Using Metrics to Tell Your Story



NYC Metro Chapter Meeting
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New York City 2012/13

- Area:
 - 302.64 Square Miles
- Climate, (Average):
 - Low of 38 (January)
 - High of 84 (July)
 - Average precipitation 49.9 inches



New York City 2012/13

- Population:
 - 8,336,697
 - 21.6% under age of 18
 - 12.1% 65 or older
 - 52.5% Female
 - Median age is 35.6
 - Median income of \$52,100
 - US median income is \$53,046
 - One third have a bachelors degree



Agenda

- All about New York City!
- What are metrics?
- Why measure what we do?
- Developing metrics/KPI's
- Standard metrics
- Types of metrics

What does this tell us about New York City?

Climate?

◆ Age?

♦ Income?

What are Metrics?

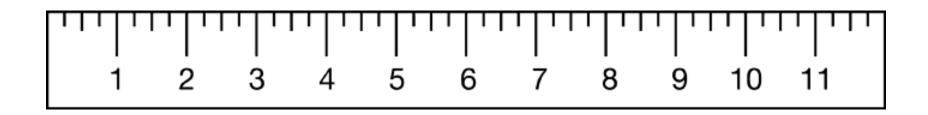
Figures used to measure activity, results or performance

Metrics support a story

Stories support metrics

Metrics are also known as:

- Key Performance Indicators (KPI)
- Critical Performance Indicators (CPI)
- Key Performance Measurements (KPM)
- Score Card
- Report Card
- Statistics



- Helps to understand where successes and failures are coming from
- Used as an early warning system allows you to be proactive
- Helps in making decisions
 - No doubt about what you want done
 - Rewards (batch processing as a supervisor)

- **♦** Sell your ideas and make presentations
- Can be used as the basis of Process Improvement Plans
 - You can't improve what you don't measure
- Benchmark either internally or externally
 - Compare yourself to a standard
- Set individual and team objectives

What gets measured gets attention

◆The language of business is dollars and numbers

"Without statistics, yours is just another opinion".

How Healthy Is Your Department?

How do you know what to measure?

How do you get started?



What do you do with them?

- Brainstorm with your team and ask other Payroll or AP Departments what KPI's they are reporting
 - ◆You don't want anyone to feel threatened or intimidated
 - Get buy-in from Department

2. Determine which KPI's are the most <u>basic</u> and the most <u>meaningful</u> to your organization



3. Pick 6 (+/-) to report

- Select a reasonable number of KPI's to report. Which ones are appropriate?
- Determine what upfront work will need to be completed (report definition, etc.)
- Determine who will generate the data

- 4. Avoid analysis paralysis and just start issuing them!
 - Focus on data collection and not the pretty presentation -- they don't have to be pretty in the beginning
 - ◆ You don't have to issue them to 'everyone' in the beginning. Start by issuing them within the department

- 5. Agree on targets for each KPI (don't let them be de-motivating)
 - Methods for determining appropriate targets:
 - Use predetermined goals already set by your organization
 - Reasonable and attainable for your organization

6. Add targets to KPI's and refine format

- Make it look pretty
- Should be easy to analyze
 - They are not any good if no one looks at them
- Should not take a long time to review
- Consider your audience (executive summary?)
- Include a cover page

- 7. Get feedback from colleagues for enhancements
- 8. Issue KPI's on regular basis

9. Update and change KPI's based on your organization's needs

Things to Consider for KPI's

- Add a sentence to describe the significance of the KPI
- Show the KPI over time (multi-year trends)
- Include month-to-date, quarter-to-date and year-to-date
- Include agreed upon target data and compare to actual
- Include note of explanation when appropriate

Common Payroll Department Metrics

- Cost per payment
- Number of employees paid per Full Time Equivalent (FTE)
- % or number of off-cycle checks issued
- % of employees on direct deposit
- Total Tax Penalties

Common Payroll Department Metrics

- System performance
- Clock end time for payroll confirm
- Basic statistical information
 - **≻**Total payroll
 - >Taxes paid
 - **▶** Deduction information
- Late paperwork and its impact

Metrics As Controls

- Trend Analysis
 - ☐ Gross Wages between periods
 - **□**Checks in Excess of \$X.XX
 - ■Total Taxes Paid
 - **■Number of employees with no check**
 - ☐ Hours worked in excess of....
 - ■Account balances
 - **□Other Key Amounts**

Common AP Department Metrics

- Cost per payment
- Full-time ratio to payments
- Total invoices processed
- Electronic vs. Paper invoices
- Total annual payments made
- Percent of electronic payments

Metrics to Enforce SLA's

CALL CENTER

- Number of Phone calls taken
- Abandoned calls
- Time Spent on call
- Processing time
- Accuracy of response
- Number of contacts before resolution
- Speed of response



Look for Inspiration

- APA Benchmarking Study
- Business Magazines
- Informal Benchmarking
- Business Books
- Past Performance



How to present KPI's

- Bar graph
- Pie chart
- Score card



Straight stats

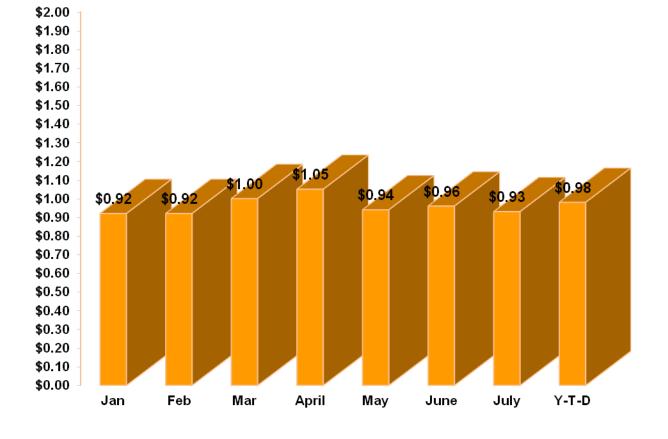


Poster or Post-it

95% DIRECT DEPOSIT

- Just knowing a metric can improve it. You will be more aware of what makes the number fluctuate.
- When you review the metric regularly, you will start to make better decisions to influence it.

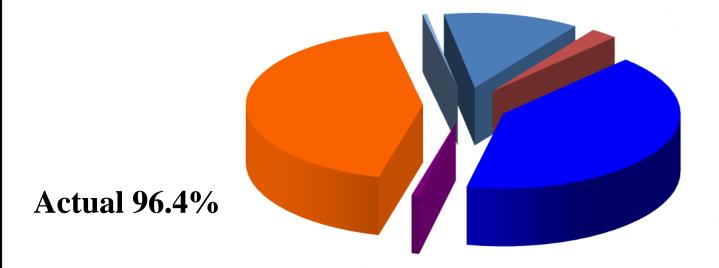
Payroll Cost per Paycheck July 2013



Cost Per Check

Target \$1.00

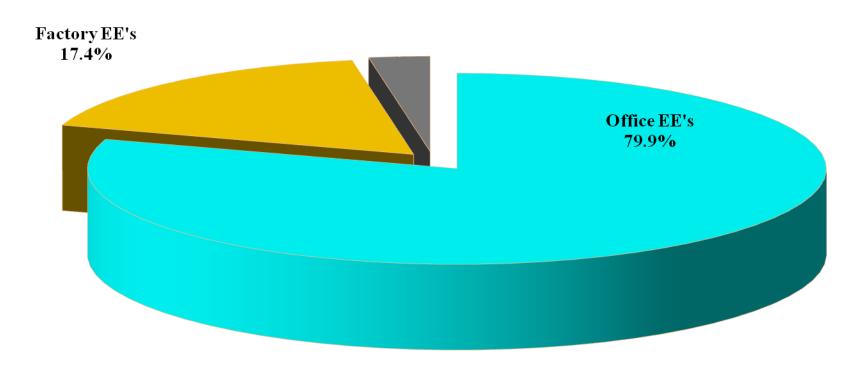
Direct Deposit – July 2013



Target 100%

Disbursement by Location July 2013

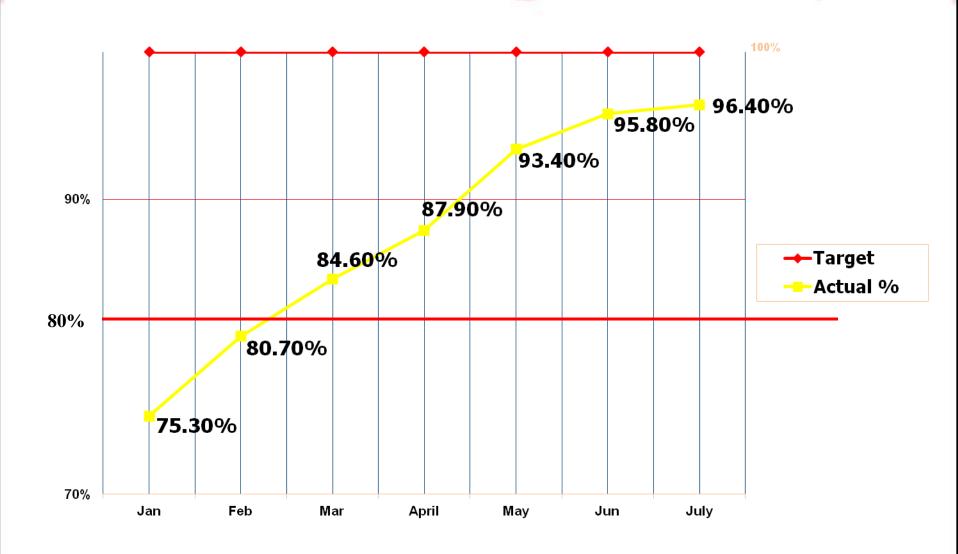
Sales Force EE's 2.7%



Score Card July 2013

	Target	Actual	Score
% Of Off-Cycle Checks	0.5%	0.1%	Green
% Of Direct Deposit	100%	96.4%	Red
Late Personnel Actions	2%	1.8%	Green
% Of Under Payments	< 1%	0.5%	Green
% Of Over Payments	< 1%	0.9%	Yellow

Direct Deposit July 2013



of EE's and Payments Processed July 2013

	# of Payments Issued	# of Active Employees	Frequency of Payment		# of Paymts Paid per FTE
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Location 1 Weekly	11,343	3,085	4		
Location 1 Salaried	7,161	3,906	2		
Pensioner	7,607	7,623	1		
Bonus	5,225		1		
Location 2 Weekly	11,303	2,737	4		
Location 2 Salaried	2,854	1,275	2		
Total	45,493	18,626		1,552	3,791
			Target	1,500	

What Is Your Organization's Story?

METRIC	YOUR COMPANY	PEER	BEST IN CLASS
FTE/Ratio	920/1	880/1	1200/1
Off Cycle Checks	2%	4%	1%
Cost Per Paycheck	\$2.30	\$3.40	\$1.70
Direct Deposit	94%	86%	93%

What story are you telling?



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