Top 10 Tips to Make 'Working From Home' Actually Work

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Agenda For Today

- Introductions
- Current state of remote work
- Why implementing a remote work policy is important
- 10 tips for a successful remote work program
- Live Q&A
- SHRM Code



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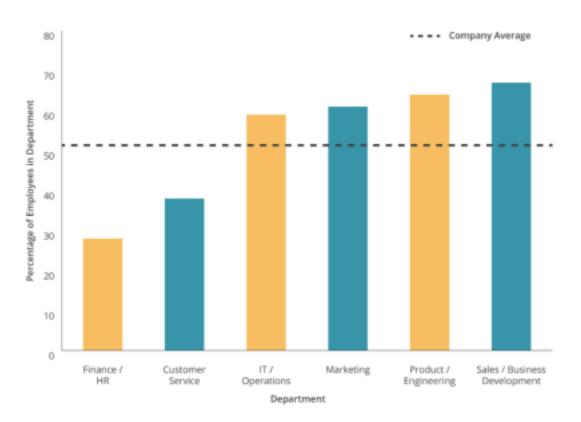
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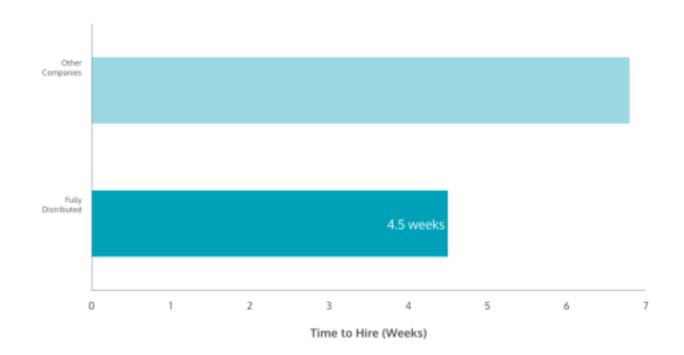
Remote work is no longer a perk, it's the new norm.

52% of employees work remotely once per week.



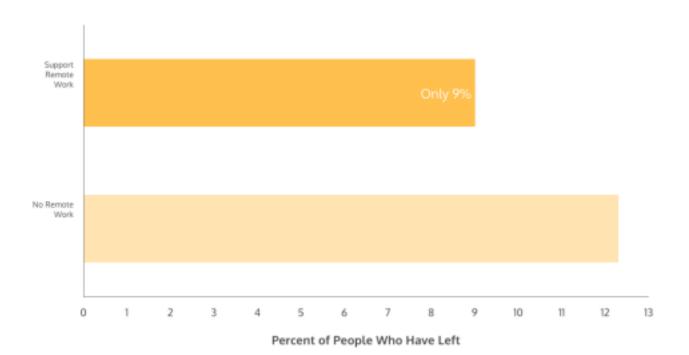


Fully distributed companies take 33% less time to hire new employees.





Companies that support remote work have 25% lower employee turnover.





Why Implement a Remote Work Policy

- Employees are already taking advantage of this "perk"
- Gives companies a competitive advantage
- Meets the demands of a younger workforce
- Boosts employee morale
- Remote work is the future of work





But how do I make 'working from home' actually work?

Consider The Structure Of Your Remote Work Plan

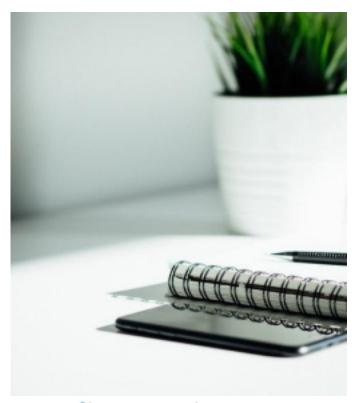
What will your remote work structure look like?

- Flexible work benefit
- Some full-time remote workers

- Full remote workforce
- Transitioning HQ employees to remote workers



Rethink Hiring Strategy

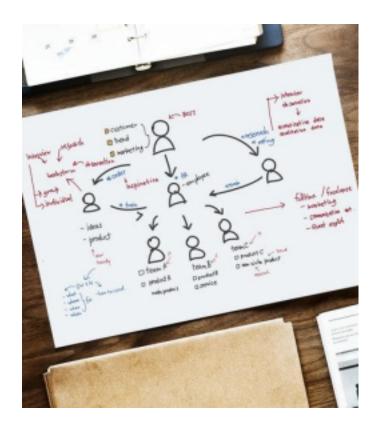


- Hire for the right qualities ("Culture Add")
- Create an exceptional candidate experience
- Ask the right questions
- Give candidates a case study
- Leverage video technology for interviewing
- Test communication skills & independence



Train Managers

- Teach managers proactive communication
- Help leaders translate the company culture
- Empower managers to bring people together
- Eliminating unconscious bias





Be Clear About Availability & Communication Structure

Set standards for: working time, office hours, scheduled meetings, and 1-1 conversations.



Remote working should not become an opportunity to run errands on the company's dime *or* overwork dedicated employees.



Make Communication Universal



- Company-wide updates
- Frequent managerial check-ins
- Promotion/lateral movement opportunities



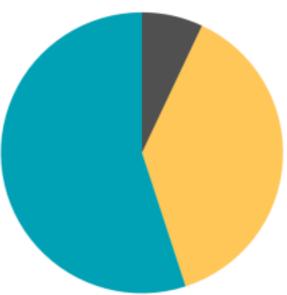
Include video conferencing details in all meeting invites to create a personable communication flow



Move Away from Audio Only Calls

Power of Verbal & Non-Verbal Communication

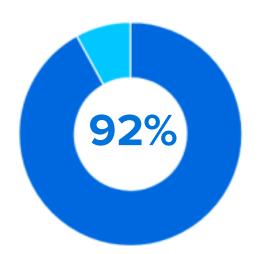




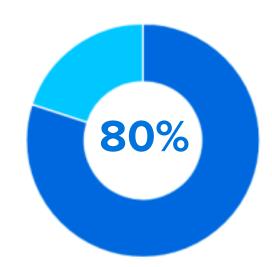




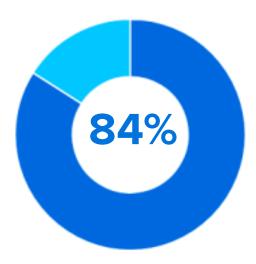
Take Advantage of the Power of Video



Has a positive impact on performance



Is fast becoming the norm for internal teams



Is fast becoming the norm for collaboration with external stakeholders



Invest in Technology

Remote employees should have the same resources available as on-promise staff.

- Chat Tools
- Video Conference Software
- Company News Feed
- Document Storage
- Project Management



Establish Cultural Consistency

- Include remote employees in team building activities & all-hands meetings via video
- Replicate HQ-hosted events in satellite offices

Implement a buddy system

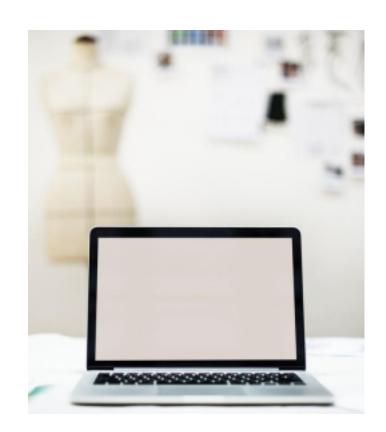
Don't forget to appreciate remote employees



Track and Measure Impact

What do you need so you know someone is having an impact?

- Organizational KPIs
- Team Milestones
- Individual Objectives





Address Compliance



Payroll/Tax Requirements

- Out-of-state taxing
- International payroll processing



Security Concerns

- IT communication
- Data security



Fair Labor Standards Act (FSLA)

Be mindful of communication "after hours"







Think Towards The Future

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- 2. Rethink hiring strategy
- 3. Train managers
- 4. Be clear about availability & communication structure
- 5. Make communication universal
- 6. Invest in video & technology
- 7. Establish cultural consistency
- 8. Track and measure impact
- 9. Address Compliance
- 10. Think towards the future





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