



2020 | NSW Public Sector
Employee Survey

Agency Report

Resilience NSW

This shows where the report unit sits in the survey's organisational hierarchy.

NSW public sector

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See your results at a glance

Headline results for key topics

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We've flagged the top 3 (*) and bottom 3 (!) topics for you. Use these topics as a starting point for exploring your results.

Response rate

89%

96 OF 108 RESPONDENTS

Employee engagement

76%

Compared to

Sector +9 (67%)

Cluster +6 (70%)

Job satisfaction

84%

Compared to

Sector +14 (70%)

Cluster +13 (71%)

Wellbeing, health and safety

84%

Compared to

Sector +9 (76%)

Cluster +8 (76%)

Senior managers

70%

Compared to

Sector +12 (58%)

Cluster +10 (60%)

Communication and change management

70%

Compared to

Sector +8 (62%)

Cluster +7 (63%)

Inclusion and diversity

82%

Compared to

Sector +8 (74%)

Cluster +6 (76%)

Flexible working satisfaction

97% *

Compared to

Sector +30 (67%)

Cluster +15 (82%)

Role clarity and support

71%

Compared to

Sector +5 (66%)

Cluster +4 (67%)

Autonomy and employee voice

80%

Compared to

Sector +9 (71%)

Cluster +7 (73%)

Feedback and performance management

65%

Compared to

Sector +3 (63%)

Cluster 0 (65%)

Learning and development

54% !

Compared to

Sector 0 (54%)

Cluster +4 (51%)

Headline results for key topics (continued)

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Recruitment

59% 

Compared to

Sector	+13 (45%)
Cluster	+5 (54%)

Teamwork and collaboration

77%

Compared to

Sector	+8 (69%)
Cluster	+5 (72%)

Risk and innovation

85% 

Compared to

Sector	+10 (75%)
Cluster	+8 (77%)

Decision making and accountability

72%

Compared to

Sector	+12 (60%)
Cluster	+8 (64%)

Customer service

82%

Compared to

Sector	+8 (74%)
Cluster	+6 (75%)

Pay

86% 

Compared to

Sector	+24 (63%)
Cluster	+18 (68%)

Grievance processes

51% 

Compared to

Sector	+6 (45%)
Cluster	+6 (44%)

Action on survey results

73%




Compared to

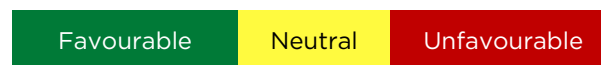
Sector	+28 (45%)
Cluster	+23 (50%)

Target specific areas and get tips for taking action

Employee engagement is about a person's connection to their organisation. It is a global measure of employee experience.

Many factors influence engagement: leadership, a positive and inclusive work culture, manager support, accountability, and flexible work to name a few.

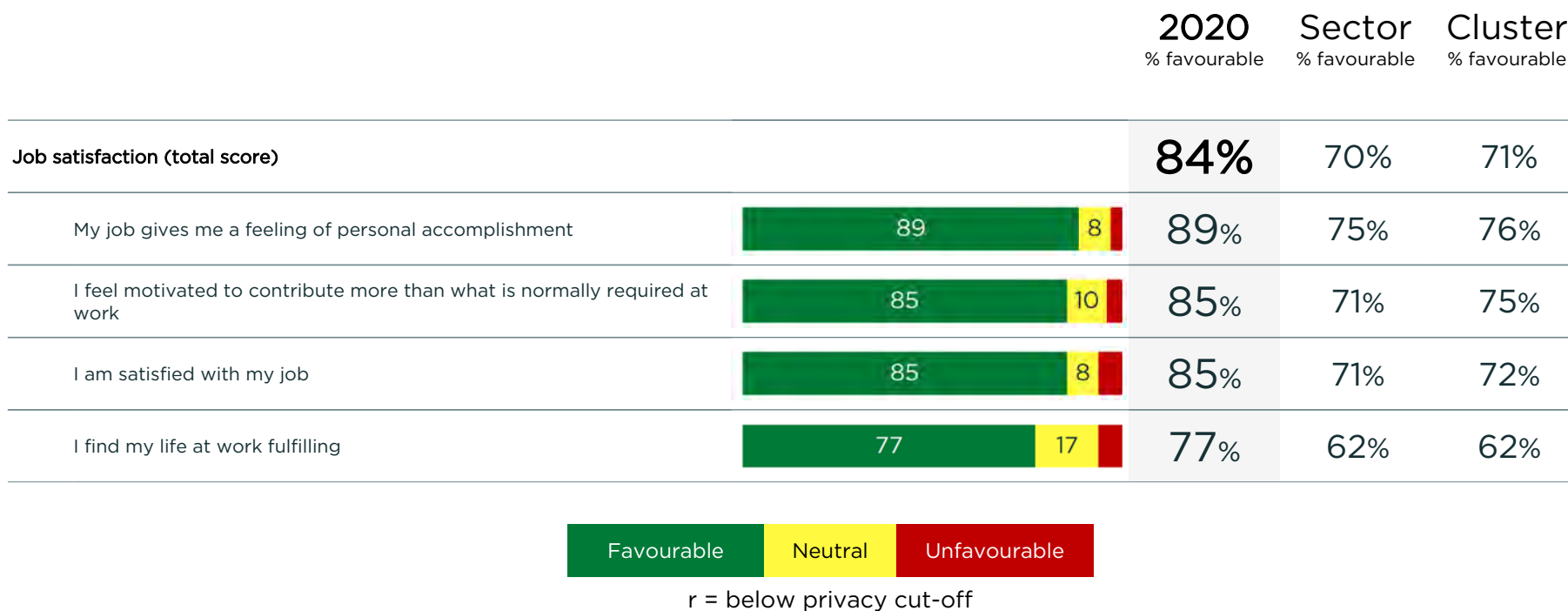
		2020 % favourable	Sector % favourable	Cluster % favourable
Employee engagement (total score)		76%	67%	70%
I would recommend my organisation as a great place to work		81%	68%	69%
I am proud to tell others I work for my organisation		89%	74%	80%
I feel a strong personal attachment to my organisation		75%	66%	70%
My organisation motivates me to help it achieve its goals		77%	59%	64%
My organisation inspires me to do the best in my job		76%	59%	65%



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Like employee engagement, job satisfaction is a global measure of employee experience. While employee engagement operates at the organisational level, job satisfaction operates at the job or role level.

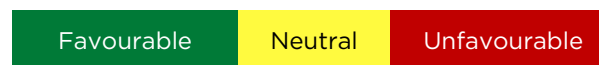
Role clarity and support, autonomy and feedback are some factors that impact job satisfaction.



Wellbeing means feeling good, functioning well, and experiencing satisfaction and fulfilment in work and life.

[See some tips for managing employee wellbeing during COVID-19.](#)

		2020 % favourable	Sector % favourable	Cluster % favourable
Wellbeing, health and safety (total score)		84%	76%	76%
I can keep my work stress at an acceptable level		79%	63%	65%
I know how to address a health and safety issue I have found		89%	87%	86%
In general, my sense of wellbeing is...		81%	65%	65%
I am confident that I am contributing my best at work		85%	80%	79%
There are people at work who care about me		86%	82%	85%

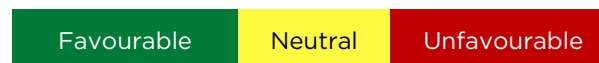


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Leadership is key in setting direction, executing strategy, shaping culture and capability, inspiring purpose, and delivering results.

The term 'senior managers' refers to the group of senior managers in your organisation, not an individual manager.

		2020 % favourable	Sector % favourable	Cluster % favourable
Senior managers (total score)		70%	58%	60%
Senior managers provide clear direction for the future of the organisation	<div><div>61</div><div>30</div><div>10</div></div>	61%	53%	54%
Senior managers model the values of my organisation	<div><div>73</div><div>23</div><div></div></div>	73%	58%	60%
Senior managers promote collaboration between my organisation and other organisations we work with	<div><div>74</div><div>18</div><div>7</div></div>	74%	56%	60%
Senior managers communicate the importance of customers in our work	<div><div>80</div><div>17</div><div></div></div>	80%	70%	70%
Senior managers keep employees informed about what's going on	<div><div>68</div><div>24</div><div>7</div></div>	68%	57%	59%
Senior managers listen to employees	<div><div>66</div><div>23</div><div>11</div></div>	66%	49%	51%
Senior managers support the career advancement of women	<div><div>68</div><div>30</div><div></div></div>	68%	64%	67%








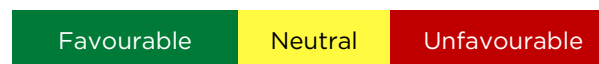
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Effective communication is proactive and timely and focuses on the most important points. What do employees need to know and how does it affect them?

Effective communication is always important, but is most critical before, during and after periods of change.

[See some tips for managing change.](#)






		2020 % favourable	Sector % favourable	Cluster % favourable
Communication and change management (total score)		70%	62%	63%
My manager communicates effectively with me		82%	75%	76%
Senior managers provide clear direction for the future of the organisation		61%	53%	54%
Senior managers keep employees informed about what's going on		68%	57%	59%
Change is managed well in my organisation		45%	41%	41%
My organisation quickly adapts and responds during major events that impact our work (e.g. the COVID-19 pandemic, bushfires)		95%	83%	83%

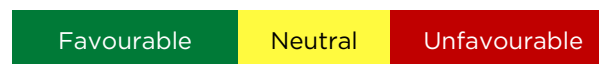


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An inclusive workplace is one where all employees can participate and contribute. It is one where everyone feels valued, accepted, and supported to thrive at work.

[Find out more about inclusion in the NSW public sector.](#)

		2020 % favourable	Sector % favourable	Cluster % favourable
Inclusion and diversity (total score)		82%	74%	76%
People in my workgroup treat each other with respect		92%	80%	84%
Senior managers support the career advancement of women		68%	64%	67%
My organisation respects individual differences (e.g. cultures, working styles, backgrounds, ideas)		87%	79%	79%
Personal background is not a barrier to participation in my organisation (e.g. cultural background, age, disability, sexual orientation, gender)		85%	79%	80%
I can speak up and share a different view to others in my organisation		80%	69%	69%





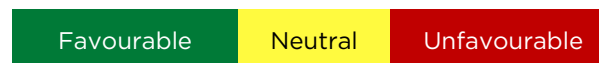
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Flexible working satisfaction

Flexible working is about rethinking where, when, and how people work, in ways that maintain or improve service delivery for the people of NSW.

[See some flexible teams resources for managers.](#)

		2020 % favourable	Sector % favourable	Cluster % favourable
Flexible working satisfaction (total score)		97%	67%	82%
How satisfied are you with your ability to access and use flexible working arrangements?		97%	65%	81%
My manager supports flexible working in my team		97%	68%	83%



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Type of flexible working	2020 % respondents
Flexible start and finish times	82%
Working more hours over fewer days	22%
Working additional hours to make up for time off	28%
Flexible scheduling for rostered workers	r
Part-time work	r
Job sharing	r
Working from different locations	49%

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Type of flexible working	2020 % respondents
Working from home	98%
Purchasing annual leave	r
Leave without pay	r
Study leave	r
Other	r
None of the above	r

Role clarity and support

An employee has role clarity when they understand their goals, how to achieve these goals, and how the goals link to broader strategy.

Even when an employee does have role clarity, they need the right support to deliver. Support can come in the form of time, tools and technology, and training.

[See some tips for improving role clarity and support.](#)



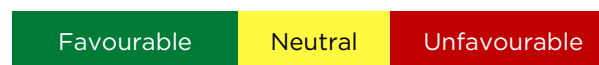
Autonomy and employee voice

Ensuring employees are empowered to make decisions and feel like they can speak up and be heard shifts the employee–employer relationship from a transactional one to an effective, dynamic one.

Autonomy and employee voice can have major impacts on job satisfaction and employee engagement.

[See some tips for increasing autonomy and giving employees a voice.](#)

		2020 % favourable	Sector % favourable	Cluster % favourable
Autonomy and employee voice (total score)		80%	71%	73%
I can make the decisions needed to help customers		81%	81%	78%
My manager listens to what I have to say		86%	79%	83%
My manager encourages and values employee input		86%	76%	80%
My manager involves my workgroup in decisions about our work		80%	71%	75%
Senior managers listen to employees		66%	49%	51%
I can speak up and share a different view to others in my organisation		80%	69%	69%








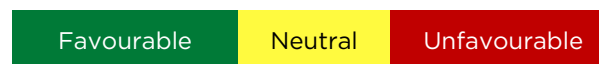
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Feedback and performance management

Underpinning a high-performance culture is an effective system for managing individual, team, and organisational performance.

The Managing for Performance: Guide for Managers can help improve systems and performance outcomes.

		2020 % favourable	Sector % favourable	Cluster % favourable
Feedback and performance management (total score)		65%	63%	65%
In the last 12 months, I have received feedback to help me improve my work		70%	65%	69%
My performance is assessed against clear criteria		44%	55%	58%
My manager provides recognition for the work I do		78%	72%	78%
My manager encourages me to learn from my mistakes		77%	72%	74%
My manager appropriately deals with employees who perform poorly		58%	49%	46%



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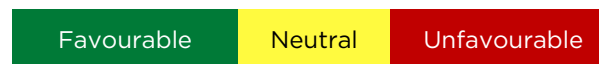
	2020 % respondents	Sector % respondents	Cluster % respondents
I have a performance and development plan that sets out my individual goals			
Yes	36%	72%	73%
No	64%	28%	27%
I have informal feedback conversations with my manager			
Yes	84%	79%	84%
No	16%	21%	16%
I have scheduled feedback conversations with my manager			
Yes	59%	63%	70%
No	41%	37%	30%

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Access to learning and development programs helps employees achieve their performance and career goals. Learning and development also help agencies to grow the right employee capabilities to deliver business outcomes.

The Managing for Performance: Guide for Managers can help plan and implement learning and development.

		2020 % favourable	Sector % favourable	Cluster % favourable
Learning and development (total score)		54%	54%	51%
I have received the training and development I need to do my job well	<div><div>59</div><div>24</div><div>17</div></div>	59%	62%	59%
I am satisfied with the opportunities available for career development in my organisation	<div><div>49</div><div>33</div><div>18</div></div>	49%	48%	41%
My organisation is committed to developing its employees	<div><div>54</div><div>34</div><div>12</div></div>	54%	54%	51%

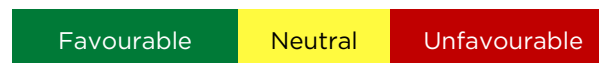


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Recruitment and selection refer to the process of attracting, screening, selecting, and onboarding people.

[See the NSW public sector's recruitment and selection guide for tips to improve recruitment.](#)

		2020 % favourable	Sector % favourable	Cluster % favourable
Recruitment (total score)		59%	45%	54%
I have confidence in the way recruitment decisions are made	<div><div>47</div><div>37</div><div>16</div></div>	47%	38%	45%
My organisation generally selects capable people to do the job	<div><div>70</div><div>22</div><div>9</div></div>	70%	52%	62%



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Having a mobile workforce makes it easier to redeploy resources to match priorities and respond to emerging issues.

Mobility is regarded as one of the best ways to develop leadership capability, provide enriching careers, and build and retain 'know-how' in an organisation and the NSW public sector more broadly.

	2020 % respondents	Sector % respondents	Cluster % respondents
Are you currently looking, or thinking about looking, for a new role within the NSW public sector but outside of your current workplace to broaden your experience?			
Yes	35%	40%	39%
No	65%	60%	61%

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	2020 % respondents	Sector % respondents	Cluster % respondents
Are there barriers preventing you from moving to another role? If so, what are they?			
Lack of visible opportunities	26%	32%	41%
Lack of promotion opportunities	18%	31%	40%
Lack of support from my manager / supervisor	r	12%	-
Geographic location considerations	r	27%	-
Personal / family considerations	15%	30%	23%
Insufficient training and development	r	16%	-
Lack of required capabilities or experience	r	13%	-
Lack of support for temporary assignments / secondments	r	16%	-
The application / recruitment process is too cumbersome or time consuming	13%	24%	18%
Other	r	10%	-
There are no major barriers to my career progression	48%	26%	26%

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Intention to stay refers to an employee's desire and willingness to remain with their current organisation. Intention to stay can be influenced by many aspects of employee experience, including engagement.

Intention to stay is a leading indicator for turnover. However, intention doesn't always translate into action.






	2020 % respondents	Sector % respondents	Cluster % respondents
How long do you think you will continue to work in your current organisation?			
Less than 1 year	17%	6%	10%
1 year to less than 2 years	19%	8%	15%
2 years to less than 5 years	20%	20%	28%
5 years to less than 10 years	28%	25%	26%
10 years to less than 20 years	r	24%	-
More than 20 years	r	17%	-

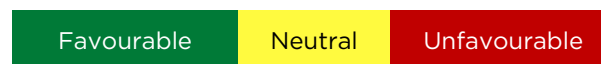
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Teamwork and collaboration

Delivering for the people of NSW requires agencies to work together and share knowledge internally and with other sectors.

Well-executed collaboration enables agencies to share knowledge, ideas, resources, skills, networks, and assets, leading to better outcomes for customers.

		2020 % favourable	Sector % favourable	Cluster % favourable
Teamwork and collaboration (total score)		77%	69%	72%
My workgroup works collaboratively to achieve its goals		85%	78%	82%
There is good team spirit in my workgroup		85%	74%	77%
People in my workgroup treat each other with respect		92%	80%	84%
Senior managers promote collaboration between my organisation and other organisations we work with		74%	56%	60%
There is good co-operation between teams across my organisation		46%	54%	54%

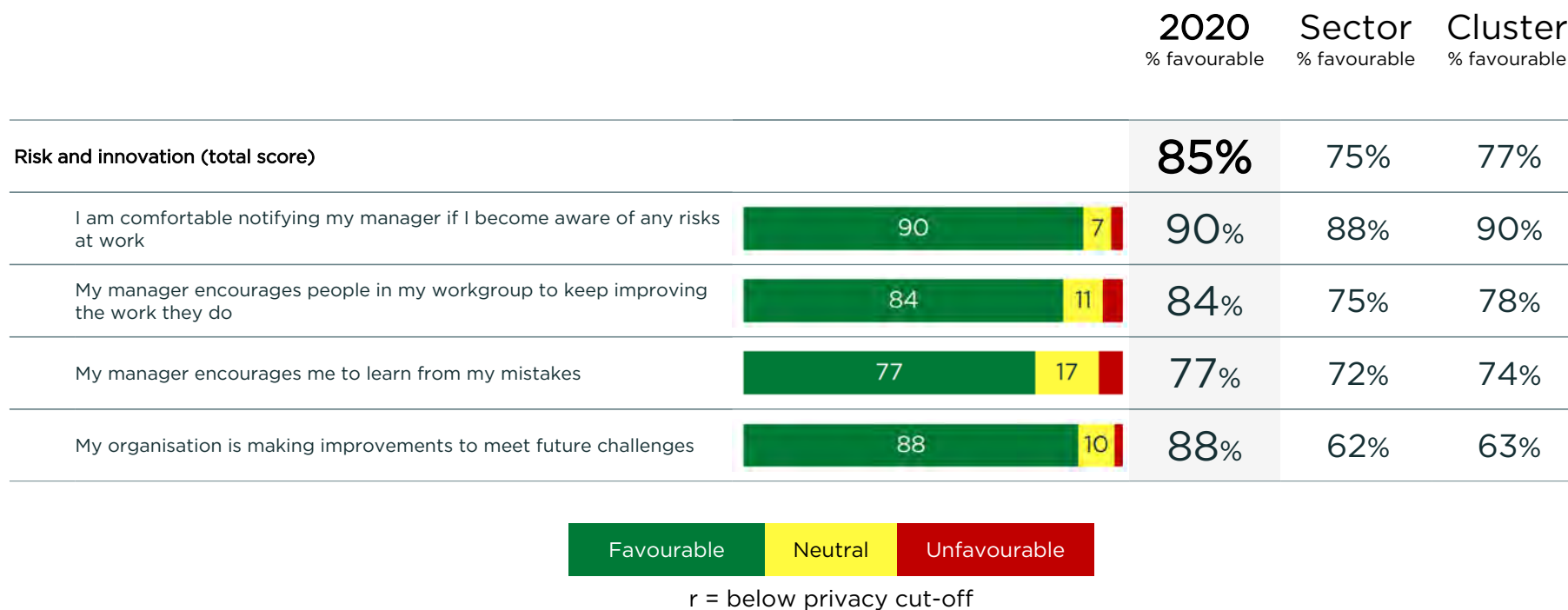


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Risk refers to the effect of uncertainty in achieving work goals. Risk can relate to many things in the workplace.



Innovation means creating new and better products, processes, services, and technologies to improve outcomes for the people of NSW

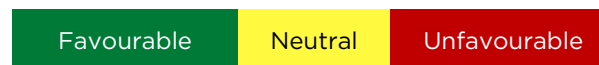
A healthy risk appetite can help foster innovation.



Decision making and accountability

Accountability is one of the four core NSW public sector values. It is about taking responsibility for decisions and actions. Accountability can add meaning to work and foster engagement.

		2020 % favourable	Sector % favourable	Cluster % favourable
Decision making and accountability (total score)		72%	60%	64%
I have confidence in the decisions my manager makes		82%	72%	76%
People in my organisation take responsibility for their own actions		61%	48%	52%

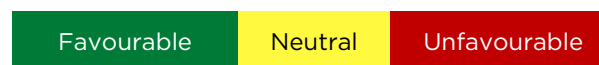


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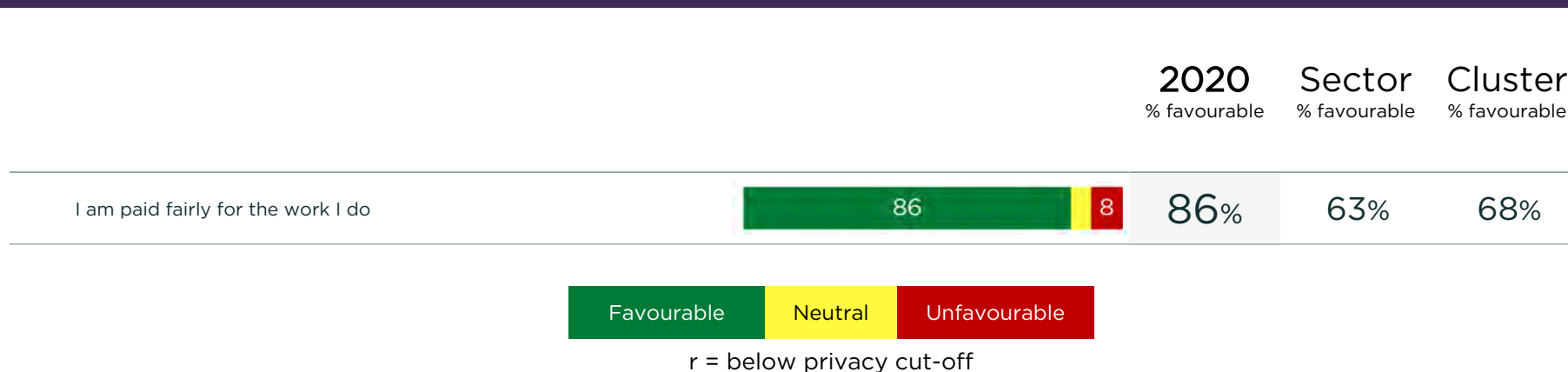
A customer is anyone who received a good or service. In the public sector, customers can be external or internal. Examples include students and their parents; patients and their families; the general community; and another NSW public sector organisation.

The NSW public sector's Customer Commitments give a clear picture of what customers should expect when receiving government services.

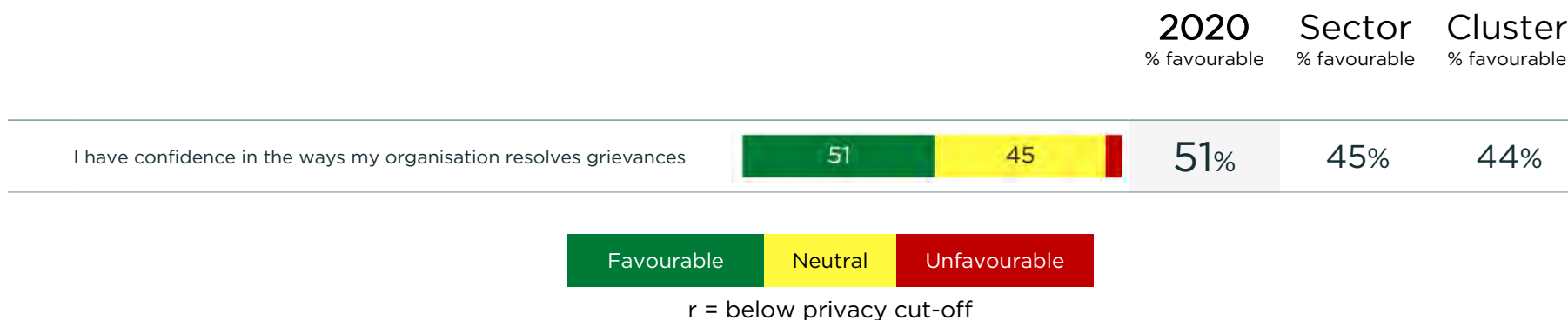
		2020 % favourable	Sector % favourable	Cluster % favourable
Customer service (total score)		82%	74%	75%
I can make the decisions needed to help customers		81%	81%	78%
My workgroup strives to achieve customer satisfaction		97%	85%	90%
Senior managers communicate the importance of customers in our work		80%	70%	70%
The processes in my organisation are designed to provide the best experience for customers		56%	58%	60%
My organisation meets the needs of the people of NSW		84%	69%	71%
I am confident in my organisation's ability to support our customers during major events that impact our work (e.g. the COVID-19 pandemic, bushfires)		94%	81%	83%



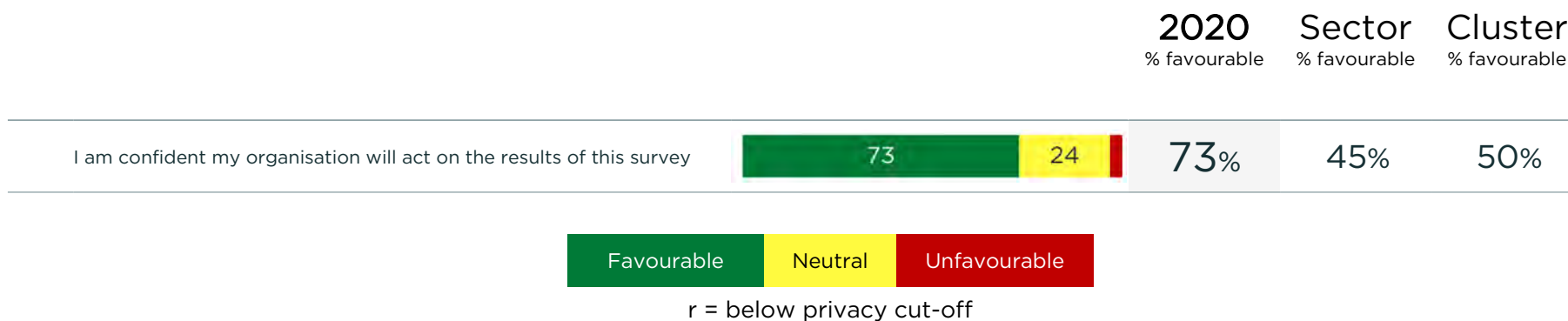
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A grievance is any type of problem, concern, dispute, or complaint related to work or the work environment which cannot be resolved through usual communication.

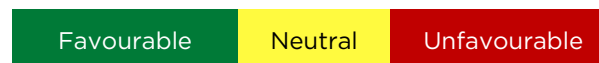


Staff confidence that action will be taken on survey results is important for employee experience. Employees can become disengaged if they are asked their opinion and then no action takes place as a result.



Premier and Cabinet questions

		2020 % favourable	Cluster % favourable
My direct manager actively supports a diverse and inclusive work environment		89%	85%
I feel a sense of belonging in my immediate team		89%	82%
I have been able to meet my work commitments and family responsibilities while working remotely		94%	85%



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Premier and Cabinet questions

2020 Cluster
% respondents % respondents

Due to the increase in flexible and agile working would you say that your immediate team is able to work more efficiently (i.e. get more done per hour)		
Yes	59%	43%
No	1%	8%
It's about the same	36%	40%
N/A	4%	8%
Have you continued to deliver on the outcomes as outlined in your current agreed goals and objectives, in your performance agreement or team/branch business plan?		
Yes	80%	80%
No	0%	3%
Don't know	10%	11%
N/A	10%	7%

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	2020 % respondents	Cluster % respondents
In general my sense of resilience is ...		
0 - Not at all satisfactory	0%	1%
1	0%	0%
2	0%	1%
3	1%	2%
4	0%	2%
5	4%	6%

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	2020 % respondents	Cluster % respondents
In general my sense of resilience is ...		
6	6%	8%
7	12%	23%
8	30%	30%
9	28%	16%
10 - Completely satisfactory	19%	13%

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2020 Cluster
% respondents % respondents

Thinking about your immediate team, what is your day to day workload like compared with prior to COVID-19		
It has increased due to additional or changed tasks	48%	44%
It has reduced because many of our tasks are on hold due to COVID-19	0%	7%
It has remained about the same	45%	34%
It has remained about the same but what we are working on has changed	7%	15%

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Misconduct is behaviour that is unethical or illegal, or that breaches your organisation's code of conduct.

	2020 % respondents	Sector % respondents	Cluster % respondents
In the last 12 months, have you ever felt pressured to engage in misconduct at work?			
Yes	r	2%	-
No	r	95%	-
Don't know	r	3%	-
In the last 12 months, have you been aware of any misconduct in your organisation?			
Yes	r	16%	-
No	85%	75%	81%
Don't know	r	8%	-
Have you reported any of the misconduct you were aware of in the last 12 months? *			
Yes	r	58%	-
No	r	42%	-

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Workplace bullying is repeated unreasonable behaviour directed towards a worker or group of workers. Examples of bullying include shouting, spreading rumours and deliberately excluding someone from work activities.

[Learn more about understanding and preventing bullying during COVID-19.](#)

	2020 % respondents	Sector % respondents	Cluster % respondents
In the last 12 months, have you witnessed bullying at work?			
Yes	r	22%	-
No	78%	72%	73%
Don't know	r	6%	-
In the last 12 months, have you been bullied at work?			
Yes	r	14%	-
No	85%	81%	84%
Don't know	r	5%	-

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Perpetrators of bullying

2020
% respondents

Sector
% respondents

Cluster
% respondents

Who has been the source of bullying in the last 12 months?			
A senior manager	r	28%	-
Your immediate manager / supervisor	r	31%	-
Another manager	r	16%	-
A fellow worker at your level	r	34%	-
A subordinate	r	12%	-
A customer	r	8%	-
A member of the public other than a customer	r	3%	-
Other	r	4%	-
Prefer not to say	r	11%	-

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Sexual harassment and physical harm

Sexual harassment is unwelcome behaviour of a sexual nature that may make a person feel offended, humiliated, or intimidated.

	2020 % respondents	Sector % respondents	Cluster % respondents
In the last 12 months, have you experienced sexual harassment at work?			
Yes	r	4%	-
Prefer not to say	r	2%	-
No	100%	94%	96%
In the last 12 months, have you been threatened with physical harm or physically harmed at work?			
Yes	r	6%	-
No	r	94%	-

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Explore how to drive engagement

Key drivers of employee engagement

The key drivers of employee engagement are the survey questions most strongly related to engagement in your team or organisation.

Improving these areas could help boost employee engagement.

Key driver question	Topic
My performance is assessed against clear criteria	Role clarity and support
In the last 12 months, I have received feedback to help me improve my work	Feedback and performance management
I understand what is expected of me to do well in my role	Role clarity and support
My organisation respects individual differences (e.g. cultures, working styles, backgrounds, ideas)	Inclusion and diversity
My organisation is committed to developing its employees	Learning and development

Compare organisational units one level down

Child unit comparison for key topics

This shows some key topic scores for the organisational units that sit one level below the report unit. These units are called child units.

	Report total	Capability and Planning	Disaster Welfare	Natural Disaster Expenditure and Governance	Policy Coordination	Resilience and Recovery
EMPLOYEE ENGAGEMENT	76%	84%+	77%	83%+	67% [^]	61% [^]
WELLBEING, HEALTH AND SAFETY	84%	91%+	88%	91%+	64% [^]	71% [^]
SENIOR MANAGERS	70%	80%+	56% [^]	78%+	73%	57% [^]
COMMUNICATION AND CHANGE MANAGEMENT	70%	81%+	60% [^]	75%+	60% [^]	58% [^]
INCLUSION AND DIVERSITY	82%	89%+	77% [^]	87%+	75% [^]	69% [^]
ROLE CLARITY AND SUPPORT	71%	82%+	79%+	80%+	56% [^]	46% [^]
AUTONOMY AND EMPLOYEE VOICE	80%	84%	82%	92%+	65% [^]	64% [^]
LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT	54%	73%+	63%+	63%+	34% [^]	20% [^]
TEAMWORK AND COLLABORATION	77%	84%+	62% [^]	91%+	67% [^]	73%

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Discover if different groups of employees have different views

Respondent profile snapshot

This is a snapshot of survey takers.

Use the snapshot to see if the survey takers are representative of your organisation or team.

Gender	% respondents	LGBTIQ+	% respondents	Type of work	% respondents
Male	(r)	Yes	(r)	Service delivery involving direct contact with the public	(r)
Female	57	No	86	Other service delivery work	(r)
Non-binary	(r)	Prefer not to say	(r)	Administrative support	(r)
Prefer not to say	(r)			Corporate services	(r)
		Employment status		Policy	(r)
Age		Senior executive	(r)	Research	(r)
15 - 34 years	18	Ongoing / permanent	43	Program and project management support	38
35 - 54 years	54	Temporary	27	Legal	(r)
55+ years	11	Casual	(r)	Other	20
Prefer not to say	18	Contract-non-executive	(r)		
		Labour hire	(r)	Organisation tenure	
LOTE spoken at home		Other	(r)	Less than 1 year	54
Yes	(r)	Don't know	(r)	1 year to less than 2 years	(r)
No	77			2 years to less than 5 years	21
Prefer not to say	(r)	Working arrangement		5 years to less than 10 years	(r)
		Full-time	(r)	10 years to less than 20 years	(r)
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander		Part-time	(r)	More than 20 years	(r)
Yes	(r)	Frontline / Non-frontline staff		Salary	
No	(r)	Frontline	(r)	\$85,743 and below	6
Prefer not to say	(r)	Non-frontline	(r)	\$85,744 - \$111,076	27
				\$111,077 - \$148,578	43
Disability				\$148,579 and above	18
Yes	(r)			Prefer not to say	7
No	(r)				
Prefer not to say	(r)				

Key topic results by select demographics

	Report total	Male	Female	Non-binary	Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples	People with disability	People who identify as LGBTIQ+	People who speak a language other than English	15-34 years	35-54 years	55+ years
EMPLOYEE ENGAGEMENT	76%	(r)	78%	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	79%	(r)
WELLBEING, HEALTH AND SAFETY	84%	(r)	85%	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	87%	(r)
SENIOR MANAGERS	70%	(r)	73%	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	73%	(r)
COMMUNICATION AND CHANGE MANAGEMENT	70%	(r)	71%	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	72%	(r)
INCLUSION AND DIVERSITY	82%	(r)	84%	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	84%	(r)
ROLE CLARITY AND SUPPORT	71%	(r)	74%	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	77%+	(r)
AUTONOMY AND EMPLOYEE VOICE	80%	(r)	80%	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	87%+	(r)
LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT	54%	(r)	59%+	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	58%	(r)
TEAMWORK AND COLLABORATION	77%	(r)	79%	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	80%	(r)

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Key topic results by type of work

	Report total	Service delivery involving direct contact with the public	Other service delivery work (work that does not involve contact with the public)	Administrative support (e.g. executive / personal assistant, receptionist)	Corporate services (e.g. HR, finance, IT, ministerial or parliamentary processes)	Policy	Research	Program and project management support	Legal (including developing and/or reviewing legislation)	Other
EMPLOYEE ENGAGEMENT	76%	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	75%	(r)	(r)
WELLBEING, HEALTH AND SAFETY	84%	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	84%	(r)	(r)
SENIOR MANAGERS	70%	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	71%	(r)	(r)
COMMUNICATION AND CHANGE MANAGEMENT	70%	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	69%	(r)	(r)
INCLUSION AND DIVERSITY	82%	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	80%	(r)	(r)
ROLE CLARITY AND SUPPORT	71%	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	73%	(r)	(r)
AUTONOMY AND EMPLOYEE VOICE	80%	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	84%	(r)	(r)
LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT	54%	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	52%	(r)	(r)
TEAMWORK AND COLLABORATION	77%	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	82%+	(r)	(r)

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Key topic results by organisation tenure

	Report total	Less than 1 year	1 year to less than 2 years	2 years to less than 5 years	5 years to less than 10 years	10 years to less than 20 years	More than 20 years
EMPLOYEE ENGAGEMENT	76%	80%	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)
WELLBEING, HEALTH AND SAFETY	84%	87%	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)
SENIOR MANAGERS	70%	73%	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)
COMMUNICATION AND CHANGE MANAGEMENT	70%	76%+	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)
INCLUSION AND DIVERSITY	82%	85%	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)
ROLE CLARITY AND SUPPORT	71%	72%	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)
AUTONOMY AND EMPLOYEE VOICE	80%	82%	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)
LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT	54%	56%	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)
TEAMWORK AND COLLABORATION	77%	81%	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)

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Key topic results by geographic region

	Report total	Sydney East	Sydney West	Capital Region	Central Coast	Central West	Coffs Harbour – Grafton	Far West and Orana	Hunter Valley excluding Newcastle
EMPLOYEE ENGAGEMENT	76%	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)
WELLBEING, HEALTH AND SAFETY	84%	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)
SENIOR MANAGERS	70%	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)
COMMUNICATION AND CHANGE MANAGEMENT	70%	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)
INCLUSION AND DIVERSITY	82%	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)
ROLE CLARITY AND SUPPORT	71%	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)
AUTONOMY AND EMPLOYEE VOICE	80%	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)
LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT	54%	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)
TEAMWORK AND COLLABORATION	77%	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)

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Key topic results by geographic region (continued)

	Report total	Illawarra	Mid North Coast	Murray	New England and North West	Newcastle and Lake Macquarie	Richmond - Tweed	Riverina	Southern Highlands and Shoalhaven	Outside of NSW
EMPLOYEE ENGAGEMENT	76%	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)
WELLBEING, HEALTH AND SAFETY	84%	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)
SENIOR MANAGERS	70%	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)
COMMUNICATION AND CHANGE MANAGEMENT	70%	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)
INCLUSION AND DIVERSITY	82%	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)
ROLE CLARITY AND SUPPORT	71%	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)
AUTONOMY AND EMPLOYEE VOICE	80%	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)
LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT	54%	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)
TEAMWORK AND COLLABORATION	77%	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)	(r)

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Find out more about how the survey works

Survey period

The People Matter Employee Survey 2020 opened on Monday, 19 October and closed on Friday, 13 November. The survey usually runs in the middle of the year but was delayed due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Employee engagement score calculation

Each person who answered all five employee engagement questions gets an employee engagement score. Each answer is assigned a score as follows:

100 to 'strongly agree'

75 to 'agree'

50 to 'neither agree nor disagree'

25 to 'disagree'

0 to 'strongly disagree'

The employee's engagement score is calculated as the average of the five question scores. Employees' scores are then averaged to calculate a team or organisation engagement score.

% favourable calculation

Most scores are shown as % favourable, which is the sum of the 'strongly agree' and 'agree' percentages.

Privacy

Responses from individual employees are confidential. Strict rules protect privacy at every stage of the survey process. These reports only show the results for a group of employees (i.e. a workgroup or demographic group) when there are 10 or more responses for the group.

Rounding

Results are presented as whole numbers for ease of reading. Results will not always add up to 100% due to rounding. Values less than 0.5 are rounded down. Values equal to or greater than 0.5 are rounded up.