

LGBT+ WORKPLACE INCLUSION SURVEY

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Workplace Inclusion
Survey covers
6 key facets of
inclusivity in
companies.



Inclusive policies

Implementing anti-discrimination policies in the workplace

- Has an anti-discrimination policy based on sexual orientation and gender identity and expression, practiced in the Philippines
- Provides mechanisms for LGBT+ employees to raise concerns if they experience discrimination in the workplace



Inclusive benefits

Providing benefits to meet the needs of LGBT+ employees

- Provides equivalent benefits to married different-sex couples and same-sex domestic partners in terms of medical and familyrelated benefits, group life insurance among others
- Implements or offers transgenderinclusive practices and benefits such as, but not limited to, genderneutral restrooms, transitionrelated medical benefits and social transitioning.



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Organizational support

Enabling Diversity, Equity & Inclusion (DEI) through organizational leadership and membership in a local LGBT+ network group

- Has a dedicated DEI leader accountable for overall strategy
- Is led by executives and leaders who identify as members of the LGBT+ community and/or allies, serving as role models to employees
- Is part of and engages with a local LGBT+ network group whose objectives are aligned with corporate D&I strategy



Technology for inclusion

Harnessing technology and data to enable and support DEI strategies

- Has an HR System that is enabled for LGBT+ self-identification, chosen name and pronoun declaration
- Has LGBT+ inclusion strategies driven by data collected over time



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Education & enablement

Promoting a DEI mindset in the workplace to support LGBT+ career growth

- Embeds inclusion topics in leadership and management trainings such as unconscious bias, inclusive leadership
- Provides a wide range of DEI trainings in the workplace--from general DEI topics to allyship and LGBT-specific themes; provides upskilling opportunities to aid the career development of LGBT+ employees



Social responsibility & thought leadership

Ensuring that DEI is not limited to the confines of the workplace

- Expresses public support to LGBT+ inclusion through different channels
- Provides funding to support external CSR activities for the LGBT+ community
- Proactively influences the workplace culture of clients, suppliers and other stakeholders to be LGBT+ inclusive

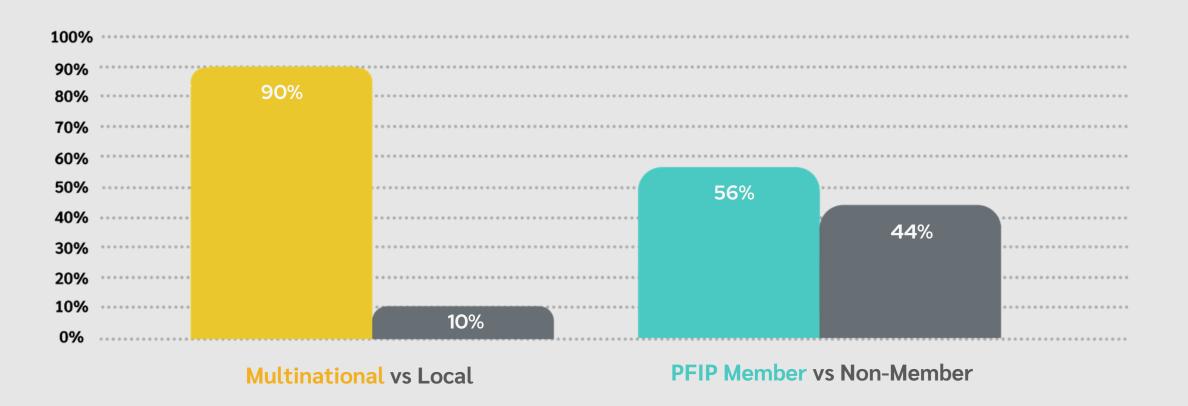


Respondent Profiles

Survey participants

Almost all of the 104 respondents are multinational companies.

More than half of the respondents are PFIP member firms.



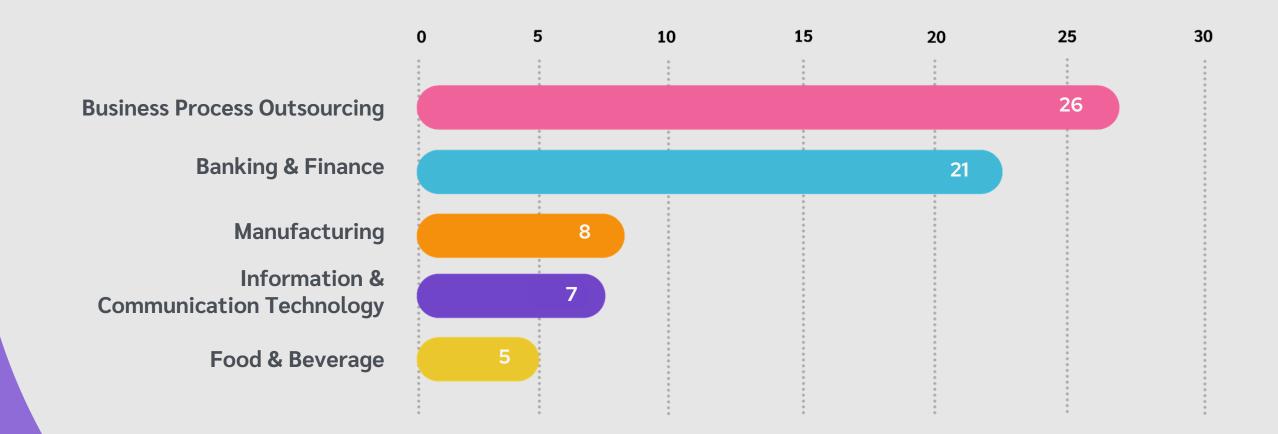


Respondent Profiles

Respondent companies by industry

22 different industries are represented in the survey.

Below are the 5 industries with the most respondent companies.







Public Support and CSR

Inclusive Benefits

Community Ties

DEI Strategies

Empowerment

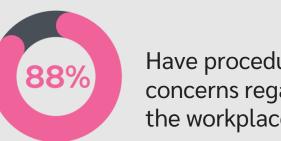
Executive Summary

Majority of the respondents have anti-discrimination policies on the basis of both sexual orientation and gender identity & expression.

Most have also publicly expressed their support to LGBT+ inclusion.

Implementing inclusive policies

86% of the respondent companies have anti-discrimination policies for both sexual orientation and gender identity & expression, while 88% said their procedures in place allows LGBT+ employees to raise concerns if they experience discrimination in the workplace.



Have procedures in place to raise concerns regarding discrimination in the workplace.



Practice anti-discrimination policies



Have anti-discrimination policies for both sexual orientation and gender identity & expression

Figure 1. Inclusive policies

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Walking the talk – public support and CSR

88% of companies surveyed publicly express their support to LGBT+ inclusion. Majority of the respondents also said that they fund LGBT+ related CSR activities and encourage inclusivity among their clients and customers.

70%

Funds external CSR activities for the LGBT+ community

56%

Influences corporate clients to enable workplace cultures to be LGBT+ inclusive

55%

Promotes LGBT+ inclusion in products and services that company sells

Figure 2. Initiatives on social responsibility



More than half of the respondents offer inclusive benefits to samesex domestic partners. There is still room for growth in transgenderinclusive practices.

Providing equivalent benefits for same-sex domestic partners and married different-sex couples

75% of the respondents say that they offer equivalent benefits for married different-sex couples and same-sex domestic partners in terms of medical benefits. On the other hand, only 50% observe this equivalence in terms of group life insurance.

Over half (55%) responded that same-sex domestic partners are considered as immediate family members for purposes of other benefits.



Figure 3. Equivalent benefits for married differentsex couples and same sex domestic partners

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Extending inclusive benefits to transgender employees

63% of the respondents say that they recognize chosen name and pronouns of transgender employees.

Almost 30% have yet to implement at least one transgender inclusive practice.

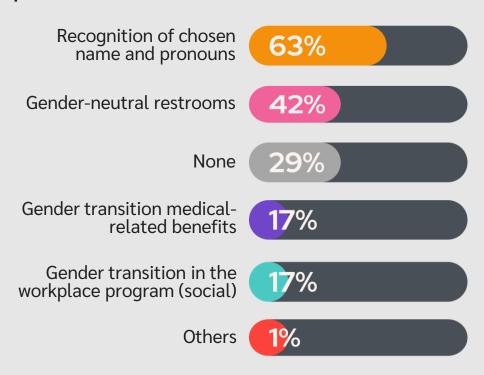


Figure 4. Types of transgender inclusive practices and benefits provided to employees



Almost two-thirds of the respondents have leaders who enable DEI policies in the workplace. Over half have LGBT+ networks for employees.

Driving DEI inclusion through leadership

At least 64% of the respondents have leaders that have come out as members of the LGBT+ community or as allies, serving as role models to employees. They drive inclusion and are accountable for DEI targets.



Figure 5. Leaders driving D&I initiatives

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Fostering community ties

58% of the respondents have LGBT+ networks for employees.

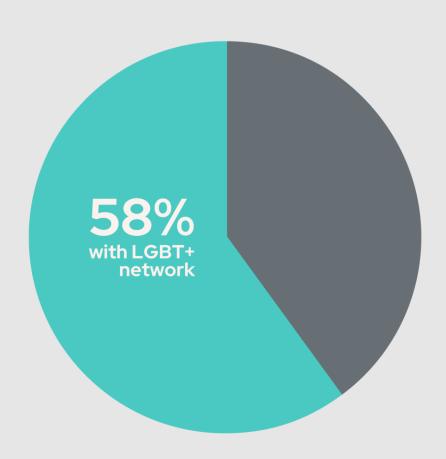


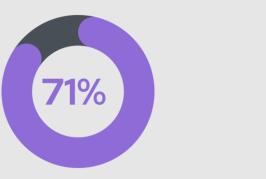
Figure 6. Respondents with LGBT+ network for employees



More than half of the respondents allow employees to declare their chosen names and pronouns in emails, company directory and in the HR system. Half collects data for D&I strategies.

Providing option to declare chosen names and pronouns

More than half of the respondents allow employees to declare their chosen names and pronouns in systems like emails and company directory.



Option to declare chosen name in tech systems



Option to declare pronouns

Figure 7. Options for identification in company systems

Providing option to declare chosen names and pronouns

46%

of the respondents have their HR system enabled for LGBT+ self-identification and declaration of chosen name and pronouns.

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Having data-driven DEI strategies

Exactly half of the respondents has an LGBT+ inclusion strategy driven by data collected over time.

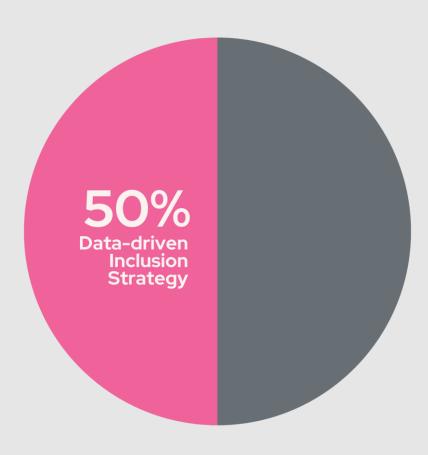


Figure 8. Respondents having datadriven inclusion strategies



Most respondents offer standard trainings on DEI topics. Allyship for leaders and career advancement for LGBT+ employees are areas for potential expansion of training themes.

Opening opportunities for learning and enablement

More than 80% offer general DEI trainings and incorporate inclusion topics such as unconscious bias and inclusive leadership in management trainings. 62% of the respondents offer LGBT+ specific trainings. Less than half offer allyship trainings.

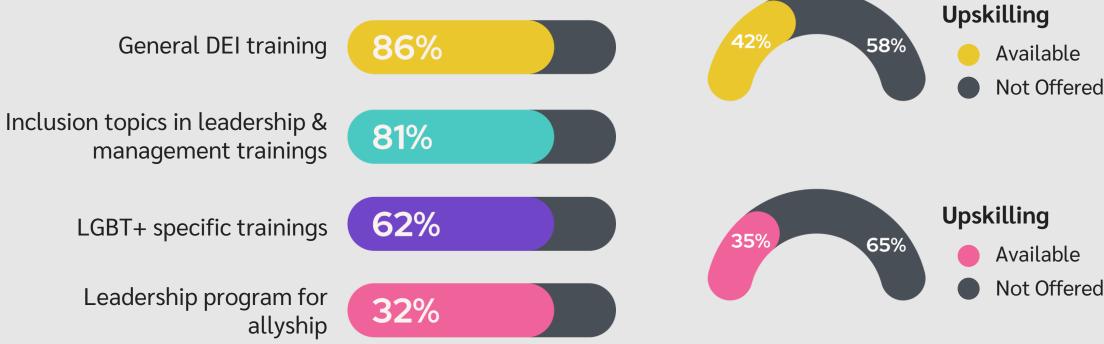


Figure 9. D&I training opportunities in the workplace

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Empowering LGBT+ employees and leaders

35% and 32% of the respondents offer upskilling programs for the career development of LGBT+ employees and mentoring programs specific to LGBT+ emerging leaders, respectively.



Figure 8. Upskilling and mentoring availability for LGBT+ employees and leaders





Survey Results

Inclusive Policies

Inclusive Benefits

Organizational Support for LGBT+ Inclusion

Technology for Inclusion

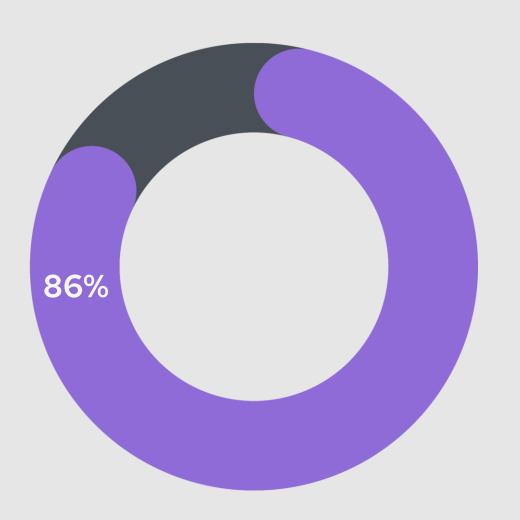
Education and Enablement

Inclusive Social Responsibility and Thought Leadership



Inclusive Policies

Anti-discrimination policies



86%

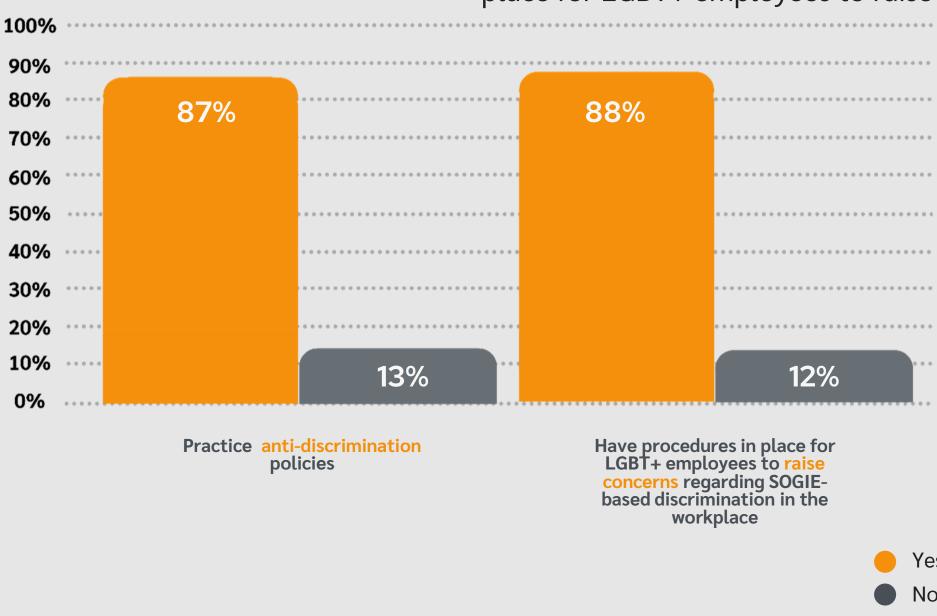
of respondent companies have anti-discrimination policies for both sexual orientation (SO) and gender identity & expression (GIE).



Inclusive Policies

Policy implementation and case management

Almost all of our respondent companies implement anti-discrimination policies and have procedures in place for LGBT+ employees to raise concerns.

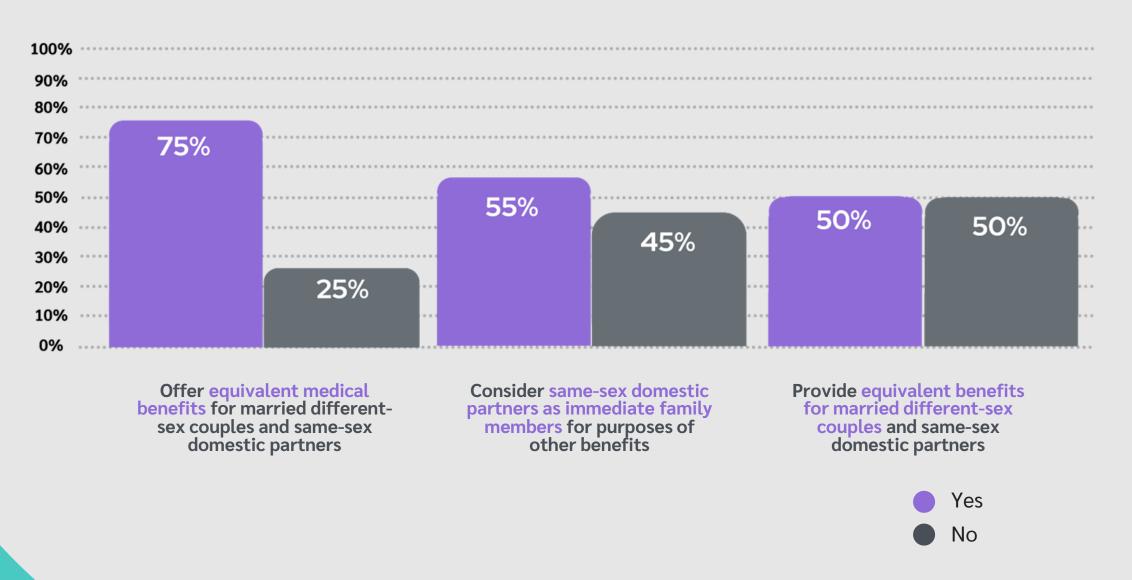




Inclusive Benefits

Benefits for same-sex domestic partners

Respondents offer equivalent benefits for samesex domestic partners.

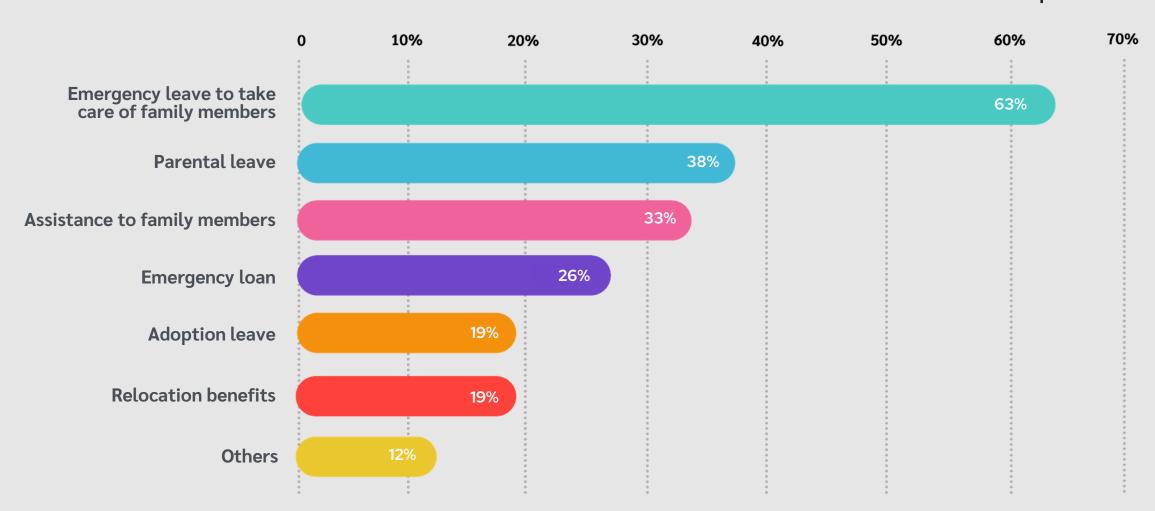




Inclusive Benefits

Family-related benefits for same-sex domestic partners

Close to two-thirds of the respondents provide emergency leave for a sick family member to same-sex domestic partners.



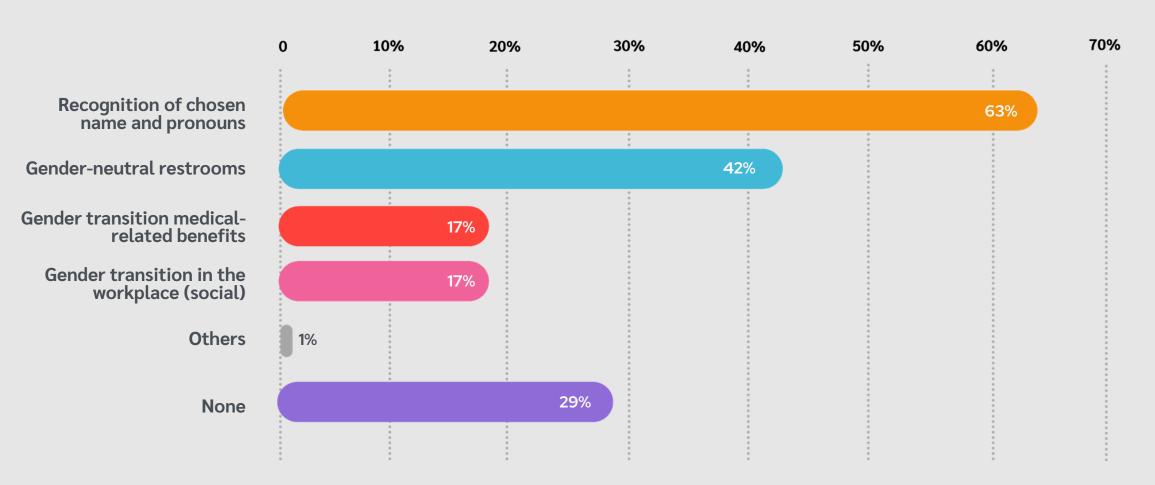


Inclusive Benefits

Benefits for same-sex domestic partners

63% of the respondent companies recognize chosen name and pronouns of transgender employees.

However, 29% have yet to implement any transgender-inclusive practice.





Organizational Support for LGBT+ Inclusion

Leadership support and LGBT+ visibility and representation

At least 64% of the respondent companies have leaders that are members of the LGBT+ community who are driving inclusion and are accountable for D&I targets. 58% have LGBT+ networks.



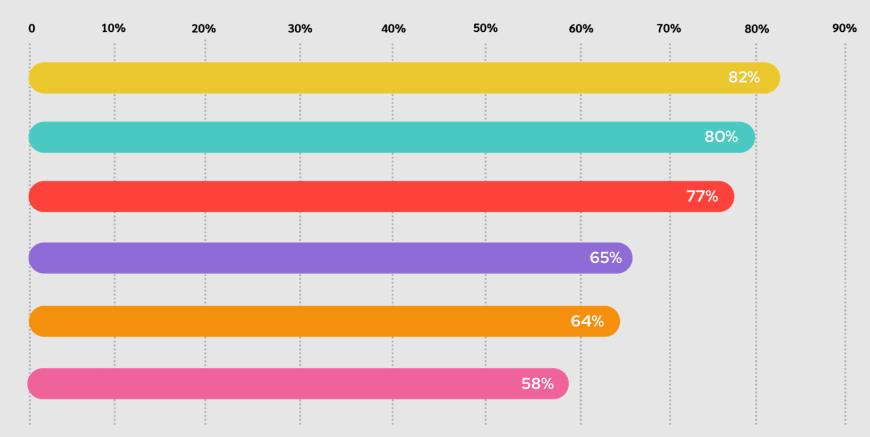
Have executive-level allies serving as role models to employees

Have a dedicated DEI leader accountable for overall DEI strategy

Have leaders accountable to deliver DEI targets

Have LGBT+ members in executive levels serving as role models to employees

Have an LGBT+ network for employees in the Philippines





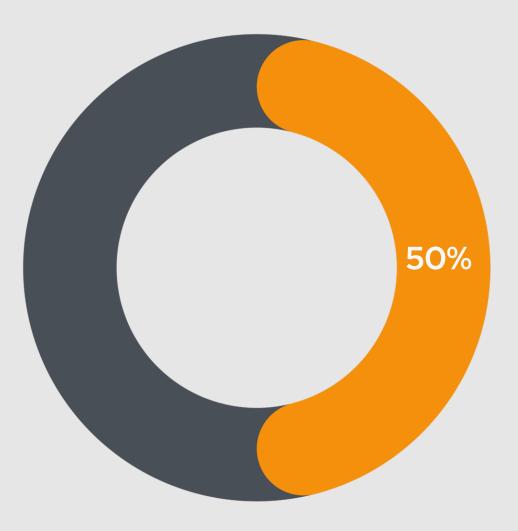
Technology for Inclusion

On data-driven LGBT+ inclusion strategy

Respondent companies use systems to empower employees by declaring chosen names and identities.

50%

of the respondents declare that they are using data collected over time to drive their LGBT+ inclusion strategy

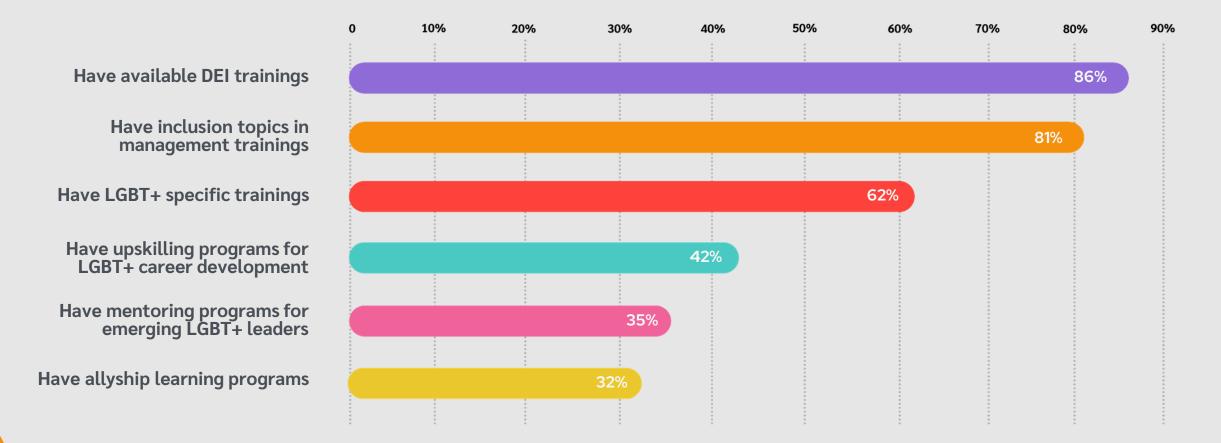




Education and Enablement

On DEI education and professional development for LGBT+ talents

Respondent companies provide opportunities to educate employees and management on LGBT+ topics to drive allyship and to promote the career growth of LGBT+ employees and leaders.

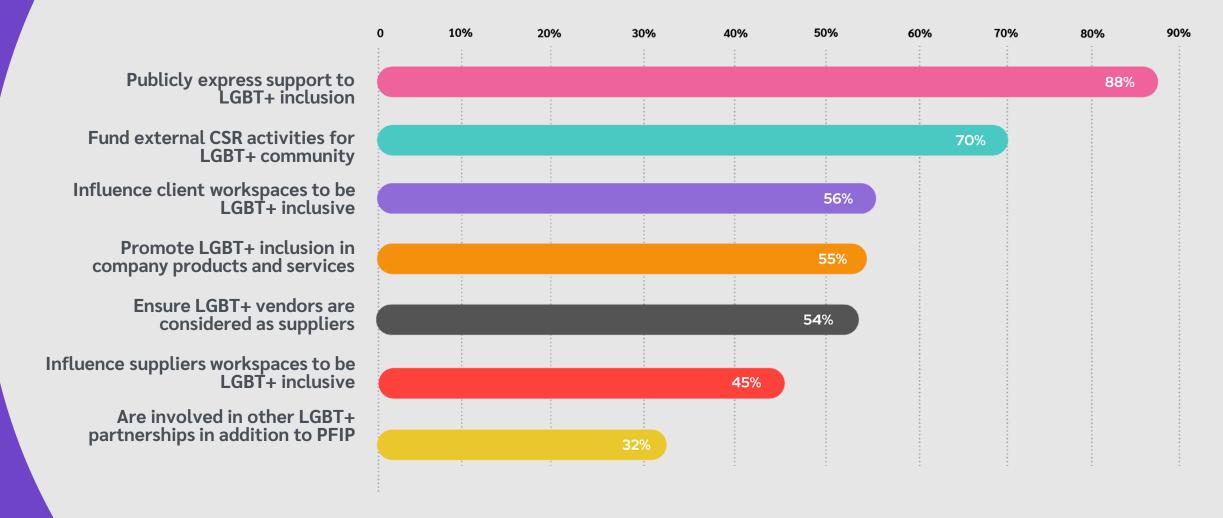




Social Responsibility and Thought Leadership

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About the PFIP

The Philippine Financial & Inter-Industry Pride (PFIP) is a SEC-registered non-stock, non-profit association for and by Filipino LGBT+ professionals. We are the preeminent LGBT+ organization from the corporate pride community in the Philippines.

Founded in October 2013, PFIP has over 50 member firms from multiple industries nationwide—all equal opportunity employers and proudly LGBT+ inclusive business organizations. We are the leading voice and champion of LGBT+ workplace inclusion, promoting safe and inclusive workplaces for all talents regardless of their SOGIESC.

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Limitless career options for Filipino LGBT+ professionals

Our Vision

A truly free, wholly just and fully equal society where LGBT+ professionals are able to bring their most authentic selves to their chosen workplace without fear or worry

Workplaces transformed into creativity and innovation hubs that celebrate individuality and embrace diverse ways of thinking

SOGIESC education is institutionalized as part of standard corporate training and onboarding

LGBT+ visibility and representation in all levels of the organization across multiple industries



We are the leading voice and champion of LGBT+ workplace inclusion in the Philippines.

Our Mission

Serve as a collegial and advisory body for the Pride networks of member firms to align and evolve diversity, equality and inclusion (DEI) targets and strategies, share industry-leading best practices and provide avenues for cooperation and collaboration

Promote policies and programs that foster a culture of inclusion and belonging, and enable more safe, welcoming spaces for all talents—regardless of their sexual orientation, gender identity and expression and sexual characteristics (SOGIESC)

Provide professional development and career advancement opportunities for current and emerging self-identifying LGBT+ leaders to help build more diverse and inclusive talent pipelines and ensure LGBT+ visibility and representation cross all levels of the business organization;

Connect business with advocacy to drive initiatives that positively impact the broader LGBT+ community and the Philippine society at large



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