

#### **Retention of Young Talents:**

#### Job Satisfaction, Engagement and Retention

HeadlineJobs Quality Workplace Index (2010 2nd Half)

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#### **Outline of Presentation**

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#### **A Simple Model of Staff Retention**



- recognition
- mentoring \*\*
- respect
- ethos



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\*\* mentoring - new factors added in the latest wave Base: HK working population of age 18 or above Source: HKUPOP. HeadlineJobs Quality Workplace Index

#### Job Satisfaction: 5 Main Drivers and 16 Factors



#### **Employee Engagement: 5 Main Factors**



#### Survey Methodology

Survey Design	Co-developed by HKUPOP and HeadlineJobs, present'n prepared by Sing Tao Research & Development Dept					
Main Survey: Working Class						
Survey Approach	Random telephone survey using CATI system					
Fieldwork Period	Sep 9-21, 2010					
Target Respondents	HK working population of age 18 or above					
Sample Size	N = 1,016					
Weighting	Sourced from C&SD - General Household Survey (Apr- Jun 2010) on HK working population of age 15+					
Supplementary Survey: Active Job-Seekers						
Survey Approach	Online survey (conducted by HeadlineJobs)					
Target Respondents	HeadlineJobs visitors (N=338)					

#### Findings (Part I) Job Satisfaction, Engagement & Retention – An Update



## Job Seeking Rate for Employees

During economic recession and recovery







Base: HK working population of age 18 or above; Employees Source: HKUPOP, HeadlineJobs Quality Workplace Index

#### Job Seeking Rate for Employees By Industry\*

#### **Top 1**



Last Year:

15%



22%

#### **Runners-up**



16%



\* Excluding industries that did not have sample  $\geq 30$ Base: HK working population of age 18 or above; Employees Source: HKUPOP, HeadlineJobs Quality Workplace Index

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#### **Relative Importance of Satisfaction Factors**

#### During economic recession and recovery



#### **Job Satisfaction Levels Compared**





"% Satisfied" refers to the percentage of respondents who were very satisfied or quite satisfied with their current post of work.

Source1: HeadlineJobs visitors, HeadlineJobs Online Quality Workplace Index

Source2: Employees of age 18 or above, HKUPOP, HeadlineJobs Quality Workplace Index

#### Job Satisfaction of Your Employees





"% Satisfied" refers to the percentage of respondents who were very satisfied or quite satisfied with their current post of work.



Target: Employers and employees of age 18 or above

Source: HKUPOP, HeadlineJobs Quality Workplace Index

## Factors of Job Satisfaction

#### Employee

<u>vs. 09H2</u>

1	Safe working environment	77%		
3	Relationship with co-worker	73%	-1%	
4	Job security	64%	-2%	
11	Contribution to the organization	64%	+1%	
6	Relationship with supervisor	62%	+1%	
12	Job nature & its meaningfulness	61%		
16	Work flexibility	59%		
14	Networking	57%		
2	Salary	52%		
15	Job variety	51%	-2%	
9	Full play to potentials & autonomy	50%	-4%	
8	Professional development	50%	<b>-2</b> %	
7	Benefits	46%		
5	Management recognition	43%		
10	Corporate culture	41%		
13	Career advancement opportunities	39%		



#### *Employee Engagement Factors Employees*



Source: HKUPOP, HeadlineJobs Quality Workplace Index

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vs. 09H2

#### Findings (Part II) A Study on the Post 80s – Retention of Young Talents



#### Job Satisfaction by Generation

#### The least satisfied generation: The Post 80s





"Satisfied" refers to the percentage of respondents who were very satisfied or quite satisfied with their current post of work. "Dissatisfied" refers to the percentage of respondents who were not quite satisfied or not satisfied at all with their current post of work.



Base: HK working population of age 18 or above (employees only) Source: HKUPOP, HeadlineJobs Quality Workplace Index

#### Job Seeking Rate of Employees

#### Young people across the years

Post 80s in our latest survey – Profile

- Average tenure of work 3.4 years
- 34% aged 18-24; 66% aged 25-29
- 70% with tertiary education
- 93% single
- 37% working in SME
- 42% general white collar or asso. prof.

#### All employees – Profile

- •Average tenure of work 12.5 years
- 49% with tertiary education
- 56% married; 28% with young child
- 69% working in mid-to-large firms
- 45% mid-to-top management





\*\* Mid-to-top management includes CEO to Director, Professional, & Manager Base: HK working population of age 18 or above Source: HKUPOP, HeadlineJobs Quality Workplace Index

#### Factors of Job Satisfaction The Post 80s

Factors of Job Satisfaction ranked by F	Post 80s	<u>Rank</u>	Ranl
1 Management recognition	45%	1	
2 Salary	<u>40%</u> ← →	2	:
3 Safe working environment	78%	3	
4 Relationship with co-workers	75%	4	;
5 Relationship with supervisor	62%	5	
6 Career advancement opportunities	37%	6	1
7 Job security	65%	<sub>ຍ</sub> 7	
8 Benefits	42%	mportance 8 8	
9 Professional development	47%	oduj 9	
0 Full play to potentials & autonomy	44%	10	
11 Job nature & its meaningfulness	50%	11	1
12 Corporate culture	43%	12	1
13 Contribution to the organization	57%	13	1
14 Networking	53%	14	1
15 Job variety	47%	15	1
16 Work flexibility	<b>58%</b> • Post 80	16	1
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Post 80s Employees

Engagement Factors - Recognition Post 80s Job Seekers and Non Job Seekers

*Q: In the last month, have you received recognition or praise from your supervisor for doing good work?* 



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Engagement Factors - Morale Post 80s Job Seekers and Non Job Seekers

# Q: Overall speaking, are your associates committed to doing quality work?



#### Engagement Factors - Mentoring Post 80s Job Seekers and Non Job Seekers

Q: How often do you receive constructive feedback and mentoring from your supervisor?

VS







#### Engagement Factors - Respect Post 80s Job Seekers and Non Job Seekers

#### Q: At work, do your opinions usually seem to count?

VS





# always/often 40% sometimes 51%

seldom/never 9%



#### **Engagement Factors - Ethos** Post 80s Job Seekers and Non Job Seekers

**Q:** Does the mission/purpose of your company make you feel your job important?

VS







no idea





#### Employee Engagement and Staff Retention The Post 80s Generation

#### Actions to Enhance Staff Engagement and Retention to the Post 80s



#### **Final Remarks**

- Job satisfaction and staff retention are closely related, both during economic recession or recovery. <u>Employee engagement</u> is an important variable affecting job satisfaction and staff retention.
- Post 80s rank the 5 factors of engagement in this order of importance:
  - 1) recognition 2) morale 3) mentoring 4) respect 5) ethos
- All employees rank them in this order:
  - 1) morale 2) recognition 3) mentoring 4) respect 5) ethos
- Low recognition and poor mentoring are more important factors associated with the loss of young talents.
- When more data is collected, these factors can be analyzed across different occupational and industrial sectors, and <u>customized tests</u> can also be developed to suit the need of individual organizations.



# Discussion

