

At the start of 2024, SHRM launched the Civility Index to gauge the current climate of civility across the U.S. This pulse report is part of a continuous effort to track and understand trends in civility within U.S. society and workplaces.

CIVILITY **INDEX SCORE**

The current SHRM Civility Index score is 49.7, marking a 7.4-point increase since the Q1 2024 findings. This is the highest recorded score in 2024. The rise underscores an urgent call for businesses and individuals to enact real change in their workplaces and communities.



INCIVILITY IS STILL ON THE RISE

U.S. workers are experiencing more daily acts of incivility in their everyday lives since the beginning of 2024.







PER MINUTE



PER HOUR

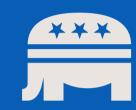


THIS MARKS A 30% INCREASE SINCE SHRM'S Q1 FINDINGS.



POLITICS AT WORK:

The top contributor to incivility in everyday life and in the workplace



in workers reporting that differences in political viewpoints contribute to workplace incivility.

Politics continues to fuel incivility. Compared to the beginning of 2024, there has been a 51% increase

U.S. workers who believe civility will worsen in 2025 most commonly cite the following factors for the anticipated decline:



2024 U.S. GENERAL **ELECTION RESULTS**







WORKERS WANT CHANGE

OF U.S. WORKERS

believe incivility in the U.S. will worsen in 2025.

believe it is important or very important for their company to make efforts to address civil discourse at work in 2025.

OF U.S. WORKERS

said it is likely they will

leave their job in 2025 because of incivility.

Do you have a plan for your organization?

THE WORKPLACE

INCIVILITY +

feeling the heat.

As tensions rise, workplaces are

the workplace.

of incivility occur in

56% OF DAILY ACTS

74% OF WORKERS

believe that their manager cares

68% OF WORKERS

more about business objectives than how people are treated in the workplace.

agreed that their manager or supervisor could have done more to prevent incivility at work.

Incivility carries a hefty price tag for businesses—and it's getting pricier.

THE REAL COST OF INCIVILITY

THE COLLECTIVE DAILY LOSS BY U.S. ORGANIZATIONS FROM REDUCED PRODUCTIVITY AND ABSENTEEISM DUE TO INCIVILITY.

OF NEARLY \$600 MILLION COMPARED TO Q3.

THIS REPRESENTS AN AVERAGE DAILY INCREASE

INCIVILITY UNCHECKED

INCIVILITY **BREAK** THE CYCLE Workers who experience incivility in their everyday lives commit over twice as many uncivil acts than workers who do not. **BECOMES UNCIVIL** TOWARD OTHERS

EXPERIENCES

30%

of workers said they reported the uncivil incident to HR or to a manager.

incivility they encounter.

For both everyday life and in the workplace, workers are most likely to say they respond to incivility by removing themselves from the uncivil situation or ignoring the

OUR SOCIETY IS UNCIVIL In the current political climate, it's our collective duty to foster workplaces that prioritize civility and respect.

U.S. WORKERS BELIEVE

MORE THAN HALF OF

We may not always see eye to eye, but we can be champions of civility and work together to end the cycle, one conversation at a time.



Source: SHRM Q4 Civility Index, December 2024.