Engagement Survey 2025



Seattle Convention Center June 2025





Hello! Nice to meet you.



Vivian Fructuoso Lead People Scientist Culture Amp

Agenda

- 1. Background context
- 2. Reflection on participation
- 3. Review the results of your Engagement Score
- 4. Review platform-derived focus areas
- 5. Implications, reflections, & next steps

Background

C Culture Amp

Context for this survey

- First engagement survey with Culture Amp
- 54 Survey Items
 - 5 Engagement items
 - 3 Open text items
 - 50 items benchmarked against other Hospitality organizations in the US
- Survey design included questions across various facets of the employee experience including assessments of:
 - \circ Communication
 - Company Confidence
 - Leadership & Management
 - Growth & Development
- All SCC employees were invited to participate

organizations in the US ts of the employee experience

Participation

C Culture Amp

Participation How many of employees provided feedback, and what does this mean?



High and low participation rates to be aware of:

Top 5:

Bottom 5:





C Culture Amp

Commentary on participation:

drawing conclusions for the organization based on the feedback received.

In your industry, Culture Amp customers have an average participation of **81%** - which you are now approaching but currently sit **6%** below.

Engagement results

C Culture Amp

What is engagement?



"Employee engagement represents the levels of enthusiasm and connection employees have with their organization. It's a measure of how motivated people are to put in extra effort for their organization, and a sign of how committed they are to staying there." What it is not:

- work
- broader than that

• It is not just satisfaction or happiness with

• It is not just 1 simple metric (eNPS) - it is

Engagement

Commentary on overall Engagement:

Engagement is currently the same as other Hospitality organizations in the United States, according to the latest Culture Amp benchmark from January 2025. The aspect pulling Engagement up for SCC is employees' commitment to staying at the organization in the next 2 years. An initial opportunity is to focus on increasing sentiments of motivation.

Your Engagement Score: 70%

Same as Hospitality, US benchmark

Engagement index items:

I would recommend Seattle Convention Center as a grea

I am proud to work for Seattle Convention Center

Seattle Convention Center motivates me to go beyond role elsewhere

I see myself working for Seattle Convention Center in th

I rarely think about looking for a job at another company

| | Score | vs. Benchmark |
|---------------------------|-------|---------------|
| eat place to work | 82% | +1 pt |
| | 82% | -3 pts |
| what I would in a similar | 62% | -5 pts |
| he next two years | 71% | +5 pts |
| у | 52% | -3 pts |

Motivation and pride continue to drop, while commitment and advocacy has stabilized



Employee motivation declines for the third consecutive year

Survey question:

- I am proud to work here
- would recommend [Company] as a great place to work
- [Company] motivates me to go beyond what I would in a similar role elsewhere
- see myself still working here in two years' time
- I rarely think about looking for a job at another company



Source: Culture Amp (2025). Motivation decline 2025

Drivers of employee engagement have only gotten stronger



Confidence in leadership is the #1 driver of engagement globally and across countries with most Culture Amp customers.

| DRIVERS OF ENGAGEMENT | UK | US |
|--|----|----|
| l have confidence in leaders | | ٠ |
| The company is a great place for me to make a contribution to my development | | ٠ |
| The leaders have communciated a vision that motivates me | | |
| Leaders demonstrate people are important to the company's success | | ٠ |
| Day-today decisions demonstrate that quality and improvement are top priorities | | |
| The company effectively directs resources toward company goals | | |
| The company really allows us to make a positive difference | | |

Source: Culture Amp (2024). The Great Regression: Employee engagement in 2024



Transactional aspects of work bring about the most disagreement from employees



Employees **disagree** most with questions about questions related to **compensation**, **work-related stress**, and **workload**. I rarely feel overstressed at work

I understand how pay and compensation decisions are made

I believe my total compensation is fair, relative to other companies

I rarely think about finding a job at another company

Workloads are divided fairly where I work



15%



25%

% UNFAVORABLE

Top strengths

Where we have our highest favorability scores and compared to benchmark

| Top 3 most favorable items: | Score | vs. Benchmark |
|--|-------|---------------|
| I know what I need to do to be successful in my role | 94% | +5 pts |
| I know how my work contributes to the goals of Seattle Convention Center | 91% | +3 pts |
| My manager makes me feel valued | 87% | No comparison |

Top 2 strongest compared to benchmark:

I have access to the things I need to do my job well

I know what I need to do to be successful in my role

| Score | vs. Benchmark |
|-------|---------------|
| 80% | +8 pts |
| 94% | +5 pts |

Competitive challenges

Where we have our lowest favorability scores and compared to benchmark

| Bottom 3 least favorable items: | Score | vs. Benchmark |
|--|-------|---------------|
| When it is clear that someone is not delivering in their role we do something about it | 33% | -22 pts |
| I believe my total compensation is fair, relative to similar roles in other companies | 39% | -9 pts |
| At Seattle Convention Center we act on promising new or innovative ideas | 50% | -17 pts |

Bottom 2 weakest compared to benchmark:

When it is clear that someone is not delivering in their role we do something

about it

At Seattle Convention Center we act on promising new or innovative ideas

| Score | vs. Benchmark | |
|-------|---------------|--|
| 33% | -22 pts | |
| 50% | -17 pts | |

Focus areas

Where the data suggests we should focus our attention toward action

| Top 3 focus items: | Score | Vs. Benchmark |
|---|-------|------------------|
| The leaders at Seattle Convention Center have communicated a vision that motivates me | 59% | -7% |
| I have confidence in the leaders at Seattle Convention Center | 63% | -11 pts |
| The leaders at Seattle Convention Center keep people informed about what is happening | 62% | -6 pts |

How we determine which items to focus upon

We use a combination of factors to help you to zone in on which question items will most drive your overall Engagement Score. The 3 main aspects we consider are:

- Driver analysis: this is a statistical method which identifies the items which have the strongest relationship with Engagement
- Favorability: we look for impactful items which have lower favorability scores, meaning they are stronger levers to pull in enhancing your overall Engagement score because there is room for growth.
- Comparison to benchmark: we look for items where you are scoring lower compared to external comparisons, suggesting you can do better because others are doing it better, too

Insight to action

C Culture Amp

Insight to action

Culture Amp's recommendation for your next steps

Our recommendation on where you should focus for action to drive improvements:

Looking at the three items spotlighted by the data for focus, the platform identifies **one key theme** emerging:

Leadership

- Moderate scoring items compared to other items in the survey
- Large neutral sentiments (moveable middle)
- Relatively large gaps compared to other Hospitality organizations in the US
- Most important: Incredibly high impact on overall Engagement

Perception of leadership continues to steadily decline toward pre-pandemic levels



Great leadership is the secret to scaling impact

GREAT LEADER Our data suggests that great leaders 95% GREAT have an **outsized** MANAGER impact on engagement 80% POOR MANAGER

POOR LEADER



Focus area: Leadership

Where the data suggests we should focus our attention toward action

| | Benchmark | |
|-----|-------------------|--|
| 62% | -7 pts | These items engagement. |
| 67% | No difference | Although the aspects to th |
| 63% | -11 pts | Lower leader if the |
| 62% | -6 pts | decisi It can feeling |
| 59% | -7 pts | Lower showr often comm |
| | 67% 63% 62% | 67%No difference63%-11 pts62%-6 pts |

y on Leadership

s are all **very high impact** on SCC's employee t.

ere is a small amount of comments, consider a few this theme:

er leadership sentiments, especially **lower confidence** in ers, often follow **organization-wide changes**, especially e change has not been effectively communicated or if sions are still unclear or perceived to lack transparency. n also stem from having new leadership in place and not ng connected to them yet.

Lower sentiments on having a **motivating vision** often is shown hand-in-hand with the leadership confidence item. It often indicates that the vision is unclear or is inconsistently communicated within different teams. Sentiments on this item also strongly relate to overall motivation.

Next steps

C Culture Amp

Discussion

Key questions for us to consider:

- What part of the results resonated most with you and why?
- Were there any results from the survey which surprised you; if so why?
- What ideas can we all bring to the table to address these opportunities? How can all employees be a part of that discussion?
- What is one action I can take to positively contribute to our culture?
- What's one practice to ritual I've seen work well elsewhere that could help here?

and wny? orised vou: if so wł

te to our culture? sewhere that could help

Questions?

C Culture Amp

Thank you

C Culture Amp