



# Home office expenses calculator

Work out your claim for work-related expenses you incur as a result of work you do from home as an employee.

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Our calculator takes between 5 and 20 minutes to use.

## What you can do with this calculator

This calculator covers the 2013–14 to 2025–26 income years.

Use either the [fixed rate method](#) or [actual cost method](#) to work out your deduction for work from home expenses.

Your results are based on the information you provide and the rates available at the time of calculation. Use these results as an estimate and for guidance purposes only.

## Expenses you can't claim

Employees generally can't claim [occupancy expenses](#) such as rent, mortgage interest, house insurance premiums, council and water rates and land taxes.

Employees who work at home can't claim costs:

- for coffee, tea, milk and other general household items, even if your employer may provide these at work

- related to your children's education, such as equipment you buy – for example iPads and desks, subscriptions for online learning
- for items your employer provides – for example a laptop or a mobile phone
- that your employer reimburses you for.

## What else you can do

Find out more about when you can and can't claim [working from home expenses](#).

### Temporary shortcut method calculator

The [shortcut method](#) ended on 30 June 2022. To continue to claim deductions for working from home expenses after 30 June 2022 you will need to use either the fixed rate method or actual cost method.

Our calculator takes between 1 and 5 minutes to use.

[Home office shortcut method calculator](#)

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