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# Income Limits and Rates of Grant

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## Income Limits

The means test for a maintenance grant in 2011/2012 is based on your family's income for the previous full tax year(2010). However, if you or your family have had a change of circumstances (which is permanent) since 31 December 2010, your changed circumstances may be taken into account.

The family income limits for eligibility for a maintenance grant in 2011/2012 are set out below. Some social welfare payments are excluded from 'reckonable income' for the purposes of maintenance grants - see more details on reckonable income on [www.studentfinance.ie](http://www.studentfinance.ie)

Budget 2011 did not change the limits from those that applied in 2010/2011 but it did add a new eligibility category for exemption from 50% of the new Student Contribution, which replaces the Student Services Charge - see 'Changes in Budget 2011' below.

### Reckonable income limits:

The period 1 January 2010 to 31 December 2010 is the reference period for the academic year 2011/12.

The income limits that apply to tuition students relate to the fee elements only. A tuition student does not qualify for any maintenance grant.

**Income limits for Maintenance and Fee grants**

	<u>Maintenance:</u> Special Rate*	<u>Maintenance:</u> 100% Standard Rate	<u>Maintenance:</u> 75% Standard Rate	<u>Maintenance:</u> 50% Standard Rate	<u>Maintenance:</u> 25% Standard Rate	<u>Maintenance:</u> :
To qualify for: Number of dependent children	<u>Fee elements</u> 100% Tuition Fees Student Contribution Field Trip	<u>Fee elements</u> 100% Tuition Fees Student Contribution Field Trip	<u>elements</u> 100% Tuition Fees Student Contribution Field Trip	<u>elements</u> 100% Tuition Fees Student Contribution Field Trip	<u>elements</u> 100% Tuition Fees Student Contribution Field Trip	<u>Fee elements</u> 50% Tuition Fees Student Contribution Field Trip Not payable
Less than 4	€22,703	€41,110	€42,235	€44,720	€47,205	€51,380
4 - 7	€22,703	€45,165	€46,415	€49,145	€51,880	€56,460
8 or more	€22,703	€49,045	€50,400	€53,360	€56,320	€61,295

**Additional increments that may be applied to the income limits in Table A for Maintenance & Fee Grants**

+increment for each additional relevant person	€0	+ €4,980	+ €4,815	+ €4,815	+ €4,815	+ €4,980	+ €4,980
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\* To be eligible for the special rate of maintenance an applicant's reckonable income on 31 December 2010 must include one of the eligible payments. Please refer to Schedule 2 of the Student Grant Scheme 2011 for full details.

\*\* Increments which may be applied to the relevant income limits:

**Rates of Grant Rates of Maintenance Grant for the financial year 2011:**

	<b>Non-Adjacent Rate</b>	<b>Adjacent Rate</b>
<b>Special Rate of Maintenance</b>	€6,100	€2,445
<b>Full Maintenance</b>	€3,120	€1,250
<b>Part Maintenance (75%)</b>	€2,340	€ 940
<b>Part Maintenance (50%)</b>	€1,560	€ 625
<b>Part Maintenance (25%)</b>	€ 780	€ 315