

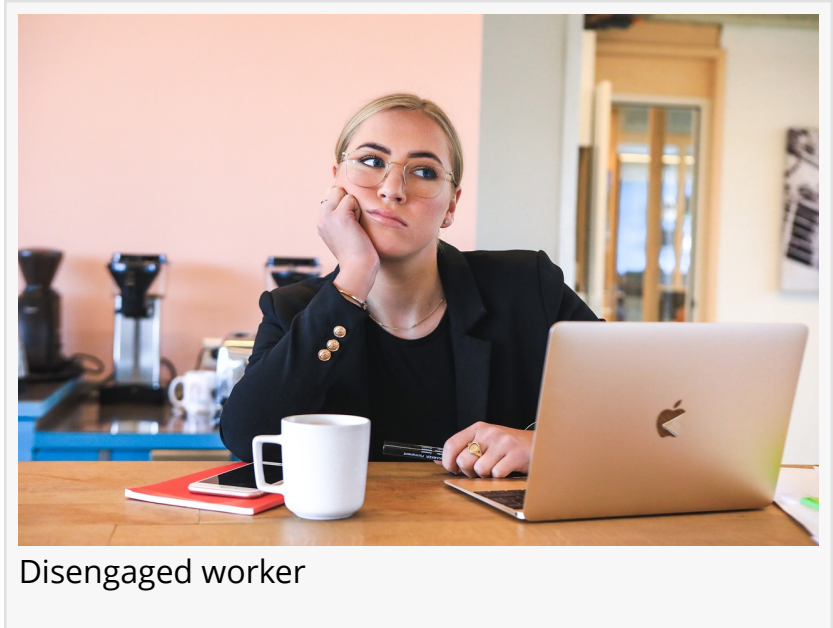
Meta Team Reveals How Lost Productivity, Employee Turnover, and Quiet Quitting Are Undermining Business Profits

UK businesses face a silent crisis as employee disengagement reaches alarming levels.

LONDON, UNITED KINGDOM, January 17, 2025 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Meta Team, a leading performance optimisation company, has revealed the staggering financial impact of employee disengagement on UK businesses.

Their findings underscore the growing crisis of disengagement, with a striking 90% of UK employees disengaged, and 16% actively disengaged, according to the latest Gallup State of the Global Workplace report.

This troubling trend of "quiet quitting" is threatening company culture, reducing productivity, and undermining financial stability.



Disengaged worker

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[Russell Ward, Co-founder of Meta Team](#), highlights the severe cost of disengagement: “For a company with 1,000 employees, the salary and recruitment costs associated with just 16% disengagement can result in a minimum loss of £13 million. This is a material risk that no organisation can afford to ignore.”

The consequences of disengagement are far-reaching, with businesses facing a range of negative impacts, including 37% higher absenteeism, 18% lower productivity, and 15%

reduced profitability. These issues not only affect day-to-day operations but also hinder long-term growth and success.

Gallup estimates that these factors can equate to 34% of a disengaged employee's annual salary, with the costs being even higher for actively disengaged employees.

"In the UK alone, disengagement puts more than £133 billion of human capital at risk across businesses with over 50 employees," explains Ward. "These figures exclude pension contributions, office costs, and – most importantly – the opportunity costs of a disengaged workforce."

Ward attributes poor team dynamics and inadequate leadership as key contributors to disengagement. Meta Team's research, based on data from over 1,000 global teams, highlights several underlying issues: 41% of teams struggle with collaboration, 26% are unaware of their shortcomings, and 79% of employees are distracted by competing priorities. These factors contribute significantly to the overall disengagement problem, further hindering productivity and success.

"Strong teams are the foundation of a successful organisation," Ward says. "Aligning employee abilities with expectations creates an environment where teams are motivated and productive."

Meta Team's performance optimisation programme offers a cost-effective solution, with an investment of just £5,000 per team enabling companies to transform average teams into high-performing ones, reducing disengagement-related costs.

"For a 1,000-employee organisation, addressing disengagement could turn a £13 million loss into measurable profit, while boosting morale and fostering a culture of collaboration and candour," adds Ward.

The data is clear: disengagement is draining UK businesses of billions annually in lost productivity, turnover, and missed opportunities. Russell Ward concludes: "The solution is simple – invest in employee engagement. By prioritising team cohesion, candour, and collaboration, businesses can reverse the tide of disengagement and unlock their workforce's true potential."

About Meta Team

Meta Team is dedicated to transforming how teams work together by leveraging the 8 inner and outer habits of high-performing teams. These habits, identified through research with over 1,000 teams, have been validated by behavioural scientists and rigorously tested globally. At the core of Meta Team's approach is a data-driven team diagnostic that uncovers hidden strengths and potential blind spots, enabling organisations to enhance collaboration, engagement, and productivity. With a proven ability to deliver measurable ROI, Meta Team provides organisations with the tools to optimise team performance and drive business success.

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