

FACT SHEET: Social Assistance Rates

1% Increase Effective November / December 2010

The table below shows the benefit rate amounts for both Ontario Works (OW) and the Ontario Disability Support Program (ODSP) for the periods before and after November / December 2010, to reflect a 1% in Basic Needs and Maximum Shelter rates. The increases will appear on ODSP cheques received in November and OW cheques received in December 2010.

The Ontario Child Benefit (OCB) is also payable to families with dependent children. OCB amounts are included here to provide a sense of total maximum monthly income from these provincial sources. More information about the OCB and the restructuring of social assistance rates is available at on the ISAC website at www.incomesecurity.org.

Case Type	Before Nov / Dec 2010				After Nov / Dec 2010			
OW	Basic Needs	Max Shelter	Max OCB	Current Total	Basic Needs	Max Shelter	Max OCB	New Total
Single	\$221	\$364	\$0	\$585	\$224	\$368	\$0	\$592
Couple	\$438	\$572	\$0	\$1,010	\$443	\$578	\$0	\$1,021
Single Parent + 1 child ¹	\$341	\$572	\$92	\$1,005	\$344	\$578	\$92	\$1,014
Single Parent + 2 children ¹	\$341	\$620	\$184	\$1,145	\$344	\$627	\$184	\$1,155
Couple +1 child ¹	\$438	\$620	\$92	\$1,150	\$443	\$627	\$92	\$1,162
ODSP								
Single	\$578	\$464	\$0	\$1,042	\$584	\$469	\$0	\$1,053
Couple	\$855	\$729	\$0	\$1,584	\$864	\$737	\$0	\$1,601
Single Parent + 1 child ²	\$721	\$729	\$92	\$1,542	\$727	\$737	\$92	\$1,556
Single Parent + 2 children ³	\$739	\$791	\$184	\$1,714	\$745	\$799	\$184	\$1,728
Couple + 1 child ²	\$855	\$791	\$92	\$1,738	\$864	\$799	\$92	\$1,755

The 1% increase also applies to the Double Disabled rate, Board and Lodging amounts, Northern Allowances, the Guide Dog Benefit, the Dependents of Dependents amount, benefits to Residents of Interval and Transition Homes, the Advanced Age Amount, the Special Boarder Allowance, the Personal Needs Allowance, Emergency Hostel Per Diems, and the Temporary Care Assistance amount. As well, the Assistance for Children with Severe Disability (ACSD) amount will increase to \$445.

¹ Child/children under 18 years of age.

² Child under 13 years of age.

³ One child under 13 years of age, one child 13 years of age or older.