City College Employee Perception Survey Spring 2009

College Briefing

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Introduction

Overview & Purpose

- The three SDCCD colleges and Continuing Education conducted employee surveys in the Spring 2009 as part of their accreditation self-study process.
- Information from the surveys will be used to inform the planning action items in the self-study report, as well as provide support for other planning decisions.
- This survey was designed to elicit employee perceptions and opinions on institutional effectiveness, programs, services, instruction, facilities, and overall satisfaction.
- The 2009 Employee Perception Survey was significantly different from the previous employee survey, therefore comparisons are difficult.

Instrumentation

- The survey contained :
 - 100 forced-choice items
 - 94 Likert scaled items
 - 6 profile questions
 - 4 open-ended questions
- Face and content validity were ensured as follows:
 - Questions were aligned with Accreditation Standards,
 - Questions were directly related to the purpose of eliciting employee perceptions and opinions,
 - Questions avoided addressing complex processes or systems,
 - Validation through feedback from the Accreditation Coordination Committee.
- Survey was piloted in Fall '08 to establish reliability

Methodology

- The Employee Perception Survey used a census sample design (all employees at the college were invited to participate).
- The expected response rate at each college was 20%-35%.
- The survey was made available both online and in a paper and pencil format.
- Hardcopy forms were returned anonymously in drop boxes at designated locations on the college campuses.
- The survey took approximately 30 minutes to complete.
- The survey administration window was approximately three weeks.

Implementation

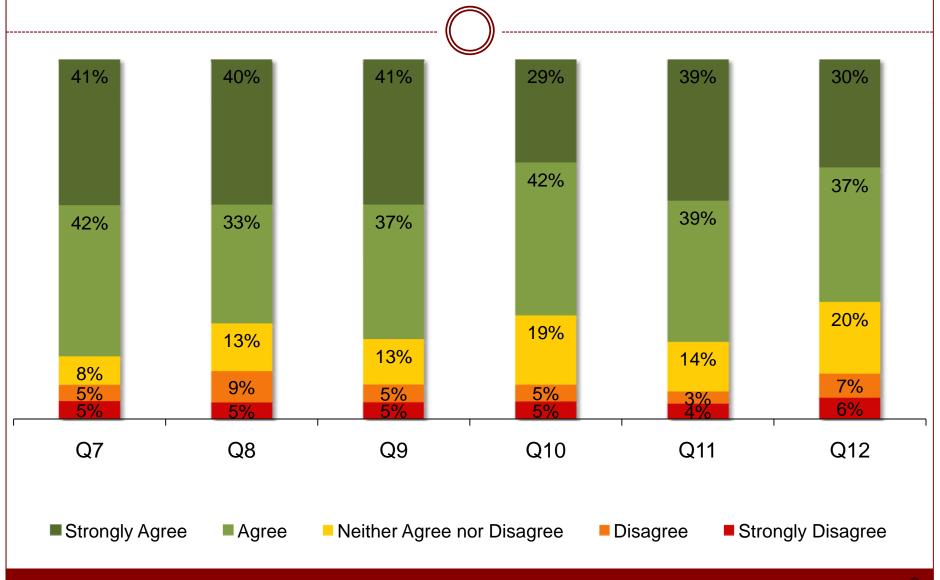
- The District Accreditation Coordinating Committee was integral to the process through:
 - Reviewing the survey design,
 - Reviewing and finalizing the survey instrument,
 - Reviewing the final report and providing recommendations.
- Pre-notification emails, invitations to survey and reminder notices were sent via e-mail to all employees.
- The District Office of Institutional Research and Planning sent the survey invitation via email during the fourth week of the semester.
- Drop boxes were made available to facilitate the return of completed hardcopy surveys.

Respondent Profile

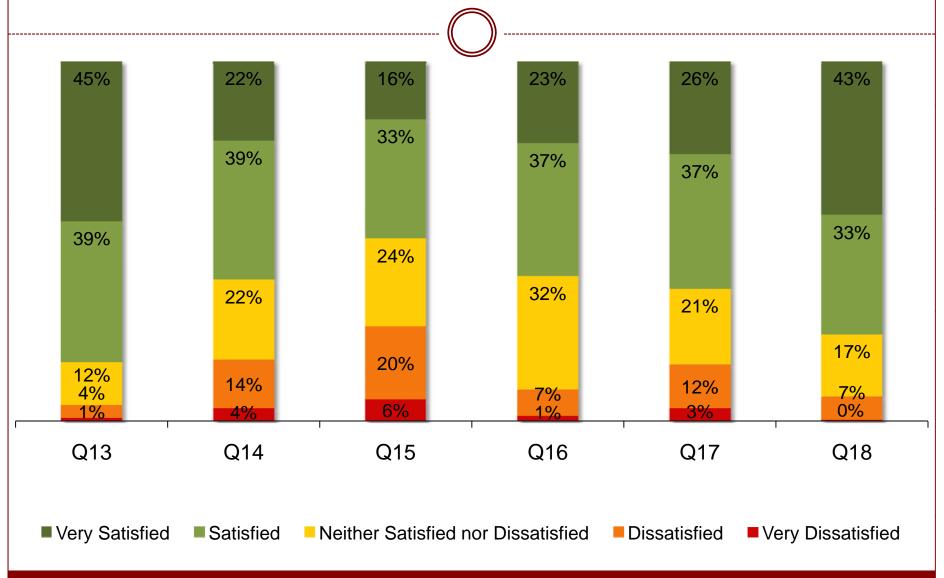
- 999 employees received invitations to survey. 393 completed the survey (39% response rate).
- 33% contract faculty, 32% adjunct faculty, 26% classified, 6% managers,
 3% supervisors.
- 55% from Student Services, 24% from Instruction, 10% from Administrative Services and 11% from Other departments.
- 31% of the respondents have been with the District for 2-6 years and 62% for seven years or more.

The Findings

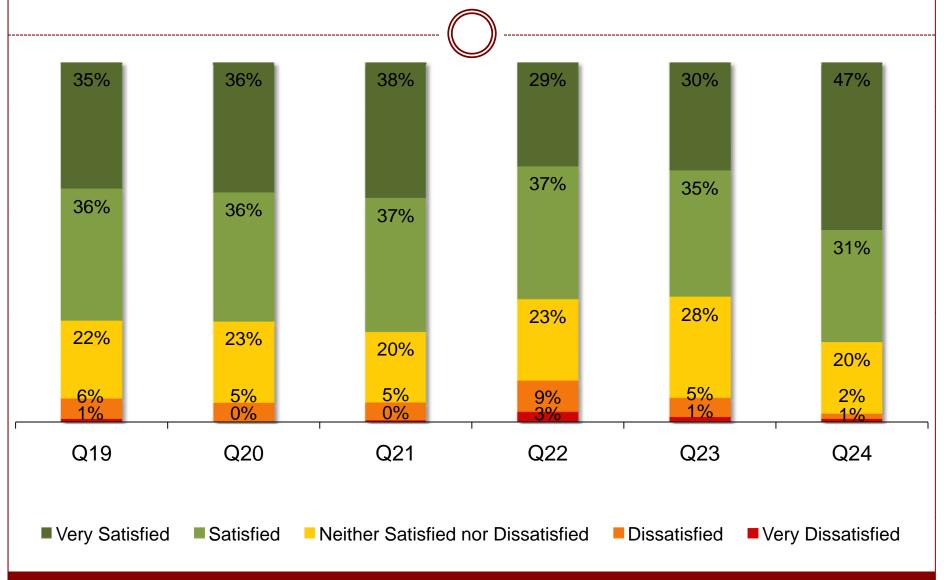




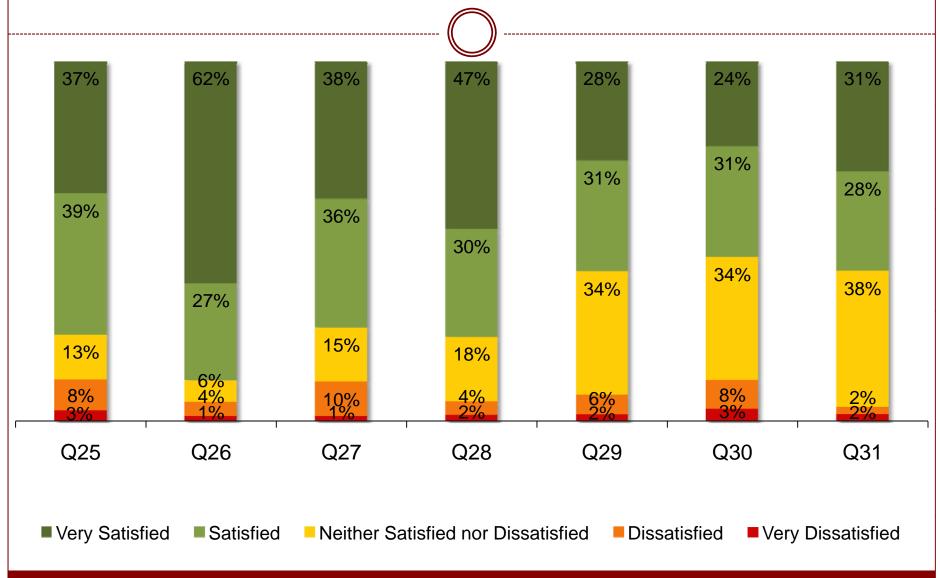


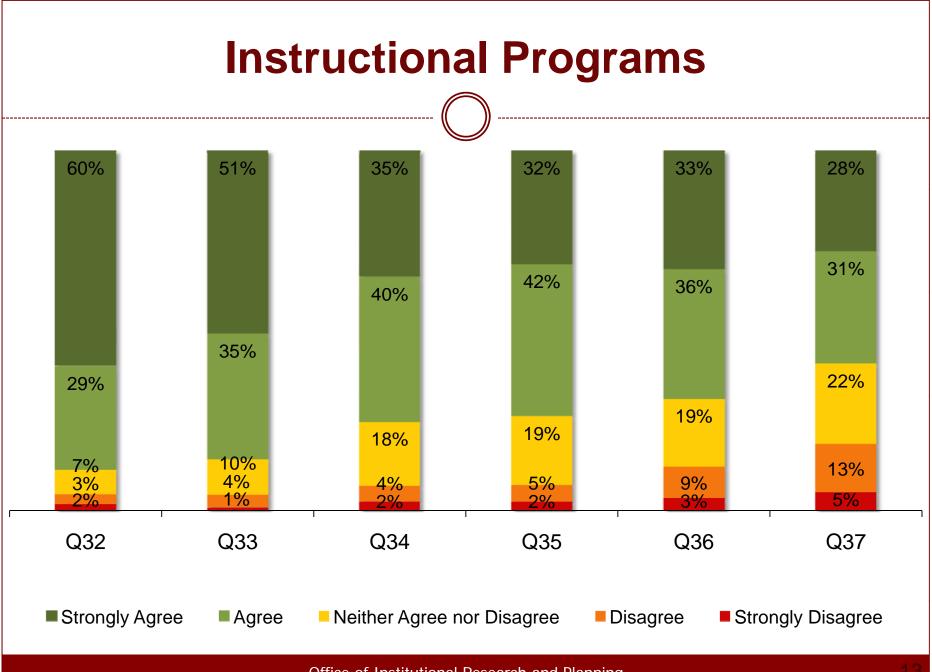


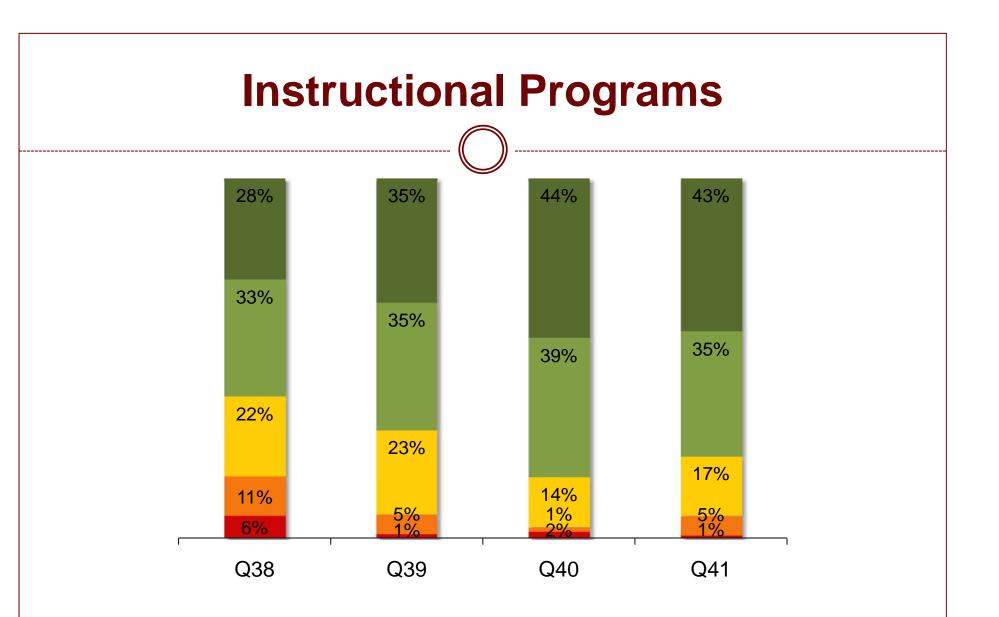










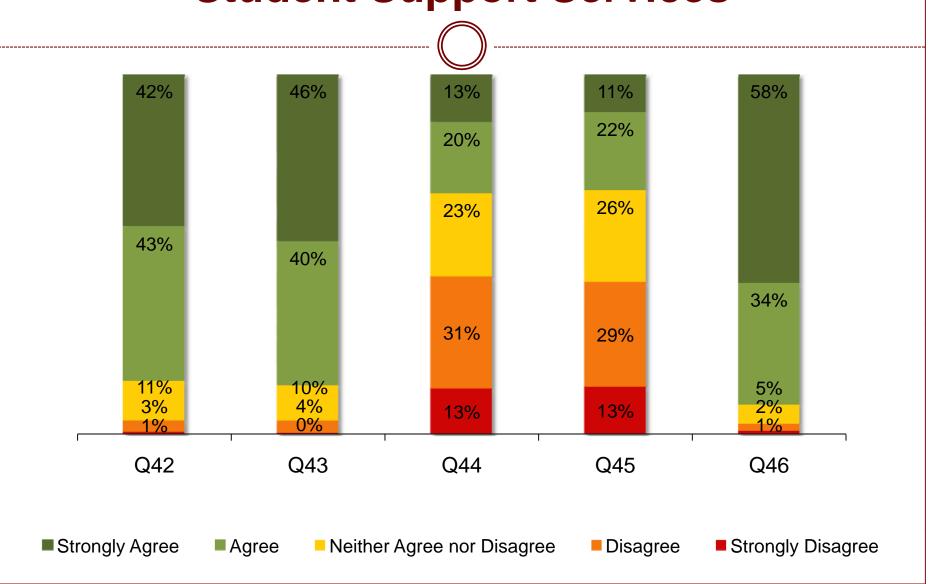


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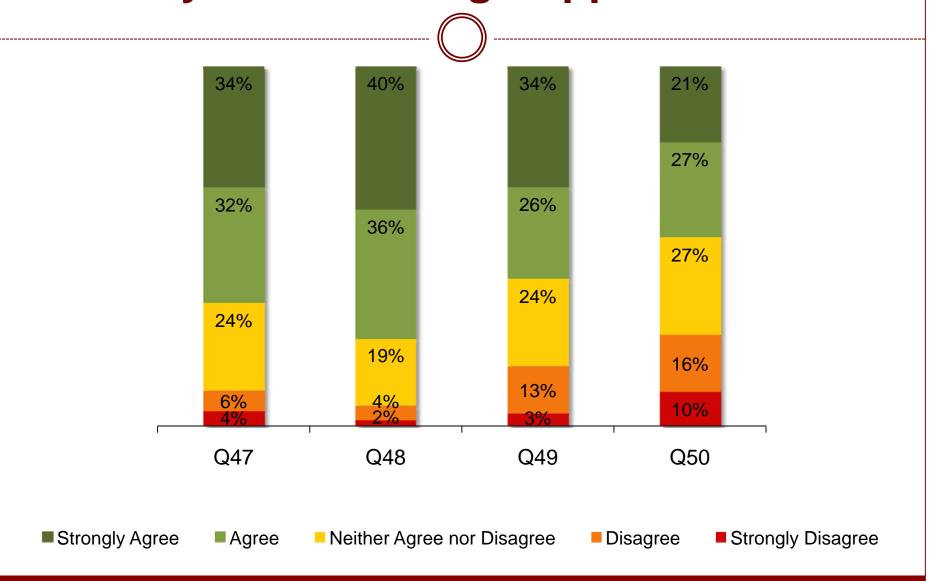
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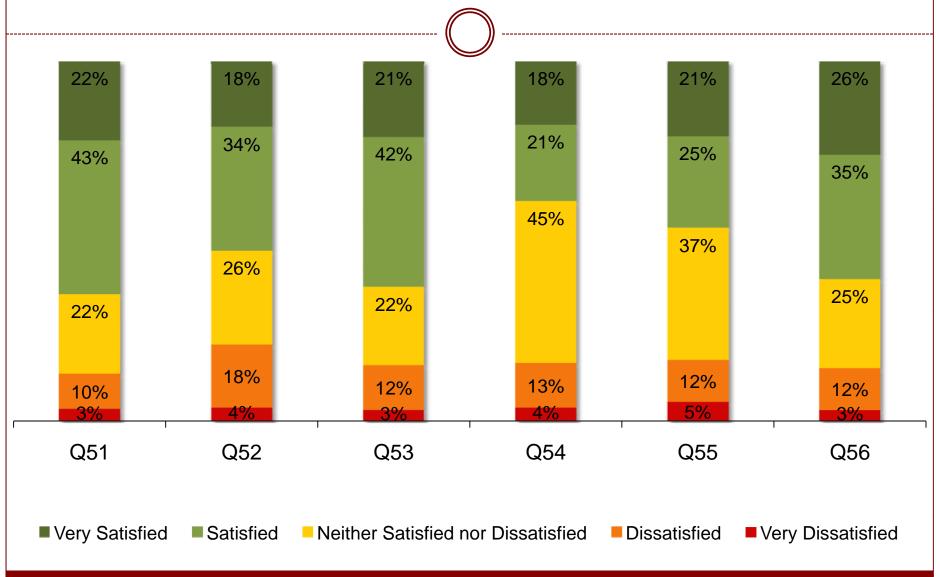




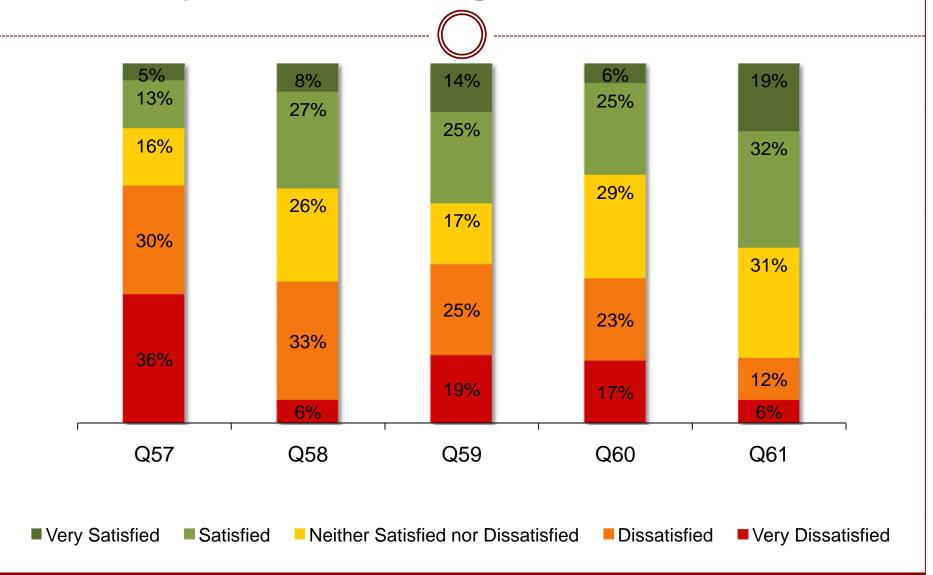


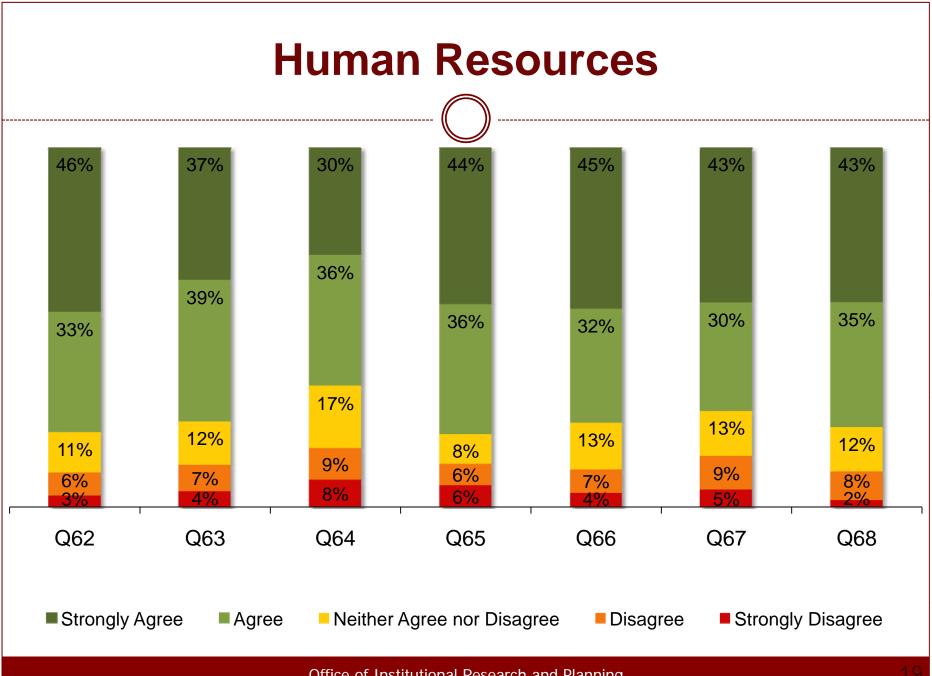




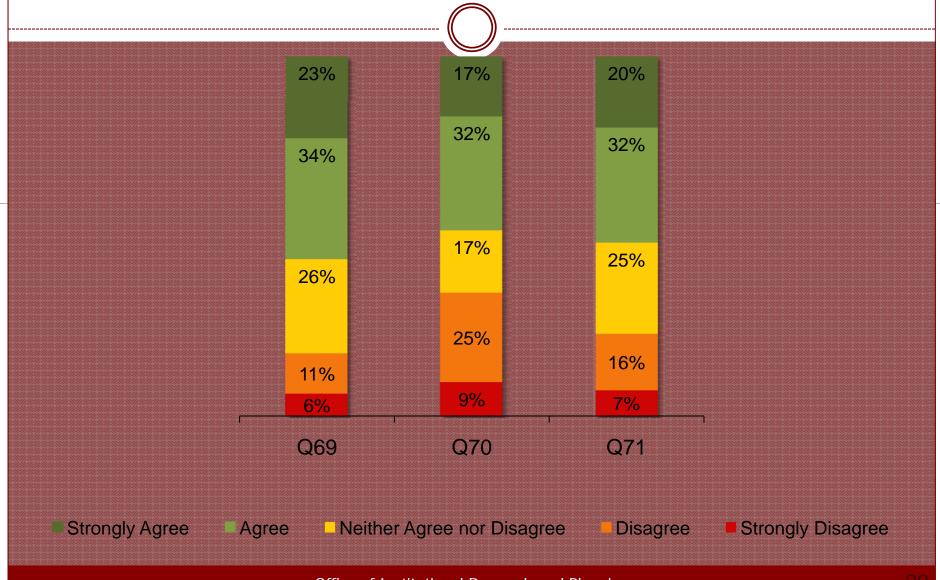


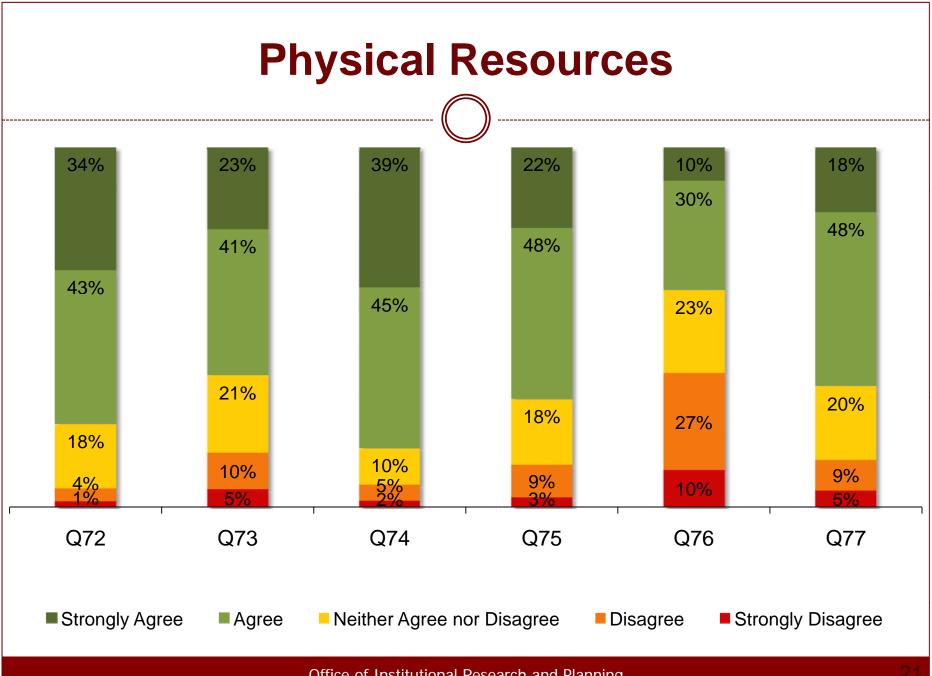
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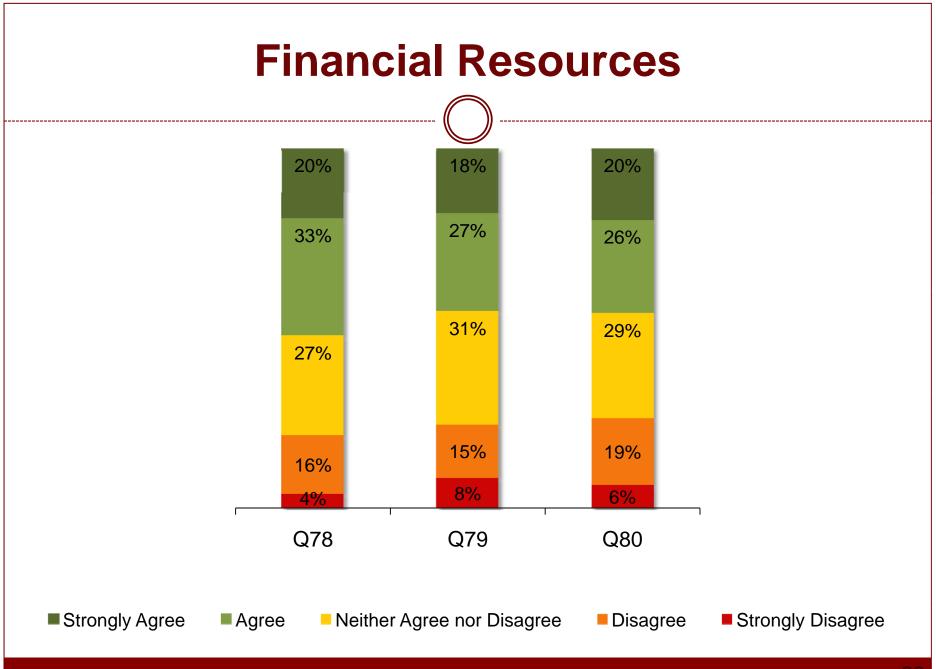




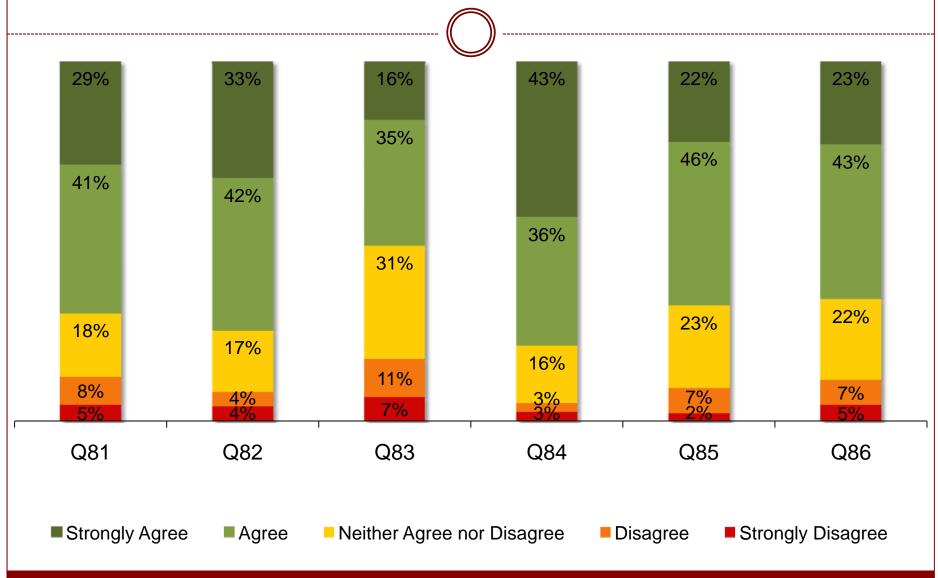




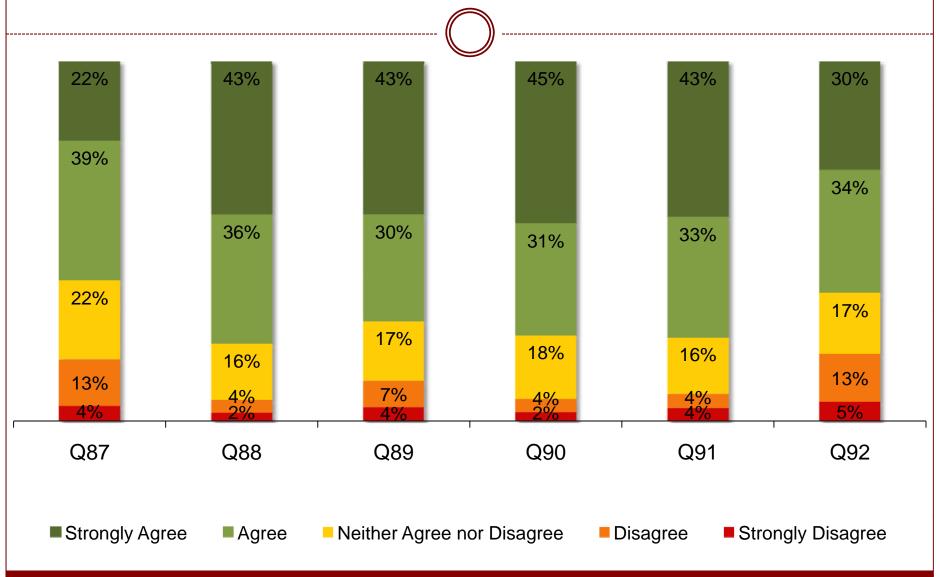


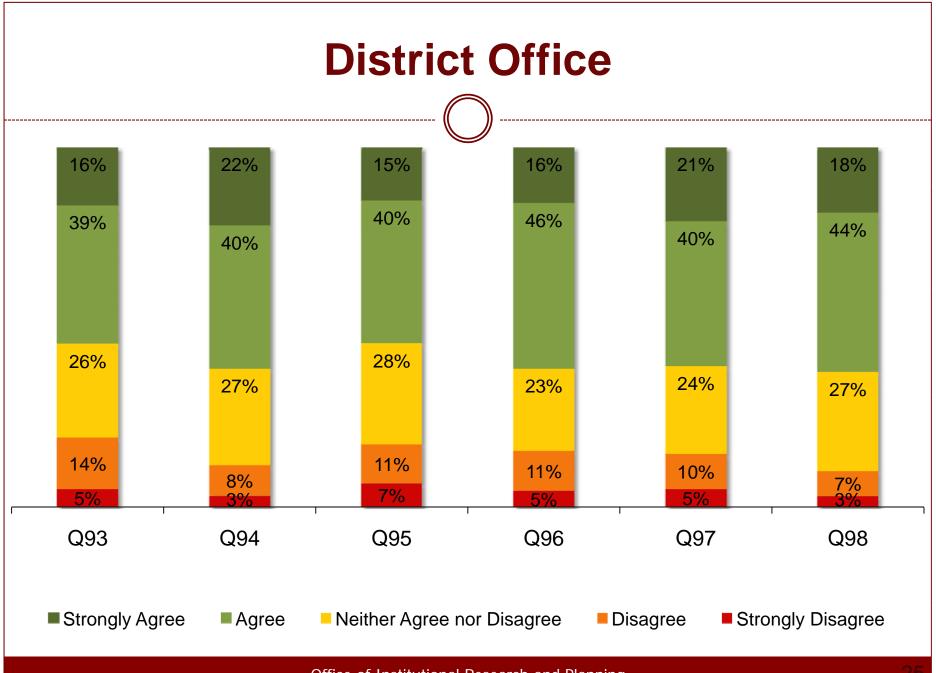


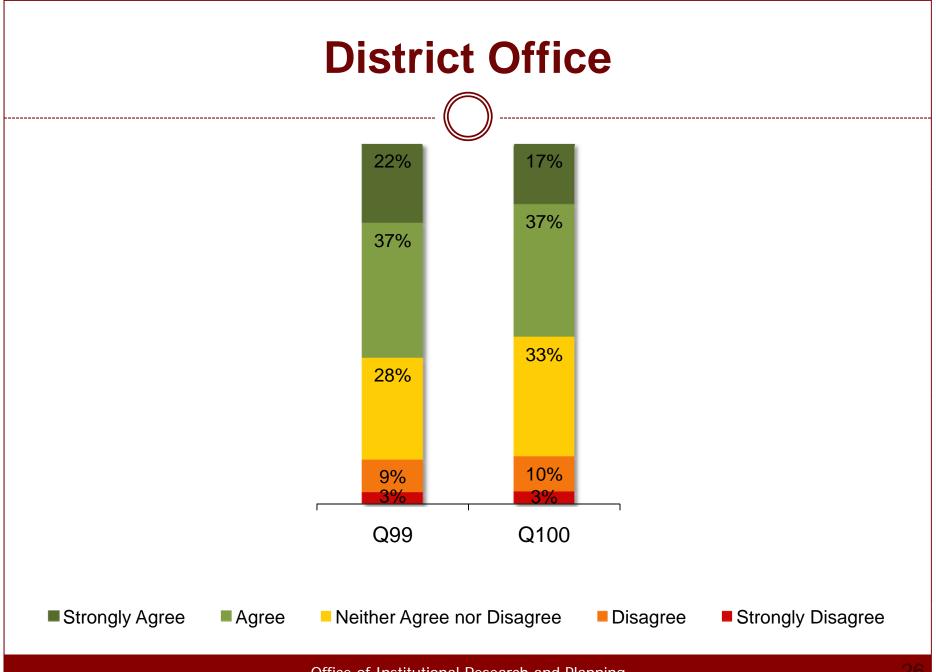












Conclusions

Top 5 Conclusions

- 1. The majority of employees who responded to the survey believe that the college facilitates on-going dialog about improving student learning.
- 2. The majority of respondents believe that their department or program has an effective faculty-driven process for assessing SLOs, but only about half believe that they have sufficient access to research data for assessment.
- 3. The majority of employees believe that they are treated with respect at the college.
- 4. Only about half of the employees who responded to the survey believe that the college guidelines and processes for budget development are clearly communicated.
- 5. A relatively large majority of respondents believe that faculty have a substantial voice in matters related to educational programs, hiring of faculty and other personnel and institutional policies.

End

