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Cavan and Monaghan Education and Training Board

Gender Pay Gap Report 2025

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Empowerment through Learning and Progression for All

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1 Chief Executive's Foreword

As Chief Executive, I am pleased to present the Cavan and Monaghan Education and Training Board (CMETB) Gender Pay Gap Report for 2025.

This report has been published in line with the enactment of the Gender Pay Gap Information Act, 2021 (as amended), which directs organisations with over 50 employees to report on their gender pay gap. This report gives CMETB an opportunity to review the area of gender pay difference and to also highlight the initiatives within CMETB that aim to close the Gender Pay Gap. It is a reflection of our commitment to transparency, equity and continuous improvement within CMETB.

Cavan and Monaghan Education and Training Board aims to be a place where all employees have the same opportunities for progression and development, regardless of gender. We are committed to fostering and encouraging a culture of equality, diversity and inclusion.

Our staff members are at the core of CMETB as an organisation and I welcome the results of this report and confirm CMETB's commitment to promoting equality, diversity and inclusion at all levels of the organisation, and to promoting equal opportunity and representation, so CMETB can be seen as an organisation for all.



Dr Fiona McGrath, Chief Executive

2 Introduction

The Gender Pay Gap Information Act, 2021 has introduced the legislative basis for gender pay gap reporting. The regulations require organisations with over 50 employees to report on their gender pay gap in 2025.

This is Cavan and Monaghan Education and Training Board's (CMETB) Gender Pay Gap Report 2025 and is based on a snapshot of employees on the 30 June 2025. The gender pay gap is the difference between the average hourly wages of men and women in an organisation, regardless of their seniority.

2.1 Mean and Median

Mean and Median can be defined as:

Mean

The mean is commonly referred to as the average. The mean is calculated by dividing the sum of the numbers in the data set by the number of numbers in the data set.

Median

The median of a data set is the midpoint of a data set. The median is calulated by arranging the data set in order from least to greatest identifying the middle number.

Figure 1: Definition of Mean and Median

The **mean** is calculated by getting the difference between the average hourly rate of pay for males and the average hourly rate of pay for females (male hourly rate minus female hourly rate), expressed as a percentage of the male hourly rate. If this figure is negative, the average hourly rate of females is higher than the average hourly rate of males on the snapshot date. If this figure is positive, the average hourly rate of males is higher than the average hourly rate of females on the snapshot date.

The **median** is the figure that falls in the midpoint of a range where the salary of all relevant employees is listed, from the lowest to the highest. This can provide a more accurate representation of the 'typical' differences in pay.

Employers must report six different measures, based on a snapshot of pay data on a date set out in the Employment Equality Act, 1998 (Section 20A) (Gender Pay Gap Information) Regulations 2022.

- Median gender pay gap the difference between the median hourly rate of pay of male full-pay relevant employees and that of female full-pay relevant employees.
- Mean gender pay gap the difference between the mean hourly rate of pay of male full-pay relevant employees and that of female full-pay relevant employees.
- Median bonus gap the difference between the median bonus pay paid to male relevant employees and that paid to female relevant employees.
- 4. Mean bonus gap -the difference between the mean bonus pay paid to male relevant employees and that paid to female relevant employees.
- 5. Bonus proportions the proportions of male and female relevant employees who were paid bonus pay during the relevant period.
- 6. Quartile pay bands the proportions of male and female full-pay relevant employees in the lower, lower-middle, upper-middle and upper quartile pay bands.

Employers are also required to publish a statement setting out, in the employer's opinion, the reasons for the gender pay gap in their organisation and what measures are being taken by the employer to eliminate or reduce that pay gap.

3 CMETB Gender Pay Gap Analysis 2025

3.1 All Employees

On 30 June 2025, there were 1,359 employees in CMETB. 25% of employees were male and 75% were female.

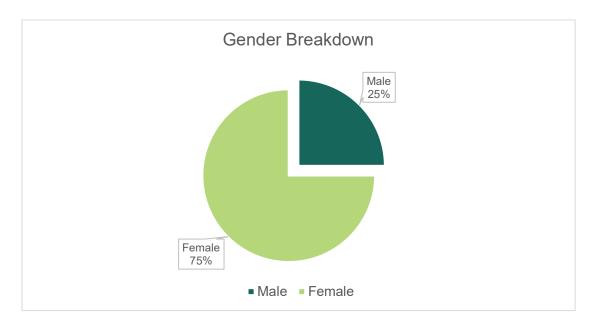


Figure 2: Overall Gender Breakdown in CMETB at 30 June 2025

Mean and Median Gender Pay Gap for all Employees

Table 1: Mean and Median Gender Pay Gap: All Employees

Mean	Median
6.02%	6.68%

This means that, for the reporting period, males earned 6.02% an hour more than females using the mean measure, and 6.68% more than females when using the median measure.

3.2 Part-time Employees

Of the part-time employees employed by CMETB, 17% were male and 83% were female.

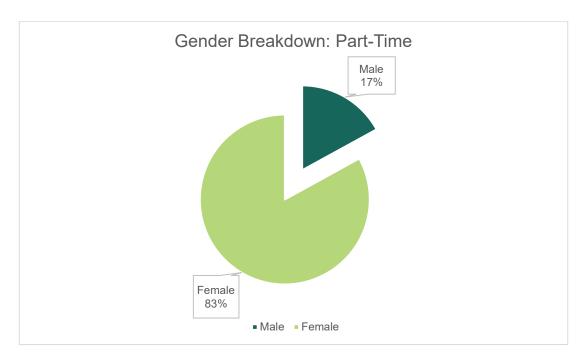


Figure 3: Total Gender Breakdown: Part-time employees

The Gender Pay Gap for CMETB part-time employees using the mean hourly rate for the reporting period was 8.54% for part-time employees. This means that part-time male employees earned 8.54% an hour more than part-time female employees, using the mean measure, and 4.57% an hour more than part-time female employees using the median measure.

Table 2: Mean and Median Hourly Gender Pay Gap for Part-Time Employees

Mean	Median
8.54%	4.57%

3.3 Full-time employees

Of the full-time employees, 71% were female, with 29% of CMETB full-time employees being male.

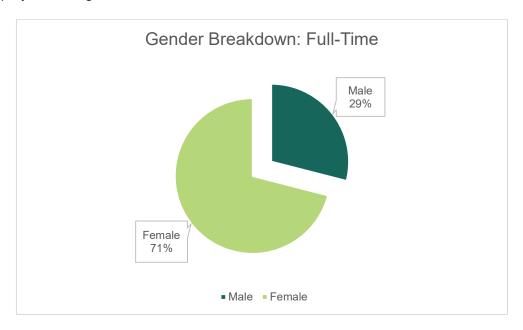


Figure 4: Total Gender Breakdown: Full-time employees

Table 3: Mean and Median Hourly Gender Pay Gap for Full-time Employees

Mean	Median
1.7%	2.35%

The Gender Pay Gap for CMETB using the mean hourly rate for the reporting period was 1.7% for full-time employees. This means that full-time male employees earned 1.7% an hour more than full-time female employees, using the mean measure, and 2.35% an hour more than full-time female employees using the median measure.

3.4 Pay Quartiles

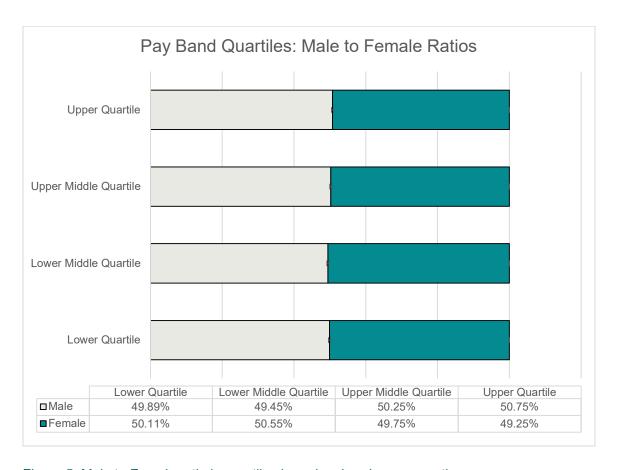


Figure 5: Male to Female ratio in quartiles based on hourly remuneration

To group employees into quartile pay bands, the calculation was based on ranking employees in CMETB from lowest to highest based on their hourly rate of pay. This is outlined above and divided into quartiles.

Table 4: CMETB Gender Pay Gap Analysis 2025

Snapshot Date	30 June 2025	Manua C 020/								
Reporting Period - From	30 June 2024	Mean: 6.02% Median: 6.68%								
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Headcount on Snapshot Date Headcount Fulltime Employees Part-time Total of Whom ar										
neadcount	Fulltime Employees	Employees	Employees	of Whom are Temporary						
Male	257	80	337	N/A						
Female	620	402	1022	N/A						
Total	877	482	1359	N/A						
10141	011	102	1000	1071						
Gender Pay Gap Metrics [Regulations 7(1), 8(1), 9(1), 10(1)]										
	Gender Gap in Hourly Remuneration									
	Mean	%	Median	%						
Full Time Employees	R.7(1)(a)	1.70	R.8(1)(a)	2.35						
Part Time Employees	R.7(1)(b)	8.54	R.8(1)(b)	4.57						
Temporary Workers	R.7(1)(c)	N/A	R.8(1)(c)	N/A						
	1									
	Gender Gap in Bonus									
	Mean	%	Median	%						
Bonus	R.9(1)(a)	N/A	R.9(1)(b)	N/A						
	% of all Ma			Female						
% in receipt of Bonus	R.9(1)(c)	N/A	R.9(1)(c)	N/A						
% in receipt of Benefit in	R.9(1)(d)	N/A	R.9(1)(d)	N/A						
Kind										
Pay Quartiles		% Male		% Female						
Quartile 1	R.10(1)(a)	50.75	R.10(1)(a)	49.25						
Quartile 2	R.10(1)(b)	50.25	R.10(1)(b)	49.75						
Quartile 3	R.10(1)(c)	49.45	R.10(1)(c)	50.55						
Quartile 4	R.10(1)(d)	49.89	R.10(1)(d)	50.11						

Gender Pay Gap Information Report [Regulation 6]

Does the information specified in the metrics above show differences relating to			
remuneration that are referable by gender? [Y/N]			
Is a statement included in setting out, in the employer's opinion, the reasons for			
the differences relating to remuneration that are referrable to gender in that	ı		
relevant employer's case? [Y/N]	İ		
Is a statement included setting out the measures (if any) being taken, or	Υ		
proposed to be taken to eliminate or reduce such differences? [Y/N]	İ		

4 CMETB Gender Pay Gap Statement 2025

CMETB's Gender Pay Gap for 2025 is 6.02% which is a decrease of 1.69% from our 2024 figure. This could be partly explained by an increase in the number of women at the senior management level in the reporting period.

CMETB adheres to all public service pay scales and any pay agreements. This ensures that everyone is paid fairly for undertaking the same or similar role. All Education and Training Boards' salary scales are approved by the Department of Education and Youth (DEY) and the Department of Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science (DFHERIS). We do not have any flexibility to apply off scale salaries to any specialist skillsets. We adhere to Department of Education Circular Letter 0047/2020 – Revised Arrangements applying to starting pay. This Circular Letter states that we must appoint at the minimum point of the scale. On occasion, we may have a new employee who is moving from an existing public service post. If appointed to a post that is deemed an analogous grade or scale, the new employee may be appointed at their current scale point.

The reason for the gender difference is that CMETB has more women than men employed at almost all grades, so the question could be asked as to why there is a gender pay gap.

While CMETB employs more females than males, there is a higher proportion of women at the lower end of salary scales. This then effects the Gender Pay Gap formula as the calculation is based on the gap between male and female salaries as the total hourly rate of staff which is divided by the number of people employed. With a significant proportion of female staff in CMETB at the lower end of the salary scale, a gender pay gap emerges.

Our analysis shows that it is mostly women in CMETB who are availing of family friendly working schemes, where employees choose to avail of job or work sharing, shorter working year, unpaid leave such as parental or carer's leave, and so forth, and as a result their annualised base pay is reduced. Life stage and caring responsibilities can affect the decision-making around career progression which can impact the Gender Pay Gap.

5 Measures to address the Gender Pay Gap

CMETB will continue to offer and promote a range of flexible working and leave options (paid and unpaid) which are available to all employees, irrespective of gender, including carer's leave, maternity and adoptive leave, paternity leave, parent's leave, parental leave, and other such schemes.

Hybrid working for certain staff roles, where the nature of work allows, is now part of a suite of flexible working arrangements such as shorter working year, parental leave and work-sharing. CMETB encourages a healthy work-life balance for all staff members and offers a comprehensive programme of health and wellbeing initiatives, including an Employee Assistance Service.

CMETB will continue to analyse and address insights from our annual Gender Pay Gap reports and develop actions and initiatives as necessary over the coming years to address any issues arising, in consultation, where appropriate, with the DEY and DFHERIS.

6 CMETB Commitment to Equality, Diversity and Inclusion

CMETB strongly believes that equality, diversity and inclusion is paramount to the growth of an organisation, and we commit ourselves to these values. It is important to ensure equality, diversity and inclusion are progressed throughout the organisation and that CMETB is reflective of Irish society as a whole.

6.1 Fair and transparent recruitment policies

CMETB is an equal opportunities employer and, as an organisation, we consistently strive towards the promotion of equality of opportunity throughout our recruitment procedures and policies. CMETB provides assistance and reasonable accommodations, if requested, throughout the recruitment and selection process, including accessible websites and recruitment portals, online interviews, accessible interview suites. We aim to ensure our workplaces are accessible to all and that all policies and procedures are inclusive and accessible in terms of language and the process. Members of interview selection boards are trained in unconscious bias and disability awareness.

6.2 Learning and Development

CMETB's vision statement is 'Empowerment through Learning and Progression for All'. This vision encompasses both learners and staff. CMETB is committed to providing opportunities to staff for ongoing learning and professional development on an equal basis.

CMETB employees are actively encouraged to pursue learning and development opportunities and enhance their skills to continue and further their career within CMETB. Learning opportunities include Competency-based interview skills training for administrative and teaching staff. Study and examination leave are available to certain staff.

6.3 Health and Wellbeing

Employee health and wellbeing is prioritised in CMETB. All staff have access to the Employee Assistance Service. The EAS provides advice to employees on a range of issues including wellbeing, legal, financial, bereavement, conflict, and mediation. It also provides support and advice to managers to help them deal with health and wellbeing issues in the workplace. Where appropriate, short-term counselling is available to employees and their family members. Under the EAS, a bespoke wellbeing portal and app is available offering a host of online services with access to live chats, videos, podcasts and blogs on topics around mental health, family life, exercise and nutrition. In addition, online cognitive behavioural therapy is also available to employees.

6.4 CMETB Public Sector Duty

As a public sector organisation, CMETB has an obligation under the Public Sector Equality and Human Rights Duty, to take measures to eliminate discrimination, promote equality of opportunity and protect the human rights of CMETB employees and those we provide services to, when carrying out our functions as an organisation.

Public sector bodies are required to set out to the public in their strategic plans, their assessment of the human rights and equality issues, including gender equality, they believe to be relevant to their functions and the existing or proposed policies, plans and actions to address those issues.

CMETB is actively embedding our Public Sector Duty in the organisational structure, policy development and the provision and delivery of services. The Public Sector Duty is an intrinsic part of the Strategy Statement 2022-2026 and is reported on an annual basis through our Annual Report.

We will continue to develop our commitments to equality, diversity and inclusion throughout the organisation and provide responsive services and excellent customer care to our service users and the wider public.

As an organisation, CMETB will continue to analyse data related to the Gender Pay Gap to discern why a gender gap occurs. CMETB will use these findings, where appropriate, to develop and implement actions and initiatives to address the gender pay gap, understand why differences occur and use those findings to address any issues arising. We will endeavour to become an employer of choice in the Cavan and Monaghan region and attract, develop and maintain an inclusive and diverse employee population.

CMETB will continue to support and promote national equality, diversity and inclusion measures, including those measures aimed at reducing the Gender Pay Gap. As a public sector organisation, we continually aim to develop and encourage a diverse and inclusive work environment.



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