



# Results of the Q1 2008 American E-Government Satisfaction Index

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## Summary of Findings

- **Aggregate satisfaction: 72.4**
  - Down .5 points quarter-over-quarter
  - Down 1 point year-over-year
- **Continuation of declining trend:**
  - Lowest score reported since Q1 2005 (71.9)
  - 1.5 points below all-time high score of 74 (Q2 2006)
- **105 sites measured in Q1 2008**
- **17 sites (16% of total) are “top performers”**
  - Scores of 80 or higher
- **E-commerce = category with biggest increase**
  - Up 1.5% since last quarter



# E-Gov Still Outpaces Offline Government

Citizens more satisfied with web than with federal government overall

1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter E-Government Score	72.4
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- *Real-time data collection from >100 federal websites*
- *24,000 respondents collected for one quarter (CI +/- 0.3)*

Annual ACSI Aggregate Federal Government Score	67.8
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- *Experience with any Federal agency over the past year*
- *1,374 respondents collected (CI +/- 1.1)*

+ 4.6 gap



## Comparison to Private Sector

Gap widens between e-gov and private sector scores

<b>E-Government Q1 2008</b>	<b>72.4</b>
<b>E-Business Q2 2007</b> <i>(news/information, search engines, portals)</i>	<b>75.2</b>
<b>E-Commerce Q4 2007</b> <i>(online retail, travel, auction, brokerage)</i>	<b>81.6</b>



## ACSI E-Gov Index Trend

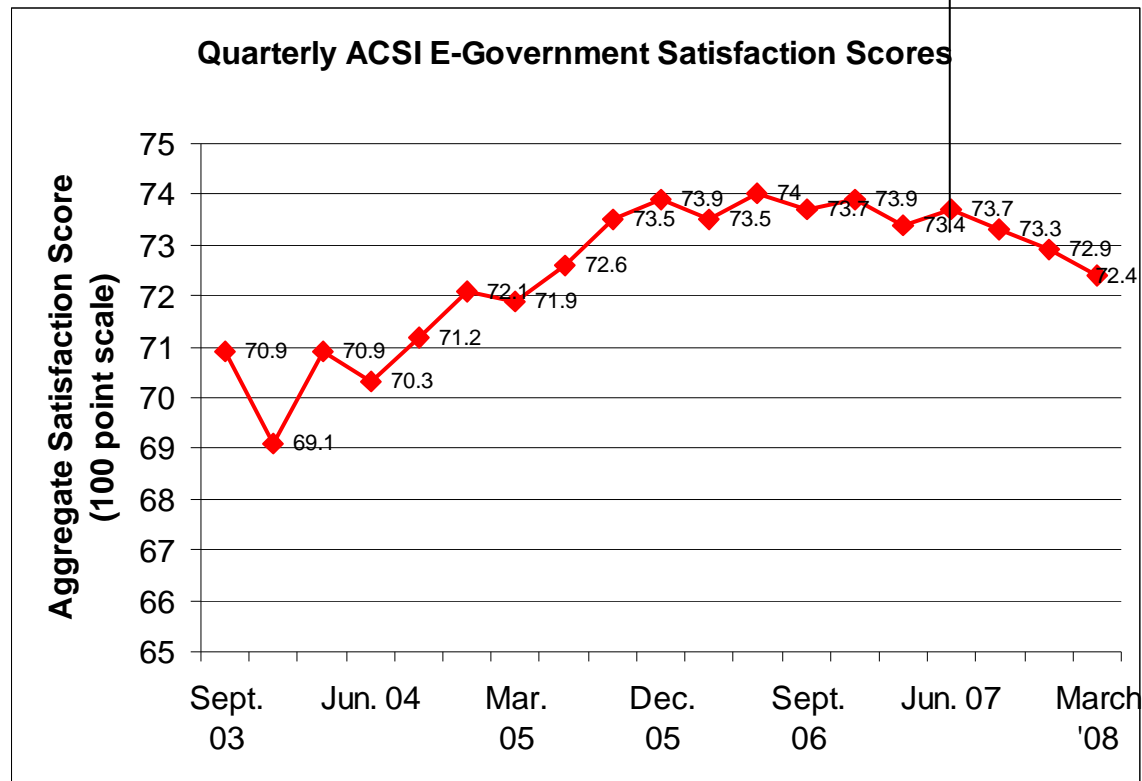
➤ <b>Q1 2008</b>	<b>72.4</b>
➤ Q4 2007	72.9
➤ Q3 2007	73.3
➤ Q2 2007	73.7
➤ Q1 2007	73.4
➤ Q4 2006	73.9
➤ Q3 2006	73.7
➤ Q2 2006	74.0
➤ Q1 2006	73.5
➤ Q4 2005	73.9
➤ Q3 2005	73.5
➤ Q2 2005	72.6
➤ <b>Q1 2005</b>	<b>71.9</b>
➤ Q4 2004	72.1
➤ Q3 2004	71.2
➤ Q2 2004	70.3
➤ Q1 2004	70.7
➤ Q4 2003	69.8
➤ Q3 2003	66.7

**Q1 '08  
score is  
lowest  
since  
Q1 '05**



# ACSI E-Gov Index Trend

Aggregate scores declining since Q2 '07





## Why is Satisfaction Dropping?

- Uncertainty over administration change
- “Wait and see” on major site upgrades

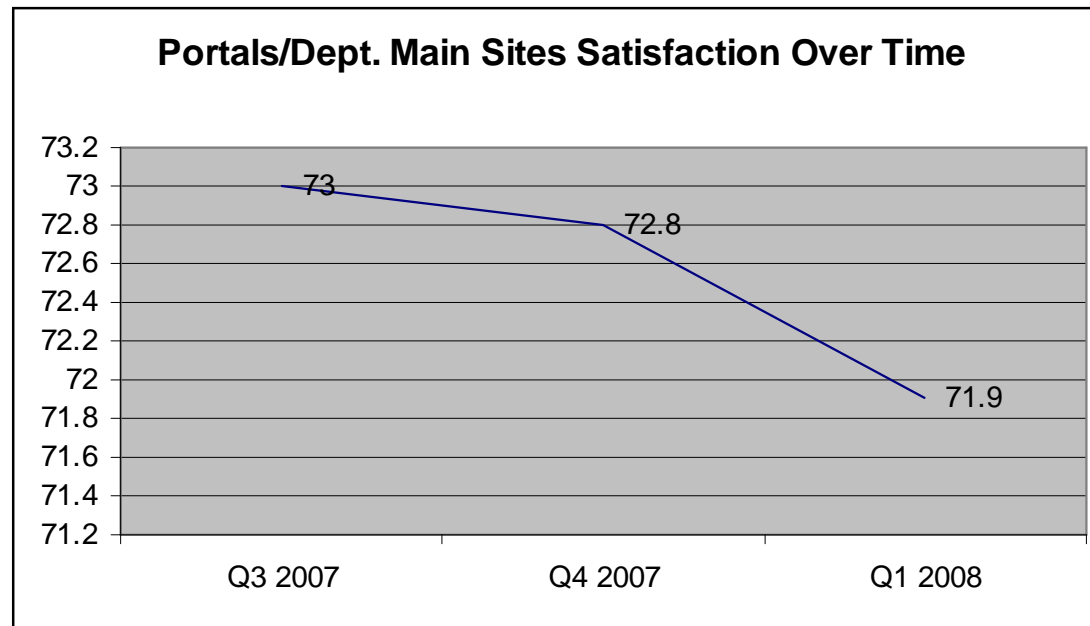


*How much of a focus will the new administration place on e-gov?*



## Why is Satisfaction Dropping?

- **Declining satisfaction with portals/department main sites category lowers overall score**
  - Q2 2006: 75.2 (category high score)
  - Q1 2008: 71.9







## Distribution of Scores Over Time

	<u>80s</u>	<u>70s</u>	<u>60s</u>	<u>&lt;60</u>
Q1 2008 Satisfaction	17	53	33	2
Q4 2007 Satisfaction	20	54	24	5
Q3 2007 Satisfaction	19	49	19	4
Q2 2007 Satisfaction	15	49	17	2
Q1 2007 Satisfaction	16	45	15	4
Q4 2006 Satisfaction	18	50	18	1
Q3 2006 Satisfaction	18	52	22	3

	<u>80s</u>	<u>70s</u>	<u>60s</u>	<u>&lt;60</u>
Q1 2008 Satisfaction	16%	50%	31%	2%
Q4 2007 Satisfaction	19%	52%	23%	5%
Q3 2007 Satisfaction	21%	54%	21%	4%
Q2 2007 Satisfaction	18%	59%	20%	2%
Q1 2007 Satisfaction	20%	56%	19%	5%
Q4 2006 Satisfaction	21%	57%	21%	1%
Q3 2006 Satisfaction	19%	55%	23%	3%



## Satisfaction Scores Over Time

### Quarterly Comparison of Q1 2008 to Q4 2007

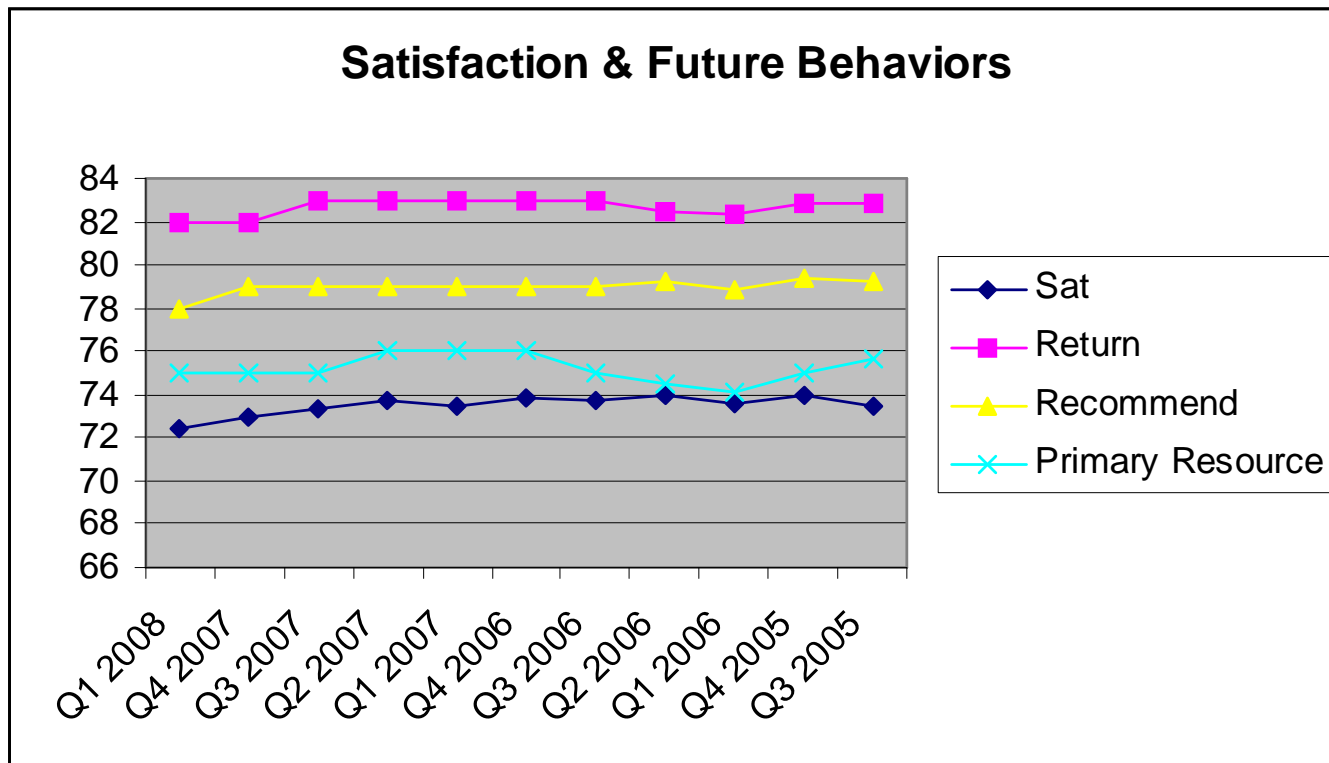
<b>% of sites with higher scores</b>	<b>% of sites with lower scores</b>	<b>% of sites with same score</b>
<b>33%</b>	<b>42%</b>	<b>26%</b>

### Annual Comparison of Q1 2008 to Q1 2007

<b>% of sites with higher scores</b>	<b>% of sites with lower scores</b>	<b>% of sites with same score</b>
<b>49%</b>	<b>32%</b>	<b>19%</b>



# Trend: Satisfaction and Future Behaviors





## Future Behaviors: Quarter-Over-Quarter

All future behavior scores lower or flat compared to last quarter

	Q4 2007	Q1 2008	% Change
<b>Satisfaction</b>	<b>72.9</b>	<b>72.4</b>	<b>-0.7%</b>
<b>Return</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>Recommend</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>-1.3%</b>
<b>Primary Resource</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>0%</b>



## Element Scores

Most element scores flat from last quarter

ELEMENT	Q4 '07	Q1 '08	% CHANGE
<b>Content</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Functionality</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Look &amp; Feel</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Navigation</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Search</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Tasks/ Transactions</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>-2%</b>



## Element Analysis

- Which elements are top priority for improvement?  
(1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> priority; % of sites)

Element	Q4 2007 Top Priority	Q1 2008 Top Priority
<b>Search</b>	<b>85%</b>	<b>83%</b>
<b>Tasks &amp; Transactions</b> (13 sites measure)	<b>64%</b>	<b>69%</b>
<b>Navigation</b>	<b>47%</b>	<b>51%</b>
<b>Functionality</b>	<b>41%</b>	<b>47%</b>
<b>Look &amp; Feel</b>	<b>34%</b>	<b>30%</b>
<b>Site Performance</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>15%</b>
<b>Content</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>4%</b>



## Top-Priority Elements by Category – Q1 2008

- **E-commerce/Transactional**
  - Tasks/Transactions: 100%
  - Search: 67%
  
- **Information/News**
  - Search: 86%
  - Functionality: 45%
  
- **Portal/Dept. Main**
  - Search: 82%
  - Functionality: 43%
  
- **Recruitment/Careers**
  - Navigation: 75%
  - Job Search: 50%



## Functional Categories: Quarterly Comparison

	Q4 2007	Q1 2008	Change
<b>ACSI E-Government Aggregate</b>	72.9	72.4	-0.7%
<b>E-Commerce / Transactions</b>	74.6	75.7	1.5%
<b>Information / News</b>	72.3	71.7	-.8%
<b>Portals / Department Main Sites</b>	72.8	71.9	-1.2%
<b>Recruitment/Careers</b>	77.6	77.1	-0.1%





## Functional Categories: Year-over-Year

	Q12007	Q1 2008	Change
<b>ACSI E-Government Aggregate</b>	73.4	72.4	-1.3%
<b>E-Commerce / Transactions</b>	74.2	75.7	2.0%
<b>Information / News</b>	72.8	71.7	-1.5%
<b>Portals / Department Main Sites</b>	74.1	71.9	-3.0%
<b>Recruitment/ Careers</b>	77.2	77.1	-0.1%



## Scores by Department

Department	Q1 2008
Department of Health and Human Services	78.8
Social Security Administration	77.3
Department of the Treasury	71.4
General Services Administration	71.0
Department of State	69.7
Department of Agriculture	66.3



## Scores by Organizational Categories

	Q4 2007	Q1 2008	Change
<b>Departments</b>	71.6	70.8	-1.1%
<b>Agencies</b>	73.1	72.2	-1.2%
<b>Programs</b>	73.4	73.6	.3%



## Top Performers

17 sites (16%) have scores of 80+

Website	Q1 2008 Satisfaction
Help with Medicare Prescription Drug Plan Costs -- <a href="http://www.socialsecurity.gov/i1020/">http://www.socialsecurity.gov/i1020/</a>	87
Internet Social Security Benefits Application -- <a href="https://s044a90.ssa.gov/apps6a/ISBA/main.html">https://s044a90.ssa.gov/apps6a/ISBA/main.html</a>	87
MedlinePlus -- <a href="http://medlineplus.gov">http://medlineplus.gov</a>	85
MedlinePlus en español -- <a href="http://medlineplus.gov/esp/">http://medlineplus.gov/esp/</a>	84
NIDDK - <a href="http://www2.niddk.nih.gov/">http://www2.niddk.nih.gov/</a>	83
Social Security Business Services Online -- <a href="http://www.ssa.gov/bso/bsowelcome.htm">http://www.ssa.gov/bso/bsowelcome.htm</a>	82
AIDSinfo -- <a href="http://aidsinfo.nih.gov/">http://aidsinfo.nih.gov/</a>	82
National Cancer Institute Site en Español-- <a href="http://www.cancer.gov/espanol">www.cancer.gov/espanol</a> <a href="http://www.cancer.gov/espanol">www.cancer.gov/espanol</a>	82
President's DNA Initiative -- <a href="http://www.dna.gov">http://www.dna.gov</a>	81



## Top Performers (Cont'd)

Website	Q1 2008 Satisfaction
Federal Citizen Information Center -- <a href="http://www.pueblo.gsa.gov/">www.pueblo.gsa.gov/</a>	81
Online Catalog -- <a href="http://catalog.usmint.gov">http://catalog.usmint.gov</a>	81
MyPBA - <a href="https://egov.pbgc.gov/mypba">https://egov.pbgc.gov/mypba</a>	81
CDC main website -- <a href="http://www.cdc.gov">www.cdc.gov</a>	80
Recruitment website -- <a href="http://www.cia.gov/employment">http://www.cia.gov/employment</a>	80
GobiernoUSA.gov website -- <a href="http://www.gobiernousa.gov">www.gobiernousa.gov</a>	80
National Cancer Institute main website -- <a href="http://www.cancer.gov">www.cancer.gov</a>	80
NIAMS Public Website -- <a href="http://www.niams.nih.gov/index.htm">http://www.niams.nih.gov/index.htm</a>	80



## Why Strong Satisfaction is Important

Satisfaction leads to desired future behaviors

	<b>Top Performers (80 and above)</b>	<b>Bottom Performers (70 and below)</b>	<b>% Difference</b>
<b>Satisfaction</b>	<b>82.0</b>	<b>64.8</b>	<b>25.9%</b>
<b>Return</b>	<b>87.8</b>	<b>76.7</b>	<b>14.5%</b>
<b>Recommend</b>	<b>85.3</b>	<b>71.9</b>	<b>18.6%</b>
<b>Primary Resource</b>	<b>81.0</b>	<b>70.5</b>	<b>14.9%</b>



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