

CASH RECOMMENDATIONS – December 2023

In this report, we have updated our figures to set out what we believe to be the most competitive rates on the various types of personal deposit accounts available at the moment. These accounts are also protected by the Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS) where if a provider fails, the FSCS will pay out an amount of £85,000 per person, or £170,000 for a joint account.

If the account is with NS&I, who is backed by HM Treasury, your full balance is protected. While the rates with NS&I are no longer market leading, this feature is still particularly useful when looking to place large sums, for example, following the sale of a property. The rates quoted may be subject to change and should be checked with the relevant provider before applying.

Easy Access, Instant Access – no notice savings accounts	Tax Free Savings Accounts
For many people, being able to instantly access their savings not only is the most convenient but is the most sensible option for them.	Your ISA allowance for the 2023/24 tax year is £20,000 and the full amount can be invested in a stocks & shares ISA or a cash ISA (or any combination of the two).
Recommendations: -	Recommendations: -
Ulster Bank Loyalty Saver (over £5000)5.20% gross AERParagon Bank Double Access (4)5.16% gross AERCahoot Simple Saver5.12% gross AERLeeds BS Limited Issue Online (53)5.10% gross AERBeehive Money Limited Issue (3)5.10% gross AERNS&I Direct Saver3.65% gross AER	For new ISAs and transfers:Moneybox Cash ISA5.09% gross AERPrincipality BS Online Bonus ISA5.06% gross AERLeeds BS Limited Issue Online (67)5.05% gross AERCynergy Bank Online Issue (44)5.00% gross AERNS&I Direct ISA3.00% gross AER
Children's Savings Accounts	Bonds, Term & Notice Savings Accounts
Whilst interest rates for adults are now recovering from previous lows, your children or grandchildren can still earn good rates on their savings	Bonds or term savings accounts could suit you if you have some spare money that you do not mind tying up for a set period.
Recommendations: -	Recommendations: -
HSBC My Savings5.00% gross AERSaffron BS Children's Regular Saver5.80% gross AERJunior ISAs:5.80%	Hampshire Trust Bank 95 Day Notice(14)5.51% gross AERMonument 60 Day Notice Account5.41% gross AERSmartSave 1 Year Fixed Rate Saver5.46% gross AERClose Brothers 2 Year Fixed Rate Bond5.20% gross AER
Coventry BS Junior Cash ISA (2)4.95% gross AERLoughborough BS Junior ISA4.80% gross AERNS&I Junior ISA4.00% gross AER	NS&I Green Savings Bonds 3 Year Fixed 3.95% gross AER

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NOTES

Some of the banks and building societies listed in this report share their FSCS compensation limit with others. They are as follows:

Bank/ Building Society	FSCS limit shared with
Ulster Bank	Natwest
Cahoot	Santander
HSBC	First Direct
Beehive	Nottingham Building Society
SmartSave	Chetwood Financial Ltd