

Get help for your business

Guidance for businesses affected by Coronavirus

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Coronavirus (COVID-19) Businesses and Employers Bulletin - 22 April 2020

This bulletin is issued by the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy and provides the latest information for employers and businesses on coronavirus (COVID-19). All coronavirus business support information can be found at [gov.uk/business-support](https://www.gov.uk/business-support)

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Reminder – Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme

The Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme is open for application. Employers can claim online for a grant for 80% of their furloughed employees' salaries, up to a maximum of £2,500 per employee per month. [Click here](#) to make a claim.

To receive payment by 30 April, you will need to complete an application by the end of 22 April as it can take 6 working days from making an application to receive the money. Please keep a note or print-out of your claim reference number as you won't receive a confirmation SMS or email.

HMRC have produced this [step by step guidance](#) on how to make a claim. There is also a [calculator](#) to help you work out your claim.

Coronavirus Business Support Blog

The Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy have created the [Coronavirus Business Support Blog](#) to help business get the support they need to help with the impact of coronavirus.

The government has made available a full range of business support measures during this time. This blog contains additional information and resources, including:

- case studies from businesses who have or will be accessing government support
- posts from different people across government and business

For all the latest up to date government guidance on coronavirus support for businesses, please visit the [coronavirus pages on GOV.UK](#).

New Updates and Guidance

New

Apply for the Coronavirus Large Business Interruption Loan Scheme

This scheme helps large businesses affected by coronavirus (COVID-19) to access loans of up to £25 million. The scheme is now open for applications, [click here](#) to find out more.

Letter to front line staff providing essential banking services

[Letter](#) from the Economic Secretary, John Glen, to front line staff working to provide essential banking services.

Coronavirus (COVID-19): guidance for people receiving direct payments

[Advice](#) for people who buy care and support through a direct payment, as well as local authorities, clinical commissioning groups and those who provide care and support.

Slides and datasets to accompany coronavirus press conference: [21 April 2020](#)

Actions for early years and childcare providers during the coronavirus outbreak

Updated guidance on what childcare services early years settings, childminders and local authorities need to provide during the coronavirus outbreak [is available](#). This guidance is for providers registered with Ofsted and childminders registered with childminder agencies for children of all ages.

Requests for Business Intelligence and Assistance

Offer coronavirus support

Tell us how your business might be able to help with the response to coronavirus by using our [online service](#).

Share the impact coronavirus is having on your organisation

Let us know how the outbreak is impacting your business. Please send your intelligence to intel@beis.gov.uk. Commercially sensitive information will be treated accordingly. Please note that this inbox is only for receiving intelligence and does not provide business advice.

Other useful links

Some aspects of business support are devolved. Specific information for businesses and employers in [Northern Ireland](#), [Scotland](#), and [Wales](#) is available. In England, [Growth Hubs](#) can advise on local and UK Government business support.

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