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Morrison, paid more than \$550k, continues to oppose \$1 per hour increase for workers

The Prime Minister has continued to oppose the roughly \$1 per hour increase through the Annual Wage Review that is needed to ensure that low-paid workers do not see more real wage cuts. The average Australian worker lost \$800 in real terms last year and is projected to lose another \$2,000 in the first half of 2022 alone.

Scott Morrison's \$550,000 salary makes him the fifth highest-paid leader worldwide, and pay for Australian politicians has increased 30 per cent over the last ten years.

Despite this, the Prime Minister believes it is necessary to cut the wages of the lowest paid workers in the country in real terms.

1 in 4 workers has their pay set by the Annual Wage Review of the Fair Work Commission.

Quotes attributable to ACTU Secretary Sally McManus:

"Scott Morrison should explain to workers that rely on the Annual Wage Review for pay rises why they don't deserve even a fraction of the wage growth he has enjoyed over the last ten years.

"This Government is happy to watch their own wages keep climbing, but won't lift a finger to help Australian workers.

"Working people deserve a Prime Minister and a government that will put their interests first, rather than only looking out for themselves."

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