

ASSEGNO UNICO UNIVERSALE

ALL-INCLUSIVE FAMILY ALLOWANCE

2022

The **all-inclusive family allowance** (Assegno unico e universale, AUU) is a measure providing economic support for households assigned **for each dependent child up to the age of 18 or** (if students or low-income workers) up to the age of 21; **children with disabilities, on the other hand, are covered without age limits.** The amount varies depending on the number of children and the economic status of the family unit based on ISEE calculations valid at the time of application.

Children who qualify for the AUU payment are as follows:

1. **each dependent minor child (i.e. included in ISEE calculations); for infants, the allowance is paid starting from the seventh month of pregnancy, on presenting an application after birth;**
2. **each dependent adult child (i.e. included in ISEE calculations), up to the age of 21, who:** attend a school or professional training course, or a degree course; has work experience or other employment with total income of less than 8,000 euros per year; registered as unemployed and looking for work through public employment services; is involved in universal social service;
3. **each dependent child with disabilities (i.e. included in ISEE calculations), without age limits.**

The sum amount is calculated as follows:

- minimum 50 euros per child for ISEE from 40,000 upwards;
- maximum 175 euros for ISEE up to 15,000 euros;
- increase in the amount for each child: minimum 15 euros for ISEE from 40,000 upwards; maximum 85 euros for ISEE up to 15,000 euros;

Applicants must be:

- **Residents** in Italy at the time of the application and for the entire duration of the Allowance: you cannot receive the AUU if you reside outside Italy.
- **Residents** in Italy for at least 2 years: this not required for people who, at the time of application, have a permanent or fixed-term employment relationship of at least 6 months.

As regards the residence permit, applicants must satisfy one of the following conditions:

- Italian and EU citizens or their family members (even if they are non-EU citizens)
- Non-EU citizens with long-term permits (settled status)
- Non-EU citizens holding a **single work permit** (family, work, pending employment) authorizing employment for periods **of more than 6 months**
- Non-EU citizens with permits **for research** authorized to stay for periods longer than 6 months
- Persons holding **international protection**
- Stateless persons

- Blue Card Holders
- Holders of permits for **self-employment**
- Workers from Algeria, Morocco and Tunisia under bilateral agreements with these countries.

The application for the AUU Allowance is presented online through the INPS website, a dedicated telephone number (803.164 toll free for land-line or 06 164.164 over the mobile network at the rate applied by the telephone service provider) or Citizens Advice Bureaus. It must be renewed every year.

As of March 2022, the following measures to support births and families have been eliminated since they are now included in the Allowance:

- birth or adoption bonus ("Mamma Domani" - expectant mothers - bonus);
- allowance for families with at least three minor children;
- family allowances for families with children and orphans;
- the birth allowance (so-called Baby Bonus);
- tax deductions for children up to 21 years of age.

The Allowance **does not include and does not limit** the amounts for the **nursery bonus**, which therefore can be requested in addition to the AUU Allowance.

The allowance is also acknowledged if the applicant receives other family support benefits in cash awarded by the Regions, the Self-Governing Provinces of Trento and Bolzano or Municipalities.

People receiving so-called "RdC basic income" (reddito di cittadinanza) are paid the Allowance automatically, without the need to make an application through credits on the RdC card.

The Allowance is not taxed and therefore not calculated with overall income for IRPEF (tax declaration) purposes.

N.B.:

Holders of the following residence permits are currently **excluded** from the AUU Allowance:

- single work permit if duration is 6 months or less
- permit to request asylum
- permit for special protection
- permit for social protection
- permit for domestic violence
- permit for labour exploitation
- permits for seasonal work
- permit for assistance of minors
- permit for study purposes (even if you work)

ASGI believes that these exclusions are illegitimate (in particular those indicated in the foregoing list from "special protection" onwards) and is working together with other associations to ensure that the AUU Allowance is also assigned to holders of these residence permits.

For the time being, **if you possess all the other AUU Allowance requirements but hold one of these residence permits**, you still have the right to present an application. However, make sure that you do not declare anything false on the online application form! You can send a registered letter or a certified e-mail (pec) to INPS in your city/province, specifying the type of residence permit you have and follow our website for any new developments in the matter.

You can contact a Citizens Advice Bureau (patronato), a trade union or an association in your area that provides assistance to migrants (such as the ASGI) to receive more information about your rights and assess the possibility of legal action.

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| ISEE | Indicatore della Situazione Economica Equivalente - Equivalent Economic Situation Indicator. The formula used to assess the economic situation of families who intend to apply for subsidized social benefits. https://www.lavoro.gov.it/strumenti-e-servizi/ISEE/Pagine/default.aspx . |
| INPS | Istituto Nazionale Previdenza Sociale - Italian Social Security Institute. |
| IRPEF | Tax on personal income. |