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NYC PUTS THE “OT” IN GOTHAM

Hundreds of New York City government employees more than doubled their pay with overtime during the city’s 2016 fiscal year, according to the latest [payroll data](#) added to SeeThroughNY, the Empire Center’s transparency website.

Of the 307 earning two or more times their base pay, 163 worked for the Department of Correction, and 42 worked for the Department of Transportation. In fiscal 2015, by comparison, a total of 195 city employees doubled their pay with overtime.

The fiscal 2016 data also show:

- A total of 168 employees were paid over \$100,000 in overtime; among them, 82 worked for the city Department of Correction.
- Almost every employee in the New York City Mayor’s office received a raise last year, at a total cost of \$2 million. Twenty-one employees received raises of more than 20 percent.

The overtime counts do not include payments to undercover law enforcement officers. The Empire Center has sued the city Office of Payroll Administration for access to amounts paid to those individuals on an anonymous, identity-protected basis.

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