

## Help towards childcare costs

There is help towards childcare costs available from the Government and other organisations.

Do you also know, if you are eligible for Universal Credit, they can also pay childcare costs so you can go to work, stay in work or increase your hours?

Universal Credit can pay up to 85% of monthly childcare costs.

You may also get help 'upfront' with your first month's childcare costs if you are starting a new job or increasing your hours at work.

The maximum childcare costs you can claim per month are

£1,031.88 per month for 1 child

£1,768.94 per month for 2 or more children

Your childcare provider must be registered

For more information and current guidance, please go online to <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/universal-credit-childcare-costs>

If you don't currently claim Universal Credit and want to know if you would be entitled to please go to <https://benefits-calculator.turn2us.org.uk/> or [Universal Credit.gov.uk](https://www.gov.uk) online.

The calculation and advice will also show how much childcare support you might be entitled to on Universal Credit.

