

The future of flexible working

Shifting values and the hybrid workplace



Introductions

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Agenda

- Background and context
- Shifting Values survey highlights
- How employers are responding
- Insights from HR leaders

Background and context

As we near the end of the pandemic, we face yet another massive transformation in the way we work

61%

Of employers say they hope to have half or more of their workforce back to the office by the end of Q3¹

87%

Of employers say they will embrace greater flexibility post-pandemic – with most planning a hybrid model¹ **42**m

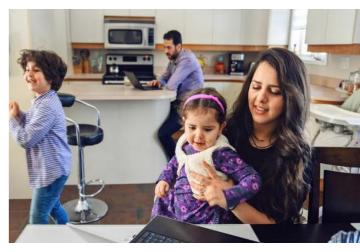
Square feet of office space put on the market by corporate tenants in Q2/Q3 2020²

Shifting values

Three key themes emerged







New expectations on work

Shifts in where I want to live

The ups and downs in the experience

New expectations

As you think about flexibility in the future, once the pandemic has passed, how important is it to you?

Very important

56%

"I would consider switching employers if it was not an option for me" **Somewhat important**

38%

"It would improve my job satisfaction, but I would not seek a different employer" **Not important**

6%

"This is not a priority for me"



The importance ranked even higher for Millennial and Gen X generations

Mercer AECOM Shifting Values Employee Sentiment Survey, Oct 2020

Preferred working patterns



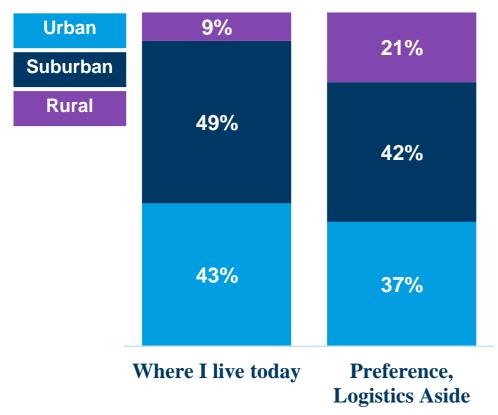
52% of employees would work remotely on a regular basis (i.e., 2-3 days per week)



25% prefer to work remotely full-time

New preferences about living

Employees prefer to live outside urban areas



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57%

Of employees would consider or plan to relocate if flexibility became permanent

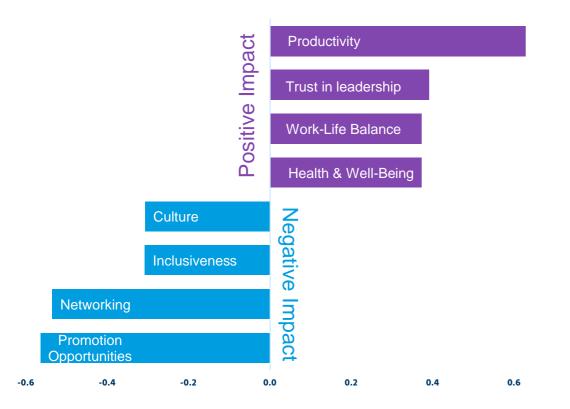
... and many are not waiting to make a move

Cities with the largest moves during Feb – July 2020



Ups & downs in the experience

How does remote working impact various aspects of work – both positive and negative?



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What are your biggest challenges?

360/n I struggle with finding work life balance

35% I feel isolated from my team

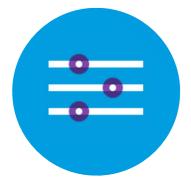
What do you miss most about your office experience?

Social connection

Networking

Ability to leave my workplace at the end of the day

How are employers responding?









Balanced and inclusive approach

An engaging office and seamless experience

Reimagine the geographic footprint Make it sustainable with thoughtful execution

Speakers



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Insights from leading employers



Cross-functional collaboration



Aligning perspectives – business, managers, employees



Changing role of the office



Employee burnout and well-being



Inclusivity

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We're here to help



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Featured resources



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Your input

What would you be interested in hearing more about in a future session?

- Flexible working strategies
- Real estate impact
- Office / workplace design
- Employee experience, engagement and well-being
- Impact on flexibility on people programs (e.g., onboarding, talent acquisition)



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