

## Resolution on SiÅs Prices

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Due to continued price increases and new water and sewage fees coming into effect on January 1, 2026, higher costs related to rent and general living expenses are expected for students at NMBU.

With the current level of student financial support, a student has a monthly deficit of more than NOK 5,450. This amounts to an annual deficit of NOK 60,000. For the 2025/2026 academic year, students receive 1.28 G in support. For the 2002/2003 academic year, the support level was 1.48 G. For students living two or three together, student financial support covers 17 to 25 percentage points less of the student budget in 2023 than it did in 2002. This means that the purchasing power of student support has decreased by approximately 20 percent between 2023 and 2002. This is a significant decline.

Since the previous resolution on SiÅs prices was adopted in 2021, the rent for a room in a 16-person shared housing unit at the Student Welfare Organization in Ås (SiÅs) has increased by 21.32%, from NOK 4,620 to NOK 5,605 in 2026. At that time, the discussion concerned an increase of 13.51% over a five-year period. This means that today's rent has an additional percentage increase of 7.81% over the same interval. These figures represent the rent before the new regulations for water and sewage fees are implemented.

This will further strain students' finances and contribute to reduced purchasing power. Such a development raises questions about the sustainability of the current student budget and may have consequences extending beyond the individual's financial situation.

### **The Student Democracy at NMBU believes that:**

- The Student Welfare Organization in Ås (SiÅs) must prevent the purchasing power of students from being further weakened through increases in prices for housing, food services, training, and more.
- The Student Welfare Organization in Ås (SiÅs) must be aware of its influence on the development of housing prices in Ås and should work to keep prices as low as possible.
- The Student Welfare Organization in Ås (SiÅs) must support students' demand to fix and increase student financial support to **1.5 G**, and must actively work toward achieving this goal in collaboration with student welfare organizations across the country.