

## Department for Education

Returns: 2,066 Response rate: 85%

## Your engagement index

60%

Difference from previous survey	Difference from CS2010	Difference from CS High Performers
<b>-3</b>	+4	<b>-2</b> \$

See the appendix for further details

The three elements of engagement and their component questions are:		Difference from previous	Difference from
Say: speaks positively of the organisation	% Positive	survey	CS2010
B50. I am proud when I tell others I am part of DfE	56%	-3 ♦	+1 ♦
B51. I would recommend DfE as a great place to work	49%	-10 ♦	+7 ♦
Stay: emotionally attached and committed to the organisation			
B52. I feel a strong personal attachment to DfE	53%	0	+6 �
Strive: motivated to do the best for the organisation			
B53. DfE inspires me to do the best in my job	47%	-5 ♦	+8 �
B54. DfE motivates me to help it achieve its objectives	43%	-6 ♦	+8 ♦

## **Drivers of engagement**

Employee engagement is shaped by experiences at work, as measured by nine themes in the survey. The table below shows how you performed on each of these themes, ranked by the strength of association with engagement. The themes which have the strongest association with engagement should be the focus for action. See the appendix for further details.

	Strength of association with engagement	Theme score % positive	Difference from previous survey	Difference from CS2010	Difference from CS High Performers
Leadership and managing change	.000	45%	-4 ♦	+8 ♦	-1 ♦
My work	.00	75%	-4 ♦	+4 ♦	0
Pay and benefits	.00	48%	-5 ♦	+12 ♦	+6 ♦
My line manager	•000	72%	-1	+8 ♦	+4 ♦
Learning and development	•000	43%	-13 ♦	-1 ♦	-7 ♦
Organisational objectives and purpose	•000	74%	-14 ♦	-8 ♦	-13 ♦
Resources and workload	•000	74%	-1	+1 ❖	-3 ♦
Inclusion and fair treatment	•000	80%	-2 ♦	+7 ♦	+4 ♦
My team	•000	85%	+1	+8 ❖	+5 ♦

♦ = Statistically significant difference from comparison



# Top three key driver themes in more detail

The three themes which have the strongest association with engagement are shown below. Questions are ranked by difference from the Civil Service 2010 benchmark (CS2010).

<ul> <li>^ indicates a variation in question wording from your previous survey</li> <li>∻ indicates statistically significant difference from comparison</li> </ul>	% Positive	Diff. from previous survey	Diff. from CS2010
Leadership and managing change Strength	of association	with engagemer	nt: 000
B41. Senior Civil Servants (SCS) in DfE are sufficiently visible	60%	+3 ♦	+15 ♦
B40. I feel that DfE as a whole is managed well	55%	-3 \$	+14 ♦
B45. I feel that change is managed well in DfE	41%	-1	+13 ♦
B44. Overall, I have confidence in the decisions made by DfE's Senior Civil Servants (SCS	6) 46%	-1	+11 ♦
B47. DfE keeps me informed about matters that affect me	64%	-5 ♦	+10 ♦
B42. I believe the actions of Senior Civil Servants (SCS) are consistent with DfE's values	49%	+3 ♦	+9 ♦
B43. I believe that the DfE Board has a clear vision for the future of DfE	40%	-12 ♦	+5 ♦
B48. I have the opportunity to contribute my views before decisions are made that affect m	e <b>34%</b>	-8 💠	+2 ♦
B49. I think it is safe to challenge the way things are done in DfE	41%	-5 ♦	+1 ♦
B46. When changes are made in DfE they are usually for the better	23%	-10 💠	0
My work Strength	of association	with engagemer	nt: 👊 📗
B04. I feel involved in the decisions that affect my work	58%	-7 ♦	+9 ♦
B05. I have a choice in deciding how I do my work	77%	-4 💠	+7 ♦
B02. I am sufficiently challenged by my work	78%	-6 💠	+4 ♦
B01. I am interested in my work	90%	-1	+2 ♦
B03. My work gives me a sense of personal accomplishment	73%	-5 💠	+2 ♦
Pay and benefits Strength	of association	with engagemer	nt: 👊
B37. I feel that my pay adequately reflects my performance	51%	-3 ♦	+13 ♦
B39. Compared to people doing a similar job in other organisations I feel my pay is reasonable	44%	-3 ♦	+13 ♦

This section shows the results for each question in the survey, by theme.  ^ indicates a variation in question wording from your previous survey  → indicates statistically significant difference from comparison	% Strongl <i>y</i> agree	% Agree	<mark>%</mark> Neither	% Disagree	% Strongly disagree	% Positive	Difference from previous survey	Difference from CS2010	Difference from CS High Performers
My work  Strength of association with engagement									
B01. I am interested in my work	4	10		50	6	90%	-1	+2 ♦	-1 ♦
B02. I am sufficiently challenged by my work	31		47		12 9	78%	-6 ♦	+4 ♦	0
B03. My work gives me a sense of personal accomplishment	23		50	1	5 9	73%	-5 ♦	+2 ♦	-3 ♦
B04. I feel involved in the decisions that affect my work	14	44	ı	19	17 5	58%	-7 ♦	+9 ♦	+1 ♦
B05. I have a choice in deciding how I do my work	24		54		14 7	77%	-4 ♦	+7 ♦	+1
Organisational objectives and purpose  Strength of association with engagement									
B06. I have a clear understanding of DfE's purpose	20		58		14 6	79%	-11 ♦	-6 ♦	-11 ♦
B07. I have a clear understanding of DfE's objectives	16		53	20	10	69%	-18 ♦	-9 💠	-17 ♦
B08. I understand how my work contributes to DfE's objectives	20		53	1	7 8	73%	-13 ♦	-7 <b></b>	-13 ♦

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survey from Difference from Difference from • indicates a variation in question wording from your previous survey Positive Difference f CS2010 Performers ♦ indicates statistically significant difference from comparison orevious High SS Strongly Agree Neither Disagree Strongly agree disagree My line manager :Strength of association with engagement 72% 8 +10 ♦ B09. My manager motivates me to be more effective in my job 50 18 -1 +5 ♦ 10 87% +2 ♦ B10. My manager is considerate of my life outside work 41 46 +9 ♦ +4 ♦ B11. My manager is open to my ideas 49 10 86% -1 +9 ♦ +5 ♦ 36 B12. My manager helps me to understand how I contribute to DfE's objectives 64% -5 ♦ 47 26 0 +6 ♦ 5 B13. Overall, I have confidence in the decisions made by my manager 50 78% 28 -1 +10 ♦ +4 ♦ B14. My manager recognises when I have done my job well 11 4 84% 33 52 0 +8 ♦ +4 ♦ 70% B15. I receive regular feedback on my performance 50 16 -1 +10 ♦ +5 ♦ B16. The feedback I receive helps me to improve my performance 9 67% -2 48 22 +10 ♦ +5 ♦ B17. I think that my performance is evaluated fairly 22 65% 0 +3 ♦ -2 ♦ 12 5 B18. Poor performance is dealt with effectively in my team 38 +5 ♦ 36 46% -1 +9  $\diamond$ My team :Strength of association with engagement B19. The people in my team can be relied upon to help when things get 89% +2 ♦ +5 ♦ 39 50 +3 ♦ difficult in my job B20. The people in my team work together to find ways to improve the service 11 86% +1 32 54 +8 ♦ +4 ♦ we provide B21. The people in my team are encouraged to come up with new and better 81% 28 53 +1 +11 ♦ +6 ♦ ways of doing things

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Learning and development									
:Strength of association with engagement									
B22. I am able to access the right learning and development opportunities when I need to	6	39	28		21 6	45%	-15 ♦	-10 ♦	-18 ❖
B23. Learning and development activities I have completed in the past 12 months have helped to improve my performance	8	39		37	12 4	47%	-8 💠	-1 ♦	-6 ♦
B24. There are opportunities for me to develop my career in DfE	6	28	29	26	12	34%	-20 ♦	+5 ♦	-2 ♦
B25. Learning and development activities I have completed while working for DfE are helping me to develop my career	7	38	3	2	18 6	45%	-9 💠	+4 ♦	-1 ♦
Inclusion and fair treatment									
:Strength of association with engagement									
B26. I am treated fairly at work	25		59		10 5	84%	-2 💠	+6 ♦	+3 ♦
B27. I am treated with respect by the people I work with	32	2	57	7	9	88%	-1	+5 ♦	+1 ♦
B28. I feel valued for the work I do	20		50	17	10 4	69%	-4 ♦	+9 ♦	+4 ♦
B29. I think that DfE respects individual differences (e.g. cultures, working styles, backgrounds, ideas, etc)	23		55		14 5	78%	-1	+8 ♦	+3 ♦

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Resources and workload  Strength of association with engagement									
B30. In my job, I am clear what is expected of me	19		63		11 6	82%	-2 💠	0	-4 ♦
B31. I get the information I need to do my job well	11	,	58	19	10	69%	-1	+3 ♦	-1 ♦
B32. I have clear work objectives	14		57	17	9	71%	-8 💠	-3 ♦	-8 💠
B33. I have the skills I need to do my job effectively	20		68		10	88%	-1	-1 💠	-3 ♦
B34. I have the tools I need to do my job effectively	14		64		15 7	77%	-3 \$	+5 ♦	+1 ♦
B35. I have an acceptable workload	8	54		18	14 6	62%	+5 ♦	0	-5 ♦
B36. I achieve a good balance between my work life and my private life	13		58	15	10 4	71%	+7 ♦	+2 \$	-2 <b></b>
Pay and benefits  Strength of association with engagement									
B37. I feel that my pay adequately reflects my performance	6	45		21 2	8	51%	-3 ♦	+13 ♦	+7 ♦
B38. I am satisfied with the total benefits package	7	43		24	18 7	50%	-8 \$	+11 ♦	+4 ♦
B39. Compared to people doing a similar job in other organisations I feel my pay is reasonable	6	38	25	22	10	44%	-3 ♦	+13 ♦	+5 ♦

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Leadership and managing change  Strength of association with engagement									
B40. I feel that DfE as a whole is managed well	6	49		29	13 4	55%	-3 ♦	+14 ♦	+1 ♦
B41. Senior Civil Servants (SCS) in DfE are sufficiently visible	8	51		22	15 4	60%	+3 ♦	+15 ♦	0
B42. I believe the actions of Senior Civil Servants (SCS) are consistent with DfE's values	6	43		38	9 4	49%	+3 ♦	+9 💠	-3 ♦
B43. I believe that the DfE Board has a clear vision for the future of DfE	5	35	44	4	12 4	40%	-12 ♦	+5 ♦	-7 ♦
B44. Overall, I have confidence in the decisions made by DfE's Senior Civil Servants (SCS)	5	41		38	11 4	46%	-1	+11 💠	-1 ♦
B45. I feel that change is managed well in DfE	4	37	31	22	2 6	41%	-1	+13 ♦	+2 ♦
B46. When changes are made in DfE they are usually for the better	21		51	2	6	23%	-10 ♦	0	-9 💠
B47. DfE keeps me informed about matters that affect me	6	59		24	9	64%	-5 ♦	+10 ♦	+2 ♦
B48. I have the opportunity to contribute my views before decisions are made that affect me	4	31	32	26	8	34%	-8 💠	+2 ♦	-5 ♦
B49. I think it is safe to challenge the way things are done in DfE	4	37	34	1	19 6	41%	-5 ♦	+1 ♦	-6 ♦

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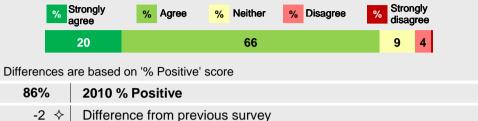
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Engagement									
B50. I am proud when I tell others I am part of DfE	13	43		33	8	56%	-3 \$	+1 ♦	-8 💠
B51. I would recommend DfE as a great place to work	10	38		35	13 4	49%	-10 💠	+7 ♦	-3 💠
B52. I feel a strong personal attachment to DfE	14	39		30	14	53%	0	+6 ♦	-1 ♦
B53. DfE inspires me to do the best in my job	9	38		36	13 4	47%	-5 ♦	+8 ♦	-2 💠
B54. DfE motivates me to help it achieve its objectives	7	36		39	14 4	43%	-6 💠	+8 ♦	-2 💠
Taking action									
B55. I believe that Senior Civil Servants (SCS) in DfE will take action on the results from this survey	7	39	2	9	18 8	45%	-2 ♦	+8 ♦	-2 💠
B56. I believe that managers where I work will take action on the results from this survey	13	46		23	12 6	59%	-2	+13 ♦	+6 ♦

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### **Data Security**

+4 ♦

C01. I know where to go to find out about how to handle personal and sensitive information



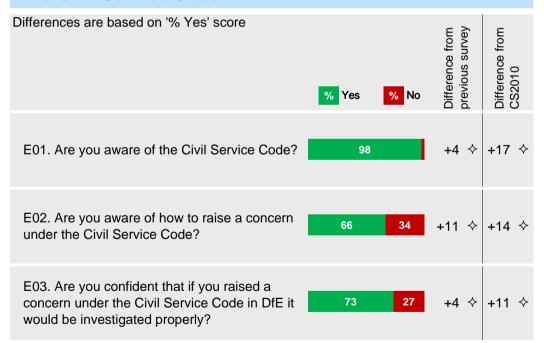
C02. In the past 12 months, have you received training on handling data and procedures to protect personal and sensitive information?									
	% Yes	<mark>%</mark> No							
	81	19							
Differences a	re based on '% Yes' score								
81%	2010 % Yes								
-13 ♦	Difference from previous survey								
+2 ♦	Difference from CS2010								

### Your plans for the future

Difference from CS2010

D01. Which of the following statements most reflects your current thoughts about working for DfE?	Difference from previous survey	Difference from CS2010
I want to leave DfE as soon as possible 4%	-1	-4 💠
I want to leave DfE within the next 12 months 10%	+1	-1 💠
I want to stay working for DfE for at least the next year	-4 💠	-2 💠
I want to stay working for DfE for at least the next three years 63%	+4 ♦	+8

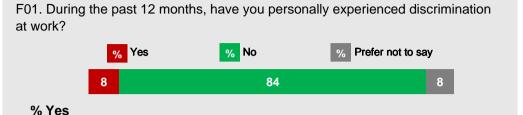
### The Civil Service Code



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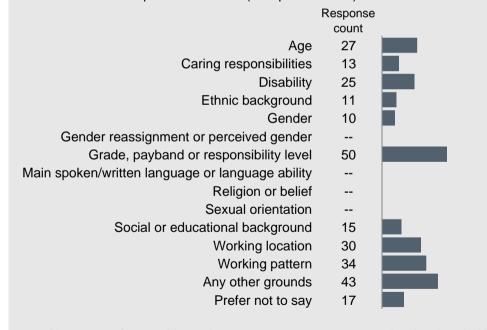
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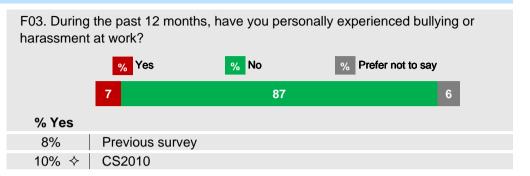
8% | Previous survey 10% ♦ | CS2010

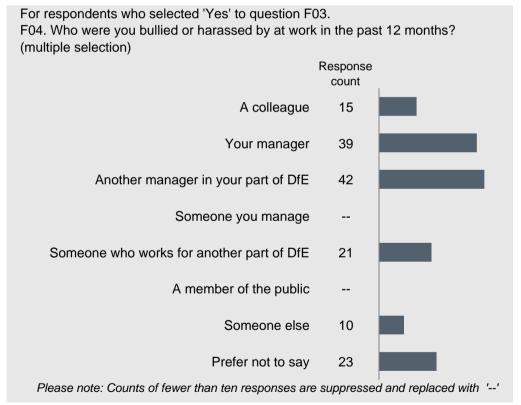
For respondents who selected 'Yes' to question F01.

F02. On which of the following grounds have you personally experienced discrimination in the past 12 months? (multiple selection)



Please note: Counts of fewer than ten responses are suppressed and replaced with '--'





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Department for Education questions								
G01. I believe DfE actively supports staff with caring responsibilities	20		57		19	78%	+2	
G02. My manager demonstrates an understanding of diversity in the way he/she manages people	23		59		14 4	82%	0	
G03. I am clear about our respective roles when working with our partners outside DfE	16		68		12 4	83%	-	
G04. I believe DfE is a place where unacceptable behaviour is tackled and no tolerated	ot 8	44		29	14 4	52%	-	
G05. I know how to incorporate my responsibility for social, economic and environmental sustainable development into my work	7	51		29	11	58%	-	
G06. Decisions on development opportunities taken by SCS in my area are open and transparent and actively address the development needs for staff ir under represented groups	5 2	27	48		16 5	31%	-2	
G07. I believe the selection process for vacancy filling is fair	4 2	28	35	23	9	32%	-6 💠	
G08. We have people with the right skills, in the right posts, for the work we d	lo	34	35		23 5	38%	-2	
G09. My line manager manages people well	24		51		16 7	74%	-1	
G10. We have an inclusive culture where everyone's talents can flourish	6	42		34	13 4	48%	-2 💠	

### **Appendix**

#### Glossary of key terms

% positive	The proportion who selected either "agree" or "strongly agree" for a question (or all questions within a theme in the case of <b>Theme score % positive</b> ).
Previous survey	Comparisons to the previous survey relate to the results from the 2009 Civil Service People Survey. Where a question is flagged as changed since the last survey comparisons should be treated with caution as changes to wording may affect how people respond to the question.
CS2010	The CS2010 benchmark is the median percent positive across all organisations that participated in the 2010 Civil Service People Survey.
CS High Performers	For each question, this is the upper quartile score across all organisations that have taken part in the 2010 Civil Service People Survey.

#### Rounding

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

### Statistical significance: ♦

Statistical testing has been carried out on the comparisons between this year's results and your previous survey, CS2010 results and CS High Performers results to identify differences that are statistically significant. You can therefore be confident that the difference represents a real difference in opinion between the results.

### The employee engagement index

The survey includes five questions that make up the engagement index (B50-B54). The index score represents the average level of engagement in that unit and ranges from 0 to 100. An index score of 0 represents all respondents in that unit saying they strongly disagree to all five engagement questions and a score of 100 represents all respondents saying they strongly agree to all five engagement questions.

#### The drivers of engagement

While the engagement index shows the average level of engagement, it does not show what you can do to improve engagement. Nine themes have been included in the survey to measure employees' experiences at work. A statistical technique, stepwise regression, is used to identify the extent to which each of these themes has an association with engagement. The themes identified as having an association are called the 'Drivers of engagement'.

The strength of association with engagement varies by theme and is illustrated by a 4-bar icon, as shown below. Themes with a full 4-bar icon have the strongest association with engagement.





the analysis has not identified a significant association with engagement

#### Confidentiality

This survey was carried out as part of the 2010 Civil Service People Survey, which is managed by the Cabinet Office on behalf of all the participating organisations. The Cabinet Office commissioned ORC International to carry out the survey. ORC International is a member of the Market Research Society, and is bound by their strict code of conduct and confidentiality rules. These rules do not allow for the breakdown of results to the extent where the anonymity of individuals may be compromised. Groups of less than 10 respondents will not be reported on, however their responses do contribute to the overall scores for the unit and organisation they belong to and the overall Civil Service results.