2004 Diversity Conference

Evaluation Report

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Comments

- A total of 990 participated in this year's diversity conference: 390 from Multnomah County, 381 from City of Portland, and 219 from Clackamas County.
- Only 129 participants filled out the evaluation at a response rate of 13%. At least 30% response rate is necessary in order for the evaluation analyses to be a good representation of all the participants. This report, therefore, should be interpreted with caution.
- Overall satisfaction rating of the conference was consistent with the multi-year trend (Average=4.3). No statistically significant differences were found by Workplace, Gender, Ethnicity, or Age.

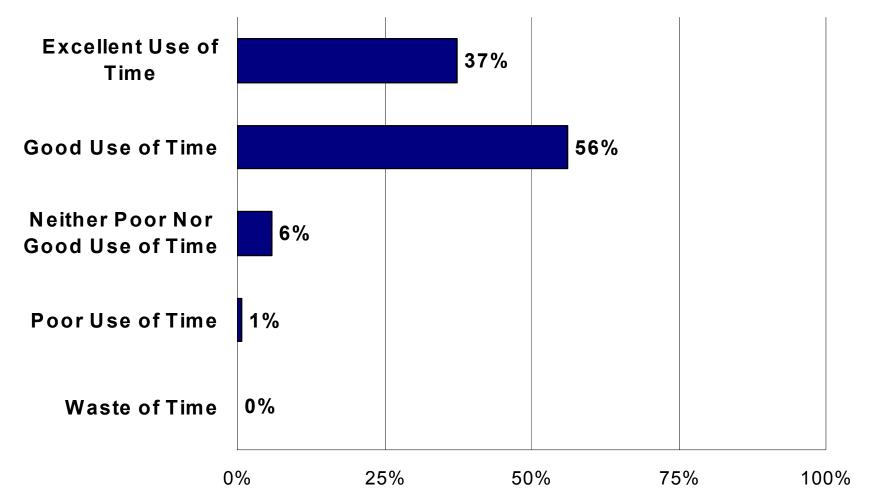
Comments

- Only 29% (n=37) of the survey respondents selected one or more affinity groups with which they identified this year, while 63% did in 2003 (i.e., Person w/ Disability, ESL, GLBT).
- 67% of the survey respondents were European American; 11% African American; 7% Hispanic American; 6% Asian American, 5% Native American/Pacific Islander; 3% Other; and 1% Non-American. 15% (19 people) selected more than one ethnic group with which they identified.
- 75% of the survey respondents were female.
- 59% of the survey respondents identified themselves as "Line Staff," while 27% said they were in "Management."
- 70% of the survey respondents had attended 2 or less diversity conferences in the past.

Overall Satisfaction Rating

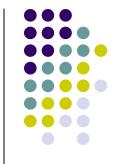
(N=121) (1=Waste of Time – 5=Excellent Use of Time) Average=4.3

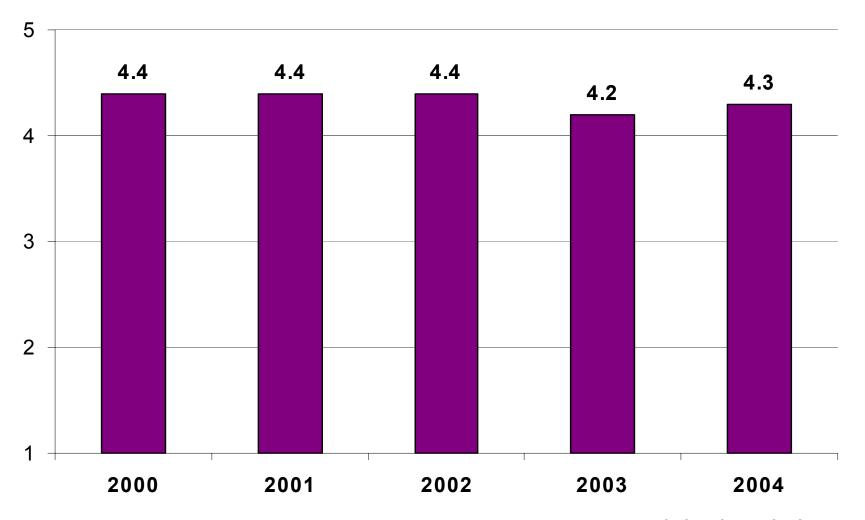




Overall Satisfaction Rating Trend

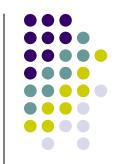
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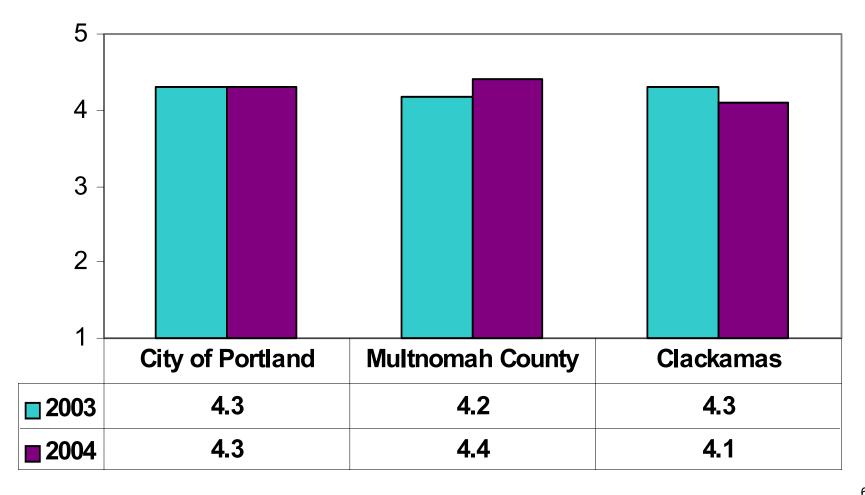




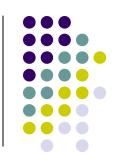
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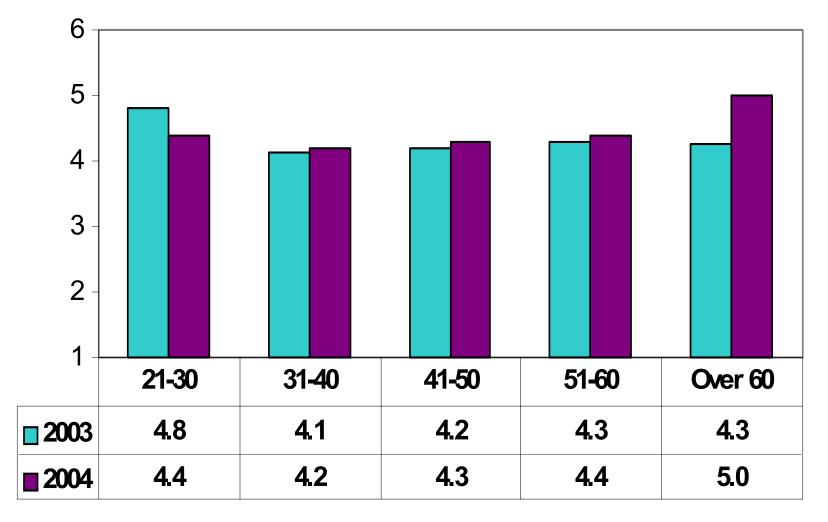
Overall Satisfaction Rating by Place of Work

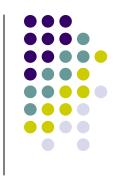




Overall Satisfaction Rating by Age Group







Meeting Participants' Expectations

2004 Conference Review and Trends

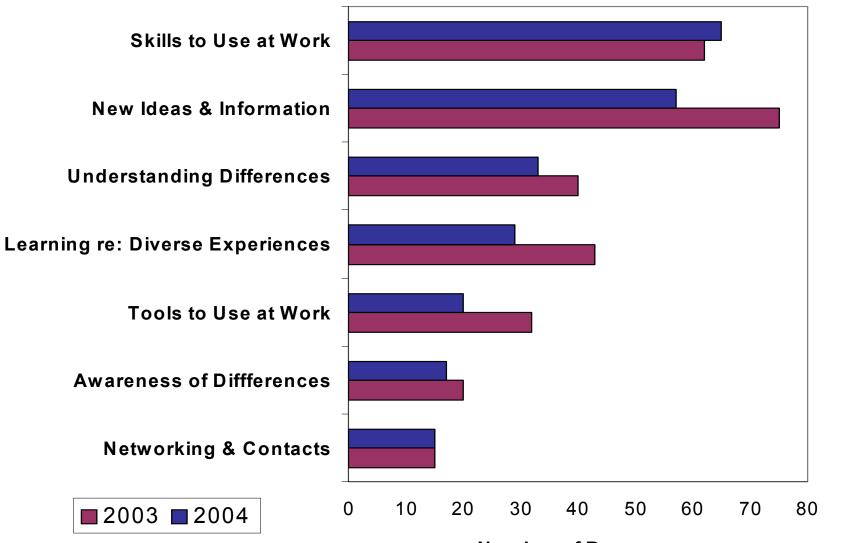
Comments



- ❖ 2004 participants selected "Skills to Use at Work" and "New Idea's & Information" as their top two choices of what they wanted out of this conference.
- Comparison of Ratings by Ethnic Groupings (i.e., European-American participants vs. All Others) resulted in no significant differences as to what they expected and what they wanted out of this conference.
- ❖ 51-60 year-old age group scored higher than the 31-40 year-old group on On-Site Registration and Keynote Address.
- Comparison of 2003 and 2004:
 - Pre-registration rating higher for 2004 (<u>Average</u>=4.54) than 2003 (<u>Average</u>=4.24).
 - 2004 participants thought that diversity issues were not overemphasized at their workplace. Their average rating of 1.99 was significantly lower than that of 2003 (<u>Average</u>= 2.36).

What Participants Wanted from Conference





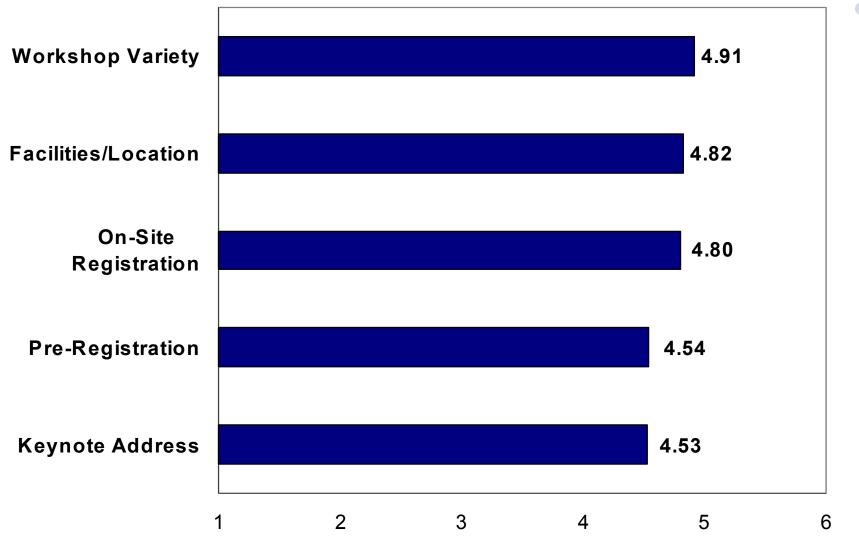
Number of Responses

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Meeting Expectations

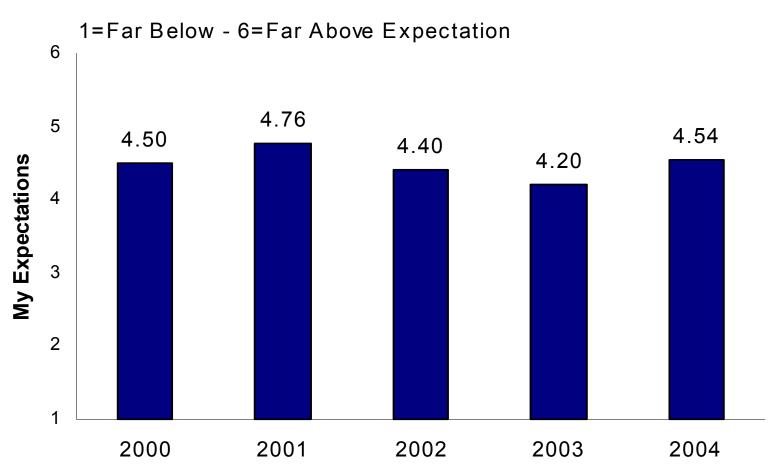
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Meeting Expectations: Pre-Registration



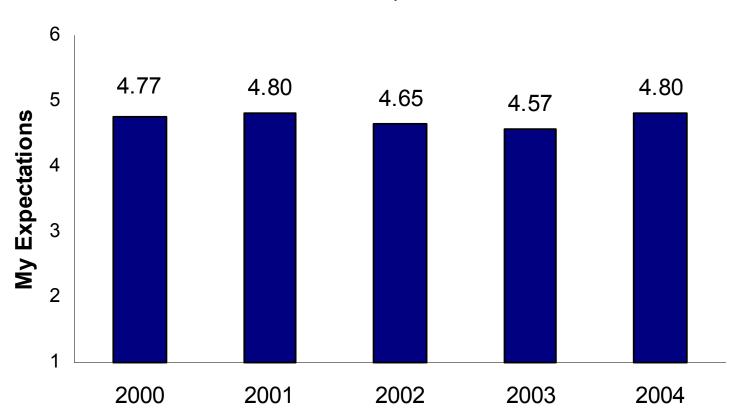


Compared to 2003, 2004 participants rated significantly higher than 2003 participants (t(230) = 2.28, p = .023).





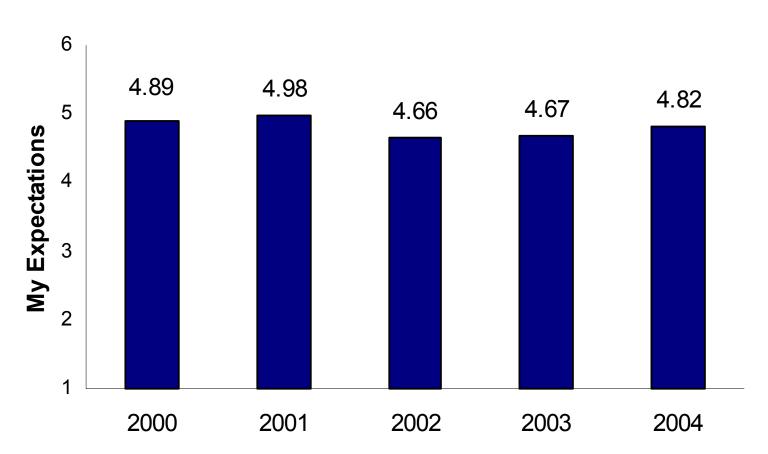
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Facilities/Location



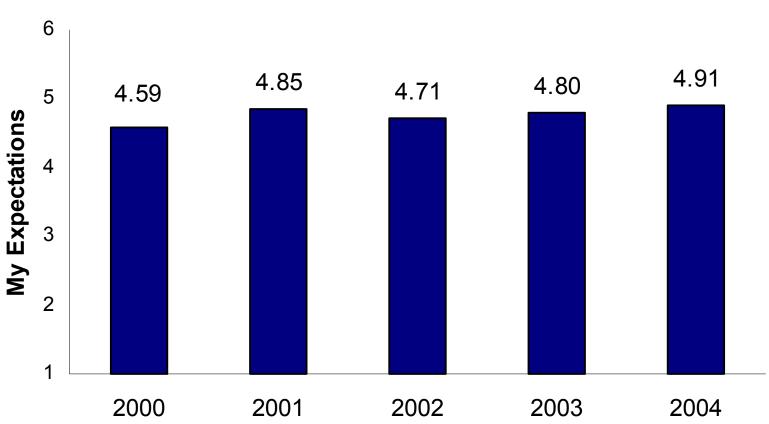
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Workshop Variety



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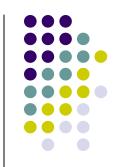
2004 Do You Agree....?

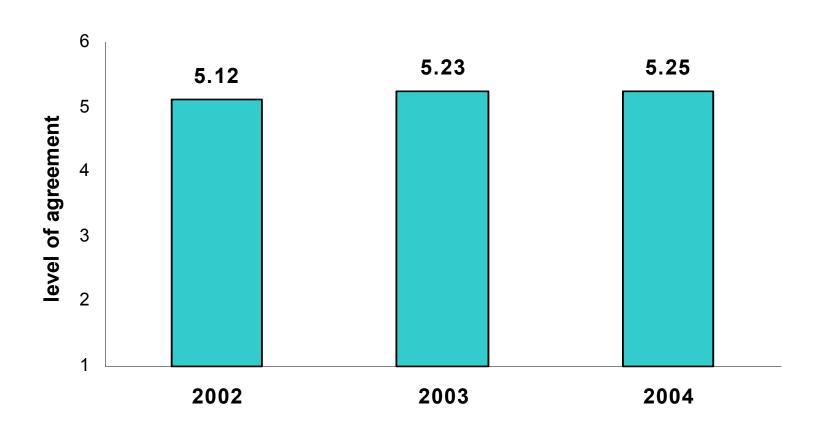
(1=Strongly Disagree – 6=Strongly Agree)



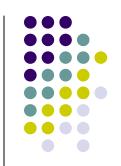


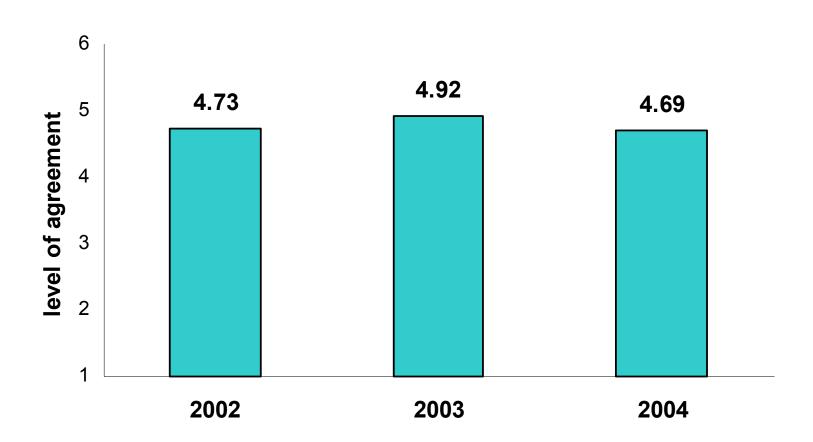
Diversity Events are Necessary for My Professional Development



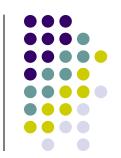


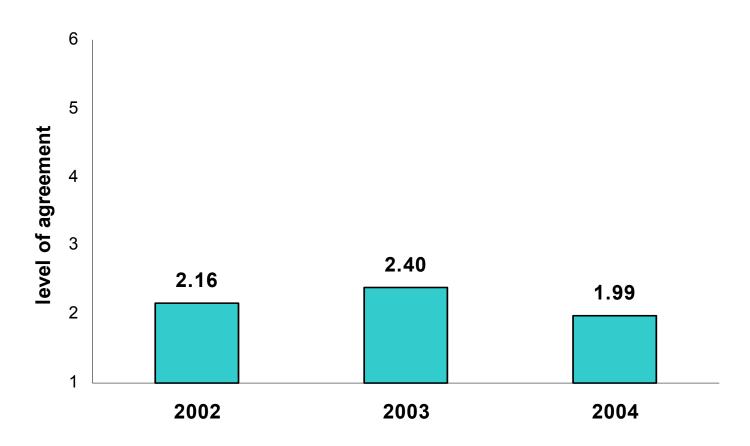
I Have Learned Helpful Skills & Ideas to Use at Workplace





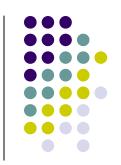
Diversity Issues are Overemphasized in My Workplace

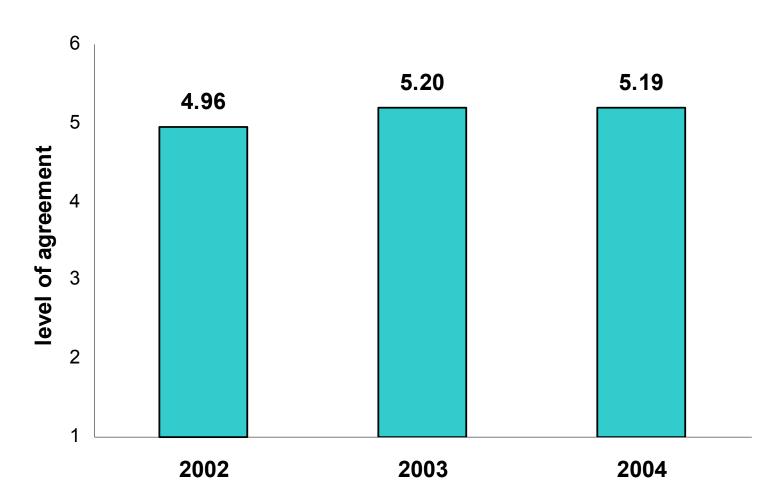




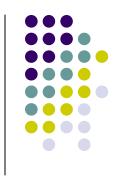
Compared to 2003, 2004 participants disagreed with this statement at a significantly higher level (t(272) = -2.23, p = .026).

I Would Recommend This Conference to My Co-Workers









A very low response rate (13%) is a concern. A higher rate needs to be achieved to get more meaningful feedback from conference participants.

Possible ways to have more people fill out the evaluation forms are:

- Change the evaluation form itself.
- Change the delivery system (e.g., send forms electronically, designate staff to collect forms in person, provide incentives for returning evaluations).