

## Social Security Scotland Management Information

### Winter Heating Benefits Management Information

Social Security Scotland began to issue winter 2023/2024 payments for Child Winter Heating Payment in November 2023 and winter 2023/2024 payments for Winter Heating Payment in December 2023.

Management information indicates that, as of 18 February 2024, 30,280 Child Winter Heating Payments had been issued and the total value of payments issued was over £7.1 million. Payments were issued for children living in all 32 local authority areas in Scotland. The local authorities with the greatest number of payments were Glasgow City with 4,390 payments, North Lanarkshire with 2,400 and Fife with 2,270 **[Table 1]**. The payment value for winter 2023/2024 is £235.70 and eligibility is based on clients being in receipt of a qualifying benefit on at least one day in the qualifying week Monday 18 September to Sunday 24 September 2023.

As of 18 February 2024, 413,640 Winter Heating Payments had been issued and the total value of payments issued was almost £22.8 million. Payments were issued for clients living in all 32 local authority areas in Scotland. The local authorities with the greatest number of payments were Glasgow City with 73,600 payments, North Lanarkshire with 32,150 and City of Edinburgh with 28,070 **[Table 2]**. The payment value for 2023/2024 is £55.05 and eligibility is based on clients being in receipt of a qualifying benefit on at least one day in the qualifying week Monday 6 November to Sunday 12 November 2023.

These figures are based on management information sourced from Social Security Scotland's case management system. A data cut was extracted on Wednesday 21 February 2024 for internal reporting purposes. As these figures are based on management information, they have not yet been quality assured to the same standard as Official Statistics. The tables relating to this release are available in an Excel workbook on Social Security Scotland statistics website.

A release of Official Statistics on Child Winter Heating Payment and Winter Heating Payment will be published on Tuesday 23 April 2024.

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