

## How Are Manufacturing Companies Addressing the Great Resignation?

Talent shortages are a top issue faced by **86 percent** of the HR professionals that responded to our eighth global HR pulse survey (conducted in December 2021 and January 2022 with 812 participants). What's more, **three-quarters say they are losing key skills** to remain agile and adaptable for the future. Here's a snapshot of how manufacturing companies are accelerating workforce change to address **rising turnover challenges** in today's labor market.

## Why are people on the move?



Percentage of companies that attribute rising **turnover** rates to:

- 78% better career opportunities
- 77% higher pay

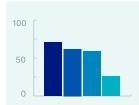


**45% of manufacturing companies** are increasing their overall salary budgets in response to the **competitive talent market** and **high inflation**. Of these companies, salaries increased by:<sup>1</sup>

- 4.5% for those that raised their budget
- 3.5% for those that did not raise their budget

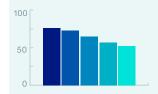


Manufacturing companies report that turnover for **hourly workers** is 67% higher than average turnover for all employee groups. While hourly workers are difficult to retain, technical and product development roles are cited as the most difficult to source.



To address hiring and retention challenges, businesses across industries are adjusting:

- 71% total rewards (compensation and benefits)
- 62% culture and diversity programs
- 59% skills and development (upskilling and promotions)
- 26% workforce agility (gig workers, acquisitions)



For manufacturing companies, **employee value propositions** will remain front and center in 2022.

- 76% will offer hybrid working options.
- 73% will offer flexible hours.
- 65% plan to improve training opportunities.
- 57% will focus on open communication around career tracts.
- 52% will offer preference polls to better understand their employees.

<sup>1</sup>Aon's Human Capital Solutions Pulse Survey: Salary Increase and Inflation, February 2022

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