

Project Title

Employee Engagement Survey YoY (2023 vs 2024)

Project Overview

To compare 2023 and 2024 to highlight changes, trends, improvements or declines

Tools used

SQL (SQL Server in SSMS)

Dataset

Need to **append** 2023 & 2024 first as YoY analysis relies on:

- A continuous timeline (2023, 2024 etc)
- Consistent column structure (same fields)
- Aggregated measures (totals, averages) across all time periods

Create a new unique key column in Power Query for both Appended Tables

1. DataYear-EmployeeID
2. DataYear-QuestionID

Append Table is one source of truth

1. Append_ED (EmployeeData_2023 + EmployeeData_2024)
2. Append_SR (SurveyResponse_2023 + SurveyResponse_2024)
3. Append_SQMS (SurveyQuestion_MarketScore_2023 + SurveyQuestion_MarketScore_2024)
4. MetricMapping
5. CategoryMapping
6. QuestionMapping

Business Questions:

2023 - establishing engagement baseline:

1. What is the overall engagement score?
2. Which divisions/departments are most and least engaged?
3. What are the strongest and weakest themes?
4. How do we compare to market benchmarks?

2024 - measuring change and driving action

1. Are employees more engaged this year?
2. Which divisions/departments improved or declined?
3. What themes need focused attention this year?
4. Have the lowest-performing engagement areas from last year shown improvement this year?
5. How do we compare to market benchmarks this year?

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Are employees more engaged this year?

SQL concepts used: FROM, INNER JOIN, SELECT, CAST(), AVG(), GROUP BY, UNION ALL, multiple CTEs, LAG()

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```
WITH CombinedData AS (
    SELECT
        ed.DataYear,
        CAST(AVG(CAST(sr.LikertScore AS DECIMAL(10,2))) / 5 * 100 AS DECIMAL(3,0)) AS
        EngagementScore
    FROM
        EAC_EES2023.dbo.EmployeeData_2023 AS ed
    INNER JOIN
        EAC_EES2023.dbo.SurveyResponse_2023 AS sr
    ON
        ed.EmployeeID = sr.EmployeeID
    GROUP BY
        ed.DataYear
    UNION ALL
    SELECT
        ed.DataYear,
        CAST(AVG(CAST(sr.LikertScore AS DECIMAL(10,2))) / 5 * 100 AS DECIMAL(3,0)) AS
        EngagementScore
    FROM
        EAC_EES2023.dbo.EmployeeData_2024 AS ed
    INNER JOIN
        EAC_EES2023.dbo.SurveyResponse_2024 AS sr
    ON
        ed.EmployeeID = sr.EmployeeID
    GROUP BY
        ed.DataYear),
```

```
YoYCalculation AS (
    SELECT
        DataYear,
        EngagementScore AS CurrentEngagement,
        LAG(EngagementScore) OVER(ORDER BY DataYear) AS PreviousEngagement
    FROM
        CombinedData)
```

```
SELECT
    DataYear,
    CurrentEngagement,
    PreviousEngagement,
    CurrentEngagement - PreviousEngagement AS YoYDifference
FROM
    YoYCalculation;
```

2023	77	NULL	NULL
2024	80	77	3

There is a 3% increase compared to the previous year

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Which divisions/departments improved or declined?

SQL concepts used: FROM, INNER JOIN, WHERE, SELECT, CAST(), AVG(), GROUP BY, UNION ALL, CTE, CASE logic, SELF JOIN, ORDER BY

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```
WITH CombinedData AS (
    SELECT
        ed.DataYear,
        CAST(AVG(CAST(sr.LikertScore AS DECIMAL(10,2))) / 5 * 100 AS DECIMAL(3,0)) AS
        EngagementScore,
        ed.DivisionName
    FROM
        EAC_EES2023.dbo.EmployeeData_2023 AS ed
    INNER JOIN
        EAC_EES2023.dbo.SurveyResponse_2023 AS sr
    ON
        ed.EmployeeID = sr.EmployeeID
    GROUP BY
        ed.DataYear,
        ed.DivisionName
    UNION ALL
    SELECT
        ed.DataYear,
        CAST(AVG(CAST(sr.LikertScore AS DECIMAL(10,2))) / 5 * 100 AS DECIMAL(3,0)) AS
        EngagementScore,
        ed.DivisionName
    FROM
        EAC_EES2024.dbo.EmployeeData_2024 AS ed
    INNER JOIN
        EAC_EES2024.dbo.SurveyResponse_2024 AS sr
    ON
        ed.EmployeeID = sr.EmployeeID
    GROUP BY
        ed.DataYear,
        ed.DivisionName)
SELECT
    d2023.DivisionName,
    d2023.EngagementScore AS EngagementScore2023,
    d2024.EngagementScore AS EngagementScore2024,
    d2024.EngagementScore - d2023.EngagementScore AS YoYChange,
    CASE
        WHEN d2024.EngagementScore - d2023.EngagementScore > 1 THEN 'Improved'
        WHEN d2024.EngagementScore - d2023.EngagementScore < 1 THEN 'Declined'
        ELSE 'No Change'
    END AS Status
FROM
    CombinedData AS d2023
INNER JOIN
    CombinedData AS d2024
ON
    d2023.DivisionName = d2024.DivisionName
WHERE
    d2023.DataYear = 2023 AND d2024.DataYear = 2024
ORDER BY
    YoYChange DESC;
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Product & Technology	78	87	9	Improved
Marketing & Communications	77	81	4	Improved
Business Operations & Services	77	79	2	Improved
Finance & Legal	78	77	-1	Declined
Strategy & Planning	79	78	-1	Declined
People & Culture	82	80	-2	Declined

3 departments improved in engagement:

Product & Technology showed the highest improvement (+9 points), followed by Marketing & Communications (+4) and Business Operations & Services (+2)

3 departments declined slightly:

Finance & Legal, Strategy & Planning, and People & Culture each saw a small drop (-1 to -2 points) compared to the previous year

This analysis highlights areas of growing employee sentiment, as well as departments that may benefit from targeted interventions to maintain or boost engagement levels

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What themes need focused attention this year?

SQL concepts used: FROM, INNER JOIN, WHERE, SELECT, CAST(), AVG(), GROUP BY, UNION ALL, CTE, CASE logic, SELF JOIN, ORDER BY

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```
WITH CombinedData AS (
    SELECT
        ed.DataYear,
        ROUND(AVG(CAST(sr.LikertScore AS FLOAT)), 2) AS AverageScore,
        sqms.Theme
    FROM EAC_EES2023.dbo.EmployeeData_2023 AS ed
    INNER JOIN EAC_EES2023.dbo.SurveyResponse_2023 AS sr
    ON ed.EmployeeID = sr.EmployeeID
    INNER JOIN EAC_EES2023.dbo.SurveyQuestion_MarketScore_2023 AS sqms
    ON sqms.QuestionID = sr.QuestionID
    GROUP BY
        ed.DataYear,
        sqms.Theme
    UNION ALL
    SELECT
        ed.DataYear,
        ROUND(AVG(CAST(sr.LikertScore AS FLOAT)), 2) AS AverageScore,
        sqms.Theme
    FROM EAC_EES2024.dbo.EmployeeData_2024 AS ed
    INNER JOIN EAC_EES2024.dbo.SurveyResponse_2024 AS sr
    ON ed.EmployeeID = sr.EmployeeID
    INNER JOIN EAC_EES2024.dbo.SurveyQuestion_MarketScore_2024 AS sqms
    ON sqms.QuestionID = sr.QuestionID
    GROUP BY
        ed.DataYear,
        sqms.Theme)

SELECT
    d2023.Theme,
    d2023.AverageScore AS AverageScore2023,
    d2024.AverageScore AS AverageScore2024,
    ROUND((d2024.AverageScore - d2023.AverageScore), 2) AS YoYChange,
    CASE
        WHEN d2024.AverageScore > d2023.AverageScore THEN 'Improved'
        WHEN d2024.AverageScore < d2023.AverageScore THEN 'Declined'
        ELSE 'No Change'
    END AS Status
FROM
    CombinedData AS d2023
INNER JOIN
    CombinedData AS d2024
ON
    d2023.Theme = d2024.Theme
WHERE
    d2023.DataYear = 2023 AND d2024.DataYear = 2024
ORDER BY
    YoYChange DESC;
```

Agile Work Culture	3.6	3.86	0.26	Improved	
People-First Culture	3.49	3.72	0.23	Improved	
Engagement	3.75	3.98	0.23	Improved	
Employer Branding	3.48	3.71	0.23	Improved	
Employee Involvement		3.65	3.87	0.22	Improved
Recognition	3.7	3.9	0.2	Improved	
Communication	3.78	3.98	0.2	Improved	
Learning & Development		3.96	4.15	0.19	Improved
Empowerment	3.78	3.95	0.17	Improved	
Workload Balance	3.83	3.99	0.16	Improved	
Work Environment	3.76	3.92	0.16	Improved	
Feedback Culture	3.73	3.89	0.16	Improved	
Work-Life Balance	3.94	4.09	0.15	Improved	
Employee Well-Being	3.8	3.93	0.13	Improved	
Positive Work Culture	3.8	3.92	0.12	Improved	
Collaboration	4.02	4.14	0.12	Improved	
Learning Culture	3.68	3.79	0.11	Improved	
Organizational Alignment		4.13	4.22	0.09	Improved
Continuous Improvement		4.13	4.22	0.09	Improved
Purpose & Contribution		4.1	4.19	0.09	Improved
Enablement & Support		3.97	4.06	0.09	Improved
Role Clarity	4.09	4.17	0.08	Improved	
Discretionary Effort	4.12	4.18	0.06	Improved	
Accountability	4.13	4.19	0.06	Improved	
Organizational Commitment		4.12	4.17	0.05	Improved
Employer Advocacy	4	4.05	0.05	Improved	

All themes showed YoY improvement

Notably improved themes include:

1. Agile Work Culture (+0.26)
2. People-First Culture (+0.23)
3. Employer Branding (+0.23)

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Have the lowest-performing engagement areas from last year shown improvement this year?

SQL concepts used: FROM, INNER JOIN, CAST(), AVG(), ROUND(), SELECT, UNION ALL, multiple CTEs, WHERE, CASE logic, SELF JOIN

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```
WITH CombinedData AS (  
    SELECT  
        ed.DataYear,  
        sqms.Theme,  
        ROUND(AVG(CAST(sr.LikertScore AS FLOAT)), 2) AS AverageScore  
    FROM EAC_EES2023.dbo.EmployeeData_2023 AS ed  
    INNER JOIN EAC_EES2023.dbo.SurveyResponse_2023 AS sr  
    ON ed.EmployeeID = sr.EmployeeID  
    INNER JOIN EAC_EES2023.dbo.SurveyQuestion_MarketScore_2023 AS sqms  
    ON sqms.QuestionID = sr.QuestionID  
    GROUP BY  
        ed.DataYear,  
        sqms.Theme  
    UNION ALL  
    SELECT  
        ed.DataYear,  
        sqms.Theme,  
        ROUND(AVG(CAST(sr.LikertScore AS FLOAT)), 2) AS AverageScore  
    FROM EAC_EES2024.dbo.EmployeeData_2024 AS ed  
    INNER JOIN EAC_EES2024.dbo.SurveyResponse_2024 AS sr  
    ON ed.EmployeeID = sr.EmployeeID  
    INNER JOIN EAC_EES2024.dbo.SurveyQuestion_MarketScore_2024 AS sqms  
    ON sqms.QuestionID = sr.QuestionID  
    GROUP BY  
        ed.DataYear,  
        sqms.Theme),
```

```
FilteredTheme AS (  
    SELECT  
        *  
    FROM  
        CombinedData  
    WHERE  
        Theme IN (  
            'Employer Branding',  
            'People-First Culture',  
            'Agile Work Culture',  
            'Recognition',  
            'Work Environment',  
            'Employee Well-Being',  
            'Collaboration',  
            'Accountability'))
```

```
SELECT  
    f2023.Theme,  
    f2023.AverageScore AS AverageScore2023,  
    f2024.AverageScore AS AverageScore2024,  
    ROUND((f2024.AverageScore - f2023.AverageScore), 2) AS YoYChange,  
    CASE  
        WHEN f2024.AverageScore > f2023.AverageScore THEN 'Improved'  
        WHEN f2024.AverageScore < f2023.AverageScore THEN 'Declined'
```

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        ELSE 'No Change'
    END AS Status
FROM
    FilteredTheme AS f2023
INNER JOIN
    FilteredTheme AS f2024
ON
    f2023.Theme = f2024.Theme
WHERE
    f2023.DataYear = 2023 AND f2024.DataYear = 2024
ORDER BY
    CASE f2023.Theme
        WHEN 'Employer Branding' THEN 1
        WHEN 'People-First Culture' THEN 2
        WHEN 'Agile Work Culture' THEN 3
        WHEN 'Recognition' THEN 4
        WHEN 'Work Environment' THEN 5
        WHEN 'Employee Well-Being' THEN 6
        WHEN 'Collaboration' THEN 7
        WHEN 'Accountability' THEN 8
    ELSE 9
    END;

```

All 8 themes identified as lowest-performing in 2023 have shown measurable improvement in 2024

Notably improved themes include:

4. Agile Work Culture (+0.26)
5. People-First Culture (+0.23)
6. Employer Branding (+0.23)

These themes were previously among the bottom in 2023, signaling positive impact from targeted interventions

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How do we compare to market benchmarks this year?

SQL concepts used: FROM, INNER JOIN, SELECT, CAST(), AVG(), ROUND(), GROUP BY, ORDER BY, multiple CTEs, CASE logic

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```
WITH CombinedData AS (
    SELECT
        sqms.Metric,
        ROUND(AVG(CAST(sr.LikertScore AS FLOAT)), 2) AS AverageScore,
        ROUND(AVG(CAST(sqms.MarketScore AS FLOAT)), 2) AS MarketScore,
        mm.MetricOrder
    FROM
        SurveyQuestion_MarketScore_2024 AS sqms
    INNER JOIN
        EAC_EES2023.dbo.MetricMapping AS mm
    ON
        sqms.Metric = mm.Metric
    INNER JOIN
        SurveyResponse_2024 AS sr
    ON
        sqms.QuestionID = sr.QuestionID
    GROUP BY
        sqms.Metric,
        mm.MetricOrder)

SELECT
    Metric,
    AverageScore,
    MarketScore,
    AverageScore - MarketScore AS ScoreDifference,
    CASE
        WHEN AverageScore > MarketScore THEN 'Above market'
        WHEN AverageScore < MarketScore THEN 'Below market'
        ELSE 'Same as market'
    END AS MarketComparison
FROM
    CombinedData
ORDER BY
    MetricOrder;
```

Core	3.91	3.51	0.4	Above market
Self	4.06	3.62	0.44	Above market
Group	4.2	3.79	0.41	Above market

The company's efforts in culture, enablement, and alignment are yielding better-than-market engagement outcomes