## Evaluator Compensation: Survey Findings



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## Introduction



## Purpose of Study

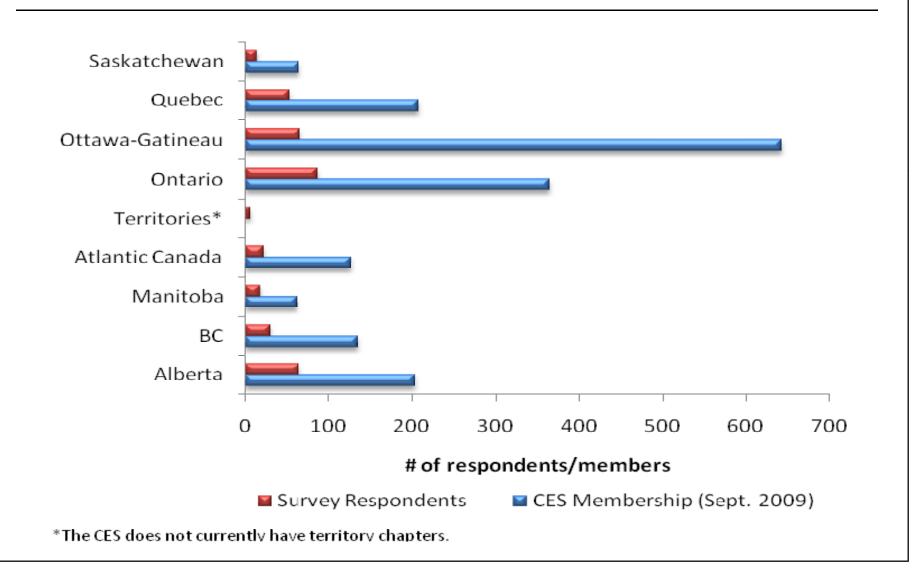
- Assess Evaluator compensation, including:
  - Salary
  - Benefits
  - Working environment

- Potential uses:
  - Promote evaluation as an attractive & viable career option
  - Promote compensation equity across the profession
  - Study trends in compensation over time

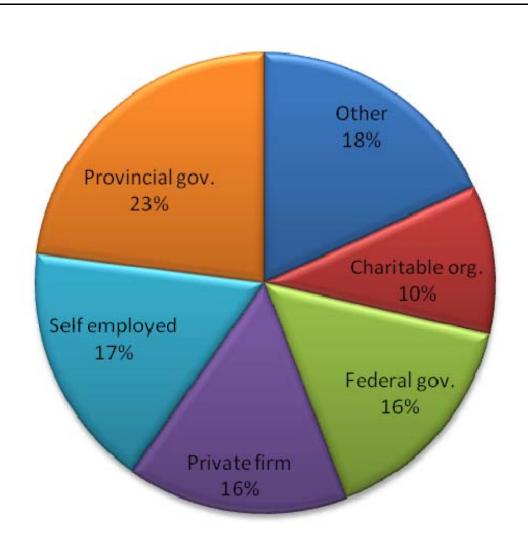
### Methods

- 41-item survey posted on SurveyMonkey (French & English)
- Participants recruited through CES chapters and CES e-news broadcasts
- Survey open from September 17 to October 19, 2009
- Challenges/limitations

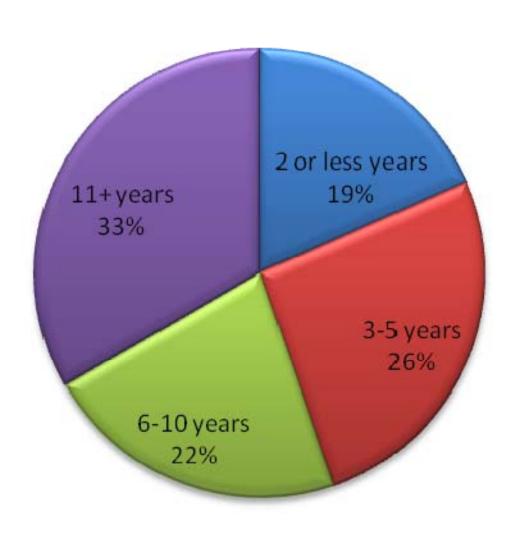
### Respondent Breakdown: Region



### Respondent Breakdown: Employer



### Respondent Breakdown: Career Stage



## **Evaluator Compensation:**

An Overview



### How much do Evaluators get paid?

Median income has not changed since 2005.

	2009*	2005
Highest	>\$200,000	
75 <sup>th</sup> percentile	\$87,500	
Average	\$77,625	
Median	\$72,500	\$72,500
25 <sup>th</sup> percentile	\$62,500	
Lowest	<\$30,000	



<sup>\*</sup>Data analysed for full-time evaluators only

### What types of benefits do Evaluators get?\*

- Most commonly-received benefits:
  - Paid statutory holidays (96%)
  - Paid sick days (93%)
  - Group extended health & dental insurance (86%)
  - Pension or RRSP contributions (76%)
  - Paid personal days (74%)
  - Budget for professional development (73%)
  - Disability insurance (72%)
  - Life insurance (71%)
  - Flex or bankable hours (70%)

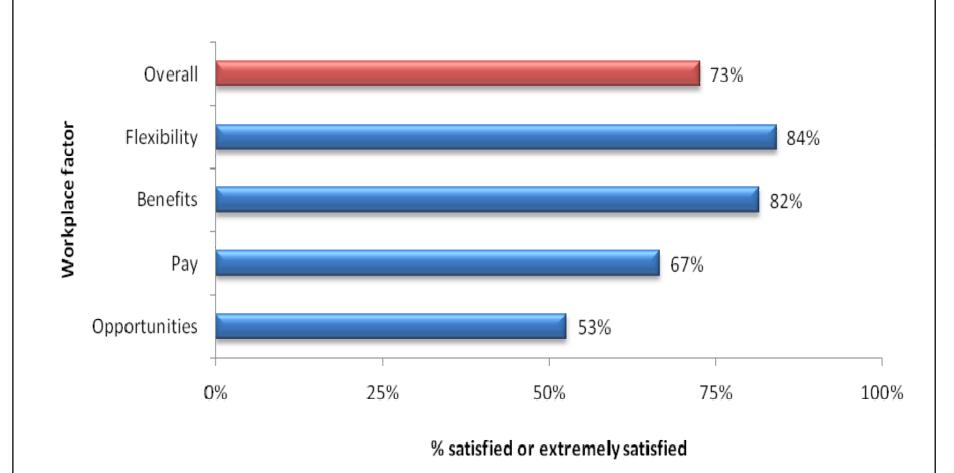
<sup>\*</sup> These figures exclude self employed evaluators.

### What types of benefits do Evaluators get?\*

- Less commonly-received benefits:
  - Employee Assistance Program (64%)
  - Paid time for professional development (63%)
  - Casual dress (61%)
  - Opportunity to work with other evaluators (61%)
  - CES membership (54%)
  - The option to telecommute/work from home (53%)
  - Supplementary EI benefits (46%)
  - Subsidized commuting (16%)
  - Fitness/health club membership (12%)

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## How satisfied are Evaluators with their compensation and working conditions?

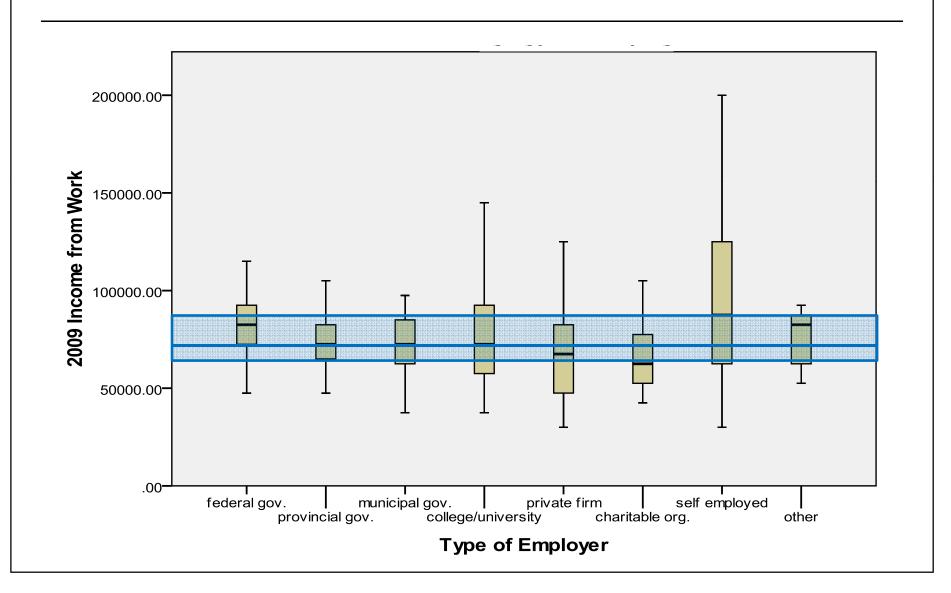


## **Employer Comparisons:**

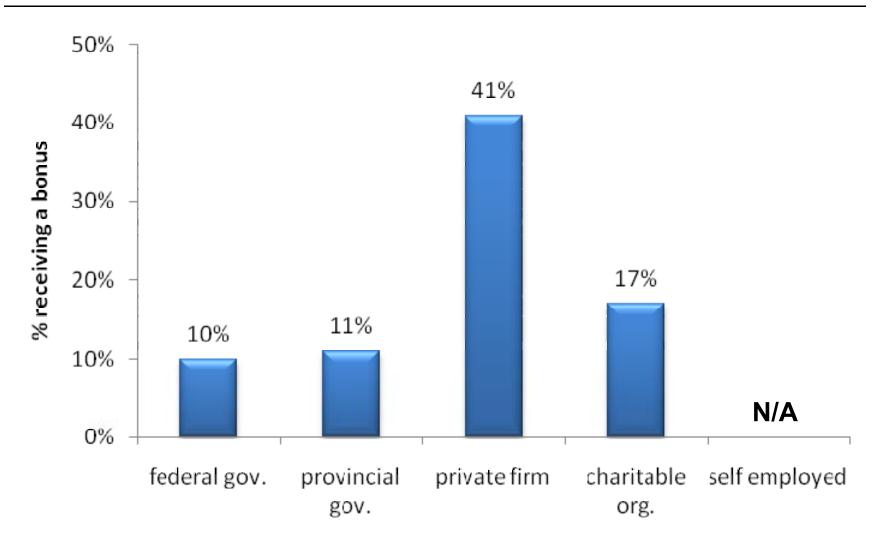
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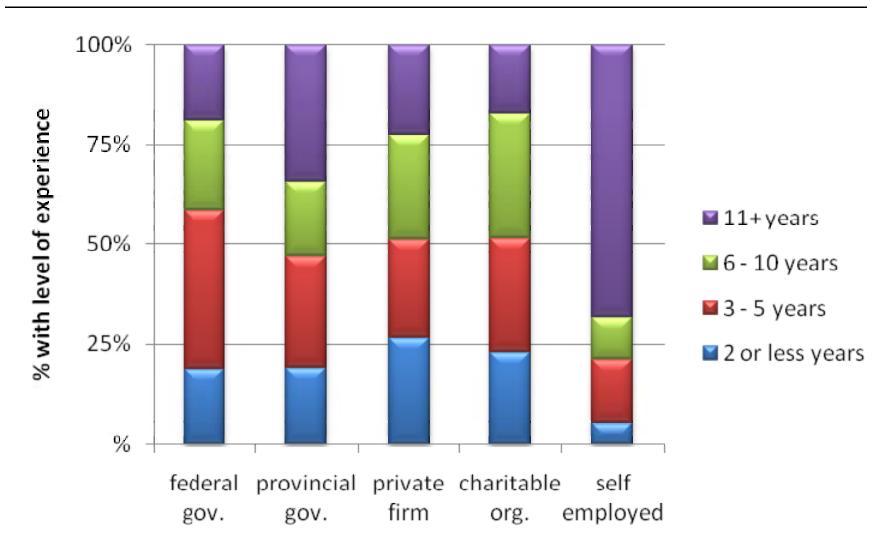
### Who pays how much?



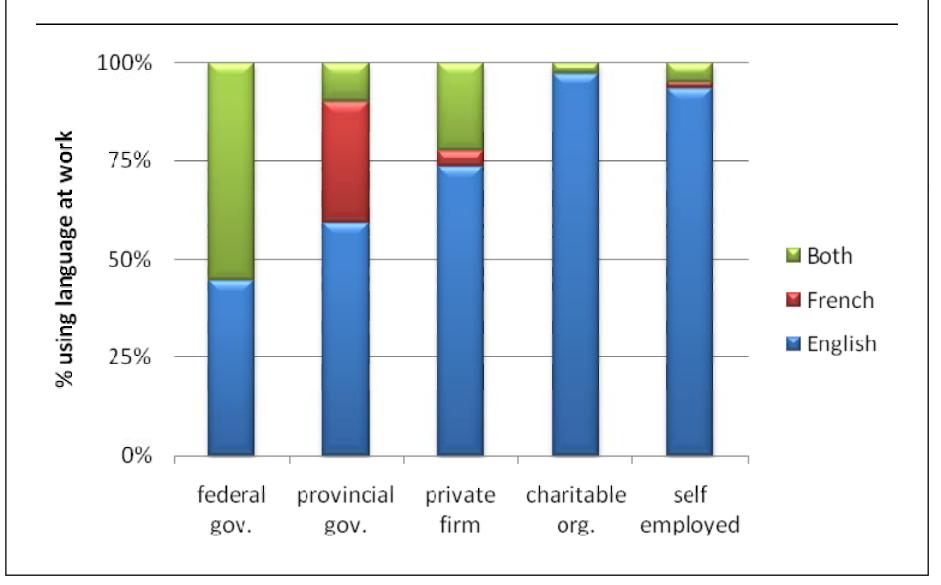
## Who shares the wealth? (Bonuses)



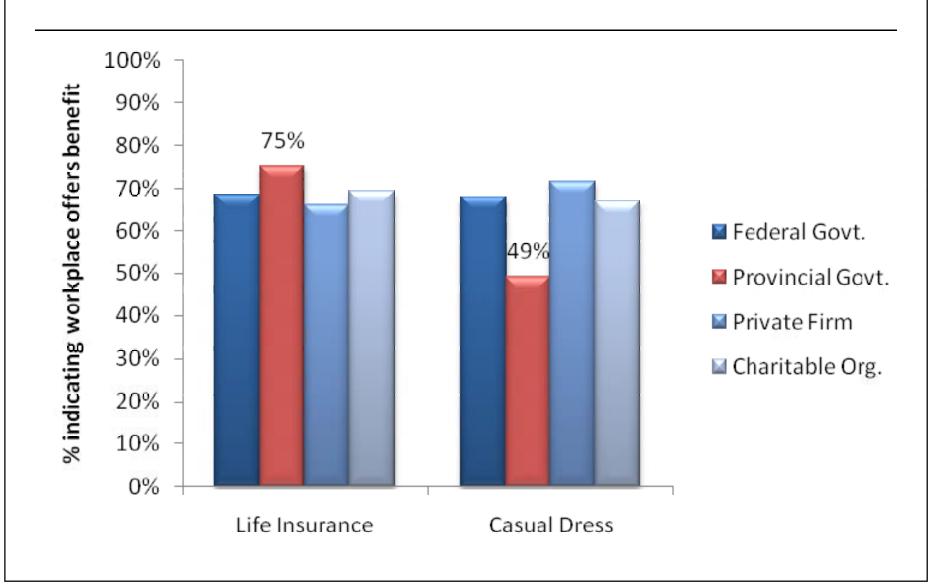
## Entry and Exit Points (Years of Evaluation Experience)



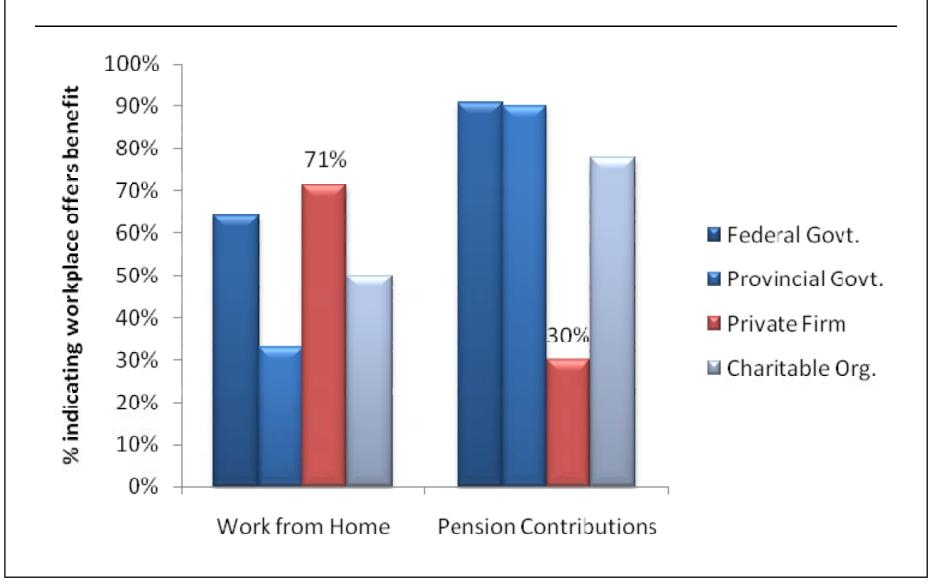
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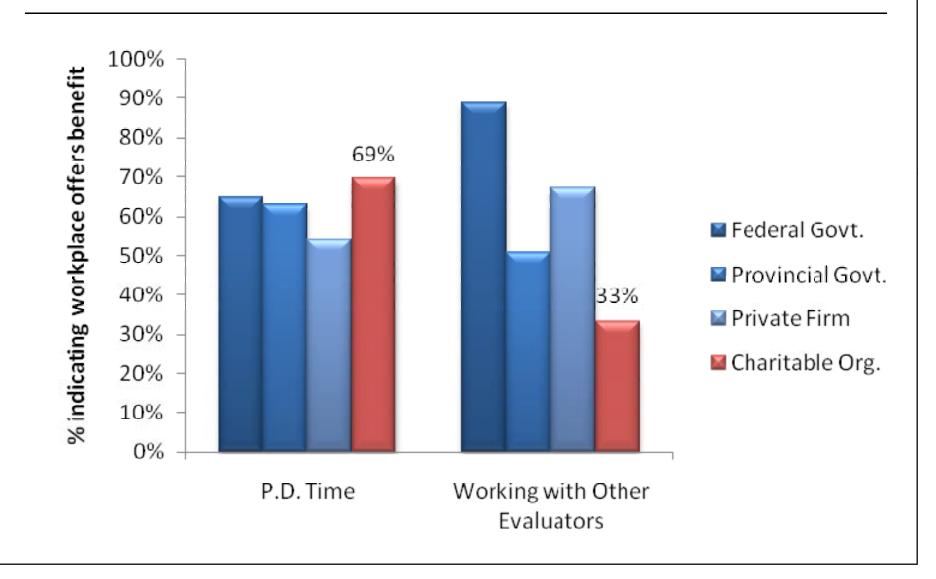
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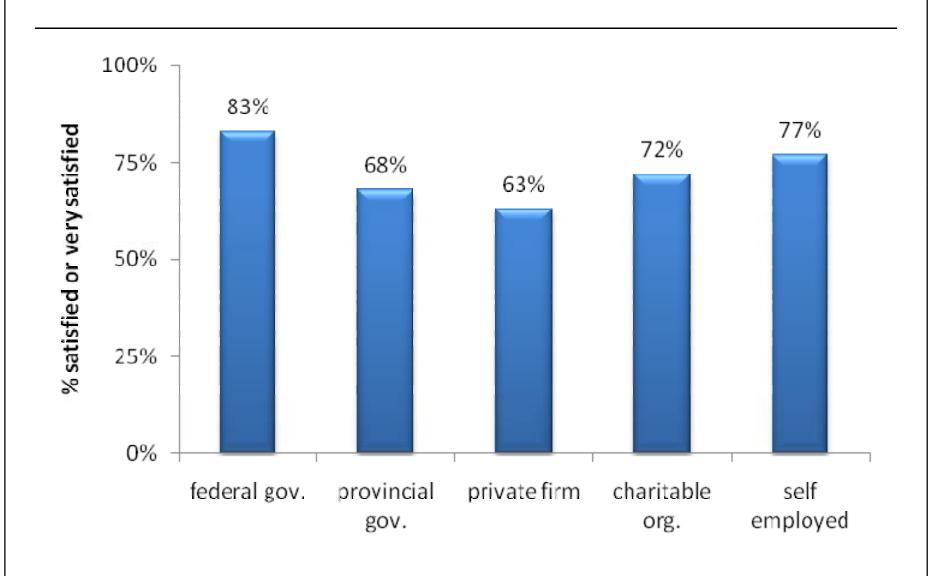
#### Show me the benefits!



#### Show me the benefits!



#### Satisfied?



# What does an Evaluator look like?

(Personas illustrating averages and typical situations)



### Samira, Junior Evaluator



- Has a Masters in Public
  Admin
- Spent 3 years as an employment counsellor
- Joined a private firm 1 year ago
- Home by 5:30 every night
- Makes \$57.5k / year
- Spent her December bonus on shoes

### Josh, Intermediate Evaluator



- Was a program manager in the Quebec Government for 9 years
- Transferred to a Federal evaluation department 4 years ago
- Makes \$72.5k / year
- Loves his benefits package

### Lianne, Senior Evaluator



- Practiced immigration law for 6 years
- Joined an evaluation team at a charitable organization9 years ago
- Works full time... and then some
- Makes \$82.5k / year
- Just got back from a month long cruise

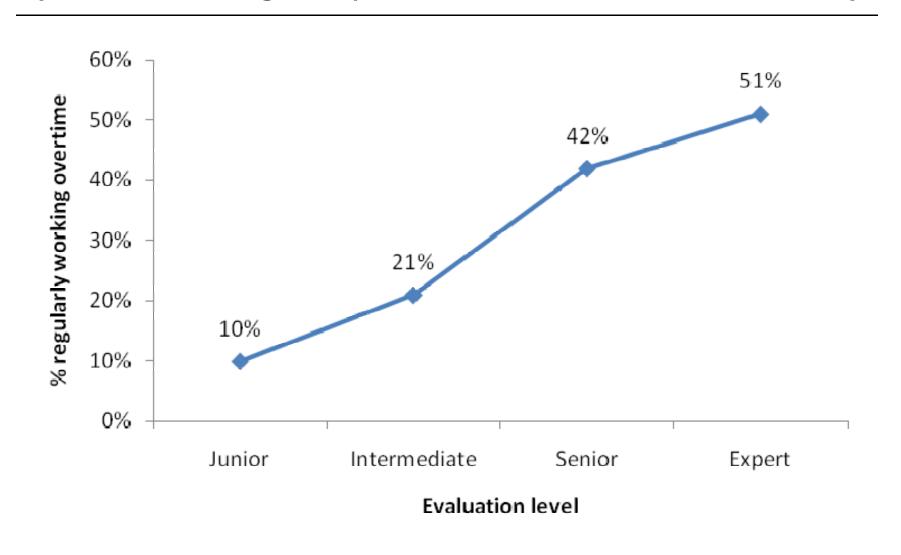
### Zhara, Expert Evaluator



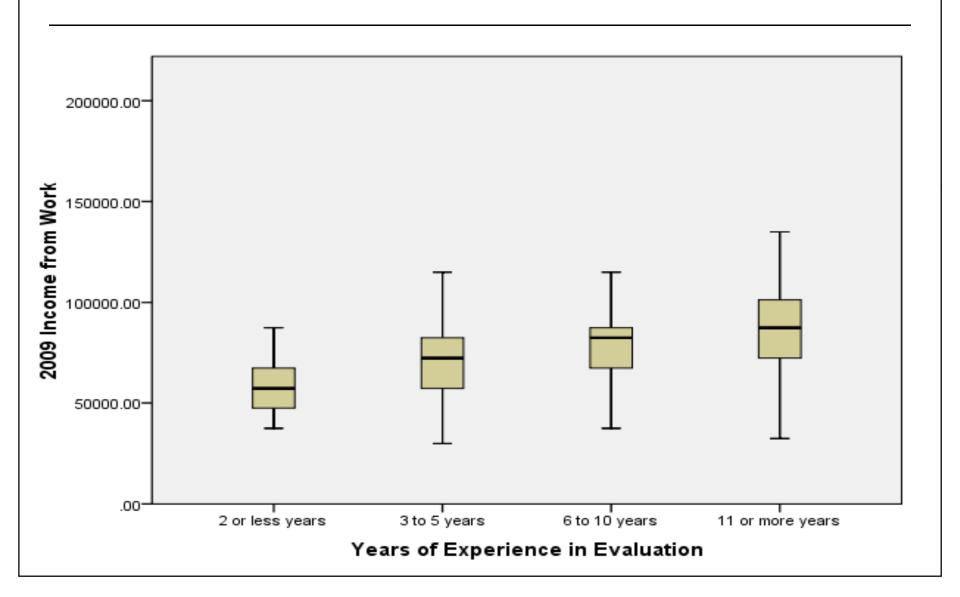
- 25 year career with government
- Now works as an independent consultant
- Makes \$125k in a good year and \$63k in a bad year
- Can't seem to find the time to take a vacation

### Overtime Progression

(overtime= regularly work more than 40 hrs/week)



### **Income Progression**



### Discussion



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What does this tell you about evaluation?

How might you use this information?

What else would you be interested in knowing?

What next?

