**Overview of state social benefits as of 1.1.2024**

| *Name of benefit* | *Regulation* | *Entitled person* | *Conditions of entitlement* | *Benefit amount* | *Provided by* | | *Note* |
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| **Childbirth benefit** | Act  **No 383/2013** on childbirth benefit and multiple childbirths benefit and amending certain acts, as amended | (a) the child’s mother  (b) the child’s father, if  -the child’s mother is deceased or the child’s mother is a missing person; or  -the child was entrusted to the personal care of the father by means of a court decision. | **(a)** birth of a child  **(b)** the entitled person is domiciled and resident in Slovakia.  **Residence – criteria:**  **(a)** registration as a jobseeker, systematic preparation for an occupation by studying or care of another child aged up to 6 years  **(b)** registration for healthcare with a general practitioner and physician specialising in gynaecology and obstetrics  **(c)** compulsory public health insurance  **(d)** school or university attendance of another child in the care of the entitled person.  **No entitlement shall arise** if the entitled person  - has not registered the child with a paediatrician;  - has consented to the adoption of the child;  - the child has been entrusted into foster care;  - another child is entrusted into foster care;  - the child was born outside the Slovak Republic and a similar benefit has been paid to the entitled person abroad;  - is a minor and has not been awarded parental rights and responsibilities by a court;  - has not been for preventive check-ups since the fourth month of pregnancy or  completed similar check-ups abroad;  - left the medical facility after childbirth without the consent of the healthcare provider. | **EUR 829.86** for a child born from the first four births;  **EUR 151.37** for a child born from the fifth and further births;   * the sum of EUR 829.86 or EUR 151.37 **is increased by EUR 75.69** per child if two or more children were born simultaneously. | The relevant Office of Labour, Social Affairs and the Family for the entitled person’s place of permanent residence  No written application need be made for childbirth benefit for children born from 1.4.2022 onwards.  The procedure on childbirth benefit starts on the date of:  (a) receipt by the Office of information on the recording of the child in the register of natural persons;  (b) proof of the birth of a child outside the territory of Slovakia. | | One-off state social benefit  *Note*  **Entitlement expires one year after the birth of the child.**  **With children born up until 31.3.2022, entitlement expires six months after the birth.** |
| **Multiple childbirths benefit** | Act  No **383/2013** on childbirth benefit and multiple childbirths benefit and amending certain acts, as amended | **(a)** the parent of the children; or  **(b)** a natural person who has taken the children into foster care on the basis of a court decision *(personal foster care, foster care, guardianship, pre-adoption care, entrustment of the child by an emergency order, court-imposed protective education)* | **(a)** the entitled person and children are domiciled and resident in the Slovak Republic  **(b)** each child is entitled to a benefit only once a year  **(c)** at least three children are aged 15 or less | The amount of parental benefit per child is **EUR 110.36** | The relevant Office of Labour, Social Affairs and the Family for the entitled person’s place of permanent residence | | One-off state social benefit,  - it is paid once a year;  - if, within two years, twins or children born simultaneously have been born repeatedly *(three or more)*  -payments are made until the firstborn child reaches 15 years of age  *Note*  **Entitlement expires six months after its start.** |
| **Funeral benefit** | Act **No 238/1998** on funeral benefit,  as amended  . | adult person | **(a)** the organising of a funeral by the entitled person  **(b)** permanent residence or temporary residence (for foreign nationals) of the entitled person in the territory of Slovakia  **(c)** permanent residence or temporary residence (for foreign nationals) in the Slovak Republic at the time of death of the deceased and burial of the deceased in the Slovak Republic if, at the time of death, they were temporarily resident in the Slovak Republic | Amount of benefit **EUR 79.67** | The relevant Office of Labour, Social Affairs and the Family for the place of permanent or temporary residence of the deceased | | One-off state social benefit  *Note*  **Entitlement expires one year after the funeral of the deceased.** |
| **Parental benefit** | Act **No 571/2009** on parental benefit and amending certain acts, as amended | (a) the **parent** of the child  (b) **a person to whom the child is entrusted** for foster care by a court decision  (c) **the spouse of the parent of the child** if they share a household with the parent of the child | (a) **ensuring proper care** of the child  - **up to 3 years** of age  - **up to 6 years** of age if the child suffers long-term ill health  - **up to six years of age if the child is entrusted** into foster care, **up to a maximum of three years from the date of legal force of the first decision** of the court to entrust the child into the care of the same person  (b) **permanent or temporary residence**  (*for foreign nationals*) of the entitled person in Slovakia or a person pursuant to the Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the coordination of social security systems  The income or employment relationship of the entitled is not taken into account for entitlement  **Neither parent is entitled to the parental benefit if**  - one is entitled to maternity or similar benefits in an EU Member State  - child carer benefit is provided to one of the parents  - the entitled person resides with the child outside the EU and, at this time, they are not compulsorily insured for public health in Slovakia  - a minor parent is not awarded parental rights and obligations  -the parent has a previous child entrusted into foster care or the care of the other parent, and the parental benefit is paid to them | **(a) EUR 345.20 (**if the claimant/beneficiary **was not** entitled to **maternity benefit)**  **-** this amount is **increased by EUR 86.30** *(25% increase)***if two or more children are born simultaneously** for each additional child born simultaneously  **(b) EUR 473.30** (if the applicant/beneficiary **was** entitled to **maternity benefit** for the child stated in the application)  **-** this amount is **increased by EUR 118.30** *(25% increase)* **if two or more children are born simultaneously** for each additional child born simultaneously  - the amount of parental benefit **is reduced by 50%** if the older child of the beneficiary of parental benefit fails to comply with the compulsory school attendance obligation  Parental benefit (PB) is provided **at the amount of the difference between** PB and maternity benefit if the amount of maternity benefit for a full calendar month is less than the amount of PB | The relevant Office of Labour, Social Affairs and the Family for the entitled person’s place of permanent residence or temporary residence (for foreign nationals) | | Recurring state social benefit  **Entitlement for a calendar month expires six months after the last day of the month to which it applied.** |
| **Child benefit** | Act **No 600/2003** on child benefit and amending Act No 461/2003 on social insurance, as amended | **(a)** the parent of a dependent child  **(b)** a parent to whom the child has been entrusted by means of a court decision  **(c)** a person entrusted with the foster care of a dependent child by a final court decision  **(d)** a dependent adult child  - if they have no parents;  - if they have a modified maintenance obligation from the parents;  -if they have been entrusted into foster care until reaching adulthood;  - who has married;  - who has divorced  **(e)** a minor parent granted parental rights and responsibilities | **(a)** the entitled person cares for a dependent child  **(b)** permanent residence or temporary residence (for foreign nationals) of the entitled person in the territory of Slovakia  **No entitlement arises** if  - care is provided to the dependent child in an establishment for legal protection of children and social guardianship, or in a special educational establishment, or the child has been placed under protective education or education measures by a court decision  - the dependent child is serving a prison sentence   * the entitled person resides with the child in a country that is not an EU State, a party to the Treaty, or the Swiss Confederation and is not compulsorily insured for public health in Slovakia   **A dependent child** is a child until the end of their compulsory education, and/or, at latest, until the child reaches the age of 25, if:  (a) they are systematically preparing for an occupation by studying; or  (b) they cannot systematically prepare for an occupation by studying or cannot be gainfully employed because of sickness or injury.  **Systematic preparation of a child for an occupation** is study that takes place in secondary and higher education on a full-time basis | Amount of the benefit  **EUR 60.00** for each dependent child from birth, up to a maximum of 25 years old  the benefit is increased by **EUR 110.00** once per child for the calendar month in which the entitled person’s dependent child first started to attend the first year of primary school. | The relevant Office of Labour, Social Affairs and the Family for the entitled person’s place of permanent residence or temporary residence (for foreign nationals) | | Recurring state social benefit  *Note*  **Entitlement for the calendar month expires six months after the last day of the month to which it applied.**  *For the continuance of the entitlement, the entitled person is obliged* ***to prove care of the child*** *(where, when and by whom)* ***between three and six years of age to the payer****.* ***This does not apply if the child’s parent receives parental or maternity benefits.*** |
| **Child benefit supplement** | Act **No 600/2003** on child benefit and amending Act No 461/2003 on social insurance, as amended | — a parent or foster parent who is the recipient of child benefit | **(a)** fulfilment of entitlement to the allowance  **(b)** receiving a pension:  retirement, early retirement, invalidity of more than 70 % or service pension after reaching the age for a retirement pension, or receiving a pension abroad, or receiving a cash allowance for care by an eligible person or another natural person who can claim a tax bonus  **(c)** lack of gainful employment by an entitled person and another natural person  **(d)** non-awarding of a tax credit for a dependent child  **All the conditions must be met at the same time by both parents.** | Amount of the benefit supplement  **EUR 30.00** | The relevant Office of Labour, Social Affairs and the Family for the entitled person’s place of permanent residence or temporary residence (for foreign nationals) | | Recurring state social benefit  *Note*  **Entitlement for the calendar month expires six months after the last day of the month to which the supplement applied.** |
| **One-off benefit for a child when entrusted into foster care** | Act  **No 627/2005** on benefits supporting foster care,  as amended | a minor child entrusted to foster care (FC) | entrusting the child by means of a court decision  - to a person other than the parent  - into foster care  - into guardianship if the guardian personally cares for the child  - personal care of a foster parent (FP) for the child entrusted to them  - at the date of entrustment, the child was in institutional education; if the child was not in institutional education, they are entitled in cases in which they do not have basic requirements | Amount of the benefit per child  **EUR 829.86** | The relevant Office of Labour, Social Affairs and the Family for the foster parent’s place of permanent residence | | One-off state social benefit  *Note*  **Entitlement for a calendar month expires one year after the last day of the calendar month to which the benefit applied.** |
| **One-off benefit to a child upon completion of foster care** | Act **No 627/2005** on benefits supporting foster care,  as amended, | An adult child | **The foster care**, i.e. entrustment of a child to a person other than a parent, into foster care or guardianship by a final court decision, **lasted at least one year before the child reached adulthood** | Amount of allowance per child **EUR 1252.30** | The relevant Office of Labour, Social Affairs and the Family for the foster parent’s place of permanent residence | | One-off state social benefit  *Note*  **Entitlement for a calendar month expires one year after the last day of the calendar month to which the benefit applied.** |
| **Recurring benefit to a child**  **entrusted into foster care** | Act **No 627/2005** on benefits supporting foster care, as amended | A dependent child entrusted into  - FC of a person other than a parent;  - FC of a foster parent applicant;  - guardianship; this does not apply if the child’s parents are minors;  - FC by a court resolution on an emergency measure if a motion for the start of proceedings on foster care by a person other than the parent or a foster parent applicant, or on guardianship has been lodged at the court | A dependent child who is systematically preparing for an occupation by studying, a minor or an adult who, after reaching adulthood, continues to live in a household with a foster parent and who has **no income or less income than the amount of the recurring benefit**  **The child’s income is considered to be:**  (a) maintenance determined by a court  (b) substitute maintenance – orphan’s benefit  (c) an orphan’s pension  (d) a survivor’s injury annuity  (e) an orphans’ service pension or similar benefit paid from abroad | Amount of the monthly allowance  **- child up to 10 years of age – EUR 245.60**  **- child from 11 to 15 years of age – EUR 282.40**  **- child over 15 years of age – EUR 307.00**  If the child has an income, the benefit  - **is paid at the amount of the difference between the amount of the benefit and the child’s income.**  The benefit **is provided in advance** if proceedings have commenced on maintenance, on an orphan’s pension, on an orphan’s service pension, or on substitute maintenance | The relevant Office of Labour, Social Affairs and the Family for the foster parent’s place of permanent residence | | Recurring state social benefit  *Note*  **Entitlement for a calendar month expires one year after the last day of the calendar month to which the benefit applied.** |
| **Recurring foster parent benefit** | Act **No 627/2005** on benefits supporting foster care,  as amended, | A foster parent (FP) to whom a child has been entrusted for foster care (FC) | A FP to whom a child is entrusted  - FC of a foster parent applicant;  - for guardianship;  by means of a final decision of a court;  - personal care by a FP of at least one entrusted child;  - permanent residence of the FP  in the territory of the Slovak Republic  - FC is not provided by a FP in a foster care institution  **No entitlement arises**  if the FP  - is entitled to maternity or similar benefits abroad; or  - is entitled to parental benefit for the entrusted child; or  - the entrusted child is their direct relative | Amount of the benefit regardless of the number of children per month **EUR 239.50**  if siblings are cared for, this benefit is increased by the amount of:  **- EUR 119.80 (**two siblings**)**  **- EUR 239.50 (**three siblings**)**  **- EUR 359.20 (**four siblings**)**  **- EUR 478.90** (five siblings)  - **EUR 598.60** (six siblings)  - **EUR 718.30** (seven or more siblings)  monthly,  This increased amount is also granted if the FP was not entitled to a recurring FP benefit due to the receipt of maternity or parental benefit for care of a foster child. | The relevant Office of Labour, Social Affairs and the Family for the foster parent’s place of permanent residence | | Recurring state social benefit  *Note*  **Entitlement for a calendar month expires one year after the last day of the calendar month to which the benefit applied.** |
| **Special recurring benefit to a foster parent** | Act **No 627/2005** on benefits supporting foster care, as amended | A FP to whom a child who is a severely disabled citizen has been entrusted for foster care | - entrustment of a child to a FP for FC by a court decision  - personal care of a FP for a child who is a severely disabled citizen  - permanent residence of the FP in Slovakia  **No entitlement arises**  for a FP if  - the FP is granted child care benefit for caring for the child  - the FP provides care services to the child; or  - the child is granted personal assistance benefit | Monthly amount of benefit for each child who is a severely disabled citizen  **EUR 294.70** | The relevant Office of Labour, Social Affairs and the Family for the FP’s place of permanent residence | | Recurring state social benefit  *Note*  **Entitlement for a calendar month expires one year after the last day of the calendar month to which the benefit applied.** |
| **Child benefit for payment of additional costs**  **Education benefit** | Act **No 627/2005** on benefits supporting foster care, as amended  Act **No 627/2005** on benefits supporting foster care, as amended | a minor child entrusted to foster care (FC)  A foster parent (FP) to whom a child has been entrusted for foster care (FC) | - entrustment of a child to a FP for FC by a court decision  - permanent residence of the FP in Slovakia  Proof of payments for additional costs related to:  **a)** the child’s state of health or special needs;  **b)** the child’s artistic activities;  **c)** the child’s sporting activities.  entrustment of a child to a FP for FC by a court decision  - permanent residence of the FP in Slovakia  Proof of the FP’s payments to support education aimed, for example, at complementing, renewing, expanding or deepening knowledge of the child’s needs, child care knowledge and skills, and addressing stressful situations | Amount of benefit  **up to EUR 500.00 per calendar year**  Amount of benefit  **up to EUR 100.00 per calendar year** | | The relevant Office of Labour, Social Affairs and the Family for the FP’s place of permanent residence  The relevant Office of Labour, Social Affairs and the Family for the FP’s place of permanent residence | *Note*  **Entitlement for a calendar month expires one year after the last day of the calendar month to which the benefit applied.**  *Note*  **Entitlement for a calendar month expires one year after the last day of the calendar month to which the benefit applied.** |
| **Childcare benefit** | Act **No 561/2008** on childcare benefit and amending certain acts, as amended | - one of the parents of the child; or  - a person to whom the child is entrusted for foster care by a court decision  -if the child has been entrusted to one of the parents by a court, the person eligible for the benefit is the parent to whom the child has been entrusted. | - gainful employment, full-time education at a secondary school or at a higher education institution  - provision of care for the child in Slovakia   * permanent (temporary) residence of the parent in Slovakia   - permanent (temporary residence) of the child in Slovakia.  The following is considered as gainful employment:  - an activity giving rise to entitlement to compulsory pension insurance and receipt of:   * maternity benefit, no longer than six weeks after the date of birth of the next child; * similar benefits abroad.   **Entitlement does not arise if**, for one full month, one of the parents or the spouse of the child’s parent is granted   * maternity benefits at the end of six weeks; * parental benefit; * benefit for services for a family with children. | The amount of benefit **for each child up to three years of age** or **up to six years of age** (if they suffer from long-term ill health) is:  **EUR 280/month** – care by a private facility, other legal entity or natural person  **(b) up to EUR 160/month** – care in a ‘childrens’ group’  **(c) EUR 80/month**  a nursery school included in the system of schools and educational facilities of the Slovak Republic established by a municipality or the local administrative authority in the education sector;  **(d) EUR 41.10 per month** – care provided by another person (not for business purposes) who is not paid parental benefits or the child’s parent.  The benefit is not paid for the month in which the parental benefit was paid. | The relevant Office of Labour, Social Affairs and the Family for the parent’s place of permanent residence  on the basis of a **contract, agreement, decision or other relevant document issued by the childcare provider, indicating the monthly payments/benefits** for the childcare provided  ***The entitled person is not obliged to present tax receipts of monthly payments to the childcare provider.*** | | Recurring state social benefit  *Note*  **Entitlement for a calendar month expires six months after the last day of the month to which the benefit applied.** |
| **Compensatory benefit for miners** | Act **No 385/2019** on compensatory benefit for miners and amending certain acts,  as amended | — a person whose employment relationship in the mining sector with a permanent place of work underground in the deep mines in Slovakia has lasted for at least three years and has been terminated as a result of the implementation of a rationalisation programme approved by the Government of Slovakia. | The entitlement arises for an applicant whose employment relationship in the mining sector with a permanent place of work underground in the deep mines in Slovakia has lasted for at least three years and has been terminated as a result of the implementation of a rationalisation programme approved by the Government of Slovakia.  **No entitlement arises** if the applicant is granted:   * - miner’s special benefit, a retirement pension, early retirement pension, service pension   - invalidity pension, service invalidity pension, injury annuity, compensation for loss of service pay or compensation for loss of a service pension, and the amount of such benefits is equal to or greater than the amount of the mining compensation benefit. | **EUR 255.90** per month and provided during the period of:  - 12 months if the employment lasted for at least three years;  - 24 months if the employment lasted for at least six years  **EUR 447.70** per month and provided during the period of:  - 36 months if the employment lasted for at least ten years;  - 84 months if the employment lasted for at least fifteen years.  The above amounts may be increased by coefficients of 22.5 or 29.8 according to the number of years worked in mining. | The relevant Office of Labour, Social Affairs and the Family for the place of permanent residence | | Recurring state social benefit  *Note*  **Entitlement to compensatory benefit for miners compensatory for a calendar month expires three years after the last day of the month to which it applied.** |
| **Benefits to which coordination applies:**  - funeral benefit  - parental benefit  - child benefit  - child benefit supplement  - foster care benefits (incl. one-off) | **Regulations (EC) of the European Parliament and of the Council on the coordination of social security systems**:  Council Regulation (EC)   * No. 883/2004 * No. 987/2009 * No. 1231/2010 | **The regulations apply to:**  - employed persons  - SEP  - state  - employees  -officials  - students  - pensioners  - family  - members  - survivors | **The coordination rules apply in:**   * EU Member States * Norway * Iceland * Liechtenstein * Switzerland | The authorities of the EU Member States exchange information on entitlements, amounts and entitled persons in relation to individual benefits using  the EESSI electronic system | **Slovaks working abroad** can claim family benefits at the competent institutions responsible for paying family benefits in their country of employment.  In the case of Austria and the Czech Republic, if the parent chooses the reduced FB payment option, the Slovak Republic will only pay a compensatory benefit in addition to the benefits paid in Austria and the Czech Republic (i.e. the sum paid is deducted in those states).  In Germany and Austria, because of the limiting conditions for applicants for parental benefit, a parent at home with a child on parental leave is recommended to apply for the benefit. | | **Migrant workers from EU Member States working in Slovakia** claim their entitlement to family benefits by submitting applications for such benefits in Slovakia. |