

GENDER PAY GAP AS OF 4TH APRIL 2024

For over 20 years, Step Teachers has been a trusted name in education recruitment. As an equal opportunities employer, we support over 9,500 teachers and support staff through our offices in London, Rainham, Norwich, Stevenage, Abingdon, and Plymouth.

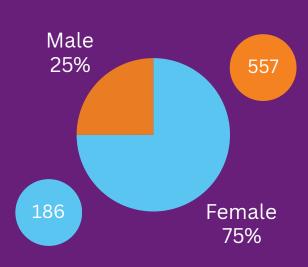
We are committed to attracting, recruiting, and retaining a diverse workforce, ensuring fair pay and equal opportunities. We have a strong track record in safer recruitment: Step Teachers was the first teaching agency to achieve a 100% score in the REC's Education Audit online diagnostic test in 2017, repeating this success in 2019, 2021, and 2023.

This report reflects our ongoing commitment to transparency, inclusion, and fairness in the education sector.



GENDER PAY GAP REPORTING







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MEAN GENDER PAY GAP 14.8%

Mean is the average hourly pay rate, calculated by adding the hourly pay rate for all our employees then dividing by the number of employees.

MEDIAN GENDER PAY GAP 17.9%

Median is the middle hourly pay rate when we arrange all our pay rates for all our employees in order from lowest to highest.



BONUS PAYMENTS

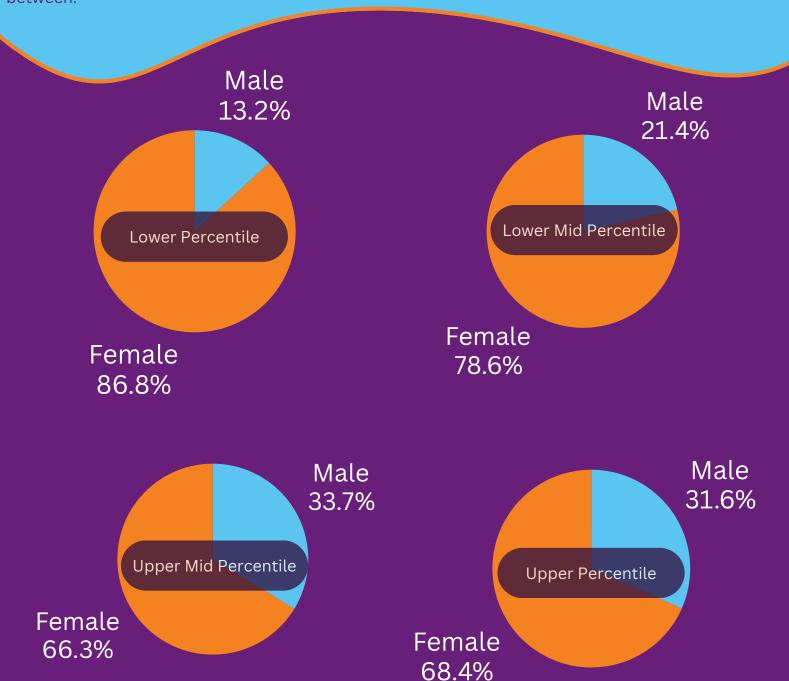
Bonus is paid to Managers and Sales Consultants as performance-related pay at relatively high percentages as compared to other internal staff positions. Our supply staff (which accounts for the majority of our employees) work in teaching and classroom support roles which do not receive bonus pay.

Proportion of males receiving bonus payments **10.16%**

Proportion of females receiving bonus payments **2.33%**

PAY QUARTILES

Quartile bands split the employees into four equal quarters based on the order of hourly pay rates. The upper quartile comprises of the top **25%** of earners and the lower quartile encompasses the bottom **25%** of earners, while the middle two quartiles represent the **50%** of earners falling in between.



CONCLUSION

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As a supply teaching agency, the majority of our workforce consists of agency workers, with a smaller proportion of internal employees. Within the agency workforce, women are more likely to hold unqualified support roles, which tend to be lower paid, particularly in the nursery and primary education sectors. This contributes to the wider gender pay gap. In contrast, internal male employees are more frequently employed in sales consultant roles, which offer higher earnings through performance-based bonuses.

To address these gaps, we continue to focus on upskilling lower-paid staff, particularly in support roles. Initiatives such as free access to the Creative Education training portal, along with the addition of The National College online training portal this year, aim to provide greater career progression opportunities and help reduce the gender pay gap over time.



Step Teachers remains committed to fostering a diverse and inclusive workforce, ensuring all employees have the opportunity to thrive and receive equal pay for equal work.