

State Pension Age and State Pension Date

An explanation of the age or date from which the State Pension may be put into payment



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State Pension Age or State Pension Date, is the earliest age or date at which you would become entitled to receive your State Pension. These notes give general guidance as to when you may expect to reach this age/date and give an indication as to how Central Government propose to gradually raise the age over the next few decades.

The Pension Service – which is part of the Department for Work and Pensions – have a calculator on their website at:

<http://pensions-service.direct.gov.uk/en/state-pension-age-calculator/home.asp>

You can check your State Pension Age or Date by using the calculator. The website also provides information about the State Pension Scheme and tells you how you can apply on-line for a personal State Pension forecast. If you do not have access to the Internet you can obtain a forecast by 'phone by contacting the State Pension Forecasting Team on 0845 3000 168.

Equalisation of State Pension Age

For many years, State Pension Age was 65 for men and 60 for women. From April 2010, however, State Pension Age for women will gradually be increased until it is age 65 for both sexes. This will affect all women born on or after 6 April 1950.

Increase in State Pension Age

Following this equalisation there will be further increases in State Pension Age which will apply to both men and women.

While the increases in State Pension Age are being phased in, the date at which a person becomes eligible to receive State Pension may not be upon the attainment of a particular birthday (as used to be the case before April 2010). Instead, they will become entitled to receive the pension on a particular date, referred to here as "State Pension Date".

The table on the following two pages sets out the State Pension Ages/Dates in accordance with the Pensions Act 2011 which received Royal Assent on 3 November 2011. However, on 29 November 2011 the Government announced that the increase from age 66 to age 67 would be brought forward from 2034 to 2026. This would mean that –

- those born on or after 6 April 1960 but before 6 April 1961 would have a State Pension Age between age 66 and age 67
- those born on or after 6 April 1961 would have a State Pension Age of 67 or higher.

The changes mentioned in the announcement are not yet law; they will require the approval of Parliament. For this reason, they are not anticipated in the following table.

The Government wishes to make sure that State Pension Age will continue to keep pace with increases in life expectancy and may bring forward further proposals in due course. It may be that the rise in the State Pension Age to age 68 could occur earlier than currently planned. For this reason, these notes – although current – should not be taken as a definitive statement of State Pension Age or State Pension Date.

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MEN			WOMEN		
Date of Birth		State Pension Age or Date	Date of Birth		State Pension Age or Date
From	To		From	To	
01.01.1920	05.04.1950	Age 65	01.01.1920	05.04.1950	Age 60
06.04.1950	05.05.1950	Age 65	06.04.1950	05.05.1950	06.05.2010
06.05.1950	05.06.1950	Age 65	06.05.1950	05.06.1950	06.07.2010
06.06.1950	05.07.1950	Age 65	06.06.1950	05.07.1950	06.09.2010
06.07.1950	05.08.1950	Age 65	06.07.1950	05.08.1950	06.11.2010
06.08.1950	05.09.1950	Age 65	06.08.1950	05.09.1950	06.01.2011
06.09.1950	05.10.1950	Age 65	06.09.1950	05.10.1950	06.03.2011
06.10.1950	05.11.1950	Age 65	06.10.1950	05.11.1950	06.05.2011
06.11.1950	05.12.1950	Age 65	06.11.1950	05.12.1950	06.07.2011
06.12.1950	05.01.1951	Age 65	06.12.1950	05.01.1951	06.09.2011
06.01.1951	05.02.1951	Age 65	06.01.1951	05.02.1951	06.11.2011
06.02.1951	05.03.1951	Age 65	06.02.1951	05.03.1951	06.01.2012
06.03.1951	05.04.1951	Age 65	06.03.1951	05.04.1951	06.03.2012
06.04.1951	05.05.1951	Age 65	06.04.1951	05.05.1951	06.05.2012
06.05.1951	05.06.1951	Age 65	06.05.1951	05.06.1951	06.07.2012
06.06.1951	05.07.1951	Age 65	06.06.1951	05.07.1951	06.09.2012
06.07.1951	05.08.1951	Age 65	06.07.1951	05.08.1951	06.11.2012
06.08.1951	05.09.1951	Age 65	06.08.1951	05.09.1951	06.01.2013
06.09.1951	05.10.1951	Age 65	06.09.1951	05.10.1951	06.03.2013
06.10.1951	05.11.1951	Age 65	06.10.1951	05.11.1951	06.05.2013
06.11.1951	05.12.1951	Age 65	06.11.1951	05.12.1951	06.07.2013
06.12.1951	05.01.1952	Age 65	06.12.1951	05.01.1952	06.09.2013
06.01.1952	05.02.1952	Age 65	06.01.1952	05.02.1952	06.11.2013
06.02.1952	05.03.1952	Age 65	06.02.1952	05.03.1952	06.01.2014
06.03.1952	05.04.1952	Age 65	06.03.1952	05.04.1952	06.03.2014
06.04.1952	05.05.1952	Age 65	06.04.1952	05.05.1952	06.05.2014
06.05.1952	05.06.1952	Age 65	06.05.1952	05.06.1952	06.07.2014
06.06.1952	05.07.1952	Age 65	06.06.1952	05.07.1952	06.09.2014
06.07.1952	05.08.1952	Age 65	06.07.1952	05.08.1952	06.11.2014
06.08.1952	05.09.1952	Age 65	06.08.1952	05.09.1952	06.01.2015
06.09.1952	05.10.1952	Age 65	06.09.1952	05.10.1952	06.03.2015
06.10.1952	05.11.1952	Age 65	06.10.1952	05.11.1952	06.05.2015
06.11.1952	05.12.1952	Age 65	06.11.1952	05.12.1952	06.07.2015
06.12.1952	05.01.1953	Age 65	06.12.1952	05.01.1953	06.09.2015
06.01.1953	05.02.1953	Age 65	06.01.1953	05.02.1953	06.11.2015
06.02.1953	05.03.1953	Age 65	06.02.1953	05.03.1953	06.01.2016
06.03.1953	05.04.1953	Age 65	06.03.1953	05.04.1953	06.03.2016
06.04.1953	05.05.1953	Age 65	06.04.1953	05.05.1953	06.07.2016
06.05.1953	05.06.1953	Age 65	06.05.1953	05.06.1953	06.11.2016
06.06.1953	05.07.1953	Age 65	06.06.1953	05.07.1953	06.03.2017
06.07.1953	05.08.1953	Age 65	06.07.1953	05.08.1953	06.07.2017
06.08.1953	05.09.1953	Age 65	06.08.1953	05.09.1953	06.11.2017
06.09.1953	05.10.1953	Age 65	06.09.1953	05.10.1953	06.03.2018
06.10.1953	05.11.1953	Age 65	06.10.1953	05.11.1953	06.07.2018
06.11.1953	05.12.1953	Age 65	06.11.1953	05.12.1953	06.11.2018
06.12.1953	05.01.1954	06.03.2019	06.12.1953	05.01.1954	06.03.2019
06.01.1954	05.02.1954	06.05.2019	06.01.1954	05.02.1954	06.05.2019
06.02.1954	05.03.1954	06.07.2019	06.02.1954	05.03.1954	06.07.2019
06.03.1954	05.04.1954	06.09.2019	06.03.1954	05.04.1954	06.09.2019

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MEN			WOMEN		
Date of Birth		State Pension Age or Date	Date of Birth		State Pension Age or Date
From	To		From	To	
06.04.1954	05.05.1954	06.11.2019	06.04.1954	05.05.1954	06.11.2019
06.05.1954	05.06.1954	06.01.2020	06.05.1954	05.06.1954	06.01.2020
06.06.1954	05.07.1954	06.03.2020	06.06.1954	05.07.1954	06.03.2020
06.07.1954	05.08.1954	06.05.2020	06.07.1954	05.08.1954	06.05.2020
06.08.1954	05.09.1954	06.07.2020	06.08.1954	05.09.1954	06.07.2020
06.09.1954	05.10.1954	06.09.2020	06.09.1954	05.10.1954	06.09.2020
06.10.1954	05.04.1968	Age 66	06.10.1954	05.04.1968	Age 66
06.04.1968	05.05.1968	06.05.2034	06.04.1968	05.05.1968	06.05.2034
06.05.1968	05.06.1968	06.07.2034	06.05.1968	05.06.1968	06.07.2034
06.06.1968	05.07.1968	06.09.2034	06.06.1968	05.07.1968	06.09.2034
06.07.1968	05.08.1968	06.11.2034	06.07.1968	05.08.1968	06.11.2034
06.08.1968	05.09.1968	06.01.2035	06.08.1968	05.09.1968	06.01.2035
06.09.1968	05.10.1968	06.03.2035	06.09.1968	05.10.1968	06.03.2035
06.10.1968	05.11.1968	06.05.2035	06.10.1968	05.11.1968	06.05.2035
06.11.1968	05.12.1968	06.07.2035	06.11.1968	05.12.1968	06.07.2035
06.12.1968	05.01.1969	06.09.2035	06.12.1968	05.01.1969	06.09.2035
06.01.1969	05.02.1969	06.11.2035	06.01.1969	05.02.1969	06.11.2035
06.02.1969	05.03.1969	06.01.2036	06.02.1969	05.03.1969	06.01.2036
06.03.1969	05.04.1969	06.03.2036	06.03.1969	05.04.1969	06.03.2036
06.04.1969	05.04.1977	Age 67	06.04.1969	05.04.1977	Age 67
06.04.1977	05.05.1977	06.05.2044	06.04.1977	05.05.1977	06.05.2044
06.05.1977	05.06.1977	06.07.2044	06.05.1977	05.06.1977	06.07.2044
06.06.1977	05.07.1977	06.09.2044	06.06.1977	05.07.1977	06.09.2044
06.07.1977	05.08.1977	06.11.2044	06.07.1977	05.08.1977	06.11.2044
06.08.1977	05.09.1977	06.01.2045	06.08.1977	05.09.1977	06.01.2045
06.09.1977	05.10.1977	06.03.2045	06.09.1977	05.10.1977	06.03.2045
06.10.1977	05.11.1977	06.05.2045	06.10.1977	05.11.1977	06.05.2045
06.11.1977	05.12.1977	06.07.2045	06.11.1977	05.12.1977	06.07.2045
06.12.1977	05.01.1978	06.09.2045	06.12.1977	05.01.1978	06.09.2045
06.01.1978	05.02.1978	06.11.2045	06.01.1978	05.02.1978	06.11.2045
06.02.1978	05.03.1978	06.01.2046	06.02.1978	05.03.1978	06.01.2046
06.03.1978	05.04.1978	06.03.2046	06.03.1978	05.04.1978	06.03.2046
06.04.1978	31.12.2019	Age 68	06.04.1978	31.12.2019	Age 68