

## Get help for your business

Guidance for businesses affected by Coronavirus

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[gov.uk/business-support](https://www.gov.uk/business-support)

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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](mailto: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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