

## (UK) Employment Rates and Limits – What Is Changing in April?

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## A quick reminder of the key new rates and limits coming into effect next month.

National Minimum Wage	National Minimum Wage – Hourly Rates From 1 April	
Wage	21 – 22-year-olds	£10.18
	18 – 20-year-olds	£7.49
	16 – 17-year-olds	£5.28
	Apprentice rate	£5.28 for apprentices aged under 19 and all those in the first year of their apprenticeship.
	National Living Wage – Hourly Rate From 1 April	
	Age 23 or over	£10.42
Increased Benefit Rates for 2023/24	• SMP, SAP, SPP and SSPP will increase from £156.66 to £172.48 per week.	
	• SSP will increase from £99.35 to £109.40 per week.	
Tribunal Compensation Limits	New limits on certain employment tribunal awards will come into force for dismissals taking effect on or after 6 April. The two key changes are:	
	<ul> <li>The limit on the compensatory award for ordinary unfair dismissal will increase from £93,878 to £105,707.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>The maximum amount of a week's pay for the purposes of calculating statutory redundancy payments and the unfair dismissal basic award increases from £571 to £643.</li> </ul>	
	Note that the cap on the compensatory award for ordinary unfair dismissal is the lower of the statutory limit set out above and 52 weeks' pay of the individual concerned.	

The rates and limits set out in this alert apply to England, Wales and Scotland.

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