

Australian Government

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Child Care Subsidy rates from 13 July 2020

This fact sheet outlines adjustments to Child Care Subsidy rates that take effect on 13 July 2020.

Income test

The percentage of Child Care Subsidy a family is entitled to is based on combined annual income. Child Care Subsidy income thresholds are adjusted annually in accordance with Consumer Price Index (CPI). The table below shows the income thresholds that apply from 13 July 2020.

2020 – 2021 CCS family income thresholds	Subsidy per cent (of actual fee charged or relevant hourly rate cap whichever is lower)	
Up to \$69,390	85%	
More than \$69,390 to below \$174,390	Decreasing to 50% *	
\$174,390 to below \$253,680	50%	
\$253,680 to below \$343,680	Decreasing to 20% *	
\$343,680 to below \$353,680	20%	
Equal to or above \$353,680	0%	

*Subsidy gradually decreases by 1 per cent for each \$3000 of family income.

Annual cap

There is no annual cap for most families receiving Child Care Subsidy. The income threshold at which an annual cap does apply, and the value of the cap, are adjusted annually in accordance with CPI. The table below shows how the annual cap applies from 13 July 2020.

CCS annual cap	2020 – 2021
Annual Subsidy Cap	\$10,560
Annual Subsidy Cap Threshold	\$189,390

Hourly rate caps

The hourly rate caps are the maximum hourly rate used to calculate families' Child Care Subsidy for each service type. The hourly rate caps are adjusted annually in accordance with CPI. The table below shows the hourly rate caps that apply from 13 July 2020.

	2020 – 2021		
	CCS hourly rate caps		
	Children below school age	School age children	
Centre Based Day Care	\$12.20	\$10.67	
Outside School Hours Care	\$12.20	\$10.67	
Family Day Care	\$11.30		
In Home Care (per family)	\$33.17		