# PEOPLE MATTER 2016

**NSW Public Sector Employee Survey** 

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#### **HEADLINES**

RESPONSE RATE

73%

248 RESPONSES OUT OF 338 EMPLOYEES ENGAGEMENT INDEX

63%

PMES 2016 SECTOR SCORE **65%** 

PMES 2014 SECTOR SCORE **65%** 

PMES 2016 CLUSTER SCORE **62%** 

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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**

**HIGHEST AGREEMENT SCORING QUESTIONS** 1h. I look for ways to perform my job more effectively 97% Diversity and inclusion in the workplace can contribute 87% to better business outcomes My organisation strives to earn and sustain a high level 86% of public trust My workgroup strives to achieve customer/client 83% satisfaction People in my workgroup treat customers/clients with 82% respect I receive help and support from other members of my 80% workgroup 7a. My organisation provides high quality services 76% My organisation strives to match services to 74% customer/client needs

My team works collaboratively to achieve its objectives

I feel I make a contribution to achieving the

| •           | QUESTIONS   | 2016<br>AGREEM<br>% |
|-------------|---|---------------------|
| 7f.         | I feel that change is handled well in my organisation                                     | 12%                 |
| 6b.         | I feel that senior leaders effectively lead and manage change                             | 13%                 |
| <b>7</b> I. | My organisation's processes for recruiting employees are efficient                        | 14%                 |
| 6a.         | I believe senior managers provide clear direction for the future of the organisation      | 16%                 |
| 6h.         | I feel that senior managers listen to employees   | 17%                 |
| 7h.         | People in my organisation take responsibility for their own actions                       | 18%                 |
| 15.         | I believe action will be taken on the results from this survey by my organisation         | 18%                 |
| 9b.         | I have confidence in the ways my organisation resolves grievances                         | 19%                 |
| 7m.         | Recruitment and promotion decisions in this organisation are generally fair               | 21%                 |
| 3j.         | I am satisfied with the opportunities available for career development in my organisation | 22%                 |

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#### 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'.

organisation's objectives

72%

71%



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| ENGAGEMENT  | 63%   | RESPON | SE S | CALE  | AGREEMENT % | PMES 2014 | JUSTICE | SECTOR |
|---|-------|--------|------|-------|-------------|-----------|---------|--------|
| Q7o. I would recommend my organisation as a great place to work     | 10 36 |        | 34   | 10 10 | 46%         | 38%       | 54%     | 60%    |
| Q7p. I am proud to tell others I work for my organisation           | 28    | 41     |      | 21    | 69%         | 71%       | 66%     | 68%    |
| Q7q. I feel a strong personal attachment to my organisation         | 32    | 37     |      | 22    | 69%         | 80%       | 63%     | 64%    |
| Q7r. My organisation motivates me to help it achieve its objectives | 12 35 |        | 32   | 14 7  | 47%         | 51%       | 48%     | 55%    |
| Q7s. My organisation inspires me to do the best in my job           | 16 32 | 2      | 32   | 13 8  | 47%         | 48%       | 48%     | 55%    |



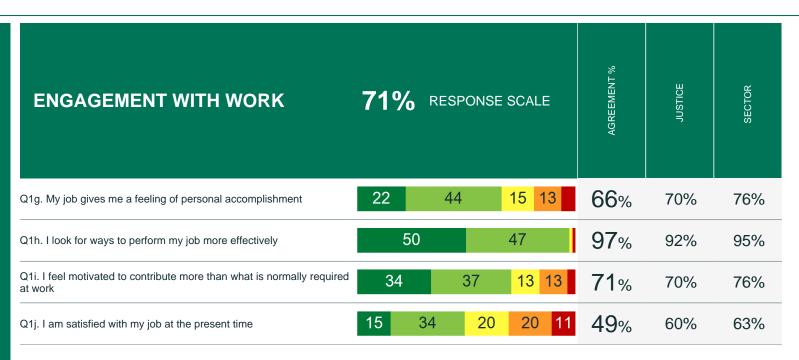


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| SENIOR MANAGERS   | 22% RESPONSE SCALE | AGREEMENT % | JUSTICE | SECTOR |
|---|--------------------|-------------|---------|--------|
| Q6a. I believe senior managers provide clear direction for the future of the organisation         | 14 24 26 34        | 16%         | 37%     | 47%    |
| Q6b. I feel that senior leaders effectively lead and manage change                                | 12 21 29 36        | 13%         | 35%     | 43%    |
| Q6c. I feel that senior managers model the values of my organisation                              | 20 28 20 28        | 24%         | 40%     | 48%    |
| Q6d. Senior managers encourage innovation by employees  | 23 35 23 18        | 25%         | 37%     | 49%    |
| Q6e. Senior managers promote collaboration between my organisation and others we work with        | 28 34 17 16        | 33%         | 43%     | 52%    |
| Q6f. Senior managers communicate the importance of customers in achieving our business objectives | 29 33 15 17        | 35%         | 51%     | 60%    |
| Q6g. I feel that senior managers keep employees informed about what's going on                    | 21 24 26 24        | 25%         | 34%     | 44%    |
| Q6h. I feel that senior managers listen to employees  | 15 30 24 29        | 17%         | 31%     | 39%    |
| Q7f. I feel that change is handled well in my organisation  | 10 21 39 28        | 12%         | 31%     | 41%    |





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| COMMUNICATION  | 46% | RESP | ONSE SCALE | AGREEMENT % | JUSTICE | SECTOR |
|--|-----|------|------------|-------------|---------|--------|
| Q5e. My manager communicates effectively with me                                   | 20  | 33   | 24 14      | 9 53%       | 63%     | 69%    |
| Q5f. My manager encourages and values employee input                               | 22  | 37   | 23 9       | 9 60%       | 60%     | 69%    |
| Q5g. My manager involves my workgroup in decisions about our work                  | 20  | 35   | 23 11      | 11 55%      | 55%     | 64%    |
| Q6g. I feel that senior managers keep employees informed about what's going on     | 21  | 24   | 26 24      | 25%         | 34%     | 44%    |
| Q6h. I feel that senior managers listen to employees                               | 15  | 30   | 24 29      | 17%         | 31%     | 39%    |
| Q8h. I am able to speak up and share a different view to my colleagues and manager | 15  | 51   | 16 11      | 67%         | 62%     | 69%    |





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| HIGH PERFORMANCE   | 52% RESPONSE SCALE      | AGREEMENT % | JUSTICE | SECTOR |
|--|-------------------------|-------------|---------|--------|
| Q1a. I understand what is expected of me to do well in my role               | 20 50 15 11             | 71%         | 89%     | 90%    |
| Q1b. I have the tools I need to do my job effectively                        | 36 <mark>15 33 8</mark> | 44%         | 65%     | 70%    |
| Q1c. I get the information I need to do my job well                          | 31 29 27 8              | 36%         | 63%     | 67%    |
| Q1d. I feel I make a contribution to achieving the organisation's objectives | 25 45 15 10             | 71%         | 82%     | 86%    |
| Q1e. I feel I am able to suggest ideas to improve our way of doing things    | 18 42 15 19 <b>7</b>    | 59%         | 61%     | 69%    |
| Q2b. People in my workgroup use time and resources efficiently               | 23 37 15 19             | 60%         | 63%     | 70%    |
| Q2c. My team works collaboratively to achieve its objectives                 | 29 43 9 15              | 72%         | 71%     | 75%    |
| Q2d. People in my workgroup have the appropriate skills to do the job well   | 26 42 12 17             | 68%         | 71%     | 76%    |
| Q3h. I have received appropriate training and development to do my job well  | 29 26 26 13             | 35%         | 57%     | 63%    |





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| HIGH PERFORMANCE  | 52% RESPONSE SCALE        | AGREEMENT % | JUSTICE | SECTOR |
|---|---------------------------|-------------|---------|--------|
| Q5a. My manager encourages people in my workgroup to improve the quality of what they do                                  | 19 40 22 13               | 59%         | 62%     | 72%    |
| Q5b. My manager encourages people in my workgroup to review policies and programs to see if they are achieving their aims | 16 30 30 17               | 46%         | 52%     | 64%    |
| Q5c. My manager assigns work to people in my workgroup based on their skills and expertise                                | 15 36 24 16 8             | 52%         | 56%     | 65%    |
| Q5j. I have confidence in the decisions my line manager makes   | 18 36 24 14 8             | 54%         | 61%     | 67%    |
| Q6d. Senior managers encourage innovation by employees  | 23 35 23 18               | 25%         | 37%     | 49%    |
| Q6e. Senior managers promote collaboration between my organisation and others we work with                                | 28 34 17 16               | 33%         | 43%     | 52%    |
| Q7d. My organisation focuses on improving the work we do  | <b>17</b> 43 <b>25 11</b> | 60%         | 67%     | 76%    |
| Q7e. My organisation is making the necessary improvements to meet our future challenges                                   | 8 29 32 20 12             | 37%         | 52%     | 62%    |
| Q7g. There is good co-operation between teams across our organisation   | 19 29 30 19               | 22%         | 42%     | 48%    |



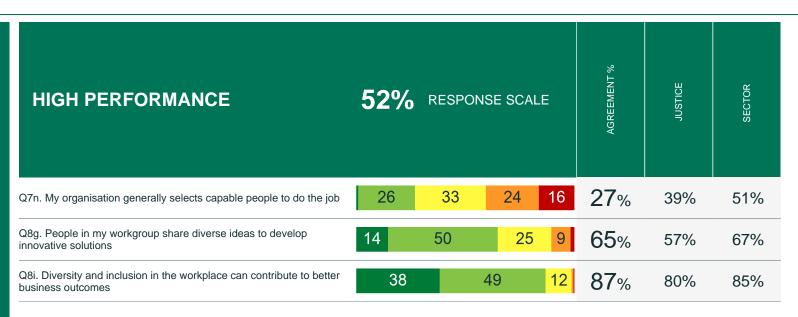


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| PUBLIC SECTOR VALUES  | 54% RESPONSE SCALE        | AGREEMENT % | JUSTICE | SECTOR |
|---|---------------------------|-------------|---------|--------|
| Q2a. My workgroup strives to achieve customer/client satisfaction   | 44 40 7                   | 83%         | 78%     | 85%    |
| Q2b. People in my workgroup use time and resources efficiently  | 23 37 15 19 <b>1</b>      | 60%         | 63%     | 70%    |
| Q2g. People in my workgroup are honest, open and transparent in their dealings  | 23 41 17 13               | 64%         | 63%     | 67%    |
| Q2h. People in my workgroup treat each other with respect   | <b>25</b> 42 <b>19 10</b> | 67%         | 67%     | 72%    |
| Q2i. People in my workgroup treat customers/clients with respect  | <b>37</b> 45 <b>11</b>    | 82%         | 79%     | 86%    |
| Q5a. My manager encourages people in my workgroup to improve the quality of what they do                                  | 19 40 22 13               | 59%         | 62%     | 72%    |
| Q5b. My manager encourages people in my workgroup to review policies and programs to see if they are achieving their aims | 16 30 30 17               | 46%         | 52%     | 64%    |
| Q5d. My manager listens to what I have to say   | 23 43 16 10 8             | 66%         | 66%     | 73%    |
| Q5i. My manager would take appropriate action if decision-making processes were found to be biased                        | 25 35 20 11 9             | 60%         | 58%     | 64%    |





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| PUBLIC SECTOR VALUES 54% RESPONSE SCALE   | AGREEMENT % | JUSTICE | SECTOR |
|---|-------------|---------|--------|
| Q5k. My manager treats employees with dignity and respect 29 42 17                                | 8 70%       | 70%     | 76%    |
| Q5l. My manager talks to me about how the values apply to my work 17 34 31 1                      | 51%         | 49%     | 58%    |
| Q6a. I believe senior managers provide clear direction for the future of the organisation         | 16%         | 37%     | 47%    |
| Q6c. I feel that senior managers model the values of my organisation 20 28 20 28                  | 24%         | 40%     | 48%    |
| Q6f. Senior managers communicate the importance of customers in achieving our business objectives | 17 35%      | 51%     | 60%    |
| Q6g. I feel that senior managers keep employees informed about what's going on                    | 4 25%       | 34%     | 44%    |
| Q6h. I feel that senior managers listen to employees 15 30 24 29                                  | 17%         | 31%     | 39%    |
| Q7a. My organisation provides high quality services 24 52 13                                      | 9 76%       | 74%     | 80%    |
| Q7b. My organisation strives to match services to customer/client needs 24 50 16                  | 9 74%       | 75%     | 80%    |



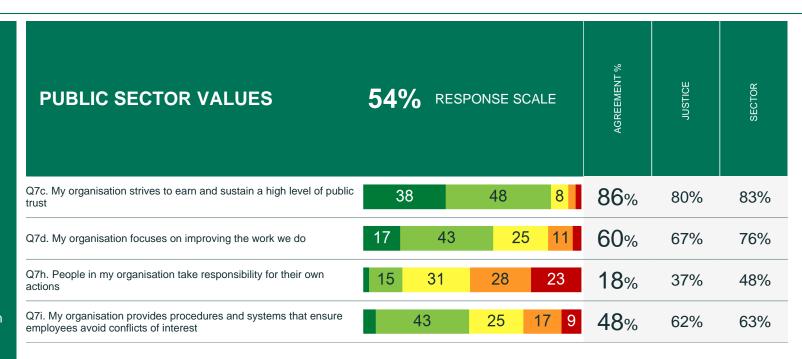


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| DIVERSITY & INCLUSION   | 61% RESPONSE SCALE        | AGREEMENT % | JUSTICE | SECTOR |
|---|---------------------------|-------------|---------|--------|
| Q1f. I am provided with the support I need to optimise my contribution at work                              | 33 21 29 10               | 40%         | 51%     | 59%    |
| Q5d. My manager listens to what I have to say   | 23 43 16 10 8             | 66%         | 66%     | 73%    |
| Q5f. My manager encourages and values employee input  | 22 37 23 9 9              | 60%         | 60%     | 69%    |
| Q5h. My manager takes into account the differing needs and circumstances of employees when making decisions | 19 36 25 13 8             | 54%         | 58%     | 65%    |
| Q5i. My manager would take appropriate action if decision-making processes were found to be biased          | 25 35 20 11 9             | 60%         | 58%     | 64%    |
| Q6i. Senior managers in my organisation genuinely support the career advancement of women                   | 9 33 38 10 11             | 41%         | 53%     | 54%    |
| Q8a. My organisation respects individual differences (e.g cultures, working styles, backgrounds, ideas)     | <b>12</b> 52 <b>23 10</b> | 64%         | 69%     | 75%    |
| Q8g. People in my workgroup share diverse ideas to develop innovative solutions                             | 14 50 25 9                | 65%         | 57%     | 67%    |
| Q8h. I am able to speak up and share a different view to my colleagues and manager                          | 15 51 16 11               | 67%         | 62%     | 69%    |



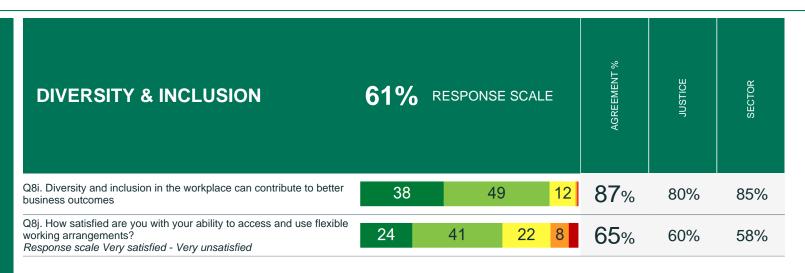


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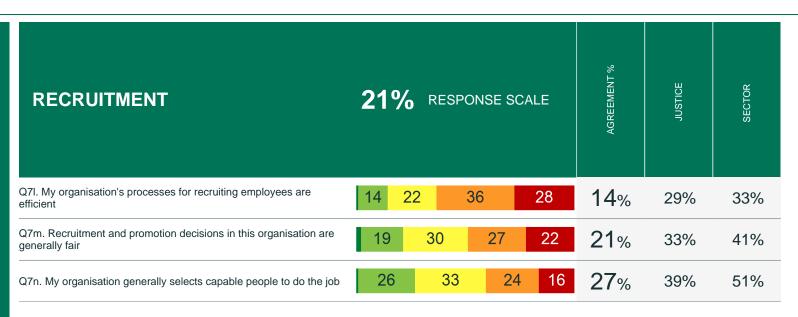


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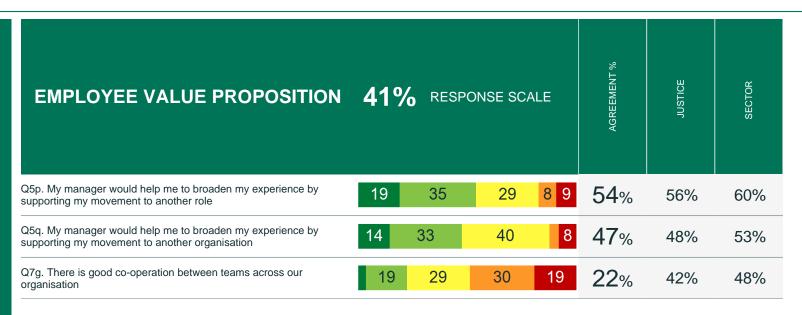


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| PERFORMANCE FRAMEWORK & DEVELOPMENT   | 44% RESPONSE SCALE | AGREEMENT % | JUSTICE | SECTOR |
|---|--------------------|-------------|---------|--------|
| Q3a. I have a current performance plan that sets out my individual objectives                             | 12 39 14 20 15     | 50%         | 43%     | 62%    |
| Q3b. I have informal feedback conversations with my manager throughout the year                           | 15 45 11 20 8      | 60%         | 60%     | 70%    |
| Q3c. I have scheduled feedback conversations with my manager throughout the year                          | 9 26 17 38 10      | 35%         | 45%     | 58%    |
| Q3d. In the last 12 months I received useful feedback on my work to enable me to deliver required results | 10 33 22 20 14     | 43%         | 49%     | 59%    |
| Q3e. My performance is assessed against clear criteria  | 20 25 33 16        | 26%         | 41%     | 53%    |
| Q3f. I feel I can have open, honest conversations with my manager about the quality of work required      | 21 44 14 12 9      | 65%         | 64%     | 71%    |
| Q3g. I am able to access the right learning and development opportunities as required                     | 29 24 22 19        | 35%         | 53%     | 60%    |
| Q3h. I have received appropriate training and development to do my job well                               | 29 26 26 13        | 35%         | 57%     | 63%    |
| Q3i. I have a strong desire to advance my career  | 36 33 23           | 69%         | 67%     | 69%    |







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|--|------|-------|---------|-------|-------------|---------|--------|
| Q3j. I am satisfied with the opportunities available for career development in my organisation           | 17   | 29    | 28      | 21    | 22%         | 38%     | 45%    |
| Q3k. I would like to work in another agency within the NSW Public Sector during my career                | 21   | 26    | 35      | 13    | 47%         | 42%     | 41%    |
| Q5m. My manager provides acknowledgement or other recognition for the work I do                          | 24   | 38    | 19      | 11 8  | 62%         | 60%     | 67%    |
| Q5n. My manager appropriately deals with employees who perform poorly                                    | 9 21 | 34    | 20      | 16    | 30%         | 38%     | 44%    |
| Q5o. My manager ensures fair access to developmental opportunities for people in my workgroup            | 14   | 35    | 29      | 12 10 | 49%         | 54%     | 62%    |
| Q5p. My manager would help me to broaden my experience by supporting my movement to another role         | 19   | 35    | 29      | 8 9   | 54%         | 56%     | 60%    |
| Q5q. My manager would help me to broaden my experience by supporting my movement to another organisation | 14   | 33    | 40      | 8     | 47%         | 48%     | 53%    |
| Q7j. My organisation is committed to developing its employees  | 22   | 35    | 25      | 14    | 26%         | 43%     | 53%    |





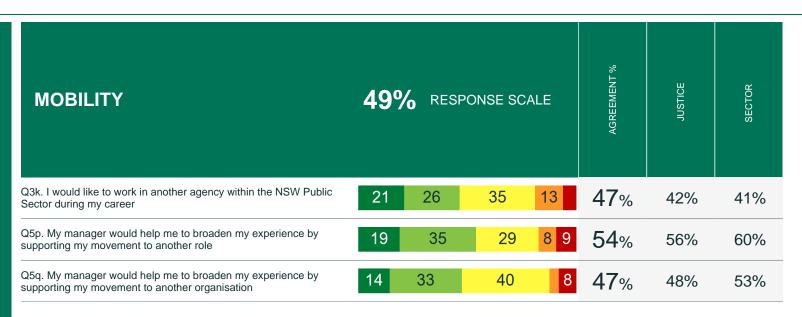


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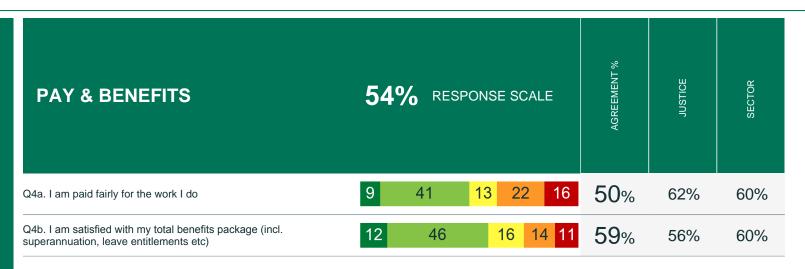


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| DIVERSITY GROUPS  | 62% | RESPONS | SE SCALE | AGREEMENT % | JUSTICE | SECTOR |
|---|-----|---------|----------|-------------|---------|--------|
| Q8b. Cultural background is not a barrier to success in my organisation | 14  | 50      | 29       | 64%         | 73%     | 77%    |
| Q8c. Age is not a barrier to success in my organisation                 | 13  | 47      | 27 7     | 61%         | 66%     | 71%    |
| Q8d. Disability is not a barrier to success in my organisation          | 14  | 50      | 30       | 64%         | 56%     | 67%    |
| Q8e. Sexual orientation is not a barrier to success in my organisation  | 15  | 50      | 25 8     | 65%         | 72%     | 76%    |
| Q8f. Gender is not a barrier to success in my organisation              | 14  | 43      | 24 13    | 58%         | 69%     | 74%    |

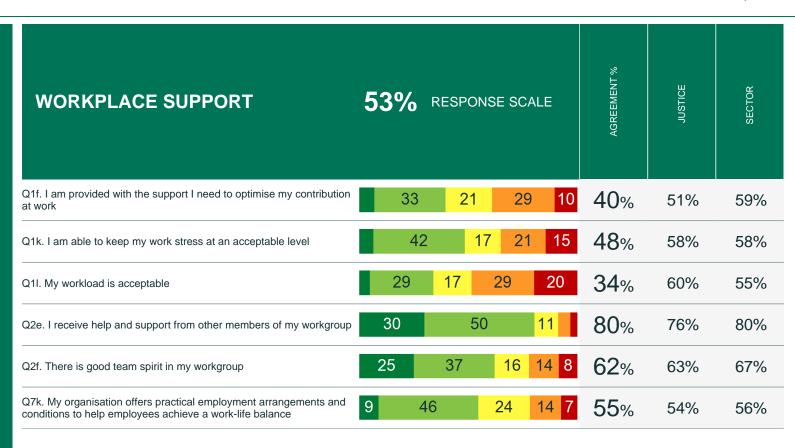




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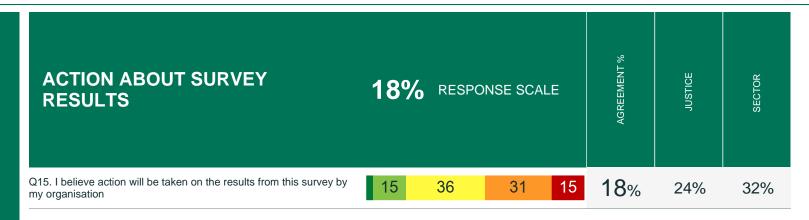


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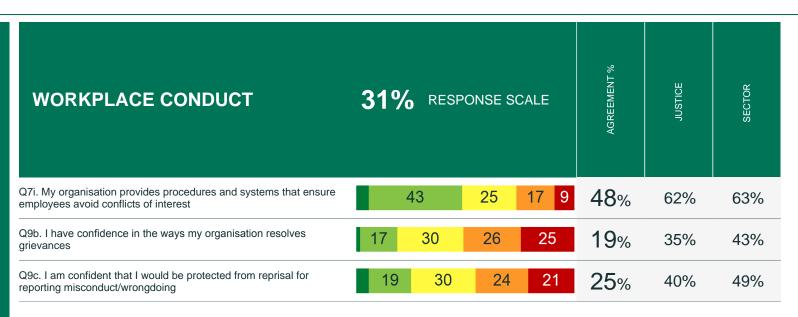


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|--|----------------|------------|---------|--------|
| Q13. What factors would motivate you to stay in the NSW public s | ector?         |            |         |        |
| More interesting and challenging work                            |                | 48%        | 47%     | 46%    |
| Better skills in my workgroup                                    |                | 28%        | 28%     | 27%    |
| Improved career opportunities                                    |                | 57%        | 59%     | 52%    |
| Improved learning and development opportunities                  |                | 56%        | 50%     | 50%    |
| Greater involvement in decision making                           |                | 39%        | 34%     | 33%    |
| Better pay and benefits  |                | 54%        | 62%     | 58%    |
| Greater recognition for the work I do                            |                | 43%        | 46%     | 45%    |
| Better leadership from senior managers                           |                | 68%        | 46%     | 39%    |



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|--|----------------|------------|---------|--------|
| Q13. What factors would motivate you to stay in the NSW public s | sector?        |            |         |        |
| Better leadership from my manager                                |                | 37%        | 30%     | 27%    |
| Better accountability for performance                            |                | 44%        | 29%     | 25%    |
| A better location  |                | 18%        | 22%     | 20%    |
| More flexible working conditions                                 |                | 29%        | 37%     | 38%    |
| Better work/life balance   |                | 48%        | 45%     | 46%    |
| Improved facilities  |                | 24%        | 32%     | 30%    |
| Improved technology and systems                                  |                | 37%        | 40%     | 38%    |
| Better job security  |                | 46%        | 47%     | 43%    |



# EXPLORE THE FULL SURVEY RESULTS

This section shows results for all the survey questions grouped by key themes.

| WORKPLACE CONDUCT   | RESPONSE SCALE          | AGREEMENT% | JUSTICE | SECTOR |
|---|-------------------------|------------|---------|--------|
| Q9a. In the last 12 months I have read or referred to my organisa | ation's code of conduct |            |         |        |
| Yes   |                         | 79%        | 68%     | 72%    |
| No  |                         | 19%        | 28%     | 24%    |
| Don't Know  |                         | 2%         | 4%      | 4%     |



# EXPLORE THE FULL SURVEY RESULTS

This section shows results for all the survey questions grouped by key themes.

| UNACCEPTABLE CONDUCT  | RESPONSE SCALE             | AGREEMENT% | JUSTICE | SECTOR |
|---|----------------------------|------------|---------|--------|
| Q10a. In the last 12 months I have witnessed misconduct/wrongdo | oing at work               |            |         |        |
| Yes   |                            | 35%        | 25%     | 25%    |
| No  |                            | 51%        | 65%     | 64%    |
| Don't Know  |                            | 13%        | 11%     | 11%    |
| Q10b. Have you reported the misconduct/wrongdoing you witness   | sed in the last 12 months? |            |         |        |
| Yes   |                            | 64%        | 65%     | 63%    |
| No  |                            | 33%        | 34%     | 35%    |
| Don't Know  |                            | 3%         | 1%      | 2%     |



# EXPLORE THE FULL SURVEY RESULTS

This section shows results for all the survey questions grouped by key themes.

| UNACCEPTABLE CONDUCT  | RESPONSE SCALE | AGREEMENT% | JUSTICE | SECTOR |
|---|----------------|------------|---------|--------|
| Q10c. In the last 12 months I have witnessed bullying at work     |                |            |         |        |
| Yes   |                | 44%        | 36%     | 35%    |
| No  |                | 49%        | 57%     | 58%    |
| Don't Know  |                | 7%         | 7%      | 7%     |
| Q10d. In the last 12 months I have been the subjected to bullying | at work        |            |         |        |
| Yes   |                | 20%        | 21%     | 20%    |
| No  |                | 74%        | 73%     | 75%    |
| Don't Know  |                | 6%         | 6%      | 5%     |



# EXPLORE THE FULL SURVEY RESULTS

This section shows results for all the survey questions grouped by key themes.

| UNACCEPTABLE CONDUCT  | RESPONSE SCALE                                   | AGREEMENT% | JUSTICE | SECTOR |
|---|--|------------|---------|--------|
| <b>Q10e.</b> Please indicate the role of the person who has been the so subjected to in the last 12 months. | ource of the most serious bullying you have been | ı          |         |        |
| A senior manager  |  | 24%        | 25%     | 23%    |
| Your Immediate Manager/Supervisor   |  | 28%        | 27%     | 26%    |
| A fellow worker at your level   |  | 15%        | 22%     | 25%    |
| A subordinate   |  | 20%        | 8%      | 8%     |
| A client or customer  |  | 4%         | 1%      | 2%     |
| Other   |  | 4%         | 3%      | 4%     |
| Prefer not to say   |  | 4%         | 13%     | 13%    |



#### EXPLORE THE FULL SURVEY RESULTS

This section shows results for all the survey questions grouped by key themes.

Graphs show the proportion of respondents answering positively (Strongly Agree and Agree), negatively (Strongly Disagree and Disagree) or those with a neutral response.

Some key comparisons are provided.

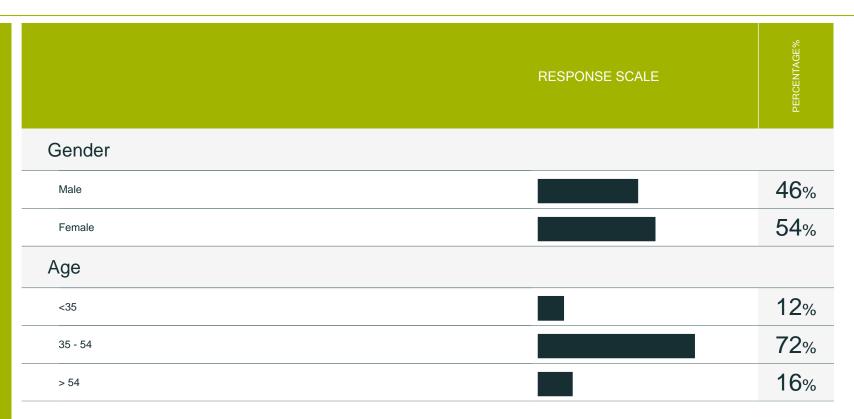
| JUSTICE QUESTIONS  |    | RESPO | ONSE SCAI | .E    | AGREEMENT % | JUSTICE |
|--|----|-------|-----------|-------|-------------|---------|
| Q1. I am confident I can state the values of my organisation   | 2  | 28    | 53        | 13    | 80%         | 72%     |
| Q2. In my work group, people are recognised when they demonstrate the right behaviour in the workplace | 9  | 33    | 36        | 17    | 42%         | 47%     |
| Q3. I am respected for the unique skills and experiences I bring to the organisation                   | 10 | 39    | 30        | 15    | 49%         | 52%     |
| Q4. Messages I see and hear make me feel that I belong in this organisation                            | 10 | 29    | 42        | 15    | 39%         | 46%     |
| Q5. I am regularly consulted on matters affecting safety in my workplace                               | 9  | 39    | 35        | 13    | 47%         | 46%     |
| Q6. I understand the capabilities contained within the PSC Capability Framework                        | 12 | 35    | 30        | 18    | 47%         | 46%     |
| Q7. I am able to use the capabilities to identify development opportunities for myself                 | 8  | 32    | 36        | 20    | 39%         | 43%     |
| Q8. My manager is focused on my capability development   |    | 27    | 36        | 23 10 | 31%         | 33%     |



#### PROFILE OF RESPONDENTS



#### PERSONAL PROFILES

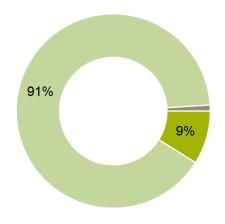


#### **PROFILE OF RESPONDENTS**

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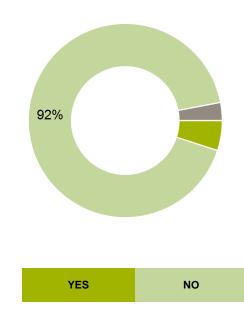
PERSONAL PROFILES

DO YOU SPEAK A LANGUAGE OTHER THAN ENGLISH AT HOME?

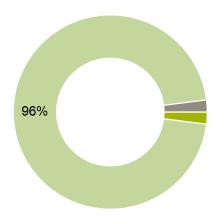


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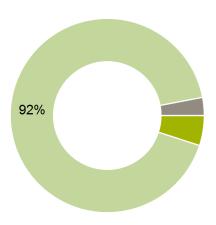
**KEY** 



ARE YOU OF ABORIGINAL AND/OR TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER ORIGIN?



**DO YOU IDENTIFY AS LGBTI?** 



**PREFER NOT** 

**TO SAY** 

# PROFILE OF RESPONDENTS



#### WORK PROFILES

| TENURE IN ORGANISATION | RESPONSE SCALE | PERCENTAGE% |
|------------------------|----------------|-------------|
| Less than 1 year       |                | 13%         |
| 1 - 2 years            |                | 11%         |
| 2 - 5 years            |                | 25%         |
| 5 - 10 years           |                | 29%         |
| 10 - 20 years          |                | 18%         |
| More than 20 years     |                | 4%          |

# PROFILE OF RESPONDENTS



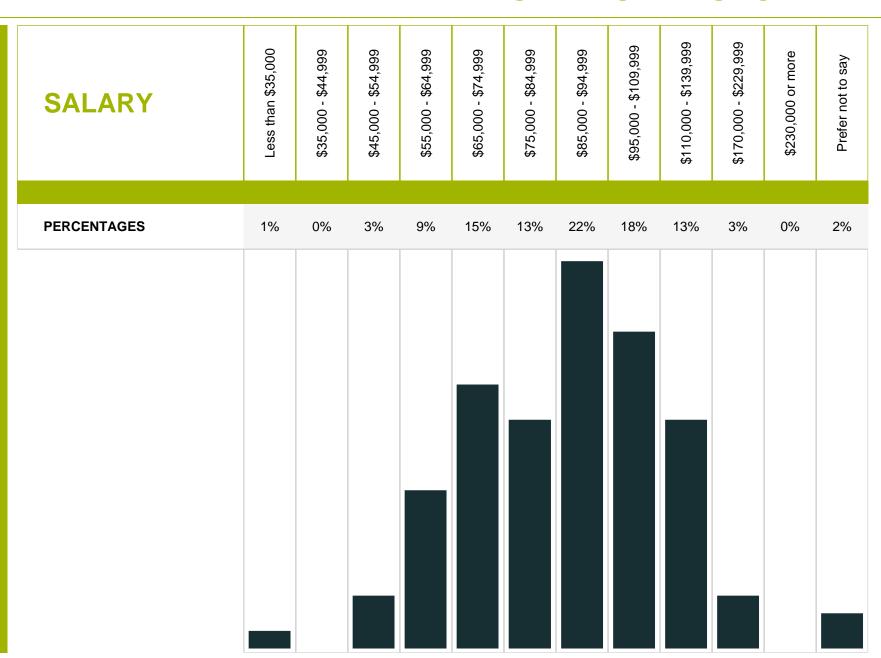
# WORK PROFILES

| TYPE OF WORK  | RESPONSE SCALE | PERCENTAGE% |
|---|----------------|-------------|
| Service delivery involving direct contact with the general public |                | 14%         |
| Other service delivery work                                       |                | 13%         |
| Administrative support  |                | 16%         |
| Corporate services  |                | 28%         |
| Policy  |                | 1%          |
| Research  |                | 1%          |
| Program and project management support                            |                | 9%          |
| Other   |                | 19%         |

## **PROFILE OF RESPONDENTS**



WORK PROFILES



## **RESULTS BY TYPE OF WORK**



#### EXPLORE THE RESULTS FOR DIFFERENT GROUPS OF EMPLOYEES

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Differences have been highlighted where they are 5 or more % points above or below the scores in the first column.

|                       | NSW State Emergency Service | Service delivery involving direct contact with the general public | Other service delivery work | Administrative support | Corporate services | Policy | Research | Program and project<br>management support | Legal (including developing<br>and/or reviewing legislation) | Other |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------|---|-----------------------------|------------------------|--------------------|--------|----------|---|--|-------|
| NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS | 248                         | 31  | 28                          | 35                     | 61                 | 3      | 2        | 19  | 0  | 42    |
| ENGAGEMENT            | 63%                         | 64%   | (r)                         | 72%                    | 63%                | (r)    | (r)      | (r)                                       | (r)  | 61%   |
| SENIOR MANAGERS       | 22%                         | 21%   | (r)                         | 26%                    | 18%                | (r)    | (r)      | (r)                                       | (r)  | 22%   |
| COMMUNICATION         | 46%                         | 41%   | (r)                         | 52%                    | 45%                | (r)    | (r)      | (r)                                       | (r)  | 45%   |
| HIGH PERFORMANCE      | 52%                         | 47%   | (r)                         | 59%                    | 51%                | (r)    | (r)      | (r)                                       | (r)  | 50%   |
| PUBLIC SECTOR VALUES  | 54%                         | 54%   | (r)                         | 59%                    | 55%                | (r)    | (r)      | (r)                                       | (r)  | 50%   |
| DIVERSITY & INCLUSION | 61%                         | 54%   | (r)                         | 71%                    | 60%                | (r)    | (r)      | (r)                                       | (r)  | 59%   |

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### **RESULTS BY SALARY**



#### EXPLORE THE RESULTS FOR DIFFERENT GROUPS OF EMPLOYEES

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Differences have been highlighted where they are 5 or more % points above or below the scores in the first column.

|                       | NSW State Emergency Service | Less than \$35,000 | \$35,000 - \$44,999 | \$45,000 - \$54,999 | \$55,000 - \$64,999 | \$65,000 - \$74,999 | \$75,000 - \$84,999 | \$85,000 - \$94,999 | \$95,000 - \$109,999 | \$110,000 - \$139,999 | \$140,000 - \$169,999 | \$170,000 - \$229,999 | \$230,000 or more | Prefer not to say |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS | 248                         | 2                  | 1                   | 7                   | 21                  | 34                  | 29                  | 49                  | 39                   | 29                    | 0                     | 6                     |                   | 4                 |
| ENGAGEMENT            | 63%                         | (r)                | (r)                 | (r)                 | (r)                 | 61%                 | (r)                 | 60%                 | 59%                  | (r)                   | (r)                   | (r)                   | (r)               | (r)               |
| SENIOR MANAGERS       | 22%                         | (r)                | (r)                 | (r)                 | (r)                 | 16%                 | (r)                 | 11%                 | 15%                  | (r)                   | (r)                   | (r)                   | (r)               | (r)               |
| COMMUNICATION         | 46%                         | (r)                | (r)                 | (r)                 | (r)                 | 41%                 | (r)                 | 43%                 | 34%                  | (r)                   | (r)                   | (r)                   | (r)               | (r)               |
| HIGH PERFORMANCE      | 52%                         | (r)                | (r)                 | (r)                 | (r)                 | 49%                 | (r)                 | 43%                 | 45%                  | (r)                   | (r)                   | (r)                   | (r)               | (r)               |
| PUBLIC SECTOR VALUES  | 54%                         | (r)                | (r)                 | (r)                 | (r)                 | 51%                 | (r)                 | 46%                 | 48%                  | (r)                   | (r)                   | (r)                   | (r)               | (r)               |
| DIVERSITY & INCLUSION | 61%                         | (r)                | (r)                 | (r)                 | (r)                 | 62%                 | (r)                 | 56%                 | 51%                  | (r)                   | (r)                   | (r)                   | (r)               | (r)               |

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## **RESULTS BY TENURE IN ORGANISATION**



EXPLORE THE RESULTS FOR DIFFERENT GROUPS OF EMPLOYEES

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|                       | NSW State Emergency Service | Less than 1 year | 1 - 2 years | 2 - 5 years | 5 - 10 years | 10 - 20 years | More than 20 years |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|---------------|--------------------|
| NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS | 248                         | 28               | 25          | 55          | 64           | 41            | 9                  |
| ENGAGEMENT            | 63%                         | (r)              | (r)         | 59%         | 66%          | 56%           | (r)                |
| SENIOR MANAGERS       | 22%                         | (r)              | (r)         | 14%         | 18%          | 14%           | (r)                |
| COMMUNICATION         | 46%                         | (r)              | (r)         | 39%         | 43%          | 40%           | (r)                |
| HIGH PERFORMANCE      | 52%                         | (r)              | (r)         | 46%         | 50%          | 45%           | (r)                |
| PUBLIC SECTOR VALUES  | 54%                         | (r)              | (r)         | 47%         | 53%          | 48%           | (r)                |
| DIVERSITY & INCLUSION | 61%                         | (r)              | (r)         | 55%         | 58%          | 54%           | (r)                |

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## **RESULTS BY AGE**



#### EXPLORE THE RESULTS FOR DIFFERENT GROUPS OF EMPLOYEES

The Engagement score is weighted. It cannot be compared with other scores which are the average of % agreement results for all questions in each group.

Differences have been highlighted where they are 5 or more % points above or below the scores in the first column.

|                       | NSW State Emergency Service | 15 - 19 | 20 - 24 | 25 -29 | 30 - 34 | 35 - 39 | 40 - 44 | 45 - 49 | 50 - 54 | 55 - 59 | 60 - 64 | 65+ |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------|---------|---------|--------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|-----|
| NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS | 248                         | 0       | 4       | 8      | 15      | 34      | 50      | 41      | 35      | 27      | 7       |     |
| ENGAGEMENT            | 63%                         | (r)     | (r)     | (r)    | (r)     | 60%     | 59%     | 62%     | 67%     | (r)     | (r)     | (r) |
| SENIOR MANAGERS       | 22%                         | (r)     | (r)     | (r)    | (r)     | 12%     | 19%     | 20%     | 25%     | (r)     | (r)     | (r) |
| COMMUNICATION         | 46%                         | (r)     | (r)     | (r)    | (r)     | 45%     | 41%     | 41%     | 49%     | (r)     | (r)     | (r) |
| HIGH PERFORMANCE      | 52%                         | (r)     | (r)     | (r)    | (r)     | 49%     | 48%     | 50%     | 52%     | (r)     | (r)     | (r) |
| PUBLIC SECTOR VALUES  | 54%                         | (r)     | (r)     | (r)    | (r)     | 46%     | 53%     | 52%     | 56%     | (r)     | (r)     | (r) |
| DIVERSITY & INCLUSION | 61%                         | (r)     | (r)     | (r)    | (r)     | 56%     | 58%     | 58%     | 63%     | (r)     | (r)     | (r) |

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### **RESULTS BY GENDER**



EXPLORE THE RESULTS FOR DIFFERENT GROUPS OF EMPLOYEES

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Differences have been highlighted where they are 5 or more % points above or below the scores in the first column.

|                       | NSW State Emergency Service | Male | Female | Other |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------|------|--------|-------|
| NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS | 248                         | 102  | 118    | 0     |
| ENGAGEMENT            | 63%                         | 62%  | 65%    | (r)   |
| SENIOR MANAGERS       | 22%                         | 21%  | 22%    | (r)   |
| COMMUNICATION         | 46%                         | 45%  | 46%    | (r)   |
| HIGH PERFORMANCE      | 52%                         | 49%  | 53%    | (r)   |
| PUBLIC SECTOR VALUES  | 54%                         | 54%  | 54%    | (r)   |
| DIVERSITY & INCLUSION | 61%                         | 59%  | 61%    | (r)   |

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## **RESULTS BY WORK LOCATION**



#### EXPLORE THE RESULTS FOR DIFFERENT GROUPS OF EMPLOYEES

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Differences have been highlighted where they are 5 or more % points above or below the scores in the first column.

|                       | NSW State Emergency Service | Metropolitan NSW | Regional NSW |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|--------------|
| NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS | 248                         | 40               | 181          |
| ENGAGEMENT            | 63%                         | 64%              | 63%          |
| SENIOR MANAGERS       | 22%                         | 25%              | 20%          |
| COMMUNICATION         | 46%                         | 54%              | 43%          |
| HIGH PERFORMANCE      | 52%                         | 58%              | 50%          |
| PUBLIC SECTOR VALUES  | 54%                         | 62%              | 52%          |
| DIVERSITY & INCLUSION | 61%                         | 73%              | 58%          |

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## **RESULTS BY CURRENT ROLE**



#### EXPLORE THE RESULTS FOR DIFFERENT GROUPS OF EMPLOYEES

The Engagement score is weighted. It cannot be compared with other scores which are the average of % agreement results for all questions in each group.

Differences have been highlighted where they are 5 or more % points above or below the scores in the first column.

|                       | NSW State Emergency Service | Sworn police officer - general<br>duties | Sworn police officer - other | Non-sworn employee of NSW<br>Police Force | Permanent Fire fighter | Retained Fire fighter | Custodial Officer | Youth Worker | Legal officer or other legal<br>professional | Administrative or other clerical worker | Sheriff's Officer | Community Corrections Officer<br>(Probation & Parole) | Psychologist | Teacher |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------|--|------------------------------|---|------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|--------------|--|---|-------------------|---|--------------|---------|
| NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS | 248                         | 0  | 0                            | 0   | 2                      | 0                     | 0                 | 2            | 0  | 101                                     | 0                 | 0   | 0            | 0       |
| ENGAGEMENT            | 63%                         | (r)                                      | (r)                          | (r)                                       | (r)                    | (r)                   | (r)               | (r)          | (r)  | 63%                                     | (r)               | (r)   | (r)          | (r)     |
| SENIOR MANAGERS       | 22%                         | (r)                                      | (r)                          | (r)                                       | (r)                    | (r)                   | (r)               | (r)          | (r)  | 20%                                     | (r)               | (r)   | (r)          | (r)     |
| COMMUNICATION         | 46%                         | (r)                                      | (r)                          | (r)                                       | (r)                    | (r)                   | (r)               | (r)          | (r)  | 47%                                     | (r)               | (r)   | (r)          | (r)     |
| HIGH PERFORMANCE      | 52%                         | (r)                                      | (r)                          | (r)                                       | (r)                    | (r)                   | (r)               | (r)          | (r)  | 53%                                     | (r)               | (r)   | (r)          | (r)     |
| PUBLIC SECTOR VALUES  | 54%                         | (r)                                      | (r)                          | (r)                                       | (r)                    | (r)                   | (r)               | (r)          | (r)  | 55%                                     | (r)               | (r)   | (r)          | (r)     |
| DIVERSITY & INCLUSION | 61%                         | (r)                                      | (r)                          | (r)                                       | (r)                    | (r)                   | (r)               | (r)          | (r)  | 63%                                     | (r)               | (r)   | (r)          | (r)     |

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## **RESULTS BY CURRENT ROLE**



#### EXPLORE THE RESULTS FOR DIFFERENT GROUPS OF EMPLOYEES

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|                       | NSW State Emergency Service | Welfare Officer | Other |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|-------|
| NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS | 248                         | 0               | 118   |
| ENGAGEMENT            | 63%                         | (r)             | 63%   |
| SENIOR MANAGERS       | 22%                         | (r)             | 22%   |
| COMMUNICATION         | 46%                         | (r)             | 43%   |
| HIGH PERFORMANCE      | 52%                         | (r)             | 49%   |
| PUBLIC SECTOR VALUES  | 54%                         | (r)             | 52%   |
| DIVERSITY & INCLUSION | 61%                         | (r)             | 57%   |

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### **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. 18%

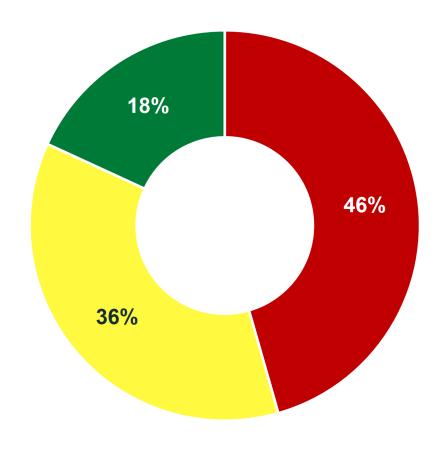
of employees replied favourably to:

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

32%

**SECTOR** 

24% CLUSTER



Agreement Neither A

Neither Agree nor Disagree Disagree

Disagreement

### **GUIDE TO THIS REPORT**



#### **ANONYMITY RULES**

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

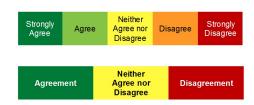
There is no way of tracing individuals in reports or through the de-identified survey data. There are limits on the size of workgroups that can be reported (10 or more employees) and responses from demographic groups (30 or more employees). Where people work in small teams, the results are merged with 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<br>Agree | Agree  | Neither | Disagree | Strongly<br>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%  |