

REQUEST 18096

1. What percentage of households currently receive any form of Council Tax discount in the 2025/26 financial year?

Please include all discount types (e.g. single person discount, low income-based reductions, disability-related discounts, student exemptions, etc.)

2. What percentage of households received Council Tax discounts in the 2024/25 financial year?

- 3. Have any Council Tax discounts or exemptions been reduced, removed, or otherwise changed in 2025/26 compared to 2024/25? If so:
 - a. Please specify the types of changes made (e.g. eligibility rules, discount rates, categories affected).
 - b. The effective date(s) of these changes.

RESPONSE

1. 45%

The numbers of discounts, exemptions and reductions can change daily and the data to provide this information has been extracted on 17.06.2025. The percentage figure is for all households in receipt of a discount, disregard discount, exemption, Council Tax Reduction and Disabled Band Reduction. It is possible that one household could be in receipt of different categories of discounts or reductions at the same time and these have been counted once in the figures.

2. 46%

The numbers of discounts, exemptions and reductions can change daily and the data to provide this information has been extracted on 31.03.2025. The percentage figure is for all households in receipt of a discount, disregard discount, exemption, Council Tax Reduction and Disabled Band Reduction. It is possible that one household could be in receipt of different categories of discounts or reductions at the same time and these have been counted once in the figures.

3. No discounts or exemptions have been reduced, removed or changed in 2025/26 compared with 2024/25.

- 4. Of the households that received any Council Tax discount in 2024/25, how many (and what percentage) are receiving a reduced discount or no discount in 2025/26?
 - If possible, please provide this by discount type (e.g. single person, low income, disability-related, etc.).
- 5. If available, please provide any impact assessments, internal reports, consultation documents, or equality impact assessments related to these changes.
- 4. & 5 Not applicable as there have not been any changes to the level of discounts or exemptions.