



The Employee Engagement and Satisfaction Survey (EESS) provides the Government of the Northwest Territories (GNWT) with valuable insight into its employees' engagement levels and overall satisfaction. The EESS informs management, employees and human resource specialists about any underlying issues and challenges that may exist in the workplace.

Employee engagement is about understanding what drives and motivates employees. It can be broken down into two spectrums:

- An employee's **commitment** to their job and organization
- An employee's **satisfaction** with their job and organization

The GNWT Employee Engagement Model identifies seven indices (themes) related to employee commitment or employee satisfaction. The EESS consists of 45 questions, including 11 Employee Engagement Index questions and 34 questions grouped into the seven theme-based indices.

It was launched in October 2025 and closed in December 2025. Results were compiled and are available on individual department report cards. These report cards provide a snapshot breakdown of each of the indices driving employee engagement and a comparison to the previous EESS, which was conducted in 2023.



Sahtu Divisional Education Council Survey Results: Report Card

Engagement				+/- SDEC (2023)	+/- GNWT Overall	GNWT Range Lowest - Highest %	Ranking ¹
75.9% 13.5% 10.6%				+13.5	+8.3	55% - 82%	I
FAVOURABLE NEUTRAL UNFAVOURABLE							
COMMITMENT	CAPACITY						
	64.4% 17.1% 18.5%			+2.3	-6.5	57% - 87%	III
	DEVELOPMENT						
	48.6% 29.7% 21.6%			-2.0	-6.2	36% - 70%	III
SATISFACTION	EXCELLENCE & INNOVATION						
	63.1% 23.4% 13.5%			+0.0	-1.0	52% - 79%	II
	CULTURE						
	59.2% 16.0% 24.6%			+2.5	-9.0	45% - 83%	III
	DIVERSITY & INCLUSION						
	48.6% 26.1% 25.2%			-8.1	-12.9	46% - 79%	III
	HEALTH, WELLNESS & SAFETY						
	64.0% 19.8% 16.2%			+8.1	-5.1	54% - 87%	II
	LEADERSHIP						
	59.5% 18.9% 21.6%			+6.1	-5.9	47% - 81%	III
				2025		2023	
SDEC Engagement Favourability Score				75.9%		62.4%	
SDEC Response Rate				30.6%		33.9%	

¹ The rank indicates how departmental results compare with other GNWT departments, boards, and agencies. I = Top 25th percentile, II = 25th to 75th percentile, III = Bottom 25th percentile