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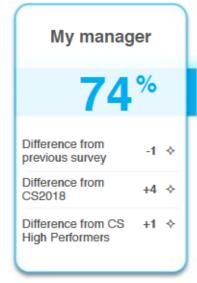
Employee engagement is shaped by experience at work, as measured by nine themes in the survey shown below.

Engagement Index					
59	%				
Difference from previous survey	-1 +				
Difference from CS2018	-3 ÷				
Difference from CS High Performers	-7 ÷				

My work						
73	%					
Difference from previous survey	-1 ♦					
Difference from CS2018	-3 ♦					
Difference from CS High Performers	-6 \$					

Organisational objectives and purpose				
85	%			
Difference from previous survey	-1 💠			
Difference from CS2018	+3 ♦			
Difference from CS High Performers	-2 ÷			

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Learning and development				
61	%			
Difference from previous survey	+1 💠			
Difference from CS2018	+7			
Difference from CS High Performers	+2			

Inclusion and fair treatment				
79	%			
Difference from previous survey	-1 💠			
Difference from CS2018	+1 ♦			
Difference from CS High Performers	-2 ÷			

Resources and workload				
74	%			
Difference from previous survey	0			
Difference from CS2018	+1 >			
Difference from CS High Performers	- <b>2</b> \$			

Pay and benefits				
37	%			
Difference from previous survey	-1 💠			
Difference from CS2018	+6 ♦			
Difference from CS High Performers	0			

Leadership and managing change				
46	%			
Difference from previous survey	-2 <b></b>			
Difference from CS2018	-1 💠			
Difference from CS High Performers	-9 ♦			

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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	51%	46%	44%	48%	54%	55%	56%	61%	60%	59%
My work	63%	59%	57%	62%	71%	71%	72%	74%	75%	73%
Organisational objectives and purpose	78%	74%	72%	77%	84%	84%	85%	87%	86%	85%
My manager	62%	63%	60%	64%	71%	71%	73%	75%	75%	74%
My team	74%	74%	72%	76%	82%	83%	85%	86%	86%	85%
Learning and development	47%	36%	32%	39%	49%	53%	59%	62%	60%	61%
Inclusion and fair treatment	73%	69%	65%	70%	76%	76%	77%	79%	80%	79%
Resources and workload	66%	67%	63%	66%	72%	71%	72%	73%	74%	74%
Pay and benefits	33%	23%	21%	24%	31%	28%	29%	40%	38%	37%
Leadership and managing change	28%	23%	22%	29%	39%	40%	43%	48%	48%	46%
Response rate	68%	67%	65%	66%	62%	60%	73%	68%	69%	68%





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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	rs of Engagement	%	Difference from	Difference	Difference from CS
Rank			Positive	previous	from CS2018	High Performers
1	B03	My work gives me a sense of personal accomplishment	78%	-2\$	0\$	-2\$
2	B43	When changes are made in DWP they are usually for the better	39%	-1♦	+4♦	-3♦
3	B62	I understand how my work contributes to helping us become 'A Brilliant Civil Service'	62%	+4♦	+20❖	+12♦
4	B27	I feel valued for the work I do	69%	-1♦	+2♦	-3\$
5	B24	Learning and development activities I have completed while working for DWP are helping me to develop my career	51%	0	+4♦	-2\$

## 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 work?

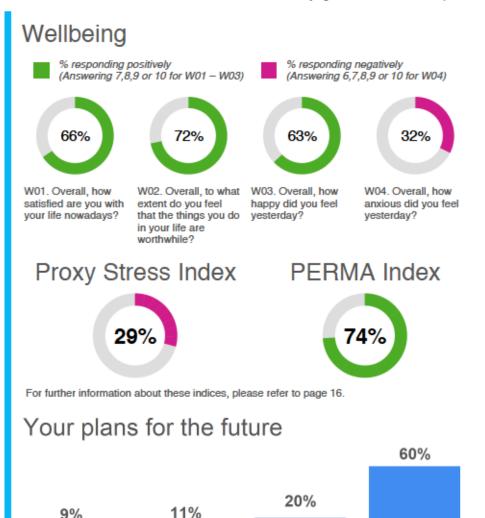
9%

want to leave DWP as

soon as possible

I want to leave DWP

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I want to stay working for

three years

I want to stay working for

within the next 12 months DWP for at least the next DWP for at least the next



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## **Headline scores**

Highest positive scoring questions	% Positive	Highest neutral scoring questions	% Neutral	Highest negative scoring questions	% Negative
B18 The people in my team can be relied when things get difficult in my job	upon to help	Senior managers (Senior Civil S above) in DWP actively role mo out in the Civil Service Leaders	del the behaviours set	B37 Compared to people doing a organisations I feel my pay is	similar job in other reasonable
	90%		36%		54%
B54 I am trusted to carry out my job effect	tively	F08 The activity around 'I Can Bound inclusion positively influenced inclusion	e Me in DWP' has on in the Department	B35 I feel that my pay adequately performance	reflects my
	88%		33%		51%
B01 I am interested in my work		B39 Civil Service Pay Band 1 an consistent with DWP's value	d above) are	F02 The information technology (I provides effective support for	
	88%		31%		43%
F01 I believe that leadership is something all do no matter what grade	we should	I believe that DWP's departr B40 Executive Team has a clear of DWP		B45 I have the opportunity to cont before decisions are made the	ribute my views at affect me
	88%		31%		42%
B26 I am treated with respect by the peop with	le I work	F05 The DWP Story helps me to in helping DWP achieve all i	understand my part t has to do	B42 I feel that change is managed	d well in DWP
	88%		28%		41%

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## All questions by theme

My manager

**4**%





% Positive
Difference from previous survey
Difference from CS2018
Difference from CS High Performers

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B08 My manager motivates me to be more effective in my job	32	44	11 9	75%	-1 ❖	+4 ♦	0
B09 My manager is considerate of my life outside work	44	39	9 5	83%	+1 ♦	-2 ♦	-5 ♦
B10 My manager is open to my ideas	38	43	11 6	80%	-1 ♦	-2 ♦	-6 ♦
B11 My manager helps me to understand how I contribute to DWP's objectives	29	45	15 8	74%	-1 ♦	+7 ❖	+2 ♦
B12 Overall, I have confidence in the decisions made by my manager	34	41	12 8 5	76%	0	0	-5 ♦
B13 My manager recognises when I have done my job well	39	43	9 6	82%	-1 ♦	+2 ❖	-2 ♦
B14 I receive regular feedback on my performance	31	45	10 10	76%	-2 💠	+8 ❖	+3 ♦
B15 The feedback I receive helps me to improve my performance	29	42	16 9	71%	-2 ♦	+7 ❖	+2 ♦
B16 I think that my performance is evaluated fairly	28	43	14 10 5	71%	0 \$	+5 ♦	-1 ♦
B17 Poor performance is dealt with effectively in my team	17 33	3 27	14 9	50%	-3 ♦	+10 ❖	+6 ♦



B19

provide

## Department for Work and Pensions

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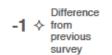
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## All questions by theme

My team







B18	The people in my team can be relied upon to help when things get difficult in my ob
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90%

78%



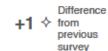
+2 ♦

+2 ♦

-2 **♦** 

The people in my team are encouraged to come up with new and better ways of doing things

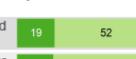
Learning and development





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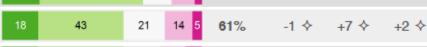
B21	I am able to to	access th	ne right	learning	and o	development	opportunities	when I	need





-2 ♦

Learning and development activities I have completed in the past 12 months have helped to improve my performance



B23 There are opportunities for me to develop my career in DWP

43 18 +13 ♦ +4 ♦

Learning and development activities I have completed while working for DWP are helping me to develop my career









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86%

66%

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74%

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B33 I have an acceptable workload

B31 I have the skills I need to do my job effectively

B32 I have the tools I need to do my job effectively

B34 I achieve a good balance between my work life and my private life

-3 ♦

-5 ♦

+8 ♦

+5 ♦

-6 ♦

-11 ♦

+2 ♦

-1 ♦



36%

43%

39%

47%

-2 ♦

-1 **♦** 

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+5 ♦

+8 ♦

+6 ♦

-1 ♦

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## All questions by theme

Difference Pay and benefits

-1 ♦ from previous survey

disagree agree

13

29

34

30

37

19

20

28

20

Difference from previous survey Difference from CS2018 Difference from CS High Performers Positive

-1 ♦

-1 ♦

B35 I feel that my pay adequately reflects my performance	7
B36 I am satisfied with the total benefits package	9

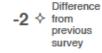
Compared to people doing a similar job in other organisations I feel my pay is reasonable

33% 25 13 29

23

28

## Leadership and managing change





В	Senior managers (Senior Civil Service Pay Band 1 and above) in DWP are sufficiently visible	11	37	19	21 12	48%	-3 ♦	-13 ♦	-23 ❖	
В	I believe the actions of senior managers (Senior Civil Service Pay Band 1 and above) are consistent with DWP's values	11	37	31	12 9	47%	-2 ♦	-5 ♦	-15 ♦	
В	I believe that DWP's departmental level Executive Team has a clear vision for the future of DWP	11	37	31	13 9	47%	-4 ♦	-1 ♦	-9 💠	
В	Overall, I have confidence in the decisions made by DWP's senior managers (Senior Civil Service Pay Band 1 and above)	10	32	28	18 12	42%	-2 ♦	-7 ♦	-17 ♦	
В	42 I feel that change is managed well in DWP	8	33	18	29 13	41%	-2 ♦	+8 ❖	-1 ♦	
В	43 When changes are made in DWP they are usually for the better	8	31	26	25 10	39%	-1 ❖	+4 ♦	-3 ♦	
В	DWP keeps me informed about matters that affect me	11	49		18 15 7	60%	-3 ♦	+1 ♦	-6 💠	
B	I have the opportunity to contribute my views before decisions are made that	9	30	19	28 15	30%	-2 ♦	-1 ↔	_9 ↔	

B46 I think it is safe to challenge the way things are done in DWP

affect me

0

-1 ♦

-9 ♦

-6 ♦



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## All questions by theme

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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 CS2018 Positive For questions W01, W02 and W03 the percent positive is the proportion answering 7, 8, 9 or 10 to each question. 0-4 5-6 7-8 9-10 W01 Overall, how satisfied are you with your life nowadays? 14 20 46 66% 0 4 -3 ♦ Overall, to what extent do you feel that the things you do in your life are 45 0 4 72% -2 ♦ 0 4 worthwhile? 20 39 63% W03 Overall, how happy did you feel yesterday? 17 -1 ♦ +1 ♦ -2 💠 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? 18 32 +1 ♦ 0 +3 ♦

Wellbeing



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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 DWP?

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		Diffe	CSS	Diffe CS Perfe Perfe
I want to leave DWP as soon as possible	9%	0	+2 ♦	-3 ♦
I want to leave DWP within the next 12 months	11%	0	-4 💠	-9 ❖
I want to stay working for DWP for at least the next year	20%	+1 ♦	-14 ♦	-19 ♦
I want to stay working for DWP for at least the next three years	60%	-1 ♦	+17 ♦	+7 ♦

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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?	94	6	94%	0	+2 ♦	-1 💠	
D02. Are you aware of how to raise a concern under the Civil Service Code?	77	23	77%	-1 ❖	+11 ❖	+4 ❖	
D03. Are you confident that if you raised a concern under the Civil Service Code in DWP it would be investigated properly?	71	29	71%	-2 💠	+1 ♦	-5 ♦	

% 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?

2018	13	80	7
2017	11	81	8
CS2018	11	82	7

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?

2018	21	60	18
2017	21	58	20
CS2018	20	61	18

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)

	Respon	se Count
Age	1,145	
Caring responsibilities	1,239	
Disability	1,612	
Ethnic background	580	
Gender	726	
Gender reassignment or perceived gender	16	
Grade, pay band or responsibility level	1,609	
Main spoken/written language or language ability	234	
Marital status	181	
Pregnancy, maternity or paternity	87	
Religion or belief	320	
Sexual orientation	225	
Social or educational background	298	
Working location	842	
Working pattern	2,153	
Any other grounds	1,947	
Prefer not to say	919	
For any order to the collected Novelle assertion FOO		

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)

A colleague	2,744	
Your manager	2,305	
Another manager in my part of DWP	2,045	
Someone you manage	226	
Someone who works for another part of DWP	379	
A member of the public	378	
Someone else	143	
Prefer not to say	818	



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Dep	eartment for Work and Pensions questions	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither	Disagree	Strongly disagree	% Positive	Difference from previous survey	
F01	I believe that leadership is something we should all do no matter what grade		41		47	6 5	88%	0	
F02	The information technology (IT) I have access to provides effective support for the job I do	9	36	12	27	16	45%	+4 ♦	
F03	The new ways of working are helping myself and the team I am part of to improve our customer service	15	42		23	14 6	57%	+1 ♦	
F04	In DWP, ideas and innovation are increasingly driven by customer experience	15	42		24	14 6	57%	New	
F05	The DWP Story helps me to understand my part in helping DWP achieve all it has to do	12	41		28	13 6	53%	-1 ♦	
F06	Teams across DWP are getting better at collaborating with each other so that we can deliver $^{\!$	14	44		20	16 6	58%	-2 💠	
F07	My manager demonstrates commitment to my mental and physical wellbeing by fostering a safe and healthy working environment	29		47		13 6 5	76%	0	
F08	The activity around 'I Can Be Me in DWP' has positively influenced inclusion in the Department	15	36		33	10 6	51%	New	
F09	Taking account of all learning (e.g. classroom, e-learning, mentoring, conferences, coaching, self-managed learning groups etc.), I have had at least 5 days development in the last twelve months	Y	es: <b>72</b> %	5	No: 28	3%	<b>72</b> %	New	



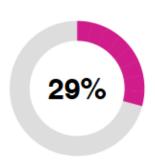
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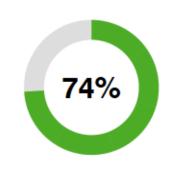
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Difference from previous survey	+1 ♦
Difference from CS2018	0 \$
Difference from CS High Performers	+3 \$

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Difference from previous survey	-1 ♦
Difference from CS2018	0 \$
Difference from CS High Performers	-1 ♦

#### **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.

### 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
B05	I have a choice in deciding how I do my work	64%
B08	My manager motivates me to be more effective in my job	75%
B18	The people in my team can be relied upon to help when things get difficult in my job	90%
B26	I am treated with respect by the people I work with	88%
B30	I have clear work objectives	80%
B33	I have an acceptable workload	68%
B45	I have the opportunity to contribute my views before decisions are made that affect me $ \\$	39%
E03	During the past 12 months have you personally experienced bullying or harassment at work?	80%

		% positive
B01	I am interested in my work	88%
B03	My work gives me a sense of personal accomplishment	78%
B18	The people in my team can be relied upon to help when things get difficult in my job	90%
W01	Overall, how satisfied are you with your life nowadays?	66%
W02	Overall, to what extent do you feel that the things you do in your life are worthwhile?	72%



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## **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 Theme score % positive).

Previous survey 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

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.

#### Confidentiality

The survey was carried out as part of the 2018 Civil Service People Survey, which is managed by the Cabinet Office on behalf of all 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 the results to the extent where the anonymity of individuals may be compromised. Groups of fewer 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.

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