

## **GENDER PAY GAP REPORT 2021**

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## Message from Amy Girdwood

At Discovery, we celebrate diversity and inclusion, and support wellbeing across our employee population, encouraging employees to develop their careers and reach their potential. We continually review our compensation structure to ensure it is robust and fair. We champion equal opportunities for all and a career and pay framework that is free from bias.

For 2021, we are pleased that our pay gap results for our reported entity has decreased from the previous year. While our assessment shows fairness in pay and bonus levels, as we drive forwards our DE&I efforts, we will be reviewing and implementing measures to improve female representation at higher levels of the organisation.

In the following pages we share our results and analysis.

#### **DECLARATION**

I confirm that the information and data reported is accurate as of the snapshot day 5 April 2021.

Amy Girdwood

Executive Vice President People & Culture

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## **Understanding the Data**

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# PAY DOESN'T JUST MEAN PAY AND BONUS DOESN'T JUST MEAN BONUS

According to the regulations, we have to calculate both our **pay gap** and our **bonus gap**. To calculate the **pay gap** we have to use **ordinary pay** which is made up of payments made in April 2021, including: salary, allowances and paid leave. And, it also includes any **bonus pay** (like Stellars) paid in April 2021, adjusted where possible to reflect one month's worth of bonus only.

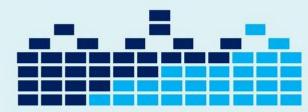
To calculate the **bonus gap** we have to use all bonus pay in the 12 months up to April 2021, which includes Incentive Compensation Plan awards, sales incentives, Stellar recognition awards, stock options exercised and more.

When comparing such payments, we would normally use an adjusted Full Time Equivalent figure that would allow us to compare everyone on a like-for-like basis. Under the regulations we cannot make such adjustments. This means that bonus pay calculated under the regulations is affected by part time working, maternity leave, new hires and mid-year promotions.

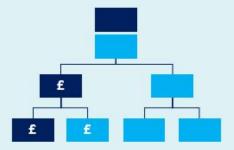


# **GENDER PAY IS NOT THE SAME AS EQUAL PAY**

The **gender pay gap** is the difference between the average pay of men and women within an organisation, regardless of level or type of work they are doing.



**Equal pay** compares the pay of men and women doing the same, similar or equivalent work.





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## THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN MEAN AND MEDIAN

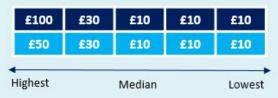
The **mean pay gap** is the difference in the average hourly pay of men compared to women. The mean is affected by one or two people having a very different hourly rate from most other people. Remember that gender pay looks at everyone in an organisation, regardless of their level.



EXAMPLE – Illustration only
Mean hourly pay for men = £32
Mean hourly pay for women = £22

Mean gender pay gap = 31% (in favour of men)

To calculate the **median pay gap**, if you took all Discovery's employees and formed them into two lines, one for men and one for women, arranging each line from the highest paid to the lowest, the median pay gap would be the difference between the hourly pay of the man and woman in the middle of their lines.



EXAMPLE – Illustration Only
Median hourly pay for men = £10
Median hourly pay for women = £10
Median gender pay gap = 0%



#### WHAT ARE PAY QUARTILES?

The regulations also require us to report the percentage of men and women in each pay quartile. These are not the same as level within the organisation.

To calculate **pay quartiles**, we list all the hourly pay data for all employees from lowest to highest and then divide them into four equal quarters ("quartiles") before calculating the percentage of men and women in each one.



#### WHO IS INCLUDED?

Only our biggest UK entity, Discovery Corporate Services Limited (DCSL), employs more than 250 employees and therefore is required to publish gender pay gap results.

However, we have multiple business entities in the UK and believe it is important to consider our whole business when reviewing gender pay, so we are focusing our analysis and narrative on the results for Discovery UK as a whole. The published results for DCSL are included at the end.



# **OUR 2021 RESULTS**

GENDER PAY GAP FOR DISCOVERY UK



## **2021 UK RESULTS**

We believe strongly in transparency and the importance of gender pay reporting, so we are providing results for Discovery UK as a whole in addition to the regulatory requirements.

Our annual pay increase is not factored into this year's reporting period due to it being effective in July 2021.

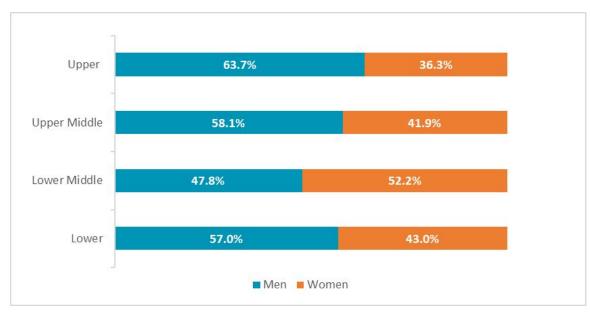
Our 2021 gender pay gap results show a decrease in our pay gaps and median bonus gap in favour of men, whilst our mean bonus gap has increased in favour of men. While we are confident that we do not have any equal pay issues, we are still seeing a trend of more men in senior positions and are continuously looking at measures to attract more women into tech.

Removing our President & CEO of Discovery International from the analysis, who is based in the UK, to focus on 99% of the organisation, reduces the mean pay gap to 16.3% in favour of men and mean bonus gap to 12.2% in favour of men.

Gender Gaps	Median (Middle)	Mean (Average)
PAY	11.0% in favour of men	18.9% in favour of men
BONUS	8.7% in favour of men	56.8% in favour of men

Proportion of men and women receiving a bonus		
MEN	91.0%	
WOMEN	94.9%	

#### **PAY QUARTILES**



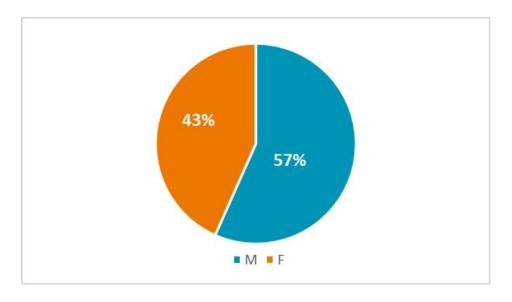
### **UK 'HEALTH CHECK' ANALYSIS**

Each year we complete a 'health check' analysis reviewing promotions, salary increases, equity grants, and new hires. We continue to develop these checks with regular reporting to leadership to ensure we remain free from any gender bias in our hiring and pay decisions.

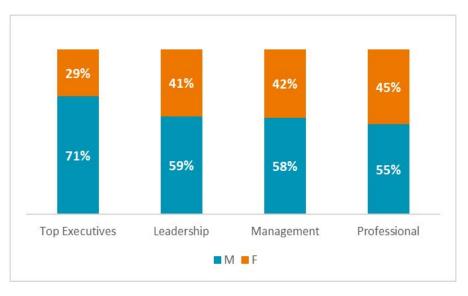
#### DISTRIBUTION OF MEN AND WOMEN

Comparing year on year reporting periods, we continue to see a slight shift towards more men than women employed in the UK. This trend is across all levels, with top executives seeing the biggest shift from where we have moved from a 60/40 split men and women to a 71/29 split.

#### **ALL UK EMPLOYEES**



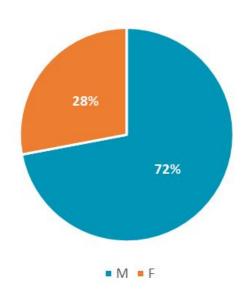
#### MEN AND WOMEN BY LEVEL



## UK 'HEALTH CHECK' ANALYSIS CONT.

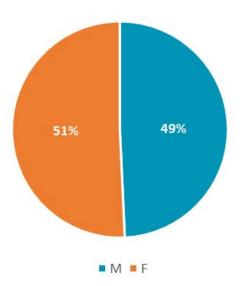
#### **NEW HIRES**

During the reporting period we hired more men than women (103 of our 143 new joiners were men). We continue to grow our digital and technical teams and will continue to focus on encouraging and providing opportunities for women into tech.



#### **PROMOTIONS**

We continue to promote women and men across all levels of the organisation. Of the 69 promotions during the reporting period, 35 were female and 34 men. We had more women promoted at the Professional and Leadership level, equal split at Management level and just the Top Executive level which saw more men promoted.



# 2021 DISCOVERY CORPORATE SERVICES LIMITED RESULTS (MANDATORY REPORTING)

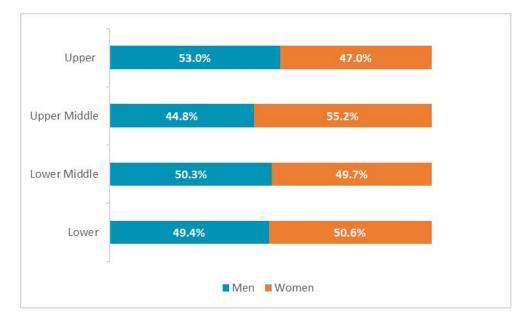
Our published results for our single largest UK entity,
Discovery Corporate Services Limited, show a decrease in
our pay gaps, reporting for the first time a median pay
gap in favour of women!

Similar to our all entities Discovery UK results, removing our President & CEO of Discovery International from the analysis reduces the mean pay to 8.4% in favour of men and mean bonus to 12.6% in favour of men.

Gender Gaps	Median (Middle)	Mean (Average)
PAY	-1.5% in favour of women	14.0% in favour of men
BONUS	5.7% in favour of men	68.3% in favour of men

Proportion of men and women receiving a bonus		
MEN	91.7%	
WOMEN	95.7%	

#### **PAY QUARTILES**



# **OUR COMMITMENT**DIVERSITY, EQUITY & INCLUSION





# **Diversity, Equity & Inclusion**

Discovery's mission is to understand and share the world around us through the stories we tell. Discovery is at its best when bringing the world a little closer together. We are proud to play an important role as the most-trusted portfolio of family-friendly brands around the globe, creating awareness, understanding and embracing differences. Discovery fosters a culture of inclusion for all peoples, all cultures, and all creatures that inhabit our planet.

We stand for equity, inclusion, and mutual respect. The most innovative ideas and solutions come from the widest range of thoughts and perspectives. It is the diverse minds, experiences, cultures and unique points of view brought by our employees, partners, and creators that is reflected in our storytelling and continues to drive the ongoing journey that is diversity, equity, and inclusion.

We are committed to transparency in our diversity, equity & inclusion efforts. While we know there is progress to be made, we are proud of the work we have done.



## **MOSAIC**

Through Mosaic: Discovery's Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Activation, we have a range of initiatives, including: Unconscious Bias, Respect & Integrity, Allyship; Recruitment and Career Development; Content Diversity; Supplier Diversity; and Social Impact. Mosaic is spearheaded by leaders across the organisation supported by employee volunteers who set and action the strategy, goals, and outcomes that embody who we are and strive to be as an organisation.

## **EMPLOYEE RESOURCE GROUPS**

ERGs function as a cornerstone of Discovery's diversity, equity, and inclusion initiatives. Representing ethnic minorities, women, members of the LGBTQ+ community and more, ERGs draw upon their collection of unique experiences to help drive our mission of fostering a diverse and inclusive environment. In the UK we have: genD, Discovery Women's Network, Discovery Family Forum, ableD, Multicultural Alliance and greenD.

















