



BITESIZE GUIDE TO THE NEW BENEFIT CAP

Figures correct at 9 November 2016

These figures represent the most a person claiming baseline means-tested benefits could receive in Housing Benefit as a result of the new Benefit Cap (2016/17). If rent is higher than these amounts there will be a shortfall.

	Maximum Housing Benefit based on:		
	2013 Cap level	New Cap London	New Cap Outside London
Single person	£276.90	£223.25	£184.59
Single person 1 child	£342.36	£284.67	£226.98
Single person 2 children	£275.32	£217.63	£158.94
Single person 3 children	£208.28	£150.59	£92.90
Single person 4 children	£141.24	£83.55	£25.86
Single person 5 children	£74.20	£16.51	£0.50
Couple	£385.15	£327.46	£269.77
Couple 1 child	£300.61	£242.92	£185.23
Couple 2 children	£233.57	£175.88	£118.19
Couple 3 children	£166.53	£108.84	£51.15
Couple 4 children	£99.49	£41.80	£0.50
Couple 5 children	£32.45	£0.50	£0.50