

# **2025 APS Employee Census**

5 May - 6 June

# Highlights Report

Responses:

1,112 of 1,225

Response rate:

91%



#### **Exploring your results**



Take time to understand your report. Consider your response rate to determine how representative your results are of the views of your colleagues.



Most questions in this report have information about the proportion of colleagues responding positively, neutrally or negatively.



Identify the areas where you are performing well. These will tend to be high results which are notably above any comparative results. Celebrate these results.



Identify areas that need improvement. These tend to be the low results, which are notably below comparisons.



Generally a difference of -/+ 5 percentage points is worthy of attention, but the size of the group is important. Changes in small groups can be unreliable.

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## **Employee Engagement: Say, Stay, Strive**



# **Employee Engagement**

Employee engagement is more than simply job satisfaction or commitment to an organisation. It is the extent to which employees are motivated, inspired and enabled to improve an organisation's outcomes.

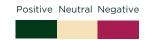
0	Your Employee Engagement Index score	Response scal	e	% Positive	Variance from 2024	Variance from APS overall	Variance from larger operational agencies	Variance from large sized agencies
		0.4	10	0.4	+2	+1	+1	0
	Overall, I am satisfied with my job	84	10	84%	+3	<b>+7♦</b>	+7 <b>⊙</b>	+6 <b>•</b>
Say	I am proud to work in my agency	83	13	83%	+2	+2	+3	0
ιχ	I would recommend my agency as a good place to work	88	8	88%	+3	+12 🐼	+13 🟠	+9 <b>0</b>
	I believe strongly in the purpose and objectives of my agency	83	14	83%	+3	-5♥	-5♥	-5♥
Stay	I feel a strong personal attachment to my agency	68	23 8	68%	+5 <b>0</b>	+3	+3	+4
St	I feel committed to my agency's goals	84	13	84%	+4	-3	-3	-3
	I suggest ideas to improve our way of doing things	82	14	82%	-1	-4	-2	-6♥
Strive	I am happy to go the 'extra mile' at work when required	87	9	<b>87</b> %	-1	-3	-2	-4
Str	I work beyond what is required in my job to help my agency achieve its objectives	70	24	<b>70</b> %	-4	-8♥	-80	-7 <b>©</b>
	My agency really inspires me to do my best work every day	69	22 9	69%	+7 <b>&amp;</b>	+3	+3	+3

Key

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## **Leadership - Immediate Supervisor**



# **Immediate Supervisor**

The Immediate
Supervisor Index
assesses how
employees view the
leadership
behaviours of their
immediate
supervisor in line
with the APS
Leadership
Capability
Framework.

	Your Immediate Supervisor	Response scale	% Positive	Variance from 2024	Variance from APS overall	Variance from larger operational agencies	Variance from large sized agencies
	Index score			+1	+2	+2	+2
	My supervisor engages with staff on how to respond to future challenges	84 11	84%	+3	+4	+4	+4
visor	My supervisor can deliver difficult advice whilst maintaining relationships	84 12	84%	+2	+4	+4	+4
Super	My supervisor invites a range of views, including those different to their own	87 9	87%	0	+4	+5 <b></b>	+3
Immediate Supervisor	My supervisor encourages my team to regularly review and improve our work	85 10	85%	+1	+3	+2	+3
<u> </u>	My supervisor is invested in my development	82 12	82%	+2	+4	+4	+3
	My supervisor ensures that my workgroup delivers on what we are responsible for	91	91%	+1	+2	+3	+2
	Other similar questions						
	My supervisor provides me with helpful feedback to improve my performance	85 <u>10</u>	85%	+2	+6 🔷	+5 <b>0</b>	+7 <b>•</b>
	My immediate supervisor encourages me	80 16	80%	0	+2	+3	+1
	My supervisor actively ensures that everyone can be included in workplace activities	89 8	89%	+2	+5♠	+4	+4
	My supervisor encourages me to take on new tasks and gain experience doing things I've never done before	84 11	84%	+3	+3	+3	+2
Key	At least 5 percentage points greater than comparator	At least 5 percentage points less tha	n comparator		Positive N	Neutral Negative	<u> </u>



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## **Leadership - SES Manager**



#### **SES Manager**

The SES Manager Index assesses how employees view the leadership behaviours of their immediate SES manager in line with the APS Leadership Capability Framework.

2	Your 70 Index score	Response :	scale	% Positive	Variance from 2024	Variance from APS overall	Variance from larger operational agencies	Variance from large sized agencies
					0	0	+1	-2
	My SES manager clearly articulates the direction and priorities for our area	73	18 9	<b>73</b> %	-1	+2	+3	0
	My SES manager presents convincing arguments and persuades others towards an outcome	62	28 9	<b>62</b> %	-1	-1	+2	-5 <b>O</b>
Manager	My SES manager promotes cooperation within and between agencies	63	30 7	<b>63</b> %	0	-6 <b>O</b>	-3	-10 🗸
SES M	My SES manager encourages innovation and creativity	70	23	<b>70</b> %	-2	+3	+4	+1
	My SES manager creates an environment that enables us to deliver our best	69	22 10	69%	-1	+1	+3	-1
	My SES manager ensures that work effort contributes to the strategic direction of the agency and the APS	77	19	<b>77</b> %	-2	+1	+3	-2
	Other similar questions							
	In my agency, the SES work as a team	62	29 9	<b>62</b> %	0	+3	+4	+3
	In my agency, the SES clearly articulate the direction and priorities for our agency	72	18 10	<b>72</b> %	-1	+5 🚱	+5 <b>♠</b>	+5♠
	My SES manager routinely promotes the use of data and evidence to deliver outcomes	71	23	<b>71</b> %	-1	+2	+3	0

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# **Communication and change**



#### Communication

The Communication Index measures communication at the individual, group and agency level.

<b>,</b>	Your Communication Index score	Response scale	% Positive	Variance from 2024 +1	Variance from APS overall +3	Variance from larger operational agencies +3	Variance from large sized agencies +2
tion	My supervisor communicates effectively	86 8	86%	0	+5♠	+5♠	+50
Communication	My SES manager communicates effectively	71 19 10	<b>71</b> %	-1	-1	+1	-3
Con	Internal communication within my agency is effective	72 18 11	<b>72</b> %	+2	+10 🚱	+10 🚱	+10 🐼

#### Change

Effective communication is an important part of any change process. Note these questions do not contribute to the above index score.

#### Other similar questions

	When changes occur, the impacts are communicated well within my workgroup	75	15 11	<b>75</b> %	-1	+80	+7 <b>0</b>	+80
Change	Staff are consulted about change at work	61	29 10	61%	+5 <b>•</b>	+96	+8🏠	+90
	Change is managed well in my agency	59	25 17	59%	+3	+11 🐼	+10 🐼	+13 🚱

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## **Enabling Innovation**



#### **Enabling Innovation**

The Enabling Innovation Index assesses both whether employees feel willing and able to be innovative, and whether their agency has a culture which enables them to be SO.

	Your Enabling Innovation Index score	Response scale	Pi	% ositive	Variance from 2024 +4	Variance from APS overall +4	Variance from larger operational agencies +4	Variance from large sized agencies +4
	I believe that one of my responsibilities is to continually look for new ways to improve the way we work	81 14	4	81%	+5 <b>⊙</b>	-3	-1	-4
Innovation	My immediate supervisor encourages me to come up with new or better ways of doing things	80 1	5 8	30%	+8♠	+3	+5♠	+2
	People are recognised for coming up with new and innovative ways of working	72 20	7	<b>72</b> %	+5♠	+8•	+8•	+90
Enabling	My agency inspires me to come up with new or better ways of doing things	65 25	10	65%	+8•	+6 春	+6�	+80
	My agency recognises and supports the notion that failure is a part of innovation	69 23	8	<b>59</b> %	+10 🐼	+18 🕢	+16 🐼	+210

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## **Wellbeing Policies and Support**



#### Wellbeing

The Wellbeing Policies and Support Index provides a measure of the practical and cultural elements that allow for a sustainable and healthy working environment.

+	Your Wellbeing Policies and Support Index score	Response scale		% Positive	Variance from 2024	Variance from APS overall	Variance from larger operational agencies	Variance from large sized agencies
	score				0	+50	+6 🚱	+5 🚱
Support	I am satisfied with the policies/practices in place to help me manage my health and wellbeing	83	11	83%	0	+10 🐼	+11 🐼	+10 🚱
and Sup	My agency does a good job of communicating what it can offer me in terms of health and wellbeing	80	13	80%	-1	+10 🕥	+10 🐼	+10 🕥
Policies	My agency does a good job of promoting health and wellbeing	81	14	81%	0	+10 🐼	+10 🐼	+10 🚳
Wellbeing F	I think my agency cares about my health and wellbeing	81	12 7	81%	+1	+12 🟠	+13 🟠	+11 🐼
Wel	I believe my immediate supervisor cares about my health and wellbeing	91		91%	+2	+4	+5 <b>0</b>	+2
	Other similar questions							
Б	If I felt it was needed, I would feel comfortable discussing my mental health and wellbeing with my supervisor	81	10 9	81%	+3	+5 <b>♠</b>	+5♠	+4
Wellbeing	I receive the respect I deserve from my colleagues at work	83	14	83%	0	+1	+2	+1
<b>-</b> \$	My agency supports and actively promotes an inclusive workplace culture	90		90%	+1	+7 <b>0</b>	+7 <b>0</b>	+50

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# Wellbeing

	Response scale	%	Variance from 2024	Variance from APS overall	Variance from larger operational agencies	Variance from large sized agencies
In general, would you say that your health is:						
Excellent		11%	-1	-1	0	-2
Very good		<b>35</b> %	+1	0	+1	-2
Good		<b>38</b> %	0	+1	0	+2
Fair		13%	0	0	-1	+1
Poor		<b>3</b> %	0	0	0	0
What best describes your current workload?						
Well above capacity - too much work		9%	-2	-7 <b>O</b>	-60	-7 <b>©</b>
Slightly above capacity - lots of work to do		44%	-1	+5 <b>♦</b>	+5 <b>♦</b>	+5♠
At capacity – about the right amount of work to do		43%	+4	+60	+4	+7 <b>0</b>
Slightly below capacity - available for more work		<b>3</b> %	0	-3	-2	-4
Well below capacity - not enough work		1%	0	-1	0	-1

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# Wellbeing

	Response scale	%	Variance from 2024	Variance from APS overall	Variance from larger operational agencies	Variance from large sized agencies
How often do you find your work stressful?						
Always		2%	0	-2	-3	-1
Often		16%	-2	-7♥	-7♥	-6 <b>O</b>
Sometimes		53%	+2	+2	+3	+1
Rarely		26%	0	+6�	+7♠	+5♠
Never		2%	0	0	0	0
To what extent is your work emotionally demanding?						
To a very large extent		2%	-1	-5♥	-5 <b>0</b>	-3
To a large extent		11%	0	-8 <b>©</b>	-10 ♥	-6♥
Somewhat		<b>37</b> %	+2	-2	-3	-2
To a small extent		<b>33</b> %	-1	+90	+11 🐼	+7 <b>0</b>
To a very small extent		16%	0	+6�	+7 <b>0</b>	+5 <b>0</b>
I feel burned out by my work						
Strongly agree		6%	0	-2	-2	-1
Agree		15%	-3	-6♥	-7 <b>0</b>	-5 <b>0</b>
Neither agree nor disagree		<b>32</b> %	+1	-1	-2	0
Disagree		<b>36</b> %	+1	+5♠	+7 <b>0</b>	+3
Strongly disagree		11%	+1	+3	+4	+3

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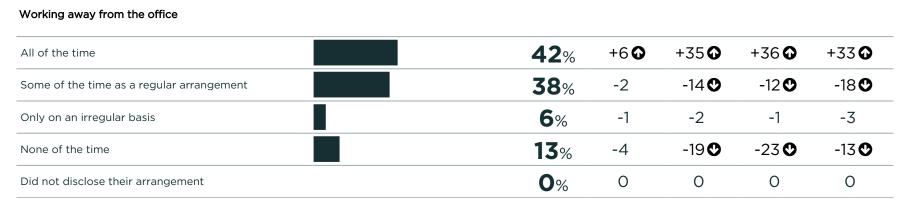
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#### Flexible work



	Response scale	%	Variance from 2024	Variance from APS overall	Variance from larger operational agencies	Variance from large sized agencies
I am confident that if I request a flexible work arrangement, my request would be given reasonable consideration	96	96%	0	+90	+11 🐼	+80
Do you currently access any of the following flexible working arrangements? [Multiple Response]						
Part time		14%	+2	+2	+2	+2
Flexible hours of work		<b>57</b> %	+4	+26 <b>⊘</b>	+26♠	+27 <b></b>
Compressed work week		<b>3</b> %	0	-3	-3	-3
Job sharing		1%	0	0	0	0
Working away from the office/working from home		87%	+4	+19 🐼	+23 <b>•</b>	+13 🚱
None of the above		<b>4</b> %	-1	-15♥	-17 🔿	-12 🔿

The working away from the office responses present how often employees worked away from the office/worked from home during a usual working week. It includes the responses for all employees, not just those who indicated they accessed working from home as a flexible working arrangement.



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## **Working in the APS**

	Response scale	<b>)</b>	% Positive	Variance from 2024	Variance from APS overall	Variance from larger operational agencies	Variance from large sized agencies
I am supported to use my expertise to provide frank and fearless advice	74	18 9	<b>74</b> %	+4	+4	+4	+4
The people in my workgroup demonstrate stewardship	80	16	80%	0	+3	+4	+1
The culture in my agency supports people to act with integrity	85	8	85%	+5 <b>☆</b>	+4	+5 <b>♠</b>	+3
I believe strongly in the purpose and objectives of the APS	86	13	86%	+2	-3	-3	-3
I feel a strong personal attachment to the APS	66	25 9	66%	+9 <b>&amp;</b>	-3	-4	-2
My workgroup considers the people and businesses affected by what we do	89	8	89%	-1	+5 <b>♠</b>	+6 <b>☆</b>	+3
The people in my workgroup value others' individual skills and talents	87	8	<b>87</b> %	-	+4	+5 <b>☆</b>	+3
People in my workgroup are comfortable checking with each other if they have questions about the right way to do something	91		91%	-	+2	+3	+1
The people in my workgroup are able to bring up problems and tough issues	82	12	82%	-2	+2	+3	+2
If you make a mistake in my workgroup, it tends to be held against you (reverse scored: positive scores represent those who disagreed, or strongly disagreed with this statement)	71	19 10	<b>71</b> %	-	+4	+7 🐼	+1

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#### Job satisfaction

	Response sc	ale	% Positive	Variance from 2024	Variance from APS overall	Variance from larger operational agencies	Variance from large sized agencies
I am satisfied with the recognition I receive for doing a good job	73	14 13	<b>73</b> %	+1	+4	+6 🚱	+1
I am fairly remunerated (e.g. salary, superannuation) for the work that I do	71	15 14	<b>71</b> %	+6	+5 <b>☆</b>	+9 <b>0</b>	-1
I am satisfied with my non-monetary employment conditions (e.g. leave, flexible work arrangements, other benefits)	94		94%	0	+90	+10 🐼	+7 <b>6</b>
I am satisfied with the stability and security of my job	88	8	88%	0	+2	0	+2

## **Clarity and autonomy**

	Response scale	% Positive	Variance from 2024	Variance from APS overall	Variance from larger operational agencies	Variance from large sized agencies
I understand how my role contributes to achieving an outcome for the Australian public	95	95%	+1	+2	+2	+2
I am clear what my duties and responsibilities are	91	91%	+4	+70	+6 🐼	+80
I have a choice in deciding how I do my work	85	13 85%	+1	+18 🚱	+22 🕢	+12 🐼
Where appropriate, I am able to take part in decisions that affect my job	75 15	<b>75</b> %	-1	+3	+5 <b>0</b>	+1

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#### **Performance**

	Response scale	%	Variance from 2024	Variance from APS overall	Variance from larger operational agencies	Variance from large sized agencies
In the last month, please rate your workgroup's overall performance						
Excellent		26%	-6 🔮	+1	+2	+1
Very good		56%	+1	-1	-1	-1
Average		16%	+3	0	-1	0
Below average		<b>3</b> %	+2	+1	+1	+1
Well below average		1%	0	0	0	0

	Response sca	ile	% Positive	Variance from 2024	Variance from APS overall	Variance from larger operational agencies	Variance from large sized agencies
My workgroup has the appropriate skills, capabilities and knowledge to perform well	88	7	88%	0	+10 🐼	+10 🐼	+86
My workgroup has the tools and resources we need to perform well	76	14 10	<b>76</b> %	-2	+16 🚱	+15 🕜	+17 🚱
The people in my workgroup use time and resources efficiently	78	16	<b>78</b> %	-1	+3	+4	+3
My job gives me opportunities to utilise my skills	84	9 7	84%	-1	+5♠	+6 <b>☆</b>	+4
During the last 12 months, the formal learning I have accessed has improved my performance	58	33 9	58%	-4	-2	-3	+1

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#### Retention



Employees who indicated that they wanted to leave their current position as soon as possible or within the next 12 months were asked what their plans were.

	Response scale	%	Variance from 2024	Variance from APS overall	Variance from larger operational agencies	Variance from large sized agencies
Which of the following statements best reflects your thoughts position?	about working in your current					
I want to leave my position as soon as possible		<b>5</b> %	0	-4	-4	-4
I want to leave my position within the next 12 months		12%	-3	-9 <b>0</b>	-80	-11👁
I want to stay working in my position for the next one to two years		<b>34</b> %	-1	-5♥	-2	-80
I want to stay working in my position for at least the next three years		49%	+4	+18 🐼	+14 🐼	+23♠
What best describes your plans involved with leaving your cur	rent position?					
I am planning to retire		<b>5</b> %	+1	0	-1	+2
I am pursuing another position within my agency		26%	+2	-20 <b>♥</b>	-26♥	-16 <b>♡</b>
I am pursuing a position in another agency		29%	-5♥	+4	+80	+2
I am pursuing work outside the APS		18%	+1	+90	+10 🐼	+80
It is the end of my non-ongoing, casual or contracted employment		<b>3</b> %	0	+1	+2	0
Other		20%	+1	+6 🚱	+70	+5♠

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#### Retention



Employees who indicated that they were pursing another position within their agency, another agency, or outside the APS were asked for the primary reason behind their desire to leave. They could select one response from a list of 18 items.

Only the five reasons for leaving with the highest proportion of responses are presented here. These may vary between agencies, work units and with results for the APS overall, therefore those comparisons are not included.

Response so	cale %	Variance from 2024	Variance from APS overall	Variance from larger operational agencies	Variance from large sized agencies
What is the primary reason behind your desire to leave your current position? (stresponses):	5 highest				
I wish to pursue a promotion opportunity	19%	-	-	-	-
I want to try a different type of work or I'm seeking a career change	17%	-	-	-	-
There are a lack of future career opportunities in my agency	14%	-	-	-	-
Senior leadership is of a poor quality	9%	-	-	-	-
My immediate supervisor's leadership is of a poor quality	9%	-	-	-	-

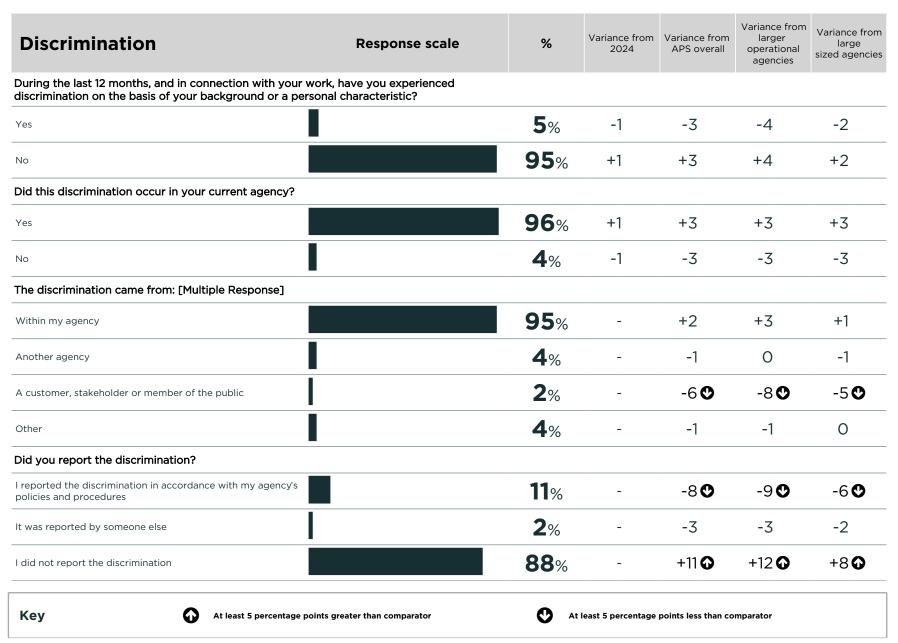
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## Unacceptable behaviour



Employees who had perceived discrimination in the last 12 months in the course of their employment were asked where the discrimination came from and if they reported it.





## Unacceptable behaviour



In 2025, the survey used an expanded definition of harassment. Comparing results to 2024 should take this change in definition in context.

Employees who perceived bullying or harassment in the last 12 months were asked what type of bullying or harassment they experienced.
Employees could select one or more responses from a list of items.

Only the three options with the highest proportion of responses are presented here. These may vary between agencies, work units and with results for the APS overall.

Bullying and harassment	Response scale	%	Variance from 2024	Variance from APS overall	Variance from larger operational agencies	Variance from large sized agencies
During the last 12 months, have you been subjected to bull workplace?	ying or harassment in your current					
Yes		6%	Ο	-4	-4	-3
No		91%	+1	+5 <b>♦</b>	+5 <b>♦</b>	+4
Not sure		<b>4</b> %	-1	-1	-1	-1
Types of bullying or harassment experienced (3 highest re-	sponses):					
Interference with work tasks (e.g. withholding needed information, undermining or sabotage)		45%	-	-	-	-
Verbal abuse (e.g. offensive language, derogatory remarks, shouting or screaming)		41%	-	-	-	-
Inappropriate and unfair application of work policies or rules (e.g. performance management, access to leave, access to learning and development)		40%	-	-	-	-
Did you report the bullying or harassment?						
I reported the behaviour in accordance with my agency's policies and procedures		19%	-12 🗷	-18 🛡	-20 <b>O</b>	<b>-</b> 15 <b>♥</b>
It was reported by someone else		<b>5</b> %	-3	-2	-2	-2
I did not report the behaviour		<b>76</b> %	+16 🔷	+210	+220	+17 🐼

Key At least 5 percentage points greater than comparator 
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## Unacceptable behaviour



In 2025, the survey used an updated definition of corruption to align with the National Anti-Corruption Commission Act 2022 and the Commonwealth Fraud and Corruption Control Framework.

Comparing results to 2024 should take this change in definition in context.

Corruption	Response scale	%	Variance from 2024	Variance from APS overall	Variance from larger operational agencies	Variance from large sized agencie
During the last 12 months, excluding behaviour reported to you observed a public official engaging in conduct in your to be corruption?						
Yes		<b>3</b> %	0	+1	+1	+1
No		92%	+1	0	0	-1
Not sure		<b>3</b> %	-1	-1	-1	0
Prefer not to answer		2%	0	0	0	0
Which of the following reflects the conduct you witnessed	d? [Multiple Response]					
Abuse of office		<b>77</b> %	-	-	-	-
Adversely affecting the honesty or impartiality of a public official		43%	-	-	-	-
A breach of public trust		20%	-	-	-	-
Misuse of information or documents		13%	-	-	-	-
Did you report the conduct?						
I reported the behaviour in accordance with my agency's policies and procedures		10%	-2	-15 ♥	-18 <b>•</b>	-13 ♥
It was reported by someone else		10%	+2	<b>-7♥</b>	-8 👁	-6♥
I did not report the behaviour		80%	+1	+230	+27 <b>0</b>	+19 🚱
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# **Demographics**

How do you describe your gender?	Responses
Man or male	50%
Woman or female	44%
Non-binary	1%
I use a different term	0%
Prefer not to say	5%

Do you identify as an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person?	Responses
Yes	2%
No	98%

Do you have an ongoing disability?	Responses
Yes	13%
No	87%

Do you have carer responsibilities?	Responses
Yes	49%
No	51%

Do you identify as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and/or gender diverse, Intersex, Queer, Questioning and/or Asexual (LGBTIQA+)?	Responses
Yes	10%
No	90%

Do you identify as culturally or linguistically diverse?	Responses
Yes	35%
No	65%

How would you describe your cultural background? [Multiple Response]	Responses
Australian (excluding Australian Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander)	69%
Australian Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander	2%
New Zealander (excluding Maori)	1%
Maori, Melanesian, Papuan, Micronesian, and Polynesian	1%
Anglo-European	16%
North-West European (excluding Anglo-European)	3%
Southern and Eastern European	5%
South-East Asian	15%
North-East Asian	4%
Southern and Central Asian	9%
North American	1%
South and Central American and Caribbean Islander	1%
North African and Middle Eastern	1%
Sub-Saharan African	1%

Do you consider yourself to be neurodivergent?	Responses
Yes	13%
No	69%
Maybe	13%
I am unsure what neurodivergent means	5%

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#### **Agency position**



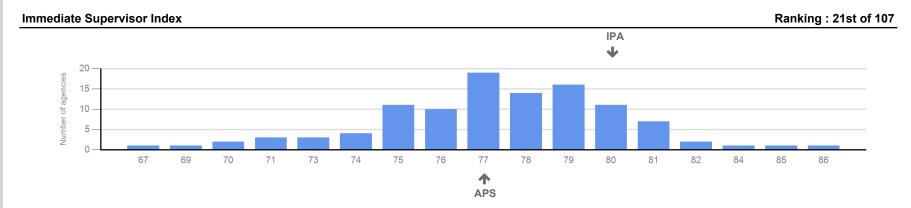
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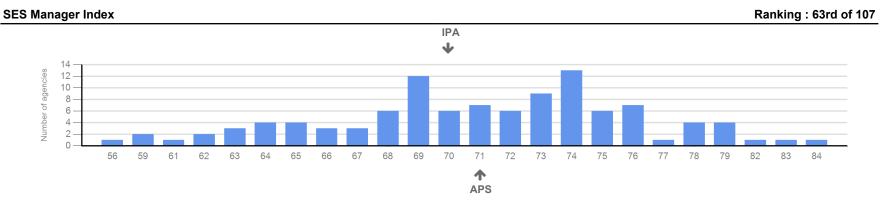
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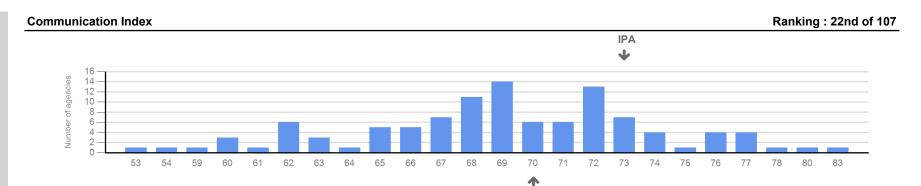


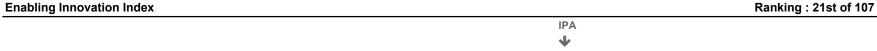
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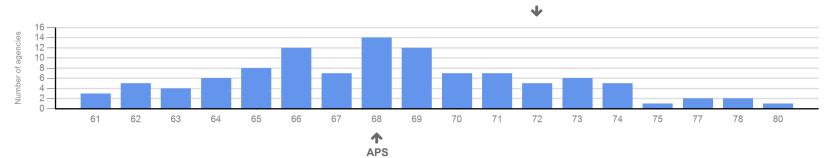
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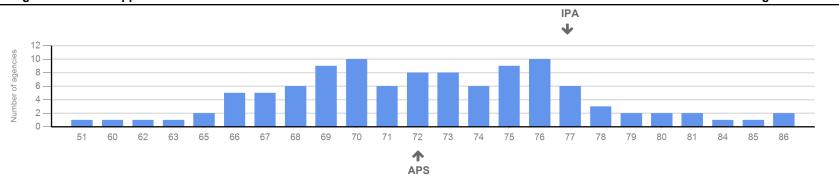




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## Suggested questions to focus on



# What to focus on?

Through driver analysis, these key questions have been identified as being important to employees in your agency and associated with employee engagement.

They are not necessarily the questions with the lowest scores.

Some will be areas to improve upon and some will be areas to maintain.

Develop actions and activities to improve upon these, where possible, to drive higher levels of performance.

	At least 5 percentage points less than comparator	% Positive	Variance from 2024	Variance from APS overall	Variance from larger operational agencies	Variance from large sized agencies
.1	My agency inspires me to come up with new or better ways of doing things	<b>65</b> %	+80	+60	+60	+80
.2	I am satisfied with the recognition I receive for doing a good job	<b>73</b> %	+1	+4	+60	+1
.3	I think my agency cares about my health and wellbeing	81%	+1	+120	+130	+110
.4	Where appropriate, I am able to take part in decisions that affect my job	<b>75</b> %	-1	+3	+5 <b>0</b>	+1
.5	I am supported to use my expertise to provide frank and fearless advice	<b>74</b> %	+4	+4	+4	+4
.6	The culture in my agency supports people to act with integrity	85%	+5 <b>0</b>	+4	+5 <b>0</b>	+3



## **IPA** specific questions

	Response scale	% Positive	Variance from 2024
I feel a sense of belonging at IP Australia	79 16	<b>79</b> %	+3
I actively seek feedback from people with diverse views and experiences to inform my work	79 18	<b>79</b> %	+4
I have seen changes in IP Australia's workplace culture to be more inclusive	73 22	<b>73</b> %	-1
I understand my responsibilities regarding data governance and management of data at IP Australia	91 7	91%	+1
I understand how my work contributes to IP Australia's strategic objectives	95	95%	+4
I feel supported by my immediate supervisor when changes occur that impact me at IP Australia	89	89%	+3
My immediate supervisor recognises and rewards sound risk management practices in line with our Risk Management Framework	77 20	<b>77</b> %	+2
Accountability for risk within IP Australia is supported by appropriate capability development	68 25	68%	+3
My immediate supervisor displays integrity through ethical decision-making	91 7	91%	+3
My immediate supervisor explains the reasons behind their decisions	89 8	89%	+4

Australian Government

Australian Public Service Commission

Positive Neutral Negative

At least 5 percentage points greater than comparator

Key

At least 5 percentage points less than comparator

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## **IPA** specific questions

	Response scale	% Positive	Variance from 2024
Regardless of my work location, I feel connected and included at IP Australia	84 11	84%	+3
Regardless of work location, I am supported and have the opportunity to connect face-to-face with my teams when desired	88 7	88%	-
Regardless of work location, my immediate supervisor demonstrates a commitment to including all members of the team	92	92%	+1
IP Australia has provided me with the tools and technology I require to efficiently and effectively collaborate with others regardless of different work locations	88 8	88%	+1

Key



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At least 5 percentage points less than comparator

Positive Neutral Negative

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At least 5 percentage points greater than comparator

#### Time to take action

<b></b>	Celebrate
What things do we do well?	
Think about how we can build on our s from what we are good at.	strengths and learn

Q	Investigate further with our teams
	other opportunities coming out nat we want to explore further?

How could we investigate? Through looking at the data in

more detail or through discussions with staff?

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#### Use this page to start your local action plans

Identify areas to celebrate, opportunities for improvement and areas which you need to investigate further.

Prioritise 3 areas to take forward

	Prioritise 3 areas for action	Timescales	Owner	Resources required	Target/Success measure
1					
2					
3					

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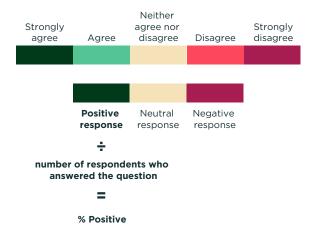
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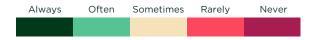
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#### % Positive

Where results are shown as positive percentages (% positive), these are calculated by adding together positive responses ("strongly agree" + "agree" or "always" + "often") and dividing by the number of respondents who answered the question.



For 5 point scale questions not asked on the *agree to disagree* scale the same rules apply, the green percent represents a **positive response** (unless the question is negatively worded).









#### Rounding

Results are presented as whole numbers for ease of reading, with rounding performed at the last stage of calculation for maximum accuracy. Values from x.00 to x.49 are rounded down and values from x.50 to x.99 are rounded up. Therefore in some instances, results may not total 100%.

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	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%
Number of positive	151 + 166 = 317					
% Positive	317 ÷ 613	= 52%				

#### Anonymity

It is best practice not to display the results of groups of respondents to the extent where the anonymity of individuals may be compromised. Results will not be shown where there are less than 10 respondents in a group.

#### Comparisons

Comparisons to other similarly sized agencies are used through this report.

#### Comparisons to previous years

The method of analysing and reporting specific results may be periodically reviewed and revised. Such improvements are applied to current data and that of previous years. For this reason the current report is always the most accurate data source for APS Employee Census results, including comparisons with time series data.

