

What financial help is the Government giving in 2022 towards energy bills and the cost-of-living crisis?

£400 - Everyone

- Who?** All households, it is not means-tested.
- How?** This will be made as a payment onto your electricity account and is a grant which will not have to be paid back. If you pay on an old style prepayment meter you will get a voucher by email, text or post. If you pay for your electricity to a landlord, the details are yet to be confirmed how you will receive this but a law has been passed requiring landlords to pass on the support.
- When?** From October 2022 onwards (paid in instalments, approx. £66 per month)

£650 – People in receipt of means tested benefits

- Who?** Anyone who receives Universal Credit, Income-based Job Seekers Allowance, Income-based ESA, Income Support, Child or Working Tax Credits, Pension Credit.
- How?** Payments will be made direct to households through their bank account.
- When?** This will be paid in two lump sums, the first will be by the end of July 2022 and the second between 8th to 23rd November 2022.

£300 – Pensioners

- Who?** This will be paid to any pensioner household who receives the Winter Fuel Payment and who was born on or before 25 September 1956. This is not means-tested.
- How?** This will be paid as a top-up to the Winter Fuel Payment, directly into bank accounts.
- When?** November/December 2022

£150 – People in receipt of non-means tested disability benefits

- Who?** Anyone who receives Disability Living Allowance, PIP, Attendance Allowance, Armed Forces Independence Payment and War Pension Mobility Supplement. Claimants must be in receipt of, or have begun an eventually successful claim for, one of these benefits as of 25th May 2022 to be eligible.
- How?** Payments will be made direct to households through their bank account.
- When?** From 20th September 2022 onwards

£200 – Households off mains gas

- Who?** Households who heat their homes with oil, LPG, coal or biomass.
- How?** Payments made via electricity accounts (but details tbc)
- When?** To be confirmed

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