



Australian Government

FROM **July**
2023

Are you eligible for help with child care fees?

From July 2023, **Child Care Subsidy (CCS)** is increasing. Some families previously not eligible will now get it.

The changes mean early childhood education and care is now more affordable for more families.

Making early childhood education and care more affordable has benefits for children and their families, communities and Australia.

From July 2023:

More families will be eligible

Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander children can get **at least 36 hours of subsidised care.**



What you need to know



The maximum amount of CCS is increasing from 85% to 90% for families earning \$80,000 or less.

90%

Families earning over \$80,000 and under \$530,000 may get a subsidy starting from 90%. Depending on their income, the subsidy will go down by 1% for each \$5,000 of income they earn.



The income limit for CCS is increasing to \$530,000 a year. This means more families will be eligible.



Families earning below \$362,408 with more than one child aged 5 or under in care can get a higher rate of CCS for one or more of their children.



Families with Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander children can get at least 36 hours of subsidised care per fortnight for that child. This is regardless of their family's activity level.

For more information about eligibility requirements for CCS, go to www.servicesaustralia.gov.au/childcaresubsidy.

What you need to do

If your family earns below \$530,000 you may be entitled to CCS from 10 July. Check your eligibility for CCS by **making a claim** using your Centrelink online account through myGov or your Express Plus Centrelink mobile app.

For more information about how to claim CCS, go to servicesaustralia.gov.au/how-to-claim-child-care-subsidy

If you have an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander child

From 10 July 2023, families can get at least 36 hours of subsidised care per fortnight for each Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander child in their care and attending child care. Families may get more than 36 hours of subsidy per fortnight based on their circumstances and the amount of recognised activity they do.

If you would like to get at least 36 hours of subsidised care, you should contact Services Australia to update your child's CCS details. It's voluntary for you to tell Services Australia this. For more information go to Services Australia.

How much will you pay

Use the CCS Calculator at startingblocks.gov.au to find out what your family might pay.

For more information about Child Care the Subsidy increase, visit childcaresubsidy.gov.au.

Find a service near you

To find and compare children's education and care services, visit startingblocks.gov.au.

For more information visit childcaresubsidy.gov.au



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THE CHILD CARE SUBSIDY INCREASES FROM JULY