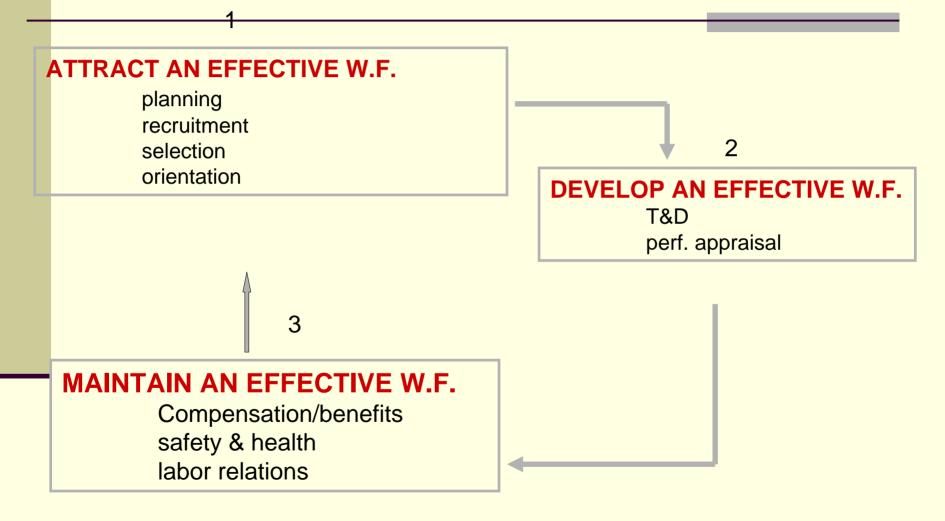
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Maintaining Human Resources

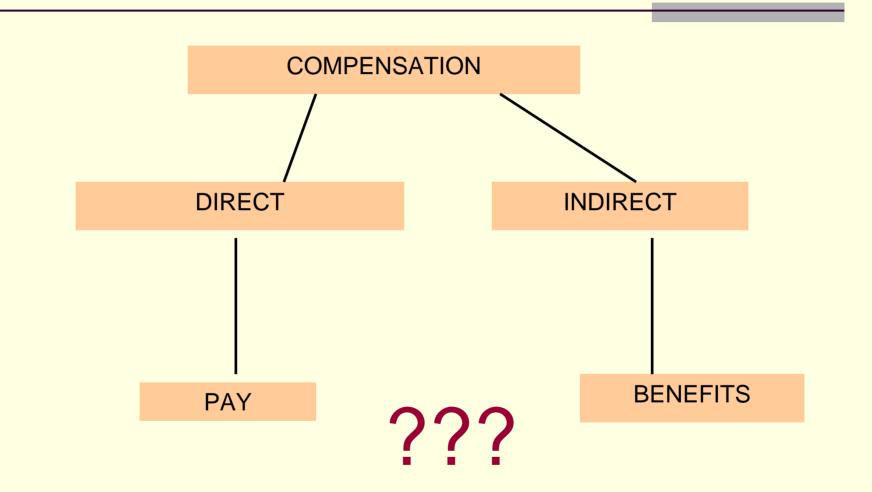
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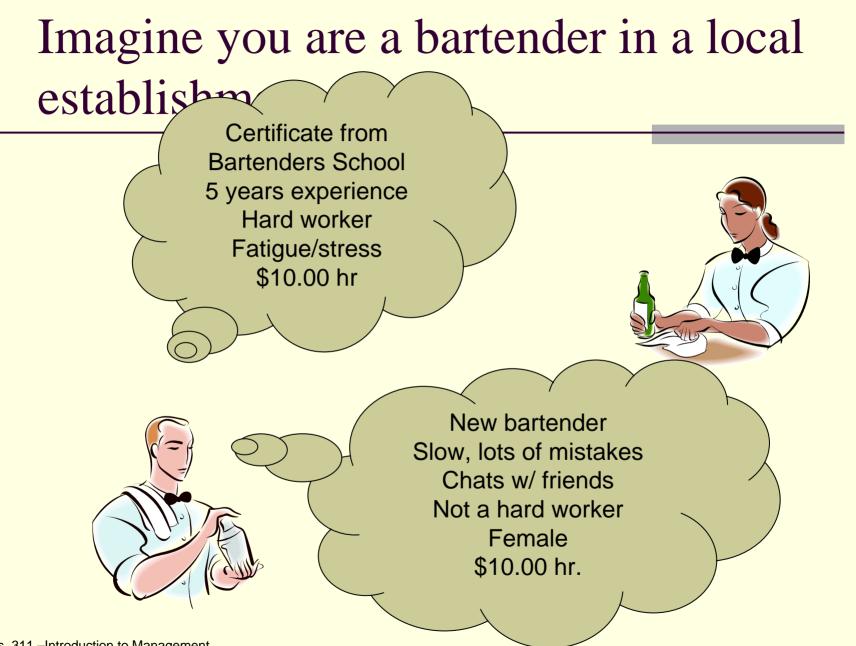
3 MAIN GOALS OF HRM











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Equity Theory

We compare ourselves to others.

If we believe inequity exists then we try to restore equity.

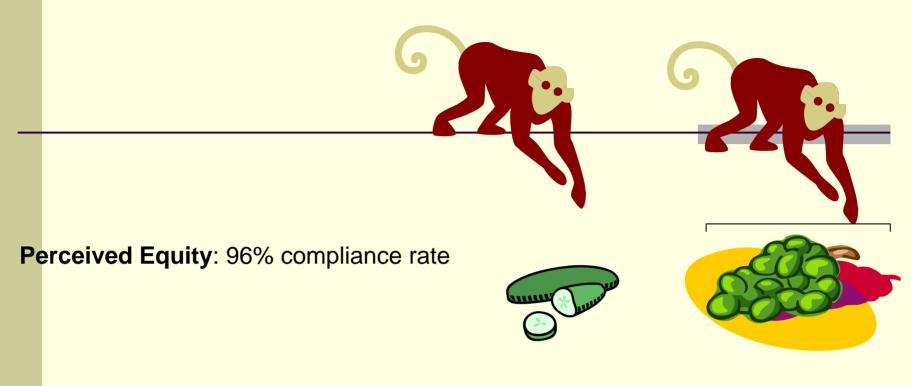
As managers, we are unable to predict *exactly* what they will do, but we know they will do something.

Treated unfairly, monkeys go on strike

Unequal rewards immediately noticed, researcher finds

San Francisco Chronicle, Sept, 2003

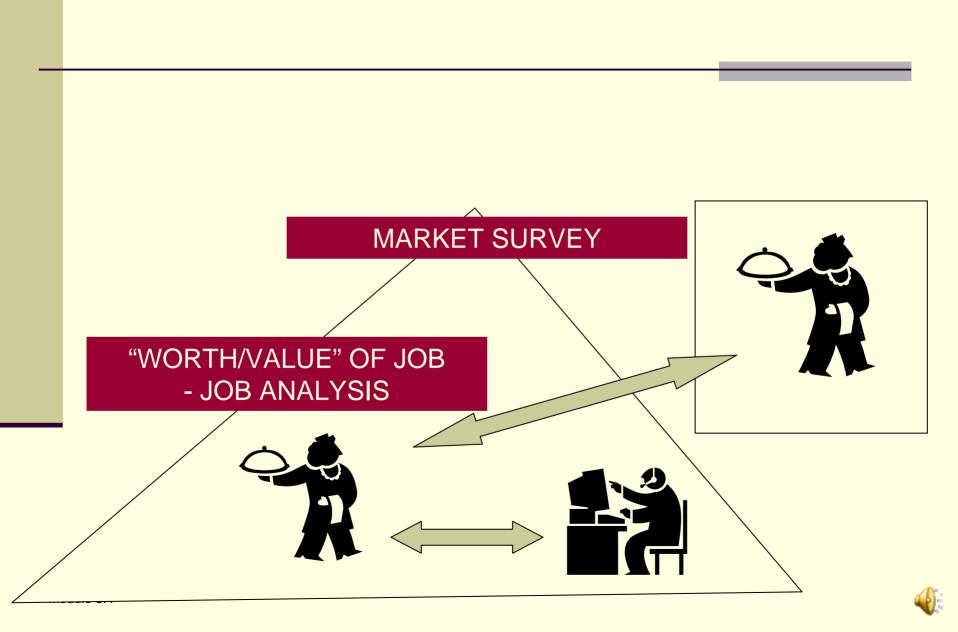




Perceived moderate inequity: 60% compliance rate

Perceived high inequity: 20% compliance rate

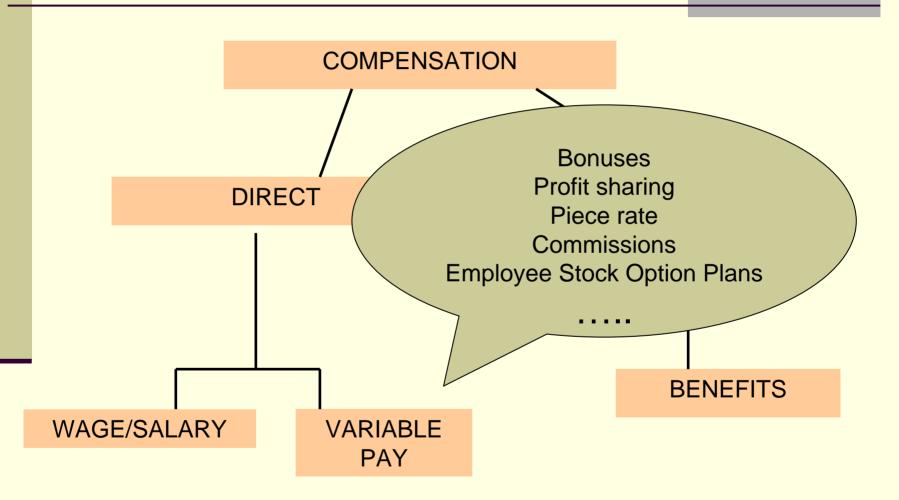








<u>Variable Pay</u>: 1) to link individual performance to business goals 2) to reward superior performance





Compensation as Incentives

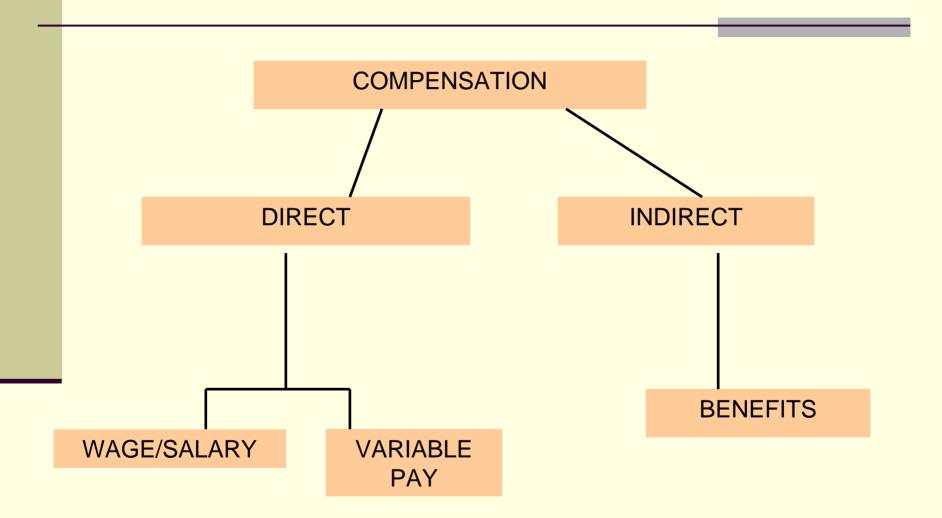
"We get what we reward"

Incentives can be based on: Seniority/tenure Skills acquired Merit/Performance

Pay-for-Performance Programs

A Motivation Topic







Brief History of Benefits

Unions gained strength in 20s & 30s

Social Security Act (1935)

WWII - wage freeze resulted in substitution w/ benefits



Acceleration in "fringe benefits"

averages 40% of payroll (2000)

(1945 - benefits averaged 5% of payroll)

approx. \$20,000 total benefits/per employee

firms generally do a poor job of communicating to employees about the value of their benefits packages



Legally Required Benefits

Federal Insurance Contribution Act (FICA) SOCIAL SECURITY





Legally Required Benefits

SOCIAL SECURITY

•RETIREMENT INCOME

•SURVIVOR BENEFITS

•DISABILITY PAYMENTS

WHO PAYS? BOTH EMPLOYER & EMPLOYEE PAY INTO THE SYSTEM (7.65% ---- 6.2 % into Social Security; 1.5% into Medicare)



Legally Required Benefits

WORKERS' COMPENSATION

- an employee insurance program against injury/disability incurred on the job.
- Premiums paid for by employer on sliding-scale.

UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION (1935)

50 – 80% of normal pay to qualified unemployed workers, typically for up to 26 weeks coverage

FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE ACT (1993)

Firms sized 50+; eligible employees can take up to 12 wks. unpaid leave w/ guarantee of same or comparable job upon return



Discretionary Benefits

- SHRM survey 2000

Benefit	% of companies offering
Health Care	84%
Dental Care	96%
Retiree Health Benefits	33%
Life Insurance	93%
Relocation Benefits	62%
Spousal Relocation Benefits	19%
Educational Assistance	73%
Financial and Retirement Planning Assistance	40%
Employee Assistance Programs	67%
Smoking Cessation Programs	28%
Wellness Programs	52%
Weight Loss Programs	17%
Flextime	58%
Telecommuting	37%
On Site Child Care	5%



CURRENT APPROACH TO BENEFITS MANAGEMENT

- FLEXIBLE BENEFITS PLANS (CAFETERIA BENEFIT PLANS)
- employees given a core plan (which includes their legal benefits)
 - employees given benefit "credits" which they can "spend" on additional benefits of their choice



Two controversial HRM topics

CEO compensation

Social Security reform



