## **HOW MUCH IS TACO TUESDAY AT WORK WORTH?**

Need help explaining the totality of employees' compensation packages? We've got a tool for that.

Salary and wages are historically the biggest factor in compensation. But benefits are a significant portion, as well.

However, despite the sizable investment employers make in their workers, many do not have a full picture of (or appreciation for) the entire compensation package they receive. And that can lead to unnecessary turnover and higher recruiting and retention costs for a company.

IN LIMRA'S 2022 BEAT STUDY: BENEFITS AND EMPLOYEE ATTITUDE TRACKER:

- Almost 2/3 of U.S. employees say benefits, beyond salary, are important for staying with an employer.
- 3 in 10 say they're not even sure if their employer offers the benefits they want the most, like health, dental, and flexible work arrangements!

As of September 2022, the U.S. Dept. of Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) reported that:

**Total Compensation Costs Employers Pay Employees** 

29.5% BENEFITS

> 70.5% **SALARY**

# HELP EMPLOYEES AND RECRUITS UNDERSTAND THE TOTAL VALUE OF THEIR COMPENSATION PACKAGE:

A total compensation statement can be a useful tool to make employees aware of how much they receive every year... beyond salary and how much you're investing in them. **A typical total compensation statement may include information about:** 



FINANCIAL BENEFITS, LIKE SALARY



HEALTH BENEFITS, LIKE MEDICAL INSURANCE



NICE-TO-HAVE PERKS, LIKE FREE MEALS, PARKING, OR COMPANY-PAID GYM MEMBERSHIPS

As helpful as they are, however, total compensation statements can be time-consuming to put together and update every year. To make that task easier, use the following worksheet as a sample to create one that best reflects your compensation package. By documenting the value of each component in your plan and adding them up at the end, you can help employees realize their true compensation at your organization.



### KEY COMPONENTS OF YOUR TOTAL COMPENSATION PACKAGE

## WAGES **BASE SALARY** | The annual amount you pay an employee. **BONUS** | The amount of any initial sign-on, retention or annual bonuses you provide employee. **COMMISSIONS** | The amount an employee earns on the sale of products or services. TOTAL \$\_\_\_\_\_

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HEALTH INSURANCE   How much you contribute for single	\$
coverage. (The average amount employers contribute for each of	
their employees is approximately <u>\$6,440</u> .)	

**HEALTH SAVINGS ACCOUNT** | How much you contribute to offset \$\_\_\_\_\_ the amount employees have to pay out-of-pocket to meet health plan deductibles. (According to recent estimates, the average

contribution was \$600.)

MENTAL HEALTH BENEFITS/EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (EAP) | How much you pay per employee per year for free access

to mental health benefits and/or dollar value of free virtual sessions.

**DENTAL/VISION CARE** | How much, if any, you contribute for single coverage.

**DISABILITY** | How much, if any, you contribute for short- or longterm disability coverage.

TOTAL \$\_\_\_\_\_

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FINANCIAL WELLNESS	
RETIREMENT PLAN MATCH   How much you will contribute to an employee's retirement plan (The average employer match is about 3.5% of annual salary.)	\$
LIFE INSURANCE   The annual cost you pay to provide each employee with a free amount of life insurance.	\$
<b>COMPANY STOCK</b>   How much of a stock grant/bonus, if any, you provide to new hires and employees.	\$
STUDENT LOAN REPAYMENT   How much you contribute to help employees repay student loans. (The CARES Act allows employers to pay up to \$5,250 tax-free per employee.)	\$
CELL PHONE AND OTHER EQUIPMENT   How much of an allowance you pay every year toward an employee's cell phone bills and/or other equipment (laptop, computer, printer, etc.)	\$
<b>COMPANY CAR</b>   How much of an allowance you pay every year to reimburse an employee for using his/her car for business.	\$
TOTAL \$	

COMPANY FEES  PTO   The annual amount of PTO you offer employees: e.g., daily wage x # of days off per year.	\$
HOLIDAY AND PERSONAL DAYS   The number of days off/holidays you offer employees: e.g., daily wage x # of days per year.	\$
COMPANY-PAID FITNESS OFFERINGS   How much you pay toward a gym membership for employees to maintain physical fitness.	\$
<b>COMPLIMENTARY MEALS</b>   How much of a stipend or free lunch (e.g., Taco Tuesdays) you offer employees every year.	\$
FREE PARKING AND/OR COMMUTER FARES   How much you pay toward employee parking or commuter fares on public transport.	\$
TOTAL \$	

#### **NO-COST/HIGH VALUE BENEFITS**

REMOTE WORK ARRANGEMENT

**FLEXIBLE WORK SCHEDULES** 

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OUR EMPLOYEE BENEFITS TEAM CAN HELP YOU PUT TOGETHER A
BENEFITS STRATEGY THAT CAN HELP BOTH EMPLOYEES AND RECRUITS
APPRECIATE THE TOTAL COMPENSATION PACKAGE YOU OFFER AND
MOTIVATE THEM TO JOIN (AND STAY WITH) YOUR ORGANIZATION.

**CONTACT US TODAY** TO TALK ABOUT YOUR NEEDS.



