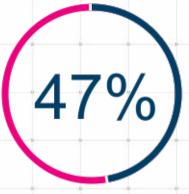
# **Women and Work: The Facts**

Unleashing the full potential of women in the workplace could be worth £23 billion to the Exchequer



of the UK workforce are women.



9.4% is the median full time pay gap between men and women. For every £1 earned by a man a woman earns 81p³



1 in 10 women have experienced sexual harassment in the workplace

Over 1/2 tribunal cases involve sex discrimination.





2.11 million men<sup>5</sup>



5.85 million women

of women say society expects women to put family before their career.

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62% of women feel pressured to succeed at both work and home.

72% of women feel conflicted in their ability to balance family with career.



### Children & childcare

38% of employed women have dependent children 43.6% of mothers with dependent children are in full time employment.



#### Shared parental leave

91% of fathers take time off after the birth, but only 29% take more than 2 weeks.



#### Care

1 in 5 women are carers.7

'The workplace needs equality for all and not just for those who can work long hours'



## Work / life balance

**43%** of workers believe that flexible working would help them with stress <sup>6</sup>

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54% of women with children leaving the workplace do so as they need a better work - life balance?



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