

IBM UK Gender Pay Gap – 2023 Results

The Equality Act 2010 ([Gender Pay Gap Information](#)) Regulations 2017 require all companies employing 250 or more employees to publish their gender pay gap results. The government defined gender pay gap metric measures the difference between the average earnings of all females in the organisation and the average earnings of all males, irrespective of their seniority or role. This is not the same as equal pay, which compares what men and women are being paid for the same or similar work.

Having a gender pay gap can be an indicator of two key dynamics within an organisation and these can appear either on their own or in combination. These dynamics are inequitable pay, as measured against the "Equal Pay" criteria, or an imbalance in male and female representation across the levels within the organisation. For many years IBM has been focused on equal pay and comparing like for like; however, this legislation has shone a further light on the imbalance in male and female representation across our organisational structure.

At IBM, overall, women earn \$1 for every \$1 earned by men for similar work. Pay equity analysis is performed in every country where we have IBM employees. We look at how to correct any pay equity, as well as how to prevent it. To support this, we have developed IBM Compensation Advisor with Watson – an AI-driven solution that gives managers salary increase recommendations based on skills and pay competitiveness. Since 1935, when our founder Thomas J Watson Snr declared a policy of 'Equal Pay for Equal Work', this is a principle to which IBM has remained committed.

Our 2023 gender pay gap results show an improvement in our median position and reflect the impact some of our initiatives are having in reducing the current gap. Like many other organisations in the tech industry, our gender pay gap is a result of having a lower percentage of females in senior, higher paid roles. Addressing the gender pay gap continues to be a strategic focus for our business and has the full backing of IBM's Executive team. We continue to look at initiatives to redress our current gender imbalance and increase our female representation in senior roles, through inclusion and opportunity, as well as investment in continuous and tailored learning.

Snapshot Pay Results

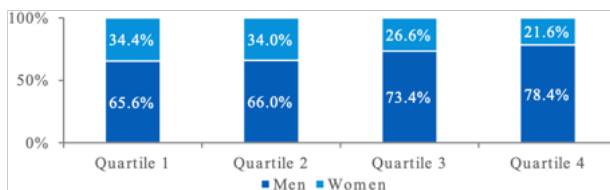
This is the percentage difference in mean and median pay for all females in the organization versus all males in the organization, as at 5th April 2023.



Median **Mean** **Male/Female Split**
13.9% **15.6%** **71% / 29%**

Pay Quartile Results

This shows the percentage of men and women in each pay quartile. The quartiles are divided into equal employee numbers. Quartile 1 has the lowest paid employees and quartile 4 has the highest paid employees.



Bonus Pay Results

- This is the percentage difference between mean and median bonus for all females in the organization who received a bonus versus all males in the organization who received a bonus.
- The proportion of male and female employees who received a bonus during the same 12 month period.

The analysis covers bonuses paid over a 12 month period preceding 5th April 2023.

Median **Mean**
40.1% **37.3%**

Proportion men who received bonus: **91.2%**

Proportion women who received bonus: **92.3%**

The gender pay gap is always expressed as a percentage. It is calculated by working out the difference between the average male pay and average female pay and dividing that number by the average male pay. This is expressed as a mean or median.

Mean average – sum of all the values divided by the number of values.

Median average – mid-point value when the data is sorted in ascending order.

IBM's 2022 Gender Pay Gap results can be viewed by following this [link](#).

Increasing Female Representation

Attracting, retaining, and developing female talent across the world is not only essential to IBM's company culture, it's a business imperative. Women have played a critical role in driving innovation at IBM since its founding in 1911.

Gender equality in leadership is a high priority for IBM and we are working hard to drive progress in this area. Advancing women in the workplace and developing future female leaders continues to remain a key focus.

We invest in learning and leadership development programmes which benefit all and recognise that gender equality is created in partnership across the genders. The IBM Women's Executive Council, which includes the IBM UK Country General Manager, is a global group sponsored and co-chaired by IBM's Senior Vice Presidents and made up of highly accomplished male and female executives from around the world. These volunteer members are passionate about the attraction, growth, development, engagement with and retention of all women at IBM. As we develop many great female leaders, we also seek to create an environment that attracts the best female talent from the marketplace. Representation is also one of the key focus areas being driven by our UKI Connecting Women@IBM community.

To achieve a gender balance in recruitment, IBM runs events designed specifically to attract and hire females at all levels. We also raise awareness in universities and schools of the exciting range of opportunities IBM has to offer, regardless of background. IBM UK received the DEI award in 2023 by the British Computing Society based on their professionalism, innovation, excellence, and measurable success in this field.

The IBM Institute for Business Value conducts a global survey every other year to assess the opportunities and barriers for women's advancement at work. For 2023 - our third survey in the series - 2,500 organizations participated, making this longitudinal study one of the largest of its kind, encompassing 12 countries and 10 industries. See our latest report here - [Why Perception outpaces the pipeline and what to do about it.](#)

Culture of Inclusion

Diversity and inclusion are foundational principles of IBM's culture, where differences are embraced and innovation thrives. IBM prides itself on creating a workplace that is inclusive where every employee can bring their whole self to work. In 2020 IBM published the Global Diversity and Inclusion Report which reaffirms that IBM is making significant advances in diversifying our workforce. IBM is focussed on the challenges and complexities facing today's world. The 2022 Environmental, Social and Governance report lays out IBM's commitment to creating opportunities for everyone by focusing on diversity, equality and inclusivity within IBM as well as globally.

In 2023, IBM was recognised by Carer Positive as an 'Engaged' employer and continued the focus and commitment to Mental Health by signing the Mental Health at Work commitment and having a community of Mental Health First Aiders. We also offer a Mental Health Ally badge to support our wellbeing culture. This leads to great employee engagement and voluntary effort to make the world a more inclusive place and IBM a great place to work.

Mentorship and sponsorship are at the forefront of IBM's company culture. We currently have approximately 70 active women's Business Resource Groups (BRGs) worldwide. These groups have executive sponsorship and a mission to help members expand their personal and professional networks, develop their skills, receive mentorship and advocate for issues important to women at IBM and in the world. In the UK the ConnectingWomen@IBM Business Resource Group provides opportunities for IBMers to extend their network, share experiences, drive change and attend workshops - including events with other major IT companies participating in the 'Connecting Women in Technology' (CWT) network.

At IBM, we want to normalize the conversation on menopause and ensure all impacted women can receive the support they might need during this life stage. There are several resources available including education for all IBM employees, personal stories and additional resources to support women. In 2023 working with our benefits provider we now offer a Menopause assessment as part of our benefits portfolio.

To further support its employees, IBM has developed a specific programme of training to help all employees identify, address and seek support in instances of sexual harassment and workplace bullying to drive prevention of such behaviours. Additional voluntary training includes the "Be Equal Ally" badge, which is earned by IBMers who demonstrate volunteer effort and advocacy representation in support of IBM's diversity, inclusion, allyship, talent and business priorities.

Skills and Development

Developing new skills and ensuring all employees have the right skills for the changing market is a business imperative. IBM is committed to investing in and creating an environment that offers employees the opportunity for development and advancement, enabling new learning experiences and career progression without barriers.

“Your Learning” provides every IBMer with a personalised learning environment, enabling them to find, undertake and track their individual learning from an extensive range of online, self-study, virtual and classroom options.

IBM also offers world-class learning and development experiences for leaders at all levels of the organisation via the IBM Leadership Academy.

In August 2023 IBM UK was awarded the Princess Royal Training award, for recognition of its Apprenticeship programme. This in house technical programme is building a diverse, client ready technical workforce for the future.

Workplace Enablement

We are committed to providing all employees with flexible working choices, helping them to achieve greater work life integration, reduce stress and enhance productivity.

Our flexible working policy ranges from standard part-time working to compressed hours, term-time working, job share, annualised hours, mobile working and working from home. Aside from these formal arrangements, employees are also encouraged to adopt a flexible approach to working. Our flexible working practices have received external recognition.

IBM also supports its employees to manage their care responsibilities, by partnering with My Family Care, a specialist provider of family friendly employee benefits.

I confirm IBM's gender pay calculations are accurate and meet the requirements of the Regulations. We have followed advice provided by our specialist external consultants on our methodology and data, in line with the Equality Act 2010 (Gender Pay Gap Information) Regulations 2017.

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