

# Say it again, say it often: the public sector is paid less...

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*"It is more government that got us into this mess!" David Cameron declared in last week's [speech](#), to cheers from the conference. No, it was not. Only a lot more government and mountains more taxpayers' cash got us out of a mess caused by runaway financiers.*

Polly, on form.

And the arguments on pay aren't just good rhetoric - they're reasoned, and right.