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AN EMPIRICAL TEST OF HERZBERG'S TWO-FACTOR MOTIVATION THEORY

Abstract. Employee motivation is one of the most popular topics in management and organizational psychology studies. In this direction, several motivational theories have been developed over the past 70 years. However, the universal validity of these motivational theories is controversial. One of these motivational theories is Herzberg's Two Factor motivation theory. The theory suggests two mains distinctions in employee motivation (i.e., motivation factors and hygiene factors). Motivation factors are achievement, recognition, work itself, responsibility, advancement, and growth. Hygiene factors are company policy and administration, supervision, relationship with supervisor, working conditions, salary, and relationship with peers, personal relationship, relationship with subordinates, status, and security. According to Herzberg's Two Factor motivation theory, the presence of hygiene factors does not increase motivation, but a lack of hygiene factors leads to dissatisfaction. The absence of motivation factors leads to a decrease in motivation, and the presence of motivation factors increase motivation. In this study, it is aimed to test Herzberg's Two Factor motivation theory empirically. In this context, quantitative research has been designed to test the theory and a total of 162 white-collar municipal employees participated in the study from Turkey. The theory was tested by two separate approaches. The first was the use of a Likert scale in parallel with the studies conducted to test the twofactor motivation theory of Herzberg. The other was the percentage distribution approach, in which the role of each factor in the theory is determined as a percentage to test how important they are in employee motivation. According to the results, Herzberg's two-factor theory was supported to some extent, and factors such as salary, company policy and administration, and work conditions, which are considered as hygiene factors according to Herzberg's two-factor theory, were found to be important motivating factors. Whereas factors such as responsibility, recognition, and growth were found to have less motivator role than as they are supposed in Herzberg's two-factor motivation theory. In addition, it was found that as the average monthly income of employees increased, the motivator role of "salary" factor decreased. The findings of the study were discussed, and some future research directions were suggested.

Keywords: Herzberg two factor theory, motivation, municipal employees, theory testing.

Introduction. Motivation plays a critical role for individuals to be successful and happy in both daily and working life. It is essential to keep the motivation level of the employees high to contribute positively to the well-being of employees and the sustainability of organizations (Achim et al., 2013; Dobre, 2013). There are several motivation theories developed to explain the motivation process and set of needs in the ground of motivation. The majority of these motivational theories have been developed in Western cultures (Iguisi, 2009). However, motivation is closely related to individual, cultural, and socio-economic factors (Dweck & Leggett, 1988; Steers & Sanchez-Runde, 2002). For this reason, the motivation theories proposed in developed countries should be tested in developing and underdeveloped countries. As in many theories in social sciences, it is not possible to claim the universality of motivational theories either. Particularly in developing countries, the background of the motivations of the employees might be different than the developed countries (Ozsov, 2015). Although motivation theories explain motivation in both daily and working life to a certain extent, these theories are criticized in certain respects (Gokce et al., 2010; Jensen, 1993; Kjeldsen, 2012). Recently an increasing number of studies started to test Herzberg's twofactor motivation theory (Lundber et al., 2009; Ruthankoon, & Ogunlana, 2003). In explaining employee motivation, Herzberg proposed two main factors a) motivation factors b) hygiene factors. According to this theory, motivation factors are all directly related to work-related factors and job satisfaction. On the other hand, hygiene factors include predominantly external factors that are not related to work itself, but they affect employees' dissatisfaction (Herzberg et al., 1959; Herzberg, 1966). Although Herzberg's theory is mainly supported by several types of research, especially, it is emphasized that the hygiene factors are considered that they may actually stand for as motivation factors in some cases. Previous research has not come to a clear conclusion about the validity of the theory in different occupations, cultures and countries. As a consequence of these reasons, in the current study, it was aimed to test Herzberg's Two Factor Theory in a Turkish sample (public employees in municipal organizations). In the scope of this research, first, motivation and the motivational theories are briefly discussed. Then, the criticism of Herzberg's Two Factor theory is presented. Finally, the findings of the study were shared and discussed.

Motivation can be defined as the driving forces behind the actions of an individual to achieve a particular goal (Rabideau, 2005). Motivation is based on motives. Motives express internal situations that drive organisms in a certain direction. There are various types of motive classifications in the literature (e.g., primary and secondary motives). Primary motives are physiological based and unlearned (e.g., eating, drinking, sleeping, sexuality, etc.). Secondary motives are predominantly of psychological origin and they are learned (e.g., achievement, recognition, dignity, cohesion, obtaining status, appreciation, etc.) (Baysal & Tekarslan, 2004). Therefore, motives constitute the basis for behaviour in many respects (Luthans, 2010). In order to understand the factors behind the motivation of the employees, the motives should be analyzed in detail. There are several psychological and physiological needs that affect employee motivation. The necessity of meeting the needs of physiological origin (both for the person and his/her family) should be considered as an important motivating factor especially for the individuals with a low income. However, in general, it can be argued that the motivator role of psychological needs is stronger in employee motivation (Baysal & Tekarslan, 2004). There are various motivation theories in the literature. Among these, theories such as Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs (Maslow, 1954), Herzberg's Two Factor Theory (Herzberg, Mauster, & Snyderman, 1959; Herzberg, 1966; Herzberg, 1971; Herzberg, 2003; Herzberg et al., 2005), Mcclelland's Theory of Needs (McCelland, 1961; 1985; 1976). Alderfer's ERG Theory (Alderfer, 1967; 1969) are theories that explain the set of needs that lie behind the motivation. In addition, theories such as the Vroom's Expectancy Theory of Motivation (Vroom, 1964), Porter and Lawler Expectancy Theory (Porter & Lawler, 1968). Adams' Equity Theory (Adams, 1963), and Locke's Goal Setting Theory (Locke & Latham, 1990; 2006) are rather focusing on the motivation process.

Herzberg's two-factor motivation theory was developed on research conducted on 200 accountants and engineers. The theory suggests two mains distinctions in employee motivation. These are motivation factors and hygiene factors. Motivation factors are predominantly directly related to the job itself and these are the factors that increase the satisfaction level of the employees. In this respect, motivation factors were determined as achievement, recognition, work itself, responsibility, advancement, and growth. Hygiene factors are not directly related to work, but they may affect employees' attitude towards work. These factors are determined as company policy and administration, supervision, relationship with supervisor, working conditions, salary, and relationship with peers, personal relationship, relationship with subordinates, status, and security. According to this theory, the presence of hygiene factors does not increase job satisfaction, but the lack of hygiene factors leads to dissatisfaction. The absence of motivation factors leads to a decrease in job satisfaction, and the presence of motivation factors increase the job satisfaction (Herzberg et al., 1959; Herzberg, 1966; 1971; 2003). In this case, Herzberg's motivator factors are mainly associated with higher-order needs, while hygiene factors are more like lower-order needs in Maslow's hierarchy of needs (Hur, 2018).

Literature review. For the advancement of Herzberg's theory, there is a need for more research that tests the theory empirically (Ruthankoon & Ogunlana, 2003). In particular, the theory must be tested on different cultures, occupational groups, different personalities, different countries (in terms of developed, developing, and undeveloped countries) (Gokce et al., 2010). Motivation is a very complex concept and can be affected by many different factors and therefore different factors need to be examined in depth. In terms of individual differences, it is important to note that the attitudes of the individuals who continue to

work in the same or similar work conditions can vary significantly (Robbins et al., 2013). This is not surprising because individuals develop many of their attitudes towards life before they enter the working life and it becomes difficult for individuals to change some of their attitudes after a certain age (Ozsoy, 2013). Therefore, it is very hard to generalize the theories of motivation. As with many theories in the social sciences, a number of studies have been conducted to test Herzberg's theory and the theory has been criticized in certain respects. It is argued that Herzberg's two-factor theory might produce different outcomes depending on various contextual situations (e.g., personality, occupation, income, and country difference) (Gokce et al., 2010; Lundberg et al., 2009; Ruthankoon, & Ogunlana, 2003).

Differences in personality traits: although there is no clear consensus on the definition of personality, it can be defined as a "quite permanent feelings, thought, and behaviour tendencies that distinguish the individual from others" (Buchanan & Huczynski, 1997). However, personality traits mostly develop at the stage before the individual gets involved in the working life. Also, some of the personality traits are already inherited (Burger, 2006; Luthans, 2010; Robbins et al., 2013). Especially temperament characteristics are closely related to heredity (Rowe, 1997). In the period from birth to adolescence, it is claimed that a large part of the personality traits is shaped. In the childhood period, it is not really possible to make choices on many subjects (such as the choice of parents and income level, etc.). However, as Freud states, these factors can have a significant impact on what kind of a person a child will be (as personality) in the future. In addition, personal experiences are also closely related to individual attitudes and behaviours (Burger, 2006). Thus, it makes it difficult to explain the differences in attitudes of the individuals who enter the working life. Personality traits affect not only the issues such as job satisfaction and motivation, (Furnham et al., 1999; Judge & Ilies, 2002; Judge et al., 2002) but also the attitudes towards many other factors (Burger, 2006). For example, a person who has a quick temper, raised under difficult conditions, and experienced deep traumas in his/her life can't really have the same work-related attitudes with a person who has a cheerful temperament, extroverted and raised under good conditions (Ozsoy & Yıldız, 2013). This situation can significantly affect the background of these two people's motivation, even if they work under the same conditions (work environment, work itself, salary). This example emphasizes how personality traits are critical in understanding employees' work-related attitudes and motivation.

Occupational differences: Occupations might differentiate the expectations of employees from the work and organization (Jaiswal et al., 2014; Kjeldsen, 2012). Thus, depending on the occupations, employees' motivation might be different (Myers, 1964). Especially in some jobs, factors such as autonomy, freedom, and flexibility might motivate employees more than factors such as wage, statues, and organizational policy. In addition, it may not be difficult for qualified employees to find jobs in different cities and countries. On the other hand, it is more likely to be unemployed in jobs where quality and formal education are not needed (Ozsov, 2019).

Country differences: Country differences can affect not only the cultural context but also the motivation of employees according to the economic development level of countries. It can be claimed that it is more difficult to find jobs in countries with low levels of economic development. Therefore, the expectations of people can also be different as people in underdeveloped and developing countries (Gokce et al., 2010). Therefore, according to Maslow's theory (Maslow, 1954), it could be expected that people with low-income levels would be motivated more with financial factors.

In the previous research, which was conducted to test Herzberg' motivation theory, the findings were not fully coherent with each other. Zhang et al. (2011) found that motivation and hygiene factors have partly consisted of Herzberg's theory in their study on city managers. In their research on seasonal workers in hospitality and tourism (Lundberg et al., 2009), Herzberg's theory was supported. However, the motivation and hygiene factors involved in Herzberg's theory in many other studies (Hur, 2018; Jensen, 1993; Ruthankoon & Ogunlana, 2003; Sithiphand, 1983; Williams, 1992) were not totally found to be consistent with the assumptions of Herzberg's theory. This reveals that the theory should be still tested in

different cultures and samples (personality, income, sector, country, profession differences). Based on the reasons such as the contradiction of the findings obtained in the research conducted for the testing of the two factor theory and the fact that motivation is affected by many factors (as outlined above), in the current research, it is aimed to test Herzberg's Two Factor Theory on a sample of Turkish public workers.

Methodology and research methods. The data were collected with the participation of the employees of the municipalities operating in Sakarya (Turkey). A questionnaire form which was designed to test the Herzberg's Two Factor Theory was distributed to each participant (paper-pencil). After eliminating incomplete and sloppy questionnaire forms, 162 valid questionnaires were obtained.

The motivation factors of Herzberg's two factor motivation theory (i.e., achievement, recognition, work, responsibility, advancement, and growth) and hygiene factors (hygiene factors; i.e., company policy and administration, supervision, relationship with supervisor working conditions, salary, relationship with peers, personal relationship, relationship with subordinates, status, and security) were measured with the method inspired by Lundberg et al. (2009). To do that, all the factors (totally 16; 6 for motivation factors and 10 for hygiene factors) were measured with a 5-point Likert scale format (ranging from 1-not at all important to 5-very important). A sample item for motivation factor (e.g., recognition; "How important is recognition for you to do a good job?") and for hygiene factors (e.g., relationship with subordinates; "How important is the quality of relationship with subordinates for you to do a good job?"). For the rest of the factors, the same approach was adopted.

In addition, the participants were asked to distribute 100 points to 16 factors consisted of Herzberg's Theory and to indicate what per cent each factor was effective in their motivation. It was stated that the points assigned to these 16 factors had to be exactly 100 in total. This approach strengthens the current research by providing additional findings on testing Herzberg's two-factor theory. This way, it was possible to reveal a percentage distribution (Figure 1) of which factor plays a stronger role in employee motivation. 77.8% of the participants were male, 74.1% were married. The distribution of participants' educational status was as follows; 4.9% primary school graduates, 18.5 % high school graduates, 18.5% associate degree and the majority of (51.9 %) the participants held a bachelor's degree while 6.2% had a postgraduate degree. Age (mean = 26.41; sd = 7.43), average monthly income (mean = 3773.84 Turkish Liras; sd = 838.53), (with the current exchange rate (24.01.2019), the average monthly income equals to 714 dollar).

Results. Firstly, the reliability of the scale (in terms of Cronbach's Alpha internal consistency) was calculated. The reliability value of 16 items Likert-scale was α =0.79. This score shows that the measurement tool was reliable. Mean values for motivation and hygiene factors are presented in Table 1.

Table 1. Descriptive statistics

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Motivation Factors	Mean	SD	Hygiene Factors	Mean	SD			
Achievement	4.62	0.78	Company policy and administration	4.46	0.82			
Recognition	3.94	1.03	Supervision	4.21	0.80			
Work itself	4.62	0.51	Relationship with supervisor	4.22	0.95			
VVOIK Itself 4.62		0.51	Work conditions	4.47	0.73			
Doononoihility	3.90	1.30	Salary	4.75	0.60			
Responsibility 3.90 1.3		1.30	Relationship with peers	4.20	0.92			
Advancement	4.33	0.94	Personal life	4.25	0.98			
Advancement 4.33 0.9		0.94	Relationship with subordinates	3.94	1.08			
Growth	4.21	1.10	Status	4.01	0.97			
Glowill		1.10	Security	3.89	0.99			

Sources: developed by the author.

When it is evaluated in general, the mean values of each 16 factors are quite high. The highest score was found to be the salary factor (4.75 out of 5). Following the salary, the average scores ranged from highest to lowest are as follows; achievement, work itself, working conditions, company policy and administration, advancement, personal life, relationship with supervisor, supervision, growth, relationship with peers, status, relationship with subordinates, recognition, responsibility, and finally security. In fact, one of the critical points that need to be drawn attention here is that in comparison to the other factors, salary factor had the highest points. Therefore, for the sample included in the current research, it is difficult to claim that salary is a hygiene factor as suggested in Herzberg's theory. In addition, in Herzberg's theory, responsibility is a motivation factor, but in the current research, it received almost the lowest mean value.

Further examination of Herzberg's theory was conducted in detail. In this context, participants were asked to evaluate a total of 16 different factors (i.e., motivation and hygiene factors) over 100 points. The findings are listed from highest percentage to the lowest; Salary 17.46 %, work itself 9.12 %, achievement 7.46 %, company policy and administration 7.23%, work conditions 7.08 %, relationship with supervisor 6.32 %, supervision, 5.78 %, relationship with peers, 5.46%, advancement 5.40 %, personal life 5.17 %, growth 5.10 %, status, 4.06 %, recognition 3.95 %, relationship with subordinates 3.74 %, responsibility 3.45 %, and security 3.24 % (Figure 1).

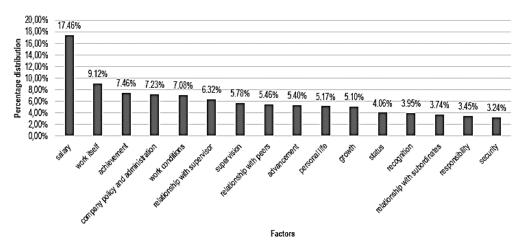


Figure 1. Percentage Distribution on Herzberg's Factors

Sources: developed by the author.

The findings are consistent with the descriptive statistics presented in Table 1. As seen in Figure 1, similar to Likert type measurement, salary has the highest score in percentage distribution. In addition, the results obtained with the percentage distribution were incompatible with the motivation and hygiene factors that Herzberg proposes. According to Herzberg's motivation theory, factors such as salary, work conditions, relationship policy and administration, relationship with supervisor are all considered as hygiene factors, but in the current study they had a higher score than any other motivation factors suggested in Herzberg's motivation theory (e.g., responsibility, recognition, advancement, and growth).

Gender differences: In order to provide additional support for testing Herzberg's theory, independent samples T-test and Hedges' g test were used to test whether the average values of the factors in Herzberg's motivational theories differ according to gender. According to T-test findings, only the levels of advancement, growth, and salary dimensions were higher in females. In general, it is seen that the results do not show significant differences depending on gender. This finding shows that Herzberg's theory is

largely consistent with the gender factor. Additionally, Hedges' g test was also performed in order to obtain additional findings in gender differences. Statistically, Independent Samples T-test does not consider sample size differences in comparing mean values of two different groups, however, at Hedges' g test sample size differences are taken into account. Since the sample size differences are quite high (n = 126 for men and n = 36 for women) in the current study, it is considered that conducting Hedges' g test might provide detailed findings. As it is seen in Table 2, Hedges' g scores were higher than 0.30 for the factors such as achievement, recognition, work itself, advancement, growth, company policy and administration, salary, and relationship with subordinates. These findings show that females mainly highlight motivation factors more than males, however, the effect size differences are not high enough to consider females' scores markedly higher than males' in Herzberg's factor. Therefore, it could still be concluded that the preference of males and females were found to be similar.

Table 2. Gender Differences: Independent Samples T-Test and Hedges' g Test

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	Variables	Gender	Mean	SD	t	g		
	Achievement	Male	4.56	0.86	-1.97	.35		
	Achievement	Female	4.83	0.38				
Decemition	Decemition	Male	3.86	1.08	-1.56	.35		
ors	Recognition	Female	4.22	0.81				
Work itself Responsibility	Work itself	Male	4.57	0.53	-1.71	.41		
	Work itself	Female	4.78	0.43				
ţį	Deepensikility	Male	3.84	1.33	-0.83	.21		
Responsibility	Responsibility	Female	4.11	1.18				
Not	Advancement	Male	4.25	1.02	-2.05**	.39		
_	Advancement	Female	4.61	0.50				
	O III.	Male	4.08	1.20	-3.11**	.54		
	Growth	Female	4.67	0.49				
Company poli	Common and administration	Male	4.38	0.87	-1.96	.41		
	Company policy and administration	Female	4.72	0.58				
Supervision,	Companision	Male	4.22	0.79	0.25	.06		
	Supervision,	Female	4.17	0.86				
	Deletionabie with assessing	Male	4.24	0.96	0.52	.13		
Relationship with	Relationship with supervisor	Female	4.11	0.90				
	Work conditions	Male	4.43	0.71	-0.90	.24		
ွ	Work conditions	Female	4.61	0.78				
cto.	Coloni	Male	4.70	0.66	-2.45**	.40		
Fa	Salary	Female	4.94	0.24				
Hyggienne Factors Salary Relationship with p	Deletie achie with acces	Male	4.19	0.90	-0.33	.10		
gie	Relationship with peers	Female	4.28	1.02				
Personal life	Demonstrate in the second seco	Male	4.24	1.01	-0.16	.09		
	Personal life	Female	4.28	0.90				
	Deletionship with subardinates	Male	3.81	1.15	-2.85**	.55		
Relationship w	Relationship with subordinates	Female	4.39	0.61				
	Chahua	Male	3.98	0.98	-0.49	.14		
	Status	Female	4.12	0.94				
	Security	Male	3.83	0.99	-1.10	.28		
	Security	Female	4.11	0.96				

Note: * p < .05, ** p < .01, *** p < .001; (n = 126 for Male and n= 36 for Female).

Sources: calculated by the author.

Role of income in motivation: In order to test Herzberg's two-factor theory in more detail, the relationship between the average monthly income of the participants and both motivation and hygiene factors were examined by correlation analysis. There are two main findings in this context that need to be

discussed. The first one is that there is a negative relationship between average monthly income and salary factor (p <0.001). According to this finding, as the average monthly income level increases, the motivator role of salary decreases. The other one is that although not statistically significant, monthly income is negatively associated with all hygiene factors. This finding shows the possibility of decreasing the motivator role of hygiene factors as income increases (Table 3).

Table 3. The correlates of income with motivation and hygiene factors

Variables	Average Monthly Income			
Motivation Factors				
Achievement	.02			
Recognition	06			
Work itself	.21			
Responsibility	.17			
Advancement	.21			
Growth	.11			
Hygiene Factors				
Company policy and administration	12			
Supervision,	10			
Relationship with supervisor	01			
Work conditions	22			
Salary	48***			
Relationship with peers	13			
Personal life	18			
Relationship with subordinates	10			
Status	11			
Security	12			

Sources: developed by the author.

Discussion and conclusion. According to the findings of the study, the basic assumptions related to Herzberg's Two Factor theory was partially supported in the sample of Turkish public sector employees (white-collar employees working in municipalities). Some of the factors considered as hygiene factors in Herzberg's theory were found to be important motivating factors. According to Herzberg's theory factors such as salary, working conditions, company policy and administration, and relationship with supervisor were considered as hygiene factors. However, in the current study, they all were found to be significant motivators. Nevertheless, according to Herzberg's theory, factors such as recognition and responsibility are considered as motivators but their percentages in representing employee' motivation were found to be quite low. Therefore, these findings did not support Herzberg's theory. On the other hand, the findings obtained from some of the factors such as achievement, work itself, security, relationships with subordinates, and advancement partially supported Herzberg' theory.

First of all, it should be questioned why the salary factor, which is considered to be a hygiene factor according to Herzberg's theory, was found to be the strongest motivating factor in the current study. It is necessary to examine this finding from a sociological, economic and individual point of view. Employee motivation does not work the same way for each society, economic development level, and individual differences, because people are motivated by the meeting of predominantly unmet needs (Maslow, 1954). Most people, especially in underdeveloped and developing countries, are attached to the physiological and security needs of Maslow's hierarchy of needs. According to research, 40.3 % of the employees (around 12 million employees) work for minimum wage in Turkey (Boyacioglu, 2017). For this reason, it is not surprising that the salary factor received the highest score in motivating employees rather than the needs that are at the higher levels of the hierarchy of needs (Maslow, 1954) such as status, recognition, and responsibility. Although the average monthly income of employees participated in the study could be

considered as moderate considering the living standards in Turkey, the salary was still found to have the highest score in motivating employees. As individuals meet the low levels of needs in the hierarchy of needs over time, the motivation (motivator role?) of the income will decrease and instead, factors such as recognition, responsibility, growth and advancement will increase.

There are some limitations that need to be addressed in the current research. The first one is the limited number of sample size. An important issue in theory testing is the inclusion of a heterogeneous sample (preferably a rather large sample size) into the research. However, Herzberg's theory was tested by a homogenous sample (participants were all public employees, the standard deviation of income distributions were low and all of them were white-collar employees and working under similar conditions). If data could have been collected through a larger and heterogeneous sample, it would be possible to make comparisons among employee categories. In the current study, there are also limitations related to measurement. Indeed, Herzberg's initial study and the sample group are also still being criticized. Although the theory was tried to be tested with two different approaches on the same sample (i.e., Likert-type measurement and percentage distribution), an additional in-depth interview method would lead to more comprehensible findings to understand dynamics of motivation. Finally, although the motivation is closely related to individual differences (especially personality traits), differences in personality traits of the participants were not measured in the current study.

It is expected that more empirical research on the limitations of this study will contribute to the field in future research. First of all, there is a need for a valid measurement tool which can test Herzberg's theory in different samples and cultures. Every single study applies different approaches while testing Herzberg's theory and this makes it harder to compare the empirical findings of all these researches. Therefore, a scale needs to be developed on this subject matter and it may increase the numbers and quality of the research to be carried out. The theory should then be tested in different sample groups (preferably by comparing the low, medium and high-income profession groups), especially within the same country. Furthermore, the comparison of Herzberg's motivation and hygiene factors in cross-culturally (preferably including samples from the developed, developing, and underdeveloped countries) plays a critical role in the improvement of the theory. One of the other critical points that needs be taken into consideration in future research is to examine the differences in personality traits of the participants involved in the research, as motivation and job satisfaction are closely related to personality traits (Judge et al., 2002). Therefore, not only the variables such as a workgroup, employee category, and sector but also the personality traits should also be measured in testing the theory. For example individuals with Type A personality traits who are characterized by ambition, competitiveness and perfectionism (Luthans, 2010), may be more likely to be motivated to a greater extent in terms of recognition, strengthening, and taking responsibility. To sum up, this study tested Herzberg's Two Factor Theory of Motivation in a sample of municipal employees in Turkey and the theory was partially supported, however it was specifically not supported in terms of salary factor. It is expected that the empirical studies will be carried out within the scope of future research suggestions proposed in the context of the current research and that will contribute to the development of Herzberg's theory.

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Мотивація співробітників є одним із найбільш актуальних питань теорії менеджменту та організаційної психології. Так, за останні сімдесят років у цьому напрямі було розроблено декілька мотиваційних теорій. При цьому наразі відсутня універсальна та загальноприйнята теорія мотивації. У рамках даного дослідження автор розглядає двофакторну теорію мотивації Герцберга, що передбачає розподіл мотиваційних факторів на дві групи: мотиваційні та гігієнічні фактори. Згідно даної теорії. до мотиваційних факторів відносяться наступні чинники: досягнення: визнання успіху; інтерес до роботи; відповідальність; кар'єрне зростання та розвиток. У свою чергу, до гігієнічних факторів відносяться: політика компанії і менеджменту; міжособистісні відносини з керівництвом, колегами та підлеглими; умови праці; заробітна плата; вплив роботи на особиств життя; статус та безпека. Відповідно до концепції двофакторної теорії мотивації Герцберга, наявність гігієнічних факторів не сприяє підвищенню рівня мотивації, однак їх відсутність породжує незадоволення серед працівників. З іншої сторони, відсутність мотиваційних факторів сприяє зниженню рівня мотивації, тоді як їх наявність підвищує її рівень. Таким чином, метою статті є емпіричний аналіз двофакторної теорії мотивації Герцберга. У рамках даного дослідження автором перевірено адекватність двофакторної теорії мотивації Герцберга, використовуючи методи кількісного аналізу. Детерміновану вибірку даних сформовано на основі результатів опитування 162 респондентів (муніципальні службовці в Туреччині). Методологію даного дослідження засновано на двох методичних підходах: метод сумарних оцінок – шкала Лайкерта; метод відсоткового розподілу. З метою перевірки ступеню впливу кожного фактору теорії на рівень мотивації співробітників, застосовано метод відсоткового розподілу, в якому роль кожного із факторів теорії мотивації Герцберга визначається у відсотковому відношенні. Результати дослідження свідчать, що двофакторна теорія мотивації Герцберга підтверджується частково. Так, такі гігієнічні фактори мотиваційної теорії Герцберга, як заробітна плата, політика компанії та менеджменту, умови праці мають статистично значимий вплив на рівень мотивації співробітників. При цьому визначено, що такі фактори мотивації, як відповідальність, визнання успіху та кар'єрне зростання у меншій мірі мотивують працівників, ніж це передбачено теорією мотивації Герцберга. Окрім цього, у ході дослідження автором встановлено, що з підвищенням середньомісячної заробітної плати, її роль, як мотиваційного фактору, знижується.

Ключові слова: двофакторна теорія мотивації Герцберга, мотивація, муніципальні службовці, теорія.

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