

# Inflation & Impact on Global Pay

PARC Peer-to-Peer Exchange

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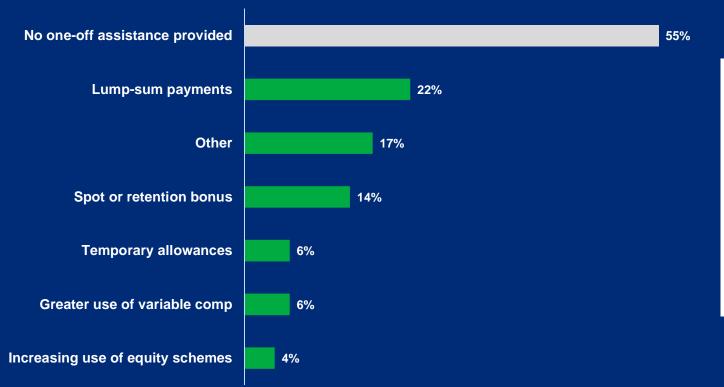


## **REWARD TRENDS**



## Company Interventions: One-off Assistance (Europe & UK)

**TAAP - Real-Time Insights Pulse: September 2022** 



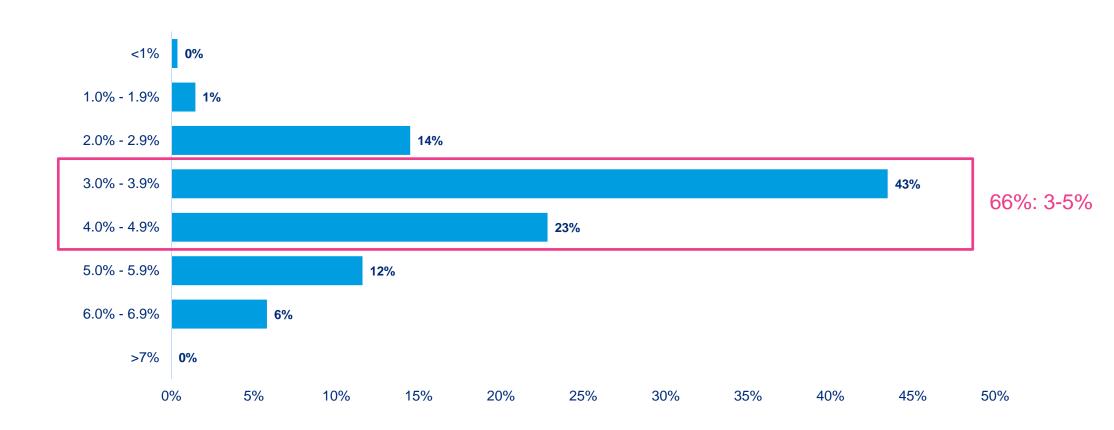
In the UK, we have seen the following company interventions:

- One-off allowances paid in lump sums
- Temporary monthly allowances to assist with the cost of living
- Financial wellbeing support
- Discounted / free food at work
- Additional fuel allowance
- Enhanced communications of current benefits, EAP etc.
- Interest free loans



## **Spot Poll: 2022 Salary Budget**

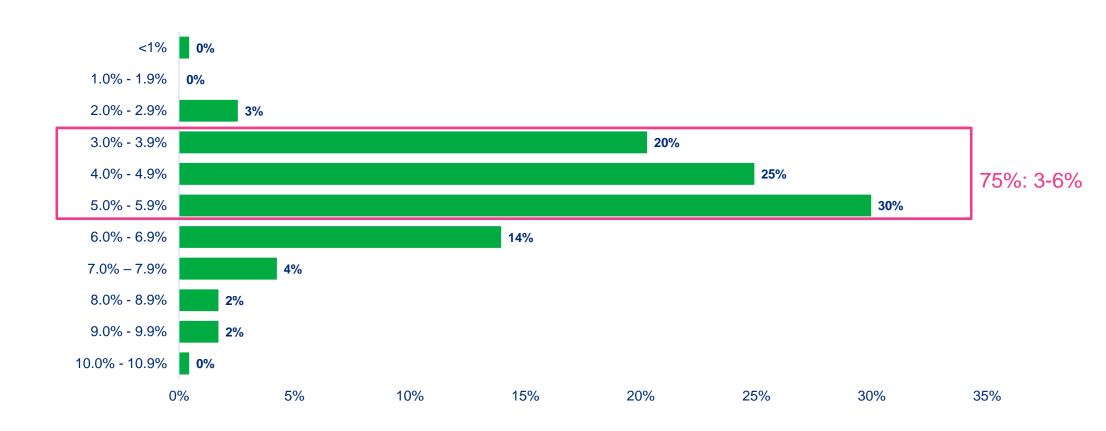
What was your final budget for the year including any off-cycle increases?



Mercer N = 276 Source: Mercer UK TRS Launch Meeting, November 22

## **Spot Poll: 2023 Salary Budget**

What is your salary increase budget for 2023?



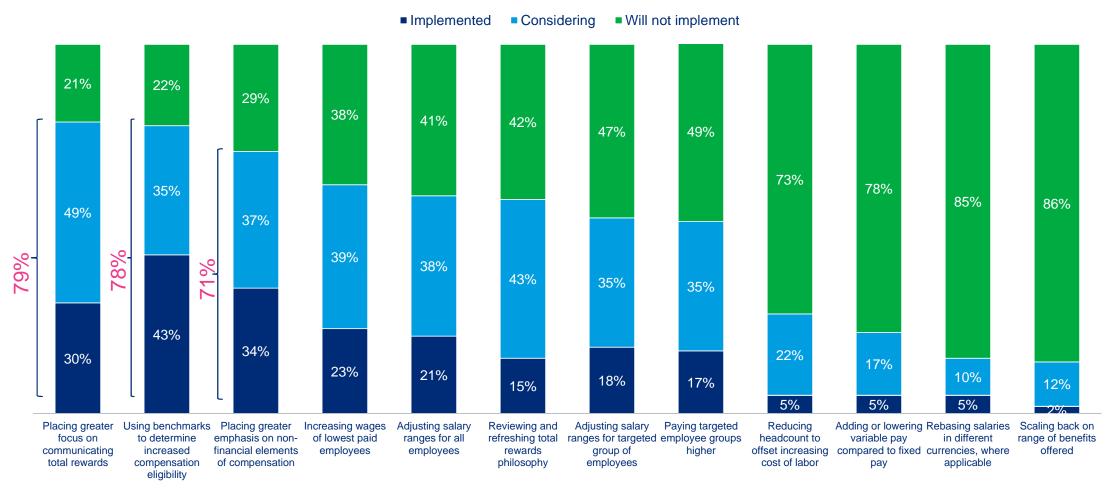
## Real-time Insight Pulse: Inflation and impact on pay and rewards

Only for companies factoring inflation into their 2023 merit budgets, by how many percentage points are their 2023 merit budget <u>higher</u> than their 2022 budget?



## Activities among participants, given heightened inflation

#### Global data





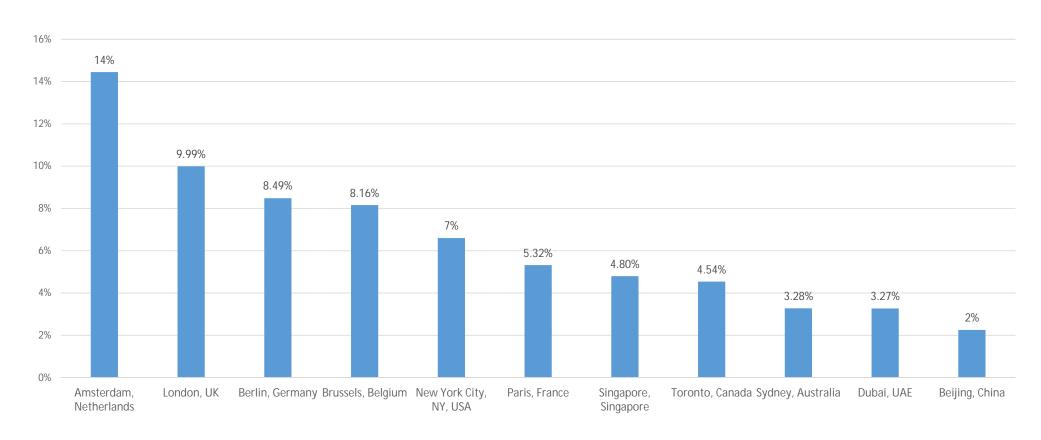
## INTERNATIONAL INFLATION TRENDS



## **Evolution Of Cost Of Living Price Movements**

#### **Price Changes In Select World Markets**

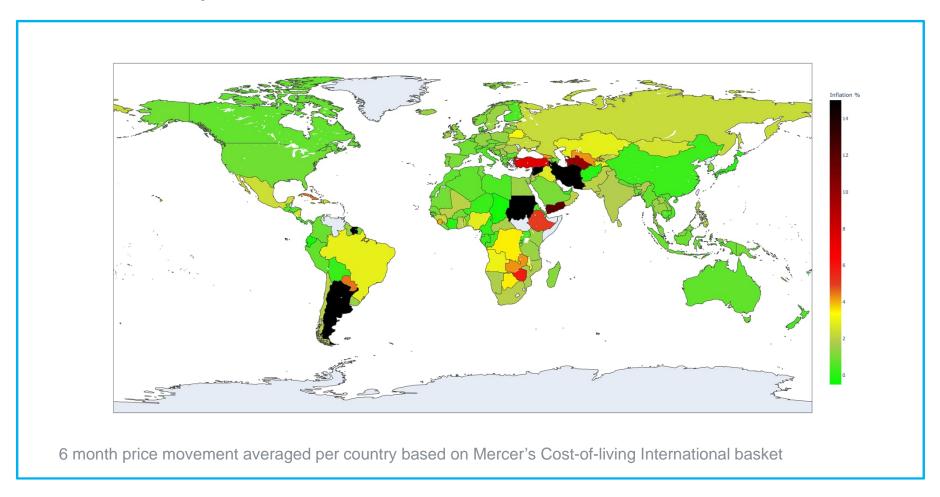
September 2021 to September 2022; Mercer Updated International Basket





### **Evolution of Price Movements**

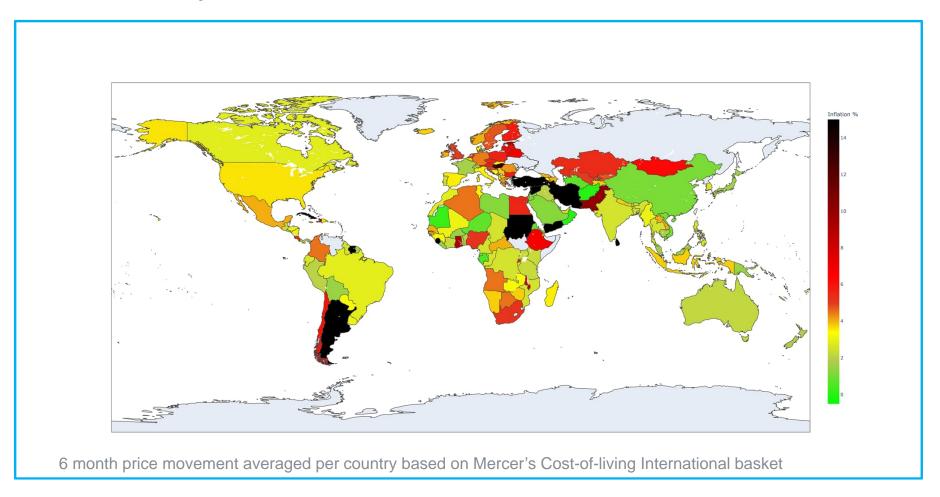
### **Between March and September 2021**





## **Evolution of Price Movements**

### **Between March and September 2022**





## **Changes In Housing Data – Regional Trends**

#### **Northern America**

#### **Increasing** trend:

- Los Angeles, CA, USA (5.5%)
- Portland, OR, USA (4.5%)
- Salt Lake City, UT, USA (4%)

#### **Latin America and the Caribbean**

#### **Increasing** trend:

- Cordoba, Argentina (35%)
- San Juan, Puerto Rico (16.5%)
- Sao Paulo, Brazil (16.5%)
- George Town, Cayman Islands (13%)
- Rio De Janeiro, Brazil (8.5%)
- **Decreasing** trend:
- Ciudad Del Carmen, Mexico (-4.5%)
- Monterrey, Mexico (-4%)

#### **Europe**

#### Increasing trend:

- Ankara, Turkiye (16%)
- Istanbul, Turkiye (10%)
- Warsaw, Poland (7.5%)
- Limassol, Cyprus (6.5%)
- Amsterdam, Netherlands (4.5%)
- Tallinn, Estonia (4.5%)
- Bern, Switzerland (4.5%)

#### **Decreasing** trend:

- Minsk, Belarus(-10%)
- Belgrade, Serbia (-3%)

#### <u>Africa</u>

#### **Increasing** trend:

- Kigali, Rwanda(16.5%)
- Djibouti, Djibouti (9.5%)
- Banjul, Gambia (9.5%)
- Port Louis, Mauritius (4%)

#### **Decreasing** trend:

- Maputo, Mozambique (-4%)
- Accra, Ghana (-4%)
- Blantyre, Malawi (-3%)

#### <u>Asia</u>

#### Increasing trend:

- Singapore, Singapore (19%)
- Dubai, United Arab Emirates (14%)
- Mumbai, India (9%)
- Manila, Philippines (9%)
- Doha, Qatar (7.5%)
- New Delhi, India (6.5%)
- Islamabad, Pakistan (6%)
- Shanghai, China (5%)

#### **Decreasing** trend:

- Xian, China (-9.5%)
- Chengdu, China(-7.5%)
- Wuhan, China(-7%)
- Shenzhen, China(-5.5%)
- Guangzhou, China(-5.5%)
- Tianjin, China(-5%)

#### <u>Oceania</u>

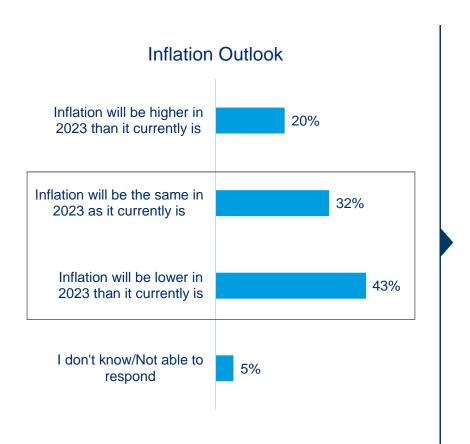
#### **Increasing** trend:

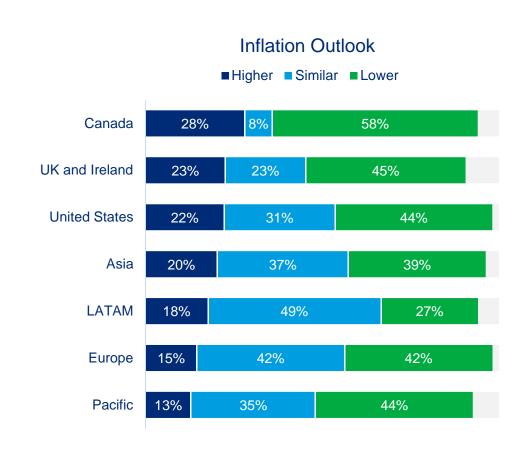
- Brisbane, Australia(5%)
- Melbourne , Australia (4.5%)
- Sydney, Australia (2.5%)
- Adelaide, Australia (2.5%)





## Most CEOs/CFOs anticipate <u>inflation levels will be the same or lower</u> in 2023. Notably, respondents in Canada, the UK/Ireland and the US are the most optimistic that inflation will decrease in the coming year.









### Both CFOs and CEOs consider inflation a <u>higher risk</u> to their organisations than a recession

most concerned about the impact of inflation versus a recession on their business

most concerned about the impact of a **recession** versus inflation on their business

49% 35% 15%

most concerned about the cost and availability of labour over a recession or inflationary challenges

#### Observations:

CFOs and CEOs in the United Kingdom are the most concerned about the impact of inflation (66%).

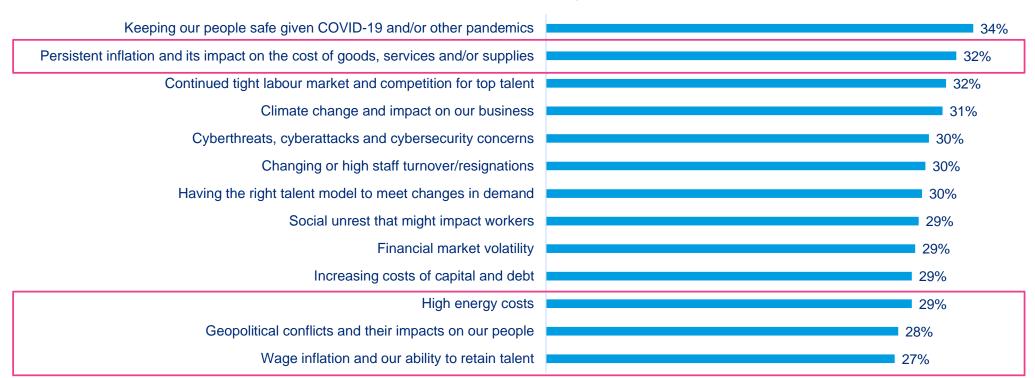
CFOs and CEOs in Canada and the United States are more likely to be concerned about the impact of a recession (44%).





## Interestingly, leaders are <u>less</u> likely to consider high energy costs, wage inflation and their ability to retain talent, and geopolitical conflicts, in their 2023 planning discussions, compared with inflationary costs on goods, services and / or supplies

#### Drivers of business planning discussions in 2023





## LIVING WAGE



## What does Living Wage mean to you?

In practice, multiple interpretations of Living Wage can be summarised as descriptive of three different 'comfort' levels, although descriptions for each of these levels may vary significantly across countries:

Basic Living Wage

- The full-time wage to support the purchase of essential goods and services, at well researched and discount prices, to allow for a healthy and functional standard of living
- It meets the practical needs of the employees in utilitarian (basic) surroundings

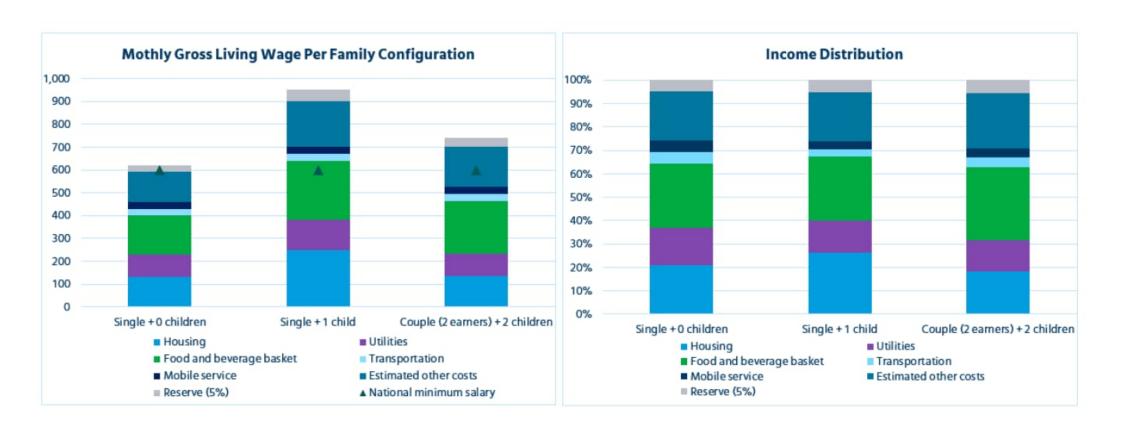
Decent Living Wage

- The full-time wage to support the purchase of necessary goods and services, predominantly using planned (and some convenience) buying, to provide a healthy and comfortable standard of living
- It meets the needs of employees in modest surroundings.

Good Living Wage

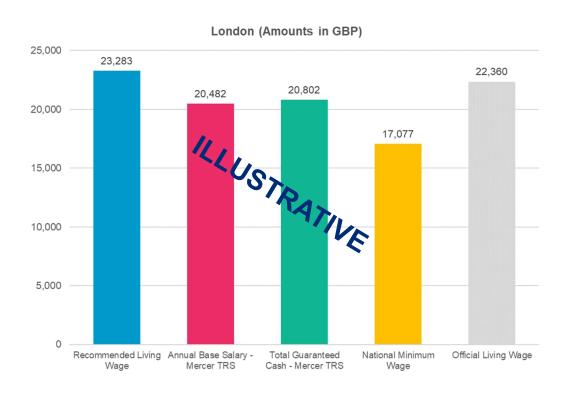
- The full-time wage to support the purchase of appropriate goods and services at reasonable prices (including some convenience buying) to support a healthy and comfortable standard of living, including access to inexpensive occasional pleasures (such as leisure and social activities)
- It meets the needs of employees in a comfortable but in extravagant lifestyle

## Who is your Living Wage intended to support?





## How does a Living Wage compare to other relevant benchmark points of reference?



	London
Food and Beverage Basket	39.88
Public Transportation	31.11
Housing	113.54
Utilities	12.31
Utilities  Mobile service cost  Medical  Sum of estimated weekly costs  Weekly cost as % of net income  Total estimated weekly costs	6.00
Medical	0.87
Sum of estimated weekly costs	203.70
Weekly cost as % of net income	54.7%
Total estimated weekly costs	372.47
Total estimated annual net income	19,368
Estimated annual tax	2,157
Estimated annual social security	1,758
TOTAL GROSS SALARY	23,283





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