

# WORK & INCOME ASSISTANCE

Staff who need financial assistance during this time may be eligible for support from Work & Income. WINZ recommend that they don't use all their leave up if they don't need to and that they try to access this and save their leave for the Summer Shut down.

## Jobseeker Support cut-out points (current)

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Below are the [Jobseeker Support](#) cut-out points at 1 April 2019. The net weekly benefits are after tax at "M".

Category	Net weekly benefit	Gross weekly income cut-out point
Single, 18 - 19 years, <b>at home</b>	\$145.98	\$289.00
Single, 18 - 19 years, <b>away from home</b>	\$182.47	\$341.00
Single, 20 - 24 years	\$182.47	\$341.00
Single, 25+ years	\$218.98	\$393.00
Single, and receiving Domestic Purposes Benefit woman alone or Widows Benefit woman alone, before 15 July 2013	\$228.07	\$483.00
Married, civil union or de facto couple ( <b>without</b> children)	\$364.94	\$602.00
Married, civil union or de facto couple ( <b>with</b> children)	\$391.00	\$639.00
Married, civil union or de facto couple, with non-qualified partner ( <b>with</b> children) or Married, civil union or de facto couple, with partner on New Zealand Superannuation or Veterans Pension ( <b>with</b> children)	\$208.53	\$676.00
Sole parent	\$339.69	\$643.00

If you go to: <https://check.msd.govt.nz/> you can check and see what you might be eligible for. If you do this first you will then know if/what to apply for.

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For people who need extra help with their rent or mortgage they may be eligible for Accommodation Support. Those people who live in town are classed as AREA 3, but rural and costal fall into AREA 4 and the cut-off point is lower.

## Area 3

Category	Income threshold	Cut-out point		Maximum
		Per week	Per year	
Single, 16+ years	\$393.00	\$713.00	\$37,076.00	\$80.00
Married, civil union or de facto couple (without children)	\$602.00	\$1,022.00	\$53,144.00	\$105.00
Married, civil union or de facto couple, 1+ children	\$639.00	\$1,279.00	\$66,508.00	\$160.00
Sole parent, 1 child	\$566.00	\$986.00	\$51,272.00	\$105.00
Sole parent, 2+ children	\$566.00	\$1,206.00	\$62,712.00	\$160.00

If people are eligible and wish to apply for support, then they need to create a *myMSD* login and they need their WINZ Client number to do this. Once they have a *myMSD* they can then go through the process of applying for the relevant assistance.