Aldi boosts staff pay by 20% at warehouses

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taff at Aldi's warehouses have seen their pay rise 20% in a year after the <u>supermarket</u> gave workers another boost to their <u>wages</u>.

The German-headquartered business will give its 7,000 of its warehouse staff a new minimum rate of £13.18 per hour from February, the third rise since the beginning of last year, when rates stood at £11.48.

It comes after Aldi's recent pay review for store sssistants which saw the firm offer starting pay of £11.00 an hour nationally, rising to £11.90, and £12.45 rising to £12.75, within the M25.

Giles Hurley, boss of Aldi UK and Ireland, said: "Just as we promise our customers that we will do all we can to support them, we are equally committed to supporting our amazing Aldi colleagues — as we remain the highest-paying supermarket in the UK.

Almost one pound in six spent in <u>supermarkets</u> in the run up to Christmas went to the German discounter twins <u>Aldi</u> and <u>Lidl</u> as the cost of living crisis sent <u>shoppers</u> seeking out cut price groceries in their droves, new figures reveal today.

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In the 12 weeks to Christmas Day the two companies had a record combined market share of 16.3% — ahead of the number two chain Sainsbury's — as sales passed £5.5 billion, according to latest data from market researchers Kantar.

The data shows Aldi sales surging by 27% on the previous year to reach a market share of 9.1%, while Lidl's revenues were 23.9% up giving it a share of 7.2%.

Aldi, which has more than 900 stores, pledged to offer the lowest prices to shoppers throughout 20223 "no matter what."