# William Reed.

William Reed Ltd.
Gender Pay Gap Report

#### Introduction

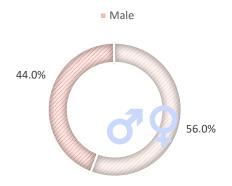
We are William Reed, the trusted digital, high value data and events business serving the food and drinks sector for over 160 years. We are committed to achieving and sustaining a culture that is fair and inclusive. Our values of 'Progressive, Passionate, Responsible & Trusted' are at the heart of our long-established organisation. We strive for an ambitious and supportive environment where everyone can belong and grow their skills and career.

This report sets out the gender pay gap for William Reed Ltd (UK business only) for the snapshot date 5<sup>th</sup> April 2022.

The gender pay gap is an equality measure that shows the difference in average earnings between women and men. The gender pay gap is distinct from the term *equal pay* that refers to the legal requirement for equality of pay for comparable jobs. The current national gender pay gap (median) is reported by ONS to be 14.9%.

## William Reed Gender Demographics

56% of employees identify as female and 44% identify as male.



# William Reed Gender Pay Gap

The mean gender pay gap is the percentage difference between the mean (average) hourly pay of women and the mean (average) hourly pay of men, shown as the percentage men earn more than women.

The median gender pay gap is the percentage difference between the median (midpoint) of women's hourly rate of pay and the median (midpoint) of men's hourly rate of pay, shown as the percentage men earn more than women.



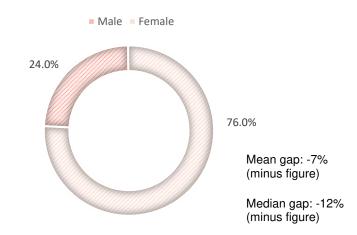
MEAN: 23% MEDIAN: 20%



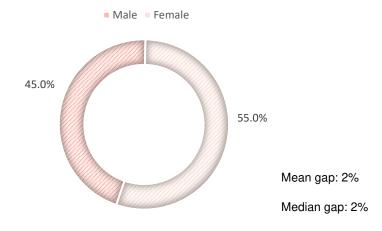
# William Reed Pay Quartiles

The pay quartiles show the proportion of women and men in each 25% band - lower, lower-middle, upper-middle and upper quartile.

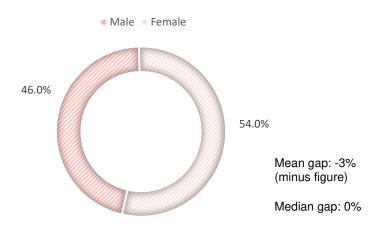
### LOWER QUARTILE



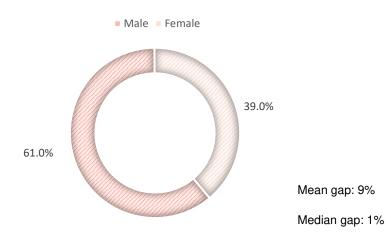
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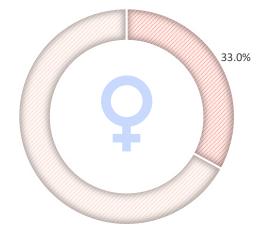
## William Reed Bonus Gap

The percentage of men receiving bonus (out of total male employees) and the percentage of women receiving bonus (out of total female employees) in the 12 months preceding the snapshot date.

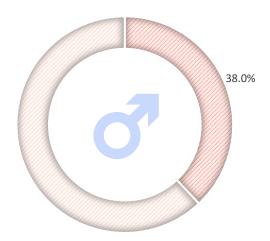
The median bonus gap is the difference between the median bonus pay paid to men who received a bonus in the 12 months preceding the snapshot date and that of women.

The mean bonus gap is the difference between the mean (average) bonus pay paid to men who received a bonus in the 12 months preceding the snapshot data and that of women.

#### Women Who Received a Bonus



#### Men Who Received a Bonus



Mean bonus gap: 48%

Median bonus gap: 44%

## Analysis of our gap:

We do not believe our gap is due to pay inequality and instead can be attributed to representation at different levels of the organisation.

We are a family owned and managed business with predominantly male shareholders active in the business, including our male CEO.

It is worth highlighting our relatively small data size for gender pay reporting. This means that we do see significant fluctuations in our data and our gap resulting from minor changes in personnel from year to year.

This year we see a decrease in representation of women in the top quartile, despite our Senior Leadership Team being almost equally balanced. Overall, at the snapshot date, we had more men than women in senior positions. This impacts not only our pay gap but also our bonus gap.

Our mid-level quartiles are more equal in representation however we see a strong predominance of women in our lower quartile. This is partly due to a higher number of women in administrative roles however, it can also currently be attributed to a greater number of female than male new starters embarking on early stages of their career with William Reed.

We know that we can always do better and will continue to analyse and act on our data.

#### **Actions:**

These are just some of our initiatives that are already underway and making a positive difference:

- Our Agile Working Policy continues to offer enhanced flexibility and enables more employees to reconcile work and caring responsibilities.
- We continue to offer meaningful part-time work opportunities at all levels of the organisation. This can be demonstrated by our current median pay gap between the pay of FT and PT employees (-3%).
- We offer enhanced parental leave policies and have introduced an active Working Parents & Carers Network Group.
- We continue to provide training and information to recruiting Managers including diversity and unconscious bias.
- We routinely use tools to de-gender job advertisements as part of our commitment to minimise gender bias.
- Our recent Management qualification scheme is being undertaken predominantly by female colleagues.
- We continue to invest in wellness and inclusion related activity with an active programme of events and campaigns throughout the year.
- We have committed to the Menopause Workplace Pledge and introduced a Menopause Support Policy.
- Our recent company-wide salary review aimed to elevate all salaries in the face of significant increases to cost of living. Exceptions outside of the standard increase were particularly targeted to the lower quartile of the workforce.
- We continue to encourage dialogue with all our employees to discuss their experiences and ideas.

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