

Legacy benefits - glossary

It is very unlikely that any newly arrived family will have to apply for legacy benefits. This resource highlights what legacy benefits are and where to find more information about them.

Jobseekers Allowance (JSA)

This is a benefit provided by the Jobcentre for people who are actively looking for work. You can find out more [here](#).

Employment and Support Allowance (ESA)

Employment and Support Allowance is a benefit paid to those who are unable to work because of their physical or mental health condition. Find out more [here](#).

Income Support

Income Support is a benefit paid by DWP to people who do not have enough money to live on and are not available to work full time. These are some of the common accepted reasons: a refugee learning English for at least 15 hours a week; the course must start within 12 months of arrival in the UK, being pregnant, being a lone parent of child under 5, caring for someone who is sick or disabled. Find out more [here](#).

A family can only claim one of Jobseeker's allowance, Income support and Employment and Support Allowance.

Child Tax Credit

Child Tax Credit is paid to parents and guardians of children or young people (aged 16-19) in full time education. Find out more [here](#).

Housing Benefit

People who are not in employment or are paid below a locally set threshold, can apply for Housing Benefit to pay some, or all, of their rent. Find out more [here](#).