



# 2014 APS Employee Census

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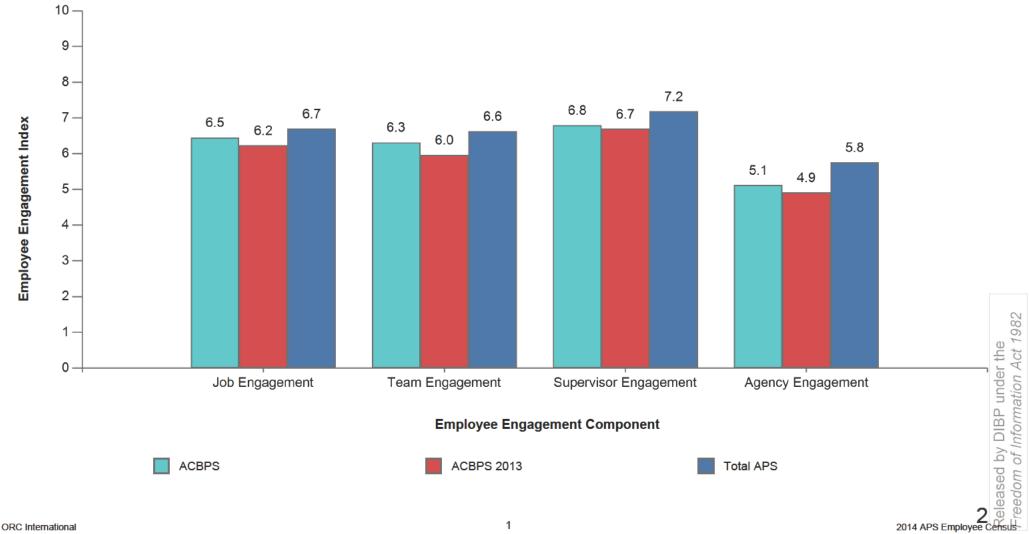
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Percentage point difference from:

2014 APS Employee Census

Drivers of Engagement	Strongly agree / Agree		ngly disagree Disagree  % Strongly agree / Agree	2013	Larger operational agencies	Total APS
Job Engagement						
B18c My job gives me opportunities to utilise my skills	69	15	17 69	+4	-3	-3
B18d My job gives me a feeling of personal accomplishment	63	19	18 63	+5	-2	-3
Team Engagement						
B18e I am satisfied with the recognition I receive for doing a good job	47	23	30 47	+5	-7	-9
C19a The people in my work group are honest, open and transparent in their dealings	7	7	14 9 77	+6	+1	0
Supervisor Engagement						
B18b I have a good immediate supervisor	74	4	14 12 74	+1	-4	-4
136c My immediate supervisor encourages me	58	25	16 58	+3	-6	-7
Agency Engagement						1982
E21c In my agency, communication between senior leaders and other employees is effective	29	31	40 29	+9	-10	Act
F22b When someone praises the accomplishments of my agency, it feels like a personal com to me	pliment 58	28	14 58	+1	+6	் D <mark>t</mark> eP utader <mark>d</mark> he Information Act 1
F22j In general, employees in my agency feel they are valued for their contribution	30	32	38 30	-1	-12	D <mark>‡</mark> BP
F22o My workplace provides access to effective learning and development (e.g. formal trainin learning on the job, e-learning, secondments)	g, 44	21	35 44	+1	-17	-47 to
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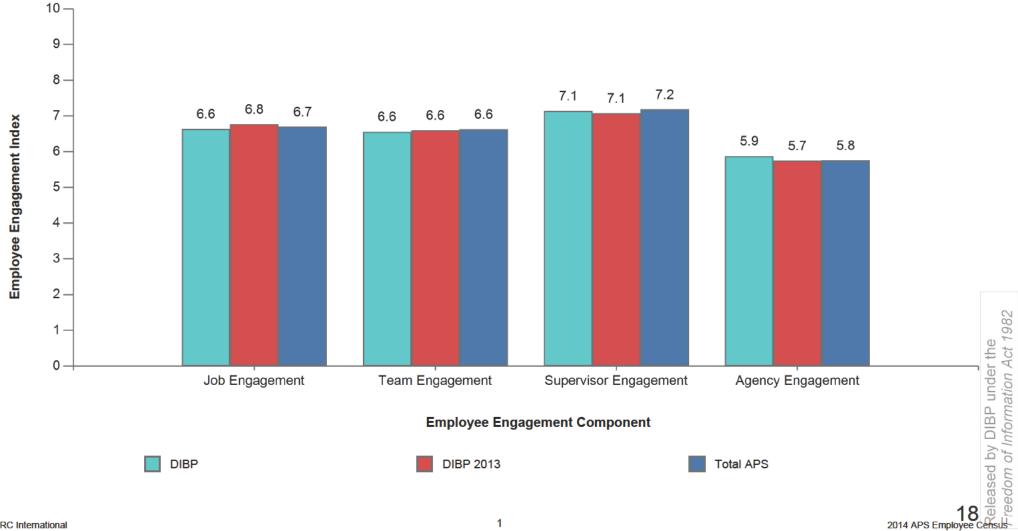
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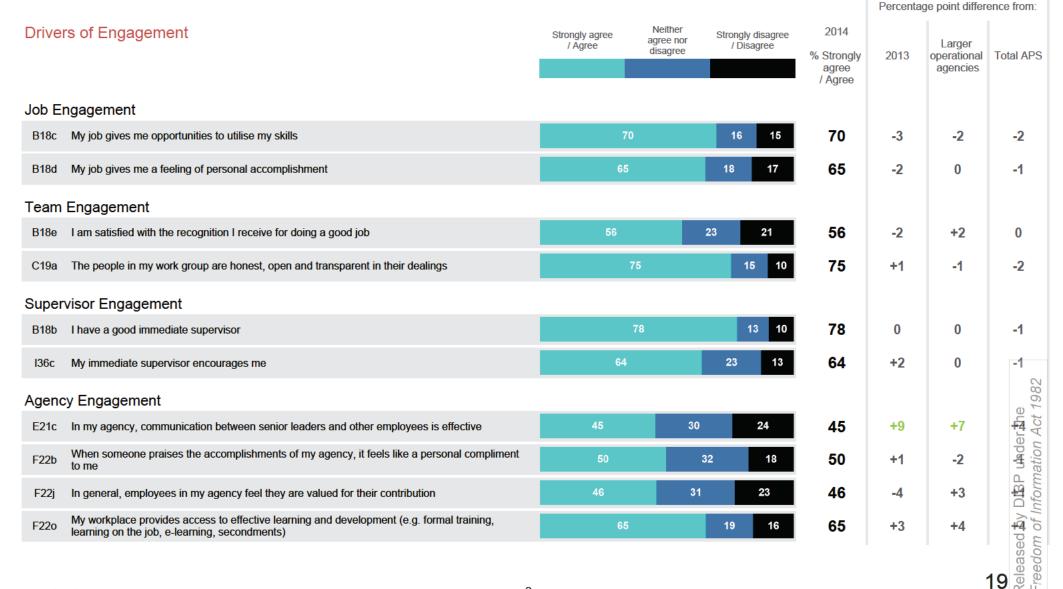
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ngagement amongst the	Department's	employees ha	is decreased since the	previous cen	sus in 2014 (Attachment B,
age 1). Additionally, the	•	2015 engagem	nent scores are at leas	t two points	lower than the average 🖰
cross the APS (Table 2, be	elow).				
	Department			APS	1 L
			Variance between		Variance between
					2015 Department
Table 2.	2014	2015	2014 and 2015	2015	and APS results
Job Engagement	6.6	6.4	<b>▼</b> 2 points	6.7	<b>▼</b> 3 points
Team Engagement	6.5	6.3	<b>▼</b> 2 points	6.5	<b>♦</b> 2 points
Supervisor Engagement	7.0	6.9	<b>▼</b> 1 point	7.2	▼ 3 points
Agency Engagement	5.7	5.2	<b>★</b> 5 points	5.7	▼ 5 points
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The most impacted measure was Agency engagement. In 2015, the Department scored significantly lower on the key drivers of agency engagement (Attachment B, page 2), including:

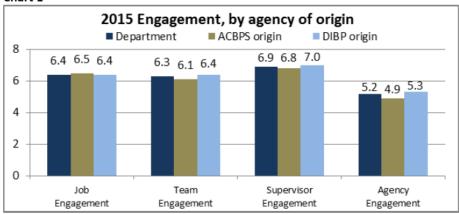
- effective communication between senior leaders and other employees (21c);
- employees feeling valued for their contribution (22j); and
- access to effective learning and development (22k).

The other significant decrease between 2014 and 2015 was recorded for I am satisfied with the recognition I receive for doing a good job (17d), one of the drivers of Team engagement.

Engagement results by Group and Division are shown in Attachment C.

Analysis by reported agency of origin (Chart 1, below) reveals that respondents who previously worked in DIBP before integration reported higher team, supervisor and agency engagement in 2015, while staff originating from ACBPS reported higher job engagement than their DIBP-origin colleagues.

Chart 1





Freedom

### SES results

SES engagement results reveal that across all four measures of engagement, the Department's SES cohort is less engaged than they were in 2014, with significant decreases in agency engagement, supervisor engagement and team engagement (Attachment E).

When compared with the APS in 2015, the Department's SES cohort matched the APS-wide SES results for job

engagement, but were far less engaged than the APS-wide SES cohort for team, supervisor and agency engagement. s. 22(1)(a)(ii) Released by DIBP under the Freedom of Information Act 1982



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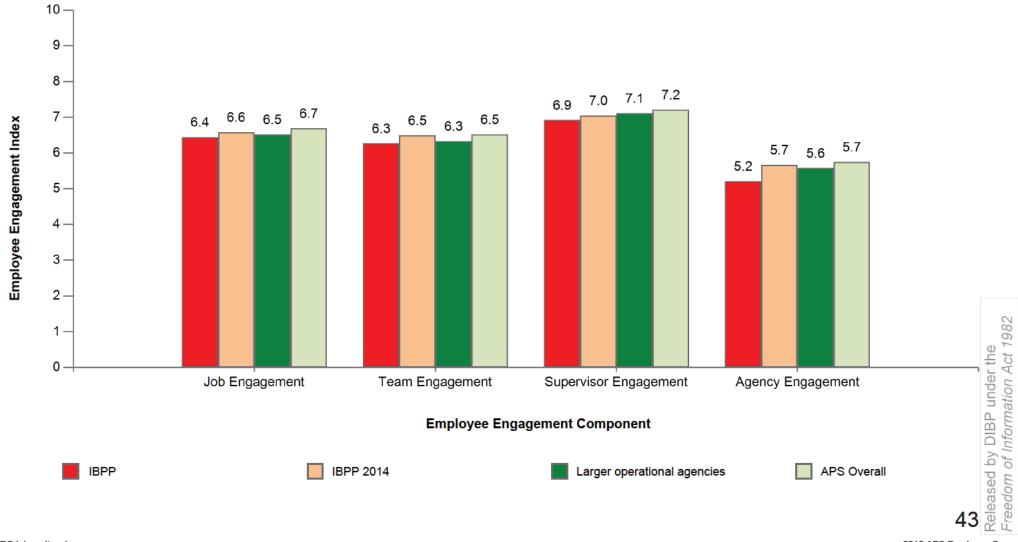
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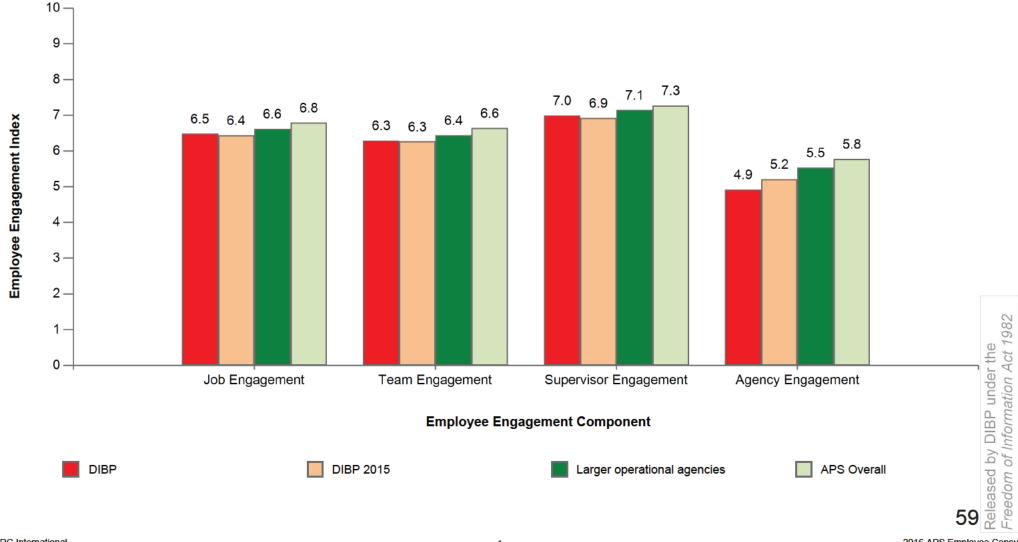
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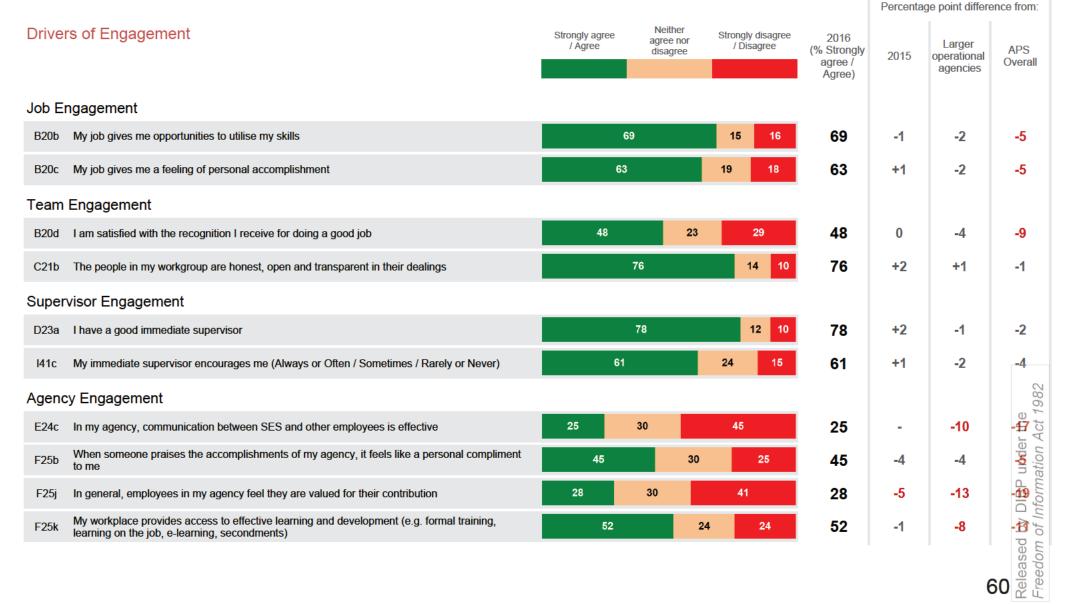


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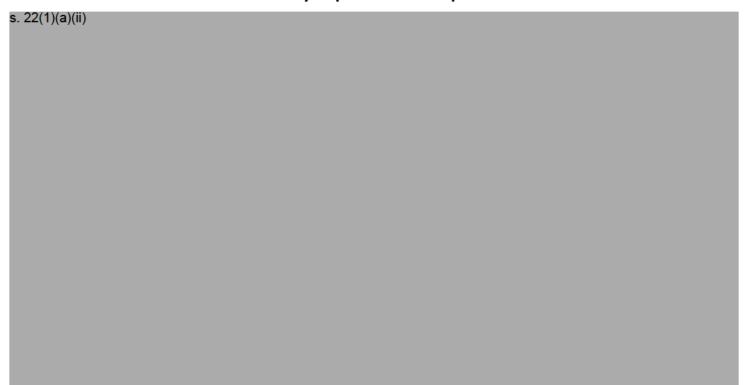
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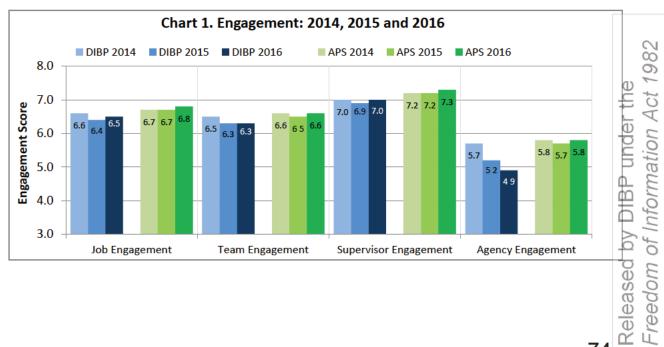


### **Summary Report for the Department**



### 2. Engagement

- Engaged staff contribute discretionary effort, boosting productivity.
- In 2016, the Department improved upon its job and supervisor engagement results over the previous year, and remained steady on team engagement.
- Agency engagement, however, suffered a further decrease between 2015 and 2016, extending the trend observed from 2014 to 2015. Staff have become increasingly disassociated from the Department's culture and achievements, and its leadership.
- In contrast, the APS improved on all four measures of engagement between 2015 and 2016.



- The decrease in the Department's agency engagement score between 2015 and 2016 was primarily due to:
  - fewer staff feeling valued for their contribution
  - fewer staff feeling complimented when the Department is praised
  - communication between SES and other employees was considered less effective in 2016.
- Addressing the elements of engagement that fall below the APS average (starting with the 10 underlying census questions listed on page 2 in Attachment B) should result in higher engagement results.
- The Department's engagement results by group and division, and time series, are shown at Attachment C: Engagement Scorecard.

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These results are significantly lower than APS-wide results. Analysis of the Census data shows that the perceived quality of both an immediate supervisor and the SES leadership has a significant effect on staff engagement. Staff who believe the SES are not of high quality recorded an agency engagement score of

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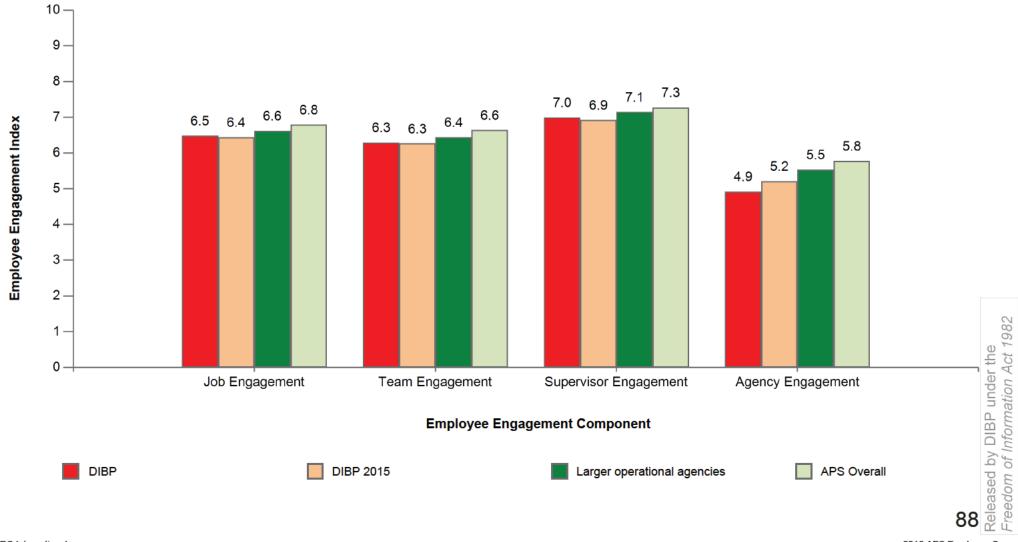
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### **Employee Census - Engagement Scorecard**

This report shows the engagement scores (on a 0 - 10 scale) for DIBP and selected comparison units.

Where the comparison unit's score is at least 10 per cent greater than the DIBP score for that year.

Where the comparison unit's score is at least 10 per cent less than the DIBP score for that year.

Business Area	Job Engagement			Team Engagement			Supervisor Engagement			Agency Engagement		
	2015	2016	diff.	2015	2016	diff.	2015	2016	diff.	2015	2016	diff.
The Department excluding ABF	6.5	6.6	0.1	6.4	6.4	0.0	7.0	7.1	0.1	5.4	5.1	-0.3
Policy Group	6.4	6.8	0.4	6.4	6.8	0.4	7.0	7.3	0.3	4.8	4.8	0.0
Strategic Policy & Planning Division	5.8	6.4	0.6	5.7	6.6	0.9	6.8	7.6	0.8	4.6	4.5	-0.1
Immigration & Citizenship Policy Division	6.6	7.1	0.5	6.9	7.3	0.4	7.5	7.6	0.1	4.8	4.3	-0.5
Traveller Customs & Industry Policy Division	6.4	6.7	0.3	6.4	6.5	0.1	6.9	6.9	0.0	4.6	4.6	0.0
International Division	6.4	7.4	1.0	6.3	6.8	0.5	6.4	7.3	0.9	4.8	5.3	0.5
Executive Division	6.8	6.8	0.0	6.7	6.8	0.1	7.2	7.2	0.0	5.2	5.2	0.0
Corporate Group	6.8	6.8	0.0	6.7	6.5	-0.2	7.1	7.2	0.1	5.3	5.1	-0.2
Corporate Services Division	7.0	6.4	-0.6	6.5	6.2	-0.3	7.1	7.0	-0.1	5.8	5.0	-0.8
People Division	6.7	6.6	-0.1	6.6	6.5	-0.1	7.1	7.3	0.2	5.0	4.8	-0.2
Finance Division	6.6	6.8	0.2	6.5	6.5	0.0	7.0	7.1	0.1	5.6	5.2	-0.4
Legal Division	7.3	7.6	0.3	7.4	7.2	-0.2	7.5	7.6	0.1	5.2	5.4	0.2
Integrity, Security & Assurance Division	6.7	6.9	0.2	6.5	6.3	-0.2	7.0	6.8	-0.2	5.3	5.3	0.0
Health Services & Policy Division	n/a	nfp		n/a	nfp		n/a	nfp		n/a	nfp	
Intelligence & Capability Group	6.5	6.6	0.1	6.2	6.3	0.1	6.8	7.0	0.2	4.9	4.7	-0.2
Intelligence Division	6.5	6.3	-0.2	6.0	6.0	0.0	6.7	6.6	-0.1	4.5	4.0	-0.5
ICT Division	6.6	6.7	0.1	6.4	6.4	0.0	7.0	7.1	0.1	5.1	5.0	-0.1
Major Capability Division	6.4	6.5	0.1	6.0	6.2	0.2	6.5	7.1	0.6	4.8	5.1	0.3
Identity & Biometrics Division	n/a	7.3		n/a	6.7		n/a	7.2		n/a	4.7	
Visa & Citizenship Services Group	6.4	6.4	0.0	6.4	6.4	0.0	7.0	7.1	0.1	5.6	5.3	-0.3
Visa & Citizenship Management Division	6.3	6.4	0.1	6.3	6.4	0.1	7.0	7.0	0.0	5.8	5.4	-0.4
(Overseas)	6.8	6.6	-0.2	6.6	6.4	-0.2	7.2	7.0	-0.2	6.4	6.1	-0.3
Refugee & Humanitarian Visa Management Division	6.5	6.7	0.2	6.3	6.5	0.2	7.0	7.2	0.2	5.1	4.9	-0.2
Community Protection Division	6.5	6.5	0.0	6.5	6.2	-0.3	7.0	7.0	0.0	5.3	4.7	-0.6
Digital Transformation & Channels Division	6.2	6.2	0.0	6.5	6.6	0.1	7.4	7.3	-0.1	5.8	5.6	-0.2
Strategic Reform Group	n/a	6.7		n/a	7.0		n/a	7.5		n/a	5.1	
ABF	6.4	6.3	-0.1	6.0	5.9	-0.1	6.7	6.7	0.0	4.9	4.5	-0.4
Support Group	6.5	6.6	0.1	6.1	6.3	0.2	7.1	7.1	0.0	4.8	4.8	0.0
Border Management Division	5.9	6.6	0.7	5.9	6.5	0.6	6.1	7.2	1.1	4.9	4.6	-0.3
Border Force Capability Division	7.1	6.8	-0.3	6.2	6.2	0.0	7.2	7.0	-0.2	4.9	5.10	0.2
Detention Services Division	6.1	6.8	0.7	5.9	6.4	0.5	7.0	7.5	0.5	4.6	5.0	0.4
Children Community & Settlement Services Division	6.2	6.2	0.0	6.2	6.2	0.0	7.2	6.7	-0.5	4.7	4.5	-0.2
Operations Group	6.4	6.1	-0.3	5.9	5.8	-0.1	6.6	6.5	-0.1	4.9	4.42 0	-0.5
Maritime Border Command	6.5	6.7	0.2	5.7	6.3	0.6	7.4	7.0	-0.4	5.1	5.00	-0.1
Investigations	7.1	7.0	-0.1	6.4	6.5	0.1	6.7	7.0	0.3	5.3	4.91	-0.4
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