

Will You End Up Working Better and Saving Millions?

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Some people think that working from an office is better than working from home, but I have reason to believe that this is not true. There are many reasons that working from home is superior. Getting work done in an office is very challenging. At home, though, there are none of those frequent distractions. Working from home makes schedules more flexible, allowing more time, which results in more money. This is efficient in getting work done faster and better.

One of the many advantages of working from home is that there aren't any of those typical, everyday office distractions. Christopher Crosby, a Municipal Bond Analyst and president of Spring Lake Asset Management, has just moved out of an office. He informed me that some of the advantages of working from home are: limited interruptions from people, his own peace and quiet, and he said "...my hours are more flexible, now." Those are all great reasons, but he says the leading attraction about working from home is not having a long commute to and from work. He notes that it took about an hour and a half, a day, just to commute! When moving out of his office and into his home, he put that time into working and found he got much more work done. Other sources say that businesses lose around \$10,000,000 annually, due to distractions and poorly designed technology.

Another advantage of working from home is that you can get more work done. Offices are costly and stressful. Also, studies show that working from home makes people happier, and happier people getting more work done results in more money. In average, workers in an office are interrupted every three minutes. At home, you're hardly ever interrupted, therefore getting more work done.

Despite all of this, many people believe that working from an office is more beneficial. A memo from Yahoo's human resource department says face-to-face interaction among employees creates a more collaborative environment. That may be true, but it also wastes time, throws away money, and is a distraction to any surrounding co-workers and yourself. People would also argue that there are more distractions at home and you are expected to do household things. But, if you work in an office, those things would get done, so at home you would do your work and could still do household activities after.

Overall, I believe that working from home is the much better option due to fewer distractions and less interruptions. At home, work gets done better and faster. The worker is happier and that gets more work done. All-in-all, working from home is more beneficial by saving time, money, and stress, and is efficient in getting work done quicker and better.