

UNISON survey 2017

The Pay Cap: A Limit on Living

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Which UNISON service group are you in?

Answered: 10,945 Skipped: 709

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Community (includes voluntary, charitable, and housing associations)	6.79%	743
Energy	4.25%	465
Health Care	16.24%	1,778
Higher Education	11.38%	1,246
Local Government	48.20%	5,276
Police and Justice	2.58%	282
Water, Environment and Transport	1.59%	174
Don't know	8.96%	981
TOTAL		10,945

Which region do you work in?

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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Eastern	3.97%	434
East Midlands	10.84%	1,186
Greater London	2.87%	314
Northern	5.30%	580
Northern Ireland	0.76%	83
North West	12.54%	1,372
Scotland	20.13%	2,203
South East	8.82%	965
South West	11.81%	1,293
Cymru/Wales	5.01%	548
West Midlands	6.93%	758
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Compared with a year ago, please tell us about your spending on these items.

Answered: 9,255 Skipped: 2,399

	SPEND MORE THAN A YEAR AGO	SPEND ABOUT THE SAME AS A YEAR AGO	SPEND LESS THAN A YEAR AGO	NOT APPLICABLE	TOTAL
Rent	12.85% 1,189	12.78% 1,183	2.23% 206	72.14% 6,677	9,255
Mortgage	11.09% 1,026	39.58% 3,663	5.27% 488	44.06% 4,078	9,255
Fuel (Gas/Electric)	59.03% 5,463	30.62% 2,834	6.67% 617	3.68% 341	9,255
Food	67.83% 6,278	26.12% 2,417	5.20% 481	0.85% 79	9,255
Travel to work	50.32% 4,657	35.63% 3,298	5.59% 517	8.46% 783	9,255
Council Tax	71.56% 6,623	22.17% 2,052	1.55% 143	4.72% 437	9,255
Education e.g. university fees	9.51% 880	6.12% 566	1.06% 98	83.32% 7,711	9,255
Clothing	35.12%	48.10%	14.94%	1.84%	

Have you had to go without any of the following to help balance your budget?

Answered: 9,255 Skipped: 2,399

	YES	NO	NOT APPLICABLE	TOTAL
A regular daily meal	9.29% 824	84.00% 7,447	6.70% 594	8,865
Keeping your home warm	16.84% 1,499	76.55% 6,815	6.62% 589	8,903
An annual holiday	49.59% 4,553	44.31% 4,069	6.10% 560	9,182
A night out	53.76% 4,924	39.57% 3,625	6.67% 611	9,160

Compared with a year ago, how much in debt are you (how much money do you owe someone or an organisation)?

Answered: 9,255 Skipped: 2,399

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
I owe more	26.34%	2,438
I owe about the same amount	25.55%	2,365
I owe less	15.47%	1,432
I am not in debt now and I was not in debt a year ago.	32.63%	3,020
TOTAL		9,255

How do you describe your gender?

Answered: 9,105 Skipped: 2,549

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Female	70.30%	6,401
Male	28.65%	2,609
In another way	0.38%	35
Prefer not to answer	0.66%	60
TOTAL		9,105

What is your age group?

Answered: 9,105 Skipped: 2,549

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Under 16 years	0.02%	2
16 - 26 years	4.02%	366
27 - 39 years	16.92%	1,541
40 - 49 years	26.66%	2,427
50+ years	51.29%	4,670
Prefer not to answer	1.09%	99
TOTAL		9,105