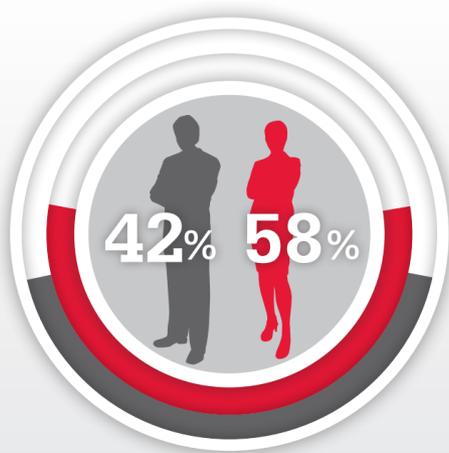


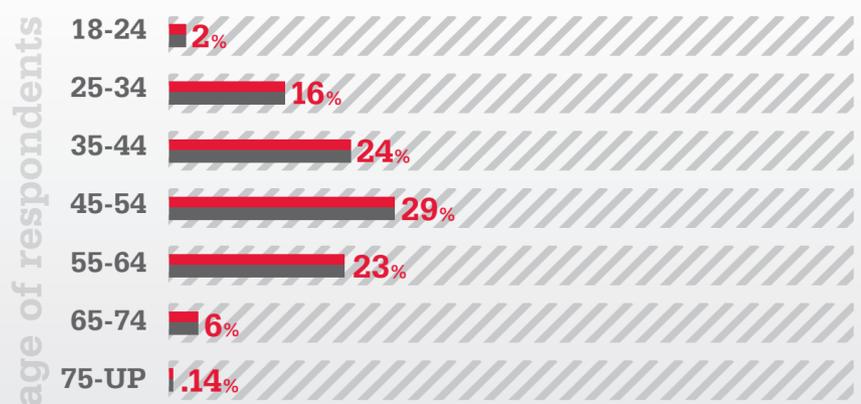
TRUST & BETRAYAL

The working world is a competitive place, and from outright betrayal to good, old-fashioned sucking up to the boss, if they've been working long, odds are most people have encountered someone playing dirty to get ahead.

What can this tell us about the nature of the modern workplace? Is the only way to climb the ladder to step on a few fingers along the way? Or is this a case of a few rotten apples spoiling the whole bunch? To find out, we asked more than 700 people whether they trusted the people with whom they work, and whether or not those people should trust them.



Demographics



We trust the people with whom we work, but not **implicitly**.

74%

said they trust their coworkers

70%

said they trust their boss

68%

are more guarded around coworkers than friends and family

Most of us have been betrayed, but are **unwilling to play the game ourselves**.



On the one hand, these results indicate that most people are appropriately trusting of their colleagues and superiors, and don't intend to behave dishonestly in order to get ahead.

On the other hand, these results indicate that a small number of deceitful people can have a tremendous impact on their coworkers.

For more information about what drives these individuals to betray their coworkers, and what companies can do to identify them, check out our complimentary eBook, [Trust and Betrayal](#).

