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## Annual General Adjustment 2022 and related regulatory changes

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- 21 February 2022, LEG paper Annual General Adjustment 2022 and related regulatory changes
- 17 February 2022, LEG minute Annual General Adjustment 2022 and Related Regulatory Changes [LEG-22-MIN-0012]
- 21 February 2022, Cabinet Minute CAB-22-MIN-0040, Cabinet Office
- 14 March 2022, LEG paper 2022 Annual General Adjustment: Blind Subsidy threshold indexation
- 10 March 2022, LEG minute 2022 Annual General Adjustment Blind Subsidy threshold indexation [LEG-22-MIN-0020]
- 14 March 2022, Cabinet Minute CAB-22-MIN-0067, Cabinet Office.

The Annual General Adjustment is a statutory requirement to adjust rates of social assistance on 1 April each year. Additional policy changes, such increases to main benefit and student support rates agreed through Budget 2021, are also being progressed on 1 April through this process. Indexing the Blind Subsidy thresholds is part of the Annual General Adjustment of benefit rates and thresholds.

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