Department of Homeland Security: 2008 Federal Human Capital Survey Results

One Team, One Mission, Securing Our Homeland

DHS scores on the 2008 Federal Human Capital Survey (FHCS), sponsored by the Office of Personnel Management, confirm that we are continuing to improve the DHS workplace. Our 2008 scores reflect notable increases from the DHS Annual Employee Survey (AES) scores in 2007 and the FHCS scores in 2006. Considerable improvements were evident for questions about Leadership and Knowledge Management, Results-Oriented Performance Culture, Talent Management, and Job Satisfaction (the 4 Human Capital Assessment and Accountability Framework [HCAAF] indices). DHS is among the top five Federal agencies with the largest percentage-point increases in positive scores since 2006 for all four HCAAF indices.

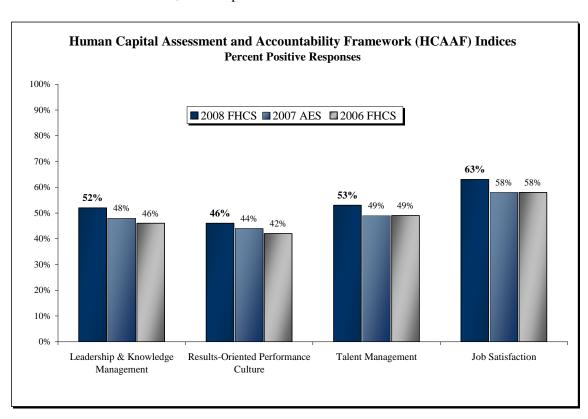
Although we are proud of this progress, we remain steadfast in our commitment to make the DHS workplace the best it can be. Our employees deserve no less.

Summary of Results

The following sets of percentages indicate the highest levels of agreement (i.e., the percentage of employees answering *Strongly Agree* or *Agree*) and the disagreement with survey items and changes since 2006 in the HCAAF indices.

- □ Positive scores for nearly half (38 of 73) of the FHCS survey items increased from 2006 to 2008 by 5 percentage points or more. Positive scores for more than one-third (18 of 45) of the survey items increased from 2007 to 2008.
- ☐ Top Increases from 2006 FHCS to 2008 FHCS include:
 - Question 50 "Employees have electronic access to learning and training programs readily available at their desk"—increased by 13 percentage points.
 - Question 16 "I have sufficient resources (for example, people, materials, budget) to get my job done"—increased by a total of 9 percentage points.
 - Question 59 "How satisfied are you with your opportunity to get a better job in your organization"—increased by 9 percentage points.
- ☐ Top Increases from 2007 AES to 2008 FHCS include:
 - Question 55 "How satisfied are you with your involvement in decision that affect your work"—increased by 13 percentage points.
 - Question 39 "My organization's leaders maintain high standards of honesty and integrity"—increased by 9 percentage points.
 - Question 36 "Managers/supervisors/team leaders work well with employees of different backgrounds"—increased by 8 percentage points.
- Overall, approximately, 6 of 10 DHS employees are satisfied with their jobs (62%) and would recommend DHS as a good place to work (58%).

■ **HCAAF Indices:** Since 2006, DHS improved on all 4 HCAAF Indices.



□ Strengths: Top Six Items with Percent Positive Responses of 65% or Higher¹

Question 20: The work I do is important (91%)

Question 54: Employees use information technology to perform work (83%)

Question 6: Employees like the work they do (82%)

Question 69: Satisfied with paid vacation time (82%)

Question 1: The people I work with cooperate to get the job done (82%)

Question 19: I know how my work relates to the agency's goals and priorities (81%)

□ Challenges: Top Six Items with Percent Negative Responses of 35% or Higher

Question 27: Pay raises depend on how well employees perform their jobs (49%)

Question 22: Promotions in my work unit are based on merit (45%)

Question 23: In my work unit, steps are taken to deal with a poor performer who cannot or will not improve (45%)

Question 29: In my work unit, differences in performance are recognized in a meaningful way (42%)

Question 38: In my organization, leaders generate high levels of motivation and commitment in the workforce (40%)

Question 26: Creativity and innovation are rewarded (39%)

¹ DHS had more survey items with percent positive responses of 65 percent or more and percent negative responses of 35 percent or more; only the top 6 items in both categories are shown.

About the Survey

The survey included a total of 85 items (74 survey items and 11 demographic questions) — there are 73 survey items in common between the 2006 and 2008 Federal Human Capital Survey (FHCS) and 45 survey items in common between the 2007 DHS Annual Employee Survey and the 2008 FHCS. The 2008 survey included eight sections:

Section 1: Personal Work Experience (Questions 1—10)

Section 2: Recruitment, Development, and Retention (Questions 11—21)

Section 3: Performance Culture (Questions 22—36)

Section 4: Leadership (Questions 37—47)

Section 5: Learning (Knowledge Management) (Questions 48—54)

Section 6: Job Satisfaction (Questions 55—63)

Section 7: Benefits (Questions 64—74)

Section 8: Demographics (Questions 75—85)

Survey Items and Response Choices

Three 5-point Likert-type response scales were used in the survey: (a) Strongly Agree, Agree, Neither Agree nor Disagree, Disagree, Strongly Disagree; (b) Very Satisfied, Satisfied, Neither Satisfied nor Dissatisfied, Very Dissatisfied; (c) Very Good, Good, Fair, Poor, Very Poor. For questions 11 through 54 and 64 through 74 of the 2008 survey, respondents had the additional option of answering Do Not Know or No Basis to Judge.

Survey Administration and Sample

- ☐ Survey mode: Web
- Data collection period: August 1st to September 26th, 2008
- Survey population: full-time, permanent DHS employees
- □ Sample size: 19,187 DHS employees were asked to participate in the survey
- Respondents: 9,550 DHS employees answered the call and completed a survey
- Response rate: 50%

The adjusted formula for the calculating response rate (according to the Office of Personnel Management's Federal Human Capital Survey method) is: Number of eligible employees returning completed surveys / Number of eligible employees receiving a survey:

RR = (9,550 / 19,187)*100 RR= 50 percent

Representativeness of Respondents²

The percentages presented in this report are based on weighted data. Weighted data are essential in generalizing findings from survey respondents to the population covered by the survey. The survey data collected from respondents were adjusted to represent the DHS population. If weights are not used in data analyses, estimates could be biased because some population subgroups are under- or over-represented in the respondent group. The FHCS weights adjust for the differences between the survey population and respondent group.

² Information on the 2008 FHCS data weighting retrieved February 3, 2009 from http://www.fhcs.opm.gov/2008/About/

(Survey Administration Period 8/1/08 to 9/26/08)

		Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither Agree Nor Disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Do Not Know/ No Basis to Judge	Percent Positive	Total
*1. The people I work with cooperate to get the job done.	N	2,862	5,152	799	594	143	NA		9,550
	%	25.6	56.2	9.4	7.0	1.7	NA	81.8	100
*2. I am given a real opportunity to improve my skills in my organization.	N	1,741	3,933	1,801	1,496	579			9,550
	%	15.5	40.6	19.4	17.5	7.0		56.0	100
3. I have enough information to do my job well.	N	1,618	4,962	1,534	1,164	272			9,550
	%	15.7	52.1	16.7	12.7	2.8	oor Judge Positiv	67.8	100
4. I feel encouraged to come up with new and better ways of doing things.	N	1,925	3,376	1,803	1,620	826		40.2	9,550
	%	15.8	33.4	20.6	20.0	10.2		49.2	100
*5. My work gives me a feeling of personal accomplishment.	N	2,722	4,001	1,484	839	504			9,550
	%	25.1	42.6	17.0	9.4	6.0		67.6	100
*6. I like the kind of work I do.	N	3,843	4,133	1,020	375	179		00.4	9,550
	%	38.0	44.4	11.4	4.1	2.1		82.4	100
*7. I have trust and confidence in my supervisor.	N	2,553	3,359	1,699	1,077	862		50.0	9,550
	%	23.0	36.2	19.0	12.0	9.7		59.2	100
8. I recommend my organization as a good place to work.	N %	2,137 19.5	3,656 38.9	1,911 21.4	1,056 11.5	790 8.6			9,550 100
		Very Good	Good	Fair	Poor	Very Poor	No Basis to	Percent Positive	Total
*9. Overall, how good a job do you feel is being done by your immediate	N	2,894	3,215	2,017	864	560	NA		9,550
supervisor/team leader?	%	27.1	34.0	22.8	9.8	6.2	NA	61.1	100
10. How would you rate the overall quality of work done by your work	N	3,533	4,247	1,402	264	104	NA		9,550
group?	%	31.5	46.5	17.1	3.5	1.4	NA	NA 67.6 NA NA NA 82.4 NA NA NA 59.2 NA NA NA 58.4 Do Not Know/ Percent Judge Positive NA NA NA 78.0 Do Not Know/ Percent Judge Positive 47 0.5 68.7	100
		Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither Agree Nor Disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree			Total
*11. The workforce has the job-relevant knowledge and skills necessary to	N	1,444	5,292	1,414	1,022	331	47		9,550
accomplish organizational goals.	%	13.7	55.0	16.3	10.6	3.8	0.5	68.7	100
*12. My supervisor supports my need to balance work and other life issues.	N	2,965	3,853	1,356	670	648	58		9,550
12. My supervisor supports my need to barance work and other me issues.	%	26.7	40.6	15.2	8.3	8.6	0.7	67.2	100
13. Supervisors/team leaders in my work unit provide employees with the	N	1,731	3,996	1,865	1,197	692	69		9,550
opportunities to demonstrate their leadership skills.	%	15.5	39.8	21.4	14.1	8.3	0.8	55.4	100
*14. My work unit is able to recruit people with the right skills.	N	918	3,024	2,624	1,772	950	262	26.4	9,550
	%	8.0	28.4	30.1	19.4	10.8	3.3	81.8 56.0 67.8 49.2 67.6 82.4 59.2 58.4 Percent Positive 61.1 78.0 Percent Positive	100

^{*} AES prescribed items.

Percentages are weighted to be representative of the Agency's population.

		Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither Agree Nor Disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Do Not Know/ No Basis to Judge	Percent Positive	Total
15. The skill level in my work unit has improved in the past year.	N	1,543	3,642	2,340	1,202	627	196	-1	9,550
	%	14.0	37.2	25.4	13.5	7.4	2.5	51.2	100
16. I have sufficient resources (for example, people, materials, budget) to	N	989	3,377	1,610	2,140	1,340	94		9,550
get my job done.	%	10.3	35.8	17.6	21.6	13.6	1.1	46.1	100
*17. My workload is reasonable.	N	989	4,540	1,530	1,561	877	53		9,550
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*18. My talents are used well in the workplace.	N	1,525	3,881	1,638	1,404	1,002	100		9,550
	%	13.1	39.5	18.7	16.1	11.3	1.2	52.7	100
*19. I know how my work relates to the agency's goals and priorities.	N	2,922	4,936	941	444	246	61		9,550
2. I know now my work relates to the agency 5 goals and priorities.	%	26.4	54.4	11.0	4.8	2.7	0.8	80.7	100
*20. The work I do is important.	N	5,036	3,624	590	136	131	33		9,550
•	%	53.0	37.6	6.3	1.5	1.4	0.3	90.5	100
*21. Physical conditions (for example, noise level, temperature, lighting,	N	2,024	3,972	1,357	1,244	884	69		9,550
cleanliness in the workplace) allow employees to perform their jobs well.	%	18.5	39.9	15.4	14.4	11.0	0.8	58.4	100
*22. Promotions in my work unit are based on merit.	N	787	2,388	2,225	1,815	1,953	382		9,550
	%	5.7	21.1	23.7	21.0	24.3	4.2	26.8	100
*23. In my work unit, steps are taken to deal with a poor performer who	N	529	2,525	2,215	2,090	1,699	492		9,550
cannot or will not improve.	%	4.5	23.0	22.6	23.0	21.9	5.0	27.6	100
*24. Employees have a feeling of personal empowerment with respect to	N	697	3,239	2,620	1,773	1,061	160		9,550
work processes.	%	5.7	30.2	29.3	20.2	12.7	1.9	35.9	100
25. Employees are rewarded for providing high quality products and	N	1,004	3,164	2,135	1,829	1,205	213		9,550
services to customers.	%	7.5	27.3	24.0	22.0	16.2	3.0	34.8	100
	N	911	2,757	2,500	1,890	1,280	212		9,550
*26. Creativity and innovation are rewarded.	%	6.7	23.7	27.6	22.9	16.4	2.7	30.4	100
	N	470	1,596	2,532	2,371	2,070	511		9,550
*27. Pay raises depend on how well employees perform their jobs.	%	4.1	15.4	25.7	24.6	24.8	5.4	19.5	100
28. Awards in my work unit depend on how well employees perform their	N	917	2,947	2,108	1,627	1,543	408		9,550
jobs.	%	6.9	26.7	22.8	19.0	20.0	4.6	33.6	100
*29. In my work unit, differences in performance are recognized in a	N	645	2,402	2,651	2,010	1,500	342		9,550
meaningful way.	%	5.4	21.2	27.9	22.7	19.1	3.6	26.6	100
	N	1,615	4,101	1,855	957	781	241		9,550
*30. My performance appraisal is a fair reflection of my performance.	%	13.5	42.7	21.0	11.1	9.2	2.5	56.3	100
*31. Discussions with my supervisor/team leader about my performance are worthwhile.	N %	1,531 13.6	3,572 36.8	2,229 25.5	1,058 11.0	978 11.0	182 2.1	50.4	9,550 100

^{*} AES prescribed items.

		Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither Agree Nor Disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Do Not Know/ No Basis to Judge	Percent Positive	Total
*32. In my most recent performance appraisal, I understood what I had to do to be rated at different performance levels (for example, Fully Successful, Outstanding).	N %	1,895 17.1	4,004 43.4	1,625 18.0	918 9.7	654 6.7	454 5.0	60.5	9,550 100
33. I am held accountable for achieving results.	N %	2,403 20.6	5,220 54.9	1,215 14.8	446 6.0	177 2.4	89 1.3	75.5	9,550 100
34. Supervisors/team leaders in my work unit are committed to a workforce representative of all segments of society.	N %	1,599 13.2	3,911 38.9	2,322 27.0	680 8.3	480 6.0	558 6.6	52.1	9,550 100
35. Policies and programs promote diversity in the workplace (for example, recruiting minorities and women, training in awareness of diversity issues, mentoring).	N %	1,659 14.3	3,885 39.8	2,188 24.6	663 7.4	534 6.1	621 7.7	54.1	9,550 100
*36. Managers/supervisors/team leaders work well with employees of different backgrounds.	N %	1,921 15.9	4,401 45.0	1,694 19.6	702 9.1	588 7.5	244 2.9	60.9	9,550 100
*37. I have a high level of respect for my organization's senior leaders.	N %	1,653 15.3	3,155 31.7	1,931 21.3	1,406 15.2	1,372 16.0	33 0.5	47.0	9,550 100
*38. In my organization, leaders generate high levels of motivation and commitment in the workforce.	N %	979 8.7	2,710 25.7	2,359 24.9	1,940 21.7	1,519 18.5	43 0.6	34.4	9,550 100
My organization's leaders maintain high standards of honesty and integrity.	N %	1,569 13.8	3,236 33.0	2,179 23.4	1,082 12.0	1,225 15.0	259 2.9	46.8	9,550 100
*40. Managers communicate the goals and priorities of the organization.	N %	1,237 10.8	4,131 41.7	1,963 21.7	1,256 13.8	899 11.1	64 0.9	52.6	9,550 100
*41. Managers review and evaluate the organization's progress toward meeting its goals and objectives.	N %	1,144 10.1	3,758 36.8	2,267 24.8	1,074 11.7	761 9.6	546 7.0	46.9	9,550 100
*42. Employees are protected from health and safety hazards on the job.	N %	1,702 13.6	4,693 45.6	1,512 18.2	895 12.0	9.6	106 1.1	59.2	9,550 100
*43. My organization has prepared employees for potential security threats.	N %	1,597 14.5	4,738 47.4	1,654 18.5	906 11.3	528 7.0	127 1.3	61.9	9,550 100
44. Complaints, disputes or grievances are resolved fairly in my work unit.	N %	909 7.4	2,933 27.2	2,371 25.3	1,168 14.4	1,170 15.4	999 10.2	34.7	9,550 100
45. Arbitrary action, personal favoritism and coercion for partisan political purposes are not tolerated.	N %	1,378 10.8	2,961 28.2	2,082 23.5	1,183 13.9	1,331 16.7	615 6.9	39.0	9,550 100
46. Prohibited Personnel Practices (for example, illegally discriminating for or against any employee/applicant, obstructing a person's right to compete for employment, knowingly violating veterans' preference requirements) are not tolerate	N %	2,059 17.2	3,613 37.1	1,711 20.0	592 6.9	736 8.9	839 9.9	54.3	9,550 100
47. I can disclose a suspected violation of any law, rule or regulation without fear of reprisal.	N %	1,565 13.1	3,115 32.1	2,019 21.7	1,014 12.2	1,106 13.3	731 7.6	45.1	9,550 100

^{*} AES prescribed items.

		Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither Agree Nor Disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Do Not Know/ No Basis to Judge	Percent Positive	Total
48. Supervisors/team leaders provide employees with constructive	N	1,116	4,416	2,004	1,303	613	98		9,550
suggestions to improve their job performance.	%	9.9	43.5	22.5	15.5	7.5	1.2	53.4	100
*49. Supervisors/team leaders in my work unit support employee	N	1,626	4,490	1,725	1,037	602	70		9,550
development.	%	13.4	44.4	20.4	13.1	7.7	1.0	57.8	100
50. Employees have electronic access to learning and training programs	N	2,322	5,131	1,002	588	343	164		9,550
readily available at their desk.	%	21.2	54.6	11.2	6.9	4.6	1.5	75.8	100
1. My training needs are assessed.	N	1,068	3,564	2,321	1,665	733	199		9,550
"31. My training needs are assessed.	%	10.5	38.3	24.4	16.7	7.8	2.4	48.8	100
52. Managers promote communication among different work units (for	N	1,147	3,785	2,120	1,455	849	194		9,550
example, about projects, goals, needed resources).	%	9.6	36.3	23.9	16.8	10.6	2.7	46.0	100
53. Employees in my work unit share job knowledge with each other.	N	2,102	5,071	1,142	771	424	40		9,550
	%	20.3	53.0	12.7	8.7	4.8	0.5	73.3	100
54. Employees use information technology (for example, intranet, shared	N	2,836	5,329	801	321	188	75		9,550
networks) to perform work.	%	26.7	56.0	9.9	3.8	2.4	1.2	82.7	100
		Very		Neither Satisfied nor		Strongly	Do Not Know/ No Basis to	Percent	
		Satisfied	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Judge	Positive	Total
*55. How satisfied are you with your involvement in decisions that affect	N	1,222	3,528	2,057	1,914	829	NA		9,550
your work?	%	0.6							,,550
		9.6	35.3	23.3	21.8	10.0	NA	44.8	100
*56. How satisfied are you with the information you receive from	N	1,016	35.3 3,326	23.3 2,128	21.8 2,052	10.0 1,028		44.8	*
*56. How satisfied are you with the information you receive from management on what's going on in your organization?							NA	44.8	100
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*56. How satisfied are you with the information you receive from management on what's going on in your organization? *57. How satisfied are you with the recognition you receive for doing a good	N % N	1,016 8.7 1,297	3,326 33.9 3,206	2,128 22.5 2,084	2,052 23.0 1,847	1,028 11.9 1,116	NA NA NA NA	42.6	100 9,550 100 9,550
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		Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Neither Satisfied nor Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Strongly Dissatisfied	Do Not Know/ No Basis to Judge	Percent Positive	Total
64. How satisfied are you with retirement benefits?	N	1,370	4,267	1,771	1,085	451	606		9,550
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65. How satisfied are you with health insurance benefits?	N	1,384	4,449	1,547	1,197			9,550	
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66. How satisfied are you with life insurance benefits?	N	1,224	4,708	1,937	752	292	637		9,550
oo. How satisfied are you with the histrance benefits?	%	11.7	49.4	20.4	8.7	3.9	5.9	61.1	100
67. How satisfied are you with long term care incurrence hanefits?	N	687	2,707	2,572	725	341	2,518		9,550
67. How satisfied are you with long term care insurance benefits?	%	6.9	29.0	26.6	8.5	4.4	24.5	35.9	100
68. How satisfied are you with the flexible spending account (FSA)	N	920	2,492	2,539	284	132	3,183		9,550
program?	%	7.8	25.4	28.1	3.3	1.7	33.6	33.2	100
(0. II	N	2,924	5,169	810	472	175	NA		9,550
69. How satisfied are you with paid vacation time?	%	27.2	55.1	9.8	5.8	2.2	NA		100
70. How satisfied are you with paid leave for illness (for example,	N	2,794	4,907	992	567	290	NA		9,550
personal), including family care situations (for example, childbirth/adoption or eldercare)?	%	25.8	50.3	12.2	7.6	4.1	NA	76.1	100
74 17	N	209	536	2,157	282	292	6,074		9,550
71. How satisfied are you with child care subsidies?	%	2.1	6.7	22.8	3.7	3.8	60.9	8.9	100
72. How satisfied are you with work/life programs (for example, health and	N	537	1,842	2,326	542	362	3,941		9,550
wellness, employee assistance, eldercare, and support groups)?	%	4.9	17.4	24.4	6.3	4.4	42.6	22.3	100
70 XI	N	416	1,165	1,872	681	830	4,586		9,550
73. How satisfied are you with telework/telecommuting?	%	3.5	12.2	21.0	5.6	7.5	50.2	58.6 61.1 35.9 33.2 82.3 76.1 8.9 22.3	100
74.11 2.6.1 24.10 2 1.1.1.1.0	N	1,230	2,099	1,660	767	957	2,837		9,550
74. How satisfied are you with alternative work schedules?	%	10.0	20.0	18.3	9.0	11.9	30.8	57.4 58.6 61.1 35.9 33.2 82.3 76.1 8.9 22.3	100

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75. Where do you work?		N	%
	Headquarters	2,390	25.0
	Field	7,160	75.0
	Total	9,550	100
76. What is your supervisory status?		N	%
	Non-Supervisor	4,551	47.7
	Team Leader	1,394	14.6
	Supervisor	2,181	22.8
	Manager	1,146	12.0
	Executive	278	2.9
	Total	9,550	100
77. Are you:		N	%
	Male	6,290	65.9
	Female	3,260	34.1
	Total	9,550	100
78. Are you Hispanic or Latino?		N	%
	Yes	1,374	14.4
	No	8,176	85.6
	Total	9,550	100
79. Please select the racial category or categories with whic you most closely identify (mark as many as apply.)	h	N	%
	American Indian or Alaska Native	100	1.1
	Asian	342	3.7
	Black or African American	1,215	13.1
	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	87	0.9
	White	7,229	78.0
	Two or more races	292	3.2
	Total	9,265	100

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80.	What is your age group?		N	%
		25 and under	142	1.5
		26-29	443	4.6
		30-39	2,078	21.8
		40-49	3,202	33.5
		50-59	2,909	30.5
		60 or older	776	8.1
		Total	9,550	100
81.	What is your pay category/grade?		N	%
		Federal Wage System	337	3.5
		GS 1-6	311	3.3
		GS 7-12	3,854	40.4
		GS 13-15	3,480	36.4
		SES	223	2.3
		Senior Leader (SL) or Scientific or Professional (ST)	20	0.2
		Other	1,325	13.9
		Total	9,550	100
82.	How long have you been with the Federal Government		N	%
	(excluding military service)?	T 41 1	173	
		Less than 1 year		1.8
		1 to 3 years	1,190	12.5
		4 to 5 years	1,216	12.7
		6 to 10 years	2,506	26.2
		11 to 14 years	988	10.3
		15 to 20 years	1,216	12.7
		More than 20 years	2,261	23.7
		Total	9,550	100

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83. How long have you been with your current agency (for example, Department of Justice, Environmental Protection

	example, Department of Justice, Environmental Protection Agency)?	1	N	%
		Less than 1 year	297	3.1
		1 to 3 years	1,816	19.0
		4 to 5 years	1,941	20.3
		6 to 10 years	2,676	28.0
		11 to 20 years	1,668	17.5
		More than 20 years	1,152	12.1
		Total	9,550	100
84.	Are you considering leaving your organization within the			
	next year, and if so, why?		N	%
		No	6,113	64.0
		Yes, to retire	407	4.3
		Yes, to take another job within the Federal Government	2,330	24.4
		Yes, to take another job outside the Federal Government	264	2.8
		Yes, other	436	4.6
		Total	9,550	100
35.	I am planning to retire:		N	%
		Within one year	245	2.6
		Between one and three years	838	8.8
		Between three and five years	919	9.6
		Five or more years	7,548	79.0
		Total	9,550	100

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