

# Are you receiving all the benefits to which you are ent...

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*One consequence of running a blog that is widely noticed by the financial services industry is that I am inundated with pressure releases most days, the vast majority of which end up in my email bin without much thought being given to the process.*

*But there always have to be exceptions. This press announcement turned up in my inbox yesterday, and I felt the service being offered might be of interest to people here and could even be a direct benefit. So, I thought this one was worth sharing, not least because I think the government's lack of effort in ensuring people receive all the benefits to which they are entitled is a scandal.*

*A stress, I take no responsibility for the content, but if you're interested, it might be worth exploring. I have, obviously, checked that the site is genuine.*

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NATIONWIDE has launched a free calculator to help people discover unclaimed benefits with a tool experts have hailed as "great for people who are unaware of what they might be entitled to" - and it could get you £560 extra per month.

The bank claims it has helped discover £75 million a year in unclaimed benefits through a free eligibility calculator it launched just seven months ago.

The '[Better Off' calculator](#), the first to be offered over the telephone as well as online, helps people understand what benefits they may be entitled to.

*The calculator - available to anyone, not just Nationwide customers - was launched in partnership with social policy data experts Policy in Practice, at a time when an estimated £24 billion in benefits goes unclaimed each year.*

*Since its launch last June, over 18,000 people have submitted a calculation, with over 11,000 households discovering they could be entitled to an average of £560 extra per month - totalling £75.3 million annually in potential support.*