

AY25 Employee Experience Survey Summary of Results

Headlines	Notable Numbers and Metrics	Ongoing Initiatives	Key Priority	Next Steps

This marks the second consecutive year the survey has been conducted, providing valuable year-over-year insights. As anticipated, participation was slightly lower this year, with 1,900 employees responding compared to 2,300 in AY24. The next survey is scheduled for AY27.

Headlines



Overall UA engagement score

- 2/3 of employees surveyed are engaged and motivated to meet or exceed their goals, consistent with the AY24 results.
- 2/3 of employees surveyed are likely to stay at UA, also consistent with the AY24 results.
- Employees cited work-life balance, students, benefits, and alignment with personal values as the main drivers for this metric.
- 3/4 of employees surveyed said employment at UA met or exceeded their expectations, also consistent with the AY24 results.
- Also similar to last year, there are high levels of trust in and communication with direct supervisors across the system.
- 2/3 of employees surveyed said they intended to stay.

Notable Results and Metrics

Engagement

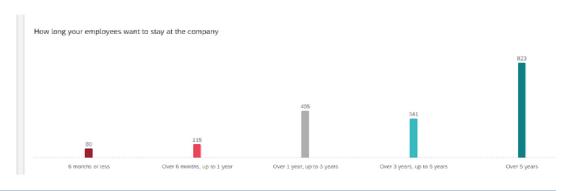
Name	Responses	Distribution ↓	UA Overall	Your 2023 Score
I feel that my work is meaningful	1845	87% <mark>9%</mark>	87%	88%
My work gives me a feeling of personal accomplishment	1847	81% 12%	81%	83%
I would recommend university to people I know as a great place to work	1846	57% 25% 17%	57%	58%
The university motivates me to contribute more than is normally required to complete my work	1844	40% 33% 27%	40%	41%

Inclusion Well-Being

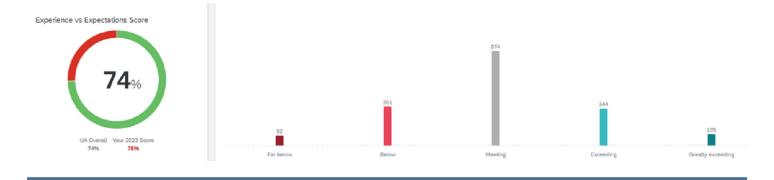


Intent to Stay

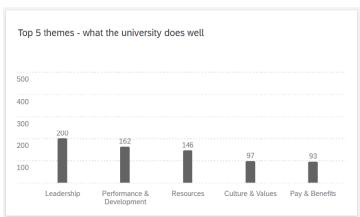


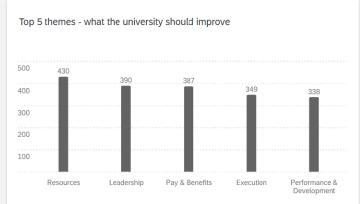


Experience vs. Expectation

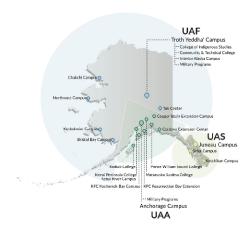


What UA is doing well and what UA needs to improve





Ongoing Initiatives

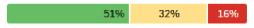


- Process Improvement Initiatives. Based on the response to last year's survey on the need for process improvement, expanded process improvement training and teams I started during my past time at UAF.
- Upgrade to Banner Self Service 9: OIT continues work on our upgrade to Banner Self Service 9. I expect us
 to make much better use of the "out of the box" capabilities of that platform to drive operational efficiency
 for the whole system.
- Pay and Recognition. UA Leadership knows that fair and competitive compensation within the scope of our
 fiscal realities plays a key role in keeping employees engaged. HR's Benefits and Compensation team has
 made modernizing our approach to pay across the system a priority, and is implementing changes that will
 make compensation more transparent, competitive, and aligned with staff needs.

Key Priority: Ethics

This university shows a commitment to ethical business decisions and conduct

1785



We saw a drop in the percentage of employees who both believe the university shows commitment to ethical business decisions and conduct (from 56% last year to 51% this year), and that they can report unethical practices without fear of reprisal (from 56% last year to 53% this year). Those declines are of particular concern to leadership and will be a priority focus area.

51%

56%

- For our organization to be healthy, people must feel they can trust that decisions - even those they disagree with are made appropriately and ethically.
- President Pitney is asking university leadership and unit leaders to make the time to learn more from their teams about why they have concerns about ethics in decisionmaking.







Next Steps



UA and university leadership are beginning to develop strategies and action plans to address specific areas for improvement at the Universities and System Office, building on initiatives already underway based on the results from last year's survey.

UA, university-level, and college/unit leaders will look to employees for continued engagement and feedback as we prioritize actions and next steps to improve employee experience at UA.



2024 UA Employee Engagement Results Understanding Your Dashboard

of Responses

1,900

UA Employee Feedback Program

UA launched a comprehensive series of employee experience surveys starting in fall 2023. The aim is to take a holistic approach in measuring employee engagement to determine actions for enhancing the employee experience. Instead of relying solely on one-time surveys, UA will routinely assess the entire employee journey - from the initial job application, onboarding, the current employee experience, and even when an employee decides to leave UA. For more information on this program and resources to help you navigate results, visit the Employee Feedback Program Website.

UA leadership created a <u>one-page summary</u> with notable results, metrics, ongoing initiatives, key priorities, and next steps. Please look to your leadership for more details on next steps.

Why is the employee experience (EX) important?

Simply put, a better employee experience will improve your team's performance! The more motivated, healthier, and included people feel, the better outcomes

How will this dashboard help me?

This dashboard will give you a read on your team's experience, and let you know the top actions to improve it. Following these signals from your people will increase retention, performance and make your team a better place to be.

What is the employee experience?

Employee experience can be measured through five key performance indicators (KPIs);

- 1. Engagement
- 2. Experience vs Expectations
- 3. Retention (Intent to Stay)
- 4. Inclusion
- 5. Well-being

Each KPI has a specific page that you can use to explore in more detail.

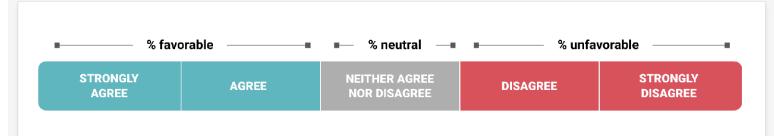
Twenty-five key drivers influence the KPIs. KPIs are all aspects of the employee experience that should be regularly monitored. If one of these areas trends downwards, it is a sign that something may need addressing.

	DRIV	ERS OF EX			EX KPIs
Authority & Empowerment	Collaboration	Communication	Managing Change	Performance & Accountability	ENGAGEMENT
Psychological Safety	Recognition	Resources	Respect	Role Fit	OVERALL EXPERIENCE
Safety	Survey Follow-Up	Trust in Leadership	Trust in Manager	Work-Life Balance	INTENT TO STAY
CSR	Customer Focus	Ethics	Growth & Development	Innovation	INCLUSION WELL-BEING
Living the Values	Pay & Benefits	Strategic Alignment	Training	Work Process	

How responses translate into scores

Most items range from strongly agree to strongly disagree. Responses translate exactly into survey scores, as a horizontal bar chart (below). The bar shows the percentage of respondents who agreed with the statement.

Note: Data will not show for areas with less than 10 responses. Data will move to the next higher level of the organizational hierarchy until it exceeds the anonymity threshold of 10 or more responses.



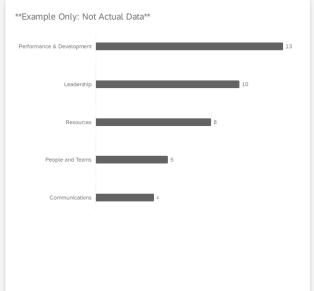
Key Performance Indicator (KPI) - donut

Some KPIs are shown as a donut-style bar. It shows how you compare to another group internally or externally, as well as how the KPI is trending.

Text analytics (Text iQ)

We ran automated topic analysis on text feedback from your employees. They talked about the topics shown most frequently. The size of the bars relates to the number of comments.





Key driver analysis

The Qualtrics Tool highlights the top drivers impacting each KPI score, as shown below.

An impact indicator (circles) at the left of the scorecard shows the result of a Pearson correlation. This analysis indicates the strength of the relationship between the item and the KPI, such as engagement or intent to stay. The larger the blue circle, the stronger the relationship and, therefore, the more important the item.

Disregard correlations under .5.

Note: The "Your 2023 Score" is based on how the dashboard is filtered. It can reflect data from "All UA" or "filters" for a specific grouping. "Your 2023 Score" does not represent a specific individual's feedback.



Definitions

Participants were provided definitions at the start and throughout the survey.

My university: refers to the administrative unit to which you are most closely connected (e.g. UAF, UAA, UAS, System Office).

My campus: refers to the local campus you are most closely connected (e.g. Bristol Bay (UAF), Kenai Peninsula College (UAA), Sitka Campus (UAS)).

My supervisor: refers to the person you report to, usually the person who conducts your performance reviews. If you have more than one reporting line, you should refer to your primary reporting manager.

University-level leadership team: refers to the senior administrator team who make decisions for your university (e.g., your chancellor, provost, vice chancellor).

UA system leadership team: refers to the most senior administrators in the System Office making decisions for the UA system (e.g., president, vice

Action Planning

The action planning tool is available to leadership (Chancellors, Provosts, Vice Chancellors, and Deans/ Director of Colleges, Schools & Institutes).

Please connect with your leadership on next steps.



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How are you tracking on your KPIs?

Employee Engagement

Engaged people will be more motivated to meet or exceed goals.

Experience vs Expectations

If experiences exceed expectations, everyone wins. The % of meets expectations through exceeded expectations is below.

Get a clear indicator of how long your people currently want to stay with the company.







Employee Engagement

66%

Top drivers to increase engagement

Impact	Name	Responses	Distribution	UA Overall	Your 2023 Score
	I believe this university has an outstanding future	1790	53% 31%	53%	54%
	I would recommend this university to people seeking education or job/technical training	1794	74% <mark>18%</mark>	74%	75%
	There is open and honest two-way communication at my university	1806	42% 27% 31%	42%	44%

Experience vs Expectations

74%

Top drivers	to exc	ceed e	mployee	expectations	j

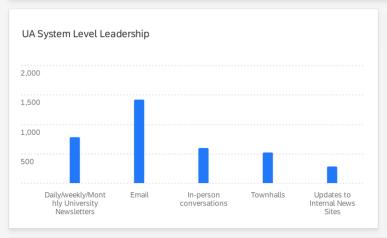
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	I believe this university has an outstanding future	1790	53% 31%	53%	54%
•	There is open and honest two-way communication at my university	1806	42% 27% 31%	42%	44%
	I am treated with respect at work	1783	79%	79%	81%

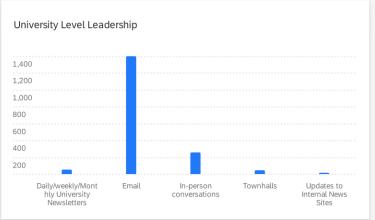




What are your people saying about their preferred mode of communication?

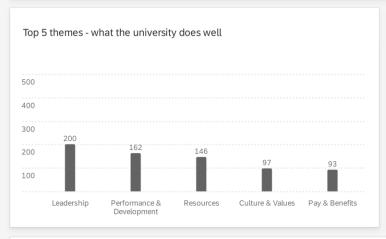
Below are the modes of communication employees indicated are their preferences for different leaders at the university.

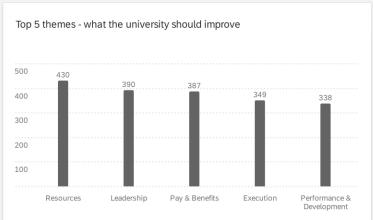




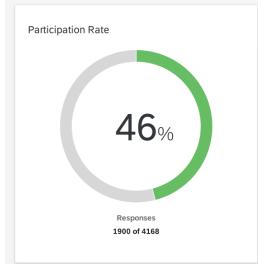
What are your people saying about their employee experience?

Below are the most common themes when employees talk about what the university does well, and what can improve.





Participation Rate







2024 UA Employee Engagement Results Experience vs Expectations

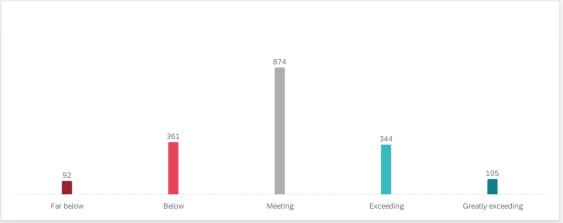
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How does your employee experience align to employee expectations?

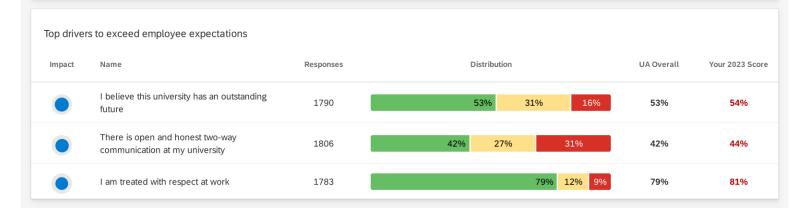
Employees continually assess their working life against their expectations. See how it stacks up below.





What causes your people to have better-than-expected experiences?

Whether high or low scoring, the below items are important to your people, and so worth taking a look at.





2024 UA Employee Engagement Results Retention

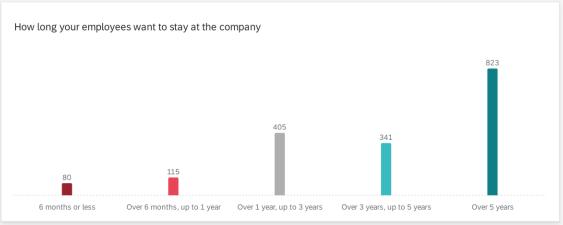
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How is your current retention outlook?

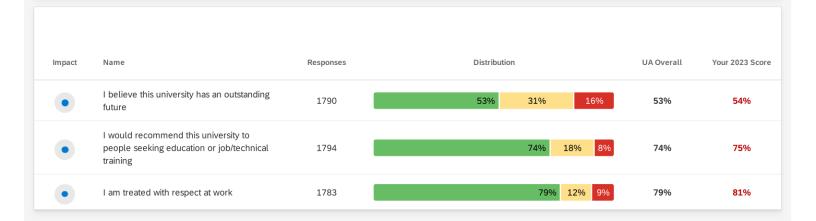
Get a clear indicator of how long your people would currently like to stay with the company.





What causes your people to want to stay for a longer or shorter period?

Whether high or low-scoring, the below items are important to your people, and so worth taking a look at.



Why do your people continue to work at UA?

Below are the number of responses received by ranking (1 - 5) for each reason provided.



Word Cloud: The larger the word, the more often it was mentioned in the comments. Using one or two words, are there any reasons for continuing to work at UA missing from the list above?





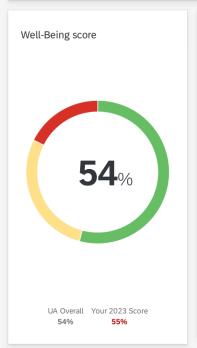
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How high are levels of well-being on the team?

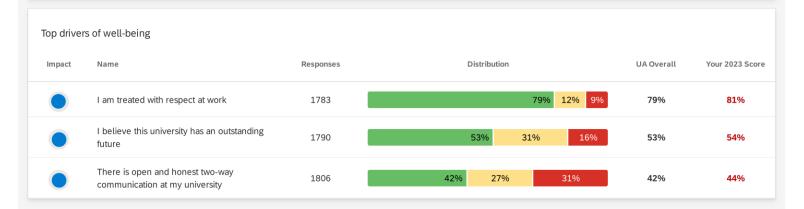
Employees with high well-being feel positive, show sustained levels of energy and have trusted relationships.





What causes your people to have higher or lower well-being?

Whether high or low-scoring, the below items are important to your people, and so worth taking a look at.





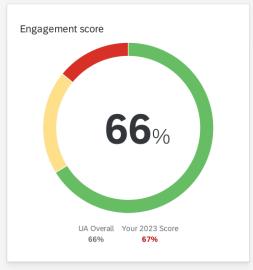
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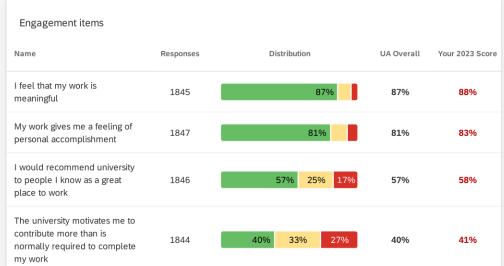
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How engaged are your people?

If your people are engaged, they will be more motivated to meet or exceed goals.





What causes your people to be more or less engaged?

Whether high or low-scoring, the below items are important to your people, and so worth taking a look at.





2024 UA Employee Engagement Results Inclusion

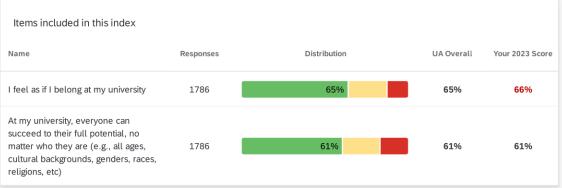
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How inclusive is your team?

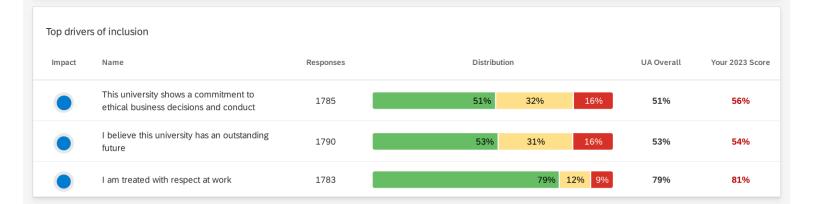
Below is the inclusion score for your overall business.





What causes your people to feel more or less included?

Whether high or low-scoring, the below items are important to your people.





Comparison: Breakout:

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UA Overall University	JR Ove	all System	JAA	JAF	JAE	
Response Counts	1900	150	705	889	152	
✓ Engagement	66%	65%	65%	68%	64%	
My work gives me a feeling of personal accomplishment	81%	72%	82%	82%	80%	
The university motivates me to contribute more than is normally required to complete my work	40%	41%	38%	41%	37%	
I feel that my work is meaningful	87%	84%	87%	87%	85%	
I would recommend university to people I know as a great place to work	57%	61%	55%	60%	52%	
 Trust in Leadership 	48%	49%	44%	49%	53%	
I have confidence in my dean/director to make the right decisions for my college/ institute/ unit	65%	59%	64%	65%	68%	
I have confidence in the UA System leadership team to make the right decisions for UA	38%	56%	33%	40%	32%	
I have confidence in the University-level leadership team to make the right decisions for my university	41%	33%	37%	42%	59%	
→ Trust in Supervisor	77%	79%	76%	78%	749	
I trust my supervisor	79%	81%	77%	80%	75%	
My supervisor keeps their commitments (i.e., they do what they say they will do)	78%	77%	77%	79%	75%	
My supervisor handles conflict in a professional manner	74%	78%	73%	75%	729	
 Communication 	48%	56%	45%	48%	55%	
The frequency with which I have meaningful communication with my supervisor is adequate	75%	85%	75%	76%	70%	
Avenues for communication to university-level leadership are adequate	37%	47%	34%	36%	489	
My university does a good job of communicating the reasons behind important changes	37%	45%	33%	38%	48%	
There is open and honest two-way communication at my university	42%	48%	39%	40%	549	
✓ Authority & Empowerment	61%	65%	57%	63%	66%	
I am given the opportunity to be involved in decisions that affect me	46%	56%	42%	47%	549	
I have autonomy to make decisions regarding my work	76%	75%	72%	79%	78%	

Comparison: Breakout:

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UA Overall	University

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to be as productive as possible

effectively

decisions and conduct

Pay and Recognition

I am paid fairly for the work I do

Performance & Accountability

I receive feedback that helps me improve my

Ethics

work

performance

reflects my duties

Training & Development

my career development

enables healthy work-life balance

Work-Life Balance

and personal life

Safety

61%

55%

56%

Work Processes and Resources

This university shows a commitment to ethical business

I can report unethical practices without fear of reprisal

My colleagues recognize each other when we do good

I receive meaningful recognition when I do a good job

My position description (or faculty workload) accurately

I have a clear understanding of what is expected of me

I have the training I need to do my job effectively

I can manage my job responsibilities in a way that

My university supports my efforts to balance my work

I have meaningful discussions with my supervisor about

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The work processes at this university allow employees

My supervisor helps remove barriers to getting my work

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I have access to the resources (e.g., materials, equipment, technology, etc.) I need to do my job

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>	Safety		83%	87%	82%	83%	81%
	My supervisor's actions show a co	ommitment to safety	80%	85%	78%	81%	78%
	I feel safe while I am at work		86%	90%	85%	86%	83%
>	Respect & Psychological Saf	ety	72%	74%	71%	73%	68%
	When we disagree, my colleague respectfully	s treat each other	76%	78%	76%	76%	70%
	I can share my opinions openly w	rithout fear of retaliation	62%	65%	61%	63%	59%
	I am treated with respect at work		79%	78%	77%	80%	77%
~	Intent to Stay		66%	64%	63%	70%	62%
	I intend to keep working at my un	iversity for	66%	64%	63%	70%	62%
~	Experience vs Expectations		74%	76%	72%	77%	75%
	Overall, to what extent does your your university meet your expecta		74%	76%	72%	77%	75%
>	Inclusion		63%	63%	63%	63%	61%
	At my university, everyone can su potential, no matter who they are backgrounds, genders, races, reli	(e.g., all ages, cultural	61%	62%	62%	62%	53%
	I feel as if I belong at my universi	ty	65%	65%	64%	64%	68%
~	Well-Being		54%	55%	55%	53%	55%
	I feel positive about myself at wo	rk	75%	72%	77%	75%	77%
	I have trusting relationships at wo	ork	81%	78%	81%	80%	83%
	I feel energized at work		53%	55%	53%	53%	50%
	University-level leadership's action genuinely care about my well-bei	-	34%	43%	32%	30%	50%
	There are holistic wellness resour place to promote a culture of care		50%	53%	52%	48%	46%
	The wellness resources and supp employees are effective	ort available to	33%	32%	35%	32%	27%
>	Survey Follow-Up		26%	26%	26%	28%	21%

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UA Overall University	, et	all System	Office		
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I intend to keep working at my university for	0070	0470	0370	7070	0270
 Experience vs Expectations 	74%	76%	72%	77%	75%
Overall, to what extent does your experience working at your university meet your expectations?	74%	76%	72%	77%	75%
✓ Inclusion	63%	63%	63%	63%	61%
At my university, everyone can succeed to their full potential, no matter who they are (e.g., all ages, cultural backgrounds, genders, races, religions, etc)	61%	62%	62%	62%	53%
I feel as if I belong at my university	65%	65%	64%	64%	68%
✓ Well-Being	54%	55%	55%	53%	55%
I feel positive about myself at work	75%	72%	77%	75%	77%
I have trusting relationships at work	81%	78%	81%	80%	83%
I feel energized at work	53%	55%	53%	53%	50%
University-level leadership's actions show they genuinely care about my well-being	34%	43%	32%	30%	50%
There are holistic wellness resources and support in place to promote a culture of care for emplo	50%	53%	52%	48%	46%
The wellness resources and support available to employees are effective	33%	32%	35%	32%	27%
✓ Survey Follow-Up	26%	26%	26%	28%	21%
I believe that positive change will happen as a results of this survey	26%	26%	26%	28%	21%
→ Collaboration	65%	67%	65%	65%	66%
There is effective collaboration between teams at this university	47%	54%	46%	46%	54%
The people I work with cooperate to get the job done	84%	81%	83%	85%	79%
✓ Strategic Alignment	60%	66%	58%	60%	60%
I believe this university has an outstanding future	53%	60%	48%	55%	50%
I can see a clear link between my work and this university's strategic objectives	67%	71%	67%	65%	70%
✓ Social Responsibility	75%	79%	76%	74%	76%
I am proud of this university's efforts to have a positive impact on the communities we serve	75%	79%	76%	74%	76%
→ Customer Focus	74%	82%	74%	73%	74%
I would recommend this university to people seeking education or job/technical training	74%	82%	74%	73%	74%