

DWP Central Freedom of Information Team
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Our Ref: Fol 3056

Date: 18 July 2018

Dear Barbara Sunley,

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request received on 4 July 2018.
You asked:

Could you furnish me with the tables you use to determine the amount of Universal credit paid to a claimant with over six thousand pounds in their bank account and also how you determine the amount the claimant has to take from their savings to live on before Universal credit is adjusted .For example a single person with no dependents no rent or mortgage who at the beginning of their period of unemployment has over six thousand in the bank but after six months this falls below six thousand how do you calculate how much they should have used from their own money during this period to top up living expenses over and above the amount of universal credit .Could you give me all copies of tables used by your department when determining this

DWP Response

Please find attached guidance on Capital providing information on the amount deducted from the UC award for savings between £6000 to £16000 – and what deprivation of capital is.

There are no tables within Universal Credit guidance for the information requested in the FOI.

If you have any queries about this letter please contact us quoting the reference number above.

Yours sincerely,

DWP Strategy Fol Team

Your right to complain under the Freedom of Information Act

If you are not happy with this response you may request an internal review by e-mailing freedom-of-information-request@dwp.gsi.gov.uk or by writing to DWP, Central Fol Team, Caxton House, Tothill Street, SW1H 9NA. Any review request should be submitted within two months of the date of this letter.

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