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Jennifer Lawrence speaks on Hollywood pay gap



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Jennifer Lawrence is one of the highest paid actresses in the world — and yet she's still paid millions of dollars less than her male co-stars. The Oscar-winning actress slammed Hollywood's persistent gender pay gap in a new interview with *Vogue*, telling the magazine that while actors are often "overpaid," the discrepancy still stings. "It doesn't matter how much I do," she said. "I'm still not going to get paid as much as that guy"

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Lawrence, 32, earned \$5 million less than Leonardo DiCaprio for Netflix's star-studded dystopian film "Don't Look Up," which was released in December 2021, *Vanity Fair* reported.

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"I'm extremely fortunate and happy with my deal," Lawrence told *Vanity Fair* shortly before the movie's release. "But in other situations, what I have seen — and I'm sure other women in the workforce have seen as well — is that it's extremely uncomfortable to inquire about equal pay. And if you do question some-

thing that appears unequal, you're told it's not gender disparity, but they can't tell you what exactly it is." On average, women earn about \$1.1 million less than their male co-stars, according to 2017 research from three professors: Sofia Izquierdo Sanchez of the University of Huddersfield, Maria Navarro Paniagua of Lancaster University, and John S. Heywood of the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. For actors over 50, that gap

is even wider: Older actresses earned almost \$4 million less than male actors. Other studies have noted that women of color are significantly underpaid compared to white women. This isn't the first time Lawrence is speaking out about Hollywood's pay gap. The hacking of Sony Pictures' computer systems in 2014 revealed that Lawrence's compensation for the 2013 film "American Hustle" had been much less than her male co-stars — Bradley Cooper, Christian Bale and Jeremy Renner received a 9% cut of the film's profits, while Lawrence and Amy Adams saw 7%, according to *Business Insider*.

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Cardi B is happy to indulge her children. The chart-topping rap star - who has *Kulture*, four, and *Wave*, 12 months, with her husband Offset - is determined to "ball" during her adult life after she struggled for money during her own childhood.

Cardi, 29 - who married Offset in 2017 - wrote on Twitter: "I know I can be a little extra when it comes to my kids but I ain't really had s*** growing up soooo yea imma ball (sic)" Cardi is now one of the best-selling artists in the world and has already won a host of awards during her rap career. But the 'WAP' hitmaker previously claimed she was actually hap-

Cardi - who worked as a stripper before finding success in the music business - said: "One positive thing is that, my family, whatever they want, they get. Everything that I want to buy, I can get. I don't have to worry so much about my future."

"One negative thing is that, even though I'm happy, I feel like I was a little bit happier two or three years ago when I had less money. I had less people who had opinions about my life. I felt like my life was mine."

"Now I feel like I don't even own my life. I feel like the world owns me."

Despite this, Cardi doesn't have any plans to leave the spotlight.

She said: "I really want to accomplish more records, more Billboard hits."

"I might want to get into acting or designing clothes, but my real goal is to have beautiful kids, a beautiful mansion, and do business that makes me money until the day I die. Then be able pass it on to my children."

Cardi B

Harry Styles says he's clueless as an actor

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Former One Direction member and actor Harry Styles says he doesn't know what he is doing in the acting industry.

Despite playing a lead role in the new movie 'Don't Worry Darling', the pop superstar confesses that he feels out of his comfort zone as an actor, reports *aceshowbiz.com*.

"Music I've done a lot longer so I'm a bit more comfortable. What I like about acting is I feel like I have no idea what I'm doing," he told reporters at the Venice Film Festival. The 'As It Was' singer explained that he considers music and acting to be "opposite in a lot of ways", but he embraces the "fun" sense of the unknown that comes with both professions.

Harry Styles

Harry, 28, said, "making music is a really personal thing".

"There are aspects of acting where you're drawing from experiences a bit, but for the most part you're pretending to play someone else. That's what I find the most interesting about it. They can aid each

other in a way. "Any time you get to view the world through a different lens, it can help to create whichever way it goes. I find it really different. I think the fun part is that you never know what you're doing in either one of them," he adds.

Harry shared that he plans to combine both music and acting going forward.

"I feel very lucky I get to do something I love as a job. I feel like being able to explore this has made me feel even luckier I get to do two things I really enjoy. "In terms of the future... I enjoy both. It's all fun to play in both worlds and see how they affect each other," the popstar concludes.

Kanye West names his favourite Beyonce song

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Rapper Kanye West has named his "favourite song" on Beyonce's 'Renaissance'.

The track 'Church Girl' on the 'Halo' hitmaker's latest LP was among the favourite tune shared by the rap legend to his 17 million Instagram followers, reports *aceshowbiz.com*.

"Favourite song on Beyonce album," he captioned a screenshot of the song on a streaming service. The 'Stronger' hitmaker previously

appeared alongside the former Destiny's Child star and her rapper husband Jay-Z on 2011's 'Lift Off'.

The 45-year-old star also hailed DJ Khaled's star-studded 'God Did' joint "song of the year" with his own track 'Wait 4 U' with Drake and Future.

He wrote "Song of the year next to Wait For You."

The track features Rick Ross, Lil Wayne, Jay-Z, John Legend, and Fridayy.

Kanye West

Cardi B wants her kids to 'ball'

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