



| 2006 Maximum Payment Rates | |
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| Unemployment Assistance Unemployment Benefit | |
| Personal Rate | €165.80 |
| Qualified Adult Rate | €110.00 |
| Each Child Dependant Rate | €16.80 |
| Each Half Child Dependant Rate | €8.40 |

| 2006 Unemployment Benefit Rates * | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|
| Average Weekly Earnings | Personal Adult Rate | Qualified Adult Rate** | Child Dependant Rate | Half Child Dependant Rate |
| Less than €80 | €74.50 | €71.30 | €16.80 | €8.40 |
| €80 - €124.99 | €107.10 | €71.30 | €16.80 | €8.40 |
| €125 - €149.99 | €129.90 | €71.30 | €16.80 | €8.40 |
| Over €150 | €165.80 | €110.00 | €16.80 | €8.40 |

* (For claims on or after December 2003)

Qualified Adult Rate

** There may be a reduced qualified adult rate increase if a claimant's spouse or partner has earnings or income of between €88.88 and €240.00 gross per week.

From May 2006 the €88.88 amount increases to €100 and the €240 amount increases to €250

If a person does not qualify for an increase for a qualified adult, they may get a half rate qualified child increase if their spouse or partner has income of €350 or less per week.