

**Case Study: Income from state pension (Contributory) Scenario-  
Single Female Pensioner (70+)**

	Weekly	Yearly
<b><u>State Pension (Contributory)</u></b>		
Personal rate	209.30	10883.60
Living Alone allowance	7.70	400.40
Tax free allowance		(34,000)
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>217.00</b>	<b>11284.00</b>

**Additional Entitlements**

**Free Travel**

**Eligibility for medical card**

**Qualifies for Medical Card as this individual is over 70 years old**

**Household Benefits Package**

Television Licence (€158 per year)	3.04	158.00
Electricity allowance <sup>1</sup>	9.43	490.32
Fuel Allowance <sup>2</sup>	10.04	522.00
Telephone <sup>3</sup>	5.70	296.34
<b>Total Household Benefits</b>	<b>28.21</b>	<b>1466.66</b>

<b>Total Income</b>	<b>245.21</b>	<b>12750.66</b>
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**Calculation of Local Authority Rent**

Total weekly income	217.00
Income disregard (single)	32.00
Assessable income	185.00
Rent (15% of 185.00)	27.75

<sup>1</sup> Electricity Allowance covers normal standing charges and up to 400 units of electricity in each two-monthly billing period throughout the year. ESB charge January 2007 1 unit=14.35c/kWh (domestic urban rate); Annual standing charge=€87.60; VAT @ 13.5%;

<sup>2</sup> Fuel Allowance paid from early October – late April (29 weeks). An additional €3.90 per week is available if you live in a smokeless fuel area

<sup>3</sup> Telephone Allowance- €49.39 (including VAT) is paid as a credit on the bill if you are billed every 2 months. Since April 2007, people who receive the Telephone Allowance can choose to have a mobile instead of a fixed land line.