

Understanding our Gender Pay Gap -Creating an authentic and inclusive environment for all

Foreword

At AXA XL, we are committed to creating a culture of belonging, where everyone can grow and thrive as their authentic selves. Ensuring equity is a key part of our Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) objectives, and we recognise that closing our pay gaps play a vital part in levelling the playing field for all. We are therefore pleased to report that, due to our dedicated efforts, our Pay Gaps are changing.

Our 2024-26 DEI strategy focuses on creating a sustainable and equitable environment for all colleagues at AXA XL, while recognising that people need different types of support to thrive within the workplace.

What gets measured, gets done, and so **AXA XL has made a clear commitment to improve Gender Representation in our Leadership roles.**

Executive Summary

Pay and bonus gap

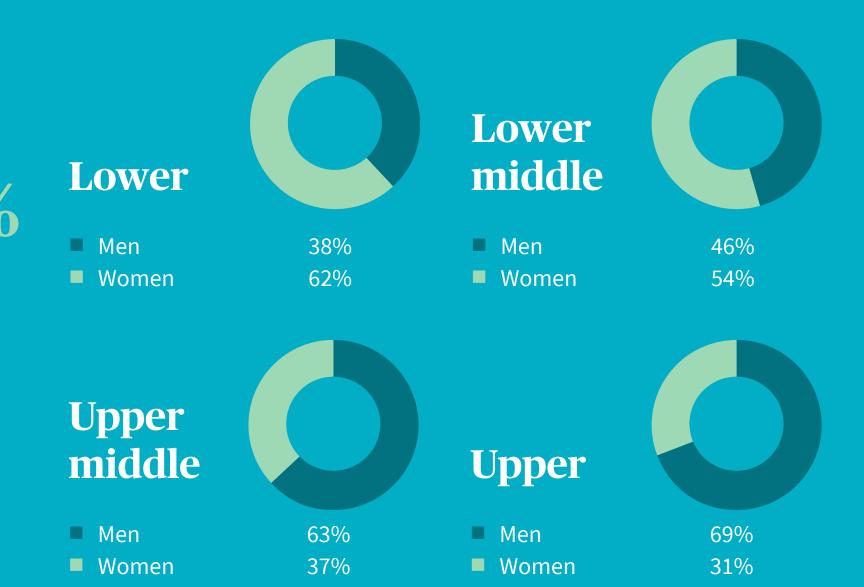
Pay gap Bonus gap Median 26.1% Median 52% Mean 24.9% Mean

Proportion of men and women receiving a bonus

Men 94.5%

Women 93.3%

Proportion of men and women in each pay quartile



Pay gap

- Continued improvement to female representation in the overall HC as the gender split continues to improve from 10% last year $(55\% \ 3; 45\% \ 2)$ to $8\% \ (54\% \ 3; 46\% \ 2)$
- Female presence at top quartiles is increasing year on year, but higher pay for females reflected in decreasing representation in the lower quartiles and continued significant growth in the upper quartile is driving improved results through the progression of female talent
- Average hourly pay of women is higher year on year whereas it is relatively flat for males

Bonus gap

- A significant improvement in the gap can be determined by larger bonuses for females given the greater representation within the upper quartile
- The mean average bonus for both males and females decreased compared to 2023. This may partially be driven by the increased proportion of individuals receiving bonuses but the larger bonuses are still prevalent for those in Bands D and E

Gender Pay Gap: commitment to closing the gap

There's work to be done to further improve our gender pay gap, but central to this progress are several key initiatives that are now in place:

- Inclusive Recruitment: We are committed to removing barriers for talented candidates to join AXA XL and have put measures in place, which we believe enhance equity in the talent attraction and hiring process. Through our Diverse Slate Policy, for instance, at least 50 per cent of candidates shortlisted for roles across all levels are female, ensuring equal opportunity in the selection process.
- Women's Leadership Development Programme: This initiative empowers women at a key stage of their career to progress with confidence by providing access to leadership training, skills development, coaching, and networking opportunities. Following successful cohorts, in 2024, the programme has been expanded to include global colleagues as well UK-based colleagues.
- Launch of AXA 'We Care,' which includes:
 - Updates and revisions to policies, aimed at creating a more supportive working environment for colleagues experiencing menstrual health conditions, peri-menopause, menopause, or andropause,
 - Support for families including increased co-parent leave, fertility, and IVF support
 - Carers leave for colleagues with caregiving responsibilities
 - Enhanced support for colleagues who have experienced/are experiencing domestic or sexual abuse.
- **LEAD BRG activity:** Our LEAD Business Resource Group (BRG) has also been instrumental in supporting women colleagues in their professional journeys through activities such as Speed Mentoring, Personal Brand sessions, and a dedicated Mentoring Programme.

Through these initiatives, we are actively seeking to reduce the Gender Pay Gap in the years ahead.



Looking to the future

We've made progress, but there's more work to do. Our commitment to equality and equity is ongoing. We'll keep evolving our DEI efforts to ensure every colleague is positioned to succeed, no matter their gender, ethnicity, background, or life circumstance.

We will continue to:

- Take a zero-tolerance approach to discrimination. Our Dignity at Work policy and mandatory training for colleagues provides safeguards against harassment and discrimination in the workplace, and are aimed at ensuring that everyone feels safe, valued, and respected.
- Track progress through various data points to ensure our efforts are having the desired impact on our colleagues, including continuing to analyse gender pay gap data, and be transparent in our findings.
- Empower and provide resource for our LEAD (Gender equality) BRG to develop its members through development sessions, mentoring, or networking opportunities.
- Review targets and metrics, keeping us accountable for our actions as well as
 maintaining open dialogue with colleagues about efforts to address the gender pay gap.

By embedding inclusion into the fabric of our business operations, we are confident that we can achieve our long-term goals of eliminating pay gaps and creating a workplace that reflects the diverse communities and customers we serve.

Declaration

I confirm that the gender pay data contained in this report is accurate.

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