

Payment Rates, March quarter, 2000 - 2010

Newstart Allowance*			Age Pension	Youth Allowance		
	Single,21+, no children	Partnered	Single	Under 18, at home	Under 18 & over 18, away from home	18+, at home
Mar-00	\$331.60	\$299.10	\$372.00	\$148.20	\$270.30	\$177.90
Mar-01	\$357.80	\$322.80	\$402.00	\$158.80	\$290.10	\$190.90
Mar-02	\$369.00	\$332.80	\$421.80	\$165.10	\$301.70	\$198.60
Mar-03	\$380.10	\$342.80	\$440.30	\$169.70	\$310.10	\$204.20
Mar-04	\$389.20	\$351.10	\$464.20	\$174.30	\$318.50	\$209.70
Mar-05	\$399.20	\$360.30	\$476.30	\$178.70	\$326.50	\$214.90
Mar-06	\$410.60	\$370.50	\$499.70	\$183.20	\$334.70	\$220.30
Mar-07	\$424.30	\$382.80	\$525.10	\$190.50	\$348.10	\$229.10
Mar-08	\$437.10	\$394.40	\$546.80	\$194.50	\$355.40	\$233.90
Mar-09	\$453.30	\$409.00	\$569.80	\$203.30	\$371.40	\$244.40
Mar-10	\$462.80	\$417.70	\$644.20	\$206.30	\$377.00	\$248.10
Increase(\$)	\$131.20	\$118.60	\$272.20	\$58.30	\$106.70	\$70.20
Increase(\$%)	39.6%	39.7%	73.2%	39%	39.5%	39.5%

All amounts per fortnight payments * May be eligible for Rent Assistance

SOURCE: Centrelink:A guide to Commonwealth Government payments, March-July 2000 – 2010.

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CPI Subcategories, 2000 - 2010

Annual	CPI	Rents	Utilities	Electricity	Gas and other Household fuels	Water and sewerage
2000	128.4	127.3	127.8	123.8	141.2	107.3
2001	134.0	131.4	135.0	132.4	142.7	109.6
2002	138.1	134.5	140.6	137.1	150.5	113.9
2003	141.9	137.1	158.2	145.1	159.8	118.6
2004	145.2	140.5	153.0	147.9	168.8	123.1
2005	149.1	143.7	158.7	152.1	177.5	128.3
2006	154.4	148.3	165.4	156.4	185.5	136.7
2007	158.0	156.4	173.0	163.5	193.0	144.2
2008	166.2	168.6	189.4	179.9	208.6	158.0
2009	167.9	179.9	211.6	201.5	226.5	179.9
2010	172.6	187.7	239.9	232.0	246.8	203.9
Change	44.2	60.4	112.1	108.2	105.6	96.6
% increase	34.4%	47.4%	87.7%	87.4%	74.8%	90.0%

SOURCE: Australian Bureau of Statistics: Consumer Price Index 2000 – 2010