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# Child allowance, birth and funeral grant

**What is a [child allowance](#)?**

- Benefit from the system of [State Social Support](#)
- For families with dependent child/children and low incomes
- Every 3 months you have to show your family income (quarters of the year - January – March, April – June, July – September, October – December)
- It is being paid by the Labour office/Úřad práce

**What is [state social support](#)?**

- A system of state benefits mostly families with dependent children
- For people with legally registered as permanent residents of the Czech Republic
- Minimum of 365 days of residency for citizens of non-EU countries and a minimum of 3 months for citizens of EU countries
- The state social support consists of child allowance, parental allowance, housing allowance, birth and funeral grant
- It is not paid to the foreign countries

**Who is a dependent child?**

- Child under the age of 18
- Or child up to age 26 living with parent/s and studying a daily form of school

**How long is the child allowance paid and in what amount?**

- Until the child becomes 18 years or until the family's financial situation improves
- Child under 6 year = 630 CZK per month
- Child 6-15 years = 770 CZK per month
- Child 15-26 years = 880 CZK per month
- If the family is entitled to an increased benefit (due to employment, pension, sick pay, or unemployment) the final amount is always higher 500 CZK)
- You have to show your real income every three months
- For your information, you can use the orientation [calculator](#)

**Who is entitled to a [child allowance](#)?**

- Families with dependent children and low disposable (net) incomes (up to 3,4 times the subsistence minimum of the family)
  - If the family is entitled to an increased benefit (due to employment, pension, sick pay, unemployment), the final amount is always 500 CZK higher
  - Citizens of NON-EU countries with a permanent residency in the Czech Republic for at least 1 year
  - EU citizens with valid permanent residency in the Czech Republic for more than 3 months and proved the centre of the interest (residency, employment, sickness insurance benefits – maternity, pension, parental allowance) in the Czech Republic
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### What permanent residency means?

- Long-term visa, long-term stay or employment card
- Temporary or permanent residency

### What does [centre of interest](#) means?

- Your country of residence
- Have to have a permanent address in the Czech Republic, a job, family, doctors
- Pay housing, bills and taxes in the Czech Republic
- Send kids to schools in the Czech Republic
- Or get benefits from the Labour Office (parental allowance) or [Czech Social Security Administration \(CSSA\)](#) (maternity, pension, sickness insurance benefits)

### What is considered [decisive income](#)?

- Income from dependent activities (employment) at least in the amount of the subsistence minimum for an individual
- Income from self-employment or entrepreneurship
- Income from pension insurance benefits
- Income from health insurance benefits
- Income from unemployment support and retraining support
- Income from the allowance for the care of a person under 18 years of age
- Income from parental allowance, if provided after maternity allowance
- And similar incomes from abroad

### Where can I apply for the child allowance?

- At the Labour Office in person according to your place of residency or by data box or online
- You need to fill out the Application for child allowance and the Proof of quarterly income form
- **Attention!** For foreigners, especially EU citizens, the online form usually does not work and you have to apply in person

### What is [datová schránka \(data box\)](#)?

- Datová schránka is an electronic online tool for communication with public administration
- It is obligatory for self-employed
- From 2023 should be obligatory for all self-employed
- You can send applications for benefits or communicate other issues with public administration
- Here are [videos](#) and information about the data box in the Czech language

### What if I am not eligible for a child allowance?

- You can request a child allowance 3 months retrospectively if you will meet the requirements

### What is [a birth grant](#)?

- One-time benefit of State Social Support
  - For low-income families with a first or second born child
  - For families with income which does not exceed 2.7 x family subsistence minimum in the past three months (calendar quarter – January-march, April-June, July-September, October-December) prior to the birth of the first or second-born child
  - The amount is 13.000 CZK for the first child and 10.000 CZK for the second-born child
  - It is possible to request a birth grant maximally 1 year retrospectively if you found out that you met the requirements
  - Condition of the permanent residency in the Czech Republic (for EU at least 3 months, for non-EU at least 365 days)
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**What is a funeral grant?**

- One-time benefit of State Social Support
- For a person, who made funeral to the dependent child or a parent of the dependent child
- The amount is 5000 CZK
- The family income is not tested
- It is possible to request a birth grant maximally 1 year retrospectively if you found out that you met the requirements
- Condition of the permanent residency in the Czech Republic (for EU at least 3 months, for non-EU at least 365 days)

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