PEOPLE MATTER 2016

NSW Public Sector Employee Survey

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NOTE: Profile of Respondents and Demographic Results are not included where there are less than 50 respondents.

HEADLINES

RESPONSE RATE

86%

18 RESPONSES
OUT OF 21 EMPLOYEES

ENGAGEMENT INDEX

53%

PMES 2016 SECTOR SCORE

65%

PMES 2014 SECTOR SCORE

65%

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ENGAGEMENT

Engaged employees have a sense of personal attachment to their work and organisation; they are motivated and able to give their best to help the organisation succeed.

The complete list of questions which are used to calculate the Engagement Index are listed in the All Questions pages.

RESPONSE RATE

Due to the size of the NSW public sector, even comparatively low levels of response to People Matter can be statistically representative and an accurate reflection of perceptions. Any parts of the sector where the response rate is too low for data to be fully reliable have been flagged in reports.

Some entities exceeded 100% where responses were greater than the employee headcount.

QUESTION HEADLINES

①	HIGHEST AGREEMENT SCORING
U	QUESTIONS



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2a.	My workgroup strives to achieve customer/client satisfaction	100%
2e.	I receive help and support from other members of my workgroup	100%
2i.	People in my workgroup treat customers/clients with respect	100%
3a.	I have a current performance plan that sets out my individual objectives	100%
8i.	Diversity and inclusion in the workplace can contribute to better business outcomes	100%
1h.	I look for ways to perform my job more effectively	94%
5d.	My manager listens to what I have to say	94%
8a.	My organisation respects individual differences (e.g cultures, working styles, backgrounds, ideas)	94%
8b.	Cultural background is not a barrier to success in my organisation	94%
8c.	Age is not a barrier to success in my organisation	94%

LOWEST AGREEMENT SCORING QUESTIONS



3j.	I am satisfied with the opportunities available for career development in my organisation	17%
70.	I would recommend my organisation as a great place to work	18%
15.	I believe action will be taken on the results from this survey by my organisation	19%
9b.	I have confidence in the ways my organisation resolves grievances	24%
5n.	My manager appropriately deals with employees who perform poorly	25%
11.	My workload is acceptable	28%
7f.	I feel that change is handled well in my organisation	35%
7g.	There is good co-operation between teams across our organisation	35%
7q.	I feel a strong personal attachment to my organisation	38%
1k.	I am able to keep my work stress at an acceptable level	39%



YOUR PEOPLE MATTER QUESTION RESULTS AT A GLANCE

These are your highest and lowest scoring questions from the survey, based on respondents who have selected 'Strongly Agree' and 'Agree'.



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ENGAGEMENT	53% RESPONSE SCALE	AGREEMENT %	PMES 2014	SEPARATE AGENCIES	SECTOR
Q7o. I would recommend my organisation as a great place to work	12 47 24 12	18%	69%	68%	60%
Q7p. I am proud to tell others I work for my organisation	12 29 41 12	41%	77%	78%	68%
Q7q. I feel a strong personal attachment to my organisation	31 38 13 13	38%	38%	70%	64%
Q7r. My organisation motivates me to help it achieve its objectives	12 41 29 12	53%	62%	62%	55%
Q7s. My organisation inspires me to do the best in my job	12 29 47	41%	62%	61%	55%



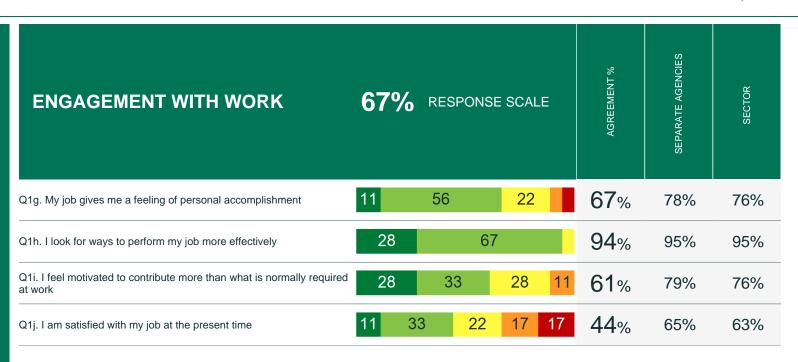


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SENIOR MANAGERS	52% RESPONSE SCALE	AGREEMENT %	SEPARATE AGENCIES	SECTOR
Q6a. I believe senior managers provide clear direction for the future of the organisation	18 29 12 24 18	47%	56%	47%
Q6b. I feel that senior leaders effectively lead and manage change	19 31 13 19 19	50%	49%	43%
Q6c. I feel that senior managers model the values of my organisation	18 41 18 18	59%	57%	48%
Q6d. Senior managers encourage innovation by employees	24 18 41 18	41%	51%	49%
Q6e. Senior managers promote collaboration between my organisation and others we work with	29 47 18	76%	61%	52%
Q6f. Senior managers communicate the importance of customers in achieving our business objectives	24 47 24	71%	61%	60%
Q6g. I feel that senior managers keep employees informed about what's going on	12 29 24 29	41%	51%	44%
Q6h. I feel that senior managers listen to employees	18 29 18 24 12	47%	47%	39%
Q7f. I feel that change is handled well in my organisation	35 35 12 18	35%	42%	41%







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COMMUNICATION	70% RESPONSE SCALE				AGREEMENT %	SEPARATE AGENCIES	SECTOR
Q5e. My manager communicates effectively with me	17		67	17	83%	73%	69%
Q5f. My manager encourages and values employee input	17		72	11	89%	74%	69%
Q5g. My manager involves my workgroup in decisions about our work	17	ţ	56	28	72%	67%	64%
Q6g. I feel that senior managers keep employees informed about what's going on	12	29	24	29	41%	51%	44%
Q6h. I feel that senior managers listen to employees	18	29	18	24 12	47%	47%	39%
Q8h. I am able to speak up and share a different view to my colleagues and manager	18		65	12	82%	77%	69%





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HIGH PERFORMANCE 71%	RESPONSE SCALE	AGREEMENT %	SEPARATE AGENCIES	SECTOR
Q1a. I understand what is expected of me to do well in my role	44 11 11	78%	88%	90%
Q1b. I have the tools I need to do my job effectively	39 17 22 11	50%	71%	70%
Q1c. I get the information I need to do my job well	39 28 17	50%	70%	67%
Q1d. I feel I make a contribution to achieving the organisation's objectives	61 11	89%	89%	86%
Q1e. I feel I am able to suggest ideas to improve our way of doing things	50 11 17	72%	73%	69%
Q2b. People in my workgroup use time and resources efficiently	61 11	83%	72%	70%
Q2c. My team works collaboratively to achieve its objectives 33	56	89%	76%	75%
Q2d. People in my workgroup have the appropriate skills to do the job well	67 <mark>11</mark>	89%	80%	76%
Q3h. I have received appropriate training and development to do my job well	39 44	50%	63%	63%





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HIGH PERFORMANCE	71%	RESPONSE S	SCALE	AGREEMENT %	SEPARATE AGENCIES	SECTOR
Q5a. My manager encourages people in my workgroup to improve the quality of what they do	11	67	22	78%	73%	72%
Q5b. My manager encourages people in my workgroup to review policies and programs to see if they are achieving their aims	11	56	33	67%	60%	64%
Q5c. My manager assigns work to people in my workgroup based on their skills and expertise	17	67	11	83%	69%	65%
Q5j. I have confidence in the decisions my line manager makes	31	50	19	81%	73%	67%
Q6d. Senior managers encourage innovation by employees	24	18 41	18	41%	51%	49%
Q6e. Senior managers promote collaboration between my organisation and others we work with	29	47	18	76%	61%	52%
Q7d. My organisation focuses on improving the work we do	24	53	12 12	76%	80%	76%
Q7e. My organisation is making the necessary improvements to meet our future challenges	18	35 24	18	53%	63%	62%
Q7g. There is good co-operation between teams across our organisation	35	29	24 12	35%	48%	48%



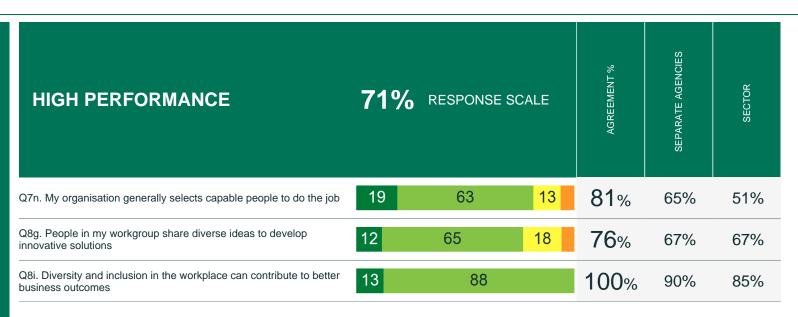


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PUBLIC SECTOR VALUES	76%	RESPONSE SC	CALE	AGREEMENT %	SEPARATE AGENCIES	SECTOR
Q2a. My workgroup strives to achieve customer/client satisfaction	39	61		100%	85%	85%
Q2b. People in my workgroup use time and resources efficiently	22	61	11	83%	72%	70%
Q2g. People in my workgroup are honest, open and transparent in their dealings	28	61	11	89%	77%	67%
Q2h. People in my workgroup treat each other with respect	28	56	11	83%	82%	72%
Q2i. People in my workgroup treat customers/clients with respect	44	56		100%	91%	86%
Q5a. My manager encourages people in my workgroup to improve the quality of what they do	11	67	22	78%	73%	72%
Q5b. My manager encourages people in my workgroup to review policies and programs to see if they are achieving their aims	11	56	33	67%	60%	64%
Q5d. My manager listens to what I have to say	22	72		94%	78%	73%
Q5i. My manager would take appropriate action if decision-making processes were found to be biased	39	50	11	89%	70%	64%





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PUBLIC SECTOR VALUES	76% RESPONSE SCALE	AGREEMENT %	SEPARATE AGENCIES	SECTOR
Q5k. My manager treats employees with dignity and respect	44 44 13	88%	82%	76%
Q5I. My manager talks to me about how the values apply to my work	25 44 25	69%	55%	58%
Q6a. I believe senior managers provide clear direction for the future of the organisation	18 29 12 24 18	47%	56%	47%
Q6c. I feel that senior managers model the values of my organisation	18 41 18 18	59%	57%	48%
Q6f. Senior managers communicate the importance of customers in achieving our business objectives	24 47 24	71%	61%	60%
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Q7a. My organisation provides high quality services	18 71 12	88%	88%	80%
Q7b. My organisation strives to match services to customer/client needs	18 59 18	76%	83%	80%



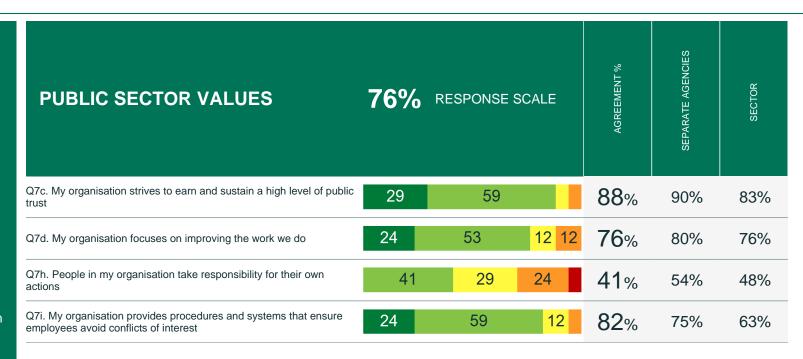


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DIVERSITY & INCLUSION	81%	o RESP	ONSE SO	CALE	AGREEMENT %	SEPARATE AGENCIES	SECTOR
Q1f. I am provided with the support I need to optimise my contribution at work	11	39	28	17	50%	61%	59%
Q5d. My manager listens to what I have to say	22		72		94%	78%	73%
Q5f. My manager encourages and values employee input	17		72	11	89%	74%	69%
Q5h. My manager takes into account the differing needs and circumstances of employees when making decisions	17	56		28	72%	72%	65%
Q5i. My manager would take appropriate action if decision-making processes were found to be biased	39		50	11	89%	70%	64%
Q6i. Senior managers in my organisation genuinely support the career advancement of women	35		41	24	76%	64%	54%
Q8a. My organisation respects individual differences (e.g cultures, working styles, backgrounds, ideas)	18		76		94%	80%	75%
Q8g. People in my workgroup share diverse ideas to develop innovative solutions	12	65		18	76%	67%	67%
Q8h. I am able to speak up and share a different view to my colleagues and manager	18	6	65	12	82%	77%	69%



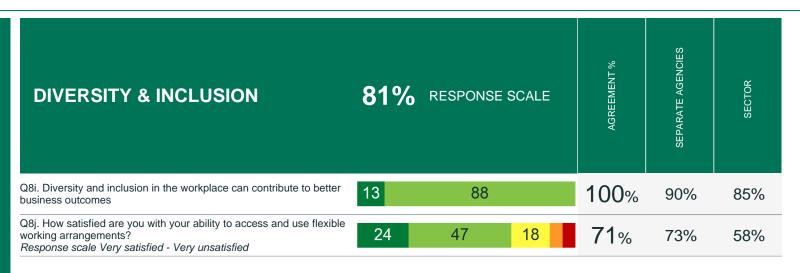


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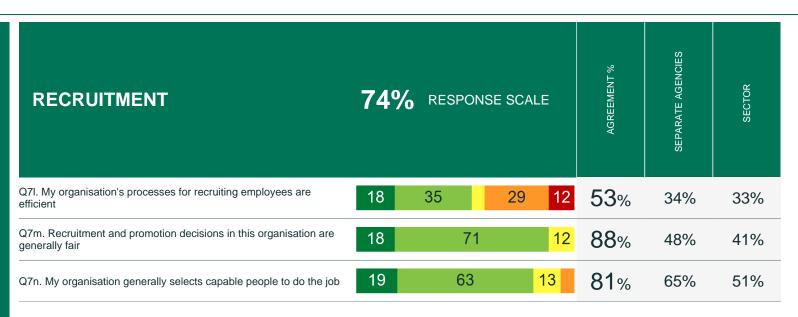


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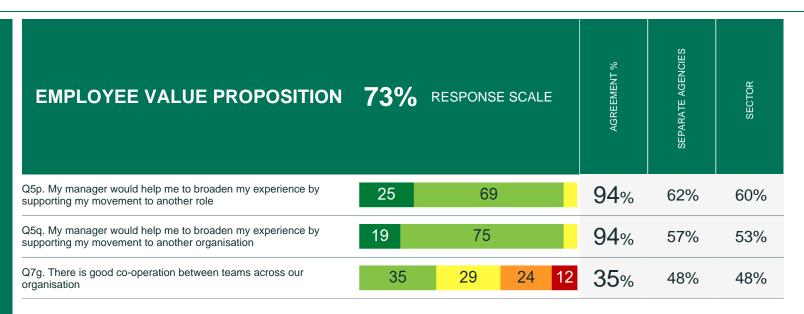


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PERFORMANCE FRAMEWORK & DEVELOPMENT	67% RESPONSE SCALE	AGREEMENT %	SEPARATE AGENCIES	SECTOR
Q3a. I have a current performance plan that sets out my individual objectives	17 83	100%	64%	62%
Q3b. I have informal feedback conversations with my manager throughout the year	33 44 17	78%	71%	70%
Q3c. I have scheduled feedback conversations with my manager throughout the year	28 44 17	72%	60%	58%
Q3d. In the last 12 months I received useful feedback on my work to enable me to deliver required results	11 61 11 17	72%	59%	59%
Q3e. My performance is assessed against clear criteria	17 39 28 17	56%	50%	53%
Q3f. I feel I can have open, honest conversations with my manager about the quality of work required	22 67	89%	75%	71%
Q3g. I am able to access the right learning and development opportunities as required	22 22 33 22	44%	63%	60%
Q3h. I have received appropriate training and development to do my job well	11 39 44	50%	63%	63%
Q3i. I have a strong desire to advance my career	50 28 11 1	78%	75%	69%







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PERFORMANCE FRAMEWORK & DEVELOPMENT	67%	RESI	PONSE	: SCALE	AGREEMENT %	SEPARATE AGENCIES	SECTOR
Q3j. I am satisfied with the opportunities available for career development in my organisation	11	33		44	17%	41%	45%
Q3k. I would like to work in another agency within the NSW Public Sector during my career	33		44	22	78%	52%	41%
Q5m. My manager provides acknowledgement or other recognition for the work I do	25		50	13 13	75%	73%	67%
Q5n. My manager appropriately deals with employees who perform poorly	25		56	19	25%	40%	44%
Q5o. My manager ensures fair access to developmental opportunities for people in my workgroup	19	44		38	63%	66%	62%
Q5p. My manager would help me to broaden my experience by supporting my movement to another role	25		69		94%	62%	60%
Q5q. My manager would help me to broaden my experience by supporting my movement to another organisation	19		75		94%	57%	53%
Q7j. My organisation is committed to developing its employees	29	3	5	29	65%	59%	53%







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MOBILITY	88% F	RESPONSE SC	ALE	AGREEMENT %	SEPARATE AGENCIES	SECTOR
Q3k. I would like to work in another agency within the NSW Public Sector during my career	33	44	22	78%	52%	41%
Q5p. My manager would help me to broaden my experience by supporting my movement to another role	25	69		94%	62%	60%
Q5q. My manager would help me to broaden my experience by supporting my movement to another organisation	19	75		94%	57%	53%



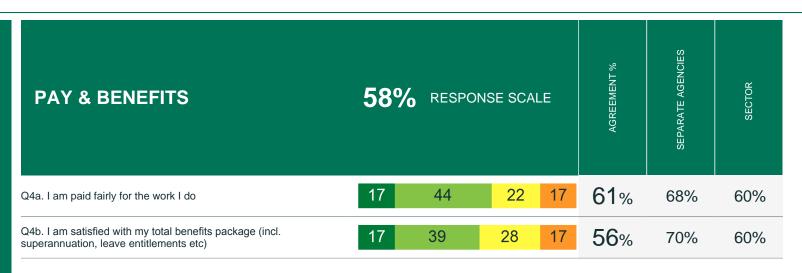


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DIVERSITY GROUPS	92%	RESPONSE SCALE	AGREEMENT %	SEPARATE AGENCIES	SECTOR
Q8b. Cultural background is not a barrier to success in my organisation	29	65	94%	81%	77%
Q8c. Age is not a barrier to success in my organisation	29	65	94%	73%	71%
Q8d. Disability is not a barrier to success in my organisation	24	65 <mark>12</mark>	88%	71%	67%
Q8e. Sexual orientation is not a barrier to success in my organisation	24	65 <mark>12</mark>	88%	81%	76%
Q8f. Gender is not a barrier to success in my organisation	29	65	94%	77%	74%





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WORKPLACE SUPPORT	59% RES	PONSE SCALE	AGREEMENT %	SEPARATE AGENCIES	SECTOR
Q1f. I am provided with the support I need to optimise my contribution at work	11 39	28 17	50%	61%	59%
Q1k. I am able to keep my work stress at an acceptable level	39	22 33	39%	60%	58%
Q1I. My workload is acceptable	22 28	39	28%	55%	55%
Q2e. I receive help and support from other members of my workgroup	39	61	100%	84%	80%
Q2f. There is good team spirit in my workgroup	22 39	22 1	61%	73%	67%
Q7k. My organisation offers practical employment arrangements and conditions to help employees achieve a work-life balance	24	53 18	76%	72%	56%



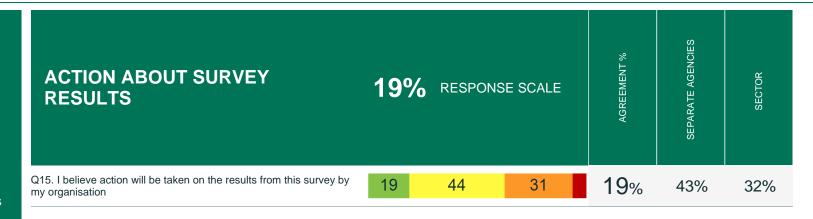


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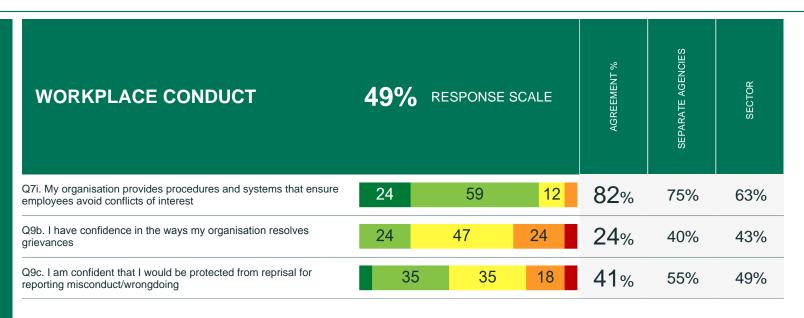


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MOTIVATION TO STAY	RESPONSE SCALE	AGREEMENT%	SEPARATE AGENCIES	SECTOR
Q13. What factors would motivate you to stay in the NSW public s	sector?			
More interesting and challenging work		59%	58%	46%
Better skills in my workgroup		24%	21%	27%
Improved career opportunities		76%	62%	52%
Improved learning and development opportunities		59%	48%	50%
Greater involvement in decision making		41%	34%	33%
Better pay and benefits		59%	56%	58%
Greater recognition for the work I do		47%	40%	45%
Better leadership from senior managers		35%	34%	39%



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Q13. What factors would motivate you to stay in the NSW public	sector?			
Better leadership from my manager		12%	24%	27%
Better accountability for performance		29%	23%	25%
A better location		18%	20%	20%
More flexible working conditions		29%	39%	38%
Better work/life balance		53%	45%	46%
Improved facilities		18%	22%	30%
Improved technology and systems		53%	36%	38%
Better job security		29%	39%	43%



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WORKPLACE CONDUCT	RESPONSE SCALE	AGREEMENT%	SEPARATE AGENCIES	SECTOR
Q9a. In the last 12 months I have read or referred to my organisation's of	code of conduct			
Yes		88%	61%	72%
No		12%	35%	24%



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UNACCEPTABLE CONDUCT	RESPONSE SCALE	AGREEMENT%	SEPARATE AGENCIES	SECTOR		
Q10a. In the last 12 months I have witnessed misconduct/wrongd	oing at work					
Yes		35%	16%	25%		
No		53%	75%	64%		
Don't Know		12%	9%	11%		
Q10b. Have you reported the misconduct/wrongdoing you witness	sed in the last 12 months?					
Yes	The data for this question has been hide	den for anonymity re	easons.			
No	The data for this question has been hidden for anonymity reasons.					
Don't Know	The data for this question has been hide	den for anonymity re	easons.			



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UNACCEPTABLE CONDUCT	RESPONSE SCALE	AGREEMENT%	SEPARATE AGENCIES	SECTOR
Q10c. In the last 12 months I have witnessed bullying at work				
Yes		71%	26%	35%
No		24%	68%	58%
Don't Know		6%	6%	7%
Q10d. In the last 12 months I have been the subjected to bullying a	at work			
Yes		41%	14%	20%
No		59%	82%	75%



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Q10e. Please indicate the role of the person who has been the subjected to in the last 12 months.	ource of the most serious bullying you have been					
A senior manager	The data for this question has been hidden for anonymity reasons.					
Other	The data for this question has been hide	den for anonymity re	easons.			

TAKING ACTION

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WHAT'S NEXT?

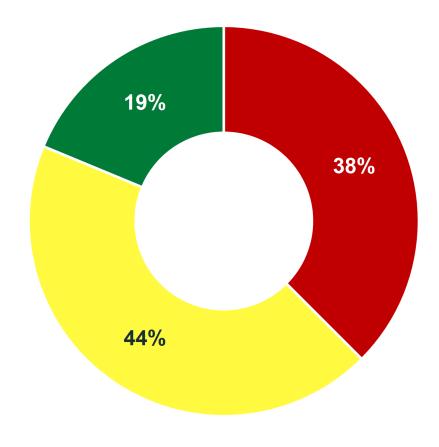
Sector employees have now given their feedback and these results show where actions and improvements are required.

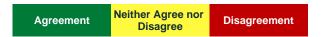
Research has shown that a key reason why employees can become disengaged is if they are asked their opinion and then no action takes place as a result. 19%

of employees replied favourably to:

'I believe action will be taken on the results from this survey by my organisation.'

32% SECTOR





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ANONYMITY RULES

Responses from individual employees are confidential and strict rules are in place to safeguard privacy at every stage of the survey process.

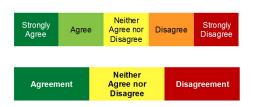
There is no way of tracing individuals in reports or through the de-identified survey data. There are limits on the size of workgroups that can be reported (10 or more employees) and responses from demographic groups (30 or more employees). Where people work in small teams, the results are merged with larger business units and results are not available. Where this happens an 'r' is shown in reports.



HOW TO READ THIS REPORT

The majority of questions have a 5-point answer scale. In reports, the Strongly Agree and Agree scores are combined to create an agreement (or positive) score which is shown as a rounded percentage.

Previous surveys had a 4-point answer scale, which means that comparisons are limited for this year only. Some scales, such as those used for the Engagement Index, are unchanged.





HOW THE DRIVERS AND INFLUENCERS ARE DERIVED

ORC International employs SPSS software to fully interrogate the results and perform appropriate calculations. Our statisticians need a minimum of **30 responses** from a team to perform the analysis to determine the top influences of engagement, leadership and other key question groups.

Statistical techniques applied for this analysis include **Factor Analysis** which identifies patterns in data and allows the statistician to assess whether the attitude questions are measuring the same underlying theme or characteristic.

Regression Analysis then involves building a statistical model based on research that employee engagement is affected by various elements of the workplace such as line manager, learning & development, reward and recognition, job role, etc. This analysis assigns importance weights to the attributes that have been measured. It relies on certain assumptions, one of which is that the variables used in the model should, by definition, not be strongly related to each other. The outcome of these techniques is a list of questions which we can say have the highest association with the engagement index, or more simply, are the most significant influencers of employee engagement



ROUNDING

Results are presented as whole numbers for ease of reading, with rounding performed at the last stage of the calculation for maximum accuracy.

Values from .00 to .49 are rounded down, whereas values from .50 to .99 are rounded up. Therefore, in some instances the data will not add up to 100%. Example below:

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Total
NUMBER OF RESPONSES	151	166	176	96	24	613
PERCENTAGE	24.63%	27.08%	28.71%	15.66%	3.92%	100%
ROUNDED PERCENTAGE	25%	27%	29%	16%	4%	101%