

# What average housewife would earn for jobs she usually does for nothing..

## £30,000

per yr for  
all duties



## £36.40

per day for  
child care



## £17.30

for daily  
cooking



**THE average housewife would earn almost £30,000 a year if she was paid the market rate for the chores she does in the home, a survey revealed yesterday.**

Most housewives work 8.8 hours a day, seven days a week without pay. But they would rake in £21.79 a day, or £572.53 a week, if they performed the same tasks for an employer.

The pay women are due for their labours at home works out at £6,000 more than the national average.

Household errands, child care, cooking and dealing with family finances mean women have a hectic timetable with little free time.

The poll of 4,000 housewives showed how they spend 4 hours 33 minutes each day looking after the children. A nanny on the same hours would earn £36.40, based on an average hourly wage of £8.

A housewife spends a further 71 minutes vacuuming, dusting, washing, cleaning toilets and bathrooms, tidying and cleaning the floors.

A cleaner would be paid £7.10. The average housewife also spends 14 minutes making the beds, for which a chambermaid, on an hourly wage of £5.52, would get £1.29.

Housewives spend 63 minutes a day cooking. An experienced head chef, paid £16.48 an hour, would earn £17.30 for

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similar tasks. The poll revealed housewives spend 26 minutes a day washing up. A qualified kitchen assistant would be paid £2.57.

A further 39 minutes a day is spent on family finances. The same tasks would earn an accountant £12.50, based on an average hourly wage of £19.23.

Housewives also spend 23 minutes a day driving children to school or doing other errands. A taxi driver would earn £2.53 for this, based on an average hourly wage of £6.59.

And the 69-minute weekly shop means housewives spend the equivalent of 18 minutes a day in supermarkets, for which a paid shopper would get £2.10.

Seventy one per cent of women polled claimed the successful running of the family home was a full-time job.

And 46 per cent said their efforts went unappreciated by partners and children.

Carolyn Morris, spokeswoman for housewives' social networking site [www.alljoinon.com](http://www.alljoinon.com), said: "This survey clearly demonstrates that not only do housewives deserve a wage, they also need a break from the daily grind."

"Sixty per cent of women wish they had more time to meet friends, away from unfulfilling tasks."

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**NANNY**  
Looking after  
kids for 4 hrs  
33mins a day  
would pay  
£36.40

**CLEANER**  
£7.10 for  
71mins  
of work

**COOK**  
An experienced  
head chef would  
earn £17.30 for  
63 minutes

**CABBIE**  
£2.53 for for  
23 mins of  
driving the kids  
around

**MAID**  
An average 14  
mins making  
beds would pay  
£1.29

## DOMESTIC DUES..

