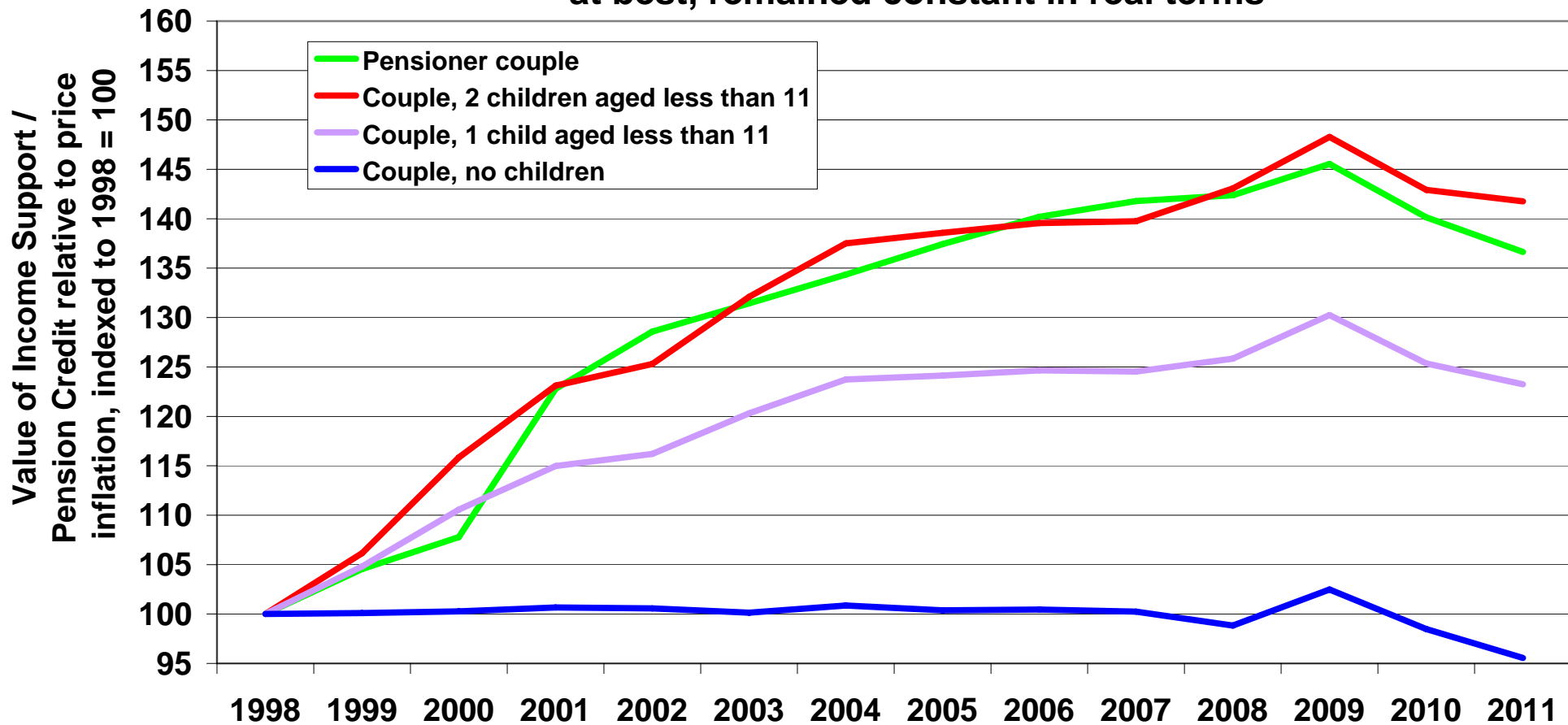


**While the levels of means-tested benefits for both families with children and pensioners have gone up much faster than inflation since the late 1990s, that for working-age adults without children has, at best, remained constant in real terms**



Source: Benefit levels from DWP and price inflation indices from ONS; UK; updated May 2011