

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 31 January 2024, over 30,100 Child Winter Heating Payments had been issued and the total value of payments issued was over £7.1 million. 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 31 January 2024, just under 364,000 Winter Heating Payments had been issued and the total value of payments issued was over £20 million. 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 Thursday 1 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.

Following receipt of further data from the Department for Work and Pensions, further Winter Heating Payments are expected in February and these will be reflected in a further management information release due Tuesday 27 February 2024.

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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