



CASH RECOMMENDATIONS – October 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

For many people, being able to instantly access their savings not only is the most convenient but is the most sensible option for them.

Recommendations: -

Ulster Bank Loyalty Saver (over £5000) 5.20% gross AER
Coventry BS Triple Online Saver 5.20% gross AER
Cynergy Bank Online Easy Access 5.15% gross AER
Shawbrook Bank Easy Access (36) 5.11% gross AER
Beehive Money Limited Issue 5.10% gross AER
NS&I Direct Saver 3.65% gross AER

Tax Free Savings Accounts

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: -

For new ISAs and transfers:

Moneybox Cash ISA (min. balance £500) 5.00% gross AER
Chorley BS Easy Access Cash ISA 5.00% gross AER
Shawbrook Bank Easy Access Cash ISA 4.93% gross AER
Virgin Money Defined Access Cash ISA 4.91% gross AER
NS&I Direct ISA 3.00% gross AER

Children's 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

Recommendations: -

Yorkshire BS One Day Account 4.55% gross AER Saffron BS Children's Regular Saver 5.80% gross AER

Junior ISAs:

Beverley BS Junior Cash ISA 5.50% gross AER
Coventry BS Junior Cash ISA (2) 4.95% gross AER
NS&I Junior ISA 4.00% gross AER

Bonds, Term & Notice Savings Accounts

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: -

Ahli United Bank via Raisin 1 Year Fixed 6.10% gross AER Ford Money Fixed Saver 2 Year 6.05% gross AER RCI Bank UK 95 Day Notice 5.60% gross AER Hampshire Trust 6 Month Bond (6) 5.60% gross AER Harpenden BS Online 60 Days Notice (1) 5.15% gross AER

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
Yorkshire Building Society	Clydesdale Bank, Virgin Money
Ulster Bank	Natwest
Beehive	Nottingham Building Society
Virgin Money	Clydesdale Bank, Yorkshire Building Society