# Highlights Report MoAD



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Responses:	
79 of 94	

Response Rate:
84%

#### **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 will be the lower results, and/or those which are scoring notably below your comparators.



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**



# How engaged is your team?

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.

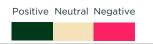
0	Your Employee Engagement Index score	Response scal	e	% Positive	Variance from 2023	Variance from APS overall +4	Variance from national cultural institution agencies +3	Variance from extra small sized agencies +1
	Overall, I am satisfied with my job	81	13	81%	+4	+6	+2	+4
Say	I am proud to work in my agency	87	10	87%	-8♥	+9♠	+4	+3
ιχ	I would recommend my agency as a good place to work	79	16	<b>79</b> %	-8♥	+80	+10 🐼	+7 <b>0</b>
	I believe strongly in the purpose and objectives of my agency	88	10	88%	-4	+2	+2	-3
Stay	I feel a strong personal attachment to my agency	74	22	<b>74</b> %	-10 ♥	+11 🕥	+4	+90
st	I feel committed to my agency's goals	87	12	87%	-6 <b>O</b>	+2	+2	-3
	I suggest ideas to improve our way of doing things	96		96%	+5 <b>0</b>	+10 🕥	+5 <b>0</b>	+3
Strive	I am happy to go the 'extra mile' at work when required	92	8	92%	+1	+1	+3	-1
Str	I work beyond what is required in my job to help my agency achieve its objectives	77	21	<b>77</b> %	-3	-4	-3	-6♥
	My agency really inspires me to do my best work every day	69	23 8	69%	-13 👁	+80	+80	+2

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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 2023	Variance from APS overall	Variance from national cultural institution agencies	Variance from extra small sized agencies
	Index score				+2	+3	+4	+2
	My supervisor engages with staff on how to respond to future challenges	81	14	81%	-1	+1	+3	+3
risor	My supervisor can deliver difficult advice whilst maintaining relationships	84	13	84%	+4	+4	+6 <b></b>	+4
Supervisor	My supervisor invites a range of views, including those different to their own	85	10	85%	+7 <b>0</b>	+3	+4	+3
Immediate	My supervisor encourages my team to regularly review and improve our work	85	14	85%	+3	+2	+80	+2
FE FE	My supervisor is invested in my development	80	16	80%	-2	+2	+2	+2
	My supervisor ensures that my workgroup delivers on what we are responsible for	92		92%	0	+5 🙃	+50	+4
	Other similar questions							
	My supervisor provides me with helpful feedback to improve my performance	80	16	80%	+2	+1	+3	+2
	My immediate supervisor encourages me	79	19	<b>79</b> %	-5 <b>♥</b>	+1	+2	0
	My supervisor actively ensures that everyone can be included in workplace activities	86	13	86%	-3	+2	+3	+2
	My supervisor encourages me to take on new tasks and gain experience doing things I've never done before	78	18	<b>78</b> %	-	-2	0	-2
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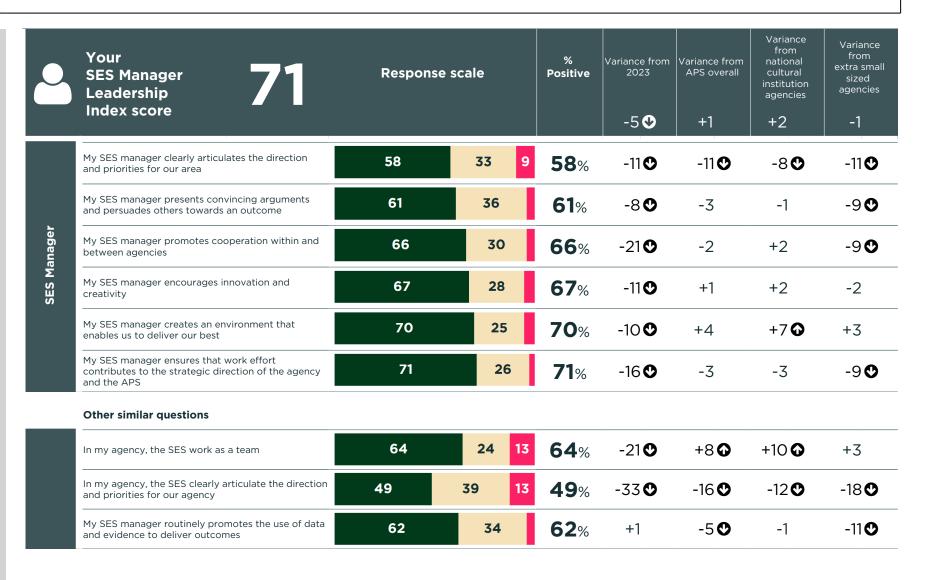
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#### **Leadership - SES Manager**



#### **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.



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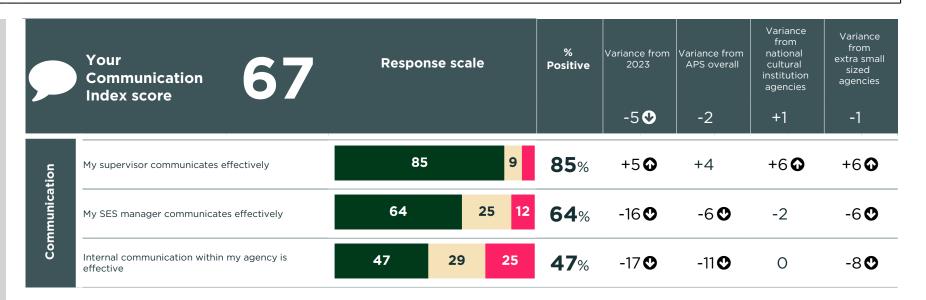
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#### **Communication and change**



#### Communication

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



#### 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	7	5	14 11	<b>75</b> %	-4	+7 <b>&amp;</b>	+7 <b> </b>	+3
Change	Staff are consulted about change at work	37	44	19	<b>37</b> %	-21 <b>©</b>	-13 <b>O</b>	-9 <b>0</b>	-15 ♥
	Change is managed well in my agency	32	34	34	<b>32</b> %	-20 <b> </b>	-11♥	-2	-13♥

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### **Enabling Innovation**



#### **Enabling Innovation**

The 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 scal	e	% Positive	Variance from 2023 -5 <b>⊕</b>	Variance from APS overall +1	Variance from national cultural institution agencies	Variance from extra small sized agencies -2
	I believe that one of my responsibilities is to continually look for new ways to improve the way we work	79	17	<b>79</b> %	-7♥	0	-2	-5♥
Innovation	My immediate supervisor encourages me to come up with new or better ways of doing things	76	17	<b>76</b> %	-9 <b>0</b>	+3	+1	0
	People are recognised for coming up with new and innovative ways of working	61	28 11	61%	-17 ♥	+4	+7♠	-3
Enabling	My agency inspires me to come up with new or better ways of doing things	63	28 9	63%	+3	+13 🕥	+11 🕥	+2
	My agency recognises and supports the notion that failure is a part of innovation	33 43	24	33%	-19 🔮	-8♥	-2	-10 👁



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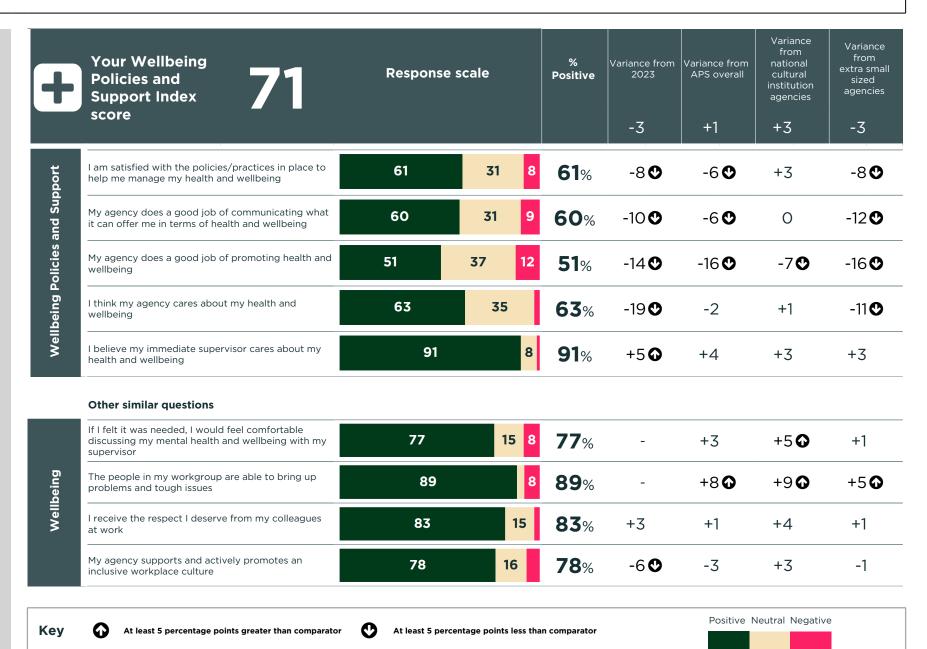
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#### **Wellbeing Policies and Support**



#### Wellbeing

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



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### Wellbeing

	Response scale	%	Variance from 2023	Variance from APS overall	Variance from national cultural institution agencies	Variance from extra small sized agencies
In general, would you say that your health is:						
Excellent		<b>5</b> %	-2	-5♥	-4	-9♥
Very good		<b>35</b> %	0	0	+1	-3
Good		41%	0	+4	+3	+7 <b>⊘</b>
Fair		16%	0	+2	+1	+4
Poor		<b>3</b> %	+3	0	-1	+1
What best describes your current workload?						
Well above capacity - too much work		25%	-4	+2	+1	+1
Slightly above capacity - lots of work to do		<b>38</b> %	-7 <b>©</b>	-2	-3	-4
At capacity - about the right amount of work to do		<b>36</b> %	+17 🔷	+5 <b>♠</b>	+6♠	+80
Slightly below capacity – available for more work		1%	-6♥	-4	-3	-4
Well below capacity - not enough work		0%	0	-1	-1	-1

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# Wellbeing

	Response scale	%	Variance from 2023	Variance from APS overall	Variance from national cultural institution agencies	Variance from extra small sized agencies
How often do you find your work stressful?						
Always		4%	+2	-1	0	+1
Often		23%	-5♥	-2	-1	-1
Sometimes		<b>53</b> %	+80	+4	+2	+4
Rarely		19%	-5♥	0	0	-4
Never		1%	0	-1	-1	-1
To what extent is your work emotionally demanding?						
To a very large extent		4%	-1	-4	-2	-2
To a large extent		20%	+2	0	0	+5 <b>♠</b>
Somewhat		41%	+5♠	+3	+2	+3
To a small extent		<b>27</b> %	-2	+2	+1	-1
To a very small extent		8%	-3	-1	-1	-5♥
I feel burned out by my work						
Strongly agree		<b>7</b> %	-2	-1	-1	0
Agree		16%	-2	-7♥	-7♥	-4
Neither agree nor disagree		<b>32</b> %	-6 <b>0</b>	0	0	+5♠
Disagree		40%	+18 🕥	+10 🐼	+11 🐼	+70
Strongly disagree		5%	-7 <b>♥</b>	-2	-3	-7♥

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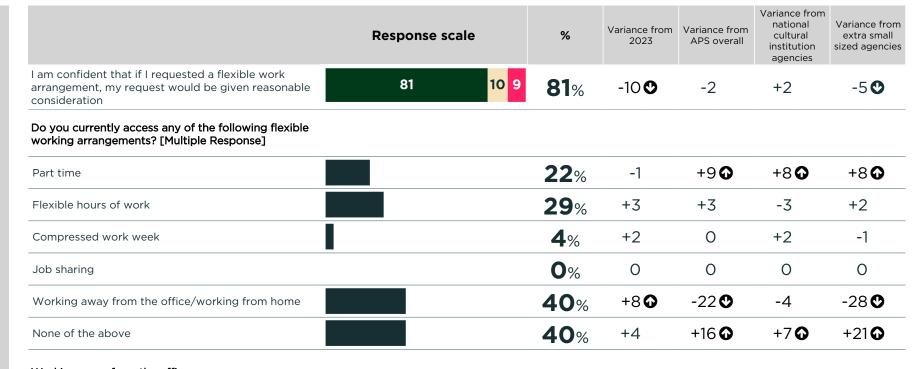
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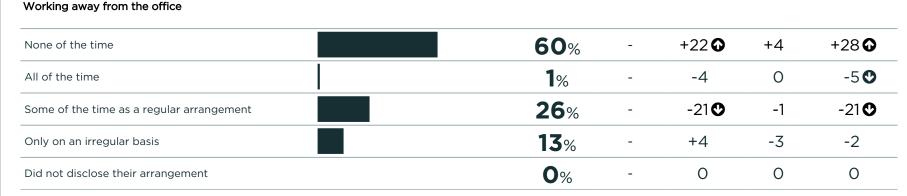
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#### Flexible work





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.



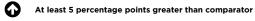
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### **Working in the APS**

	Response scale	% Positive	Variance from 2023	Variance from APS overall	Variance from national cultural institution agencies	Variance from extra small sized agencies
I am supported to use my expertise to provide frank and fearless advice	62 23 14	<b>62</b> %	-	-3	+3	-6 <b>•</b>
The people in my workgroup demonstrate stewardship	90	90%	-	+13 🚱	+8♠	+60
The culture in my agency supports people to act with integrity	78 16	<b>78</b> %	-	+1	+8�	-2
I believe strongly in the purpose and objectives of the APS	81 19	81%	+2	-6 <b>O</b>	+3	-4
I feel a strong personal attachment to the APS	40 44 16	40%	+4	-24♥	-8 <b>0</b>	-14 👁
My workgroup considers the people and businesses affected by what we do	90 8	90%	-	+5♠	+2	-2

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Positive Neutral Negative



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#### Job satisfaction

	Response s	cale	% Positive	Variance from 2023	Variance from APS overall	Variance from national cultural institution agencies	Variance from extra small sized agencies
I am satisfied with the recognition I receive for doing a good job	76	13 11	<b>76</b> %	-4	+70	+70	+2
I am fairly remunerated (e.g. salary, superannuation) for the work that I do	70	15 15	<b>70</b> %	+18 🐼	+7 <b>0</b>	+9 🚱	-5♥
I am satisfied with my non-monetary employment conditions (e.g. leave, flexible work arrangements, other benefits)	80	11 9	80%	-4	-2	+1	-4
I am satisfied with the stability and security of my job	78	8 14	<b>78</b> %	<b>+9</b>	-6♥	+4	-3

### **Clarity and autonomy**

	Response scale	% Positive	Variance from 2023	Variance from APS overall	Variance from national cultural institution agencies	Variance from extra small sized agencies
I understand how my role contributes to achieving an outcome for the Australian public	94	94%	+1	+1	0	-1
I am clear what my duties and responsibilities are	83 12	83%	+5 <b>⊘</b>	+3	+3	+2
I have a choice in deciding how I do my work	73 20	<b>73</b> %	<b>+9</b>	+80	-1	-4
Where appropriate, I am able to take part in decisions that affect my job	78 8 14	<b>78</b> %	-7 <b>O</b>	+7 <b> </b>	+5 <b></b>	0

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### **Performance**

	Response scale	%	Variance from 2023	Variance from APS overall	Variance from national cultural institution agencies	Variance from extra small sized agencies
In the last month, please rate your workgroup's overall performance						
Excellent		34%	-6 <b>0</b>	+60	+3	+2
Very good		<b>57</b> %	+12 🕥	+2	+3	+3
Average		5%	-6♥	-10 ♥	-8♥	-7♥
Below average		<b>3</b> %	+1	+1	+1	+1
Well below average		1%	-1	+1	0	+1
					Variance from	

	Response so	ale	% Positive	Variance from 2023	Variance from APS overall	Variance from national cultural institution agencies	Variance from extra small sized agencies
My workgroup has the appropriate skills, capabilities and knowledge to perform well	84	8 9	84%	-6 <b>O</b>	+5 🚱	-1	-2
My workgroup has the tools and resources we need to perform well	67	13 20	<b>67</b> %	+12 🕢	+80	+10 🔂	+5 <b>♦</b>
The people in my workgroup use time and resources efficiently	89		89%	+60	+13 🟠	+10 🕥	+60
My job gives me opportunities to utilise my skills	91		91%	+2	+11 🟠	<b>+</b> 7 <b>♠</b>	+60
In the last 12 months, the formal learning I have accessed has improved my performance	63	32	<b>63</b> %	-	+5♠	+6�	0

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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.

Re	sponse scale %	Variance from 2023	Nariance from APS overall	Variance from national cultural institution agencies	Variance from extra small sized agencies
Which of the following statements best reflects your current though current position?	ts about working in your				
I want to leave my position as soon as possible	8%	+2	-1	+1	0
I want to leave my position within the next 12 months	19%	<b>5</b> -2	-4	+1	-4
I want to stay working in my position for the next one to two years	369	<sub>6</sub> -8♥	-2	-4	-6♥
I want to stay working in my position for at least the next three years	37%	6 +8 <b>0</b>	+7 <b> </b>	+2	+10 春
What best describes your plans involved with leaving your current p	osition?				
I am planning to retire	15%	s +15 <b>♠</b>	+10 🐼	+80	+90
I am pursuing another position within my agency	209	<sub>6</sub> +13 <b>♠</b>	-23 <b>♥</b>	+4	<b>+9</b>
I am pursuing a position in another agency	359	<sub>6</sub> -8 <b>♥</b>	+80	+1	-13 ♥
I am pursuing work outside the APS	0%	-36♥	-10 👁	-16 ♥	<b>-11 ♥</b>
It is the end of my non-ongoing, casual or contracted employment	15%	s +15 <b>♠</b>	+12 🕥	+5 <b>0</b>	+80
Other	15%	; +1	+2	-3	-1

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#### Retention



Employees were also asked for the primary reason behind their desire to leave and could select one response from a list of 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.

Response scale	%	Variance from 2023	Variance from APS overall	Variance from national cultural institution agencies	Variance from extra small sized agencies
What is the primary reason behind your desire to leave your current position? (5 highest responses):					
I wish to pursue a promotion opportunity	<b>27</b> %	-	-	-	-
I am expected to do more work than I reasonably can	18%	-	-	-	-
There are a lack of future career opportunities in my agency	18%	-	-	-	-
I want to try a different type of work or I'm seeking a career change	9%	-	-	-	-
I have achieved all I can in my current position	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 what the basis was for the discrimination. Employees could select one or more responses from a list of items.

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

Discrimination	Response scale	%	Variance from 2023	Variance from APS overall	Variance from national cultural institution agencies	Variance from extra small sized agencies
During the last 12 months and in the course of your em discrimination on the basis of your background or a pe						
Yes		13%	+4	+3	+3	+6•
No		<b>87</b> %	-4	-3	-3	-6♥
Did this discrimination occur in your current agency?						
Yes		80%	+80	-12 <b>0</b>	-11 👁	-11 💇
No		20%	+20 🚳	+12 🐼	+11 🐼	+11 🐼
Basis for the discrimination that you experienced (3 hi	ghest responses):					
Age		60%	-	-	-	-
Gender		<b>30</b> %	-	-	-	-
Caring responsibilities		20%	-	-	-	-

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### Unacceptable behaviour



Employees who perceived harassment or bullying in the last 12 months were asked what type of harassment or bullying 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.

Harassment and bullying	Response scale	%	Variance from 2023	Variance from APS overall	Variance from national cultural institution agencies	Variance from extra small sized agencies
During the last 12 months, have you been subjected to har workplace?	assment or bullying in your current					
Yes		14%	+80	+3	+2	+3
No		<b>85</b> %	-4	+1	+4	0
Not sure		1%	-4	-4	-6♥	-3
Did you report the harassment or bullying?						
I reported the behaviour in accordance with my agency's policies and procedures		40%	+400	+4	+3	+18 🟠
It was reported by someone else		0%	0	-7 <b>0</b>	-4	-8 <b>O</b>
I did not report the behaviour		60%	+600	+3	+1	-11 👁



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### Unacceptable behaviour



Employees who indicated that they had witnessed potential corrupt behaviour were asked to describe the behaviour. Employees could select one or more responses from a list of items.

Only the three types of corrupt behaviours with the highest proportion of responses are presented here. These may vary between agencies and with results for the APS overall.

Corruption	Response scale	%	Variance from 2023	Variance from APS overall	Variance from national cultural institution agencies	Variance from extra small sized agencies
Excluding behaviour reported to you as part of your d witnessed another APS employee in your agency engamay be serious enough to be viewed as corruption?						
Yes		0%	-2	-3	-4	-3
No		<b>95</b> %	-2	+4	+80	+3
Not sure		<b>4</b> %	+2	0	-2	0
Would prefer not to answer		1%	+1	-1	-3	0

#### Did you report the potentially corrupt behaviour?

I reported the behaviour in accordance with my agency's policies and procedures	The data for this question has been hidden for anonymity reasons.
It was reported by someone else	The data for this question has been hidden for anonymity reasons.
I did not report the behaviour	The data for this question has been hidden for anonymity reasons.

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## **Demographics**

How do you describe your gender?	Responses
Man or male	25%
Woman or female	72%
Non-binary	1%
I use a different term	0%
Prefer not to say	1%

Do you identify as an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person?	Responses
Yes	1%
No	99%

Do you have an ongoing disability?	Responses
Yes	10%
No	90%

Do you have carer responsibilities?	Responses
Yes	35%
No	65%

Do you identify as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and/or gender diverse, Intersex, Queer, Questioning and/or Asexual (LGBTIQA+)?	Responses
Yes	18%
No	82%

Do you identify as culturally and linguistically diverse?	Responses
Yes	10%
No	90%

How would you describe your cultural background? [Multiple Response]	Responses
Australian (excluding Australian Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander)	81%
Australian Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander	1%
New Zealander (excluding Maori)	0%
Maori, Melanesian, Papuan, Micronesian, and Polynesian	0%
Anglo-European Anglo-European	20%
North-West European (excluding Anglo-European)	3%
Southern and Eastern European	3%
South-East Asian	3%
North-East Asian	3%
Southern and Central Asian	0%
North American	1%
South and Central American and Caribbean Islander	0%
North African and Middle Eastern	3%
Sub-Saharan African	1%

Do you consider yourself to be neurodivergent?	Responses
Yes	9%
No	78%
Maybe	12%
I am unsure what neurodivergent means	1%

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#### **Agency position**

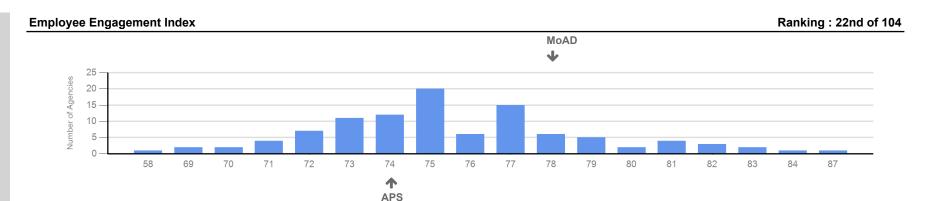


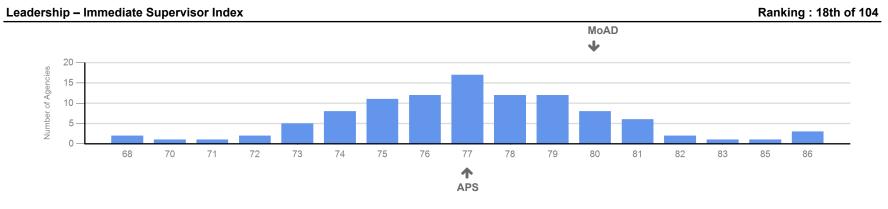
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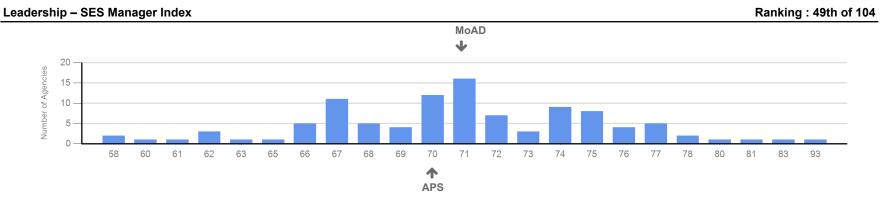
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### **Agency position**



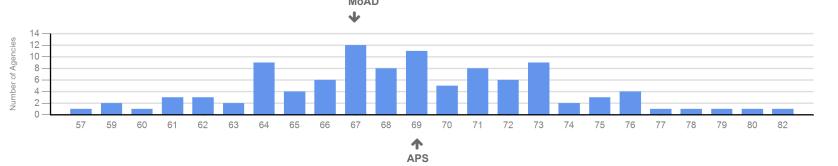
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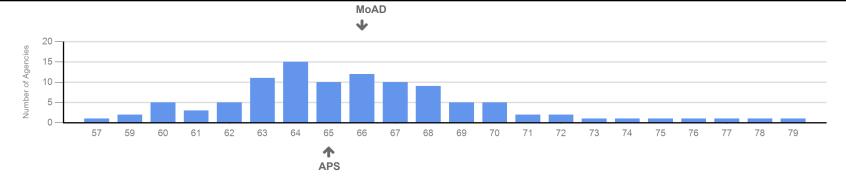
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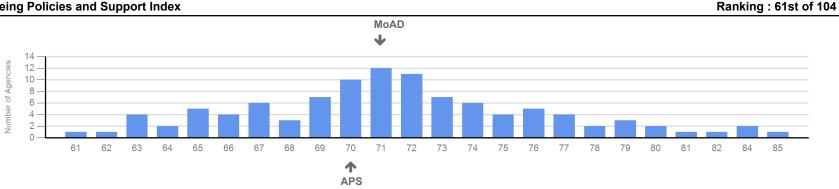




#### **Enabling Innovation Index** Ranking: 47th of 104



#### **Wellbeing Policies and Support Index**





### 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.

	* 5 percentage points greater mparator At least 5 percentage points less than comparator	% Positive	Variance from 2023	Variance from APS overall	Variance from national cultural institution agencies	Variance from extra small sized agencies
.1	I am satisfied with the policies/practices in place to help me manage my health and wellbeing	61%	-80	-6 <b>⊙</b>	+3	-80
.2	My agency inspires me to come up with new or better ways of doing things	<b>63</b> %	+3	+130	+110	+2
.3	My agency does a good job of promoting health and wellbeing	<b>51</b> %	-140	-16 <b>º</b>	-7 <b>º</b>	-160
.4	I am satisfied with the recognition I receive for doing a good job	<b>76</b> %	-4	+7 <b>o</b>	+70	+2
.5	I am supported to use my expertise to provide frank and fearless advice	<b>62</b> %	-	-3	+3	-60
.6	I think my agency cares about my health and wellbeing	<b>63</b> %	<b>-</b> 19 <b>⊙</b>	-2	+1	-11 <b>⊙</b>



#### Time to take action

<b></b>	Celebrate	Q	-	gate further h our teams	<u>~</u>		Opportunities
What things do we do well?				nities coming out explore further?	Areas we no plans:	eed to focus o	n and turn into action
Think about how we can build on ou from what we are good at.	r strengths and learn		vestigate? Through rough discussions w	looking at the data in vith staff?	What are the k working here b		d to improve to make



#### 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

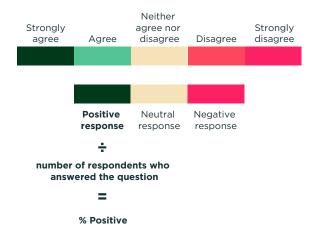
P	rioritise 3 areas for action	Timescales	Owner	Resources required	Target/Success measure
1					
2					
3					

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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).

Always	Often	Sometimes	Rarely	Never







#### 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. To see how agencies are categorised visit:

https://www.apsc.gov.au/ aps-agencies-size-andfunction

#### 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.

