

FACT SHEET: Social Assistance Rates

Effective November / December 2009

The table below shows current and new monthly Ontario Works (OW) and Ontario Disability Support Program (ODSP) benefit rate amounts. The changes will appear on ODSP cheques received in November and OW cheques received in December, 2009.

Basic Needs and Maximum Shelter rates have been increased by 2%.

The Ontario Child Benefit (OCB) is also payable to families with dependent children. OCB amounts are included here to provide a total monthly income from these provincial sources.

More information about the OCB and the restructuring of social assistance rates is available at: www.incomesecurity.org/campaigns/documents/RateRestructuringandChildBenefits-June2009.doc

OW Case Type	Current Basic Needs	Current Max Shelter	Current Max OCB	Current Total	New Basic Needs	New Max Shelter	New Max OCB	New Total
Single	\$216	\$356	\$0	\$572	\$221	\$364	\$0	\$585
Couple	\$429	\$560	\$0	\$989	\$438	\$572	\$0	\$1,010
Single Parent + 1 Child ¹	\$336	\$560	\$92	\$988	\$341	\$572	\$92	\$1,005
Single Parent + 2 children ²	\$336	\$607	\$184	\$1,127	\$341	\$620	\$184	\$1,145
Couple + 1 Child ¹	\$429	\$607	\$92	\$1,128	\$438	\$620	\$92	\$1,150
ODSP Case Type								
Single	\$566	\$454	\$0	\$1,020	\$578	\$464	\$0	\$1,042
Couple	\$838	\$714	\$0	\$1,552	\$855	\$729	\$0	\$1,584
Single Parent + 1 Child ¹	\$709	\$714	\$92	\$1,515	\$721	\$729	\$92	\$1,542
Single Parent + 2 children ²	\$727	\$775	\$184	\$1,686	\$739	\$791	\$184	\$1,714
Couple + 1 Child ¹	\$838	\$775	\$92	\$1,705	\$855	\$791	\$92	\$1,738

¹ Child under 13 years of age.

² One child under 13 years of age, one child 13 years of age or older.