

CITY OF HOLDFAST BAY
BUSINESS ENGAGEMENT SURVEY
FINAL REPORT
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## 1. INTRODUCTION

Intuito is pleased to provide this final report to the City of Holdfast Bay for market research amongst businesses located in the Council area to measure business confidence and how Council can help develop better business conditions. This survey proved to be quite difficult to recruit. Our methodology needed to change during the fieldwork phase from telephone to a combination of telephone and gathering email addresses, emailing an online link (to in excess of 500 businesses) with a very small pull through rate to face to face interviews in the Glenelg and Brighton area. 208 surveys were completed in entirety, however an additional 73 respondents started the survey and did not complete.

One of the key deliverables for this project was to measure business confidence that is compatible with the Australian Chamber of Commerce and Industry (ACCI) Business Confidence Survey and can be benchmarked against the national survey. This survey asked people therefore to look back to the last quarter (December 2014) and compare confidence on a variety of measures to the first quarter this year (2015). Distribution of the ACCl survey for the December quarter released in April has enabled us to compare the last quarter results on a national level, and local first quarter results against the national expected results.


## 2. THE BRIEF AND SITUATION ANALYSIS

## Background to the brief

The City of Holdfast Bay has conducted an annual survey of residents entitled 'Quality of Life' for the past 4 years. Its primary purpose is to measure the quality and level of satisfaction with Council's services and to provide community input into Council's Annual Business Plan and Budget process. This year it was decided to include businesses.

There are four strategic key result areas that relate to service and program delivery and these include building a strong community; creating a sustainable environment; delivering economic prosperity; and enhancing city design. And a fifth key result area in 2015 is to survey businesses to ascertain current and forecast levels of business confidence and opinions on how Council can help support business conditions.

## Project Scope

The 2015 research project should measure residents' level of satisfaction with, and perception of the quality of services that the Council delivers and also confidence levels amongst businesses in the area. The key deliverables include:

- Develop and conduct Community Survey to achieve Council's objectives.
- Refine the survey questionnaire for the Community.
- Develop a refined business questionnaire that is compatible with the Australian Chamber of Commerce and Industry Business Confidence Survey.
- Conduct a survey, achieving a minimum of 400 ratepayer respondents ensuring the sample is balanced to reflect the community profile and 200 business respondents (business types at random).
- Collate all data and provide both a quantitative and qualitative report on the findings to Council, including the outcomes of the Business Survey.
- Manage any complaints received during the delivery of the survey and report same to Council along with actions taken to rectify issues.
- Present an overview of the report to the Senior Leadership Team and to Council (if needed).



## 3. MARKET RESEARCHOBJECTIVES

Specific objectives for the Business Survey include:

- Ascertain current and forecast levels of business confidence.
- Seek opinions on how the City of Holdfast Bay can develop strategies that will support business conditions.


## 4. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

## Profile of businesses in the City of Holdfast Bay

Businesses in the City of Holdfast Bay appear to be skewed significantly toward retail and hospitality/restaurants compared to the national average particularly given the random nature of the selection of these respondents for this survey. Nearly a third are retail, followed by $16 \%$ hospitality, $9 \%$ are health services, $8 \%$ building, real estate and development, $7 \%$ personal services, $4 \%$ consulting and business services, $3 \%$ tourism, $3 \%$ banking and finance and the remaining $15.5 \%$ are in 'other' sectors. The vast majority ( $96 \%$ ) can be classified as small business (0-19 employees), $3 \%$ medium businesses (20-99 employees) and $.5 \%$ (one business with 100+ employees).

Length of business operation across all businesses is an average of 20 years with $27 \%$ operating in the area for 0-5 years, $40 \%$ for $6-20$ years and $33 \%$ for over 20 years. The vast majority of businesses operate out of a physical office or shop, $9 \%$ work from home and $4 \%$ are mobile. Each business has an average of 5 full time employees and 7 part time employees. There are more females than males at a ratio of $3: 2$, there are more skilled workers to unskilled workers at a ratio of $3.5: 1$ and there are more part time employees with a ratio of 2:1 against full time employees.

Expectations on performance of the economy


The State economy outlook is significantly poorer than that of the national or local economy expectations.


Business indicators for local businesses compared to the National ACCI Index

| KPI | Local Index <br> Dec 2014 | Local Index <br> Mar 2015 | Quarterly <br> Move | Nat Index <br> Dec 2014 | Nat Index <br> Mar 2015 <br> $(\mathbf{e})$ | Against Nat <br> Index |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| General business <br> conditions | 42.0 | 44.2 | $\uparrow$ | 45.7 | 48.6 | $\uparrow$ |
| Sales revenue | 43.8 | 45.7 | $\uparrow$ | 45.5 | 52.6 | $\uparrow$ |
| Wage growth | 62.3 | 55.9 | $\downarrow$ | 54.9 | 53.1 | $\downarrow$ |
| Non-wage labour costs <br> (super, payroll tax, etc.) | 68.6 | 60.9 | $\downarrow$ | 54.2 | 53.2 | $\downarrow$ |
| Selling prices | 53.6 | 54.9 | $\uparrow$ | 45.5 | 47.7 | $\uparrow$ |
| Profit growth | 36.7 | 41.6 | $\uparrow$ | 39.1 | 45.1 | $\uparrow$ |
| Number of employees | 45.4 | 47.1 | $\uparrow$ | 46.9 | 47.9 | $\uparrow$ |
| Overtime utilisation | 44.8 | 44.5 | $\downarrow$ | 42.0 | 41.0 | $\downarrow$ |
| Investment in buildings <br> and structures | 43.2 | 44.8 | $\uparrow$ | 45.6 | 40.4 | $\downarrow$ |
| Investment in plant and <br> equipment | 49.3 | 47.8 | $\downarrow$ | 47.3 | 46.0 | $\downarrow$ |

This Small Business Survey shows that small business in Holdfast Bay are experiencing painful trading conditions in the December quarter and even greater than the painful conditions experienced by National Small Businesses according to the Australian Chamber of Commerce and Industry December, 2014 report. With the exception of wages growth, non-wage labour costs and selling prices all current business indicators recorded readings in contractionary territory. On the upside, the indicators that are improving and heading toward neutral readings are general business conditions, sales revenue, profit growth (although this has a long way to get to neutral) and investment in plant and equipment.

## Small Business Conditions

Small Business Conditions expect to improve slightly from the December quarter to the March quarter although both indices are lower than the national averages.

## Sales revenue

The Sales Revenue index increased slightly from the December quarter to the March quarter. The March quarter for local business is now sitting where the national index was in December, 2014 but well below the estimated March National Index of a positive 52.6.

## Wage growth

The Wages index for local businesses is set to improve from the December quarter to the March quarter. Given the nature of businesses in Holdfast Bay and the longer than usual Christmas shopping hours, public holidays, etc. this will improve in the current quarter. The local wages index is now in line with the estimated National ACCI March index.


## Non-wage labour costs

This index for non-wage labour costs was very high in the December quarter (possibly because of greater wage costs over Christmas) but is easing in the March quarter. Both quarters are significantly higher than the National tracking indices.

## Selling prices

Selling Prices indices in the December quarter and March quarter were significantly higher than the National ACCI December and March indices and are in positive territory indicating that selling prices are holding in the local Holdfast Bay area.

## Profit growth

This index remains depressed with a reading just above 40 in the March quarter (up from 36.7 in the December quarter). This mirrors the slight improvements in the National ACCI indices but the local figures are worse than the National ACCI index for both quarters.

## Number of employees

This index has improved slightly over the last quarter but it still remains below neutral and is in line with the National ACCI indices for both quarters.

## Overtime utilization

The Overtime Utilisation indices remain flat but the local businesses are faring better than National small business but all indices are below neutral.

## Investment in buildings and structures

The Investment in Buildings and Structures index has also remained flat for local business (both sitting below neutral) however is now faring better than the estimated National ACCI Index for March which will be around 40 which is expected to fall sharply over the last two quarters.

## Investment in plant and equipment

This index has fallen slightly from the December quarter (which was neutral) down to 47.8 in the March quarter but the estimated National ACCI Index shows small business nationally to fare slightly worse.

## Constraints on investment in plant and equipment

Business taxes and government charges are the number one constraint on small business investment. This is followed by wage costs (peculiar to local businesses in Holdfast Bay) followed by State Government regulations and insufficient retained earnings. The number one constraint is consistent with the National ACCI Small Business Survey but does not follow other constraints such as insufficient demand, import competition, and non-wage labour costs.

## Ideas and suggestions for future City of Holdfast Bay strategies

Most businesses offered some suggestions and the majority of these related to easier/better/more accessible parking and less vigilant parking inspectors and more events to bring more traffic to the area. There were a few businesses that suggested more bin collections or better signage in the area.


## 5. KEY FINDINGS

1. How long has your business operated in the City of Holdfast Bay Council area?

## Average number of business operation years $\mathrm{n}=\mathbf{2 0 8}$



Businesses were asked how long they had operated their business in the City of Holdfast Bay Council area in whole numbers. 208 businesses responded to this question in the survey and the average number of years across the sum of 4,170 total years was 20 . The maximum was 150 years and the minimum was 0 years. The median was 14.5.


Clustering years of operation reveals that just over a quarter ( $27 \%$ ) of businesses have been operating in the area for between 0 and 5 years, with $40 \%$ for between 6 and 20 years, and a third (33\%) for over 20 years.

Medium sized firms (with employees of between 20 and 99 FTEs) are more likely to have been in operation for between 16 and 30 years ( $16-20$ years $25 \%, 21-30$ years $12.5 \%$ ) and more than 40 years and the one large firm represented, in operation for more than 40 years (150 years to be precise).


## 2. Which of the following describes your business?



All respondents were asked to describe their business location from a list provided, whether a bricks and mortar shop or office, work out of home or conduct a mobile business. The majority of respondents indicated that their work is located in an office/shop (87.5\%), with those working from home representing 9\% and mobile business 4\%.

Businesses more likely to be located in an office/shop were retail, hospitality/restaurants, tourism, food and beverage distribution, manufacturing, education, arts, creative industry, not for profit and transport.

Businesses more likely to be working from home were building, real estate and development, personal services, consulting and business services, technology and communications and mining and exploration.

Mobile businesses were more likely to fall into building, real estate and development, other businesses, banking and finance categories.

## 3. How many full time and part time employees does your business employ?

Average number of employees $\mathbf{n}=\mathbf{2 0 8}$


The average number of full time employees across all businesses surveyed is 7 (6.64) per business (based on 1242 FTEs divided by 187 businesses) and the average number of part time employees is 12 (11.83) (based on 1786 PTEs divided by 151 businesses).

Removing the major employer outlier ( 396 FTE's and 707 PTE's) reveals that the average number of full time employees is 5 (4.5) per business (based on 846 FTEs divided by 186 businesses) and the average number of part time employees is 7 (7.19) per business (based on 1079 PTEs divided by 156 businesses).


Further analysis of number of employees enabled the creation of a size of business variable in attempt to align with the ACCI Small Business Survey. Namely, those employing between 0 and 19 FTEs are classified as small business, those employing between 20 and 99 are medium, and those employing 100 or more, large. However, as the majority of businesses surveyed were small business (96\%), analysis by size of business reveals the remaining samples to be too small. Therefore all comparisons will be made using the total sample of businesses surveyed.

## Size of businesses represented $\mathbf{n}=\mathbf{2 0 8}$



Businesses located out of home or mobile are more likely to be classified as small businesses.
Small businesses are more likely to be health services, other, personal services, banking and finance, tourism, food and beverage distribution, technology and communications, education, arts and creative industry and transport businesses.

Medium businesses are more likely to be consulting and business services, manufacturing and mining and exploration.

The large firm fell into the not for profit sector.

4. What ratio of each of the following do you employ on a full time basis to the nearest 10 percent?

Employment ratios


All respondents were asked to provide the ratio of employees to the nearest $10 \%$ by gender, skilled/unskilled and full versus part time employees.

## Gender

More females are employed within the City of Holdfast Bay area with female employees outnumbering males at a ratio of 3:2.

## Skilled/Unskilled

There are more skilled employees working within the City of Holdfast Bay area with the skilled workforce outnumbering unskilled workforce at a ratio of 3.5:1.

## Full time/Part time Employees

This question has been compromised in that businesses seemed to be unable to put a percentage on FTE's and PTE's. If we take the data from Q3 this shows a ratio of 2:1 part time employees to full time employees and this makes sense given the nature of retail and hospitality (i.e. having more part time employees).


## 5. How do you expect the national economy to perform over the next 12 months?

National economy expectations $\mathbf{n}=\mathbf{2 0 8}$


Half (49\%) of the respondents expect the national economy to perform about the same over the next 12 months and $34 \%$ expects performance to be somewhat weaker, $11 \%$ much weaker, $6 \%$ somewhat stronger and only $1 \%$ much stronger.

Businesses with expectations that the national economy will perform about the same over the next 12 months are more likely to fall into the building, real estate and development, other and manufacturing sectors.

Businesses with an expectation that the national economy will perform somewhat weaker over the next 12 months are more likely to be in the hospitality/restaurants, health services and personal services, consulting and business services and tourism sectors.

Businesses with an expectation that the national economy will perform much weaker over the next 12 months fall into the retail, consulting and business services sectors.

Businesses with expectations that the national economy will perform somewhat stronger over the next 12 months fall into the retail sector.
6. How do you expect the South Australian economy to perform over the next 12 months?

South Australian economy expectations $\mathbf{n}=208$


The outlook for the SA economy is significantly worse than the national outlook.
Around a third (35\%) of all businesses expect the South Australian economy to perform about the same over the next 12 months and $40 \%$ expects performance to be somewhat weaker, $17 \%$ much weaker, $7 \%$ somewhat stronger and only 1\% much stronger.

Businesses with expectations that the South Australian economy will perform about the same over the next 12 months are more likely to fall into the building, real estate and development, other, personal services, retail and manufacturing sectors.

Businesses with an expectation that the South Australian economy will perform somewhat weaker over the next 12 months are more likely to be in the hospitality/restaurants, other, banking and finance, food and beverage distribution, technology and communications and education sectors.

Businesses with an expectation that the South Australian economy will perform much weaker over the next 12 months fall into the hospitality/restaurant, health services, personal services, and consulting and business services sectors.


## 7. How do you expect the local City of Holdfast Bay area economy to perform over the next 12 months?

Local area economy expectations $\mathbf{n}=\mathbf{2 0 8}$


The outlook for the local economy of the City of Holdfast Bay is in line with the national outlook and is better than the State outlook.

When asked about the performance of the local City of Holdfast Bay economy, 50\% of all businesses expect the Holdfast Bay area economy to perform about the same over the next 12 months and $31 \%$ expect performance to be somewhat weaker, $9 \%$ much weaker, $9 \%$ somewhat stronger and only $1 \%$ much stronger.

Businesses with expectations that the local City of Holdfast Bay area economy will perform about the same over the next 12 months are more likely to fall into the health services, building, real estate and development, other, personal services, consulting and business services and manufacturing sectors.

Businesses with an expectation that the local City of Holdfast Bay area economy will perform somewhat weaker over the next 12 months are more likely to fall in the hospitality/restaurants, tourism and food and beverage distribution sectors.

Businesses with an expectation that the local City of Holdfast Bay area economy will perform much weaker over the next 12 months fall into the retail and health services sectors.

Interestingly, retail businesses were also likely to acknowledge that the local City of Holdfast Bay area economy will perform somewhat stronger in the next 12 months, along with business in the 'other' category.

8. How would you describe the following business KPIs in the last quarter of 2014? Were they up, down or about the same as the previous quarter?
As the total sample mostly comprises small business (96\%) the following KPIs have been calculated on the total sample of 208 businesses rather than by size of business.


The following is a summary of the statistics based on all responses:

| KPI | Up | Same | Down | Local <br> Index Dec <br> 2014 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| General business conditions | $17 \%$ | $50 \%$ | $33 \%$ | 42.0 |
| Sales revenue | $24.5 \%$ | $38.5 \%$ | $37 \%$ | 43.8 |
| Wage growth | $33 \%$ | $56 \%$ | $9 \%$ | 62.3 |
| Non-wage labour costs (super, payroll <br> tax, etc.) | $41 \%$ | $55 \%$ | $4 \%$ | 68.6 |
| Selling prices | $21 \%$ | $65 \%$ | $14 \%$ | 53.6 |
| Profit growth | $14 \%$ | $46 \%$ | $40 \%$ | 36.7 |
| Number of employees | $9 \%$ | $73 \%$ | $18 \%$ | 45.4 |
| Overtime utilisation | $6 \%$ | $77 \%$ | $17 \%$ | 44.8 |
| Investment in buildings and structures | $7.5 \%$ | $71 \%$ | $21 \%$ | 43.2 |
| Investment in plant and equipment | $21 \%$ | $57 \%$ | $22 \%$ | 49.3 |

Based on the principals of indexation, the only positive index above is selling prices.


| KPI | Local Index <br> Dec 2014 | Nat Index <br> Dec 2014 | Against Nat <br> Index |
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9. How do you expect the same business KPls to perform in the current first quarter of 2015? Will they be up, down, or about the same as the previous quarter?

Local area KPIs for March Quarter 2015


The following is a summary of the statistics:

| KPI | Up | Same | Down | Local <br> Index <br> March <br> 2015 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| General business conditions | 17\% | 55\% | 28.5\% | 44.2 |
| Sales revenue | 25\% | 41\% | 34\% | 45.7 |
| Wage growth | 22\% | 67\% | 11\% | 55.9 |
| Non-wage labour costs (super, payroll tax, etc.) | 28\% | 66.5\% | 6\% | 60.9 |
| Selling prices | 22\% | 65\% | 13\% | 54.9 |
| Profit growth | 19\% | 46\% | 36\% | 41.6 |
| Number of employees | 8\% | 78.6\% | 14\% | 47.1 |
| Overtime utilisation | 5.5\% | 78\% | 17\% | 44.5 |
| Investment in buildings and structures | 7.5\% | 75\% | 18\% | 44.8 |
| Investment in plant and equipment | 14\% | 67\% | 19\% | 47.8 |



Businesses expect general business conditions to improve marginally this current quarter over last as well as sales revenue, non-wage labour costs, and profit growth but other than this conditions look like remaining fairly flat.

| KPI | Local Index <br> Mar 2015 | Nat Index <br> Mar 2015 (e) | Against Nat <br> Index |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| General business conditions | 44.2 | 48.6 | $\downarrow$ |
| Sales revenue | 45.7 | 52.6 | $\downarrow$ |
| Wage growth | 55.9 | 53.1 | $\uparrow$ |
| Non-wage labour costs (super, <br> payroll tax, etc.) | 60.9 | 53.2 | $\uparrow$ |
| Selling prices | 54.9 | 47.7 | $\uparrow$ |
| Profit growth | 41.6 | 45.1 | $\downarrow$ |
| Number of employees | 47.1 | 47.9 | $\downarrow$ |
| Overtime utilisation | 44.5 | 41.0 | $\uparrow$ |
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## General Business Conditions

Compared to the national index, general business conditions for the local area were lower with both the local and national indices in negative territory. Expectations for general business conditions both locally and nationally in the quarter ahead are optimistic but will remain negative.

## Sales Revenue

Compared to the national index, sales revenue for the local area was lower in the December quarter with both the local and national indices in negative territory. Expectations for sales revenue locally in the quarter ahead are optimistic but will remain in negative.

## Wage Growth

Compared to the national index, wages for the local area were higher. Locally business expects wages to decline in the next quarter, however will remain in positive territory.

## Non-Wage Labour Costs

The index for non-wage labour costs sits above the national index with both remaining above the neutral 50 reading. Locally expectations for non-wage labour costs are anticipated to decline in the next quarter but remain in positive territory.

## Selling Prices

The local index on selling prices sits well above the national average in positive territory compared to a negative national index. Locally, selling prices in the March quarter are expected to increase pushing slightly further into positive territory. Whilst the national index on selling prices is expected to increase in the next quarter, it will remain in negative.

## Profit Growth

The local index on profit growth sits lower than the national average, both depressed with readings below 40. However, profits are expected to improve in the March quarter for both the local and national indices pushing results closer to neutral territory.

## Number of Employees

The local Employment index sits slightly below the national employment index. Improvements are forecast both locally and nationally for the March quarter nudging closer to neutral territory.

## Overtime Utilisation

The local overtime index is slightly above the national overtime index however whilst both indices are expected to fall in the March quarter, overtime utilisation will remain stronger on a local level.

## Investment in Buildings and Structures

The local investment in building and structures index sits below the national index. However, whilst the index looks set to improve in the next quarter on a local level, forecasts for national are set to decline further.

## Investment in Plant and Equipment

Compared to the national index, the local index for investment in plant and equipment is higher and sits just below positive territory on a local basis. However, the March quarter shows declines for both the local and national indices.

10. On a scale of zero to ten, how would you rate the degree to which each of the following factors constrain your investment in plant and equipment. Zero means that it is not a constraint at all to you and ten means it is a major constraint to you.

Degree of factors constraining investment in plant and equipment


The major constraints on investment in plant and equipment are businesses taxes and government charges, insufficient retained earnings, wage costs and State Government regulations. The factor with the least impact is import competition to businesses in Holdfast Bay. Medium impact is seen for insufficient demand, local competition, current levels of debt, non-wage labour costs, and charges by lending institutions and Federal Government regulations.

The mean ratings for each aspect for all businesses are:

| Factor | Mean score |
| :--- | :---: |
| Insufficient demand | 5.98 |
| Business taxes and government charges | 7.48 |
| Local competition | 5.38 |
| Insufficient retained earnings | $\mathbf{6 . 5 0}$ |
| Import competition | 4.44 |
| Wages costs | 6.88 |
| Current levels of debt | 5.73 |
| Non-wage labour costs | 5.57 |
| State Government regulations | $\mathbf{6 . 5 1}$ |
| Charges by lending institutions | 5.84 |
| Federal Government regulations | 6.14 |


11. Do you have any suggestions or ideas on what strategies the City of Holdfast Bay can implement to support better business conditions for you?

147 people gave suggestions, ideas and comments and these can be summarised in the following word cloud:

## Government low Small Business far Bins Pop

Development larger Jetty Rd survey Shops total Council Bicycle Lane Parking Cut Street $_{\text {Dining }}$ Jetty Road loss Local Businesses Proactive Advertising ${ }_{\text {Idea }}$ Rid $_{\text {Touriss }}$ Remove Bike Foot Traffic

There were eleven people who said they had no further comments to make. The main issues are seen as parking and suggestions include more events to bring more traffic to the area. The following are the remaining verbatim comments received:

None except more advertising.
No proposals are mentioned in this survey.
$2 x$ bin collections per week. Longer parking down side-street (3-4 hours?).
Don't allow so many of the same businesses to open in a 5 km radius there is a hair and beauty salon on every street corner!

As a Jetty Rd Brighton trader I would like to see a traders association formed in conjunction with the council.

Placement of street signs at intersections indicating what businesses are in the street. Utilize local business for council needs.

More car parking.
Fix the car parking problem and with winter coming perhaps a few pop up businesses in some of the empty shops so the place doesn't look like it's deserted.

Fix the car parking problem it's disgusting.
Encourage people to come to Glenelg - need to bring more people down. Parking fines are really discouraging people from coming. Council should see business as "welcoming someone to their home".


Also would be good to have parking available outside restaurants for elderly people. Many businesses come and go - council need to help new businesses get established. 35 years ago the area was a real community. It has lost this.

My only complaint would be that we don't have enough rubbish bins. It would be handy to have an extra one.

More car parking for both staff and clients.

Jetty Rd needs redevelopment - rental prices need to be looked at - trying to bring more events and the promotion of same to Glenelg and bring businesses together at a business forum twice a year.

Outdoor dining would help our industry along beachfront.

New footpath good but it would be good to be extended soon.

Free car parking - people can go to other surf clubs and park near them for no cost.

More support for business on Jetty Rd - need to make the area a shopping destination - fix car parking and more flexibility with parking inspectors with staff - more variety with retail shops.

Get to know their local businesses and become aware of their services and what's on offer and know what appeals to the community. I think when a community is aware that their council supports their local institutions, the public do too! Maybe using social media and talk about the council's favourite place in Brighton - for the week or month. Getting Facebook 'likes' brings awareness to areas/business/shop owners that the public hadn't noticed before. By getting to know business owners in your area, shows connectedness and I think that is appealing to a local community and helps bring people, business's together.

Better signage for tourists and more focus on helping businesses in the area.

Fix car parking problem in Glenelg - they should not have closed two car parks at the same time and they shouldn't do road works close to another lot of road works - it's made the area a mess - think of the businesses and give us support.

Increased local events, local advertising, improved street cleanliness and street appeal.

The word about Glenelg is 'don't bother going there, you won't find a park, or if you do, they're so hot on giving you a ticket you'll be fined for sure'. A positive spin on parking needs to be created, such as, 'we want your car with you, visiting Glenelg'. Maybe random car cleaning voucher prizes given out, or 'once you spend over $\$$ ? on the day, your parking space has no restrictions'. Even before the cinema disruptions, the feel at Glenelg is that shoppers parking their cars are the nuisance, and mere revenue raisers. Yes, the flow of parks available has to continue throughout the day, but somehow it has to be a welcoming, beneficial feel attached to it.


Council needs focus on tourism development by encouraging lower rents to attract more business to the Glenelg area.

Planning process has to be made easier and simpler any development is a significant impediment.

More festivals and events in the TOTAL HB area not just Glenelg centric thereby creating an atmosphere of positive-ness and life, then consumers spend helping business.

They should have constraints on the amount of the same businesses within a certain area. Competition is good for all businesses but an overload is ridiculous.

Compensate us for loss of business due to cinema construction and assist us to get better location within Glenelg.

Introduce zoning of the strip and actually follow through with it when business applies for change of use. Since the City of Holdfast Bay chooses to try to aim themselves at every target market possible. There should be a retail zone, a kid's zone, a nightlife dining zone. To put like-shops with like-shops. Putting water fountains that children play in in front of drinking establishments is a joke. Make owners maintain shop fronts. Having longer car park times available and possibly introducing permits for workers of the strip. It's hardly cost efficient for employers to have their staff required to move their cars every two hours.

Better parking facilities. Hold more events at Glenelg like Jazz Festival which we had many years ago and also Rock \& Roll dancing etc.

Parking is a major concern since the closure of the Partridge St car park. Surely to redevelop the car park and utilise the cinema site would have been a far better option to avoid the parking situation we are all faced with for the next 12 months! I am receiving emails or phone calls daily from clients unable to find a park and after searching for ages, decide it is too hard and leave the Bay Area and head to Marion. Couple this with overzealous parking inspectors, and 1 hour limits, 2015 is heading to become a retailers worst nightmare!!! One can only wonder how many businesses will close once the full impact of this parking situation becomes clear.

Work on the mix of retailers the way Shopping Malls do with everything planned and executed to bring more people to the area.

They need to look after existing shops - not major projects that will the existing parking for over 6 months causing some to become unprofitable. They need to keep businesses informed instead of feeding them propaganda and misinformation

Improve parking conditions. You could have a council rate subsidy for businesses. I don't see it so much as a council issue. It is a property value/rent issue and the wrong people opening the wrong businesses.

A Jetty Rd "Super Saturday" where all retailers get involved in a big one day sale. Similar to what Westfield centres do to draw people to the area and compete with the shopping centres, particularly during the

winter months. Promoting Easter trading, Xmas trading and public holiday trading more. More street parties, events to increase foot traffic to the area.

Promoting benefits of local manufacturing industries.
The events that occur really constrain our business. The council rates are terribly high and don't help support our businesses. We lose business. While the building is happening near Jetty Road they should have free parking.

Free advertising.
More free car parking near foreshore for those going to beach.
Fix the car parking problem at Glenelg and do something with Jetty Rd it's a shambles.
12. What business sector do you fall into?


The only demographic collected as part of the survey was type of business. Around a third (32\%) fell into the retail sector, followed by hospitality/restaurants (16\%), health services (9\%), building, real estate and development (9\%), other (8\%), personal services such as legal, medical etc (7\%), consulting and business services (4\%), tourism (3\%), banking and finance (3\%), and 1\% for technology and communications, manufacturing, food and beverage distribution, transport, not for profit, arts, creative industry, mining and explorations and education sectors.
'Other' businesses comprised:

Pest Management, Crash repairer, Surf club, Beauty, Drink Catering \& Mobile Bartending, Manufacturing and retail - creative industry, Distributor, Automotive repair, Hair and makeup, Beauty salon, Hairdressing Salon, Fitness, Retail Logistics, Quilting and embroidery services, Accountancy and Tax Practice.


## 6. TABULATIONS

Q1. How long has your business operated in the City of Holdfast Bay Council area?

| Number of years | 0-5 years | 56 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 26.9\% |
|  | 6-10 years | 37 |
|  |  | 17.8\% |
|  | 11-15 years | 23 |
|  |  | 11.1\% |
|  | 16-20 years | 24 |
|  |  | 11.5\% |
|  | 21-25 years | 13 |
|  |  | 6.3\% |
|  | 26-30 years | 15 |
|  |  | 7.2\% |
|  | 31-40 years | 16 |
|  |  | 7.7\% |
|  | More than 40 years | 24 |
|  |  | 11.5\% |
|  | Total | 208 |
|  |  | 100.0\% |

## Statistics

Number of whe

| Numberof whole years <br> N <br>  <br>  <br> Valid <br> Mean <br> Missing | $\mathbf{2 0 8}$ |  |
| :--- | :--- | ---: |
| Median |  | 0 |
| Sum |  | 14.05 |


|  |  | Size of Business |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Small Firm | Medium Firm | Large Firm | Total |
| Number of years | 0-5 years | 56 | 0 | 0 | 56 |
|  |  | 28.1\% | .0\% | .0\% | 26.9\% |
|  | 6-10 years | 37 | 0 | 0 | 37 |
|  |  | 18.6\% | .0\% | .0\% | 17.8\% |
|  | 11-15 years | 22 | 1 | 0 | 23 |
|  |  | 11.1\% | 12.5\% | .0\% | 11.1\% |
|  | 16-20 years | 22 | 2 | 0 | 24 |
|  |  | 11.1\% | 25.0\% | .0\% | 11.5\% |
|  | 21-25 years | 12 | 1 | 0 | 13 |
|  |  | 6.0\% | 12.5\% | .0\% | 6.3\% |
|  | 26-30 years | 14 | 1 | 0 | 15 |
|  |  | 7.0\% | 12.5\% | .0\% | 7.2\% |
|  | 31-40 years | 16 | 0 | 0 | 16 |
|  |  | 8.0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 7.7\% |
|  | More than 40 years | 20 | 3 | 1 | 24 |
|  |  | 10.1\% | 37.5\% | 100.0\% | 11.5\% |
|  | Total | 199 | 8 | 1 | 208 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |

Number of whole years

|  |  | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Valid | 0 | 5 | 2.4 | 2.4 | 2.4 |
|  | 1 | 7 | 3.4 | 3.4 | 5.8 |
|  | 2 | 12 | 5.8 | 5.8 | 11.5 |
|  | 3 | 11 | 5.3 | 5.3 | 16.8 |
|  | 4 | 12 | 5.8 | 5.8 | 22.6 |
|  | 5 | 9 | 4.3 | 4.3 | 26.9 |
|  | 6 | 7 | 3.4 | 3.4 | 30.3 |
|  | 7 | 8 | 3.8 | 3.8 | 34.1 |
|  | 8 | 4 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 36.1 |
|  | 9 | 4 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 38.0 |
|  | 10 | 14 | 6.7 | 6.7 | 44.7 |
|  | 11 | 1 | . 5 | . 5 | 45.2 |
|  | 12 | 5 | 2.4 | 2.4 | 47.6 |
|  | 13 | 3 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 49.0 |
|  | 14 | 2 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 50.0 |
|  | 15 | 12 | 5.8 | 5.8 | 55.8 |
|  | 16 | 5 | 2.4 | 2.4 | 58.2 |
|  | 17 | 2 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 59.1 |
|  | 18 | 2 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 60.1 |
|  | 19 | 1 | . 5 | . 5 | 60.6 |
|  | 20 | 14 | 6.7 | 6.7 | 67.3 |
|  | 21 | 1 | . 5 | . 5 | 67.8 |
|  | 22 | 3 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 69.2 |
|  | 23 | 2 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 70.2 |
|  | 24 | 1 | . 5 | . 5 | 70.7 |
|  | 25 | 6 | 2.9 | 2.9 | 73.6 |
|  | 26 | 1 | . 5 | . 5 | 74.0 |
|  | 27 | 2 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 75.0 |
|  | 28 | 3 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 76.4 |
|  | 29 | 1 | . 5 | . 5 | 76.9 |
|  | 30 | 8 | 3.8 | 3.8 | 80.8 |
|  | 31 | 2 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 81.7 |
|  | 32 | 1 | . 5 | . 5 | 82.2 |
|  | 33 | 2 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 83.2 |
|  | 34 | 1 | . 5 | . 5 | 83.7 |
|  | 35 | 1 | . 5 | . 5 | 84.1 |
|  | 37 | 1 | . 5 | . 5 | 84.6 |
|  | 38 | 1 | . 5 | . 5 | 85.1 |
|  | 39 | 2 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 86.1 |
|  | 40 | 5 | 2.4 | 2.4 | 88.5 |
|  | 42 | 1 | . 5 | . 5 | 88.9 |
|  | 44 | 1 | . 5 | . 5 | 89.4 |
|  | 50 | 8 | 3.8 | 3.8 | 93.3 |
|  | 54 | 1 | . 5 | . 5 | 93.8 |
|  | 55 | 1 | . 5 | . 5 | 94.2 |
|  | 57 | 1 | . 5 | . 5 | 94.7 |
|  | 60 | 2 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 95.7 |
|  | 65 | 3 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 97.1 |
|  | 70 | 2 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 98.1 |
|  | 99 | 1 | . 5 | . 5 | 98.6 |
|  | 116 | 1 | . 5 | . 5 | 99.0 |
|  | 146 | 1 | . 5 | . 5 | 99.5 |
|  | 150 | 1 | . 5 | . 5 | 100.0 |
|  | Total | 208 | 100.0 | 100.0 |  |

Q2. Which of the following describes your business?

| Which of the following describes your business? | Work from home | $\begin{array}{r} 18 \\ 8.7 \% \\ \hline \end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Work in an office/shop | 182 |
|  |  | 87.5\% |
|  | Mobile business | 8 |
|  |  | 3.8\% |
|  | Total | 208 |
|  |  | 100.0\% |


|  |  | Which of the following describes your business? |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Work from home | Work in an office/shop | Mobile business | Total |
| What business sector do you fall into? | Retail | 2 | 64 | 0 | 66 |
|  |  | 3.0\% | 97.0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Hospitality/restaurants | 1 | 33 | 0 | 34 |
|  |  | 2.9\% | 97.1\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Health services | 2 | 17 | 0 | 19 |
|  |  | 10.5\% | 89.5\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Building, real estate and development | 4 | 9 | 5 | 18 |
|  |  | 22.2\% | 50.0\% | 27.8\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Other (please specify) | 0 | 14 | 2 | 16 |
|  |  | .0\% | 87.5\% | 12.5\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Personal services (legal, medical, etc.) | 4 | 11 | 0 | 15 |
|  |  | 26.7\% | 73.3\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Consulting and business services | 3 | 6 | 0 | 9 |
|  |  | 33.3\% | 66.7\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Banking and finance | 0 | 5 | 1 | 6 |
|  |  | .0\% | 83.3\% | 16.7\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Tourism | 0 | 6 | 0 | 6 |
|  |  | .0\% | 100.0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Food and beverage distribution | 0 | 3 | 0 | 3 |
|  |  | .0\% | 100.0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Manufacturing | 0 | 3 | 0 | 3 |
|  |  | .0\% | 100.0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Technology and communications | 1 | 2 | 0 | 3 |
|  |  | 33.3\% | 66.7\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Education | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 |
|  |  | .0\% | 100.0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Mining and exploration | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
|  |  | 50.0\% | 50.0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Arts, creative industry | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 |
|  |  | .0\% | 100.0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Not for profit | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 |
|  |  | .0\% | 100.0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Transport | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 |
|  |  | .0\% | 100.0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Total | 18 | 182 | 8 | 208 |
|  |  | 8.7\% | 87.5\% | 3.8\% | 100.0\% |

Q3. How many full time and part time employees does your business employ?

| Statistics |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: |
|  |  | Part time |  |
|  |  | Full time employees | employees |
| N | Valid | 187 | 151 |
|  | Missing | 21 | 57 |
| Mean | 6.64 | 11.83 |  |
| Median | 2.00 | 3.00 |  |
| Sum | 1242 | 1786 |  |

Full time employees

|  |  | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Valid | 1 | 64 | 30.8 | 34.2 | 34.2 |
|  | 2 | 34 | 16.3 | 18.2 | 52.4 |
|  | 3 | 21 | 10.1 | 11.2 | 63.6 |
|  | 4 | 20 | 9.6 | 10.7 | 74.3 |
|  | 5 | 16 | 7.7 | 8.6 | 82.9 |
|  | 6 | 4 | 1.9 | 2.1 | 85.0 |
|  | 7 | 4 | 1.9 | 2.1 | 87.2 |
|  | 8 | 2 | 1.0 | 1.1 | 88.2 |
|  | 9 | 2 | 1.0 | 1.1 | 89.3 |
|  | 10 | 4 | 1.9 | 2.1 | 91.4 |
|  | 11 | 1 | . 5 | . 5 | 92.0 |
|  | 12 | 3 | 1.4 | 1.6 | 93.6 |
|  | 13 | 2 | 1.0 | 1.1 | 94.7 |
|  | 14 | 1 | . 5 | . 5 | 95.2 |
|  | 20 | 1 | . 5 | . 5 | 95.7 |
|  | 22 | 2 | 1.0 | 1.1 | 96.8 |
|  | 24 | 1 | . 5 | . 5 | 97.3 |
|  | 30 | 1 | . 5 | . 5 | 97.9 |
|  | 48 | 1 | . 5 | . 5 | 98.4 |
|  | 50 | 1 | . 5 | . 5 | 98.9 |
|  | 62 | 1 | . 5 | . 5 | 99.5 |
|  | 396 | 1 | . 5 | . 5 | 100.0 |
|  | Total | 187 | 89.9 | 100.0 |  |
| Missing | System | 21 | 10.1 |  |  |
| Total |  | 208 | 100.0 |  |  |

## Part time employees

|  |  | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Valid | 1 | 40 | 19.2 | 26.5 | 26.5 |
|  | 2 | 31 | 14.9 | 20.5 | 47.0 |
|  | 3 | 12 | 5.8 | 7.9 | 55.0 |
|  | 4 | 12 | 5.8 | 7.9 | 62.9 |
|  | 5 | 4 | 1.9 | 2.6 | 65.6 |
|  | 6 | 7 | 3.4 | 4.6 | 70.2 |
|  | 7 | 7 | 3.4 | 4.6 | 74.8 |
|  | 8 | 3 | 1.4 | 2.0 | 76.8 |
|  | 10 | 3 | 1.4 | 2.0 | 78.8 |
|  | 11 | 1 | . 5 | . 7 | 79.5 |
|  | 12 | 4 | 1.9 | 2.6 | 82.1 |
|  | 13 | 1 | . 5 | . 7 | 82.8 |
|  | 14 | 2 | 1.0 | 1.3 | 84.1 |
|  | 15 | 3 | 1.4 | 2.0 | 86.1 |
|  | 16 | 3 | 1.4 | 2.0 | 88.1 |
|  | 18 | 3 | 1.4 | 2.0 | 90.1 |
|  | 20 | 6 | 2.9 | 4.0 | 94.0 |
|  | 24 | 1 | . 5 | . 7 | 94.7 |
|  | 25 | 2 | 1.0 | 1.3 | 96.0 |
|  | 26 | 1 | . 5 | . 7 | 96.7 |
|  | 30 | 1 | . 5 | . 7 | 97.4 |
|  | 40 | 1 | . 5 | . 7 | 98.0 |
|  | 51 | 1 | . 5 | . 7 | 98.7 |
|  | 140 | 1 | . 5 | . 7 | 99.3 |
|  | 707 | 1 | . 5 | . 7 | 100.0 |
|  | Total | 151 | 72.6 | 100.0 |  |
| Missing | System | 57 | 27.4 |  |  |
| Total |  | 208 | 100.0 |  |  |

Size of business based on FTE's

| Size of Business | Small Firm | 199 |
| :--- | :--- | ---: |
|  |  | $95.7 \%$ |
|  | Medium Firm | 8 |
|  |  | $3.8 \%$ |
|  | Large Firm | 1 |
|  |  | $.5 \%$ |
|  | Total | 208 |
|  |  |  |


|  |  | Which of the following describes your business? |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Work from home | Work in an office/shop | Mobile business | Total |
| Size of Business | Small Firm | 18 | 173 | 8 | 199 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | 95.1\% | 100.0\% | 95.7\% |
|  | Medium Firm | 0 | 8 | 0 | 8 |
|  |  | .0\% | 4.4\% | .0\% | 3.8\% |
|  | Large Firm | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
|  |  | .0\% | . $5 \%$ | .0\% | . $5 \%$ |
|  | Total | 18 | 182 | 8 | 208 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |



|  |  | Size of Business |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Small Firm | Medium Firm | Large Firm | Total |
| What business sector do you fall into? | Retail | 64 | 2 | 0 | 66 |
|  |  | 97.0\% | 3.0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Hospitality/restaurants | 32 | 2 | 0 | 34 |
|  |  | 94.1\% | 5.9\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Health services | 19 | 0 | 0 | 19 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Building, real estate and development | 17 | 1 | 0 | 18 |
|  |  | 94.4\% | 5.6\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Other (please specify) | 16 | 0 | 0 | 16 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Personal services (legal, medical, etc.) | 15 | 0 | 0 | 15 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Consulting and business services | 8 | 1 | 0 | 9 |
|  |  | 88.9\% | 11.1\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Banking and finance | 6 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Tourism | 6 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Food and beverage distribution | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Manufacturing | 2 | 1 | 0 | 3 |
|  |  | 66.7\% | 33.3\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Technology and communications | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Education | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Mining and exploration | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
|  |  | 50.0\% | 50.0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Arts, creative industry | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Not for profit | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 |
|  |  | 50.0\% | .0\% | 50.0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Transport | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Total | 199 | 8 | 1 | 208 |
|  |  | 95.7\% | 3.8\% | . $5 \%$ | 100.0\% |



Q4. What ratio of each of the following do you employ on a full time basis to the nearest 10 percent?

Gender

| Statistics |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: |
|  |  | Male - Ratio | Female - Ratio |
| N | Valid | 200 | 200 |
|  | Missing | 8 | 8 |
| Mean |  | 4.9150 | 6.6400 |


|  | 0 | 10 | 20 | 30 | 40 | 50 | 60 | 70 | 80 | 90 | 100 | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Male - Ratio | 53 | 20 | 19 | 11 | 7 | 31 | 8 | 8 | 11 | 3 | 29 | 200 |
|  | 26.5\% | 10.0\% | 9.5\% | 5.5\% | 3.5\% | 15.5\% | 4.0\% | 4.0\% | 5.5\% | 1.5\% | 14.5\% | 100.0\% |
| Female - Ratio | 32 | 9 | 8 | 10 | 10 | 32 | 7 | 11 | 19 | 18 | 44 | 200 |
|  | 16.0\% | 4.5\% | 4.0\% | 5.0\% | 5.0\% | 16.0\% | 3.5\% | 5.5\% | 9.5\% | 9.0\% | 22.0\% | 100.0\% |

## Skilled/Unskilled

| Statistics |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: |
|  |  | Skilled - Ratio | Unskilled - Ratio |
| N | Valid | 200 | 200 |
|  | Missing | 8 | 8 |
| Mean |  | $\mathbf{7 . 3 3 5 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 . 1 2 5 0}$ |


|  | 0 | 10 | 20 | 30 | 40 | 50 | 60 | 70 | 80 | 90 | 100 | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Skilled - Ratio | 42 | 9 | 5 | 8 | 1 | 13 | 2 | 3 | 19 | 10 | 88 | 200 |
|  | 21.0\% | 4.5\% | 2.5\% | 4.0\% | .5\% | 6.5\% | 1.0\% | 1.5\% | 9.5\% | 5.0\% | 44.0\% | 100.0\% |
| Unskilled - Ratio | 159 | 5 | 7 | 1 | 0 | 9 | 2 | 6 | 3 | 0 | 8 | 200 |
|  | 79.5\% | 2.5\% | 3.5\% | .5\% | .0\% | 4.5\% | 1.0\% | 3.0\% | 1.5\% | .0\% | 4.0\% | 100.0\% |

## Full time/Part time Employees

| Statistics |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: |
|  |  | Full time employees | Part time <br> employees - Ratio |
| N Ratio | Valid | 200 | 200 |
|  | Missing | 8 | 8 |
| Mean |  | 5.8000 | 4.2450 |


|  | 0 | 10 | 20 |  | 30 |  | 40 | 50 | 60 | 70 | 80 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |



Q5. How do you expect the national economy to perform over the next 12 months?

| How do you expect the national economy to perform over the next 12 months? | Much stronger | $\begin{array}{r}2 \\ 1.0 \% \\ \hline\end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Somewhat strong | 13 |
|  |  | 6.3\% |
|  | About the same | 101 |
|  |  | 48.6\% |
|  | Somewhat weak | 70 |
|  |  | 33.7\% |
|  | Much weaker | 22 |
|  |  | 10.6\% |
|  | Total | 208 |
|  |  | 100.0\% |


|  |  | Size of Business |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Small Firm | Medium Firm | Large Firm | Total |
| How do you expect the national economy to perform over the next 12 months? | Much stronger | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
|  |  | 1.0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 1.0\% |
|  | Somewhat strong | 13 | 0 | 0 | 13 |
|  |  | 6.5\% | .0\% | .0\% | 6.3\% |
|  | About the same | 97 | 4 | 0 | 101 |
|  |  | 48.7\% | 50.0\% | .0\% | 48.6\% |
|  | Somewhat weak | 66 | 3 | 1 | 70 |
|  |  | 33.2\% | 37.5\% | 100.0\% | 33.7\% |
|  | Much weaker | 21 | 1 | 0 | 22 |
|  |  | 10.6\% | 12.5\% | .0\% | 10.6\% |
|  | Total | 199 | 8 | 1 | 208 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |


|  |  | How do you expect the national economy to perform over the next 12 months? |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Much stronger | Somewhat strong | About the same | Somewhat weak | Much weaker | Total |
| What business sector do you fall into? | Retail | 0 | 8 | 29 | 19 | 10 | 66 |
|  |  | .0\% | 12.1\% | 43.9\% | 28.8\% | 15.2\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Hospitality/restaurants | 0 | 1 | 15 | 14 | 4 | 34 |
|  |  | .0\% | 2.9\% | 44.1\% | 41.2\% | 11.8\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Health services | 0 | 1 | 8 | 8 | 2 | 19 |
|  |  | .0\% | 5.3\% | 42.1\% | 42.1\% | 10.5\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Building, real estate and development | 1 | 1 | 10 | 6 | 0 | 18 |
|  |  | 5.6\% | 5.6\% | 55.6\% | 33.3\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Other (please specify) | 1 | 0 | 12 | 3 | 0 | 16 |
|  |  | 6.3\% | .0\% | 75.0\% | 18.8\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Personal services (legal, medical, etc.) | 0 | 1 | 7 | 6 | 1 | 15 |
|  |  | .0\% | 6.7\% | 46.7\% | 40.0\% | 6.7\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Consulting and business services | 0 | 0 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 9 |
|  |  | .0\% | .0\% | 33.3\% | 44.4\% | 22.2\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Banking and finance | 0 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 6 |
|  |  | .0\% | 16.7\% | 50.0\% | 16.7\% | 16.7\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Tourism | 0 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 6 |
|  |  | .0\% | .0\% | 33.3\% | 66.7\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Food and beverage distribution | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 |
|  |  | .0\% | .0\% | 33.3\% | 33.3\% | 33.3\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Manufacturing | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
|  |  | .0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Technology and communications | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 3 |
|  |  | .0\% | .0\% | 66.7\% | 33.3\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Education | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
|  |  | .0\% | .0\% | 50.0\% | 50.0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Mining and exploration | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
|  |  | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 50.0\% | 50.0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Arts, creative industry | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
|  |  | .0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Not for profit | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
|  |  | .0\% | .0\% | 50.0\% | 50.0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Transport | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
|  |  | .0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Total | 2 | 13 | 101 | 70 | 22 | 208 |
|  |  | 1.0\% | 6.3\% | 48.6\% | 33.7\% | 10.6\% | 100.0\% |



Q6. How do you expect the South Australian economy to perform over the next 12 months?


|  |  | Size of Business |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  |  | Small Firm | Medium Firm | Large Firm | Total |
| How do you expect the | Much stronger | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| South Australian <br> economy to perform <br> over the next 12 <br> months? |  | $1.0 \%$ | $.0 \%$ | $.0 \%$ | $1.0 \%$ |
|  | Somewhat stronger | 15 | 0 | 0 | 15 |
|  |  | $7.5 \%$ | $.0 \%$ | $.0 \%$ | $7.2 \%$ |
|  | About the same | 69 | 3 | 0 | 72 |
|  |  | $34.7 \%$ | $37.5 \%$ | $.0 \%$ | $34.6 \%$ |
|  | Somewhat weaker | 79 | 4 | 1 | 84 |
|  |  | $39.7 \%$ | $50.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ | $40.4 \%$ |
|  |  | 34 | 1 | 0 | 35 |
|  | Much weaker | $17.1 \%$ | $12.5 \%$ | $.0 \%$ | $16.8 \%$ |
|  |  | 199 | 8 | 1 | 208 |
|  |  | $100.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |


|  |  | How do you expect the South Australian economy to perform over the next 12 months? |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Much stronger | Somewhat stronger | About the same | Somewhat weaker | Much weaker | Total |
| What business sector do you fall into? | Retail | 1 | 7 | 25 | 25 | 8 | 66 |
|  |  | 1.5\% | 10.6\% | 37.9\% | 37.9\% | 12.1\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Hospitality/restaurants | 0 | 2 | 9 | 15 | 8 | 34 |
|  |  | .0\% | 5.9\% | 26.5\% | 44.1\% | 23.5\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Health services | 0 | 1 | 5 | 8 | 5 | 19 |
|  |  | .0\% | 5.3\% | 26.3\% | 42.1\% | 26.3\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Building, real estate and development | 1 | 1 | 8 | 5 | 3 | 18 |
|  |  | 5.6\% | 5.6\% | 44.4\% | 27.8\% | 16.7\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Other (please specify) | 0 | 2 | 7 | 7 | 0 | 16 |
|  |  | .0\% | 12.5\% | 43.8\% | 43.8\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Personal services (legal, medical, etc.) | 0 | 1 | 8 | 3 | 3 | 15 |
|  |  | .0\% | 6.7\% | 53.3\% | 20.0\% | 20.0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Consulting and business services | 0 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 9 |
|  |  | .0\% | .0\% | 22.2\% | 33.3\% | 44.4\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Banking and finance | 0 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 6 |
|  |  | .0\% | 16.7\% | 16.7\% | 50.0\% | 16.7\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Tourism | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 1 | 6 |
|  |  | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 83.3\% | 16.7\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Food and beverage distribution | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 3 |
|  |  | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 66.7\% | 33.3\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Manufacturing | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
|  |  | .0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Technology and communications | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 3 |
|  |  | .0\% | .0\% | 33.3\% | 66.7\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Education | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 |
|  |  | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Mining and exploration | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
|  |  | .0\% | . $0 \%$ | .0\% | 50.0\% | 50.0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Arts, creative industry | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
|  |  | .0\% | .0\% | 50.0\% | 50.0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Not for profit | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
|  |  | .0\% | .0\% | 50.0\% | 50.0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Transport | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
|  |  | .0\% | .0\% | 50.0\% | 50.0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Total | 2 | 15 | 72 | 84 | 35 | 208 |
|  |  | 1.0\% | 7.2\% | 34.6\% | 40.4\% | 16.8\% | 100.0\% |

Q7. How do you expect the local City of Holdfast Bay area economy to perform over the next 12 months?

| How do you expect the local City of Holdfast Bay area economy to perform over the next 12 months? | Much stronger | $\begin{array}{r}2 \\ 1.0 \% \\ \hline\end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Somewhat stronger | 18 |
|  |  | 8.7\% |
|  | About the same | 104 |
|  |  | 50.0\% |
|  | Somewhat weaker | 65 |
|  |  | 31.3\% |
|  | Much weaker | 19 |
|  |  | 9.1\% |
|  | Total | 208 |
|  |  | 100.0\% |


|  |  | Size of Business |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Small Firm | Medium Firm | Large Firm | Total |
| How do you expect the local City of Holdfast Bay area economy to perform over the next 12 months? | Much stronger | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
|  |  | 1.0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 1.0\% |
|  | Somewhat stronger | 17 | 1 | 0 | 18 |
|  |  | 8.5\% | 12.5\% | .0\% | 8.7\% |
|  | About the same | 98 | 5 | 1 | 104 |
|  |  | 49.2\% | 62.5\% | 100.0\% | 50.0\% |
|  | Somewhat weaker | 63 | 2 | 0 | 65 |
|  |  | 31.7\% | 25.0\% | .0\% | 31.3\% |
|  | Much weaker | 19 | 0 | 0 | 19 |
|  |  | 9.5\% | .0\% | .0\% | 9.1\% |
|  | Total | 199 | 8 | 1 | 208 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |


|  |  | How do you expect the local City of Holdfast Bay area economy to perform over the next 12 months? |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Much stronger | Somewhat stronger | About the same | Somewhat weaker | Much weaker | Total |
| What business sector do you fall into? | Retail | 2 | 8 | 27 | 19 | 10 | 66 |
|  |  | 3.0\% | 12.1\% | 40.9\% | 28.8\% | 15.2\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Hospitality/restaurants | 0 | 2 | 12 | 16 | 4 | 34 |
|  |  | .0\% | 5.9\% | 35.3\% | 47.1\% | 11.8\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Health services | 0 | 1 | 12 | 3 | 3 | 19 |
|  |  | .0\% | 5.3\% | 63.2\% | 15.8\% | 15.8\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Building, real estate and development | 0 0 | 0 0 | 12 $66.7 \%$ | 6 $33.3 \%$ | 0 | 18 $100.0 \%$ |
|  |  | .0\% | .0\% | 66.7\% | 33.3\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Other (please specify) | 0 | 3 | 10 | 3 | 0 | 16 |
|  |  | .0\% | 18.8\% | 62.5\% | 18.8\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Personal services (legal, medical, etc.) | 0 | $\begin{array}{r}1 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 10 | 4 | 0 | $\begin{array}{r}15 \\ \hline\end{array}$ |
|  |  | .0\% | 6.7\% | 66.7\% | 26.7\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Consulting and business services | 0 | 1 | 5 | 3 | 0 | 9 |
|  |  | .0\% | 11.1\% | 55.6\% | 33.3\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Banking and finance | 0 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 6 |
|  |  | .0\% | 33.3\% | 16.7\% | 33.3\% | 16.7\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Tourism | 0 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 6 |
|  |  | .0\% | .0\% | 33.3\% | 66.7\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Food and beverage distribution | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 3 |
|  |  | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 66.7\% | 33.3\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Manufacturing | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
|  |  | .0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Technology and communications | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 3 |
|  |  | .0\% | .0\% | 66.7\% | 33.3\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Education | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
|  |  | .0\% | .0\% | 50.0\% | 50.0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Mining and exploration | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
|  |  | .0\% | .0\% | 50.0\% | 50.0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Arts, creative industry | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
|  |  | .0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Not for profit | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
|  |  | .0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Transport | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
|  |  | .0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Total | 2 | 18 | 104 | 65 | 19 | 208 |
|  |  | 1.0\% | 8.7\% | 50.0\% | 31.3\% | 9.1\% | 100.0\% |



Q8. How would you describe the following business KPIs in the last quarter of 2014?

|  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | Up | Same | Down | Total |
| General business | 35 | 104 | 68 | 207 |
| conditions | $16.9 \%$ | $50.2 \%$ | $32.9 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |
| Sales revenue | 51 | 80 | 77 | 208 |
|  | $24.5 \%$ | $38.5 \%$ | $37.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |
| Wage growth | 68 | 118 | 18 | 204 |
|  | $33.3 \%$ | $57.8 \%$ | $8.8 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |
| Non-wage labour costs | 85 | 114 | 8 | 207 |
| (on-costs, i.e. | $41.1 \%$ | $55.1 \%$ | $3.9 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |
| superannuation, payroll |  |  |  |  |
| taxes, etc.) | 44 | 134 | 29 | 207 |
| Selling prices | $21.3 \%$ | $64.7 \%$ | $14.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |
| Profit growth | 28 | 95 | 83 | 206 |
|  | $13.6 \%$ | $46.1 \%$ | $40.3 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |
| Number of employees | 18 | 150 | 37 | 205 |
|  | $8.8 \%$ | $73.2 \%$ | $18.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |
| Overtime utilisation | 13 | 155 | 34 | 202 |
|  | $6.4 \%$ | $76.7 \%$ | $16.8 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |
| Investment in buildings | 15 | 142 | 42 | 199 |
| and structures | $7.5 \%$ | $71.4 \%$ | $21.1 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |
| Investment in plant and | 42 | 114 | 45 | 201 |
| equipment | $20.9 \%$ | $56.7 \%$ | $22.4 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |


|  |  | Size of Business |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Small Firm | Medium Firm | Large Firm | Total |
| General business conditions | Up | 32 | 3 | 0 | 35 |
|  |  | 16.2\% | 37.5\% | .0\% | 16.9\% |
|  | Same | 100 | 3 | 1 | 104 |
|  |  | 50.5\% | 37.5\% | 100.0\% | 50.2\% |
|  | Down | 66 | 2 | 0 | 68 |
|  |  | 33.3\% | 25.0\% | .0\% | 32.9\% |
|  | Total | 198 | 8 | 1 | 207 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |
| Sales revenue | Up | 48 | 3 | 0 | 51 |
|  |  | 24.1\% | 37.5\% | .0\% | 24.5\% |
|  | Same | 76 | 3 | 1 | 80 |
|  |  | 38.2\% | 37.5\% | 100.0\% | 38.5\% |
|  | Down | 75 | 2 | 0 | 77 |
|  |  | 37.7\% | 25.0\% | .0\% | 37.0\% |
|  | Total | 199 | 8 | 1 | 208 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |
| Wage growth | Up | 64 | 4 | 0 | 68 |
|  |  | 32.8\% | 50.0\% | .0\% | 33.3\% |
|  | Same | 113 | 4 | 1 | 118 |
|  |  | 57.9\% | 50.0\% | 100.0\% | 57.8\% |
|  | Down | 18 | 0 | 0 | 18 |
|  |  | 9.2\% | .0\% | .0\% | 8.8\% |
|  | Total | 195 | 8 | 1 | 204 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |
| Non-wage labour costs (on-costs, i.e. superannuation, payroll taxes, etc.) | Up | 81 | 4 | 0 | 85 |
|  |  | 40.9\% | 50.0\% | .0\% | 41.1\% |
|  | Same | 109 | 4 | 1 | 114 |
|  |  | 55.1\% | 50.0\% | 100.0\% | 55.1\% |
|  | Down | 8 | 0 | 0 | 8 |
|  |  | 4.0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 3.9\% |
|  | Total | 198 | 8 | 1 | 207 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |



| Selling prices | Up | 44 | 0 | 0 | 44 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 22.2\% | .0\% | .0\% | 21.3\% |
|  | Same | 128 | 5 | 1 | 134 |
|  |  | 64.6\% | 62.5\% | 100.0\% | 64.7\% |
|  | Down | 26 | 3 | 0 | 29 |
|  |  | 13.1\% | 37.5\% | .0\% | 14.0\% |
|  | Total | 198 | 8 | 1 | 207 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |
| Profit growth | Up | 28 | 0 | 0 | 28 |
|  |  | 14.2\% | .0\% | .0\% | 13.6\% |
|  | Same | 90 | 4 | 1 | 95 |
|  |  | 45.7\% | 50.0\% | 100.0\% | 46.1\% |
|  | Down | 79 | 4 | 0 | 83 |
|  |  | 40.1\% | 50.0\% | .0\% | 40.3\% |
|  | Total | 197 | 8 | 1 | 206 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |
| Number of employees | Up | 17 | 1 | 0 | 18 |
|  |  | 8.7\% | 12.5\% | .0\% | 8.8\% |
|  | Same | 143 | 6 | 1 | 150 |
|  |  | 73.0\% | 75.0\% | 100.0\% | 73.2\% |
|  | Down | 36 | 1 | 0 | 37 |
|  |  | 18.4\% | 12.5\% | .0\% | 18.0\% |
|  | Total | 196 | 8 | 1 | 205 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |
| Overtime utilisation | Up | 12 | 1 | 0 | 13 |
|  |  | 6.2\% | 12.5\% | .0\% | 6.4\% |
|  | Same | 149 | 5 | 1 | 155 |
|  |  | 77.2\% | 62.5\% | 100.0\% | 76.7\% |
|  | Down | 32 | 2 | 0 | 34 |
|  |  | 16.6\% | 25.0\% | .0\% | 16.8\% |
|  | Total | 193 | 8 | 1 | 202 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |
| Investment in buildings and structures | Up | 14 | 1 | 0 | 15 |
|  |  | 7.4\% | 12.5\% | .0\% | 7.5\% |
|  | Same | 136 | 5 | 1 | 142 |
|  |  | 71.6\% | 62.5\% | 100.0\% | 71.4\% |
|  | Down | 40 | 2 | 0 | 42 |
|  |  | 21.1\% | 25.0\% | .0\% | 21.1\% |
|  | Total | 190 | 8 | 1 | 199 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |
| Investment in plant and equipment | Up | 41 | 1 | 0 | 42 |
|  |  | 21.4\% | 12.5\% | .0\% | 20.9\% |
|  | Same | 108 | 5 | 1 | 114 |
|  |  | 56.3\% | 62.5\% | 100.0\% | 56.7\% |
|  | Down | 43 | 2 | 0 | 45 |
|  |  | 22.4\% | 25.0\% | .0\% | 22.4\% |
|  | Total | 192 | 8 | 1 | 201 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |

Q9. How do you expect the same business KPls to perform in the current first quarter of 2015? Will they be up, down or about the same as the previous quarter?

|  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | Up | Same | Down | Total |
| General business | 35 | 113 | 59 | 207 |
| conditions | $16.9 \%$ | $54.6 \%$ | $28.5 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |
| Sales revenue | 52 | 86 | 70 | 208 |
|  | $25.0 \%$ | $41.3 \%$ | $33.7 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |
| Wage growth | 46 | 137 | 22 | 205 |
|  | $22.4 \%$ | $66.8 \%$ | $10.7 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |
| Non-wage labour costs | 57 | 137 | 12 | 206 |
| (on-costs, i.e. | $27.7 \%$ | $66.5 \%$ | $5.8 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |
| superannuation, payroll |  |  |  |  |
| taxes, etc.) | 46 | 134 | 26 | 206 |
| Selling prices | $22.3 \%$ | $65.0 \%$ | $12.6 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |
|  | 39 | 95 | 74 | 208 |
| Profit growth | $18.8 \%$ | $45.7 \%$ | $35.6 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |
| Number of employees | 16 | 162 | 28 | 206 |
|  | $7.8 \%$ | $78.6 \%$ | $13.6 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |
| Overtime utilisation | 11 | 155 | 33 | 199 |
|  | $5.5 \%$ | $77.9 \%$ | $16.6 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |
| Investment in buildings | 15 | 150 | 36 | 201 |
| and structures | $7.5 \%$ | $74.6 \%$ | $17.9 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |
| Investment in plant and | 29 | 135 | 38 | 202 |
| equipment | $14.4 \%$ | $66.8 \%$ | $18.8 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |


|  |  | Size of Business |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Small Firm | Medium Firm | Large Firm | Total |
| General business conditions | Up | 33 | 2 | 0 | 35 |
|  |  | 16.7\% | 25.0\% | .0\% | 16.9\% |
|  | Same | 108 | 4 | 1 | 113 |
|  |  | 54.5\% | 50.0\% | 100.0\% | 54.6\% |
|  | Down | 57 | 2 | 0 | 59 |
|  |  | 28.8\% | 25.0\% | .0\% | 28.5\% |
|  | Total | 198 | 8 | 1 | 207 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |
| Sales revenue | Up | 50 | 2 | 0 | 52 |
|  |  | 25.1\% | 25.0\% | .0\% | 25.0\% |
|  | Same | 81 | 4 | 1 | 86 |
|  |  | 40.7\% | 50.0\% | 100.0\% | 41.3\% |
|  | Down | 68 | 2 | 0 | 70 |
|  |  | 34.2\% | 25.0\% | .0\% | 33.7\% |
|  | Total | 199 | 8 | 1 | 208 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |
| Wage growth | Up | 45 | 1 | 0 | 46 |
|  |  | 23.0\% | 12.5\% | .0\% | 22.4\% |
|  | Same | 129 | 7 | 1 | 137 |
|  |  | 65.8\% | 87.5\% | 100.0\% | 66.8\% |
|  | Down | 22 | 0 | 0 | 22 |
|  |  | 11.2\% | .0\% | .0\% | 10.7\% |
|  | Total | 196 | 8 | 1 | 205 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |
| Non-wage labour costs (on-costs, i.e. superannuation, payroll taxes, etc.) | Up | 56 | 1 | 0 | 57 |
|  |  | 28.4\% | 12.5\% | .0\% | 27.7\% |
|  | Same | 129 | 7 | 1 | 137 |
|  |  | 65.5\% | 87.5\% | 100.0\% | 66.5\% |
|  | Down | 12 | 0 | 0 | 12 |
|  |  | 6.1\% | .0\% | .0\% | 5.8\% |
|  | Total | 197 | 8 | 1 | 206 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |


| Selling prices | Up | 45 | 1 | 0 | 46 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 22.8\% | 12.5\% | .0\% | 22.3\% |
|  | Same | 128 | 5 | 1 | 134 |
|  |  | 65.0\% | 62.5\% | 100.0\% | 65.0\% |
|  | Down | 24 | 2 | 0 | 26 |
|  |  | 12.2\% | 25.0\% | .0\% | 12.6\% |
|  | Total | 197 | 8 | 1 | 206 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |
| Profit growth | Up | 38 | 1 | 0 | 39 |
|  |  | 19.1\% | 12.5\% | .0\% | 18.8\% |
|  | Same | 90 | 4 | 1 | 95 |
|  |  | 45.2\% | 50.0\% | 100.0\% | 45.7\% |
|  | Down | 71 | 3 | 0 | 74 |
|  |  | 35.7\% | 37.5\% | .0\% | 35.6\% |
|  | Total | 199 | 8 | 1 | 208 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |
| Number of employees | Up | 16 | 0 | 0 | 16 |
|  |  | 8.1\% | .0\% | .0\% | 7.8\% |
|  | Same | 155 | 6 | 1 | 162 |
|  |  | 78.7\% | 75.0\% | 100.0\% | 78.6\% |
|  | Down | 26 | 2 | 0 | 28 |
|  |  | 13.2\% | 25.0\% | .0\% | 13.6\% |
|  | Total | 197 | 8 | 1 | 206 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |
| Overtime utilisation | Up | 11 | 0 | 0 | 11 |
|  |  | 5.8\% | .0\% | .0\% | 5.5\% |
|  | Same | 149 | 5 | 1 | 155 |
|  |  | 78.4\% | 62.5\% | 100.0\% | 77.9\% |
|  | Down | 30 | 3 | 0 | 33 |
|  |  | 15.8\% | 37.5\% | .0\% | 16.6\% |
|  | Total | 190 | 8 | 1 | 199 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |
| Investment in buildings and structures | Up | 15 | 0 | 0 | 15 |
|  |  | 7.8\% | .0\% | .0\% | 7.5\% |
|  | Same | 144 | 5 | 1 | 150 |
|  |  | 75.0\% | 62.5\% | 100.0\% | 74.6\% |
|  | Down | 33 | 3 | 0 | 36 |
|  |  | 17.2\% | 37.5\% | .0\% | 17.9\% |
|  | Total | 192 | 8 | 1 | 201 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |
| Investment in plant and equipment | Up | 29 | 0 | 0 | 29 |
|  |  | 15.0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 14.4\% |
|  | Same | 128 | 6 | 1 | 135 |
|  |  | 66.3\% | 75.0\% | 100.0\% | 66.8\% |
|  | Down | 36 | 2 | 0 | 38 |
|  |  | 18.7\% | 25.0\% | .0\% | 18.8\% |
|  | Total | 193 | 8 | 1 | 202 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |

Q10. On a scale of zero to ten, how would you rate the degree to which each of the following factors constrain your investment in plant and equipment. Zero means that it is not a constraint at all to you and ten means it is a major constraint for you.

| Insufficient demand | 5.98 |
| :--- | :---: |
| Business taxes and <br> government charges | $\mathbf{7 . 4 8}$ |
| Local competition | 5.38 |
| Insufficient retained <br> earnings | 6.50 |
| Import competition | 4.44 |
| Wage costs | 6.88 |
| Current levels of debt | 5.73 |
| Non-wage labour costs | 5.57 |
| State Government <br> regulations | 6.51 |
| Charges by lending <br> institutions | 5.84 |
| Federal Government <br> regulations | 6.14 |


|  | Size of Business |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Small Firm | Medium Firm | Large Firm | Total |
| Insufficient demand | 5.95 | 7.13 | 2.00 | 5.98 |
| Business taxes and <br> government charges | 7.47 | 7.88 | 6.00 | 7.48 |
| Local competition | 5.41 | 4.87 | 2.00 | 5.38 |
| Insufficient retained <br> earnings | 6.47 | 7.25 | 7.00 | 6.50 |
| Import competition | 4.45 | 4.25 | 3.00 | 4.44 |
| Wage costs | 6.79 | 8.75 | 8.00 | 6.88 |
| Current levels of debt | 5.72 | 5.63 | 7.00 | 5.73 |
| Non-wage labour costs | 5.48 | 7.25 | 8.00 | 5.57 |
| State Government <br> regulations | 6.47 | 7.38 | 8.00 | 6.51 |
| Charges by lending <br> institutions | 5.81 | 6.63 | 6.00 | 5.84 |
| Federal Government <br> regulations | 6.09 | 7.63 | 4.00 | 6.14 |


|  | 0 Not a constraint | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 Major constraint | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Insufficient demand | 40 | 3 | 5 | 11 | 23 | 43 | 13 | 17 | 16 | 8 | 28 | 207 |
|  | 19.3\% | 1.4\% | 2.4\% | 5.3\% | 11.1\% | 20.8\% | 6.3\% | 8.2\% | 7.7\% | 3.9\% | 13.5\% | 100.0\% |
| Business taxes and government charges | 16 | 1 | 2 | 8 | 10 | 38 | 22 | 29 | 24 | 15 | 42 | 207 |
|  | 7.7\% | . $5 \%$ | 1.0\% | 3.9\% | 4.8\% | 18.4\% | 10.6\% | 14.0\% | 11.6\% | 7.2\% | 20.3\% | 100.0\% |
| Local competition | 41 | 13 | 7 | 12 | 17 | 49 | 14 | 21 | 12 | 7 | 14 | 207 |
|  | 19.8\% | 6.3\% | 3.4\% | 5.8\% | 8.2\% | 23.7\% | 6.8\% | 10.1\% | 5.8\% | 3.4\% | 6.8\% | 100.0\% |
| Insufficient retained earnings | 22 | 7 | 9 | 11 | 10 | 51 | 12 | 19 | 22 | 17 | 23 | 203 |
|  | 10.8\% | 3.4\% | 4.4\% | 5.4\% | 4.9\% | 25.1\% | 5.9\% | 9.4\% | 10.8\% | 8.4\% | 11.3\% | 100.0\% |
| Import competition | 70 | 11 | 14 | 10 | 9 | 46 | 5 | 7 | 9 | 8 | 14 | 203 |
|  | 34.5\% | 5.4\% | 6.9\% | 4.9\% | 4.4\% | 22.7\% | 2.5\% | 3.4\% | 4.4\% | 3.9\% | 6.9\% | 100.0\% |
| Wage costs | 27 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 12 | 45 | 20 | 17 | 24 | 10 | 38 | 203 |
|  | 13.3\% | 2.0\% | 1.5\% | 1.5\% | 5.9\% | 22.2\% | 9.9\% | 8.4\% | 11.8\% | 4.9\% | 18.7\% | 100.0\% |
| Current levels of debt | 40 | 9 | 9 | 6 | 12 | 55 | 15 | 13 | 16 | 8 | 22 | 205 |
|  | 19.5\% | 4.4\% | 4.4\% | 2.9\% | 5.9\% | 26.8\% | 7.3\% | 6.3\% | 7.8\% | 3.9\% | 10.7\% | 100.0\% |
| Non-wage labour costs | 44 | 12 | 7 | 7 | 11 | 43 | 20 | 14 | 12 | 7 | 23 | 200 |
|  | 22.0\% | 6.0\% | 3.5\% | 3.5\% | 5.5\% | 21.5\% | 10.0\% | 7.0\% | 6.0\% | 3.5\% | 11.5\% | 100.0\% |
| State Government regulations | 28 | 4 | 13 | 6 | 9 | 43 | 21 | 15 | 24 | 12 | 30 | 205 |
|  | 13.7\% | 2.0\% | 6.3\% | 2.9\% | 4.4\% | 21.0\% | 10.2\% | 7.3\% | 11.7\% | 5.9\% | 14.6\% | 100.0\% |
| Charges by lending institutions | 39 | 8 | 9 | 11 | 11 | 40 | 20 | 18 | 13 | 16 | 19 | 204 |
|  | 19.1\% | 3.9\% | 4.4\% | 5.4\% | 5.4\% | 19.6\% | 9.8\% | 8.8\% | 6.4\% | 7.8\% | 9.3\% | 100.0\% |
| Federal Government regulations | 34 | 5 | 11 | 6 | 9 | 45 | 25 | 14 | 18 | 15 | 21 | 203 |
|  | 16.7\% | 2.5\% | 5.4\% | 3.0\% | 4.4\% | 22.2\% | 12.3\% | 6.9\% | 8.9\% | 7.4\% | 10.3\% | 100.0\% |



Q12. What business sector do you fall into?

| What business sector do you fall into? | Retail | $\begin{array}{r} 66 \\ 31.7 \% \end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Hospitality/restaurants | 34 |
|  |  | 16.3\% |
|  | Health services | 19 |
|  |  | 9.1\% |
|  | Building, real estate and development | 18 |
|  |  |  |
|  | Other (please specify) | 16 |
|  |  | 7.7\% |
|  | Personal services | 15 |
|  | (legal, medical, etc.) | 7.2\% |
|  | Consulting and | 9 |
|  | business services | 4.3\% |
|  | Banking and finance | 6 |
|  |  | 2.9\% |
|  | Tourism | 6 |
|  |  | 2.9\% |
|  | Food and beverage | 3 |
|  |  | 1.4\% |
|  | Manufacturing | 3 |
|  |  | 1.4\% |
|  | Technology and | 3 |
|  | communications | 1.4\% |
|  | Education | 2 |
|  |  | 1.0\% |
|  | Mining and exploration | 2 |
|  |  | 1.0\% |
|  | Arts, creative industry | 2 |
|  |  | 1.0\% |
|  | Not for profit | 2 |
|  |  | 1.0\% |
|  | Transport | 2 |
|  |  | 1.0\% |
|  | Total | 208 |
|  |  | 100.0\% |


|  |  | Size of Business |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Small Firm | Medium Firm | Large Firm | Total |
| What business sector do you fall into? | Retail | 64 | 2 | 0 | 66 |
|  |  | 32.2\% | 25.0\% | .0\% | 31.7\% |
|  | Hospitality/restaurants | 32 | 2 | 0 | 34 |
|  |  | 16.1\% | 25.0\% | .0\% | 16.3\% |
|  | Health services | 19 | 0 | 0 | 19 |
|  |  | 9.5\% | .0\% | .0\% | 9.1\% |
|  | Building, real estate and development | 17 | 1 | 0 | 18 |
|  |  | 8.5\% | 12.5\% | .0\% | 8.7\% |
|  | Other (please specify) | 16 | 0 | 0 | 16 |
|  |  | 8.0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 7.7\% |
|  | Personal services (legal, medical, etc.) | 15 | 0 | 0 | 15 |
|  |  | 7.5\% | .0\% | .0\% | 7.2\% |
|  | Consulting and business services | 8 | 1 | 0 | 9 |
|  |  | 4.0\% | 12.5\% | .0\% | 4.3\% |
|  | Banking and finance | 6 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
|  |  | 3.0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 2.9\% |
|  | Tourism | 6 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
|  |  | 3.0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 2.9\% |
|  | Food and beverage distribution | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
|  |  | 1.5\% | .0\% | .0\% | 1.4\% |
|  | Manufacturing | 2 | 1 | 0 | 3 |
|  |  | 1.0\% | 12.5\% | .0\% | 1.4\% |
|  | Technology and communications | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
|  |  | 1.5\% | .0\% | .0\% | 1.4\% |
|  | Education | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
|  |  | 1.0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 1.0\% |
|  | Mining and exploration | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
|  |  | .5\% | 12.5\% | .0\% | 1.0\% |
|  | Arts, creative industry | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
|  |  | 1.0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 1.0\% |
|  | Not for profit | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 |
|  |  | .5\% | .0\% | 100.0\% | 1.0\% |
|  | Transport | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
|  |  | 1.0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 1.0\% |
|  | Total | 199 | 8 | 1 | 208 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |

## 7. QUESTIONNAIRE

City of Holdfast Bay Small Business Survey
*1. How long has your business operated in the City of Holdfast Bay Council area? Number of whole years $\square$

* 2. Which of the following describes your business?Work from homeWork in an office/shopMobile business
* 3. How many full time and part time employees does your business employ? Full time employees

Part time employees $\square$
*4. What ratio of each of the following do you employ on a full time basis to the nearest 10 percent?

|  |  |
| :--- | ---: |
| Male | $\square$ |
| Female | $\square$ |
| Skilled | $\square$ |
| Unskilled | $\square$ |
| Full time employees | $\square$ |
| Part time employees |  |

* 5. How do you expect the national economy to perform over the next 12 months?Much strongerSomewhat strongAbout the samesomewhat weakMuch weaker



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*6. How do you expect the South Australian economy to perform over the next 12 months?Much strongerSomewhat strongAbout the sameSomewhat weakMuch weaker
*7. How do you expect the local City of Holdfast Bay area economy to perform over the next 12 months?Much strongerSomewhat strongAbout the sameSomewhat weakMuch weaker

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*8. How would you describe the following business KPIs in the last quarter of 2014 ? Were they up, down or about the same as the previous quarter?
General business
conditions

(on-costs, i.e.
superannuation, payroll
taxes, etc.)
Selling prices
Profit growth
Number of employees
Overtime utilisation
Investment in buildings
and structures

equipment

* 9. How do you expect the same business KPIs to perform in the current first quarter of $\mathbf{2 0 1 5}$ ? Will they be up, down or about the same as the previous quarter?
General business
conditions
Sales revenue
Wage growth

| Non-wage labour costs |
| :--- |
| (on-costs, i.e. |
| superannuation, payroll |
| taxes, etc.) |
| Selling prices |
| Profit growth |
| Number of employees |
| Overtime utilisation |
| Investment in buildings |
| and structures |
| Investment in plant and |
| equipment |

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*10. On a scale of zero to ten, how would you rate the degree to which each of the following factors constrain your investment in plant and equipment. Zero means that it is not a constraint at all to you and ten means it is a major constraint for you.


Other (please specify)

11. Do you have any suggestions or ideas on what strategies the City of Holdfast Bay can implement to support better business conditions for you?



