

Gender Pay Gap Report 2024



At Royal Star & Garter our values sit at the heart of our care. They shape our commitment to a person-centered approach and underpin our vision of a future where all veterans can live life to the full. We are proud, that for the first time, we have achieved a median pay gap of zero.

In accordance with the Equality Act 2010 we are publishing our annual gender pay gap report. We have used the standard methodologies used in the Equality Act 2010 (Gender Pay Gap Information) Regulations 2017. This statement provides our pay data as at 5 April 2024.

We employed 390 people in salaried roles. A further 45 people were employed on our bank and paid for the hours they worked. 86% of our people worked in our three care homes, 14% for Central Services. 79% of our staff were female. The majority of staff (85%) occupy roles that have set salaries for the job and within these 'job families' staff are paid equally for the role and the rate of pay is not based on gender or any other characteristic in accordance with legislation and our policies

The table below provides the mean and median gender pay and bonus gap percentages for 2024.

	Median	Mean
Hourly Pay	0% (0.42%)	10% (11.8%)
Bonus	33% (0%)	19% (-41% in favour of women)



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Our median pay gap for hourly pay has decreased by 0.42% from 2023 and is now 0%.

Our mean gender pay gap has decreased by 1.8% since 2023 and is now 10% (£2.05 per hour in favour of men).

The UK median gender pay gap for full time employees in 2024 is 7% (down from 7.7% in 2023). It is still below the pre-Covid pandemic level of 9%. At 0% ours is considerably below the lowest figure reported for the UK.

We compare ourselves to the charity sector and the care sector. Research suggests that for charities the gender pay gap has decreased from 8% to 6.8%. This is because while women account for c.70% of charity employees, only c.60% of charity CEOs are women. This falls to 35% of CEOs of the largest charities and 46% of the oldest charities (Civil Society). Research by the The King's Fund suggests the gender pay gap for Care Workers & Home Carers and Registered Nurses is now in favour of women (0.3% and 0.8% respectively). We pay the same rate to our Healthcare Assistants (HCAs) and Registered Nurses (RNs) regardless of gender, based on the appropriate market rate for each area (West Midlands, Buckinghamshire & Outer London).

Gender pay gap data generally uses the median figure rather than the mean. The mean is calculated by adding up all of the wages of employees in a company and dividing that figure by the number of employees. Consequently, the final figure can be skewed by a small number of highly paid individuals and therefore we feel that the median is a better measure for us with our structure, which is bottom heavy. The median is the number that falls in the middle of a range when everyone's wages are lined up from smallest to largest, it is more representative when there is a lot of variation in pay. Using the median also allows an easy direct comparison with published data.

16 (13) individuals received bonuses – 13 (7) women and 3 (6) men. Proportionally bonuses fractionally favoured men: 4.1% (4%) of female staff were awarded bonuses compared to 3.8% (10%) of male staff. There is a difference in median bonus amounts of 33% and the mean favours men by 19%. Our data has reversed this year to again favour men; due to the small number of bonuses paid.



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Pay quartiles by gender

	Males	Females	Description
Lower Quartile (A)	19% (17%)	81% (83%)	Includes all employees whose standard hourly rate places them at or below the lower quartile
Lower Middle Quartile (B)	22% (16.2%)	78% (83.3%)	Includes all employees whose standard hourly rate places them above the lower quartile but at or below the median
Upper Middle Quartile (C)	22% (26.3%)	78% (73.7%)	Includes all employees whose standard hourly rate places them above the median but at or below the upper quartile
Top Quartile (D)	23% (19.2%)	77% (80.8%)	Includes all employees whose standard hourly rate places them above the upper quartile

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