NATIONAL PA SURVEY 2014 – 1,361 RESPONSES

Q1. How many bosses do you support?

Answer		%
1		36%
2		28%
3		15%
4		11%
Other, please specify		10%

Q2. Which of the following salary bands do you fall into?

Answer		%
Up to £15,000		1%
£16-£20,000		6%
£21-£25,000		20%
£26-£30,000		25%
£31-£35,000		21%
£36-£40,000		13%
£41-£45,000		7%
£46-£50,000		3%
£51-£60,000		2%
£61-£70,000		1%

If over £70,000 would you mind telling us how much?

Text Response
I don't know how much as I'm new to the role but easily over £100k each
£75,000
£98000
75k
£98,000
Been approached with £80K basic salary & excellent package but based in Switzerland
75,000

Q3. How well do you feel your pay reflects what is expected of you in your role?

Answer		%
I feel very underpaid		16%
I feel slightly underpaid		45%
Adequately		35%
I feel I'm paid slightly more than I would expect		3%
I feel I'm paid significantly more		1%

Q4. On a scale of 1-5, where 5 is the highest, how appreciated do you feel by your boss(es)?

Answer		%
1		3%
2		8%
3		26%
4		42%
5		22%

Q5. Does your boss expect you to work outside of normal office hours?

Answer		%
Yes		48%
No		52%

How many additional hours a week do you work?

Answer		%
Under 1 hour		4%
1-2 hours		12%
2-3 hours		20%
4-5 hours		23%
5-6 hours		9%
6-7 hours		9%
More than 7 hours		24%

Q6. What is the bulk of your day-to-day role made up of?

Answer		%
Diary management		38%
Email management		23%
Travel management		4%
Note taking and transcribing		3%
Errands for your boss		1%
HR		2%
Event management		3%
Office management		15%
Other, please specify		12%

Q7. How many different companies have you worked for as a PA?

Answer		%
1		23%
2		22%
3		19%
4		14%
5		9%
6		4%
7		2%
8+		6%

Q8. Do you feel more secure in your current role than you did 10 years ago?

Answer		%
Much more		19%
Slightly more		16%
Same		33%
Slightly less		16%
Much Less		15%

Q9. Reports in the media suggest that the economy is improving, from your experience would you say your company has a more positive outlook than 12 months ago?

Answer		%
Much more positive		17%
Slightly more positive		36%
The same		28%
Slightly less positive		12%
Much less positive		7%

Q10. How good do you consider your career prospects to be?

Answer		%
Very good		9%
Good		21%
Okay (it's up to me!)		46%
Not great		20%
Very Poor		3%

Q11. Do you feel your career development is encouraged by your organisation?

Answer		%
Yes, actively		18%
Yes, slightly		33%
Neither encouraged or discouraged		32%
No		17%

Q12. Do you feel confident to ask for career development budget?

Answer		%
Yes		49%
No		51%

Q13. Do you feel that being a PA is undervalued as a professional career choice?

Answer		%
Yes		78%
No		16%
No opinion		6%