

Union demonstrates financial benefits of full-time work

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Municipal unions are pushing for the right to full-time work across the sector to tackle what they see as excessive use of part-time contracts. The [FOA](#) trade union has calculated the financial implications of full-time (37 hours a week) work for different occupations working different hours. For example, a social and health care assistant, who today is 41 years old, can increase their life time income (including all allowances and pensions) by DKK 5.3 million (over €700,000) by working full-time instead of 25 hours. Even older workers would see a real difference with a 51-year-old cleaner able to earn DKK 1.2 million (€160,000) more by going from a 32 to 37 hour working week until retirement age (68).

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