

Response rate: 76% Civil Service People Survey 2018

♦ Statistically significant difference from comparison

Employee engagement is shaped by experience at work, as measured by nine themes in the survey shown below.

Engagement Index					
64	%				
Difference from previous survey	-2				
Difference from CS2018	+2 ÷				
Difference from CS High Performers	<b>-2</b> \$				

My work					
77	%				
Difference from previous survey	-5 <b>♦</b>				
Difference from CS2018	0				
Difference from CS High Performers	-3				

Organisational objectives and purpose				
93	%			
Difference from previous survey	-3 ♦			
Difference from CS2018	+10			
Difference from CS High Performers	+5 ♦			

My manager					
<b>72</b>	%				
Difference from previous survey	+1				
Difference from CS2018	+1				
Difference from CS High Performers	-1				

My team				
86	%			
Difference from previous survey	-4	<b></b>		
Difference from CS2018	+5	<b></b>		
Difference from CS High Performers	+2			

Learning and development				
<b>59</b>	%			
Difference from previous survey	-3			
Difference from CS2018	+5	<b></b>		
Difference from CS High Performers	0			

Inclusion and fair treatment					
<b>7</b> 3	%				
Difference from previous survey	-11 💠				
Difference from CS2018	<b>-5</b> \$				
Difference from CS High Performers	-8 ♦				

Resources and workload					
82	%				
Difference from previous survey	0				
Difference from CS2018	+9 ♦				
Difference from CS High Performers	+6 ♦				

Pay and benefits				
25	%			
Difference from previous survey	0			
Difference from CS2018	-6 ÷			
Difference from CS High Performers	-12 💠			

Leadership and managing change				
<b>53</b>	%			
Difference from previous survey	-1			
Difference from CS2018	<b>+7</b>			
Difference from CS High Performers	-1			



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### Civil Service People Survey 2009 to 2018: Employee engagement and theme scores over time

The Civil Service People Survey has run in October each year since 2009, meaning that 2018 marks our 10 year anniversary. The table and charts below tell you how your average Employee Engagement Index and theme scores have changed over time, for each year your organisation has participated in the survey.

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Engagement Index	68%	66%	67%	64%	66%	65%	63%	67%	66%	64%
My work	79%	78%	79%	82%	84%	81%	79%	82%	82%	77%
Organisational objectives and purpose	94%	93%	96%	94%	96%	93%	92%	93%	95%	93%
My manager	71%	69%	68%	71%	75%	72%	71%	70%	71%	72%
My team	81%	82%	81%	85%	89%	86%	86%	88%	91%	86%
Learning and development	61%	54%	52%	53%	56%	57%	58%	62%	62%	59%
Inclusion and fair treatment	80%	80%	83%	86%	82%	81%	81%	81%	84%	73%
Resources and workload	82%	86%	86%	83%	87%	85%	84%	82%	82%	82%
Pay and benefits	57%	48%	41%	34%	37%	35%	32%	34%	25%	25%
Leadership and managing change	70%	63%	64%	49%	55%	57%	54%	55%	54%	53%
Response rate	82%	75%	86%	83%	78%	78%	85%	92%	80%	76%

Engagement Index	My work	Organisational objectives and purpose	My manager	My team	Learning and development	Inclusion and fair treatment	Resources and workload	Pay and benefits	Leadership and managing change
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60 50 40									<b>\</b>
30									
2009 0 5	2009	2009	2009	2009	2009	2009	2009	2009	2009



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% responding negatively

Statistical analysis has been used to explore the questions that have the strongest impact on engagement. By concentrating efforts on the drivers of engagement you are more likely to improve it.

Dri	ive	Difference from	Difference	Difference from CS		
Rank			% Positive	previous survey	from CS2018	High Performers
1	B03	My work gives me a sense of personal accomplishment	72%	-10∻	-5∻	-8 ❖
2	B52	I believe that senior managers in the VMD will take action on the results from this survey	50%	+2	+1	-9∻
3	B46	I think it is safe to challenge the way things are done in the VMD	48%	-9∻	+1	-5♦
4	B53	Where I work, I think effective action has been taken on the results of the last survey	32%	+6∻	-4	-13∻
5	B27	I feel valued for the work I do	59%	-14∻	-8∻	-13∻

## Discrimination, bullying and harassment



During the past 12 months have you personally experienced discrimination at work?



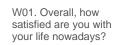
% responding Prefer not to say

During the past 12 months have you personally experienced bullying or harassment at

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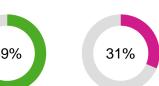




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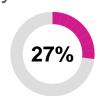


W02. Overall, to what W03. Overall. how extent do you feel happy did you feel that the things you do yesterday? in your life are worthwhile?



W04. Overall. how anxious did you feel yesterday?







For further information about these indices, please refer to page 16.

## Your plans for the future





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### **Headline scores**

Highest positive scoring % Positive questions	Highest neutral scoring %	% Neutral	Highest negative scoring % Nega	ative
B07 I understand how my work contributes to the VMD's objectives	I believe the changes we have been make it eas achieve our objectives		B37 Compared to people doing a similar job in o organisations I feel my pay is reasonable	other
94%		59%	59%	%
B31 I have the skills I need to do my job effectively	Learning and development activities I h B24 completed while working for the VMD a me to develop my career		B35 I feel that my pay adequately reflects my performance	
92%		42%	53%	%
B01 I am interested in my work	B49 I feel a strong personal attachment to t	the VMD	B36 I am satisfied with the total benefits package	е
91%		42%	38%	%
B54 I am trusted to carry out my job effectively	B43 When changes are made in the VMD the usually for the better	hey are	B23 There are opportunities for me to develop m career in the VMD	ny
91%		41%	32%	%
B06 I have a clear understanding of the VMD's objectives	B53 Where I work, I think effective action had taken on the results of the last survey	as been	B53 Where I work, I think effective action has be taken on the results of the last survey	een
91%		40%	27%	%



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#### ♦ indicates statistically significant difference from comparison All questions by theme ^ indicates a variation in question wording from your previous survey Difference from CS2018 Difference from CS High Performers Positive Difference My work **-5** ♦ from Strongly previous agree survey B01 I am interested in my work 91% -1 +1 -1 B02 I am sufficiently challenged by my work 44 15 80% -2 -1 -3 20 **-10** ♦ B03 My work gives me a sense of personal accomplishment 47 72% -5 ♦ -8 💠 B04 I feel involved in the decisions that affect my work 44 28 57% **-12** ♦ 11 -2 -6 ♦ B05 I have a choice in deciding how I do my work 56 83% -2 +6 ♦ +3 **Organisational** Difference **93**% objectives and purpose Agree Neither Strongly Disagree previous disagree agree survey B06 I have a clear understanding of the VMD's objectives 54 91% +10 ♦ B07 I understand how my work contributes to the VMD's objectives 55 94% -2 +10 ♦ +7 ♦



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My manager

Difference from previous

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Positive

Difference from CS2018

Difference from CS High Performers -1 -6 ♦





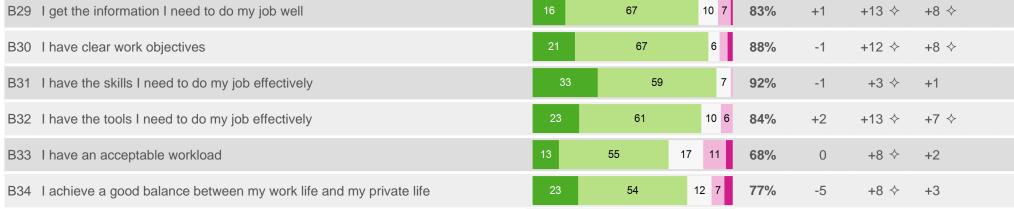
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#### ♦ indicates statistically significant difference from comparison All questions by theme ^ indicates a variation in question wording from your previous survey Difference from CS2018 Difference from CS High Performers Positive Inclusion and fair Difference **-11** ♦ from treatment Strongly previous agree disagree survey B25 I am treated fairly at work 49 6 75% **-13** ♦ -6 ♦ 16 **-9 \$** B26 I am treated with respect by the people I work with 7 6 53 86% -1 +1 -2 B27 I feel valued for the work I do 37 24 59% **-14** ♦ **-8** ♦ -13 ♦ I think that the VMD respects individual differences (e.g. cultures, working styles, 22 70% **-16** ♦ 44 -7 ♦ **-10** ♦ backgrounds, ideas, etc.) Resources and Difference from workload Strongly Neither Strongly Disagree previous survev B29 I get the information I need to do my job well 10 7 +13 ♦ +8 ♦ 67 83% +1





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## All questions by theme

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Returns: 123

### Leadership and managing change

Difference from previous survey



B38 Senior managers in the VMD are sufficiently visible	11	45	24	14 7	55%	+6	-6 ♦	-16 ♦	
B39 I believe the actions of senior managers are consistent with the VMD's values	11	43	29	12	55%	-1	+2	-7 ♦	
B40 I believe that the Directors have a clear vision for the future of the VMD	18	46	25	6 6	64%	+1	+16 ♦	+7 ♦	
B41 Overall, I have confidence in the decisions made by the VMD's senior managers	16	41	31	5 7	57%	-2	+9 ♦	-1	
B42 I feel that change is managed well in the VMD	11	39	26	17 7	50%	+5	+17 ♦	+8 �	
B43 When changes are made in the VMD they are usually for the better	7	37	41	10 5	44%	+3	+9 ♦	+2	
B44 The VMD keeps me informed about matters that affect me	12	52	21	9 7	64%	-2	+4 ♦	-2	
B45 I have the opportunity to contribute my views before decisions are made that affect me	7	36	36	15 6	43%	-7 ♦	+3	-5 ♦	
B46 I think it is safe to challenge the way things are done in the VMD	11	38	29	16 7	48%	-9 💠	+1	-5 ♦	





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Strongly

agree

Agree

47

41

Strongly

disagree

12 6

13

30

35

53%

46%

+1

+5



Service'

B61 I am aware of the Civil Service vision for 'A Brilliant Civil Service'

I understand how my work contributes to helping us become 'A Brilliant Civil

+2

+4

-13 ♦

-5 ♦



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### Wellbeing

Unlike the questions B01-B62 which ask people to rate their agreement from strongly agree to strongly disagree, the four wellbeing questions use a 11-point scale. The scale ranges from 0 to 10 for each question, where 0 is equivalent to 'not at all' (e.g. 'not at all satisfied' or 'not at all worthwhile') and where 10 is equivalent to 'completely satisfied' or 'completely anxious').

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Difference from previous survey Difference from CS High Performers % Positive For questions W01, W02 and W03 the percent positive is the proportion answering 7, 8, 9 or 10 to each question. 5-6 9-10 7-8 W01 Overall, how satisfied are you with your life nowadays? 12 23 52 65% -5 -1 -4 Overall, to what extent do you feel that the things you do in your life are 8 +2 18 52 73% -3 -1 worthwhile? W03 Overall, how happy did you feel yesterday? 43 59% 15 26 -8 ♦ -4 **-7** ♦ Negative For question W04 the percent negative is the proportion answering 6, 7, 8, 9 or 10 to the question. 6-10 % W04 Overall, how anxious did you feel yesterday? 29 18 31 31% +8 ♦ +2 -1



<sup>^</sup> indicates a variation in question wording from your previous survey



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% No

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## All questions by theme

### Your plans for the future

C01. Which of the following statements most reflects your current thoughts about working for the VMD?

indicates a	variation i	n question	wording t	from your	previous surv	ey

working for the VMD?		Difference from previous survey	Difference from CS2018	Difference from CS High Performers
I want to leave the VMD as soon as possible	7%	+2	-1	-5
I want to leave the VMD within the next 12 months	17%	+4	+3	-2
I want to stay working for the VMD for at least the next year	33%	-5	-1	-6 💠
I want to stay working for the VMD for at least the next three years	43%	-1	0	-10 ♦

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#### **The Civil Service Code**

Differences are based on '% Yes' score

			% Yes	Difference previous s	Difference CS2018	Difference CS High Performer
D01. Are you aware of the Civil Service Code?	92	8	92%	+3	0	-3 ♦
D02. Are you aware of how to raise a concern under the Civil Service Code?	75	25	75%	+15 ♦	+8 ♦	+2
D03. Are you confident that if you raised a concern under the Civil Service Code in the VMD it would be investigated properly?	73	27	73%	-1	+2	-3

% Yes



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### All questions by theme

### Discrimination, harassment and bullying

E01. During the past 12 months have you personally experienced discrimination at work?



E03. During the past 12 months have you personally experienced bullying or harassment at work?



For respondents who selected 'Yes' to question E03.

E05. Did you report the bullying and harassment you experienced?



For respondents who selected 'Yes' to question E03. E06. In your opinion, has this issue been resolved?



For respondents who selected 'Yes' to question E01.

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E02. On which of the following grounds have you personally experienced discrimination at work in the past 12 months? (multiple selection)

	Response Count
Age	
Caring responsibilities	
Disability	
Ethnic background	
Gender	
Gender reassignment or perceived gender	
Grade, pay band or responsibility level	
Main spoken/written language or language ability	
Marital status	
Pregnancy, maternity or paternity	
Religion or belief	
Sexual orientation	
Social or educational background	
Working location	
Working pattern	
Any other grounds	
Prefer not to say	
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For respondents who selected 'Yes' to question E03.

E04. Who were you bullied or harassed by at work in the past 12 months? (multiple selection)

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		A colleague
		Your manager
		Another manager in my part of the VMD
		Someone you manage
		Someone who works for another part of the VMD
		A member of the public
		Someone else
		Prefer not to say

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



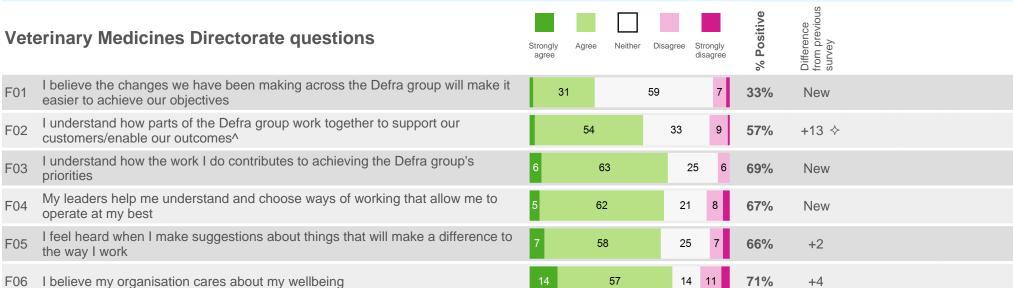


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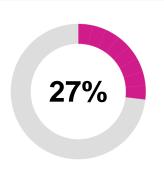
### **Veterinary Medicines Directorate questions**





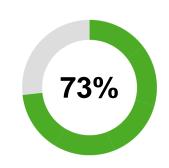
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### **Proxy Stress Index and PERMA Index**



Difference from previous survey	+2 ♦
Difference from CS2018	<b>-2</b> ♦
Difference from CS High Performers	0

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Difference from previous survey	-2 <b></b>
Difference from CS2018	0
Difference from CS High Performers	-2 ♦

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#### **Proxy Stress Index**

This index aligns to the Health and Safety Executive's stress management tool, using the 8 questions from the People Survey shown below. We calculate it in the same way as the Employee Engagement Index.

We have 'inverted' the final index so that it is a measure of conditions which can add to stress rather than alleviate stress, i.e. a higher index score represents a more stressful environment.

		% positive
B05	I have a choice in deciding how I do my work	83%
B08	My manager motivates me to be more effective in my job	70%
B18	The people in my team can be relied upon to help when things get difficult in my job	89%
B26	I am treated with respect by the people I work with	86%
B30	I have clear work objectives	88%
B33	I have an acceptable workload	68%
B45	I have the opportunity to contribute my views before decisions are made that affect me	43%
E03	During the past 12 months have you personally experienced bullying or harassment at work?	80%

#### **PERMA Index**

This index measures the extent to which employees are 'flourishing' in the workplace around the 5 dimensions: Positive emotion, Engagement, Relationships, Meaning and Accomplishment.

The index is computed using the questions from the People Survey shown below and combining them in the same way as the Employee Engagement Index.

A high score represents a greater proportion of employees agreeing with the statements below or rating the two wellbeing questions as high.

		% positive
B01	I am interested in my work	91%
B03	My work gives me a sense of personal accomplishment	72%
B18	The people in my team can be relied upon to help when things get difficult in my job	89%
W01	Overall, how satisfied are you with your life nowadays?	65%
W02	Overall, to what extent do you feel that the things you do in your life are worthwhile?	73%



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### **Appendix**

#### Glossary of key terms

The proportion who selected either "agree" or "strongly agree" for a question (or all questions within a theme in the case of **Theme score % positive**). % positive

Comparisons to the previous survey relate to the results from the 2017 Civil Service People Survey. Where a question is flagged as changed since the last Previous survey

survey comparisons should be treated with caution as changes to wording may affect how people respond to the question.

CS2018 The CS2018 benchmark is the median percent positive across all organisations that participated in the 2018 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 2018 Civil Service People Survey.

The 'CS High Performer' comparator for the Proxy Stress Index has been corrected (reissued 23/11/2018).

#### Rounding

Results are presented as whole numbers for ease of reading, with rounding performed at the last stage of calculation for maximum accuracy. Therefore in some instances, the differences presented in this report will not match the rounded figures of the scores being compared. For example, if your unrounded Engagement Index score is 75.43647583%, your organisation overall's score is 74.63572484% and the difference between the two is +0.800751%, in this report these scores would appear as 75%, 75% and +1.

#### Statistical significance: <



Statistical testing has been carried out to identify statistically significant\* differences between your results and a number of comparators. You can therefore be confident that the difference represents a real difference in opinion between the results.

\*Note, there needs to be 30 responses at question level, 20 responses at theme level or 10 responses at index level for statistical testing to be carried out on the corresponding scores.

#### The employee engagement index

The survey includes five questions that make up the engagement index (B47-B51). 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. A statistical technique (a form of regression) is used to identify the extent to which each question in the survey has an association with engagement. Questions identified as having an association are called 'Drivers of engagement': page 3 of this report shows the questions that had the strongest association with engagement in this unit.

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