

2017 Principal Satisfaction Survey

Introduction

The Principal Satisfaction Survey (PSS) was designed as a performance management tool to hold Central offices accountable for the quality of support they provide schools and inform Central's efforts to continuously improve its performance.

Respondents

This voluntary survey was conducted in May 2017. A total of 1,091 out of 1,619 principals responded to the survey, resulting in a 67% response rate, which is the same as the 2016 PSS response rate.

Survey Topics

Survey Topics	Description
DOE Overall	General questions about the DOE support and resources.
Academic Services	Questions about the services and supports provided to schools by Central for college and career readiness, arts, curriculum, students with disabilities and English language learners, and instruction.
School Support	Questions about the supports principals receive from Superintendents and Field Support Centers.
Operational Services	Questions about operational services and supports provided to schools by Central for human resources, talent, facilities, food, pupil transportation, health, safety, finance, technology, family engagement, legal counsel and compliance.
Accountability	Questions about the DOE's accountability and performance tools and support functions.

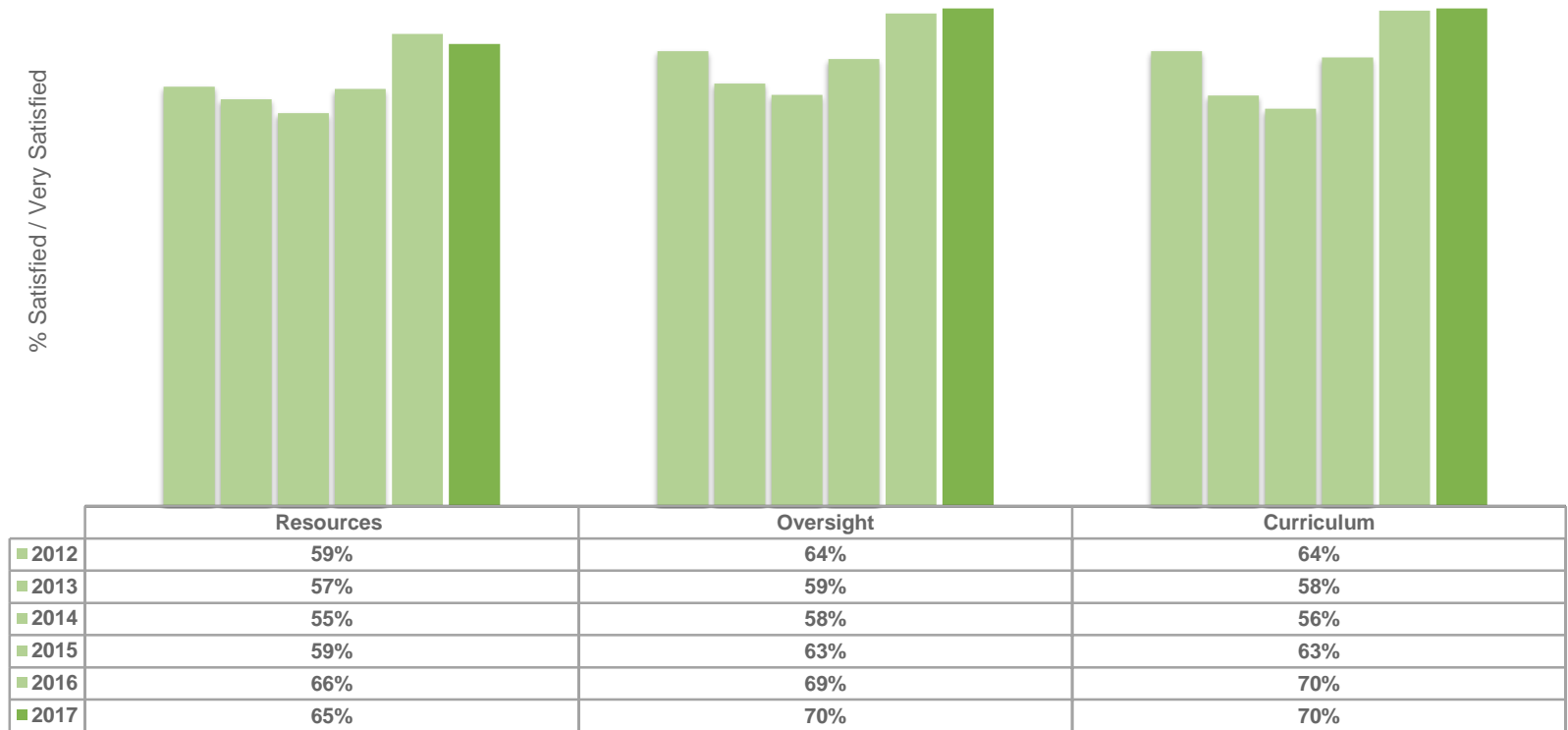
Sample Size and Response Rates

		Number of Respondents	Total Number Invited	Response Rate
Citywide				
Borough	Brooklyn	334	489	68%
	Manhattan	221	311	71%
	Queens	252	359	70%
	Staten Island	52	77	68%
	Bronx	232	383	61%
School Type	Early Childhood & Pre-K Centers	21	36	58%
	Elementary School	458	634	72%
	Junior High - Intermediate - Middle School	174	264	66%
	High School	256	406	63%
	K-12 school	28	35	80%
	K-8 school	99	155	64%
	Secondary School	55	89	62%
Total		1,091	1,619	67%

Satisfaction with the Panel for Educational Policy

How satisfied are you with the performance of the citywide Panel for Educational Policy with regard to school:

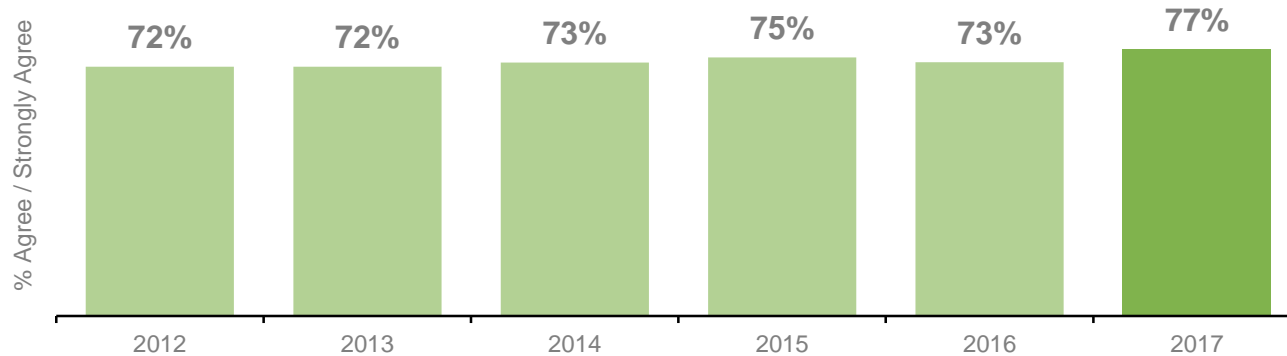
- Resources
- Oversight
- Curriculum



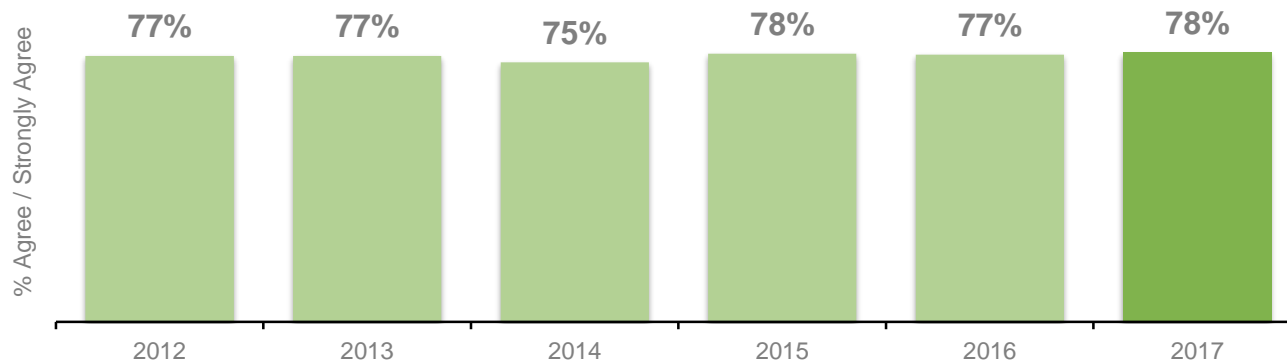
Satisfaction with the Department

How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the DOE?

The DOE helps me attain my overall goals for my school.



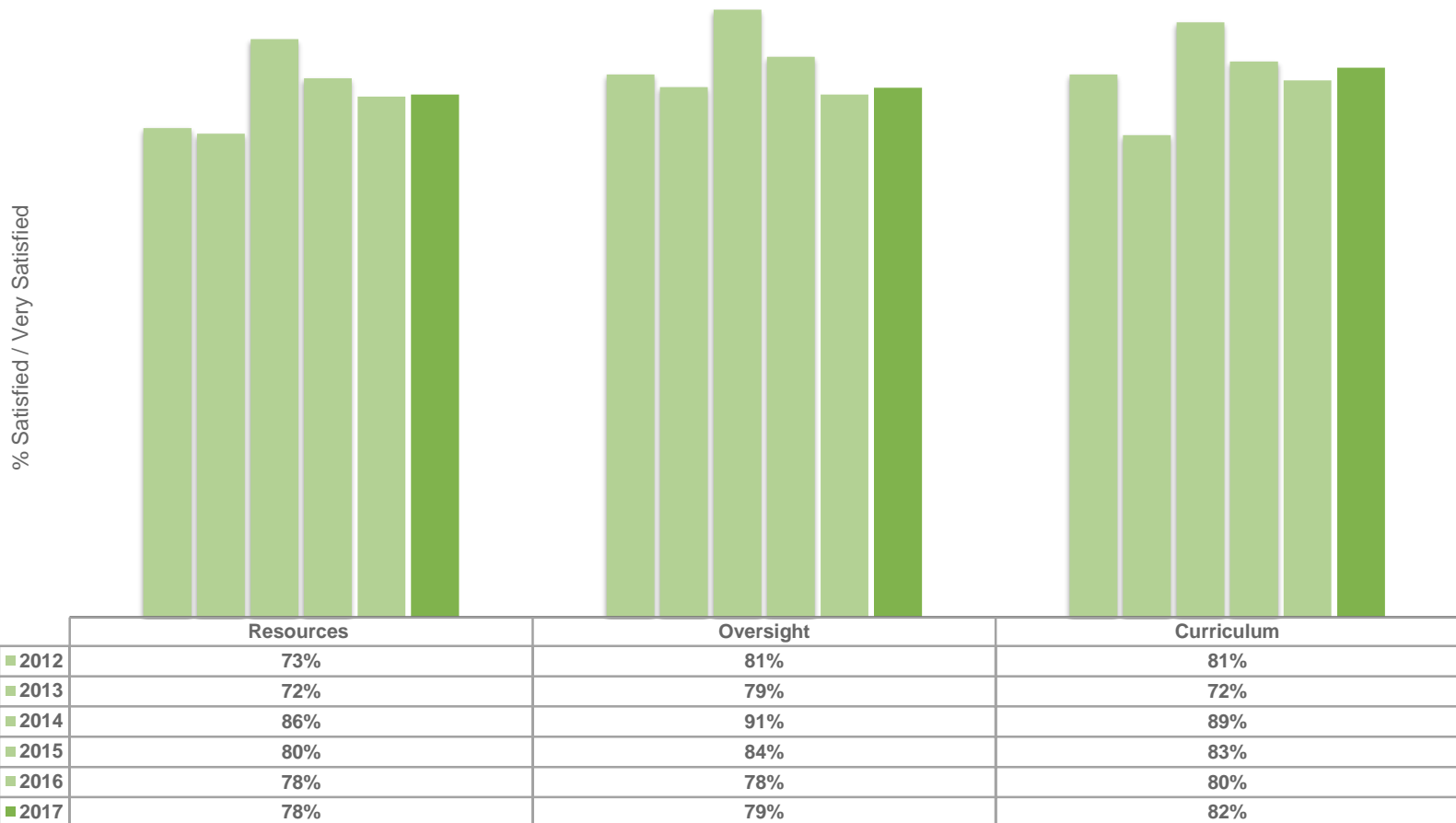
The DOE helps me set clear measures of progress for student achievement.



Satisfaction with the Chancellor

How satisfied are you with the performance of the Schools Chancellor, Carmen Fariña, with regard to school:

- Resources
- Oversight
- Curriculum



Trust

For the following question, Central DOE refers to the Chancellor, Deputy Chancellors, and their staff. You will be asked about Superintendents in a separate question.

How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

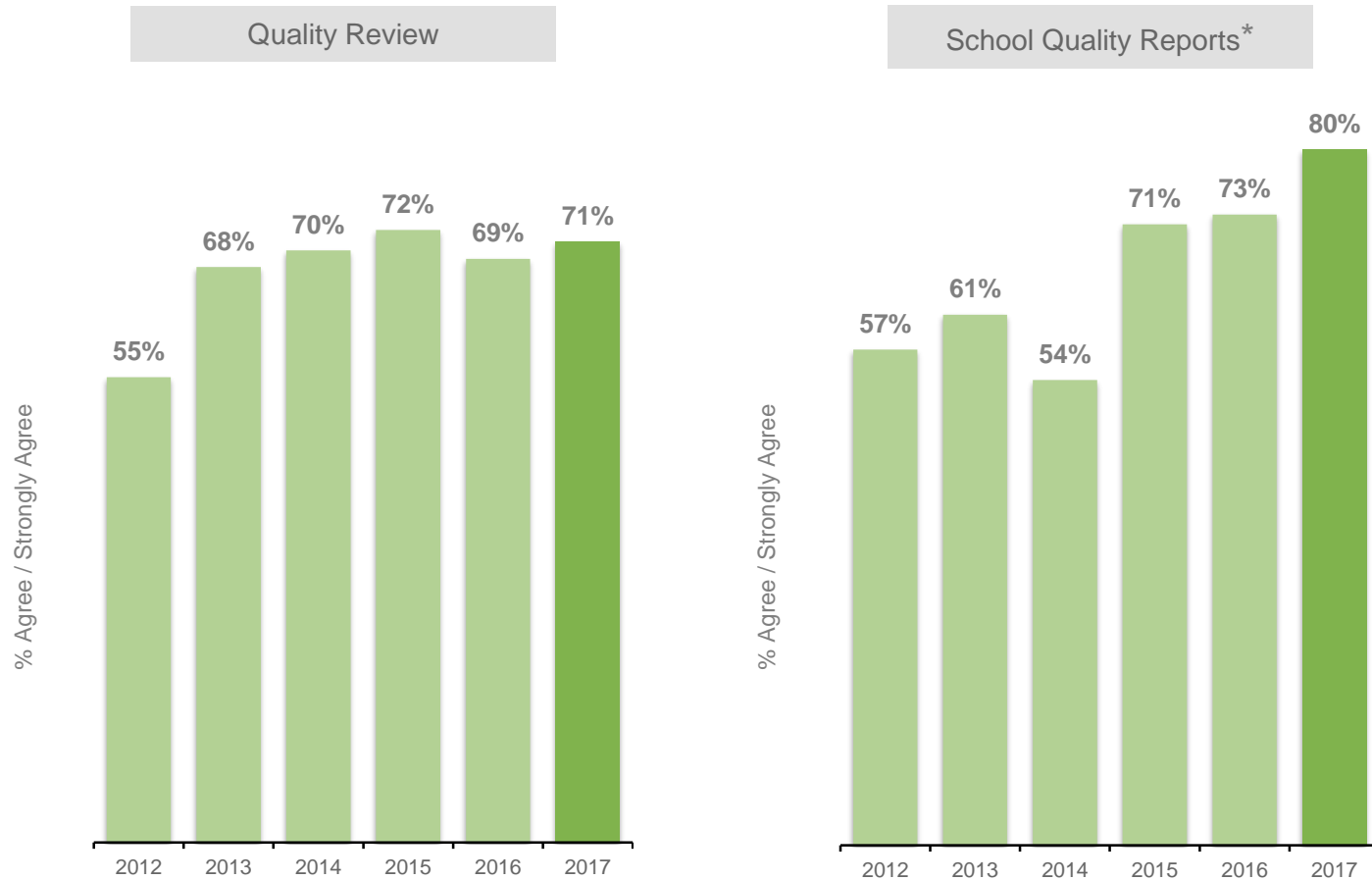
Percent of principals selecting agree or strongly agree:

	2015	2016	2017
I trust Central DOE Employees (<i>ex: Chancellor, Deputy Chancellors, and their staff</i>) to provide assistance to me and my school.	71%	73%	74%
I feel respected by Central DOE employees.	72%	75%	75%
Central DOE employees have confidence in the expertise of principals.	68%	68%	69%
Central DOE employees place the needs of children ahead of personal and political interests.	66%	67%	67%
The Chancellor is an effective manager who makes the NYC DOE run smoothly.	84%	80%	83%
I trust the Chancellor at her word.	87%	82%	82%

Division of Teaching and Learning

Performance Measurement Tools

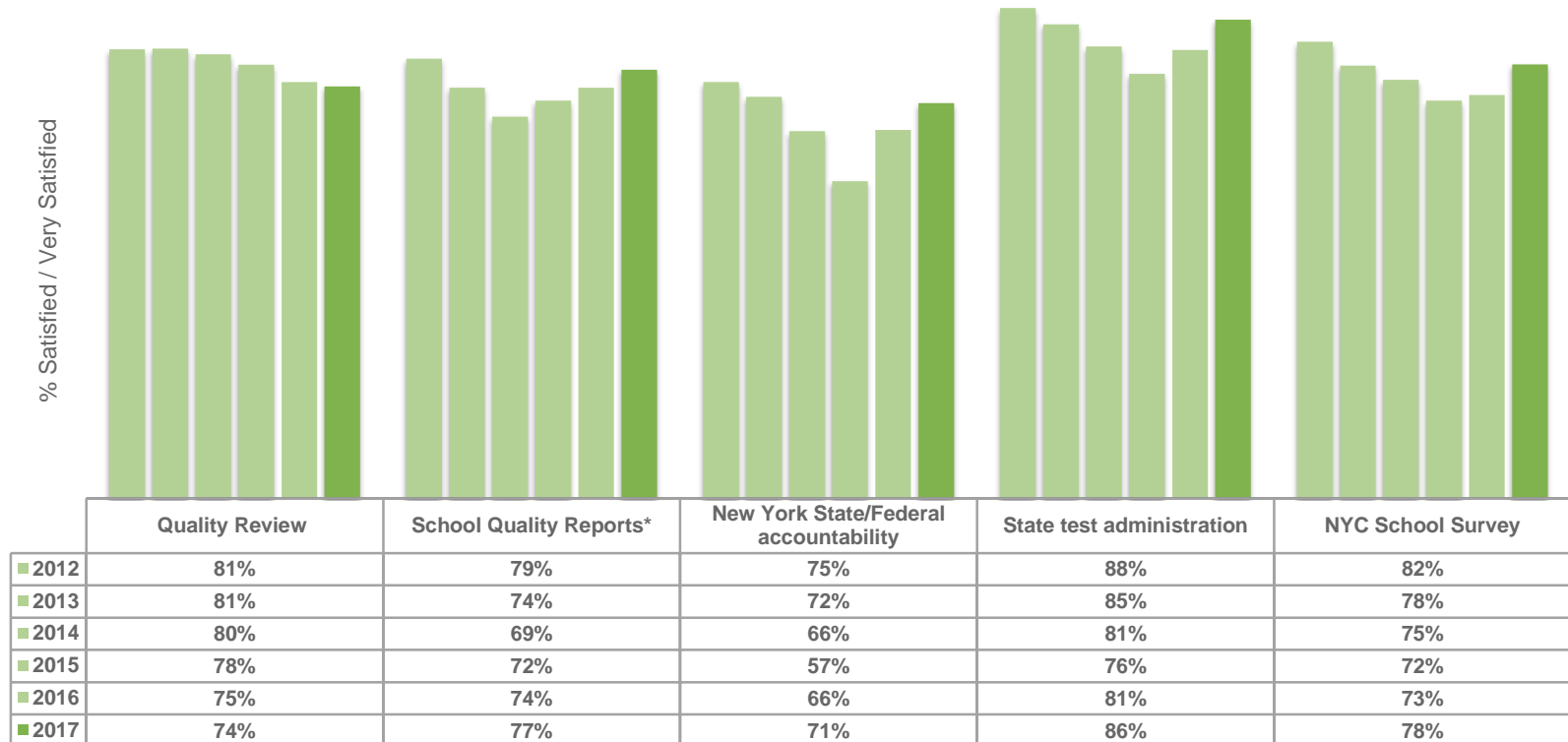
How much do you agree or disagree that the following tools or processes have helped improve student outcomes in your school?



Satisfaction with Accountability Tools

How satisfied are you with the quality of support you have received with respect to...

- Quality Review?
- School Quality Reports?*
- New York State/Federal accountability?
- State test administration?
- NYC School Survey?



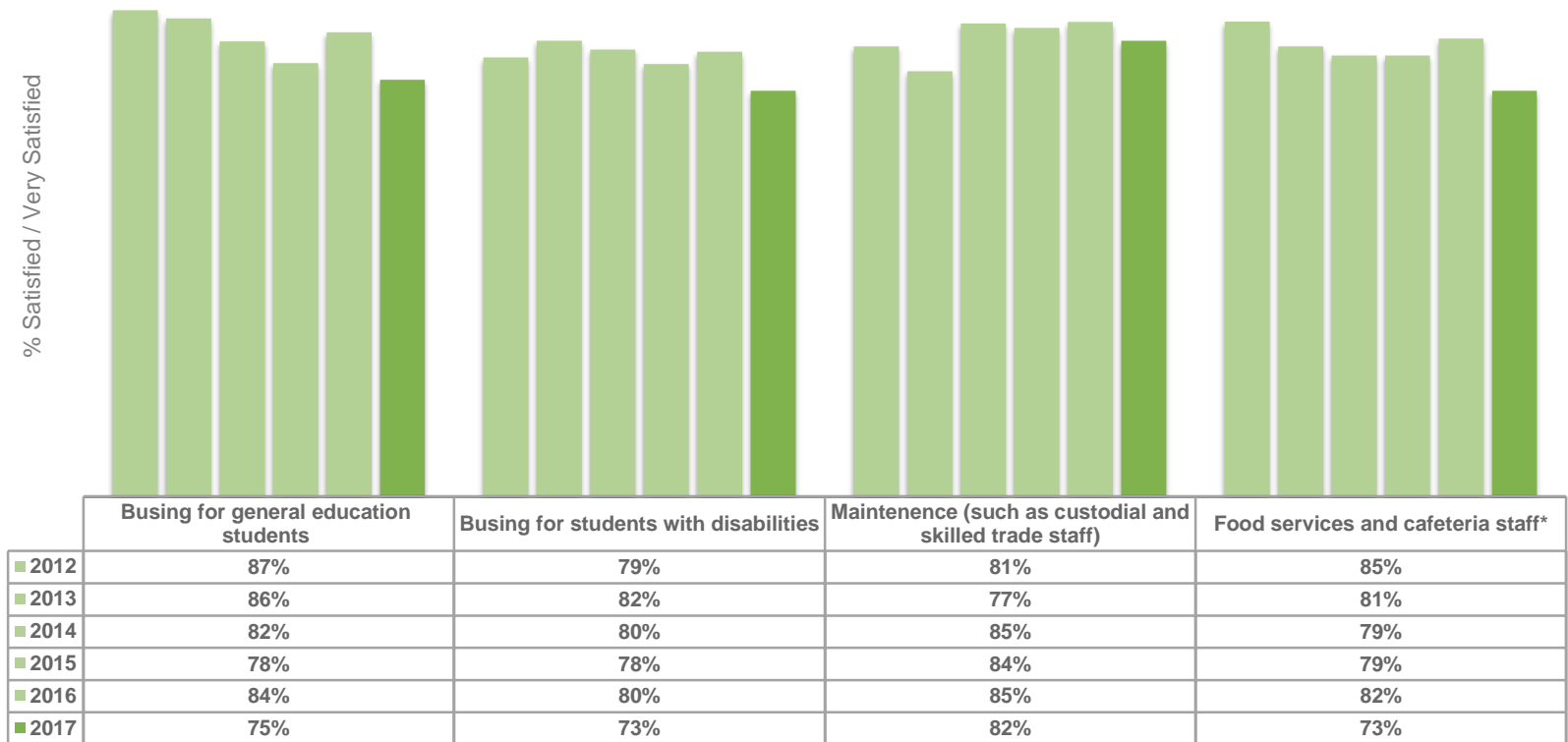
Division of Operations

Satisfaction with Food, Facilities, and Transportation

How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with each of the following?

- Busing for general education students
- Busing for students with disabilities

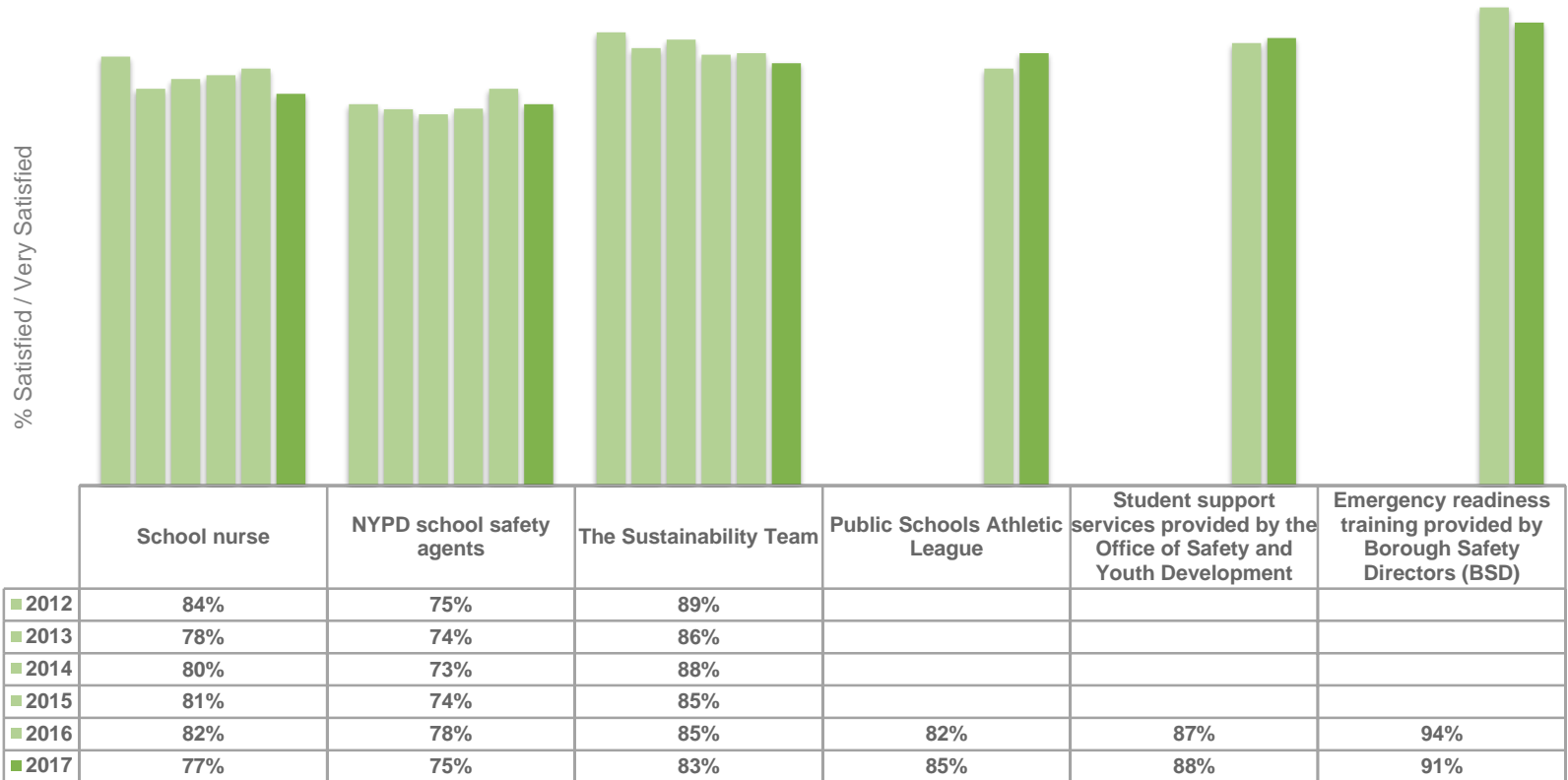
- Maintenance (such as custodial and skilled trade staff)
- Food services and cafeteria staff*



Satisfaction with Health and Safety

How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with each of the following?

- School nurse
- NYPD school safety agents
- The Sustainability Team (Custodian, Engineer/Building Manager, Sustainability Coordinator, etc) for recycling and energy conservation
- Public Schools Athletic League*
- Student support services provided by the Office of Safety and Youth Development*
- Emergency readiness training provided by Borough Safety Directors (BSD)*



Office of School Support and Supervision & Office of Field Support

School Support

The following questions are about your Superintendent and school support services.

How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

Percent of principals selecting agree or strongly agree:

	2015	2016	2017
I feel respected by the Superintendent of my school.	92%	91%	91%
The Superintendent has confidence in the expertise of the administration at my school.	91%	90%	89%
I trust the Superintendent of my school at his or her word.	91%	90%	89%
It is OK to discuss feelings, worries, and frustrations with the Superintendent of my school.	86%	84%	85%
The Superintendent of my school takes a personal interest in the professional development of my school's administration.	87%	89%	90%

Combined Field & School Support

Please indicate your level of satisfaction with the support your school received in 2016-17*

Percent of principals selecting satisfied or very satisfied:

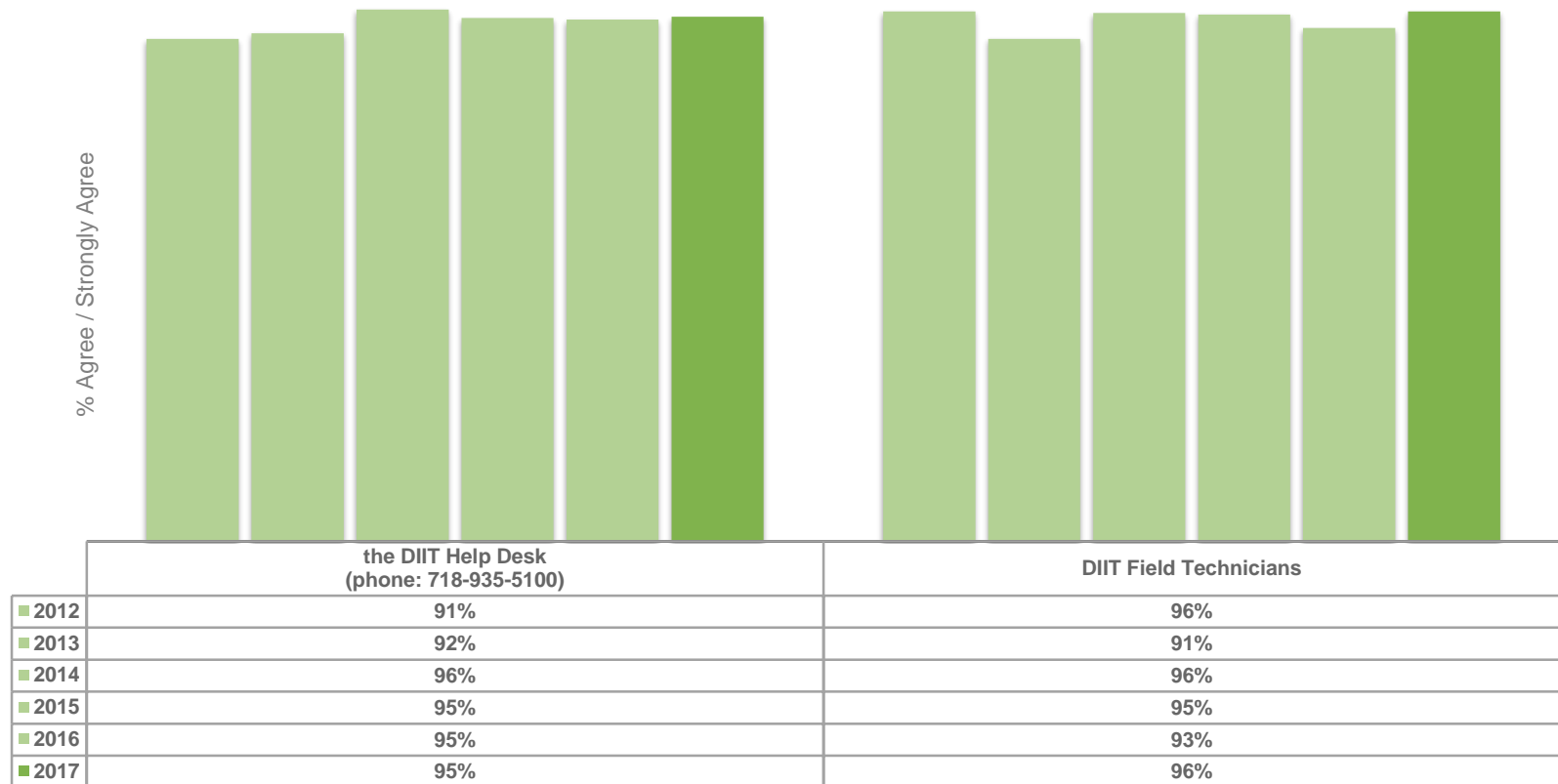
	2017
English Language Learners Compliance*	85%
English Language Learners Instruction*	85%
Students with Disabilities Compliance*	86%
Students with Disabilities Instruction*	82%
ELA Instruction*	89%
Math Instruction*	89%
Social Studies Instruction*	86%
Science Instruction*	84%
Business Services (including Budget, Payroll, Procurement, Human Resources)*	89%
Academic Policy, Systems, Performance, and Assessment*	91%
Operations (including Transportation, Facilities, School Food, Summer in the City)*	87%
Student Services (including Guidance, School Climate and Culture, Health, Attendance, Crisis & Safety)*	89%
Advance (NYC's system for teacher development and evaluation)*	94%

Division of Instructional & Information Technology

Satisfaction with Technology Services

How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements? I get the support I need from...

- the DIIT Help Desk (phone: 718-935-5100)
- DIIT Field Technicians



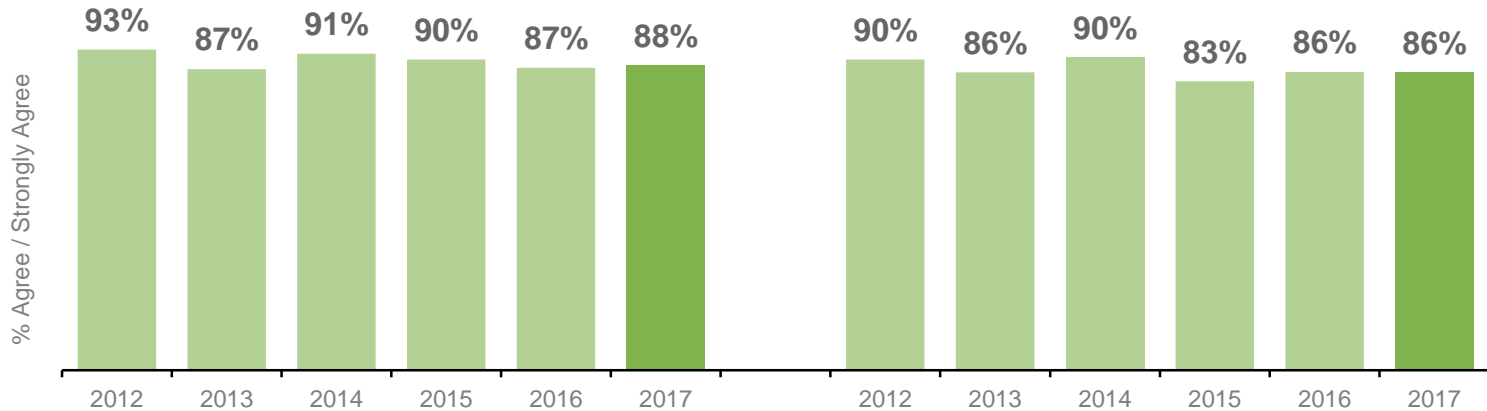
Office of the General Counsel

Satisfaction with Legal, Compliance, and Audit

How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

Legal staff responds to questions and/or requests in a timely manner.

I get the help I need with audits.



Percent of principals selecting agree or strongly agree:

	2015	2016	2017
I get the help I need from my Senior Field Counsel.	93%	91%	93%
My compliance officer is readily available and responds to my inquiries in a timely fashion.	94%	93%	93%
I know which legal team and/or attorney to contact when legal issues arise.	92%	92%	94%