

Homemakers

A family life requires agreement on the division of labour between a wife and husband. Most commonly, but not always, the husband goes to work to earn money for the whole family, while the wife stays at home to care for the children and household. This role is often called "homemaker".

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There can be many reasons for someone to be a homemaker. When children are young, the cost of day care may be more than a person could earn at work, or the parents may simply prefer to raise their children at home.

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The jobs that a homemaker does would cost a great deal of money if performed by professionals – nanny, laundry service, cook, cleaner, and so on. Indeed, it represents a great deal of unpaid work whose importance is often undervalued. Children do not naturally grow up to be obedient, healthy, and happy; food does not cook itself; and houses do not spontaneously become clean. It can sometimes seem like a homemaker's work is never done because every job needs to be done again the next day!

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Was your mother or father a homemaker?

How much does a homemaker usually earn?