# **Institutional Research and Decision Support (IRDS)**

# IUPUI Staff Survey – 2016 Overview of Findings

#### **Highlights and Conclusions**

- The vast majority of IUPUI staff (94%) believe the institution has a good or excellent reputation in the local community.
- The majority of those who use IUPUI services rate them good or excellent, with the exception of food services and parking services.
- Three-quarters of IUPUI staff are satisfied or very satisfied with their job overall. Part-time staff are more satisfied with a number of aspects of their employment than their full-time counterparts.
- Less than half of staff (42%) are satisfied with recognition for a job well done.
- One third of IUPUI staff currently have a mentor for professional development, but half of those without one would like a mentor/coach.
- Roughly three of five staff members received a performance evaluation in the past year.
- Nearly half (46%) of all staff participants have considered looking for another job in the past year and slightly more than one fifth (22%) of respondents often think of quitting their job.

#### **PURPOSE**

To measure various indicators related to IUPUI employment experiences, including perception of reputation, quality of IUPUI services, overall satisfaction with employment and supervision, and access to mentoring and performance management. All part-time and full-time staff members at IUPUI were invited to participate in the Spring 2016.

#### RESPONDENT CHARACTERISTICS AT A GLANCE

Salary Plan	All Respondents	All Invited
CL (Clerical Support Staff)	19.5%	15.0%
HP (Temporary with Retirement)	2.2%	3.0%
HR (Regular Temporary)	6.5%	13.5%
PAE ( Prof Staff – Exempt)	40.8%	34.7%
PAO(Prof Staff – OT Eligible)	16.3%	13.0%
SM (Service Staff)	3.8%	8.4%
TE (Technical Support Staff)	7.9%	9.4%
LE (Law Enforcement Staff), NU (Nurse), PN (Practical Nurse) & (RS) Research Staff	2.8%	3.0%
N	2136	4826

 Clerical and Professional Staff were more likely to participate in the survey than staff with other salary plans. Service Maintenance staff were least likely of all groups to participate. However, 20% of Service Maintenance staff did participate in the survey.

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	All Respondents	All Invited
Female	73.0%	66.6%
Male	27.0%	33.4%
American Indian/Alaska Native	0.1%	0.2%
Asian	3.7%	5.1%
Black/African American	12.1%	15.3%
Latino/a	1.3%	1.5%
Native Hawaiian / Pacific Islander	0.0%	0.0%
Multiracial	2.2%	2.2%
White	80.2%	75.4%
Unknown/Refused	0.3%	0.3%
Under 30	14.3%	17.4%
30-39	23.8%	24.9%
40-49	22.8%	22.4%
50+	39.1%	35.1%
Full-Time	89.8%	82.4%
Part-Time	10.2%	17.6%
N	2136	4826
Response Rate	44%	

• Demographics of survey respondents approximate the staff population at IUPUI. Women, staff over 50 years old and full-time staff are slightly overrepresented in the survey results.

# **REPUTATION & QUALITY OF LEADERSHIP**

Percentage that report being satisfied/very satisfied with reputation & quality of leadership	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
The reputation of IUPUI within the local community	0.4%	5.9%	54.0%	39.7%
The reputation of your unit within IUPUI	3.6%	11.6%	45.1%	39.7%
The quality of IUPUI campus administration	3.4%	16.9%	56.1%	23.7%
The quality of school/unit administration	5.2%	17.4%	46.5%	31.0%

- The vast majority of respondents (94%) rate IUPUI's reputation within the local community as good or excellent.
- Part-time staff (87%) are more likely to rate the quality of their School/Unit administration as good or excellent compared to full-time staff (76%).
- In regards to the quality of IUPUI campus administration, other full-time staff members (72%) such as technical support and service maintenance are less likely to rate it as good or excellent compared to PAE (79%), PAO (84%), and CL (79%) staff members.

## **SATISFACTION WITH IUPUI SERVICES**

	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent	Don't Use / Unsure
Human Resources Administration	7.7%	20.7%	50.7%	20.9%	7.9%
Office of Equal Opportunity	4.7%	14.7%	56.8%	23.8%	41.8%
Phone Services	3.0%	17.0%	56.1%	24.0%	13.4%
Facilities Services	4.0%	16.7%	53.6%	25.7%	8.4%
Parking Services	25.8%	32.5%	34.2%	7.5%	5.0%
Food Services on campus	14.1%	35.9%	41.4%	8.6%	13.0%
Technology Services (UITS)	2.9%	13.7%	49.1%	34.3%	4.0%
Police Services (IUPD)	1.4%	7.5%	53.5%	37.7%	23.0%
IUPUI Staff Council	3.2%	13.3%	60.0%	23.5%	35.1%
University Library	0.5%	4.1%	53.5%	42.0%	37.0%
Paws Pantry	1.0%	7.0%	53.0%	29.0%	66.6%
Jag Perks	1.9%	10.8%	55.7%	31.6%	39.1%

- Office of Equal Opportunity (42%), Staff Council (35%), University Library (37%), Paws Pantry (66%), and Jag Perks (39%) are unknown/unused by a notable percentage of all staff on campus.
- Part time staff consistently don't use (or can't rate) services compared to their full-time counterparts. However, when they are able to rate the quality of services, part-time staff rate services more positively.

#### ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

- All respondents were given the opportunity to provide additional comments regarding IUPUI services. Staff
  members were most likely to comment about the following services: Parking Services (171 comments),
  Food Service on campus (62 comments), and Human Resources Administration (42 comments).
- Nearly all of the Parking Services comments address dissatisfaction with prices, availability, and service.
- The majority of Food Services comments identify lack of healthy options, frustration with campus policies, and prices/quality of service.
- Human Resources comments mainly discuss dissatisfaction with policies, clear communication responding to inquiries, and recent staffing changes that impact the overall quality.

#### **OVERALL JOB SATISFACTION**

	Very Dissatisfied/ Dissatisfied	Neutral	Satisfied/ Very Satisfied
Overall job satisfaction	11.3%	13.8%	75.0%
Overall autonomy and independence	8.4%	11.5%	80.1%

- The majority of all staff are satisfied or very satisfied with their job, overall. Just over 80% of all staff are at least satisfied with the overall autonomy and independence at their job.
- PAE (77%) and PAO staff (75%) are slightly more likely to be satisfied or very satisfied with their overall job compared to Clerical staff (70%).
- Part-time staff are significantly more likely to be satisfied with overall job satisfaction (82% vs. 74%) and overall autonomy and independence (87% vs. 79%) compared to full-time staff.

#### **SATISFACTION WITH COMPENSATION & BENEFITS**

	Very Dissatisfied/ Dissatisfied	Neutral	Satisfied/ Very Satisfied
Salary	36.9%	19.2%	43.9%
Health benefits	5.3%	8.4%	86.2%
Retirement benefits	5.2%	11.1%	83.8%
Paid time off benefits	4.4%	5.8%	90.0%
Tuition benefits	15.1%	15.2%	69.7%
Work schedule	6.1%	8.5%	85.5%
Flexibility in work/life balance	10.5%	11.1%	78.4%

- Less than half of staff (44%) indicate satisfaction with salary. Professional staff including PAE (49%) and PAO (47%), report significantly higher satisfaction with their salaries compared to clerical respondents (34%) and other full-time staff (37%).
- More than four out of five respondents are satisfied or very satisfied with their additional compensation package (health, retirement, and paid time-off benefits) and their work schedule.
- When asked provide additional comments on compensation and benefits, a significant number of
  participants identify their dissatisfaction with the lack of paid maternity/paternity leave. Staff also note
  that increases in salary are not related to performance. A number of staff discussed low salaries being
  the reason they want to look elsewhere.

#### **SATISFACTION WITH WORK DUTIES & ENVIRONMENT**

Percentage that report being satisfied/very satisfied with work duties & environment	Very Dissatisfied/ Dissatisfied	Neutral	Satisfied/ Very Satisfied
Your daily work	7.5%	13.5%	79.0%
Utilization of your skills and abilities	17.0%	12.6%	70.4%
The challenges of your job	12.4%	15.6%	72.0%
The amount of stress experienced in your job	22.1%	21.8%	56.1%
Supplies, materials, and equipment available to you	9.4%	12.2%	78.4%
Availability of professional service opportunities (e.g. serving on a committee)	13.2%	23.3%	63.5%
Opportunities for community engagement	13.2%	28.3%	58.5%
Rewards and recognition for a job well done	31.5%	27.0%	41.5%
Office/working space	19.8%	13.7%	66.5%
Quality of building	18.5%	16.6%	64.9%
Quality of campus grounds	3.5%	10.7%	85.8%
Safety of your office/working space	7.9%	11.1%	81.0%
Safety of your building	8.7%	13.5%	77.7%
Your personal safety on campus	7.3%	17.3%	75.4%
Civility on campus	6.4%	15.8%	77.9%

- Almost eight in ten staff members (79%) are satisfied or very satisfied with their daily work. One staff
  members said that they love their job and that "there is always something new to learn" and they are
  glad to have been "given a lot of opportunities to learn and use new skills" in their job at IUPUI.
- Less than half of staff members (42%) are satisfied or very satisfied with rewards and recognition for a
  job well done. Less than two-thirds of staff (64%) are satisfied or very satisfied with the availability of
  professional service opportunities (e.g. serving on committees).
- Professional staff including PAE (68%) and PAO (65%) report higher satisfaction levels with availability
  of professional service opportunities compared to clerical employees (58%) and other full-time staff
  (52%).
- Compared to full time respondents, part-time respondents report significantly higher satisfaction with
  the challenges of their job (77% vs. 72%), the amount of stress experienced in their job (75% vs. 54%),
  rewards and recognition for a job well done (57% vs. 40%), office/working space (79% vs. 65%), quality
  of building (75% vs. 64%), safety of their building (87% vs. 77%), and civility on campus (86% vs. 77%).

#### SATISFACTION WITH COMMUNICATION & MORALE

Percentage that report being satisfied/very satisfied with communication & morale	Very Dissatisfied/ Dissatisfied	Neutral	Satisfied/ Very Satisfied
Communication from your unit about what is going on	24.5%	17.1%	58.4%
Opportunity to provide input regarding your unit	19.6%	18.6%	61.8%
The display of ethical behavior in your unit	13.2%	14.3%	72.5%
The connection between your work and the goals of your unit	10.6%	15.9%	73.6%
The explanation of your unit's mission	10.6%	16.5%	73.0%

- Roughly 60% of staff members are satisfied with communication from their units about what is going
  on and opportunities to provide input regarding your unit.
- Although both are positive white staff (74%) are more likely to be satisfied with the display of ethical behavior in their unit compared to non-white participants (68%).
- Except for the explanation of the unit's mission, part-time staff members are significantly more satisfied than full-time staff with all items regarding communication and morale.

#### SATISFACTION WITH TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT

Percentage that report being satisfied/very satisfied with training & development	Very Dissatisfied/ Dissatisfied	Neutral	Satisfied/ Very Satisfied
The amount of training and professional development available to you	16.4%	17.2%	66.5%
The quality of training and professional development available to you	13.3%	19.6%	67.1%
Flexibility in your work schedule to allow for training and professional development activities	11.2%	14.7%	74.1%

- Two thirds of staff members are satisfied with the amount and quality of training and professional
  development available and nearly three quarters of all staff are satisfied with the flexibility in their
  work schedule to make accommodations for such training and development.
- Clerical and other full-time staff are less satisfied than both PAO and PAE professional staff on all three items regarding training and development. The largest difference is found on the item, flexibility in work schedule to allow for training and professional development, where roughly two thirds of clerical (67%) and other full-time staff (63%) are satisfied compared to slightly more than three quarters of PAE (79%) and PAO (76%) staff reporting satisfaction.
- Part-time staff (81%) are only significantly more satisfied than full-time staff (73%) regarding flexibility in their work schedule to allow for training and professional development.

# **SATISFACTION WITH COLLEAGUES**

Percentage that report being satisfied/very satisfied with colleagues	Very Dissatisfied/ Dissatisfied	Neutral	Satisfied/ Very Satisfied
Competence of colleagues	11.4%	13.1%	75.5%
Professional relationships with colleagues	8.5%	11.9%	79.6%
Level of collaboration with colleagues	11.9%	15.4%	72.7%
Level of support from colleagues	11.5%	15.2%	73.3%

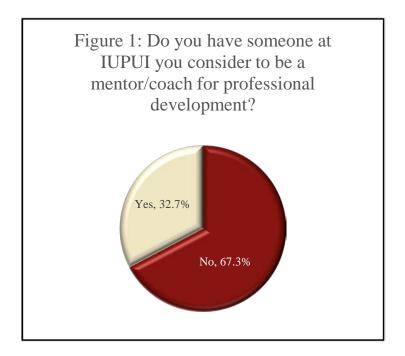
- Overall, staff members report high satisfaction levels with items concerning their colleagues including more than three quarters at least being satisfied with the competence of (76%) and professional relationships (80%) with co-workers.
- Similar to other question topics, part-time staff members are significantly more satisfied with all items about colleagues than full-time staff.

#### **SATISFACTION WITH SUPERVISION & MANAGEMENT**

Percentage that report being satisfied/very satisfied with supervision & management	Very Dissatisfied/ Dissatisfied	Neutral	Satisfied/ Very Satisfied
Overall skills demonstrated by your supervisor	11.5%	12.1%	76.4%
Appropriate levels of supervision	12.6%	10.9%	76.5%
Supervisor provides clear expectations of performance	15.9%	13.9%	70.2%
Guidance from your supervisor	15.4%	14.8%	69.6%
Feedback provided by your supervisor	17.2%	14.2%	68.5%
Decisions made by your supervisor	15.2%	17.1%	67.6%
Availability of your supervisor to discuss questions or concerns	11.3%	10.7%	78.0%
Support from your supervisor for new ways of doing things	12.9%	14.1%	73.0%
Personal recognition from your supervisor	17.4%	17.3%	65.3%

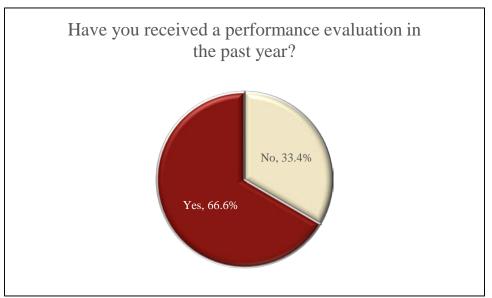
- There are no significant differences on gender, race, age, or salary plan for all items pertaining to supervisors.
- However, compared to full time respondents, part-time respondents report significantly higher satisfaction on all supervisor items. Perception of supervisor differs by school/unit.

# **ENGAGEMENT WITH MENTORSHIP**



- Professional staff members including PAE (36%) and PAO (33%) are more likely to have someone at IUPUI
  that they consider to be a mentor/coach for professional development compared to clerical (24%)
  employees.
- Part-time respondents (39%) are more likely than full-time staff (32%) to have a mentor/coach for professional development.
- Of staff with a mentor, non-white staff (32%) are more likely to report their mentor works at IUPUI but not in their unit than white staff (19%). This is more likely to be true for Black/African American staff members (38%) compared to Latino/a (25%) and Asian (18%) staff. One staff member noted that "there is not enough diversity in campus leadership for staff of color to view as potential mentors."
- Slightly more than half (51%) of IUPUI staff who do not have a mentor/coach at IUPUI want someone who could fill that role.
- Of the respondents who reported not having a mentor/coach at IUPUI for professional development, non-white respondents (58%) are more likely to report wanting a mentor/coach than white staff (49%). Among, non-white participants Latino/a staff (67%) have the highest percentage that would like a mentor followed by Asian (60%), and Black/African American (57%) participants.
- Professional staff, including PAE (57%) and PAO (57%) are significantly more likely to want someone who
  can serve as a mentor/coach for their professional development, compared to clerical (42%) respondents
  or other salaried staff (42%). Multiple staff noted in the open-response that they would really benefit from
  a mentor. One staff member wished for a "genuine mentor who would advise [them] on professional
  development."

# PERFORMANCE EVALUATION



<sup>1</sup>Calculated only for full-time employees who had been working for IUPUI at least 1 year at the time of survey submission

- PAE (71%) and clerical (71%) staff are most likely to have had received a performance evaluation in the past year. Slightly less than two thirds of PAO (64%) staff have had their performance evaluated, while this is the case for a bit more than half of other full-time staff (53%).
- Non-white staff (62%) are slightly less likely than white staff (68%) to have received a performance evaluation in the past year.

### SATISFACTION WITH PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

Percentage that report being satisfied/very satisfied with performance evaluation	Very Dissatisfied/ Dissatisfied	Neutral	Satisfied/ Very Satisfied
How performance evaluations are conducted in your unit	17.0%	16.5%	66.4%
The ability to use the information provided in your evaluation to improve your performance	12.7%	20.3%	67.1%
The inclusion of personal goals/objectives for improvement	11.5%	19.1%	69.4%

- Non-white participants (75%) are more likely to be satisfied with the inclusion of personal goals/objectives for improvement compared to white respondents (68%).
- PAO staff are most likely to be satisfied with the ability to use information in the evaluation to improve their performance (73%) as well as the inclusion of personal goals/objectives for improvement (74%).

# **OVERALL RETENTION**

Percentage that report opinions about turnover Intentions	Strongly Disagree/ Disagree	Neutral	Agree/ Strongly Agree
I often think of quitting this job	56.6%	20.9%	22.4%
I have considered looking for another job in the past year	41.9%	11.7%	46.4%

- Slightly more than one-fifth (22%) of all respondents often think of quitting their job, while almost half (46%)
  have considered looking for another job in the past year. One staff member said they know that "there is not
  much room for growth or advancement" and that they will likely have to "leave the University if [they]
  choose to further [their] career."
- White (48%) respondents are more likely to have considered looking for another job in the past year than non-white staff (40%).
- Respondents who are 50 years and older (40%) are much less likely to have considered looking for another job in the past year compared to younger age groups.
- Full-time staff report thinking of quitting their job (23% vs 15%) and considering looking for another job (48% vs 35%) more often than part-time staff.