

**Balancing cost with talent attraction & retention** 

# **Compensation & Benefits Trends in New Normal**

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# Pandemic has changed the employees' needs & behaviors in work & life Employers who show they care employees have an advantage

During the pandemic, employers proved supports to employees and they could make a meaningful difference.

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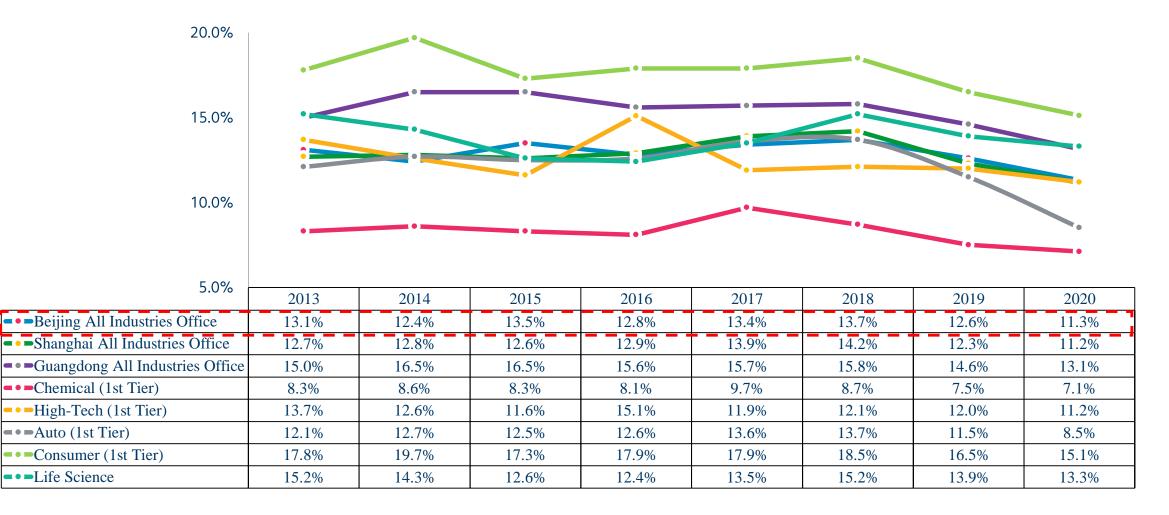


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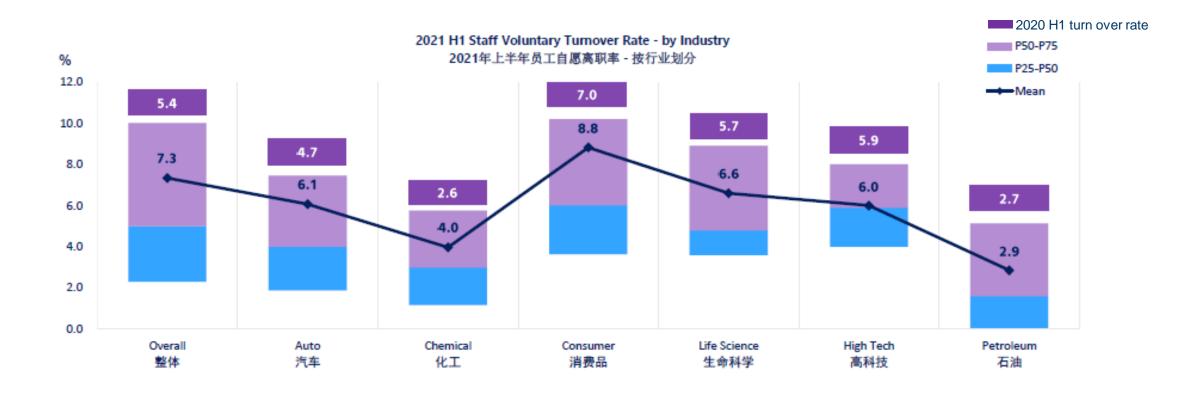
MMB Health on Demand 2021

Q5. How much do you feel that your employer cares about your health and well-being? Q21. Did the level, type and quality of support you received from your employer during COVID-19 affect how you feel about moving elsewhere to another employer? Q4. On a typical day, how energized do you feel at work in your current role? (In the job that you spend the most time working.) by support from your employer during the pandemic

### The Covid-19 Impact Voluntary turnover rate was historically low in 2020 (By industry)



# However Talent Competition is up in 2021 2021 H1 Voluntary Turnover Rates – by Industry





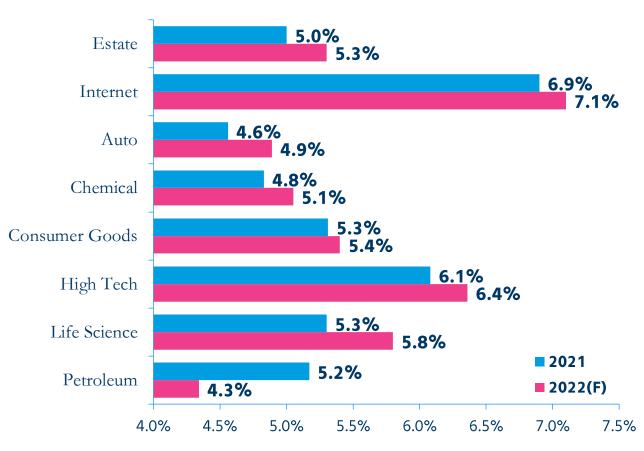
# 2020 Actual & 2021 Estimated Merit salary increase – Beijing All Industries

# 44 (7%)VS130 (22%)Organizations reported salary freeze in 2021organizations in 2020



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# 2021 / 2022 Estimated Merit Salary Increase (Excluding Salary Freeze) By industry & City



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#### Merit Salary Increase - by industry

#### **BY GEOGRAPHY (Average)** 2021 2022(F) Beijing 4.9% 5.3% Shanghai 5.1% 5.3% Office Shanghai 4.9% 5.2% Manufacturing Guangdong 5.1% 5.3% Office Guangdong 5.0% 5.2% Manufacturing

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# **Mercer Point of View :** Competition is up, employers can't solely reply on cash for talent war

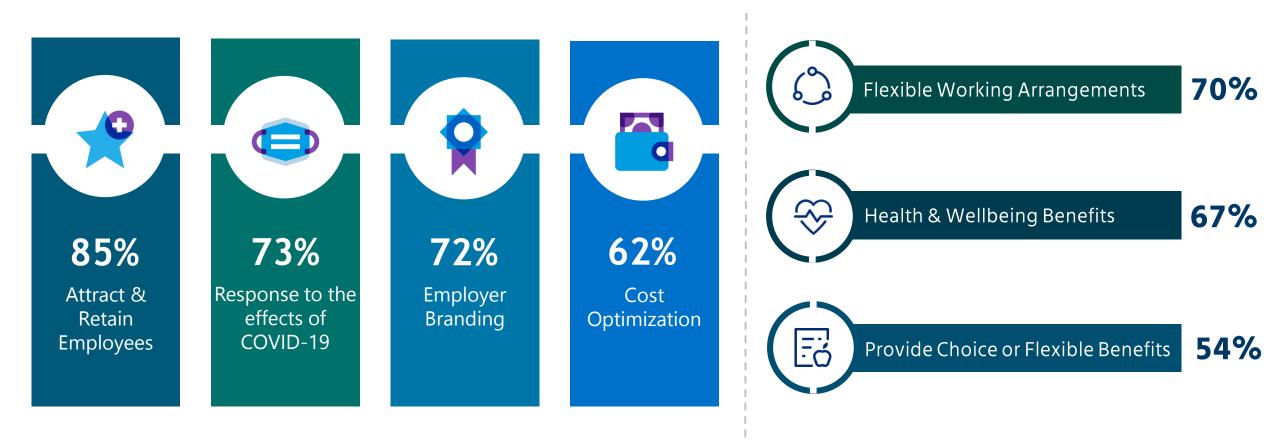


Employees' view on the reward value by working in an organization has changed. Leading companies are rethinking their reward strategy.

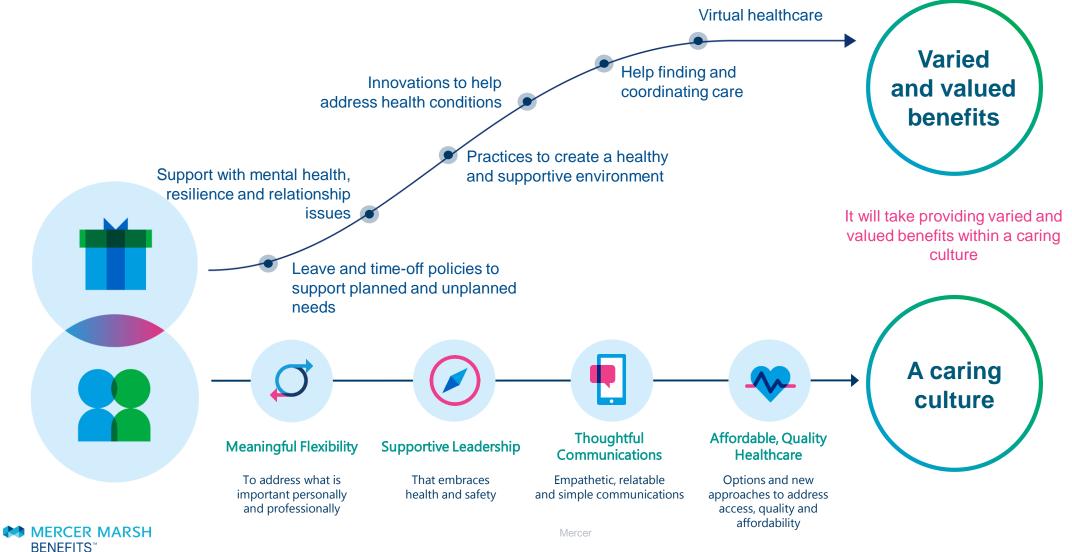
- The company mission and how to integrate it into business practice through the executives' actions, company policy, is under unprecedented scrutiny.
- Flexible arrangement has become the core element of reward value proposition, and the trade-off between employees' personalized preference is being reconsidered (e.g. flexi time, innovative plan options such as flexible benefits, career opportunities, etc.)



# 71% employers in Asia are reviewing or changing benefits in 2021 Key drivers for change

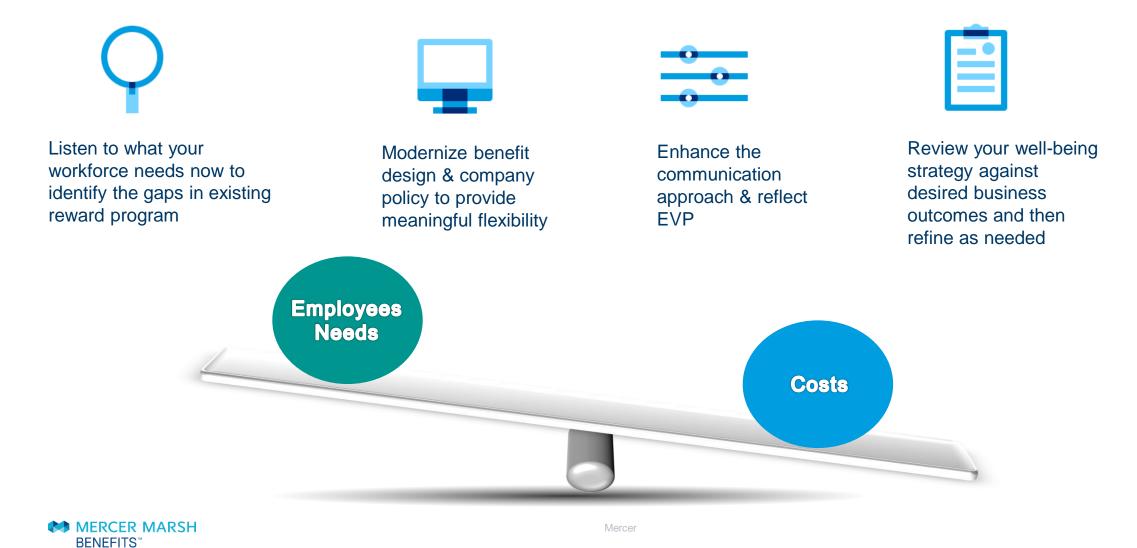


# Provide what employees value It takes more than benefits to make all employees feel valued



Source: Mercer 2021 Health on Demand: Delivering the Benefits Employees Want Now

### **Balancing Cost & Empathy For talent attraction and retention**



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