **Income test** |  |  |  |  |  |  | |
| Part allowance income limits |  |  |  |  |  |  | |
| **Family Situation** |  |  |  |  |  |  | |
| Under 22 years |  |  |  |  |  |  | |
| Single, under 18 years, at home |  |  | $996.50 | $1,057.17 | $60.67 | pf | |
| Single, 18 and over, at home |  |  | $1,086.34 | $1,152.50 | $66.16 | pf | |
| Single or partnered, away from home, no dependants | |  | $1,362.67 | $1,445.50 | $82.83 | pf | |
| Single with dependants |  |  | $1,614.00 | $1,711.84 | $97.84 | pf | |
| Partnered with dependants |  |  | $1,442.17 | $1,529.67 | $87.50 | pf | |
| Over 22 years |  |  |  |  |  |  | |
| Single, no children |  |  | $1,595.67 | $1,624.50 | $28.83 | pf | |
| Partnered |  |  | $1,494.67 | $1,523.50 | $28.83 | pf | |
| Single, with dependants |  |  | $1,680.50 | $1,709.34 | $28.84 | pf | |
| Aged 60 or over |  |  | $1,690.84 | $1,720.34 | $29.50 | pf | |
| Partner income test – partner income free area~ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Partner aged 22 and over, no dependent children | | | $1,196.00 | $1,196.00 | - | pf | |
| Parental income threshold for ABSTUDY |  |  |  |  |  |  | |
| Reduced payment if income exceeds |  |  | $56,137.00 | $58,108.00 | $1,971.00 | pa | |

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| **ABSTUDY – Supplementary assistance** | | | **Previous amount** | **1 Jan 2023** | **Increase** |  |
| **Supplementary assistance** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| School Fees Allowance (boarding) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Maximum rate |  |  | $11,396 | $12,091 | $695 | pa |
| Non-income tested component |  |  | $8,856 | $9,396 | $540 | pa |
| Incidentals Allowance |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Less than 12 week course |  |  | $92.50 | $98.10 | $5.60 | pa |
| 12 to 16 week course |  |  | $162.30 | $172.20 | $9.90 | pa |
| 17 to 23 week course |  |  | $322.60 | $342.30 | $19.70 | pa |
| 24 week to one year course |  |  | $655.70 | $695.70 | $40.00 | pa |
| Additional Incidentals Allowance |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Less than 12 week course |  |  | $159.30 | $169.00 | $9.70 | pa |
| 12 to 16 week course |  |  | $315.60 | $334.90 | $19.30 | pa |
| 17 to 23 week course |  |  | $630.70 | $669.20 | $38.50 | pa |
| 24 week to one year course |  |  | $1,263.30 | $1,340.40 | $77.10 | pa |
| Education Provider Administration and Audit Costs | | |  |  |  |  |
| Maximum amount |  |  | $5,208.00 | $5,526.00 | $318.00 | pa |
| Boarding School Scholarship Approval Threshold | |  |  |  |  |  |
| Scholarship value |  |  | $6,309.00 | $6,694.00 | $385.00 | 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 2023** | **Increase** |  |
| **Assistance for Isolated Children (AIC)** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Allowances |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Basic Boarding Allowance |  |  | $8,856 | $9,396 | $540 | pa |
| Additional Boarding Allowance |  |  | $2,540 | $2,695 | $155 | pa |
| Maximum rate for AIC Boarding Allowance |  |  | $11,396 | $12,091 | $695 | pa |
| Second Home Allowance |  |  | $6,726 | $7,136 | $410 | pa |
| Maximum Second Home Allowance for each family (three children) | | | $20,178 | $21,408 | $1,230 | pa |
| Distance Education Allowance |  |  | $4,428 | $4,698 | $270 | pa |
| Thresholds and limits |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Minimum boarding charge threshold for Additional Boarding Allowance | | | $8,606 | $9,146 | $540 | pa |
| Parental income test |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Parental income threshold |  |  | $56,137 | $58,108 | $1,971 | pa |
| **Other student payments** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Student Relocation Scholarship |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Initial full payment |  |  | $4,788 | $5,080 | $292 | pa |
| Subsequent payment - metropolitan |  |  | $1,196 | $1,269 | $73 | pa |
| Subsequent payment - regional/remote |  |  | $2,395 | $2,541 | $146 | pa |
| Student payment parameters |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Student Income Bank Balance Threshold |  |  | $11,300 | $12,000 | $700 | pa |
| Merit and Equity-Based Scholarship Threshold |  |  | $8,647 | $9,174 | $527 | pa |
| Student Start-Up Loan |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Student Start-Up Loan |  |  | $1,132 | $1,201 | $69 | ba |

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| **Disability Support Pension** |  |  | **Previous amount** | **1 Jan 2023** | **Increase** |  |
| **Under 21 with no dependent children: Maximum rates of payment** | | | |  |  |  |
| Maximum basic rate including Youth Disability Supplement | | |  |  |  |  |
| **Family Situation** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Single, under 18 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dependent |  |  | $450.30 | $477.70 | $27.40 | pf |
| Independent |  |  | $666.90 | $707.60 | $40.70 | pf |
| Single, 18 - 20 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dependent |  |  | $503.50 | $534.20 | $30.70 | pf |
| Independent |  |  | $666.90 | $707.60 | $40.70 | pf |
| Member of a couple |  |  | $666.90 | $707.60 | $40.70 | pf |
| Youth Disability Supplement |  |  | $136.50 | $144.80 | $8.30 | pf |
| *Note: recipients typically also receive Energy Supplement (not shown) and Pharmaceutical Allowance (see rates below).* | | | | | |  |
| **Under 21 with no dependent children: Income test** | | |  |  |  |  |
| Part pension income limits | | |  |  |  |  |
| **Family Situation** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Single, under 18 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dependent |  |  | $1,114.80 | $1,170.40 | $55.60 | pf |
| Independent |  |  | $1,554.40 | $1,636.60 | $82.20 | pf |
| Single, 18 - 20 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dependent |  |  | $1,222.60 | $1,284.80 | $62.20 | pf |
| Independent |  |  | $1,554.40 | $1,636.60 | $82.20 | pf |
| Couple (combined) |  |  | $3,052.40 | $3,216.00 | $163.60 | pf |
| **Under 21 with no dependent children: Assets test** | | |  |  |  |  |
| Part pension asset limits | | |  |  |  |  |
| **Family Situation - Homeowners** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Single, under 18 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dependent |  |  | $434,250 | $443,500 | $9,250 |  |
| Independent |  |  | $507,500 | $521,250 | $13,750 |  |
| Single, 18 - 20 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dependent |  |  | $452,250 | $462,500 | $10,250 |  |
| Independent |  |  | $507,500 | $521,250 | $13,750 |  |
| Couple (combined) |  |  | $872,000 | $899,000 | $27,000 |  |
| **Family Situation - Non-Homeowners** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Single, under 18 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dependent |  |  | $658,750 | $668,000 | $9,250 |  |
| Independent |  |  | $732,000 | $745,750 | $13,750 |  |
| Single, 18 - 20 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dependent |  |  | $676,750 | $687,000 | $10,250 |  |
| Independent |  |  | $732,000 | $745,750 | $13,750 |  |
| Couple (combined) |  |  | $1,096,500 | $1,123,500 | $27,000 |  |
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| **Miscellaneous Rates and Other Amounts** | |  | **Previous amount** | **1 Jan 2023** | **Increase** |  |
| Pharmaceutical Allowance |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Family Situation** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Single |  |  | $6.20 | $6.60 | $0.40 | pf |
| Couple |  |  | $3.10 | $3.30 | $0.20 | pf |
| Illness-separated |  |  | $6.20 | $6.60 | $0.40 | pf |
| Double Orphan Pension - rate |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Double Orphan Pension |  |  | $68.40 | $72.60 | $4.20 | pf |
| Carer Allowance - rate |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Carer Allowance |  |  | $136.50 | $144.80 | $8.30 | pf |

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| **Miscellaneous Rates and Other Amounts (continued)** | | | **Previous amount** | **1 Jan 2023** | **Increase** |  |
| Carer Payment - Care Receiver Income and Asset Limits | | |  |  |  |  |
| Income limit |  |  | $120,605 | $127,962 | $7,357 | pa |
| Lower asset limit |  |  | $744,000 | $789,500 | $45,500 |  |
| Higher asset limit |  |  | $1,105,250 | $1,172,750 | $67,500 |  |
| Mobility Allowance |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Standard rate - single or couple |  |  | $103.00 | $109.30 | $6.30 | pf |
| Increased rate - single or couple |  |  | $144.00 | $152.80 | $8.80 | pf |
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| Additional Child Amounts (paid under some social security agreements) | | | |  |  |  |
| Child aged under 13 |  |  | $135.90 | $144.20 | $8.30 | pf |
| Child aged 13 - 15 |  |  | $189.20 | $200.70 | $11.50 | pf |
| Payment to single parent |  |  | $64.70 | $68.60 | $3.90 | pf |
|  *Formerly Guardian Allowance.* | | | | | |  |
| Permissible Child Earnings Limits |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dependent child under 16 |  |  | $224.60 | $238.30 | $13.70 | pw |
| Dependent child 16 - 21 |  |  | $12,309.90 | $13,060.80 | $750.90 | pa |
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| Income limits increasing due to increase in Pharmaceutical Allowance | | | |  |  |  |
| Parenting Payment Single, under Age Pension age#\* | | | $2,536.60 | $2,537.60 | $1.00 | pf |
| *#Income limit for recipients over Age Pension age may differ from this amount.*  *\*Income limit for parents with more than one child differ from this amount.* | | | |  |  |  |
| JobSeeker Payment, single, 60 or over, after 9 months | | | $1,391.50 | $1,392.17 | $0.67 | pf |
| JobSeeker Payment, single, principal carer of child | | | $1,985.75 | $1,986.75 | $1.00 | pf |
| JobSeeker Payment, single, principal carer, exempt from activity test | | | $2,484.00 | $2,485.00 | $1.00 | pf |
| Youth Allowance, single, principal carer of child, exempt from activity test | | | $1,722.67 | $1,723.34 | $0.67 | pf |