



Child Care Subsidy

Child Care Subsidy fesoasoani mote te taliaga tausinga tamaliki. Kafai koe kooti ne talia, te togi e mafai o fakaoko atu kite tino kote mea ke mafai ne koe o togi mama te togi.

Ke mafai o talia atu koe ma oko atu ki fakatokaga konei:

- tausiga ki te tamaliki e 13 tausaga io me foliki atu kae se akoga ite tulaga lua matua atu ite tulaga muamua, vaganaa e talia atu
- fakaaoga te taliaga ite tausiga ki tamaliki foliki
- fakamaoni o togi te fee ote tamaliki
- oti katoa oko kite tulaga e manakongina i ana sukiga ite folikiga mo ana nofoga tumau.

Ke talia atu i tena nofoga tumau, e manakoninga koe io me ko tau soa ke nofo katoa i Austalia kae isi se tasi mai i mea konei mea konei:

- Austalia sitiseni nofoga tumau
- taliaga o Nofoga tumau
- te Special Category taliaga
- te nofo ise taimi foliki, pela mo te Partner Provisional or Temporary Protection tumau.

E mafai foki o talia atu te nofo tumau ma oti katoa ne maua ne koe mea konei i tau fakatusiga:

- koe io me ko tou soa ne tamaliki e fakatupe nte maloo Austalia kae akoga i Austalia
- koe e fakatusiiga kite faigataaga io me ko faitioga.

E mafai koe o fakatoo ki tua mai fakataliaga o faitioga.

E fia te Child Care Subsidy e mafai o maua ne koe

Te aofaki o te Child Care Subsidy e mafai o maua ne koe mai mea katoa e fakaasi mai lalo nei:

- tupe e maua ne tou kaiga
- aofaki o tamaliki e nofo mai ilalo o tau tausiga
- te itura fakapasene e mautinoa i luga i tamaliki kola e nofo ilalo ite tausiga mo tausaga o au tamaliki
- ko faitioga o tou kaiga mo itula kola e mautinoa iei mea e fai o koe mo tou soa.

Tupe maua mai tou kaiga

E fakaaoga ne matou a tupe maua mai tou kaiga o galue mai iei te aofaki e mafai o maua ne koe mai te Child Care Subsidy. E mafai ne koe of fakatoka te estimate financial years kote mea ke mafai o galue mai iei te aofaki o tupe e togi kite Child Care Subsidy.

Te aofaki o tupe maua mai te Child Care Subsidy e mafai o mafuli mai te mafuliga otau peofuga. Ke masaua ne koe me ka mafai o maua ne koe te aofaki tupe e sao tonu loa mai te Child Care Subsidy mafai e tumau koe o fakaoko mai te aofaki o tupe maua ne koe i taimi katoa.

E mafai o maua io me faitau koe ite mea nei i servicesaustralia.gov.au/incomeccs

Taofingina

Fesoasoani o fakafoliki te seega kite aofaki o tupe tapale, e taofi 5% mai tau Child Care Subsidy ite lua vaiaso katoa. E mafai ne koe o tapale te aofaki e taofi ne matou.

E mafai o maua io me faitau koe ite mea nei i servicesaustralia.gov.au/incomeccs

Falapaleni

I fakaotiga o tausaga katoa, e fai saale te fakapaleni ki tau tupe maua ite tausaga. E fai te fakapaleni mai te kesega ote aofaki o tupe maua mo tupe kola e fakakeeti. Kote mea ke maua fakapatonu te aofaki tela e tau loa o maua ne koe.

Kafai te aofaki tela e fakakeetigina e foliki atu kite aofaki loa tela e tau o maua ne koe. Koe la e tau o fakafoki tupe kooa. Matou ka fakaaoga ate Child Care Subsidy tela ne pukegina ne matou ke fakafoliki te aofaki tela e tau o togi ne koe.

Kafai tau tupe maua e maluga atu kite tupe tela e tau o maua ne koe, e se mafai ne koe o maua te Child Care Subsidy, ko matou ka togi atu te aofaki katoa tena kia koe. Tenei e aofia katoa iai te Child Care Subsidy tela ne taofi.

Mo nisi fakamatalaga e uiga mote te Child Care Subsidy balancing ite gana palagi mo nisi gana aka foki, fano ki te [servicesaustralia/ccsbalancing](https://servicesaustralia.gov.au/ccsbalancing)

Aofaki o tamaliki e tausigina

Kafai e isi ne tamaliki tokotasi tena tausage e 5 me siliga atu ite tokotasi e tausigina ne koe, e tau o maua ne koe te fakapasene lasi ote Child Care Subsidy ise tokotasi io me tokouke tamaliki.

Kafai koe e taliagina:

- tau tama matua e 5 tausaga io me foliki atu ka mafai o fai se tiute fakamautinoa ki tau peofuga fakapasene ote Child Care Subsidy,
- ka isi ne tamaliki foliki tela ko mafai o maua te fakapasene lasi ki te Child Care Subsidy.

Te aofaki e mafai o maua ne koe kote lasi ote e fakapasene ote tamaliki e 95%. Sose tamaliki e nofo tena tausaga ite ono kae ki luga e tumau o maua te fakapasene ote Child Care Subsidy.

Te lasi ote Child Care Subsidy fakapasene ese lau kite In Home Care ote tausiga.

E mafai o maua io me faitau ite servicesaustralia.gov.au/higherccs

Itula fakapasene

Te aofaki o Child Care Subsidy e mafai o maua ne koe e fakatau kite aofaki o tamaliki kola e fakaaoga ne latou te tausaga tela e fakataugina ilalo ote tausinga o tamaliki.

Tau Child Care Subsidy fakapasene e fakatusiga ki aofaki o itula kola e fakatuugina nte galuega io me ko itula mai lalo kola e fakaaogagina.

Activity Test

Itula kola e togigina nte pakapotopotoga o tausiga o tamaliki e mafai o maua atu ite lua vaiaso kae fai ki aofaki o itula kola e fakapatonugina iei faigamea o tiute. E fakaigoa me se activity test.

Fakapatonugina o faigamea e aofia iei:

- galuega togi - e aofia iei aso malolo, pela mo malolo mafai koe fanau
- akoga io me fakaturain

- galuega i tau bitineti kola e se togi ne te maloo
- nono ki galuega
- galuega se togi
- galuega fai mo koe
- ko nisi galuega kola e fai i aso takitasi ote olaga.

kafai e isi tou soa, matou e nono ki lua galuega fai mo levolo e oko koulua kiei. E fakaaoga ne matou te levolo mai lalo o tau galuega e aofia foki iei te galuega o tou soa ke fai iei lua itula mo te subsidised child care.

Ke mafai ne koe o maua te aofaki tonu o tau Child Care Subsidy e manakogina ke fai te sukega mo fakafougina o activity test e isi se mafuliga kia koe mo tou soa.

Mo nisi fakamatalaga, fano ki te servicesaustralia.gov.au/your-activity-level-affects-child-care-subsidy

E kalame pefea Child Care Subsidy

E mafai o kalame iluga ite intenete kae fakaaoga myGov akaunti mo te Centrelink ite laina. Ate myGov akaunti tau o laina tasi mo te Centrelink ko galue lei iei.

Kafai seai ia koe te myGov akaunti, fano ki te my.gov.au o faite se mea fou.

Mo fesoasoani, faite se auala ki tau myGov akaunti, kae fano ki te servicesaustralia.gov.au/mygovguides

Fakaaonga taku, Centrelink akaunti ite intenete ite myGov ke kalame Child Care Subsidy, tela e fakaita mai iei au fakamatalaga mo nisi pepa kola e fakamautinoa iei.

Additional Child Care Subsidy

Additional Child Care Subsidy e tuku iei ki nisi kaiga nisi fesoasoani ki tausiga tamaliki ma mea togi. Ka mafai ne koe o maua te Child Care Subsidy mafai koe e talia ke maua nisi mea faopoopo ote Additional Child Care Subsidy, E uke kii loa faitu e mafai o fakatusiga koe kie:

- Additional Child Care Subsidy (Grandparent). Tenei e fesoasoani malosi kite togi o tausiga tamaliki mai te folikiga mafai koe se lomatua io me se toeaina. Kafai e isi se taliaga kie koe, e mafai ne koe o maua te tupe tenei.
- Additional Child Care Subsidy (Temporary Financial Hardship). Tenei e avatu iei te fesoasoani malie kite togi o tausiga tamaliki foliki ise taimi foliki tela e mautinoa iluga imea kola kose mafai ne koe o tausi.
- Additional Child Care Subsidy (Transition to Work). E fesoasoani kite togi o tausiga tamaliki foliki mafai koe e fakalavegina ne galuega io me akoakoga.

There is also Additional Child Care Subsidy (Child Wellbeing) mo tulaga lei o tamaliki tela ka mafai o sili atu ki te tausiga o tamaliki foliki. Tenei e fesoasoani ki tamaliki kola e pili ki galuega masei io me isi ne faitu se lei ki kaiga mo tamaliki. Tino tela e nono kite tamaliki e mafai o fakatusiga mai ilalo o tou igoa.

E fai pefea te fakatusiga mo Additional Child Care Subsidy

Fesokotaki ite intenete kae fakaaoga myGov akaunti mo te Centrelink ite laina. A te myGov akaunti tau o laina tasi mo te Centrelink ko galue lei iei.

Fakaaoga tau Centrelink ite laina kite akaunti ote myGov kae fakatoka mea kola e fakaaoga mo nisi fakamatalaga kola e fakamautinoa fakamatalaga.

Fakakeetigina te togi kite tino tausi tela e galue i lalo ote tino mautinoa

E mafai o fakaaoga ne koe te Child Care Subsidy Calculator ke lavea atu me sea te Child Care Subsidy fakapasene e mafai io me e fia te aofaki te fai ke togi te tausiga o tamaliki. Fano ki te startingblocks.gov.au

Mo nisi fakamatalaga

- Fano ki servicesaustralia.gov.au/childcaresubsidy mo nisi fakamatalaga ite gana palagi.
- Fano ki te servicesaustralia.gov.au/yourlanguage e mafai ei ne koe o faitau, fakalogologo io me onono ki fakamatalaga i tau gana.
- Telefoni **131 202** ke faipati fakalei tatou i tou gana kote mea ke iloa fakalei ne koe te Centrelink mo ana galuega fai.
- Fano ki se koga o galuega.

Masau: telefoni mai tou fale kite naba 13 mai feitu kesekese ao Austalia me ite fakapasene e tuu kae mautakitaki. Te fakapasene tena e kesekese mafai koe e fakaaoga mai telefoni ote laina ite fale io me mai tua atu o Austalia. Telefoni kite napa '1800' mai tou fale me seai se togi. Telefoni fai mai telefoni ote atufenua io me ko telefoni mai tino e mafai o kesekese te fakapasene o olotou togi.

Fakafokiga

Fakamatalaga konei e aofia iei mea katoa e tusi ilalo ite pepa tenei kae fakamautinoa iai auala mo togi o tieveti kesekese ote matagaluega tenei. Tenei ko tau galuega e tau o fai ke fili ne koe me tefea te auala e fakatusi koe kiei ite faiga o tau fakatusiga e auala kia koe mo au fakatokaaga.



Child Care Subsidy

Child Care Subsidy helps with the cost of approved child care. If you are eligible, we will pay it directly to your child care provider to reduce the fees you pay.

To be eligible you must meet all of the following:

- care for a child 13 years of age or younger who is not in secondary school, unless an exemption applies
- use an approved child care service
- be responsible for paying the child care fees
- meet residency and immunisation requirements.

To meet the residency requirements, you or your partner must be living in Australia and have one of the following:

- Australian citizenship
- a permanent residence visa
- a Special Category visa
- a certain temporary visa type, for example, a Partner Provisional or Temporary Protection visa.

You may also meet the residency requirements if any of the below apply:

- you or your partner are an overseas student, sponsored by the Australian Government to study in Australia
- you are in hardship or special circumstances apply.

You may be exempt from some of these criteria in specific circumstances.

How much Child Care Subsidy you can get

The amount of Child Care Subsidy you can get depends on all of the below:

- your family's income
- the number of children in your care
- the hourly rate cap based on the type of approved child care you use and the age of your child
- your family's circumstances and the hours of recognised activities you and your partner do.

Family income

We will use your family income to work out the amount of Child Care Subsidy you can get. You will need to provide an income estimate each financial year so we can calculate how much Child Care Subsidy to pay your child care service.

The amount of Child Care Subsidy you can get may change if your income changes. To make sure you get the right amount of Child Care Subsidy you need to check and update your income estimate.

You can read more about this at servicessaustralia.gov.au/incomeccs

Withholding

To help reduce the chance of an overpayment, we will withhold 5% of your Child Care Subsidy each fortnight. You can change the amount we withhold.

You can read more about this at servicesaustralia.gov.au/incomeccs

Balancing

At the end of the financial year we balance your payments. We do this by comparing your income estimate to your actual income. This will make sure you got the correct amount of subsidy.

If your income estimate is lower than your actual income you may have an overpayment which you will need to pay back. We will use the Child Care Subsidy we withheld to reduce the amount you have to pay back.

If your income estimate is higher than your actual income and you did not get enough Child Care Subsidy, we will pay any outstanding amount directly to you. This will include the Child Care Subsidy we withheld.

For more information about Child Care Subsidy balancing in English and other languages, go to [servicesaustralia/ccsbalancing](https://servicesaustralia.gov.au/ccsbalancing)

Number of children in care

If you have more than one child aged 5 or under in care, you may get a higher rate of Child Care Subsidy for one or more of your children.

If you are eligible:

- your eldest child aged 5 or under will get your standard income tested Child Care Subsidy rate,
- any younger children may get a higher rate of Child Care Subsidy.

The most you can get for your higher rate child is 95%. Any children aged 6 and above will continue to get your standard Child Care Subsidy percentage.

The higher Child Care Subsidy rate does not apply to In Home Care sessions of care.

You can read more about this at servicesaustralia.gov.au/higherccs

Hourly rate cap

The amount of Child Care Subsidy you can get will depend on the type of approved child care you use and the age of your child.

Your Child Care Subsidy percentage will apply to either the hourly fee you are charged by your child care service or the hourly rate cap, whichever is lower.

Activity Test

The hours of subsidised child care you can get each fortnight depends on your circumstances and the hours of recognised activities you do. We call this an activity test.

Recognised activities can include:

- paid work – including leave, like maternity leave
- study and training
- unpaid work in family business

- looking for work
- volunteering
- self-employment
- other activities on a case-by-case basis.

If you have a partner, we will look at both of your activity levels. We will use the lower of your or your partner's activity level to work out your hours of subsidised child care.

To make sure you get the right amount of Child Care Subsidy you need to check and update your activity test if your or your partner's circumstances change.

For more information, go to servicessaustralia.gov.au/your-activity-level-affects-child-care-subsidy

How to claim Child Care Subsidy

To make a claim online you need a myGov account and a Centrelink online account. Your myGov account must be linked to Centrelink.

If you do not have a myGov account, go to my.gov.au to create one.

For help setting up your myGov account, go to servicessaustralia.gov.au/mygovguides

Use your Centrelink online account in myGov to claim Child Care Subsidy, provide your information and any supporting documents.

Additional Child Care Subsidy

Additional Child Care Subsidy offers some families extra help with their child care fees. You must be eligible for Child Care Subsidy to be eligible for Additional Child Care Subsidy. There are different types you can apply for:

- Additional Child Care Subsidy (Grandparent). This helps with the cost of child care if you are a grandparent or great grandparent with primary care of your grandchild or great grandchild. To be eligible, you must get an income support payment.
- Additional Child Care Subsidy (Temporary Financial Hardship). This gives short-term help with the cost of child care if you are in temporary financial hardship due to circumstances beyond your control.
- Additional Child Care Subsidy (Transition to Work). This helps with the cost of child care if you are transitioning from an income support payment by engaging in work, study or training activities.

There is also Additional Child Care Subsidy (Child Wellbeing) which you can ask your child care service about. This helps vulnerable or disadvantaged families and children. Your child care provider will need to apply on your behalf.

How to apply for Additional Child Care Subsidy

To apply online you need a myGov account and a Centrelink online account. Your myGov account must be linked to Centrelink.

Use your Centrelink online account through myGov to provide your information and any supporting documents.

Estimate your child care fee assistance

You can use the Child Care Subsidy Calculator to see what your Child Care Subsidy rates may be and how much you may pay for child care. Go to startingblocks.gov.au

For more information

- Go to servicesaustralia.gov.au/childcaresubsidy for more information in English.
- Go to servicesaustralia.gov.au/yourlanguage where you can read, listen to or watch information in your language.
- Call **131 202** to speak with us in your language about Centrelink payments and services.
- Visit a service centre.

Note: calls from your home phone to '13' numbers from anywhere in Australia are charged at a fixed rate. That rate may vary from the price of a local call and may also vary between telephone service providers. Calls to '1800' numbers from your home phone are free. Calls from public and mobile phones may be timed and charged at a higher rate.

Disclaimer

The information contained in this publication is intended only as a guide to payments and services. It's your responsibility to decide if you wish to apply for a payment and to make an application with regard to your particular circumstances.