

55277 Council Tax Discount

What percentage of households currently receive any form of Council Tax discount in the 2025/26 financial year?

Please include all discount types (e.g. single person discount, low income-based reductions, disability-related discounts, student exemptions, etc.).

In June 2025:

- 7.8% of accounts were in receipt of a Council Tax exemption
- 37.3% of accounts were in receipt of a Council Tax discount and 1.8% in receipt of a disregard discount
- 11% of accounts were in receipt of Council Tax reduction benefit

What percentage of households received Council Tax discounts in the 2024/25 financial year?

In March 2025:

- 8.7% of accounts were in receipt of a Council Tax exemption
- 36.9% of accounts were in receipt of a Council Tax discount and 1.9% in receipt of a disregard discount
- 11% of accounts were in receipt of Council Tax reduction benefit

Have any Council Tax discounts or exemptions been reduced, removed, or otherwise changed in 2025/26 compared to 2024/25?

If so:

o Please specify the types of changes made (e.g. eligibility rules, discount rates, categories affected).

o The effective date(s) of these changes.

No. Not applicable.

Of the households that received any Council Tax discount in 2024/25, how many (and what percentage) are receiving a reduced discount or no discount in 2025/26?

If possible, please provide this by discount type (e.g. single person, low income, disability-related, etc.).

Based on the data used to respond to Q2, we are unable to retrospectively identify such households in order to provide comparative data for 2025/26.

If available, please provide any impact assessments, internal reports, consultation documents, or equality impact assessments related to these changes.

Not applicable.