

A RESEARCH REPORT TO THE CITY OF HOLDFAST BAY

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

Intuito is pleased to present this research report to the City of Holdfast Bay for market research to measure business confidence and how Council can help develop better business conditions. This study was conducted in a variety of ways, firstly emails were sent to various lists of businesses in the Council area containing a link to the study. We reminded recipients on several lists, not including the major 10,000 ABR listing spreadsheet we obtained through Council but the Jetty Road Traders south and north listings and an email listing from the last business study we conducted in 2015. In addition to the online surveying we also engaged a telephone interviewer to follow up individual businesses on the various lists and we employed a face-to-face interviewer to walk Brighton Road through to Seacliff handing out paper-based surveys or offering to complete them on iPad. Our interviewer returned several days later to collect any paper-based surveys that were completed. The fieldwork did take several weeks to complete but was completed on $16^{\text {th }}$ November, 2017.

The Australian Chamber of Commerce used to produce a national business survey several times a year but they no longer do this so we accessed the Sensis Business Survey and have compared the local results to that of greater Adelaide and Australia-wide rather than using the NAB Business Confidence Survey previously indicated because the Sensis study was much easier to compare.

## Background to the brief

The City of Holdfast Bay conducted a survey of businesses in 2015 to ascertain current and forecast levels of business confidence and opinions on how Council can help support business conditions. The Strategic Planning Unit of Council would like to conduct this survey again as soon as possible following the re-development of Jetty Road.

## Project Scope

- Develop a refined business questionnaire that is compatible with a state and national business confidence study.
- Conduct a survey, achieving responses from 330 businesses operating in the wider Council area and not just Jetty Road Glenelg.
- Collate all data and provide results measured against the national framework.
- 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).



## 2. MARKET RESEARCH OBJECTIVES

Specific objectives for the Business Survey include:

- Ascertain current and forecast level of business confidence amongst a total of 330 Council area businesses and service providers and align the survey results with a statewide and national Business Survey. Determine businesses expectations for the economy in the future.
- Seek opinions on how the City of Holdfast Bay can develop strategies that will support business conditions.
- Determine level of NBN connection and satisfaction with the service.
- Determine the number of businesses that are transacting online and businesses levels of investment in eCommerce.
- Determine the level of importance of intrastate, interstate and international visitors have on various businesses in the area.
- Determine what business issues are most prevalent in the local marketplace.
- Determine what the barriers are to taking on new employees.
- Determine attitudes to profitability in the retail sector and in general what factors are impacting on profitability in all sectors.
- Determine what levels of stock holding is taking place in comparison to the previous year and why.
- Determine degree of business done with Council and satisfaction amongst those who have conducted business with Council.
- Determine level of Council support for business in the area.
- Where possible gather contact details for future business studies in the area.
- Determine general demographics of the businesses in the area.



## City of Holdfast Bay Business Survey Snapshot

## Who did we survey?



What did they tell us?


Expectations for the national economy are slightly higher when compared to the SA economy and the local economy.
State expectations are weaker when compared to the national and local economy.

Local economy expectations

Selling prices
only positive KPI


Seasonality brings optimism for Q4 Total sales/revenue, export sales, selling prices, profitability \& investment in
eCommerce all positive


53\% feel confident


24\% feel worried Medium sized and accommodation and food services more so


Problems and concerns

- costs or overheads
- economic climate
- lack of work or sales
- cash flow, bad debts or profitability


Barriers to hiring
1/3rd - don't need more staff 2/3rds - cost, lack of work/sales, finding quality staff and profitability prohibit hiring

## Profitability <br> 

75\%
think there is a decline in retail profitability

Power costs
most prominent
factor affecting profitability
cost of labour, cost of rent, lack of sales and low margins

Holding Stock
15\%
More


64\%
Same

21\%
Less

The main reason for more stock is summer and Christmas. Reason for less stock is cash flow, the economy or reduction in workloads.

## Relationship with Council

19\%
Conducted business with Council in last 12 months
7.3 Rating the experience 5.2

Rating satisfaction with Council's support for business

## Strategies to support better business conditions

Parking, traffic, better marketing (advertising, business networking events, promotions and festivals), generally supporting business better, promoting the region as a destination, Council related comments (liaise more, less business disruption), reducing costs (power, rates, and rent).

## 4. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The majority of businesses surveyed were retail or accommodation and food services ( $56 \%$ of the total) but with a good representation by health care and social assistance ( $10 \%$ ) and professional, scientific and technical ( $8 \%$ ) and smaller representation amongst the other industry sectors. The average length of time in business in the area for this sample was 15 years with an even spread of length of time in business spanning 0 to 150 years. The majority of businesses were small ( $89 \%$, employing less than 20 people) but with $11 \%$ classified as medium sized businesses employing 20-149 people. There were no large businesses employing over 200 people in the sample.

Half of all businesses surveyed have an annual turnover of less than $\$ 500,000,22 \%$ turnover $\$ 500,000-\$ 1$ million pa, $8 \% \$ 1-\$ 2$ million pa, and $8.5 \% \$ 2-\$ 5$ million. $2 \%$ have a turnover of more than $\$ 5$ million- $\$ 50$ million pa. There were no businesses with a turnover of more than $\$ 50$ million pa. The employment ratio shows more females than males employed, and considerably more skilled workers to unskilled but the ratio between full and part time is equal.

## NBN Connection

Only 4\% of all businesses surveyed claimed to be connected to the NBN although another $4.5 \%$ were not sure. Those who were connected were asked to rate their satisfaction with the migration process to the NBN and this was rated at 6 out of 10. They were also asked to rate their satisfaction with the internet connection and this was rated lower at 5.5 out of 10 . People were asked why they rated their satisfaction the way they did and only two of the total 12 businesses were happy with the NBN whilst most of the others complained of issues including poor internet speeds and regular drop outs.

## Businesses transacting online and eCommerce

Only a quarter of businesses say they are transacting online and these businesses were more likely to be retail or accommodation and food services.
$44 \%$ of all businesses surveyed claim to be investing in eCommerce or digital platforms to aid business transactions. Those more likely to be investing are not the food services or retail enterprises rather they are medium sized businesses in the transport, postal and warehousing; rental, hiring and real estate services; professional, scientific and technical; construction; manufacturing and administrative and support services sectors.

## Importance of visitors to local businesses

Intrastate visitors are rated more highly at 7.5 out of 10 , followed by interstate visitors at 5.2 out of 10 and international visitors at only 3.7 out of 10 . Those rating all visitors higher are predictably those in retail and accommodation and food services. We also assume intrastate visitors are more attractive because of their repeat visitation to the area.

## Expectations for economic performance in the next 12 months

Expectations are slightly higher for the national economy over the next 12 months when compared to the South Australian economy and the local Council area economy. The State economy expectations are weaker when compared to the national and local Council area economies. The local economy expectations show $19.4 \%$ of businesses expect it to be stronger, $49 \%$ expect it to remain the same and $31.5 \%$ expect it to be weaker.


Comparison of region economy expectations 2015 v 2017


When we compare the results from the 2015 City of Holdfast Bay Business Survey that we conducted for Council, economic expectations have improved substantially. Most notably optimism in the local area has increased from $10 \%$ to $19 \%$.

## Business KPIs for Q3 compared to expectations for Q4 in 2017

Of a total of 12 business KPIs only one in Q3 indexed positively and that is selling prices. This is in stark contrast to businesses State-wide or nationally that showed considerably more positivity across a broader range of KPIs.

The expectations for Q4 are much more optimistic presumably because of seasonality with general business conditions, total sales/revenue, export sales, selling prices, profitability, and investment in eCommerce all expected to be positive. National and State-wide expectations are all more positive however for Q4 in 2017 so local businesses remain slightly more pessimistic.

| KPI | Q4 2014 | Q4 2017 |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| General business conditions | 42.0 | 55.3 | 个 |
| Total sales/revenue | 43.8 | 57.61 | $\uparrow$ |
| Average wages | 62.3 | 61.23 | - |
| Non-wage labour costs | 68.6 | 63.2 | $\uparrow$ |
| Selling prices | 53.6 | 54.9 | - |
| Profitability | 36.7 | 50.2 | $\uparrow$ |
| Number of employees | 45.4 | 51.4 | $\uparrow$ |
| Overtime worked | 44.8 | 54.7 | $\uparrow$ |
| Investment in buildings and structures | 43.2 | 44.9 | - |
| Investment in plant and equipment | 49.3 | 46.9 | $\downarrow$ |

Comparing the two same periods from 2014 and 2017 considering the importance of seasonality, the above chart shows improvements in many of the KPIs over the past 3 years for local businesses. The only positive in 2014 was selling prices and now we see general business conditions, total sales, selling prices, profitability and number of employees.


## Business confidence

$53 \%$ of local businesses report feeling confident about their prospects for the year ahead with $24 \%$ feeling worried. Confidence is down compared to the national index and the level of worry is considerably higher with local medium sized businesses in the local area expressing far more worry than small business.

The sector showing the greater worry locally is accommodation and food services whilst retail is on par with national figures.

## Prime business concerns

There are four issues local businesses say they are facing with costs or overheads being the most dominant, followed by economic climate, lack of work or sales and cash flow, bad debts or profitability. Only $9 \%$ of businesses in the local area said they had no problems at the moment. These prime concerns are the same for businesses nationally.

## Barriers to hiring new staff

One third of all local businesses said they do not need any more staff but of the other two thirds cost of employing, lack of work/sales, finding suitable/quality staff and profitability are all barriers for local businesses to hire more staff.

## Retail sector profitability

Three quarters of all businesses believe that profitability is declining in the retail sector at the moment with the accommodation and food services; rental, hiring and real estate services; information, media and telecommunications and the retail sector more likely to agree than other sectors.

## Factors affecting profitability

Power costs is the most prominent factor affecting profitability followed by the cost of labour, cost of rent, lack of sales and low margins.

## Holding stock

Local businesses were asked if they were holding more, less or about the same stock this year compared to last. $15 \%$ said they are holding more, $21 \%$ less and $64 \%$ the same. The reasons why businesses are holding less is cash flow, the economy or a reduction in workloads. The main reasons why businesses are holding more stock is seasonal, i.e. summer and Christmas. Those businesses that remained the same simply explained that they didn't need to increase or decrease.

## Business with Council and rating for support for business

Only two in ten businesses surveyed claimed to have done business with Council in the last 12 months - 64 businesses. These businesses rated the experience 7.3 out of 10 which equates to a Net Promoter Score of a positive 3.1.

All businesses were asked how satisfied they were with Council's support for business in the area and the average rating was 5.2 out of 10 which equates to a Net Promoter Score of negative 68.8 meaning simply that there were considerably more detractors than promoters. This is an indication that business feel that Council should be doing much more for business in the area than they currently are. Their suggestions included:

- Parking/traffic (44 responses)
- Better marketing (advertising, business networking events, promotions and festivals) (36 responses)
- Generally supporting business better (20 responses)
- Council related comments (liaise more, less business disruption) (21 responses)
- Reducing costs (power, rates and rents) (20 responses)
- Promoting the region as a destination (13 responses)


And there were 2 comments regarding Council doing a good job.

## Conclusions

Local businesses are considerably more pessimistic than the whole of Australia. They acutely feel the seasonality of the area but are somewhat optimistic about the summer season coming and the next 12 months although they report downward pressure on profitability due to higher business costs (power, wages, rent, etc.). There is a prevailing attitude that Council should be doing more to help them by way of reduction in costs, better marketing of the area to bring foot traffic including promoting it as a destination and running more events and festivals, and making the area more accessible with better parking. They do not rate the Council highly on its support for business but of those that have done business with Council they rate their dealings with you higher.

There were only a small number of questions that were comparable to the previous study that we ran for Council amongst local businesses in 2014/15. We have compared the results and conclude that business optimism has improved substantially from Q4 2014 to their expectations for Q4 2017.

It is widely accepted that the retail sector is suffering from downward trends in profitability even amongst businesses not in retail. The NBN rollout is obviously in its infancy in the area but the signs of satisfaction are not good. eCommerce and online trading is a feature for many businesses and there is a call for support to promote business by Council in the area.

Visitors to the area are important particularly intrastate visitors and there is a call for Council to do more to attract visitors to help business with sales and revenue as a flow on effect.

## 5. KEY FINDINGS

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


Respondents were asked to indicate how long their business has operated in the City of Holdfast Bay Council area. Responses ranged from less than one year, through to 150 years. The average number of years was 14.7 years. The median number of years, the number in the middle of the range, was 9.5 years and most commonly nominated number of years (the mode) was 3 years.

Responses were then sorted into groupings for use as a variable to facilitate analysis by years of operation.
Number of years operating $n=330$


Around four in ten (36\%) had operated between 0-5 years, with two in ten (21\%) 6-10 years, a further two in ten (21\%) $11-20$ years and the balance over 20 years (22\%).

Businesses more likely to be in operation for between 0-5 years (36\%) fell into the Information Media and Telecommunications (61.5\%*) and Professional, Scientific and Technical Services (44\%) categories. Medium sized businesses (20-199 employees) were more likely to have been in operation for between 6-10 years (33\%) and over 20 years (33\%).
*Small sample size.


Q2: How many people (including management and owners) did your business employ in the current quarter (September, 2017)? Single response.

Number of employees $\mathbf{n}=\mathbf{3 3 0}$


Respondents were asked to nominate how many people their business employed in the current quarter ending September 2017. The majority ( $89 \%$ ) employed less than 20 people which comprised those employing 1 person (20\%), and those employing between 2 and 19 people (69\%). 10\% employed between 20 and 49 people, with less than $1 \%$ each employing 50-99 people and 100-149 people. There were no responses for employees over 150 .

## Size of business

Size of business represented $n=330$


The number of employees categorises the size of a business. Less than 20 employees is classified as small business, 20199 is classified as medium and 200 and over is classified as large. On this basis, $89 \%$ of participants were small, and $11 \%$ medium. There were no large businesses interviewed. We have achieved a greater percentage this survey of medium businesses than we did in the previous business survey in 2015. Size of business has been used as a variable for each question where appropriate.


The type of business more likely classified as small or medium in the City of Holdfast Bay is as follows:

| Business category | Size of business |
| :--- | :---: |
| Administration and Support Services | Small |
| Arts and Recreation | Small |
| Construction | Small |
| Electricity, Gas, Water and Waste Services | Small |
| Financial and Insurance Services | Small |
| Health Care and Social Assistance | Small |
| Information, Media and Telecommunications | Small |
| Public Administration and Safety | Small |
| Rental, Hiring and Real Estate Services | Small |
| Retail Trade | Small |
| Transport, Postal and Warehousing | Small |
| Wholesale Trade | Small |
| Accommodation and Food Services | Medium |
| Education and Training | Medium |
| Manufacturing | Medium |
| Professional, Scientific and Technical Services | Small and Medium |

Q3: What is your annual turnover range? Single response.


Respondents were asked to nominate their annual turnover range. Just under half claimed to turnover less than $\$ 500,000$ pa (46\%), 22\% claimed $\$ 500,000-\$ 1$ million pa, $8 \% \$ 1$ million- $\$ 2$ million pa, $8.5 \%$ \$2 million- $\$ 5$ million pa, $2 \%$ over $\$ 5$ million pa ( $1 \%$ each, $\$ 5$ million- $\$ 10$ million pa, $\$ 10$ million- $\$ 50$ million pa). None of the participants claimed turnover of over $\$ 50$ million. $13 \%$ of respondents chose not to reveal their turnover.

Respondents more likely to claim turnover of less than $\$ 500,000$ pa (46\%) were more likely small business (52\%), had been in business for 5 years or less (58\%), with business categorised as information media and telecommunications (77\%), and retail trade (50\%).

Those with a turnover of $\$ 2$ million- $\$ 5$ million pa ( $8.5 \%$ ) were more likely medium sized ( $50 \%$ ) and had been in business for longer than 20 years (17\%).


Q4: What ratio of each of the following do you employ on a full time basis to the nearest 10 percent? Ratios.
Employment Ratios $\mathrm{n}=330$


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

## Gender

As with the previous survey in 2015, more females are employed within the City of Holdfast Bay, however the gap has closed. Females outnumber males at a ratio of 3:2.5. This ratio previously stood at 3:2 (female/male).

## Skilled/Unskilled

There are more skilled employees working within the City of Holdfast Bay area with the skilled workforce outnumbering the unskilled workforce at a ratio of 2.6:1. Whilst the previous survey revealed a similar pattern of greater numbers of skilled workers, the gap has declined from the previous ratio of $3.5: 1$ skilled/unskilled, a possible indicator that more training is required for the majority of employment options.

## Full time/Part time

The pattern of full time versus part time employees reveals a ratio of 1:1, a decline on the 2015 survey which revealed a ratio of $1: 2$ full time/part time.

Q5: Is your business currently connected to the NBN? Single response.

Connection to the NBN n=330


All respondents were asked if their business was currently connected to the NBN. The vast majority (92\%) claimed it was not, however slightly less than $4 \%$ (12 people) claimed that it was and $4.5 \%$ did not know or were not sure.

## Q6: On a scale of 0 to 10, where 0 is totally dissatisfied and 10 is totally satisfied, how satisfied are you with the NBN connection?



The 12 respondents who had been connected to the NBN were asked how satisfied they were regarding the migration process to the NBN and the subsequent internet connection. Migration process to the NBN rated 6.1 out of 10 and internet connection rated 5.5 out of 10. Application of a Net Promoter Score formula to the ratings reveals significantly negative scores of -77.78 for the migration process and -80 for the internet connection.

## Q7: Why did you rate your NBN migration/connection that way? Open ended.

Respondents were then asked why they rated their NBN migration and connection the way they had. The comments are detailed below, sorted based on their ratings. Respondents rating highly ( 8 and over) gave positive comments, stating it is the way of the future and they are happy. Those rating 7 and below gave negative comments which surrounded the difficulties in connecting and the service not living up to expectations being no better than previous.

| Migration process <br> to NBN | Internet <br> Connection | Comment |
| :---: | :---: | :--- |
| 9 | 10 | It is our future! |
| 8 | 7 | Very happy with it |
| 6 | 7 | Whilst the service can be fast, it is often slow and drops out. |
| 6 | 6 | Not given |
| 6 | 6 | Have some issues |
| 6 | 6 | It's average |
| 6 | 5 | I haven't noticed any difference |
| 8 | 5 | No good |
| 6 | 5 | Because it stuffed up my shop alarm as it wasn't compatible \& cost me <br> \$500 out of pocket |
| 7 | 2 | Keeps dropping out.... goes slow sometimes |
| 3 | 1 | Migration process was difficult and needed several tech support calls. |
| 2 | And internet speeds are poor, less than ADSL2 |  |



Q8: Does your business transact online?


Respondents were asked to indicate if their business transacted online. Six in ten claimed they did not, however 35\% did and 5\% were not sure.

Those more likely not to transact online (60.5\%) had been in business for 6-10 years (64\%) and over 20 years (68\%), had a turnover of less than $\$ 500,000$ pa (76\%), and were businesses that operated in the accommodation and food services sector and retail trade. Of those who did transact online (35\%), the businesses had been in operation for 5 years or less (40\%), were a medium sized operation (40\%*), and had a turnover of between $\$ 500,000$ pa and $\$ 5$ million (50\%).
*Small sample size.
Q9: Do you invest in eCommerce or digital platforms to aid business transactions? i.e. buying and selling of goods and services, or transmitting funds or data, primarily using the internet. Single response.

Investing in eCommerce or digital platforms n=330


- Yes - No - Don't know

All respondents were asked to nominate if they invested in eCommerce or digital platforms to aid business transactions. Half (51.5\%) claimed they did not, however 44\% did and 5\% did not know.


Those who do not invest (51.5\%) were more likely described as having been in business for 6-10 years (59\%), with incomes under $\$ 500,000$ pa (59\%), and in the accommodation and food services sector (64\%) and retail trade (57\%). Those who were more likely to invest (44\%), had been in business for over 20 years (58\%), were a medium sized business (47\%), with turnover between $\$ 500,000$ pa and $\$ 50$ million pa $(67 \%)$, and were from the transport, postal and warehousing ( $86 \%^{*}$ ), rental, hiring and real estate services ( $54.5 \%^{*}$ ), professional, scientific and technical (56\%), information media and telecommunications (54\%*), construction (54\%*), manufacturing (50\%*) and administrative and support services (50\%*) sectors.
*Small sample size.
Q10: On a scale of 0 to 10, where 0 is totally unimportant and 10 is totally important, how important are intrastate, interstate and international visitors to your business? Rate all 3 options.

Importance of visitors to business


Respondents were asked to rate the importance of intrastate, interstate and international visitors to their business. Intrastate visitors were rated more importantly overall with a rating of 7.5 out of 10 , followed by interstate visitors at 5.2 out of 10 and international visitors 3.4 out of 10 .

Those rating intrastate visitors higher than the average 7.5 out of 10 were more likely to have been in business for 610 years ( $8.2 / 10$ ) and over 20 years ( $7.8 / 10$ ), medium sized ( $7.9 / 10$ ), with turnover between $\$ 1$ million pa and $\$ 5$ million pa ( $\$ 1$ million- $\$ 2$ million $8 / 10, \$ 2$ million- $\$ 5$ million $7.9 / 10$ ), and operated in the education and training (10/10), electricity, gas, water and waste services (10/10), wholesale trade (10/10), accommodation and food services $(8.6 / 10)$, arts and recreation services $(8.0 / 10)$ and retail trade $(7.8 / 10)$ industry sectors.

Those rating the importance of intrastate visitors significantly below the average were those who had been in business for less than 5 years ( $7.1 / 10$ ), and 11-20 years ( $6.95 / 10$ ), with turnover between $\$ 5$ million pa and $\$ 50$ million pa ( $\$ 5$ million- $\$ 10$ million pa 4.0/10, $\$ 10$ million- $\$ 50$ million pa $7.25 / 10$ ), and operated in all remaining industry sectors, specifically construction (4.6/10), financial and insurance sectors (5.8/10), information media and telecommunications (5.9/10), manufacturing (6.3/10), public administration and safety (6.7/10), professional, scientific and technical services (6.9/10), transport, postal and warehousing (7.0/10), administrative and support services (7.1/10), rental hiring and real estate services (7.2/10).

Those rating interstate visitors higher than the average 5.2 out of 10 were more likely to have been in business for 610 years (6.0/10) and medium sized businesses (6.4/10), with turnover between $\$ 1$ million pa and $\$ 5$ million pa ( $\$ 1$ million- $\$ 2$ million $6.2 / 10$, $\$ 2$ million- $\$ 5$ million $6.3 / 10$ ), and operated in the wholesale trade ( $8.3 / 10$ ), accommodation and food services (6.4/10), retail trade (6.0/10) and information media and telecommunications (5.85/10) industries.


Those rating the importance of interstate visitors significantly below the average were those who had been in business for 5 years or less (4.9/10) and over 20 years (4.9/10), had turnover of less than $\$ 2$ million pa (<\$500,000pa $4.7 / 10, \$ 500,000$ pa- $\$ 1$ million pa $5.0 / 10$ ), and between $\$ 5$ million pa and $\$ 50,000$ million pa ( $\$ 5$ million- $\$ 10$ million pa $3.5 / 10$, $\$ 10$ million- $\$ 50,000$ million pa $4.8 / 10$ ), and operated in electricity, gas, water and waste services (5.0/10), transport, postal and warehousing (4.8/10), rental, hiring and real estate services (4.5/10), arts and recreation services (4.3/100, administrative and support services (4.0/1), manufacturing (3.9/10), financial and insurance services $(3.4 / 10)$, health care and social assistance $(2.6 / 10)$, education and training $(2.5 / 10)$, and construction (1.4/10) industries.

Those rating international visitors higher than the average 3.7 out of 10 were more likely to have been in business for between 6 years and 20 years ( $6-10$ years $4.4 / 10,11-20$ years $3.9 / 10$ ), medium sized businesses ( $5.7 / 10$ ), with turnover of between $\$ 1$ million pa and $\$ 5$ million pa ( $\$ 1$ million- $\$ 2$ million pa $4.9 / 10$, $\$ 2$ million- $\$ 5$ million pa $5.6 / 10$ ), and operate within the accommodation and food services (5.6/10), wholesale trade (5.3/10) and retail trade (4.2/10) industries.

Those rating the importance of international visitors significantly below the average were those who been in business for 5 years or less (3.2/10), and over 20 years (3.4/10), small business (3.4/10), with turnover less than $\$ 1$ million pa (< $\$ 500,000$ pa $3.2 / 10, \$ 500,000-\$ 1$ million pa $3.4 / 10$ ) and $\$ 5$ million- $\$ 10$ million pa $(2 / 10)$, and operate within the administrative and support services (3.2/10), professional, scientific and technical services (2.9/10), manufacturing (2.7/10), information media and telecommunications (2.6/10), education and training (2.5/10), transport, postal and warehousing (2.3/10), financial and insurance services $(2.3 / 10)$, health care and social assistance $(1.6 / 10)$, electricity, gas, arts and recreation services $(1.3 / 10)$, public administration and safety $(0.7 / 10)$, construction (0.3/10), water and waste services (0.0/10),

Q11: How do you expect the following economies to perform over the next 12 months? Rate all 3 options.


## National economy

$22 \%$ of businesses expect the national economy to perform stronger over the next 12 months, just over half think it will perform the same and just over a quarter think it will perform weaker. Compared to the National Sensis Business Index September 2017 findings, national businesses are more optimistic with $31 \%$ thinking the national economy will

perform stronger, $54 \%$ the same and $15 \%$ weaker so expectations are lower amongst businesses in the Council area than the national monitor.

## South Australian economy

$17 \%$ of businesses expect the South Australian economy to perform stronger over the next 12 months, four in ten think it will perform the same and just over four in ten think it will perform weaker.

## Local council area economy

$19.4 \%$ of businesses expect the Local council area economy to perform stronger over the next 12 months, around a half think it will perform the same and just over three in ten think it will perform weaker.

City of Holdfast Bay businesses are less optimistic about the South Australian economy than they are about the national economy and indeed the local Council economy.

Q12: How would you describe the following business KPIs in the Q3 September quarter of 2017? Were they up, down or about the same as the previous quarter? Rate all KPIs.

Local area KPIs for Q3 2017 (Jul-Sep)


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

|  | Up | Same | Down | Local Index Q3 <br> $\mathbf{2 0 1 7}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| General business conditions | $19.0 \%$ | $48.6 \%$ | $32.4 \%$ | 43.30 |
| Total sales/revenue | $25.5 \%$ | $40.4 \%$ | $34.2 \%$ | 45.65 |
| Average wages | $29.7 \%$ | $58.1 \%$ | $12.1 \%$ | 58.79 |
| Export sales | $7.7 \%$ | $75.0 \%$ | $17.3 \%$ | 45.19 |
| Non-wage labour costs | $35.5 \%$ | $57.1 \%$ | $6.8 \%$ | 64.35 |
| Selling prices | $17.7 \%$ | $68.4 \%$ | $13.9 \%$ | 51.90 |


| Profitability | $12.8 \%$ | $48.3 \%$ | $38.9 \%$ | 36.92 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Number of employees | $10.7 \%$ | $70.1 \%$ | $19.2 \%$ | 45.75 |
| Overtime worked | $28.5 \%$ | $48.7 \%$ | $22.7 \%$ | 52.89 |
| Investment in buildings and structures | $12.7 \%$ | $51.7 \%$ | $35.5 \%$ | 38.61 |
| Investment in plant and equipment | $18.8 \%$ | $50.2 \%$ | $31.0 \%$ | 43.86 |
| Investment in eCommerce | $18.3 \%$ | $47.8 \%$ | $33.9 \%$ | 42.23 |

Based on the principals of indexation, the only positive indices is selling prices with more people saying the variable was rising than falling. Profitability is extremely poor, investment is poor, sales/revenue is poor and therefore the general business conditions are poor for businesses operating in the City of Holdfast Bay. We note that businesses were asked to comment on Q3 2017 (winter/spring) which is relevant when we look at their expectations next for the final spring/summer Q4 - this reflects the seasonality for businesses at the City of Holdfast Bay.

Next we compared the local net balance scores with the State and National net balance scores recorded in the Sensis Business Index September, 2017.

|  | Local Net Balance | State Net Balance | Nat Net Balance | Local versus Nat |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sales | -9 | +5 | +5 | $\downarrow$ |
| Employment | -9 | +8 | +2 | $\downarrow$ |
| Wages | +18 | +15 | +11 | $\uparrow$ |
| Prices | +4 | +18 | +18 | $\downarrow$ |
| Profitability | -26 | -1 | -2 | $\downarrow$ |

The local businesses are claiming all indices are well below state and national levels.


Q13: How do you expect the same business KPIs to perform in Q4 of 2017? Will they be up, down or about the same as the previous quarter? Rate all KPIs.


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

|  | Up | Same | Down | Local Index Q4 <br> $\mathbf{2 0 1 7}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| General business conditions | $28.0 \%$ | $54.5 \%$ | $17.4 \%$ | 55.30 |
| Total sales/revenue | $36.0 \%$ | $43.2 \%$ | $20.8 \%$ | 57.61 |
| Average wages | $31.0 \%$ | $60.4 \%$ | $8.5 \%$ | 61.23 |
| Export sales | $18.9 \%$ | $71.4 \%$ | $9.7 \%$ | 54.57 |
| Non-wage labour costs | $33.2 \%$ | $59.9 \%$ | $6.8 \%$ | 63.19 |
| Selling prices | $19.2 \%$ | $71.6 \%$ | $9.3 \%$ | 54.95 |
| Profitability | $25.8 \%$ | $48.7 \%$ | $25.5 \%$ | 50.16 |
| Number of employees | $17.7 \%$ | $67.4 \%$ | $14.9 \%$ | 51.42 |
| Overtime worked | $26.9 \%$ | $55.6 \%$ | $17.5 \%$ | 54.72 |
| Investment in buildings and <br> structures | $16.9 \%$ | $56.0 \%$ | $27.1 \%$ | 44.92 |
| Investment in plant and <br> equipment | $20.8 \%$ | $52.2 \%$ | $27.0 \%$ | 46.90 |
| Investment in eCommerce | $22.4 \%$ | $56.9 \%$ | $20.8 \%$ | 50.78 |

Based on the principals of indexation, the positive indices based on businesses expectations for the next quarter include general business conditions, total sales/revenue, export sales, selling prices, profitability, and investment in eCommerce. This is surely a reflection of the current and final quarter being seasonally more favourable with businesses expecting things to improve substantially.


Next we compared the local net balance scores with the State and National net balance scores recorded in the Sensis Business Index September, 2017.

|  | Local Net Balance | State Net Balance | Nat Net Balance | Local vs Nat |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sales | +15 | +7 | +20 | $\downarrow$ |
| Employment | +3 | +10 | +12 | $\downarrow$ |
| Wages | +23 | +13 | +16 | $\uparrow$ |
| Prices | +10 | +23 | +21 | $\downarrow$ |
| Profitability | +1 | +6 | +17 | $\downarrow$ |

Sales expectations against national figures are relatively comparable, employment expectations are down for the local businesses, wages are expected to be considerably higher in the local area, and both prices and profitability are expected to be considerably lower than the national expectation. In short, the local businesses are more pessimistic than businesses state-wide or nationally.

Q14: Thinking about the next 12 months, how confident do you feel about your business prospects?
Business prospects confidence $\mathrm{n}=330$

$0 \% \quad 10 \% \quad 20 \% \quad 30 \% \quad 40 \% \quad 50 \% \quad 60 \% \quad 70 \% \quad 80 \% \quad 90 \% \quad 100 \%$
$\square$ Extremely confident $\square$ Fairly confident $\square$ Neutral $\square$ Fairly worried $\square$ Extremely worried
$53 \%$ of all businesses reported feeling confident about their prospects for the year ahead with $24 \%$ feeling worried. When we look at the Sensis data we can compare to the National confidence levels as follows but other than the net balance score, Sensis did not publish the State confidence and worry percentages:

| Confidence level | Local Council Area | South Australia | National |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Confident | $53 \%$ |  | $61 \%$ |
| Worried | $24 \%$ |  | $15 \%$ |
| Net Balance | +29 | +36 | +46 |

The net balance of +29 for local area is well below that of the South Australian and National net confidence levels.


Confidence by business size compared to national figures represented in brackets

| Confidence level | Confident | Worried | Net Balance |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Small business | $53 \%(61 \%)$ | $22 \%(15 \%)$ | $+31(+46)$ |
| Medium business | $50 \%(62 \%)$ | $42 \%(24 \%)$ | $+8(+38)$ |

Small business show a much greater disparity between confidence and worry than medium businesses with $42 \%$ of medium businesses feeling worried.

Confidence by sector compared to national figures represented in brackets

| Confidence level | Confident | Worried | Net Balance |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Accommodation and food services | 44\% (75\%) | 35\% (13\%) | +31 (+62) |
| Administrative and support services | 80\% | 10\% | +8 |
| Arts and Recreation services | 33\% | 0\% | +33 |
| Construction | 54\% (57\%) | 15\% (14\%) | +39 (+43) |
| Education and training | 100\% | 0\% | +100 |
| Electricity, gas, water and waste services | 100\% | 0\% | +100 |
| Financial and insurance services | 44\% (50\%) | 0\% (10\%) | +44 (+40) |
| Health care and social assistance | 59\% (66\%) | 25\% (12\%) | +34 (+54) |
| Information, media and telecommunications | 69\% | 15\% | +54 |
| Manufacturing | 83\% (59\%) | 8\% (23\%) | +75 (+36) |
| Professional, scientific and technical services | 59\% | 4\% | +55 |
| Public administration and safety | 67\% | 0\% | +67 |
| Rental, hiring and real estate services | 55\% | 18\% | +37 |
| Retail trade | 49\% (43\%) | 29\% (27\%) | +20 (+16) |
| Transport, postal and warehousing | 0\% (64\%) | 57\% (13\%) | -57 (+51) |
| Wholesale trade | 67\% (55\%) | 33\% (19\%) | +34 (+36) |

Confidence levels in the Council area are higher for financial and insurance services and manufacturing and retail and wholesale trade is relatively comparable to national figures.


Q15: As far as business is concerned, what problems, if any, are you facing at the moment? Multiple response.
Problems faced by business $n=330$


All respondents were asked to nominate what problems, if any, their business was facing at the moment. Nearly six in ten (57\%) claimed costs or overheads, followed by economic climate (45\%), lack of work or sales (44\%), cash flow, bad debts or profitability (40\%), competition (35\%), taxes (32\%), paperwork or bureaucracy (30\%), finding or keeping staff (21\%), with $8 \%$ giving other mixed responses. Of the sample, $9 \%$ claimed that there are no problems at the moment.

There were 29 other responses which have been further divided into the subsets of local Council area issues and mainly surround parking issues and Jetty Road infrastructure, State/Federal government issues which related to the cost of power, taxes and the NBN and a range of general business issues related to foot traffic, support from banks, overseas competition, seasonal influences, needing more space and improving technology.

## Local area Council issues

Car parking for clients
Customers unable to park due to short term car parks not monitored by parking inspectors
Further reduction of street parking and reduction of free parking
Jetty road looks worn out! Infrastructure is tired
Cost of car parking and public perception of car parking in the Glenelg area
Parking - Limited to 2 hours - not enough to generate time for selections
Parking space

State/Federal Government issues
Cost of power
Electricity hikes
Government funding and NDIS
Lack on fast internet in my location
NBN roll out has affected my business greatly- with the push back we are losing sales
Payroll tax
Poor economy in SA, anti-business attitude of state government and councils
Power costs


Slow internet
We need NBN to operate more effective between sites

## General business issues

Exposure
Flow, fewer people on the street compare to last couple of years Having to contend will overseas business influence.
Knowledge of Chinese market to attract more visitors to Glenelg Lack of funding
Lack of foot traffic to marina; lack of promotion and innovation;
Lack of foot traffic in Jetty Road
Need more space.
Obtaining credit support from banks
Old technology
Winter

Respondents more likely to be affected by costs or overheads (57\%) were described as having been in business for over 20 years ( $71 \%$ ), medium sized ( $83 \%$ ), with turnover of $\$ 500,000-\$ 1$ million pa ( $67 \%$ ) and $\$ 2$ million- $\$ 5$ million pa ( $75 \%$ ), and operated in the accommodation and food services ( $75 \%$ ), manufacturing ( $75 \%$ *), construction ( $62 \%^{*}$ ) and retail trade (61\%) sectors.

Those more likely to nominate economic climate (45\%) were businesses that had operated for 6-10 years (52\%) and over 20 years (61\%), medium sized (53\%), with turnover of $\$ 2$ million- $\$ 5$ million pa ( $61 \%$ ), and operated in the retail trade (54\%) and accommodation and food service (50\%) industries.

Lack of work or sales (44\%) was more likely to affect those who had been in business for less than 10 years (51\%), those generating turnover of less than $\$ 500,000$ pa (53\%), and those operating in accommodation and food services (56\%) and retail trade (53\%) industries.

Cash flow, bad debts or profitability (40\%) was greater amongst those respondents who had been in operation for between 6 years and 20 years ( $6-10$ years $52 \%, 11-20$ years $45 \%$ ), those generating less than $\$ 500,000$ pa in turnover (50\%) and operating in the accommodation and food services (54\%) and retail trade (45\%) arenas.

Respondents more likely to nominate competition (35\%) were those who had been operating for between 6 years and 20 years (41\%), medium sized (50\%), with turnover $\$ 500,000-\$ 1$ million pa ( $40 \%$ ) and $\$ 2$ million- $\$ 5$ million pa ( $46 \%$ ), and operate in the accommodation and food services (53\%) and health care and social assistance (53\%) sectors.

Taxes (32\%) generated higher responses amongst those described as having been in business for between 11 years and 20 years ( $41 \%$ ), with turnover between $\$ 500,000$ pa and $\$ 5$ million pa (39\%), and operating in the professional, scientific and technical (41\%) and accommodation and food services (36\%).

Those more likely to cite paperwork or bureaucracy (30\%) as an issue were described as having been in business for over 11 years (43\%), medium sized (44\%), with turnover between $\$ 1$ million pa and $\$ 5$ million pa (36\%), and operating in the manufacturing (41\%) and accommodation and food services (36\%) sectors.

Finding or keeping staff (21\%) was more pronounced amongst those who had been in business for 6-10 years (26\%), medium sized (36\%), with turnover of $\$ 1$ million- $\$ 2$ million pa (44\%), and in the accommodation and food services sector (39\%).


Sample too small to analyse further.

## Comparison of problems faced by business against national figures

Local businesses face the same prime concerns as businesses nationally. Nationally the biggest issue is lack of work or sales, followed by finding or keeping staff, cash flow, bad debts or profitability and competition all feature strongly all issues faced by local businesses in the City of Holdfast Bay. The issues that are more paramount locally are costs and overheads and the economic climate.

Q16: What are the barriers to taking on new employees? Multiple response.


All respondents were asked to indicate what barriers existed for taking on new employees. Multiple responses were permitted. Nationally the most prominent barrier is lack of work/sales which is the same for local businesses along with the cost of employing people.

Half of the respondents claimed the cost of employing (50\%), followed by lack of work/sales (43\%), finding suitable/ quality staff (36\%), profitability/lack of profits (34\%), don't need any more staff (34\%), lack of funds (23\%), finding those who want to work (19\%), lack of cash flow (19\%), other mixed reasons (5\%) and business is closing, winding down (3\%). The other responses (5\%, 16 people) comprised:

Cost of training and retaining those skills, lack of specific experience
Council red tape and petty bureaucracy
Enough for myself
Finding qualified people
I don't employ anyone
Don't know
Lack of EBA's
Lack of office space (2 responses)
No barriers
No desire to take on new employees
Seasonally - warm weather equals good sales and need team members
Sole trader. Can't take on employees under this business model.
Taxes and paperwork


We are only a small contract business and would not be taking on new employees.
Respondents more likely to nominate the cost of employing ( $50 \%$ ) as a barrier to taking on new employees were described as having been in business for 6-10 years ( $58 \%$ ) and over 20 years ( $56 \%$ ), medium sized ( $67 \%$ ), with $\$ 500,000-$ $\$ 1$ million pa turnover (58\%), and operating in the accommodation and food services (58\%) and retail trade (53\%) sectors.

Those more likely to claim a lack of work/sales (43\%) had been in business for 6-10 years (59\%), medium sized (47\%), with turnover of less than $\$ 500,000 \mathrm{pa}(50 \%)$ and $\$ 2$ million- $\$ 5$ million pa ( $50 \%$ ), and those operating in the retail trade (54.5\%) and accommodation and food services (47\%) sectors.

Finding suitable/quality staff (36\%) had a greater impact on businesses operating for over 20 years ( $43 \%$ ), medium sized (44\%), with turnover between $\$ 1$ million pa and $\$ 10$ million pa ( $58 \%$ ), and operating in the professional, scientific and technical services (44\%), accommodation and food services (43\%) and health care and social assistance (41\%) sectors.

Profitability/lack of profits (34\%) was cited more often by those who had been in business for 6-10 years (49\%), with turnover of less than $\$ 500,000$ pa ( $42 \%$ ), and operating in the retail trade ( $39 \%$ ) and accommodation and food services (39\%) sectors.

Respondents more likely to claim that they don't need any more staff ( $34 \%$ ) had been in business $11-20$ years ( $45 \%$ ), and are operating in the health care and social assistance (41\%), information media and telecommunications ( $46 \%$ *) and manufacturing ( $50 \%^{*}$ ) sectors.

Lack of funds (23\%) had a greater impact on those who had been in business for 6-10 years (38\%), with turnover of less than $\$ 500,000$ pa ( $31 \%$ ), and operating in the retail trade sector ( $29.5 \%$ ).

Finding those who want to work ( $19 \%$ ) showed higher responses amongst those described as having been in business for $6-10$ years ( $27.5 \%$ ) and over 20 years ( $26 \%$ ), medium sized ( $36 \%$ ), with turnover between $\$ 1$ million pa and $\$ 5$ million pa ( $27 \%$ ), and operating in the retail trade sector (31\%).

Those more likely to nominate lack of cash flow (19\%) had been in business for 6-10 years (26\%), with turnover of less than $\$ 500,000 \mathrm{pa}(27 \%)$, and conducting business in the accommodation and food services $(22 \%)$ and health care and social assistance ( $28 \%$ *) sectors.

Remaining sample too small to analyse further.
*Small sample size.


Q17: What industry sector do you fall into? Single response.


All of the industry sectors were represented with a third (34\%) from retail trade, followed by accommodation and food services (22\%), health care and social assistance (10\%), professional, scientific and technical services (8\%). Smaller allocations were attributed to construction (4\%), manufacturing (4\%), rental, hiring and real estate services (3\%), administration and support services (3\%), financial and insurance services (3\%) and less than $1 \%$ for arts and recreation services, public administration and safety, wholesale trade, education and training and electricity, gas, water and waste services.

Respondents more likely to fall into the retail trade sector (34\%) had operated for over 20 years (43\%) and were small businesses ( $37 \%$ ). Whereas those in the accommodation and food services sector ( $22 \%$ ) were more likely to have been in business for $6-10$ years ( $27.5 \%$ ), were medium sized ( $67 \%$ ), and had a turnover of between $\$ 1$ million pa and $\$ 5$ million pa (40\%). Those in the health care and social assistance arena (10\%) were more likely to have been in business for 11-20 years (17\%).

Remaining sample too small to analyse further.


Q18: Do you generally believe that profitability is declining in the retail sector at the moment? Single response.
Belief that profitability is in decline in the retail sector $\mathrm{N}=330$


Three quarters (74\%) of respondents claimed that they generally believe that profitability is declining in the retail sector at the moment, with $7 \%$ who claim that they did not think this was the case and $19 \%$ who did not know.

Those more likely to believe that profitability is declining (74\%) were described as having been in business for over 5 years ( $79 \%$ ), were medium sized businesses ( $86 \%$ ), with turnover of $\$ 500,000-\$ 1$ million pa ( $78 \%$ ) and $\$ 2$ million- $\$ 5$ million pa ( $82 \%$ ), and those operating in the accommodation and food services ( $82 \%$ ), rental, hiring and real estate services $\left(82 \%^{*}\right)$, retail trade ( $78 \%$ ) and information media and telecommunications ( $77 \%$ ) sectors.

Those who did not know (19\%) were more likely to have been operating for less than 5 years (26\%), and fell into the health care and social assistance sector (31\%).

Remaining sample too small to analyse further.

Q19: Are any of the following affecting/impacting on your profitability? Multiple response.


When asked what issues affected or impacted on profitability, two thirds (65\%) of respondents claimed the cost of power, followed by cost of labour (55\%), cost of rent (55\%, lack of sales ( $47 \%$ ), low margins ( $47 \%$ ), competition from bricks and mortar establishments (32\%), the local economy (29\%), competition online (27\%), lack of tourists (23\%) and the weather (19\%). $7 \%$ of respondents gave other responses and whilst 6 people out of the 22 respondents claimed there was nothing, the remainder claimed lack of parking (3 responses), cash flow and outstanding invoices (2 responses), lack of funding/no increase in funding ( 2 responses), cost of materials (aluminium) and low productivity, cost of airline flights, increases to health fund and insurance costs, government red tape at all levels, overheads such as rates and taxes, start-up costs for new business, impact of power outages (of which there were 6 in 2017), and the lack of customers as a result of vacancies in the area.

The cost of power (65\%) had a greater impact on those who had been in business for over 20 years ( $79 \%$ ), who were medium sized ( $81 \%$ ), and generating turnover of between $\$ 500,000$ pa and $\$ 5$ million pa ( $73 \%$ ), and operating in the accommodation and food services ( $82 \%$ ) and manufacturing ( $75 \%$ *) sectors.

Respondents more likely to nominate cost of labour (55\%) were described as having been in business for 6-10 years ( $58 \%$ ), and medium sized ( $72 \%$ ), with turnover of between $\$ 500,000$ pa and $\$ 5$ million pa ( $70 \%$ ), and operating in the accommodation and food services (79\%) and manufacturing (67\%) sectors.

The cost of rent (55\%) was nominated more often by those who had been in business for 6-10 years (67\%), medium sized businesses (58\%), with turnover of $\$ 2$ million- $\$ 5$ million pa ( $61 \%$ ), and operating in the accommodation and food services (79\%) sector and retail trade (63\%) sectors.

Those more likely to claim lack of sales as an impact on their business (47\%) had been in business for 6-10 years (61\%), had a turnover of less than $\$ 500,000$ pa (56\%), and operated in the accommodation and food services sector (58\%) and retail trade (55\%).

Low margins affected $47 \%$ and these were more likely those who had been in business for between 6 years and 20 years (51\%), were medium sized (56\%), with turnover of less than $\$ 500,000$ pa ( $50 \%$ ) and $\$ 2$ million- $\$ 5$ million pa (50\%), were in the construction (61.5\%*) and accommodation and food services (61\%) sectors.


Those more likely to be concerned about competition from bricks and mortar establishments (32\%) were described as having been in business for 6-10 years (39\%), with turnover of less than \$500,000 pa (36\%), in the accommodation and food services (49\%) and retail trade sectors (39\%).

The local economy (29\%) is more likely to affect and impact businesses that have been operating for 11-20 years (41\%), and those that are medium sized (36\%), with turnover of $\$ 1$ million- $\$ 2$ million pa ( $33 \%^{*}$ ).

Competition from online business (27\%) is more likely to affect businesses over 20 years old (32\%), those with turnover of $\$ 500,000-\$ 1$ million pa ( $32 \%$ ), and those in the retail trade ( $35 \%$ ) and health care and social services (31\%) sectors.

Those more likely to nominate a lack of tourists (23\%) as an issue affecting or impacting their business were described as having been in business for between 6 years and 20 years ( $6-10$ years $36 \%, 11-20$ years $26 \%$ ), and operating in the accommodation and food services (39\%) and retail trade (35\%) sectors.

Sample too small to analyse further.
*Small sample size
Q20: In terms of your holding stock, is it down, up or the same as it was at this time last year? Single response.


This question was not applicable to around a third (31.5\%) of respondents. Of the remaining sample (226 people), nearly two thirds (64\%) were experiencing the same stock levels as last year, with $21 \%$ claiming they were down and $15 \%$ indicating they were up.

Those more likely to claim that stock levels were down (21\%) were described as having been in business for over 20 years, with turnover between $\$ 500,000$ pa and $\$ 2$ million pa ( $26 \%$ ), and operating in the retail trade sector ( $26 \%$ ).

Those more likely to claim that stock levels were up (15\%) were described as having been in business for less than 10 years (19\%), had a turnover of $\$ 500,000-\$ 1$ million pa $(22 \%)$, and operating within the retail trade sector ( $24 \%$ ).

Respondents who nominated that their stock levels were the same (64\%) were more likely described as having been in business for $11-20$ years ( $77 \%$ ), medium sized ( $68 \%$ ), with turnover between $\$ 1$ million pa and $\$ 5$ million pa ( $68 \%$ ), and fell into the professional, scientific and technical services (91\%), health care and social assistance (75\%), manufacturing ( $75 \%^{*}$ ) and accommodation and food services ( $74.5 \%$ ) sectors.

Q21: Why did you answer this way? Open ended.
The actual comments can be found in the tabulations section of the report.


## Down

36 people gave a response as to why their stock levels were down against the same time last year, most of which surrounding cash flow, the economy not being as strong as previous and workloads reducing.

## Same

79 people claimed that stock levels were the same with many of the respondents not elaborating on the reason why stock levels were the same and therefore not giving a reason with others claiming "that it just is". Others indicated that their business didn't support additional stock levels and they had to work at keeping it at a certain level, or because business conditions are the same, stock remains at the same level.

## Up

32 people claimed that stock levels were up against the same time as last year. These responses mostly centred on the economy and time of the year leading up to Christmas and summer. Other comments were diverse ranging from building the business (reputation, rebranding, borrowing to hold more, and keeping up with competition). There was one comment that related to a business downturn that resulted in more stock holding.

Q22: Have you done any business with Council in the last 12 months?
Of the total sample, $19 \%$ had done business with Council in the last 12 months, with $81 \%$ who had not.


Respondents more likely to have done business with Council (19\%) were described as having operated for over 20 years (28\%), with turnover between $\$ 1$ million and $\$ 5$ million (29\%), and operating in the retail trade sector (22\%).

Those who had not (81\%) were more likely to been in business for 6-10 years ( $84 \%$ ), with turnover of less than $\$ 500,000$ pa ( $86 \%$ ), and operating in the construction (92\%), health care and social assistance (87.5\%), professional, scientific and technical services (85\%), and information media and telecommunications (85\%) sectors.

Q23: On a scale of 0 to 10 , where 0 is poor and 10 is excellent, how would you rate your experience in doing business with Council? Single rating.

How would you rate your experience with doing business with
Council $n=64$

$\begin{array}{llllll}0 & 2 & 4 & 6 & 8 & 10\end{array}$
Respondents who had dealt with Council were asked to rate their experience in doing business with Council on a scale of 0 to 10 , where 0 is poor and 10 is excellent. On average, doing business with Council was rated 7.3 out of 10 .

A net promoter score formula has been applied to the mean score which reveals that the experience of doing business with Council scored positive 3.12 . Whilst the score is positive, it is extremely low indicating that there are only slightly

more scoring in the positive sector of 9 and 10 than those in the negative range of $0-6$. A third of the respondents are passive, indicating that their experience was mediocre.


Q24: On a scale of 0 to 10, where 0 is totally dissatisfied and 10 is totally satisfied, how satisfied are you with Council's support for business in the area? Single rating.

How satisfied are you with Council's support for business in the area? $\mathrm{n}=330$


0 2
$2 \quad 4$
$6 \quad 8$
10

All respondents were asked how satisfied they were with Council's support for business in the area on a scale of 0 to 10 where 0 was totally dissatisfied and 10 totally satisfied. On average respondents rated their satisfaction with Council's support of business in the area 5.2 out of 10 .

A net promoter score formula has been applied to the mean score which reveals that satisfaction with Council's support is viewed extremely negatively with an NPS of negative 68.79, indicating that the vast majority of respondents are detractors and have provided a score below 6 , with very few promoters giving a score of 9 and above.


Q25: Do you have any suggestions or ideas on what strategies the City of Holdfast Bay can implement to support better business conditions for you? Open ended.

Of the 330 respondents, 173 chose to decline the offer to leave a comment or make a suggestion. The remaining 157 respondents gave a broad array of comments which have been clustered into the categories of parking and traffic such as more of, more free and longer time (44 responses), various marketing issues such as advertising, business networking events, promotions and festivals (36 comments), offering assistance and support to businesses which straddled some additional marketing ideas such as business hubs and small business events through to lobbying State


Government (20 responses), attracting more people to the area, again within the marketing realm but with specific comments for promoting the region as a destination (13 responses), a range of Council directed comments (21 responses), comments surrounding reducing the cost of or the high costs associated with power, rates and rents (20 responses), other mixed responses ( 6 responses) and 2 responses for Council is doing a good job. The sorted comments appear below.

## Parking/traffic

Allow for more appropriate parking hours for visitors. Encourage staff and managers of Foodland and mall stores to park further away than adjacent streets to the Mall. Perhaps encourage the developers/manager to provide a designated staff carpark in the first place to eliminate the need for regulated street parking instead.
At 240 Brighton Road put a break in the island for north travelling vehicles
Car parks are slowly disappearing. Durham Street, Colley Terrace are examples. Car parking expensive i.e. \$5 for any part of an hour at some parks e.g. next to library
Drive more people into the area with events and reduced parking costs
Ensure more car parking is available i.e. Do not make planning decisions which reduce available car parking
Find that balance between parking and community spaces.
Free car parking, and promotion, as per recent innovations at Henley Sq.
Get rid of the bike path in front of our shops - lower council rates for small business
Give back car parks
Also the parking restrictions at Glenelg. Why paying for parking? And increase time limit on jetty road. This is a family community we should be catering for them. Also look into maintenance of this footpath, which is not level.
Improve parking
It would help to have bike parking on Jetty Road Brighton
Listen to retailers more. Ease off with parking fines. Do not remove parking spaces from main road.
Longer parking available for our customers to lunch, shop, and wander the stores. And because our demographic isn't young the parking needs to be available close by.
Look at parking restrictions
Manage parking better, allow people to get in and out of their driveways (small streets with parking directly opposite driveways.
Monitor parking in the street
More all day roadside parking
More car parking (4 responses)
More footpaths
More free parking
More parking places
Needs more car parking/ATM \& public toilets - same complaints all the time
Not a good idea to reduce parking space in Jetty Road as this will affect and decrease traffic flow in the area.
Offer longer times in parking bays located near our branch potentially on Rose Street
Only look at ideas that will increase the number of car parks on Jetty Road Glenelg and maintain them as free, they should be for only 30 to 60 mins max. Refuse to let any further reductions take place. Adelaide is still a city that people take their cars to everything and the places that provide that for people will be the places people will support
Paint over graffiti, lose the bike lanes on Brighton Road
Parking
Parking availability
Parking conditions are disgusting people are going to where they can find a shopping centre rather than street parking and pay high fines
Parking has to improve
Parking improvements
Parking is a problem


Parking permits for staff, keep the Jetty Road open to cars.
Parking still a problem
Provide more parking in the vicinity of Jetty Road Brighton. Somehow!
Remove bicycle lane from Brighton Road.
Solve the parking problems in Jetty Road
Speed up the road works as it impedes our traffic flow to and from appointments
Stop paid parking to entice more people to spend the day at Glenelg
Take away bike lanes from Brighton Road and put back to beach paths! Or get rid of restrictions at least!!

## Marketing (various suggestions)

Advertising
Allow signage
Better ways of spending funds especially on Jetty Rd Glenelg
Business marketing, get more function and activities to attract people
Employ proactive, forward thinking people, clean up Jetty Road, advertise properly.
Events, which draw crowds to area that utilise many different businesses. Build a world class convention centre in Glenelg, my previous roles with AEG Ogden around south east Audi's and even Darwin has given great organic growth of millions annually that impact all businesses in area as they attract corporate, association and industry delegates to the area.
Extend zone for properties that can be used as office space. Improve signage on Broadway, Glenelg South (preferable some flags as per Jetty Road).
Continue to promote Glenelg as a tourist destination
Generate excitement about the area
Hold round table discussions with a variety of businesses to enable Council to understand some of the issues facing business rather than second guessing
Holdfast area business directory. I am not a shop owner on Jetty Road, but operate an Indoor Plant Hire business to corporate clients from Brighton/Seacliff area to the metro area
Holding more social events to encourage people coming down.
And maybe some promotion outside of Jetty Road
Increased marketing of Jetty Road as a shopping destination
It's far too rigid and perhaps that has something to do with the residents in our area? Not sure. However chill out on the local business trying to grow and expand. They help other businesses grow and expand. Side walk tables and chairs and liquor licenses could be revised...Also, some street decorations- at night Brighton is active - light it up.
Local advertising
Local council newsletter and webpage offering free advertising
Maybe a free networking event??
More activities to bring the whole family to the beach, not just one day or two, it needs whole week or even longer.
More advertising to get people to Glenelg
More advertising. Offering incentives to small business. Assist with refits.
More events on Jetty Road Brighton. Possibly developing a Brighton square like Henley beach
More events to attract more people
More festivals and entertainment in the square
More promotion for Jetty Road traders
More research on customers
Networking opportunities.
Not sure, more local promotions perhaps
Perhaps more advertising or more ways of promoting jetty road as a shopping precinct not just a place for people to come for an ice cream.


Perhaps running business networking opportunities where owners can come and perhaps listen to a speaker on various topics of small business (e.g. leveraging social media or how to actively grow your business) and then have the rest of the time chatting to others but also encouraging everyone to keep moving onto another person to engage in conversation.
Small business meetings - networking events- Small business courses - communicating council's plans for next 12 months
Support more tourism and organise more events to bring more people to the area.
Support organising events for families with young children, where vendors can advertise their products.
Traders annoyed (customers vote) /food and wine festival
Workshops like Adelaide city council provided to east end traders: digital marketing, visual and merchandise skills. Many more about understand Chinese tourists for Glenelg businesses.

## Assistance/support

A lot seems to be done for Jetty Road traders but not much for The Marina precinct
Actions require implementation. Help is offered however not followed up.
Assistance lobbying to state government to maintain funding
Business hub for small local businesses to network, build skills, access office space/meeting rooms/IT
Council to support local business
Encouragement for SMEs
Ensure quality internet connection
Expos for local businesses
I don't have enough information as to how the City of Holdfast Bay supports the business environment and conditions. I run a "free" Tai Chi/Qigong class, for my students and friends, in the Angus Neill Reserve every Saturday morning. With financial support, this could be promoted for the health and well-being of other Holdfast Bay residents. This type of support has been offered elsewhere e.g. Magill Council, etc.
If they supported local business to do their repair and maintenance work?
Invest in the street
Offer more grants to train business owners on technology and marketing etc.
Promoting Small Business
More support in encouraging local business to use each other keeping in the Councils area rather using overseas business. Use the people that you want to use you!
Unite landlords for common vision which happens at Harbour town and Marion Westfield
Use local business suppliers
Use local businesses
Yearly meetings, talking about any opportunities for growth and development.
Yes. Measure with results. More action

## Attract more people to region

Attract more people to area
Attract more visitors (from anywhere). Become the vibrant shopping, eating precinct, fun
Council should do something to encourage locals to the area
Drive more visitors to the area through improved public facilities and comfort. Also family friendly events
Cheaper rent make the area more vibrant to attract people
Foot traffic is what we need, so everything should be geared to attracting more people. Most arrive in cars, so we need parking, but we also need good public transport links.
Have a promotion to get people back to Glenelg
Increase tourism
Keep crime down to make customers feel safe in the area to shop
Marketing the street to get more people here


Promote it as a destination
Something to draw more people to Glenelg
To promote Glenelg more to try to bring back people to the street.

## Council related comments

Disruption to trade and loss of income when council engages in civil works in proximity to businesses it hurts personal family incomes for people working for themselves and they are without safety income nets suggest council needs to be super mindful when planning this stuff think of your own personal financial impact if you didn't get paid for a month and you were still expected to meet your business and personal financial obligations and responsibilities!
Flexible and proactive planning
Follow through on enquiries would show some interest. I am still waiting to hear back months later. Have given up. Get rid of people with their own agendas. Cut red tape. Some councillors have no idea about running a business. They have never had one.
Get some business people on your staff to advise you
Council has no idea what's going on
Council need to focus on maintaining the environment conducive to promoting economic activity in the area. It should not involve itself in matters such as gay marriage and other subjective and divisive matters
Council staff that deal with business on a daily basis seem to generally lack an understanding of business management and the issues that small businesses face on a daily basis. Council needs to train/recruit staff who understand, or have had, business experience.
Become a role model for lean and effective business strategy
It is not part of the Council's activities to make local businesses more profitable. It should concentrate on making its operation more efficient and provide better services to general ratepayers.
Look at the mix of offerings on Jetty Road Glenelg. What direction is the council heading? Is it food based, retail based or a mix or just full shops. Have they surveyed the public to see what they would like? e.g. shopping experience or entertainment experience.
Maybe come and have a chat
Move with the times
Relax shopping hours - streamline more with eastern states
Remove barriers to business, remove petty bureaucracy, and prioritise business needs and job creation over vocal and negative minorities
Someone that actually has a position in council to communicate with businesses on a regular basis as we do not hear from anyone so hard to give feedback?
Stop allowing more salons from opening every 5 minutes - enough is enough
Talk more to all businesses operated in the area
The planning department need a shake up
We find the council to have minimal focus on real strategies to assist small business
We have only just starting receiving the newsletters as management changed over 12 months ago, we let the council know the change, so communication to send us the newsletters would have been better.

## Power/Rates/Rent

## Electricity rebates

Cheaper power
Facilitating a sustainable island-able local power network capitalising on community based roof top solar generation and battery storage resources.
Difficult question to answer - I believe that Henley area is about to hit hard with a range of new offerings which will no doubt have an impact on Jetty Road. The number of retailers are down, rents are up etc...Tough times
I have never approached the council for any business support so I have no idea what's on offer
I'd love to find out why I continue to lose power!


Lower rates (2 responses)
Lower rates equals lower rent
Much greater transparency in where it spends the business ratepayer money. I feel totally ripped off with council rates Our rent is too high even when the roadworks etc. affected us in a great deal and had no rent relief for this period Reduce annual council fee. Already have less revenue, can't afford more
Reduce costs of doing business
Reduce council rates and stop wasting ratepayer's money so people have more money in their weekly budgets - for example cancel the NYE party at Glenelg, it only brings trouble, and drunken destruction, and mess that needs cleaning up. It does nothing for local businesses or rate payers but allows free loaders to come into the area, get free entertainment, and wreck whatever they can - for free, because they think no-one cares.
Reduce red tape in building and development applications. 8 weeks for a carport is ridiculous. Engage more with local business in the light industrial area and listen to real issues without fobbing them off
Rent assistance and advertising
Review the council rate premiums to assist business in being more profitable.
Perhaps reduce the council rates for traders in Jetty Road Glenelg, as a reprieve for what they have gone through over the past 12 months with tram line replacement and now the water replacement.
Try to lower overall rising cost to businesses.
We pay higher council rates than most of suburban. But we don't think we get all the support and help to survive in the tough time for business.

## Other (mixed responses)

Already discussed with relevant CoHB personnel
Get the NBN rollout sorted ASAP.
Ideas have been submitted previously but are normally never acted upon or responded to.
No it is more of a lack of jobs in Adelaide issue.
Tai Chi \& Qigong are scientifically proven health practises. Local residents could benefit from classes and Council provided activities.
We need more people to have jobs, too many redundancies so people are holding onto their money, no confidence in the future.

## Good job

Council staff doing a good job. We have a good working relationship with Council. Councils using local suppliers where appropriate is good.
The council has been great at holding special events in our strip on Jetty Road Brighton


## 6. TABULATIONS

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

|  | Mean |
| :---: | :---: |
| Number of whole years | 14.67 |

Statistics

| Number of whole years |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | ---: |
| N | Valid | $\mathbf{3 3 0}$ |
|  | Missing | 0 |
| Mean |  | 14.6667 |
| Median |  | 9.5000 |
| Mode |  | 3.00 |

Number of whole years

|  |  | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Valid | . 00 | 4 | 1.2 | 1.2 | 1.2 |
|  | 1.00 | 20 | 6.1 | 6.1 | 7.3 |
|  | 2.00 | 23 | 7.0 | 7.0 | 14.2 |
|  | 3.00 | 26 | 7.9 | 7.9 | 22.1 |
|  | 4.00 | 22 | 6.7 | 6.7 | 28.8 |
|  | 5.00 | 25 | 7.6 | 7.6 | 36.4 |
|  | 6.00 | 20 | 6.1 | 6.1 | 42.4 |
|  | 7.00 | 15 | 4.5 | 4.5 | 47.0 |
|  | 8.00 | 6 | 1.8 | 1.8 | 48.8 |
|  | 9.00 | 4 | 1.2 | 1.2 | 50.0 |
|  | 10.00 | 24 | 7.3 | 7.3 | 57.3 |
|  | 11.00 | 10 | 3.0 | 3.0 | 60.3 |
|  | 12.00 | 9 | 2.7 | 2.7 | 63.0 |
|  | 13.00 | 7 | 2.1 | 2.1 | 65.2 |
|  | 14.00 | 3 | . 9 | . 9 | 66.1 |
|  | 15.00 | 13 | 3.9 | 3.9 | 70.0 |
|  | 16.00 | 3 | . 9 | . 9 | 70.9 |
|  | 17.00 | 5 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 72.4 |
|  | 18.00 | 5 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 73.9 |
|  | 19.00 | 2 | . 6 | . 6 | 74.5 |
|  | 20.00 | 12 | 3.6 | 3.6 | 78.2 |
|  | 21.00 | 2 | . 6 | . 6 | 78.8 |
|  | 22.00 | 4 | 1.2 | 1.2 | 80.0 |
|  | 23.00 | 4 | 1.2 | 1.2 | 81.2 |
|  | 24.00 | 2 | . 6 | . 6 | 81.8 |
|  | 25.00 | 8 | 2.4 | 2.4 | 84.2 |
|  | 26.00 | 1 | . 3 | . 3 | 84.5 |
|  | 27.00 | 2 | . 6 | . 6 | 85.2 |
|  | 30.00 | 10 | 3.0 | 3.0 | 88.2 |
|  | 31.00 | 3 | . 9 | . 9 | 89.1 |
|  | 32.00 | 1 | . 3 | . 3 | 89.4 |
|  | 33.00 | 1 | . 3 | . 3 | 89.7 |
|  | 35.00 | 7 | 2.1 | 2.1 | 91.8 |
|  | 37.00 | 2 | . 6 | . 6 | 92.4 |
|  | 38.00 | 2 | . 6 | . 6 | 93.0 |
|  | 39.00 | 2 | . 6 | . 6 | 93.6 |
|  | 40.00 | 3 | . 9 | . 9 | 94.5 |
|  | 41.00 | 1 | . 3 | . 3 | 94.8 |
|  | 42.00 | 1 | . 3 | . 3 | 95.2 |
|  | 43.00 | 1 | . 3 | . 3 | 95.5 |


| Number of whole years |  |  |  |  |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
| 45.00 | $\mathbf{1}$ | .3 | .3 | 95.8 |
| 50.00 | $\mathbf{1}$ | .3 | .3 | 96.1 |
| 56.00 | $\mathbf{1}$ | .3 | .3 | 96.4 |
| 58.00 | $\mathbf{1}$ | .3 | .3 | 96.7 |
| 60.00 | $\mathbf{3}$ | .9 | .9 | 97.6 |
| 65.00 | $\mathbf{2}$ | .6 | .6 | 98.2 |
| 71.00 | $\mathbf{1}$ | .3 | .3 | 98.5 |
| 85.00 | $\mathbf{1}$ | .3 | .3 | 98.8 |
| 90.00 | $\mathbf{1}$ | .3 | .3 | 99.1 |
| 97.00 | $\mathbf{1}$ | .3 | .3 | 99.4 |
| 148.00 | $\mathbf{1}$ | . $\mathbf{3}$ | .3 | 99.7 |
| 150.00 | $\mathbf{1}$ | . $\mathbf{3}$ | .3 | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0}$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{3 3 0}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0}$ |  |


| Number of years | $0-5$ years | $\mathbf{1 2 0}$ |
| :---: | :---: | ---: |
|  |  | $36.4 \%$ |
|  | $6-10$ years | 69 |
|  |  | $\mathbf{2 0 . 9 \%}$ |
|  |  | 69 |
|  |  | $20.9 \%$ |
|  |  | Over 20 years |
|  |  | $\mathbf{7 2}$ |
|  | Total | $\mathbf{3 3 0}$ |
|  |  |  |


|  |  | Size of business |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  |  | Small $<20$ <br> employees | Medium <br> employees |  | Total |
| Number of years | $0-5$ years | 115 | 5 | 120 |  |
|  |  | $39.1 \%$ | $13.9 \%$ | $36.4 \%$ |  |
|  | $6-10$ years | 57 | 12 | 69 |  |
|  | $11-20$ years | $19.4 \%$ | $33.3 \%$ | $20.9 \%$ |  |
|  | 62 | 7 | 69 |  |  |
|  |  | $21.1 \%$ | $19.4 \%$ | $20.9 \%$ |  |
|  | Over 20 years | 60 | 12 | 72 |  |
|  |  | $20.4 \%$ | $33.3 \%$ | $21.8 \%$ |  |
|  | Total | 294 | 36 | 330 |  |
|  |  | $100.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |  |


#### Abstract

  | Total | 72 | 10 | 3 | 13 | 2 | 1 | 9 | 32 | 13 | 12 | 27 | 3 | 11 | 112 | 7 | 3 | 330 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | 


Q2: How many people (including management and owners) did your business employ in the current quarter (September, 2017)? Single response.

| How many people (including management and owners) did your business employ in the current quarter (September, 2017)? | 1 | $\begin{array}{r} 67 \\ 20.3 \% \\ \hline \end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2-19 | 227 |
|  |  | 68.8\% |
|  | 20-49 | 32 |
|  |  | 9.7\% |
|  | 50-99 | 2 |
|  |  | .6\% |
|  | 100-149 | 2 |
|  |  | .6\% |
|  | 150-199 | 0 |
|  |  | .0\% |
|  | 200+ | 0 |
|  |  | .0\% |
|  | Total | 330 |
|  |  | 100.0\% |


| Size of business | Small <20 employees | $\mathbf{2 9 4}$ |
| :--- | :--- | ---: |
|  |  | Medium 20-199 |
|  | employees | 36 |
|  | Total | $10.9 \%$ |


|  | What industry sector do you fall into? |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  |  |  |  | 듷 0 0. 0. 0.0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Transport, Postal \& Warehousing |  | $\stackrel{\text { \% }}{\stackrel{\circ}{\circ}}$ |
| Small < 20 | 48 | 10 | 3 | 13 | 0 | 1 | 9 | 30 | 13 | 10 | 24 | 3 | 11 | 109 | 7 | 3 | 294 |
| employees | 66.7\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 93.8\% | 100.0\% | 83.3\% | 88.9\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 97.3\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 89.1\% |
| 帚 Medium 20-199 | 24 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 36 |
| $\begin{aligned} & \stackrel{\circ}{\stackrel{N}{0}} \\ & \text { employees } \end{aligned}$ | 33.3\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 6.3\% | .0\% | 16.7\% | 11.1\% | .0\% | .0\% | 2.7\% | .0\% | .0\% | 10.9\% |
| Total | 72 | 10 | 3 | 13 | 2 | 1 | 9 | 32 | 13 | 12 | 27 | 3 | 11 | 112 | 7 | 3 | 330 |
|  | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |

Q3: What is your annual turnover range? Single response.

|  |  | Size of business |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Small <20 employees | Medium 20-199 employees | Total |
| What is your annual turnover range? | <\$500k | 152 | 0 | 152 |
|  |  | 51.7\% | .0\% | 46.1\% |
|  | \$500k-\$1 million | 65 | 8 | 73 |
|  |  | 22.1\% | 22.2\% | 22.1\% |
|  | \$1 million - \$2 million | 22 | 5 | 27 |
|  |  | 7.5\% | 13.9\% | 8.2\% |
|  | \$2 million-\$5 million | 10 | 18 | 28 |
|  |  | 3.4\% | 50.0\% | 8.5\% |
|  | \$5 million-\$10 million | 3 | 1 | 4 |
|  |  | 1.0\% | 2.8\% | 1.2\% |
|  | \$10 million-\$50 million | 2 | 2 | 4 |
|  |  | .7\% | 5.6\% | 1.2\% |
|  | \$50 million+ | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | .0\% | .0\% | . $0 \%$ |
|  | Prefer not to say | 40 | 2 | 42 |
|  |  | 13.6\% | 5.6\% | 12.7\% |
|  | Total | 294 | 36 | 330 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |


|  |  | Number of years |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 0-5 years | 6-10 years | 11-20 years | Over 20 years | Total |
| What is your annual turnover range? | <\$500k | 70 | 28 | 31 | 23 | 152 |
|  |  | 58.3\% | 40.6\% | 44.9\% | 31.9\% | 46.1\% |
|  | \$500k-\$1 million | 20 | 20 | 17 | 16 | 73 |
|  |  | 16.7\% | 29.0\% | 24.6\% | 22.2\% | 22.1\% |
|  | \$1 million - \$2 million | 8 | 5 | 5 | 9 | 27 |
|  |  | 6.7\% | 7.2\% | 7.2\% | 12.5\% | 8.2\% |
|  | \$2 million-\$5 million | 5 | 8 | 3 | 12 | 28 |
|  |  | 4.2\% | 11.6\% | 4.3\% | 16.7\% | 8.5\% |
|  | \$5 million-\$10 million | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 4 |
|  |  | 2.5\% | .0\% | 1.4\% | .0\% | 1.2\% |
|  | \$10 million-\$50 million | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 4 |
|  |  | .0\% | 1.4\% | 1.4\% | 2.8\% | 1.2\% |
|  | \$50 million+ | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% |
|  | Prefer not to say | 14 | 7 | 11 | 10 | 42 |
|  |  | 11.7\% | 10.1\% | 15.9\% | 13.9\% | 12.7\% |
|  | Total | 120 | 69 | 69 | 72 | 330 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |



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

## Gender

| Male - Ratio |  | 5.19 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Female - Ratio |  | 6.34 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 0 | 10 | 20 | 30 | 40 | 50 | 60 | 70 | 80 | 90 | 100 | Total |
| Male - Ratio | 74 | 23 | 30 | 19 | 17 | 71 | 14 | 15 | 14 | 11 | 42 | 330 |
|  | 22.4\% | 7.0\% | 9.1\% | 5.8\% | 5.2\% | 21.5\% | 4.2\% | 4.5\% | 4.2\% | 3.3\% | 12.7\% | 100.0\% |
| Female - Ratio | 54 | 14 | 14 | 15 | 14 | 72 | 17 | 22 | 27 | 24 | 57 | 330 |
|  | 16.4\% | 4.2\% | 4.2\% | 4.5\% | 4.2\% | 21.8\% | 5.2\% | 6.7\% | 8.2\% | 7.3\% | 17.3\% | 100.0\% |

## Skill/Unskilled Workforce

| Skilled - Ratio | 8.43 |
| :--- | ---: |
| Unskilled - Ratio | 3.15 |


|  | 0 | 10 | 20 | 30 | 40 | 50 | 60 | 70 | 80 | 90 | 100 | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Skilled - Ratio | 25 | 10 | 8 | 17 | 7 | 32 | 11 | 13 | 14 | 13 | 180 | 330 |
|  | 7.6\% | 3.0\% | 2.4\% | 5.2\% | 2.1\% | 9.7\% | 3.3\% | 3.9\% | 4.2\% | 3.9\% | 54.5\% | 100.0\% |
| Unskilled - Ratio | 193 | 14 | 14 | 13 | 11 | 32 | 7 | 17 | 8 | 10 | 11 | 330 |
|  | 58.5\% | 4.2\% | 4.2\% | 3.9\% | 3.3\% | 9.7\% | 2.1\% | 5.2\% | 2.4\% | 3.0\% | 3.3\% | 100.0\% |

## Full time/Part time Employees

| Full time employees - <br> Ratio | 5.70 |
| :--- | ---: |
| Part time employees - <br> Ratio | 5.82 |


|  | 0 | 10 | 20 | 30 | 40 | 50 | 60 | 70 | 80 | 90 | 100 | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Full time employees - | 58 | 33 | 38 | 23 | 9 | 44 | 11 | 12 | 20 | 12 | 70 | 330 |
| Ratio | 17.6\% | 10.0\% | 11.5\% | 7.0\% | 2.7\% | 13.3\% | 3.3\% | 3.6\% | 6.1\% | 3.6\% | 21.2\% | 100.0\% |
| Part time employees - | 85 | 13 | 20 | 12 | 11 | 44 | 9 | 22 | 38 | 33 | 43 | 330 |
| Ratio | 25.8\% | 3.9\% | 6.1\% | 3.6\% | 3.3\% | 13.3\% | 2.7\% | 6.7\% | 11.5\% | 10.0\% | 13.0\% | 100.0\% |

Q5：Is your business currently connected to the NBN？Single response．

|  |  | Number of years |  |  |  |  | Size of business |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 0－5 <br> years | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 6-10 \\ & \text { years } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 11-20 \\ & \text { years } \end{aligned}$ | Over 20 years | Total | Small＜20 employees | Medium 20－199 employees | Total |
| Is your business currently connected to the NBN？ | Yes | 6 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 12 | 10 | 2 | 12 |
|  |  | 5．0\％ | 4．3\％ | 1．4\％ | 2．8\％ | 3．6\％ | 3．4\％ | 5．6\％ | 3．6\％ |
|  | No | 107 | 60 | 66 | 70 | 303 | 270 | 33 | 303 |
|  |  | 89．2\％ | 87．0\％ | 95．7\％ | 97．2\％ | 91．8\％ | 91．8\％ | 91．7\％ | 91．8\％ |
|  | Don＇t know／not | 7 | 6 | 2 | 0 | 15 | 14 | 1 | 15 |
|  | sure | 5．8\％ | 8．7\％ | 2．9\％ | ．0\％ | 4．5\％ | 4．8\％ | 2．8\％ | 4．5\％ |
|  | Total | 120 | 69 | 69 | 72 | 330 | 294 | 36 | 330 |
|  |  | 100．0\％ | 100．0\％ | 100．0\％ | 100．0\％ | 100．0\％ | 100．0\％ | 100．0\％ | 100．0\％ |


|  |  | What is your annual turnover range？ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | ＜\＄500k | \＄500k－\＄1 million | \＄1 million－ \＄2 million | $\begin{gathered} \$ 2 \text { million-\$5 } \\ \text { million } \end{gathered}$ | $\$ 5$ million－ $\$ 10$ million | $\$ 10$ million－ $\$ 50$ million | $\begin{gathered} \$ 50 \\ \text { million+ } \end{gathered}$ | Prefer not to say | Total |
| Is your business currently connected to the NBN？ | Yes | 5 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 12 |
|  |  | 3．3\％ | 6．8\％ | 3．7\％ | 3．6\％ | ．0\％ | ．0\％ | ．0\％ | ．0\％ | 3．6\％ |
|  | No | 141 | 67 | 25 | 25 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 38 | 303 |
|  |  | 92．8\％ | 91．8\％ | 92．6\％ | 89．3\％ | 100．0\％ | 75．0\％ | ．0\％ | 90．5\％ | 91．8\％ |
|  | Don＇t know／not sure | 6 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 15 |
|  |  | 3．9\％ | 1．4\％ | 3．7\％ | 7．1\％ | ．0\％ | 25．0\％ | ．0\％ | 9．5\％ | 4．5\％ |
|  | Total | 152 | 73 | 27 | 28 | 4 | 4 | 0 | 42 | 330 |
|  |  | 100．0\％ | 100．0\％ | 100．0\％ | 100．0\％ | 100．0\％ | 100．0\％ | ．0\％ | 100．0\％ | 100．0\％ |


|  | What industry sector do you fall into？ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 2 Yes0000 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 12 |
|  | 2．8\％ | ．0\％ | ． $0 \%$ | ．0\％ | ．0\％ | ．0\％ | 11．1\％ | 3．1\％ | 7．7\％ | 8．3\％ | 7．4\％ | 33．3\％ | 9．1\％ | 1．8\％ | ．0\％ | ．0\％ | 3．6\％ |
|  | 69 | 9 | 3 | 13 | 2 | 1 | 7 | 28 | 12 | 10 | 24 | 2 | 10 | 104 | 7 | 2 | 303 |
|  | 95．8\％ | 90．0\％ | 100．0\％ | 100．0\％ | 100．0\％ | 100．0\％ | 77．8\％ | 87．5\％ | 92．3\％ | 83．3\％ | 88．9\％ | 66．7\％ | 90．9\％ | 92．9\％ | 100．0\％ | 66．7\％ | 91．8\％ |
| © Don＇t know／not sure | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 1 | 15 |
|  | 1．4\％ | 10．0\％ | ．0\％ | ．0\％ | ．0\％ | ．0\％ | 11．1\％ | 9．4\％ | ．0\％ | 8．3\％ | 3．7\％ | ． $0 \%$ | ．0\％ | 5．4\％ | ．0\％ | 33．3\％ | 4．5\％ |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { ⿳亠二口亏口 Total } \\ & \text { 气㐅 } \end{aligned}$ | 72 | 10 | 3 | 13 | 2 | 1 | 9 | 32 | 13 | 12 | 27 | 3 | 11 | 112 | 7 | 3 | 330 |
|  | 100．0\％ | 100．0\％ | 100．0\％ | 100．0\％ | 100．0\％ | 100．0\％ | 100．0\％ | 100．0\％ | 100．0\％ | 100．0\％ | 100．0\％ | 100．0\％ | 100．0\％ | 100．0\％ | 100．0\％ | 100．0\％ | 100．0\％ |



Q6: On a scale of 0 to 10, where 0 is totally dissatisfied and 10 is totally satisfied, how satisfied are you with the NBN connection?

| Migration process to <br> NBN | 6.08 |
| :--- | ---: |
| Internet connection | 5.50 |

Q7: Why did you rate your NBN migration/connection that way? Open ended.

| Migration <br> process to NBN <br> Rating | Internet <br> Connection <br> Rating |  |
| :---: | :---: | :--- |
| 9 | 10 | It is our future! |
| 8 | 7 | Very happy with it |
| 6 | 7 | Whilst the service can be fast, it is often slow and drops out. |
| 6 | 6 | Not given |
| 6 | 6 | Have some issues |
| 6 | 6 | It's average |
| 6 | 5 | I haven't noticed any difference |
| 8 | 5 | No good |
| 6 | 2 | Because it stuffed up my shop alarm as it wasn't compatible \& cost me <br> \$500 out of pocket |
| 7 | Keeps dropping out.... goes slow sometimes |  |
| 3 | 1 | Migration process was difficult and needed several tech support calls. <br> 2 |

Q8: Does your business transact online?

|  |  | Number of years |  |  |  |  | Size of business |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\begin{gathered} 0-5 \\ \text { years } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 6-10 \\ \text { years } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 11-20 \\ & \text { years } \end{aligned}$ | Over 20 years | Total | Small <20 employees | Medium 20-199 employees | Total |
| Does your business transact online? | Yes | 28 | 14 | 15 | 14 | 71 | 64 | 7 | 71 |
|  |  | 38.9\% | 29.8\% | 35.7\% | 31.8\% | 34.6\% | 34.2\% | 38.9\% | 34.6\% |
|  | No | 40 | 30 | 24 | 30 | 124 | 113 | 11 | 124 |
|  |  | 55.6\% | 63.8\% | 57.1\% | 68.2\% | 60.5\% | 60.4\% | 61.1\% | 60.5\% |
|  | Don't know/not | 4 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 10 | 10 | 0 | 10 |
|  | sure | 5.6\% | 6.4\% | 7.1\% | .0\% | 4.9\% | 5.3\% | .0\% | 4.9\% |
|  | Total | 72 | 47 | 42 | 44 | 205 | 187 | 18 | 205 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |



|  |  | What is your annual turnover range? |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | <\$500k | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 500 \mathrm{k}-\$ 1 \\ & \text { million } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 1 \text { million - \$2 } \\ & \text { million } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 2 \text { million-\$5 } \\ \text { million } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 5 \text { million-\$10 } \\ \text { million } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 10 \text { million-\$50 } \\ \text { million } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 50 \\ \text { million+ } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Prefer not } \\ \text { to say } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | Total |
| Does your business transact online? | Yes | 18 | 23 | 12 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 71 |
|  |  | 20.5\% | 48.9\% | 50.0\% | 50.0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 38.7\% | 34.6\% |
|  | No | 67 | 21 | 12 | 6 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 16 | 124 |
|  |  | 76.1\% | 44.7\% | 50.0\% | 50.0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% | .0\% | 51.6\% | 60.5\% |
|  | Don't know/not sure | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 10 |
|  |  | 3.4\% | 6.4\% | .0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 9.7\% | 4.9\% |
|  | Total | 88 | 47 | 24 | 12 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 31 | 205 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |


|  | What industry sector do you fall into? |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Transport, Postal \& Warehousing |  | $\stackrel{\text { ¢0 }}{\stackrel{\circ}{\circ}}$ |
| Yes | 12 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 5 | 1 | 3 | 6 | 1 | 4 | 28 | 2 | 2 | 71 |
|  | 22.6\% | 66.7\% | 50.0\% | 40.0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 40.0\% | 31.3\% | 33.3\% | 50.0\% | 60.0\% | 100.0\% | 50.0\% | 32.6\% | 50.0\% | 100.0\% | 34.6\% |
| No | 36 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 9 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 4 | 57 | 2 | 0 | 124 |
| $\stackrel{\sim}{0}$ | 67.9\% | 33.3\% | 50.0\% | 60.0\% | 100.0\% | .0\% | 20.0\% | 56.3\% | 66.7\% | 50.0\% | 40.0\% | .0\% | 50.0\% | 66.3\% | 50.0\% | .0\% | 60.5\% |
| Don't know/not sure | 5 $9.4 \%$ |  | $0$ |  |  | 0 $0 \%$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 $0 \%$ |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & E \\ & 0 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | 9.4\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 40.0\% | 12.5\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 1.2\% | .0\% | .0\% | 4.9\% |
| $\begin{aligned} & \frac{0}{M} \text { Total } \\ & \text { O} \\ & \vdots \\ & \vdots \end{aligned}$ | 53 | 3 | 2 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 16 | 3 | 6 | 10 | 1 | 8 | 86 | 4 | 2 | 205 |
| $\qquad$ | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |

Q9: Do you invest in eCommerce or digital platforms to aid business transactions? i.e. buying and selling of goods and services, or transmitting funds or data, primarily using the internet. Single response.


|  | What industry sector do you fall into? |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\stackrel{\square}{\circ}$ |
| \% Yes | 22 | 5 | 3 | 7 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 15 | 7 | 6 | 15 | 1 | 6 | 42 | 6 | 3 | 144 |
|  | 30.6\% | 50.0\% | 100.0\% | 53.8\% | 50.0\% | 100.0\% | 44.4\% | 46.9\% | 53.8\% | 50.0\% | 55.6\% | 33.3\% | 54.5\% | 37.5\% | 85.7\% | 100.0\% | 43.6\% |
| No | 46 | 4 | 0 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 15 | 6 | 6 | 12 | 2 | 5 | 64 | 1 | 0 | 170 |
|  | 63.9\% | 40.0\% | .0\% | 38.5\% | 50.0\% | .0\% | 33.3\% | 46.9\% | 46.2\% | 50.0\% | 44.4\% | 66.7\% | 45.5\% | 57.1\% | 14.3\% | .0\% | 51.5\% |
| Don't know/not sure | 4 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 16 |
|  | 5.6\% | 10.0\% | .0\% | 7.7\% | .0\% | .0\% | 22.2\% | 6.3\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 5.4\% | .0\% | .0\% | 4.8\% |
| Total | 72 | 10 | 3 | 13 | 2 | 1 | 9 | 32 | 13 | 12 | 27 | 3 | 11 | 112 | 7 | 3 | 330 |
|  | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |



Q10: On a scale of 0 to 10 , where 0 is totally unimportant and 10 is totally important, how important are intrastate, interstate and international visitors to your business? Rate all 3 options.

| Intrastate |  | 7.47 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Interstate |  | 5.19 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| International |  | 3.66 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Number of years |  |  |  |  | Size of business |  |  |
|  | 0-5 years | 6-10 years | 11-20 years | Over 20 years | Total | Small <20 employees | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Medium 20-199 } \\ & \text { employees } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | Total |
| Intrastate | 7.14 | 8.24 | 6.95 | 7.82 | 7.47 | 7.41 | 7.91 | 7.47 |
| Interstate | 4.91 | 6.01 | 5.10 | 4.90 | 5.19 | 5.04 | 6.39 | 5.19 |
| International | 3.24 | 4.42 | 3.88 | 3.36 | 3.66 | 3.39 | 5.74 | 3.66 |


|  | What is your annual turnover range? |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | <\$500k | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 500 \mathrm{k}-\$ 1 \\ & \text { million } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 1 \text { million - \$2 } \\ & \text { million } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 2 \text { million-\$5 } \\ & \text { million } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 5 \text { million-\$10 } \\ \text { million } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 10 \text { million-\$50 } \\ \text { million } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 50 \\ \text { million+ } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Prefer not to } \\ \text { say } \end{gathered}$ | Total |
| Intrastate | 7.31 | 7.64 | 8.00 | 7.88 | 4.00 | 7.25 |  | 7.46 | 7.47 |
| Interstate | 4.72 | 4.96 | 6.22 | 6.29 | 3.50 | 4.75 |  | 6.00 | 5.19 |
| International | 3.21 | 3.43 | 4.85 | 5.63 | 2.00 | 3.75 |  | 3.68 | 3.66 |


|  | What industry sector do you fall into? |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  |  | Administrative \& Support Services |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 든 } \\ & \text { O} \\ & \text { 르 } \\ & 0 \\ & 0 \\ & 0 \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 6u!snoyәлем 8 lełsod 'hodsuen」 |  | $\begin{aligned} & \overline{\mathrm{T}} \\ & \stackrel{0}{\circ} \end{aligned}$ |
| Intrastate | 8.62 | 7.13 | 8.00 | 4.55 | 10.00 | 10.00 | 5.75 | 6.58 | 5.92 | 6.30 | 6.92 | 6.67 | 7.18 | 7.79 | 7.00 | 10.00 | 7.47 |
| Interstate | 6.43 | 4.00 | 4.33 | 1.38 | 2.50 | 5.00 | 3.38 | 2.55 | 5.85 | 3.92 | 5.15 | 3.33 | 4.45 | 6.01 | 4.83 | 8.33 | 5.19 |
| International | 5.59 | 3.17 | 1.33 | . 31 | 2.50 | . 00 | 2.29 | 1.61 | 2.62 | 2.67 | 2.92 | . 67 | 3.73 | 4.19 | 2.33 | 5.33 | 3.66 |

Q11: How do you expect the following economies to perform over the next 12 months? Rate all 3 options.

|  | Weaker | Slightly weaker | Same | Slightly stronger | Stronger | Total |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| National economy | 24 | 62 | 171 | 67 | 6 | 330 |
|  | $7.3 \%$ | $18.8 \%$ | $51.8 \%$ | $20.3 \%$ | $1.8 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |
| South Australian | 55 | 86 | 133 | 53 | 3 | 330 |
| economy | $16.7 \%$ | $26.1 \%$ | $40.3 \%$ | $16.1 \%$ | $.9 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |
| Local council area | 33 | 71 | 162 | 60 | 4 | 330 |
| economy | $10.0 \%$ | $21.5 \%$ | $49.1 \%$ | $18.2 \%$ | $1.2 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |



National economy

|  |  | Number of years |  |  |  |  | How many people (including management and owners) did your business employ in the current quarter (September, 2017)? |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\begin{gathered} \hline 0-5 \\ \text { years } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 6-10 \\ \text { years } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 11-20 \\ & \text { years } \end{aligned}$ | Over 20 years | Total | 1 | 2-19 | 20-49 | 50-99 | 100-149 | $\begin{aligned} & 150- \\ & 199 \end{aligned}$ | 200+ | Total |
| National economy | Weaker | 5 | 4 | 10 | 5 | 24 | 6 | 17 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 24 |
|  |  | 4.2\% | 5.8\% | 14.5\% | 6.9\% | 7.3\% | 9.0\% | 7.5\% | .0\% | .0\% | 50.0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 7.3\% |
|  | Slightly weaker | 21 | 14 | 12 | 15 | 62 | 18 | 37 | 6 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 62 |
|  |  | 17.5\% | 20.3\% | 17.4\% | 20.8\% | 18.8\% | 26.9\% | 16.3\% | 18.8\% | 50.0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 18.8\% |
|  | Same | 66 | 33 | 32 | 40 | 171 | 29 | 121 | 21 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 171 |
|  |  | 55.0\% | 47.8\% | 46.4\% | 55.6\% | 51.8\% | 43.3\% | 53.3\% | 65.6\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 51.8\% |
|  | Slightly stronger | 24 | 17 | 14 | 12 | 67 | 14 | 46 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 67 |
|  |  | 20.0\% | 24.6\% | 20.3\% | 16.7\% | 20.3\% | 20.9\% | 20.3\% | 15.6\% | 50.0\% | 50.0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 20.3\% |
|  | Stronger | 4 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
|  |  | 3.3\% | 1.4\% | 1.4\% | .0\% | 1.8\% | .0\% | 2.6\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 1.8\% |
|  | Total | 120 | 69 | 69 | 72 | 330 | 67 | 227 | 32 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 330 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% |


|  |  | What is your annual turnover range? |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | <\$500k | $\begin{gathered} \$ 500 \mathrm{k}-\$ 1 \\ \text { million } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 1 \text { million - } \$ 2 \\ & \text { million } \end{aligned}$ | \$2 million-\$5 million | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 5 \text { million- } \$ 10 \\ & \text { million } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 10 \text { million- } \$ 50 \\ & \text { million } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 50 \\ \text { million+ } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Prefer not to } \\ \text { say } \end{gathered}$ | Total |
| National economy | Weaker | 14 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 24 |
|  |  | 9.2\% | 5.5\% | 7.4\% | 3.6\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 7.1\% | 7.3\% |
|  | Slightly weaker | 33 | 10 | 3 | 6 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 8 | 62 |
|  |  | 21.7\% | 13.7\% | 11.1\% | 21.4\% | 25.0\% | 25.0\% | .0\% | 19.0\% | 18.8\% |
|  | Same | 71 | 42 | 15 | 15 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 24 | 171 |
|  |  | 46.7\% | 57.5\% | 55.6\% | 53.6\% | 50.0\% | 50.0\% | .0\% | 57.1\% | 51.8\% |
|  | Slightly stronger | 31 | 16 | 7 | 6 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 6 | 67 |
|  |  | 20.4\% | 21.9\% | 25.9\% | 21.4\% | .0\% | 25.0\% | .0\% | 14.3\% | 20.3\% |
|  | Stronger | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 6 |
|  |  | 2.0\% | 1.4\% | .0\% | .0\% | 25.0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 2.4\% | 1.8\% |
|  | Total | 152 | 73 | 27 | 28 | 4 | 4 | 0 | 42 | 330 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |


|  |  | What industry sector do you fall into? |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Administrative \& Support Services |  | $\begin{aligned} & . \bar{O} \\ & \text { 을 } \\ & \text { D } \\ & 0 \\ & 0 \end{aligned}$ | бu!u!eג $\perp$ ४ uo!!eonpヨ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \bar{\Pi} \\ & \stackrel{0}{\circ} \end{aligned}$ |
|  | Weaker | 4 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 1 | 0 | 24 |
|  |  | 5.6\% | .0\% | .0\% | 7.7\% | .0\% | .0\% | 22.2\% | 12.5\% | 7.7\% | .0\% | 7.4\% | .0\% | .0\% | 8.0\% | 14.3\% | .0\% | 7.3\% |
|  | Slightly weaker | 11 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 6 | 1 | 2 | 26 | 2 | 1 | 62 |
|  |  | 15.3\% | 10.0\% | 33.3\% | 15.4\% | .0\% | .0\% | 22.2\% | 12.5\% | 15.4\% | 8.3\% | 22.2\% | 33.3\% | 18.2\% | 23.2\% | 28.6\% | 33.3\% | 18.8\% |
| 入 | Same | 41 | 5 | 1 | 5 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 18 | 6 | 7 | 13 | 1 | 6 | 60 | 4 | 0 | 171 |
| _ |  | 56.9\% | 50.0\% | 33.3\% | 38.5\% | 100.0\% | .0\% | 22.2\% | 56.3\% | 46.2\% | 58.3\% | 48.1\% | 33.3\% | 54.5\% | 53.6\% | 57.1\% | .0\% | 51.8\% |
| $\frac{.0}{\overline{0}}$ | Slightly stronger | 15 | 4 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 6 | 2 | 4 | 6 | 1 | 3 | 15 | 0 | 2 | 67 |
|  |  | 20.8\% | 40.0\% | 33.3\% | 30.8\% | .0\% | 100.0\% | 33.3\% | 18.8\% | 15.4\% | 33.3\% | 22.2\% | 33.3\% | 27.3\% | 13.4\% | .0\% | 66.7\% | 20.3\% |
|  | Stronger | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
|  |  | 1.4\% | .0\% | .0\% | 7.7\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 15.4\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 1.8\% | .0\% | .0\% | 1.8\% |
|  | Total | 72 | 10 | 3 | 13 | 2 | 1 | 9 | 32 | 13 | 12 | 27 | 3 | 11 | 112 | 7 | 3 | 330 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |

South Australian economy

|  |  | Number of years |  |  |  |  | Size of business |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 0-5 years | 6-10 years | 11-20 years | Over 20 years | Total | Small <20 employees | Medium 20-199 employees | Total |
| South Australian economy | Weaker | 16 | 12 | 14 | 13 | 55 | 50 | 5 | 55 |
|  |  | 13.3\% | 17.4\% | 20.3\% | 18.1\% | 16.7\% | 17.0\% | 13.9\% | 16.7\% |
|  | Slightly weaker | 23 | 13 | 23 | 27 | 86 | 71 | 15 | 86 |
|  |  | 19.2\% | 18.8\% | 33.3\% | 37.5\% | 26.1\% | 24.1\% | 41.7\% | 26.1\% |
|  | Same | 51 | 32 | 24 | 26 | 133 | 121 | 12 | 133 |
|  |  | 42.5\% | 46.4\% | 34.8\% | 36.1\% | 40.3\% | 41.2\% | 33.3\% | 40.3\% |
|  | Slightly stronger | 28 | 11 | 8 | 6 | 53 | 49 | 4 | 53 |
|  |  | 23.3\% | 15.9\% | 11.6\% | 8.3\% | 16.1\% | 16.7\% | 11.1\% | 16.1\% |
|  | Stronger | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 3 |
|  |  | 1.7\% | 1.4\% | .0\% | .0\% | .9\% | 1.0\% | .0\% | .9\% |
|  | Total | 120 | 69 | 69 | 72 | 330 | 294 | 36 | 330 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |



|  |  | What is your annual turnover range? |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | <\$500k | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 500 \mathrm{k}-\$ 1 \\ & \text { million } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 1 \text { million - } \$ 2 \\ \text { million } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 2 \text { million-\$5 } \\ & \text { million } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 5 \text { million-\$10 } \\ \text { million } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 10 \text { million- } \$ 50 \\ \text { million } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 50 \\ \text { million+ } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \begin{array}{c} \text { Prefer not to } \\ \text { say } \end{array} \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | Total |
| South Australian economy | Weaker | 32 | 8 | 3 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 6 | 55 |
|  |  | 21.1\% | 11.0\% | 11.1\% | 17.9\% | .0\% | 25.0\% | .0\% | 14.3\% | 16.7\% |
|  | Slightly weaker | 32 | 24 | 6 | 13 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 86 |
|  |  | 21.1\% | 32.9\% | 22.2\% | 46.4\% | 25.0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 23.8\% | 26.1\% |
|  | Same | 67 | 26 | 12 | 6 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 20 | 133 |
|  |  | 44.1\% | 35.6\% | 44.4\% | 21.4\% | .0\% | 50.0\% | .0\% | 47.6\% | 40.3\% |
|  | Slightly stronger | 19 | 14 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 6 | 53 |
|  |  | 12.5\% | 19.2\% | 22.2\% | 14.3\% | 75.0\% | 25.0\% | .0\% | 14.3\% | 16.1\% |
|  | Stronger | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
|  |  | 1.3\% | 1.4\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .9\% |
|  | Total | 152 | 73 | 27 | 28 | 4 | 4 | 0 | 42 | 330 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |




Local council area economy

|  |  | Number of years |  |  |  |  | Size of business |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $0-5$ years | $\begin{gathered} 6-10 \\ \text { years } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 11-20 \\ & \text { years } \end{aligned}$ | Over 20 years | Total | Small <20 employees | Medium 20-199 employees | Total |
| Local council area economy | Weaker | 6 | 7 | 9 | 11 | 33 | 30 | 3 | 33 |
|  |  | 5.0\% | 10.1\% | 13.0\% | 15.3\% | 10.0\% | 10.2\% | 8.3\% | 10.0\% |
|  | Slightly weaker | 17 | 20 | 18 | 16 | 71 | 57 | 14 | 71 |
|  |  | 14.2\% | 29.0\% | 26.1\% | 22.2\% | 21.5\% | 19.4\% | 38.9\% | 21.5\% |
|  | Same | 69 | 24 | 32 | 37 | 162 | 151 | 11 | 162 |
|  |  | 57.5\% | 34.8\% | 46.4\% | 51.4\% | 49.1\% | 51.4\% | 30.6\% | 49.1\% |
|  | Slightly stronger | $25$ | $17$ | $10$ | 8 | $60$ | $52$ | 8 | $60$ |
|  |  | 20.8\% | 24.6\% | 14.5\% | 11.1\% | 18.2\% | 17.7\% | 22.2\% | 18.2\% |
|  | Stronger | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 4 | 0 | 4 |
|  |  | 2.5\% | 1.4\% | .0\% | .0\% | 1.2\% | 1.4\% | .0\% | 1.2\% |
|  | Total | 120 | 69 | 69 | 72 | 330 | 294 | 36 | 330 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |


|  |  | What is your annual turnover range? |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | <\$500k | \$500k-\$1 million | \$1 million - \$2 million | $\$ 2$ million-\$5 million | \$5 million-\$10 million | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 10 \text { million- } \$ 50 \\ & \text { million } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 50 \\ \text { million+ } \end{gathered}$ | Prefer not to say | Total |
| Local council area economy | Weaker | 20 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 33 |
|  |  | 13.2\% | 4.1\% | 11.1\% | 7.1\% | .0\% | 25.0\% | .0\% | 9.5\% | 10.0\% |
|  | Slightly weaker | 31 | 16 | 4 | 9 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 71 |
|  |  | 20.4\% | 21.9\% | 14.8\% | 32.1\% | 25.0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 23.8\% | 21.5\% |
|  | Same | 74 | 35 | 15 | 12 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 22 | 162 |
|  |  | 48.7\% | 47.9\% | 55.6\% | 42.9\% | 50.0\% | 50.0\% | .0\% | 52.4\% | 49.1\% |
|  | Slightly stronger | 23 | 19 | 5 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 6 | 60 |
|  |  | 15.1\% | 26.0\% | 18.5\% | 17.9\% | 25.0\% | 25.0\% | .0\% | 14.3\% | 18.2\% |
|  | Stronger | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
|  |  | 2.6\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 1.2\% |
|  | Total | 152 | 73 | 27 | 28 | 4 | 4 | 0 | 42 | 330 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |


|  | What industry sector do you fall into? |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Administrative \& Support Services |  |  | 6u!uex_ 8 ио!!eonpョ |  |  | Health Care \& Social Assistance |  |  |  |  |  |  | бu!s noчәем в ןełsod 'hodsueג」 |  | $\begin{aligned} & \overline{\Pi 0} \\ & \stackrel{\circ}{\circ} \end{aligned}$ |
| Weaker | 6 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 8 | 2 | 1 | 33 |
|  | 8.3\% | .0\% | .0\% | 23.1\% | .0\% | .0\% | 11.1\% | 9.4\% | 23.1\% | .0\% | 14.8\% | .0\% | 18.2\% | 7.1\% | 28.6\% | 33.3\% | 10.0\% |
| Slightly weaker | 17 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 6 | 1 | 3 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 29 | 1 | 0 | 71 |
|  | 23.6\% | 40.0\% | .0\% | 7.7\% | 50.0\% | .0\% | 22.2\% | 18.8\% | 7.7\% | 25.0\% | 18.5\% | .0\% | 9.1\% | 25.9\% | 14.3\% | .0\% | 21.5\% |
| Same | 34 | 4 | 1 | 6 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 18 | 7 | 6 | 12 | 3 | 5 | 57 | 4 | 0 | 162 |
|  | 47.2\% | 40.0\% | 33.3\% | 46.2\% | 50.0\% | 100.0\% | 33.3\% | 56.3\% | 53.8\% | 50.0\% | 44.4\% | 100.0\% | 45.5\% | 50.9\% | 57.1\% | .0\% | 49.1\% |
| О Slightly stronger | 13 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 5 | 2 | 3 | 5 | 0 | 3 | 18 | 0 | 2 | 60 |
| ــــ | 18.1\% | 10.0\% | 66.7\% | 23.1\% | .0\% | .0\% | 33.3\% | 15.6\% | 15.4\% | 25.0\% | 18.5\% | .0\% | 27.3\% | 16.1\% | .0\% | 66.7\% | 18.2\% |
| Stronger | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
|  | 2.8\% | 10.0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 3.7\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 1.2\% |
| Total | 72 | 10 | 3 | 13 | 2 | 1 | 9 | 32 | 13 | 12 | 27 | 3 | 11 | 112 | 7 | 3 | 330 |



Q12: How would you describe the following business KPIs in the Q3 September quarter of 2017? Were they up, down or about the same as the previous quarter? Rate all KPIs.

|  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | Down | Same | Up | Total |
| General business | 104 | 156 | 61 | 321 |
| conditions | $32.4 \%$ | $48.6 \%$ | $19.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |
| Total sales/revenue | 110 | 130 | 82 | 322 |
|  | $34.2 \%$ | $40.4 \%$ | $25.5 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |
| Average wages | 38 | 182 | 93 | 313 |
|  | $12.1 \%$ | $58.1 \%$ | $29.7 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |
| Export sales | 27 | 117 | 12 | 156 |
|  | $17.3 \%$ | $75.0 \%$ | $7.7 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |
| Non-wage labour costs | 21 | 179 | 110 | 310 |
| (on-costs, i.e. | $6.8 \%$ | $57.7 \%$ | $35.5 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |
| superannuation, payroll |  |  |  |  |
| taxes, etc.) | 44 | 216 | 56 | 316 |
| Selling prices | $13.9 \%$ | $68.4 \%$ | $17.7 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |
|  | 125 | 155 | 41 | 321 |
| Profitability | $38.9 \%$ | $48.3 \%$ | $12.8 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |
| Number of employees | 61 | 223 | 34 | 318 |
|  | $19.2 \%$ | $70.1 \%$ | $10.7 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |
| Overtime worked | 63 | 135 | 79 | 277 |
|  | $22.7 \%$ | $48.7 \%$ | $28.5 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |
| Investment in buildings | 92 | 134 | 33 | 259 |
| and structures | $35.5 \%$ | $51.7 \%$ | $12.7 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |
| Investment in plant and | 86 | 139 | 52 | 277 |
| equipment | $31.0 \%$ | $50.2 \%$ | $18.8 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |
| Investment in | 85 | 120 | 46 | 251 |
| eCommerce | $33.9 \%$ | $47.8 \%$ | $18.3 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |

Q13: How do you expect the same business KPIs to perform in Q4 of 2017? Were they up, down or about the same as the previous quarter? Rate all KPIs.

|  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | Down | Same | Up | Total |
| General business | 56 | 175 | 90 | 321 |
| conditions | $17.4 \%$ | $54.5 \%$ | $28.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |
| Total sales/revenue | 67 | 139 | 116 | 322 |
|  | $20.8 \%$ | $43.2 \%$ | $36.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |
| Average wages | 27 | 191 | 98 | 316 |
|  | $8.5 \%$ | $60.4 \%$ | $31.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |
| Export sales | 17 | 125 | 33 | 175 |
|  | $9.7 \%$ | $71.4 \%$ | $18.9 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |
| Non-wage labour costs | 21 | 184 | 102 | 307 |
| (on-costs, i.e. | $6.8 \%$ | $59.9 \%$ | $33.2 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |
| superannuation, payroll |  |  |  |  |
| taxes, etc.) | 29 | 224 | 60 | 313 |
| Selling prices | $9.3 \%$ | $71.6 \%$ | $19.2 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |
|  | 81 | 155 | 82 | 318 |
| Profitability | $25.5 \%$ | $48.7 \%$ | $25.8 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |
| Number of employees | 47 | 213 | 56 | 316 |
|  | $14.9 \%$ | $67.4 \%$ | $17.7 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |
| Overtime worked | 50 | 159 | 77 | 286 |
|  | $17.5 \%$ | $55.6 \%$ | $26.9 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |
| Investment in buildings | 72 | 149 | 45 | 266 |
| and structures | $27.1 \%$ | $56.0 \%$ | $16.9 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |
| Investment in plant and | 74 | 143 | 57 | 274 |
| equipment | $27.0 \%$ | $52.2 \%$ | $20.8 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |
| Investment in | 53 | 145 | 57 | 255 |
| eCommerce | $20.8 \%$ | $56.9 \%$ | $22.4 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |



Q14: Thinking about the next 12 months, how confident do you feel about your business prospects? Single response.

|  |  | Number of years |  |  |  |  | Size of business |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\begin{gathered} 0-5 \\ \text { years } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 6-10 \\ & \text { years } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 11-20 \\ & \text { years } \end{aligned}$ | Over 20 years | Total | Small <20 employees | Medium 20-199 employees | Total |
| Thinking about the next 12 months, how confident do you feel about your business prospects? | Extremely confident | 13 | 1 | 7 | 7 | 28 | 23 | 5 | 28 |
|  |  | 10.8\% | 1.4\% | 10.1\% | 9.7\% | 8.5\% | 7.8\% | 13.9\% | 8.5\% |
|  | Fairly confident | 58 | 34 | 24 | 30 | 146 | 133 | 13 | 146 |
|  |  | 48.3\% | 49.3\% | 34.8\% | 41.7\% | 44.2\% | 45.2\% | 36.1\% | 44.2\% |
|  | Neutral | 32 | 10 | 21 | 14 | 77 | 74 | 3 | 77 |
|  |  | 26.7\% | 14.5\% | 30.4\% | 19.4\% | 23.3\% | 25.2\% | 8.3\% | 23.3\% |
|  | Fairly worried | 14 | 19 | 13 | 18 | 64 | 51 | 13 | 64 |
|  |  | 11.7\% | 27.5\% | 18.8\% | 25.0\% | 19.4\% | 17.3\% | 36.1\% | 19.4\% |
|  | Extremely worried | 3 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 15 | 13 | 2 | 15 |
|  |  | 2.5\% | 7.2\% | 5.8\% | 4.2\% | 4.5\% | 4.4\% | 5.6\% | 4.5\% |
|  | Total | 120 | 69 | 69 | 72 | 330 | 294 | 36 | 330 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |


|  |  | What is your annual turnover range? |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | <\$500k | $\begin{gathered} \$ 500 \mathrm{k}-\$ 1 \\ \text { million } \end{gathered}$ | \$1 million \$2 million | $\$ 2$ million$\$ 5$ million | $\$ 5$ million$\$ 10$ million | $\$ 10$ million$\$ 50$ million | $\begin{gathered} \$ 50 \\ \text { million+ } \end{gathered}$ | Prefer not to say | Total |
| Thinking about the next 12 months, how confident do you feel about your business prospects? | Extremely confident | 9 | 10 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 28 |
|  |  | 5.9\% | 13.7\% | 3.7\% | 10.7\% | 50.0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 7.1\% | 8.5\% |
|  | Fairly confident | 60 | 32 | 19 | 10 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 20 | 146 |
|  |  | 39.5\% | 43.8\% | 70.4\% | 35.7\% | 50.0\% | 75.0\% | .0\% | 47.6\% | 44.2\% |
|  | Neutral | 46 | 10 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 15 | 77 |
|  |  | 30.3\% | 13.7\% | 11.1\% | 7.1\% | .0\% | 25.0\% | .0\% | 35.7\% | 23.3\% |
|  | Fairly worried | 28 | 19 | 4 | 11 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 64 |
|  |  | 18.4\% | 26.0\% | 14.8\% | 39.3\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 4.8\% | 19.4\% |
|  | Extremely worried | 9 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 15 |
|  |  | 5.9\% | 2.7\% | .0\% | 7.1\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 4.8\% | 4.5\% |
|  | Total | 152 | 73 | 27 | 28 | 4 | 4 | 0 | 42 | 330 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |





| months, how | confident | 38.9\% | 80.0\% | 33.3\% | 53.8\% | 50.0\% | 100.0\% | 33.3\% | 46.9\% | 61.5\% | 75.0\% | 48.1\% | 66.7\% | 45.5\% | 39.3\% | .0\% | 33.3\% | 44.2\% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| confident do |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| you feel | Neutral | 15 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 10 | 1 | 3 | 25 | 3 | 0 | 77 |
| about your |  | 20.8\% | 10.0\% | 66.7\% | 30.8\% | .0\% | .0\% | 55.6\% | 15.6\% | 15.4\% | 8.3\% | 37.0\% | 33.3\% | 27.3\% | 22.3\% | 42.9\% | .0\% | 23.3\% |
| business | Fairly | 21 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 25 | 2 | 1 | 64 |
| prospects? | worried | 29.2\% | 10.0\% | .0\% | 15.4\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 18.8\% | 15.4\% | 8.3\% | 3.7\% | .0\% | 18.2\% | 22.3\% | 28.6\% | 33.3\% | 19.4\% |
|  | Extremely | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 2 | 0 | 15 |
|  | worried | 5.6\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 6.3\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 6.3\% | 28.6\% | .0\% | 4.5\% |


|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Total | 72 | 10 | 3 | 13 | 2 | 1 | 9 | 32 | 13 | 12 | 27 | 3 | 11 | 112 | 7 | 3 | 330 |



Q15: As far as business is concerned, what problems, if any, are you facing at the moment? Multiple response.

|  |  | Number of years |  |  |  |  | Size of business |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 0-5 years | 6-10 years | 11-20 years | Over 20 years | Total | Small <20 employees | Medium 20-199 employees | Total |
| \$ProblemsFacing | Costs or overheads | 59 | 37 | 41 | 51 | 188 | 158 | 30 | 188 |
|  |  | 49.2\% | 53.6\% | 59.4\% | 70.8\% | 57.0\% | 53.7\% | 83.3\% | 57.0\% |
|  | Economic climate | 35 | 36 | 33 | 44 | 148 | 129 | 19 | 148 |
|  |  | 29.2\% | 52.2\% | 47.8\% | 61.1\% | 44.8\% | 43.9\% | 52.8\% | 44.8\% |
|  | Lack of work or sales | 58 | 37 | 25 | 25 | 145 | 130 | 15 | 145 |
|  |  | 48.3\% | 53.6\% | 36.2\% | 34.7\% | 43.9\% | 44.2\% | 41.7\% | 43.9\% |
|  | Cash flow, bad debts or profitability | 39 | 36 | 31 | 26 | 132 | 118 | 14 | 132 |
|  |  | 32.5\% | 52.2\% | 44.9\% | 36.1\% | 40.0\% | 40.1\% | 38.9\% | 40.0\% |
|  | Competition | 35 | 30 | 27 | 24 | 116 | 98 | 18 | 116 |
|  |  | 29.2\% | 43.5\% | 39.1\% | 33.3\% | 35.2\% | 33.3\% | 50.0\% | 35.2\% |
|  | Taxes | 30 | 19 | 26 | 32 | 107 | 95 | 12 | 107 |
|  |  | 25.0\% | 27.5\% | 37.7\% | 44.4\% | 32.4\% | 32.3\% | 33.3\% | 32.4\% |
|  | Paperwork or bureaucracy | 19 | 18 | 26 | 35 | 98 | 82 | 16 | 98 |
|  |  | 15.8\% | 26.1\% | 37.7\% | 48.6\% | 29.7\% | 27.9\% | 44.4\% | 29.7\% |
|  | Finding or keeping staff | 22 | 18 | 12 | 16 | 68 | 55 | 13 | 68 |
|  |  | 18.3\% | 26.1\% | 17.4\% | 22.2\% | 20.6\% | 18.7\% | 36.1\% | 20.6\% |
|  | There are no problems at the moment | $12$ | 4 5 | ${ }^{9}$ | 6 | 31 | 31 | 0 | 31 |
|  |  | 10.0\% | 5.8\% | 13.0\% | 8.3\% | 9.4\% | 10.5\% | .0\% | 9.4\% |
|  | Other | 15 | 5 | 6 | 3 | 29 | 24 | 5 | 29 |
|  |  | 12.5\% | 7.2\% | 8.7\% | 4.2\% | 8.8\% | 8.2\% | 13.9\% | 8.8\% |
|  | Total | 120 | 69 | 69 | 72 | 330 | 294 | 36 | 330 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |


|  |  | What is your annual turnover range? |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | <\$500k | \$500k-\$1 million | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 1 \text { million - } \$ 2 \\ & \text { million } \end{aligned}$ | $\$ 2$ million-\$5 | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 5 \text { million- } \$ 10 \\ & \text { million } \end{aligned}$ | $\$ 10$ million$\$ 50$ million | $\begin{gathered} \$ 50 \\ \text { million+ } \end{gathered}$ | Prefer not to say | Total |
| \$ProblemsFacing | Costs or overheads | 75 | 49 | 16 | 21 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 22 | 188 |
|  |  | 49.3\% | 67.1\% | 59.3\% | 75.0\% | 50.0\% | 75.0\% | .0\% | 52.4\% | 57.0\% |
|  | Economic climate | 70 | 34 | 10 | 17 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 14 | 148 |
|  |  | 46.1\% | 46.6\% | 37.0\% | 60.7\% | 50.0\% | 25.0\% | .0\% | 33.3\% | 44.8\% |
|  | Lack of work or sales | 81 | 28 | 9 | 11 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 12 | 145 |
|  |  | 53.3\% | 38.4\% | 33.3\% | 39.3\% | 50.0\% | 50.0\% | .0\% | 28.6\% | 43.9\% |
|  | Cash flow, bad debts or profitability | 76 | 30 | 5 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 132 |
|  |  | 50.0\% | 41.1\% | 18.5\% | 42.9\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 21.4\% | 40.0\% |
|  | Competition | 49 | 29 | 8 | 13 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 13 | 116 |
|  |  | 32.2\% | 39.7\% | 29.6\% | 46.4\% | 75.0\% | 25.0\% | .0\% | 31.0\% | 35.2\% |
|  | Taxes | 49 | 27 | 12 | 10 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 7 | 107 |
|  |  | 32.2\% | 37.0\% | 44.4\% | 35.7\% | 25.0\% | 25.0\% | .0\% | 16.7\% | 32.4\% |
|  | Paperwork or bureaucracy | 45 | 21 | 10 | 10 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 9 | 98 |
|  |  | 29.6\% | 28.8\% | 37.0\% | 35.7\% | 25.0\% | 50.0\% | .0\% | 21.4\% | 29.7\% |
|  | Finding or keeping staff | 22 | 17 | 12 | 7 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 68 |
|  |  | 14.5\% | 23.3\% | 44.4\% | 25.0\% | 25.0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 21.4\% | 20.6\% |
|  | There are no problems at the moment | 16 | 5 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 31 |
|  |  | 10.5\% | 6.8\% | 11.1\% | 3.6\% | .0\% | 25.0\% | .0\% | 11.9\% | 9.4\% |
|  | Other | 11 | 8 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 29 |
|  |  | 7.2\% | 11.0\% | 11.1\% | 10.7\% | .0\% | 25.0\% | .0\% | 7.1\% | 8.8\% |
|  | Total | 152 | 73 | 27 | 28 | 4 | 4 | 0 | 42 | 330 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |




Q16: What are the barriers to taking on new employees? Multiple response.

|  |  | Number of years |  |  |  |  | Size of business |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\begin{gathered} 0-5 \\ \text { years } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 6-10 \\ & \text { years } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 11-20 \\ & \text { years } \end{aligned}$ | Over 20 years | Total | Small <20 employees | Medium 20-199 employees | Total |
| \$BarriersNewEmployees | Cost of employing | 51 | 40 | 33 | 40 | 164 | 140 | 24 | 164 |
|  |  | 42.5\% | 58.0\% | 47.8\% | 55.6\% | 49.7\% | 47.6\% | 66.7\% | 49.7\% |
|  | Lack of work/sales | 47 | 41 | 28 | 26 | 142 | 125 | 17 | 142 |
|  |  | 39.2\% | 59.4\% | 40.6\% | 36.1\% | 43.0\% | 42.5\% | 47.2\% | 43.0\% |
|  | Finding suitable/quality staff | 40 | 26 | 21 | 31 | 118 | 102 | 16 | 118 |
|  |  | 33.3\% | 37.7\% | 30.4\% | 43.1\% | 35.8\% | 34.7\% | 44.4\% | 35.8\% |
|  | Profitability/lack of profits | 37 | 34 | 19 | 22 | 112 | 102 | 10 | 112 |
|  |  | 30.8\% | 49.3\% | 27.5\% | 30.6\% | 33.9\% | 34.7\% | 27.8\% | 33.9\% |
|  | Don't need any more staff | 41 | 13 | 31 | 26 | 111 | 104 | 7 | 111 |
|  |  | 34.2\% | 18.8\% | 44.9\% | 36.1\% | 33.6\% | 35.4\% | 19.4\% | 33.6\% |
|  | Lack of funds | 23 | 26 | 15 | 13 | 77 | 73 | 4 | 77 |
|  |  | 19.2\% | 37.7\% | 21.7\% | 18.1\% | 23.3\% | 24.8\% | 11.1\% | 23.3\% |
|  | Finding those who want to work | 14 | 19 | 10 | 19 | 62 | 49 | 13 | 62 |
|  |  | 11.7\% | 27.5\% | 14.5\% | 26.4\% | 18.8\% | 16.7\% | 36.1\% | 18.8\% |
|  | Lack of cash flow | 21 | 18 | 14 | 9 | 62 | 56 | 6 | 62 |
|  |  | 17.5\% | 26.1\% | 20.3\% | 12.5\% | 18.8\% | 19.0\% | 16.7\% | 18.8\% |
|  | Other | 7 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 16 | 12 | 4 | 16 |
|  |  | 5.8\% | 5.8\% | 4.3\% | 2.8\% | 4.8\% | 4.1\% | 11.1\% | 4.8\% |
|  | Business is closing/winding down | 0 | 5 | 2 | 3 | 10 | 9 | 1 | 10 |
|  |  | .0\% | 7.2\% | 2.9\% | 4.2\% | 3.0\% | 3.1\% | 2.8\% | 3.0\% |
|  | Total | 120 | 69 | 69 | 72 | 330 | 294 | 36 | 330 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |


|  |  | What is your annual turnover range? |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | <\$500k | \$500k-\$1 million | \$1 million \$2 million | \$2 million$\$ 5$ million | $\$ 5$ million$\$ 10$ million | $\$ 10$ million$\$ 50$ million | $\begin{gathered} \$ 50 \\ \text { million+ } \end{gathered}$ | Prefer not to say | Total |
| \$BarriersNewEmployees | Cost of employing | 80 | 42 | 14 | 13 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 13 | 164 |
|  |  | 52.6\% | 57.5\% | 51.9\% | 46.4\% | 25.0\% | 25.0\% | .0\% | 31.0\% | 49.7\% |
|  | Lack of work/sales | 76 | 30 | 8 | 14 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 11 | 142 |
|  |  | 50.0\% | 41.1\% | 29.6\% | 50.0\% | 50.0\% | 25.0\% | .0\% | 26.2\% | 43.0\% |
|  | Finding suitable/quality staff | 44 | 26 | 15 | 12 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 18 | 118 |
|  |  | 28.9\% | 35.6\% | 55.6\% | 42.9\% | 75.0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 42.9\% | 35.8\% |
|  | Profitability/lack of profits | 64 | 26 | 6 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 112 |
|  |  | 42.1\% | 35.6\% | 22.2\% | 32.1\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 16.7\% | 33.9\% |
|  | Don't need any more staff | 51 | 21 | 8 | 8 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 18 | 111 |
|  |  | 33.6\% | 28.8\% | 29.6\% | 28.6\% | 50.0\% | 75.0\% | .0\% | 42.9\% | 33.6\% |
|  | Lack of funds | 47 | 15 | 1 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 77 |
|  |  | 30.9\% | 20.5\% | 3.7\% | 21.4\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 19.0\% | 23.3\% |
|  | Finding those who want to work | 26 | 12 | 7 | 8 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 8 | 62 |
|  |  | 17.1\% | 16.4\% | 25.9\% | 28.6\% | .0\% | 25.0\% | .0\% | 19.0\% | 18.8\% |
|  | Lack of cash flow | 41 | 12 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 62 |
|  |  | 27.0\% | 16.4\% | .0\% | 21.4\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 7.1\% | 18.8\% |
|  | Other | 8 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 16 |
|  |  | 5.3\% | 2.7\% | 7.4\% | 7.1\% | .0\% | 25.0\% | .0\% | 2.4\% | 4.8\% |
|  | Business is closing/winding down | 6 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 10 |
|  |  | 3.9\% | 4.1\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | . $0 \%$ | .0\% | 2.4\% | 3.0\% |
|  | Total | 152 | 73 | 27 | 28 | 4 | 4 | 0 | 42 | 330 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |




Q17: What industry sector do you fall into? Single response.

|  |  | Number of years |  |  |  |  | Size of business |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\begin{gathered} 0-5 \\ \text { years } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 6-10 \\ & \text { years } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 11-20 \\ & \text { years } \end{aligned}$ | Over 20 years | Total | Small <20 employees | Medium 20-199 employees | Total |
| What industry sector do you fall into? | Retail Trade | 37 | 25 | 19 | 31 | 112 | 109 | 3 | 112 |
|  |  | 30.8\% | 36.2\% | 27.5\% | 43.1\% | 33.9\% | 37.1\% | 8.3\% | 33.9\% |
|  | Accommodation \& Food Services | 25 | 19 | 17 | 11 | 72 | 48 | 24 | 72 |
|  |  | 20.8\% | 27.5\% | 24.6\% | 15.3\% | 21.8\% | 16.3\% | 66.7\% | 21.8\% |
|  | Health Care \& Social Assistance | 11 | 4 | 12 | 5 | 32 | 30 | 2 | 32 |
|  |  | 9.2\% | 5.8\% | 17.4\% | 6.9\% | 9.7\% | 10.2\% | 5.6\% | 9.7\% |
|  | Professional, Scientific \& Technical Services | 12 | 5 | 3 | 7 | 27 | 24 | 3 | 27 |
|  |  | 10.0\% | 7.2\% | 4.3\% | 9.7\% | 8.2\% | 8.2\% | 8.3\% | 8.2\% |
|  | Construction | 4 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 13 | 13 | 0 | 13 |
|  |  | 3.3\% | 4.3\% | 4.3\% | 4.2\% | 3.9\% | 4.4\% | .0\% | 3.9\% |
|  | Information Media \& Telecommunications | 8 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 13 | 13 | 0 | 13 |
|  |  | 6.7\% | 2.9\% | 2.9\% | 1.4\% | 3.9\% | 4.4\% | .0\% | 3.9\% |
|  | Manufacturing | 2 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 12 | 10 | 2 | 12 |
|  |  | 1.7\% | 5.8\% | 4.3\% | 4.2\% | 3.6\% | 3.4\% | 5.6\% | 3.6\% |
|  | Rental, Hiring \& Real Estate Services | 3 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 11 | 11 | 0 | 11 |
|  |  | 2.5\% | 1.4\% | 4.3\% | 5.6\% | 3.3\% | 3.7\% | .0\% | 3.3\% |
|  | Administrative \& Support Services | 5 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 10 | 10 | 0 | 10 |
|  |  | 4.2\% | .0\% | 2.9\% | 4.2\% | 3.0\% | 3.4\% | .0\% | 3.0\% |
|  | Financial \& Insurance Services | 4 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 9 | 9 | 0 | 9 |
|  |  | 3.3\% | 4.3\% | 2.9\% | .0\% | 2.7\% | 3.1\% | .0\% | 2.7\% |
|  | Transport, Postal \& Warehousing | 5 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 7 | 7 | 0 | 7 |
|  |  | 4.2\% | .0\% | .0\% | 2.8\% | 2.1\% | 2.4\% | .0\% | 2.1\% |
|  | Arts \& Recreation Services | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 3 |
|  |  | 1.7\% | .0\% | 1.4\% | .0\% | .9\% | 1.0\% | .0\% | .9\% |
|  | Public Administration \& Safety | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 3 |
|  |  | .8\% | 2.9\% | .0\% | .0\% | .9\% | 1.0\% | .0\% | .9\% |
|  | Wholesale Trade | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 3 |
|  |  | .0\% | 1.4\% | 2.9\% | .0\% | .9\% | 1.0\% | .0\% | .9\% |
|  | Education \& Training | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  |  | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 2.8\% | .6\% | .0\% | 5.6\% | .6\% |
|  | Electricity, Gas, Water \& Waste Services | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
|  |  | .8\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | . $3 \%$ | . $3 \%$ | .0\% | . $3 \%$ |
|  | Total | 120 | 69 | 69 | 72 | 330 | 294 | 36 | 330 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |



|  |  | What is your annual turnover range? |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | <\$500k | $\begin{gathered} \$ 500 \mathrm{k}-\$ 1 \\ \text { million } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | \$1 million $\$ 2$ million | \$2 million$\$ 5$ million | $\$ 5$ million$\$ 10$ million | $\$ 10$ million- $\$ 50$ million | $\begin{gathered} \$ 50 \\ \text { million+ } \end{gathered}$ | Prefer not to say | Total |
| What industry sector do you fall into? | Retail Trade | 56 | 26 | 7 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 17 | 112 |
|  |  | 36.8\% | 35.6\% | 25.9\% | 21.4\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 40.5\% | 33.9\% |
|  | Accommodation \& Food Services | 27 | 18 | 10 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 72 |
|  |  | 17.8\% | 24.7\% | 37.0\% | 42.9\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 11.9\% | 21.8\% |
|  | Health Care \& Social Assistance | 13 | 7 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 32 |
|  |  | 8.6\% | 9.6\% | 3.7\% | 10.7\% | 50.0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 14.3\% | 9.7\% |
|  | Professional, Scientific \& Technical Services | 13 | 5 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 6 | 27 |
|  |  | 8.6\% | 6.8\% | .0\% | 7.1\% | .0\% | 25.0\% | .0\% | 14.3\% | 8.2\% |
|  | Construction | 3 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 13 |
|  |  | 2.0\% | 5.5\% | 7.4\% | .0\% | 25.0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 7.1\% | 3.9\% |
|  | Information Media \& Telecommunications | 10 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 13 |
|  |  | 6.6\% | 2.7\% | 3.7\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 3.9\% |
|  | Manufacturing | 4 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 12 |
|  |  | 2.6\% | 4.1\% | 7.4\% | 7.1\% | .0\% | 25.0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 3.6\% |
|  | Rental, Hiring \& Real Estate Services | 5 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 11 |
|  |  | 3.3\% | 4.1\% | 3.7\% | .0\% | .0\% | 50.0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 3.3\% |
|  | Administrative \& Support Services | 6 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 10 |
|  |  | 3.9\% | 2.7\% | 3.7\% | 3.6\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 3.0\% |
|  | Financial \& Insurance Services | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 9 |
|  |  | 3.3\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 25.0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 7.1\% | 2.7\% |
|  | Transport, Postal \& Warehousing | 4 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 7 |
|  |  | 2.6\% | 1.4\% | 3.7\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 2.4\% | 2.1\% |
|  | Arts \& Recreation Services | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
|  |  | 2.0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .9\% |
|  | Public Administration \& Safety | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
|  |  | 1.3\% | 1.4\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .9\% |
|  | Wholesale Trade | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 |
|  |  | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 7.1\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 2.4\% | .9\% |
|  | Education \& Training | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
|  |  | .0\% | 1.4\% | 3.7\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .6\% |
|  | Electricity, Gas, Water \& Waste Services | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
|  |  | .7\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | . $3 \%$ |
|  | Total | 152 | 73 | 27 | 28 | 4 | 4 | 0 | 42 | 330 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |

Q18: Do you generally believe that profitability is declining in the retail sector at the moment? Single response.

|  |  | Number of years |  |  |  |  | Size of business |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 0-5 years | 6-10 years | 11-20 years | Over 20 years | Total | Small <20 employees | Medium 20-199 employees | Total |
| Do you generally believe that profitability is declining in the retail sector at the moment? | Yes | 79 | 54 | 55 | 56 | 244 | 213 | 31 | 244 |
|  |  | 65.8\% | 78.3\% | 79.7\% | 77.8\% | 73.9\% | 72.4\% | 86.1\% | 73.9\% |
|  | No | 10 | 5 | 3 | 6 | 24 | 23 | 1 | 24 |
|  |  | 8.3\% | 7.2\% | 4.3\% | 8.3\% | 7.3\% | 7.8\% | 2.8\% | 7.3\% |
|  | Don't know/not sure | 31 | 10 | 11 | 10 | 62 | 58 | 4 | 62 |
|  |  | 25.8\% | 14.5\% | 15.9\% | 13.9\% | 18.8\% | 19.7\% | 11.1\% | 18.8\% |
|  | Total | 120 | 69 | 69 | 72 | 330 | 294 | 36 | 330 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |



|  |  | What is your annual turnover range? |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | <\$500k | \$500k-\$1 <br> million | \$1 million \$2 million | \$2 million$\$ 5$ million | $\$ 5$ million- $\$ 10$ million | $\$ 10$ million$\$ 50$ million | $\begin{gathered} \$ 50 \\ \text { million+ } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Prefer not } \\ \text { to say } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | Total |
| Do you generally believe that profitability is declining in the retail sector at the moment? | Yes | 113 | 57 | 19 | 23 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 25 | 244 |
|  |  | 74.3\% | 78.1\% | 70.4\% | 82.1\% | 75.0\% | 100.0\% | .0\% | 59.5\% | 73.9\% |
|  | No | 8 | 6 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 24 |
|  |  | 5.3\% | 8.2\% | 7.4\% | 14.3\% | 25.0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 7.1\% | 7.3\% |
|  | Don't know/not sure | 31 | 10 | 6 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 14 | 62 |
|  |  | 20.4\% | 13.7\% | 22.2\% | 3.6\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 33.3\% | 18.8\% |
|  | Total | 152 | 73 | 27 | 28 | 4 | 4 | 0 | 42 | 330 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |



Q19: Are any of the following affecting/impacting on your profitability? Multiple response.

|  |  | Number of years |  |  |  |  | Size of business |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\begin{gathered} 0-5 \\ \text { years } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 6-10 \\ & \text { years } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 11-20 \\ & \text { years } \end{aligned}$ | Over 20 years | Total | Small <20 employees | Medium 20-199 employees | Total |
| \$AffectImpactProfitability | Cost of power | 69 | 45 | 42 | 56 | 212 | 183 | 29 | 212 |
|  |  | 58.5\% | 67.2\% | 60.9\% | 77.8\% | 65.0\% | 63.1\% | 80.6\% | 65.0\% |
|  | Cost of labour | 59 | 39 | 38 | 44 | 180 | 154 | 26 | 180 |
|  |  | 50.0\% | 58.2\% | 55.1\% | 61.1\% | 55.2\% | 53.1\% | 72.2\% | 55.2\% |
|  | Cost of rent | 61 | 45 | 33 | 40 | 179 | 158 | 21 | 179 |
|  |  | 51.7\% | 67.2\% | 47.8\% | 55.6\% | 54.9\% | 54.5\% | 58.3\% | 54.9\% |
|  | Lack of sales | 54 | 41 | 28 | 29 | 152 | 137 | 15 | 152 |
|  |  | 45.8\% | 61.2\% | 40.6\% | 40.3\% | 46.6\% | 47.2\% | 41.7\% | 46.6\% |
|  | Low margins | 53 | 35 | 35 | 29 | 152 | 132 | 20 | 152 |
|  |  | 44.9\% | 52.2\% | 50.7\% | 40.3\% | 46.6\% | 45.5\% | 55.6\% | 46.6\% |
|  | Competition - bricks and mortar | 36 | 26 | 23 | 20 | 105 | 94 | 11 | 105 |
|  |  | 30.5\% | 38.8\% | 33.3\% | 27.8\% | 32.2\% | 32.4\% | 30.6\% | 32.2\% |
|  | Local economy | 26 | 18 | 28 | 22 | 94 | 81 | 13 | 94 |
|  |  | 22.0\% | 26.9\% | 40.6\% | 30.6\% | 28.8\% | 27.9\% | 36.1\% | 28.8\% |
|  | Competition - online | 26 | 19 | 19 | 23 | 87 | 80 | 7 | 87 |
|  |  | 22.0\% | 28.4\% | 27.5\% | 31.9\% | 26.7\% | 27.6\% | 19.4\% | 26.7\% |
|  | Lack of tourists | 18 | 24 | 18 | 14 | 74 | 66 | 8 | 74 |
|  |  | 15.3\% | 35.8\% | 26.1\% | 19.4\% | 22.7\% | 22.8\% | 22.2\% | 22.7\% |
|  | Weather | 17 | 22 | 14 | 8 | 61 | 54 | 7 | 61 |
|  |  | 14.4\% | 32.8\% | 20.3\% | 11.1\% | 18.7\% | 18.6\% | 19.4\% | 18.7\% |
|  | Other | 9 | 2 | 6 | 5 | 22 | 20 | 2 | 22 |
|  |  | 7.6\% | 3.0\% | 8.7\% | 6.9\% | 6.7\% | 6.9\% | 5.6\% | 6.7\% |
|  | Total | 118 | 67 | 69 | 72 | 326 | 290 | 36 | 326 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |


|  |  | What is your annual turnover range? |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | <\$500k | \$500k-\$1 million | \$1 million \$2 million | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 2 \text { million-\$5 } \\ & \text { million } \end{aligned}$ | $\$ 5$ million$\$ 10$ million | $\$ 10$ million$\$ 50$ million | $\begin{gathered} \$ 50 \\ \text { million+ } \end{gathered}$ | Prefer not to say | Total |
| \$AffectImpactProfitability | Cost of power | 91 | 49 | 19 | 22 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 26 | 212 |
|  |  | 60.7\% | 69.0\% | 70.4\% | 78.6\% | 25.0\% | 100.0\% | .0\% | 61.9\% | 65.0\% |
|  | Cost of labour | 68 | 48 | 20 | 19 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 20 | 180 |
|  |  | 45.3\% | 67.6\% | 74.1\% | 67.9\% | 50.0\% | 75.0\% | .0\% | 47.6\% | 55.2\% |
|  | Cost of rent | 84 | 41 | 12 | 17 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 22 | 179 |
|  |  | 56.0\% | 57.7\% | 44.4\% | 60.7\% | 25.0\% | 50.0\% | .0\% | 52.4\% | 54.9\% |
|  | Lack of sales | 84 | 34 | 11 | 10 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 10 | 152 |
|  |  | 56.0\% | 47.9\% | 40.7\% | 35.7\% | 25.0\% | 50.0\% | .0\% | 23.8\% | 46.6\% |
|  | Low margins | 75 | 35 | 11 | 14 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 13 | 152 |
|  |  | 50.0\% | 49.3\% | 40.7\% | 50.0\% | 50.0\% | 50.0\% | .0\% | 31.0\% | 46.6\% |
|  | Competition - bricks and mortar | 54 | 20 | ${ }^{9}$ | 9 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 10 | 105 |
|  |  | 36.0\% | 28.2\% | 33.3\% | 32.1\% | 25.0\% | 50.0\% | .0\% | 23.8\% | 32.2\% |
|  | Local economy | 41 | 21 | 9 | 8 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 12 | 94 |
|  |  | 27.3\% | 29.6\% | 33.3\% | 28.6\% | 25.0\% | 50.0\% | .0\% | 28.6\% | 28.8\% |
|  | Competition - online | 39 | 23 | 4 | 8 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 10 | 87 |
|  |  | 26.0\% | 32.4\% | 14.8\% | 28.6\% | 25.0\% | 50.0\% | .0\% | 23.8\% | 26.7\% |
|  | Lack of tourists | 34 | 18 | 7 | 6 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 8 | 74 |
|  |  | 22.7\% | 25.4\% | 25.9\% | 21.4\% | .0\% | 25.0\% | .0\% | 19.0\% | 22.7\% |
|  | Weather | 28 | 14 | 3 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 61 |
|  |  | 18.7\% | 19.7\% | 11.1\% | 25.0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 21.4\% | 18.7\% |
|  | Other | 11 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 22 |
|  |  | 7.3\% | 5.6\% | 7.4\% | 3.6\% | .0\% | 25.0\% | .0\% | 7.1\% | 6.7\% |
|  | Total | 150 | 71 | 27 | 28 | 4 | 4 | 0 | 42 | 326 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |



|  | What industry sector do you fall into? |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  |  | Administrative \& Support Services |  | 응 0 0 0 0 0 | Education \& Training |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Transport, Postal \& Warehousing |  | ¢ $\stackrel{\text { ¢ }}{\square}$ |
| Cost of power | 59 | 4 | 1 | 6 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 21 | 6 | 9 | 13 | 1 | 6 | 75 | 6 | 2 | 212 |
|  | 81.9\% | 44.4\% | 33.3\% | 46.2\% | 50.0\% | .0\% | 25.0\% | 65.6\% | 50.0\% | 75.0\% | 48.1\% | 50.0\% | 54.5\% | 67.0\% | 85.7\% | 66.7\% | 65.0\% |
| Cost of labour | 57 | 3 | 1 | 7 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 14 | 3 | 8 | 11 | 0 | 6 | 62 | 2 | 1 | 180 |



|  | 79.2\% | 11.1\% | 33.3\% | 15.4\% | .0\% | .0\% | 50.0\% | 50.0\% | 33.3\% | 33.3\% | 33.3\% | .0\% | 45.5\% | 63.4\% | 57.1\% | 33.3\% | 54.9\% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Lack of sales | 42 | 1 | 3 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 12 | 3 | 3 | 7 | 0 | 5 | 62 | 4 | 1 | 152 |



|  | 20.8\% | 33.3\% | 33.3\% | 15.4\% | .0\% | 100.0\% | 25.0\% | 31.3\% | 16.7\% | 8.3\% | 11.1\% | .0\% | 54.5\% | 34.8\% | .0\% | 66.7\% | 26.7\% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Lack of tourists | 28 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 39 | 0 | 0 | 74 |
|  | 38.9\% | .0\% | 33.3\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 12.5\% | 6.3\% | .0\% | .0\% | 7.4\% | .0\% | 9.1\% | 34.8\% | .0\% | .0\% | 22.7\% |
| Weather | 27 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 26 | 0 | 1 | 61 |
|  | 37.5\% | .0\% | .0\% | 15.4\% | .0\% | .0\% | 12.5\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 7.4\% | .0\% | 18.2\% | 23.2\% | .0\% | 33.3\% | 18.7\% |
| Other | 2 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 22 |






Q20: In terms of your holding stock, is it down, up or the same as it was at this time last year? Single response.

|  |  | Number of years |  |  |  |  | Size of business |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 0-5 years | 6-10 years | 11-20 years | Over 20 years | Total | Small <20 employees | Medium 20-199 employees | Total |
| Is your holding stock, down, up or the same as it was at this time last year? | Down | 12 | 10 | 8 | 17 | 47 | 42 | 5 | 47 |
|  |  | 15.6\% | 20.4\% | 18.2\% | 30.4\% | 20.8\% | 21.2\% | 17.9\% | 20.8\% |
|  | Same | 50 | 30 | 34 | 31 | 145 | 126 | 19 | 145 |
|  |  | 64.9\% | 61.2\% | 77.3\% | 55.4\% | 64.2\% | 63.6\% | 67.9\% | 64.2\% |
|  | Up | 15 | 9 | 2 | 8 | 34 | 30 | 4 | 34 |
|  |  | 19.5\% | 18.4\% | 4.5\% | 14.3\% | 15.0\% | 15.2\% | 14.3\% | 15.0\% |
|  | Total | 77 | 49 | 44 | 56 | 226 | 198 | 28 | 226 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |


|  |  | What is your annual turnover range? |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | <\$500k | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 500 \mathrm{k}-\$ 1 \\ & \text { million } \end{aligned}$ | \$1 million \$2 million | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 2 \text { million-\$5 } \\ & \text { million } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 5 \text { million- } \\ & \$ 10 \text { million } \end{aligned}$ | $\$ 10$ million$\$ 50$ million | $\begin{gathered} \$ 50 \\ \text { million+ } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Prefer not } \\ \text { to say } \end{gathered}$ | Total |
| Is your holding stock, down, up or the same as it was at this time last year? | Down | 21 | 14 | 5 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 47 |
|  |  | 21.6\% | 25.9\% | 26.3\% | 16.0\% | 50.0\% | 25.0\% | .0\% | 4.0\% | 20.8\% |
|  | Same | 65 | 28 | 13 | 17 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 19 | 145 |
|  |  | 67.0\% | 51.9\% | 68.4\% | 68.0\% | 50.0\% | 50.0\% | .0\% | 76.0\% | 64.2\% |
|  | Up | 11 | 12 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 34 |
|  |  | 11.3\% | 22.2\% | 5.3\% | 16.0\% | .0\% | 25.0\% | .0\% | 20.0\% | 15.0\% |
|  | Total | 97 | 54 | 19 | 25 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 25 | 226 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |



|  |  | What industry sector do you fall into? |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  |  |  | Administrative \& Support Services |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 6u!̣snoчəлем 8 ןelsod 'Hodsue»」 |  | $\stackrel{\text { 피 }}{\stackrel{1}{\circ}}$ |
| Is your holding stock, | Down | 10 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 25 | 0 | 0 | 47 |
| down, up or the same |  | 19.6\% | .0\% | 50.0\% | 57.1\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 12.5\% | .0\% | 8.3\% | .0\% | .0\% | 44.4\% | 26.3\% | .0\% | .0\% | 20.8\% |
| as it was at this time | Same | 38 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 12 | 6 | 9 | 10 | 3 | 4 | 47 | 2 | 3 | 145 |
| last year? |  | 74.5\% | 100.0\% | 50.0\% | 42.9\% | .0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 75.0\% | 75.0\% | 75.0\% | 90.9\% | 100.0\% | 44.4\% | 49.5\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 64.2\% |
|  | Up | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 23 | 0 | 0 | 34 |
|  |  | 5.9\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | .0\% | 12.5\% | 25.0\% | 16.7\% | 9.1\% | .0\% | 11.1\% | 24.2\% | .0\% | .0\% | 15.0\% |
|  | Total | 51 | 3 | 2 | 7 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 16 | 8 | 12 | 11 | 3 | 9 | 95 | 2 | 3 | 226 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |



## Q21: Why did you answer this way? Open ended.

## Down

Anticipated decline in client numbers due to lack of parking and facilities
Both sales and rental of residential has slowed due to supply of property
Business is bad since the replacement of the tram line. And over active parking inspectors. Difficult in restoring the vibrancy of Jetty Road Glenelg.
Cash flow (x 2 responses)
Cash flow
Continued increase of base rents and power
Cost of stock is reducing
Cost to hold, holding less
Don't want to invest any more in stock
Due to change in our offering
Economy/business downturn (x 11 responses)
Economy, holding less
Get rid of some old stocks
Glum outlook for following 12months
I had more bookings last year than this year.
It's too costly to hold stock
Keeping stock levels lower
Lack of sales from walk in customers
Less overheads
Less stock available
Lower sales, we don't need to carry as much.
Managing seasonal trends.
Margins are tighter than ever
$\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{A}$ - did not provide reason (x 2 responses)
Not busy
No need to hold stock if business is down
Not as busy as last year
Not much holding stock you cannot sell
Number of listings is lower
Our orders are all running late
Reducing stock levels
We have elected to hold less stock
We will be reducing stock due to closing
Weak economy, cost up
We're dropping prices, so we're losing profit but the sales aren't improving as much as they should or were last year.
Workload reduced

## Same

About the same assets/investments
As it means that there are less people out and about and less foot traffic
Based on my business
Because as of the end of the 2017 it remains unchanged
Because it is the same ( $\times 4$ responses
Because it is the truth.
Because it's true (x 3 responses)


Because turnover similar
Because we always keep the same amount of stock. It ebbs and flows on a weekly basis as we use and receive orders Because we need to have stock on hand
Business decision to not hold stock and order when required.
Business same
Cause it is ( x 2 responses)
Correct
Do not carry stock
Do not hold stock as element of my business
Don't have much
Don't know, not sure (x 8 responses)
Don't need more stock
Due to my beliefs
Economic situation
Frustration that out of area Tai Chi teachers occupy Holdfast Bay cheap rental venues
General lack of confidence by most people that I meet.
General reflection of the reality.
Has not changed
Holding same stock
I need to keep stock levels up
I only order what I need
I only provide services
In Food industry perishables need to be maintained at certain levels and kept for short duration and then discarded if not used
Is quite same
It is kept at a minimum.
It remains the same per status
It's the truth
Just don't have it
Keep strict stock limits
No reason given (x 60 responses)
No change to conditions.
No changes
No differences noted
No reason
No stock as a marketing agency
No stock
Not change from previous year
Not much stock needed
Not sure
Only carry the minimum stock - we are able to forecast well
Our customers' orders are made to order so stock holding is minimal
Required levels to run the business.
Sales are up and down
Sales down
Same
Same as 2016
Same product provided
Slow sales


Stock is always kept about the same amount
Stock is only ordered as jobs are sold so is relatively static
Stock levels are consistent
Stock not really applicable to our NFP
Stock take last year is sitting at about the same this year
That is the way it is!
That's my personal opinion
This is a fact
This is what I believe it to be
To which question do you refer?
True reply
Truth
We are just even with the amount of stock on the floor...
We hold little stock
We hold very little stock and only what we need to do the job
We need to hold the required amount of consumables to operate in healthcare
We start with fresh stock each today
We tend to not hold too much stock.

## Up

As turnover increases one has to hold more stock
Because I am carrying more stock than this time last year,
Because I have more stock
Because it was.
Because it's up
Building up reputation
Don't know (x 3 responses)
Fact
I borrowed money to extend my range of products and buy in bulk to be competitive
I have answered as it is because we have a growing successful business but would like the opportunity to discuss in person with the council lour section of Glenelg - the Broadway
I have re branded
It is a nature of my type of business to hold certain amount of stock - limits due to my storage, transportation, etc.
It is very hard to clear sale stock as everyone is always on sale and spoilt for choice sooooo many options out there
Just recently quite a few of our suppliers have delivered stock all at once.
Need to keep larger range to attract customers
New stock lines for summer trading
Overall costs for all products we purchase increase once twice year yet our pricing to remain competitive and attract
locals to get through winter can only be increased between $3-5 \%$ but as example meat has increased by $18 \%$
Positive growth
Reduced sales have meant more stock on hand until reduced purchasing gets it into balance
Sales are down which has left me with more stock on hand
Season, need to hold more
Seasonal (x 2 responses)
Seasonal, more for time of year
Seasonal/Christmas
Seasonal/Christmas
Store expansion
Things are increasing


To keep up with our market
We have changed our contractors and require that we use our own products as they were supplied over the last 12 months.
We have more stock
Word of mouth has helped my business grow
Q22: Have you done any business with Council in the last 12 months?

|  |  | Number of years |  |  |  |  | Size of business |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 0-5 years | 6-10 years | 11-20 years | Over 20 years | Total | Small <20 employees | Medium 20-199 employees | Total |
| Have you done any business with Council in the last 12 months? | Yes | 21 | 11 | 12 | 20 | 64 | 53 | 11 | 64 |
|  |  | 17.5\% | 15.9\% | 17.4\% | 27.8\% | 19.4\% | 18.0\% | 30.6\% | 19.4\% |
|  | No | 99 | 58 | 57 | 52 | 266 | 241 | 25 | 266 |
|  |  | 82.5\% | 84.1\% | 82.6\% | 72.2\% | 80.6\% | 82.0\% | 69.4\% | 80.6\% |
|  | Total | 120 | 69 | 69 | 72 | 330 | 294 | 36 | 330 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |


|  |  | What is your annual turnover range? |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | <\$500k | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 500 \mathrm{k}-\$ 1 \\ & \text { million } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 1 \text { million - \$2 } \\ \text { million } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 2 \text { million-\$5 } \\ & \text { million } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 5 \text { million-\$10 } \\ \text { million } \end{gathered}$ | $\$ 10$ million- $\$ 50$ million | $\begin{gathered} \$ 50 \\ \text { million+ } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Prefer not } \\ & \text { to say } \end{aligned}$ | Total |
| Have you done any business with Council in the last 12 months? | Yes | 21 | 16 | 8 | 8 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 8 | 64 |
|  |  | 13.8\% | 21.9\% | 29.6\% | 28.6\% | .0\% | 75.0\% | .0\% | 19.0\% | 19.4\% |
|  | No | 131 | 57 | 19 | 20 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 34 | 266 |
|  |  | 86.2\% | 78.1\% | 70.4\% | 71.4\% | 100.0\% | 25.0\% | .0\% | 81.0\% | 80.6\% |
|  | Total | 152 | 73 | 27 | 28 | 4 | 4 | 0 | 42 | 330 |
|  |  | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | .0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |

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Q23: On a scale of 0 to 10 , where 0 is poor and 10 is excellent, how would you rate your experience in doing business with Council? Single rating.

| How would you rate | $\mathbf{7 . 3 4}$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| your experience in |  |
| doing business with |  |
| Council? |  |


|  | 0 Poor | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 Excellent | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| How would you rate | 1 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 7 | 3 | 19 | 7 | 15 | 64 |
| your experience in doing business with Council? | 1.6\% | .0\% | 4.7\% | 4.7\% | 4.7\% | 4.7\% | 10.9\% | 4.7\% | 29.7\% | 10.9\% | 23.4\% | 100.0\% |

NPS experience in
doing business with
doing business with
Council

Q24: On a scale of 0 to 10, where 0 is totally dissatisfied and 10 is totally satisfied, how satisfied are you with Council's support for business in the area? Single rating.


|  |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| NPS Council's support | -68.79 |
| for business in the area |  |

Q25: Do you have any suggestions or ideas on what strategies the City of Holdfast Bay can implement to support better business conditions for you? Open ended.
171 people chose not to leave a comment, 159 did leave a comment. These are detailed below.

A lot seems to be done for Jetty Road traders but not much for The Marina precinct
Actions require implementation. Help is offered however not followed up.
Advertising
Allow signage
Allow for more appropriate parking hours for visitors. Encourage staff and managers of Foodland and mall stores to park further away than adjacent streets to the Mall. Perhaps encourage the developers/manager to provide a designated staff carpark in the first place to eliminate the need for regulated street parking instead.
Already discussed with relevant CoHB personnel
Assistance lobbying to state government to maintain funding
At 240 Brighton road put a break in the island for north travelling vehicles
Attract more people to area
Attract more visitors (from anywhere) Become the vibrant shopping, eating precinct, fun
Become a role model for lean and effective business strategy


Better ways of spending funds especially on Jetty Rd Glenelg
Business hub for small local businesses to network, build skills, access office space/meeting rooms/IT
Business marketing, get more function and activities to attract people
Car parks are slowly disappearing. Durham Street, Colley Terrace are examples. Car parking expensive i.e. \$5 for any part of an hour at some parks e.g. next to library
Cheaper power
Cheaper rent make the area more vibrant to attract people
Council has no idea what's going on
Council need to focus on maintaining the environment conducive to promoting economic activity in the area. It should not involve itself in matters such as gay marriage and other subjective and divisive matters
Council should do something to encourage locals to the area
Council staff doing a good job. We have a good working relationship with Council. Councils using local suppliers where appropriate is good.
Council staff that deal with business on a daily basis seem to generally lack an understanding of business management \& the issues that small businesses face on a daily basis. Council needs to train/recruit staff who understand, or have had, business experience.
Council to support local business
Difficult question to answer - I believe that Henley area is about to hit hard with a range of new offerings which will no doubt have an impact on Jetty Road. The number of retailers are down, rents are up etc...Tough times disruption to trade and loss of income when council engages in civil works in proximity to businesses it hurts personal family incomes for people working for themselves and they are without safety income nets suggest council needs to be super mindful when planning this stuff think of your own personal financial impact if you didn't get paid for a month and you were still expected to meet your business and personal financial obligations and responsibilities!
Do not think it applies
Don't really deal with the council that much in my industry
Drive more people into the area with events and reduced parking costs
Drive more visitors to the area through improved public facilities and comfort. Also family friendly events
Electricity rebates
Employ proactive, forward thinking people, clean up Jetty Road, advertise properly.
Encouragement for SMES
Ensure more car parking is available i.e. Do not make planning decisions which reduce available car parking Ensure quality internet connection
Events that draw crowds to area that utilise many different businesses. Build a world class convention centre in Glenelg, my previous roles with AEG Ogden around south east Audi's and even Darwin has given great organic growth of millions annually that impact all businesses in area as they attract corporate, association and industry delegates to the area.
Expos for local businesses
Extend zone for properties that can be used as office space. Improve signage on Broadway, Glenelg South (preferable some flags as per Jetty Rd).
Facilitating a sustainable island-able local power network capitalising on community based roof top solar generation and battery storage resources.
Find that balance between parking and community spaces. Continue to promote Glenelg as a tourist destination Flexible and proactive planning
Follow through on enquiries would show some interest. I am still waiting to hear back months later. Have given up. Foot traffic is what we need, so everything should be geared to attracting more people. Most arrive in cars, so we need parking, but we also need good public transport links.
Free car parking, and promotion, as per recent innovations at Henley Sq.
Generate excitement about the area


Get rid of people with their own agendas. Cut red tape. Some councillors have no idea about running a business they have never had one.
Get rid of the bike path in front of our shops - lower council rates for small business
Get some business people on your staff to advise you
Get the NBN rollout sorted ASAP.
Give back car parks
Have a promotion to get people back to Glenelg
Hold round table discussions with a variety of businesses to enable Council to understand some of the issues facing business rather than second guessing
Holdfast area business directory. I am not a shop owner on Jetty Rd, but operate an Indoor Plant Hire business it corporate clients from Brighton/Seacliff area to the metro area
Holding more social events to encourage people coming down. Also the parking restrictions at Glenelg. Why paying for parking? And increase time limit on jetty road. This is a family community we should be catering for them. Also look into maintenance of this footpath that is not level.
I don't have enough information as to how the City of Holdfast Bay supports the business environment and conditions. I have never approached the council for any business support so I have no idea what's on offer
I run a "free" Tai Chi/Qigong class, for my students \& friends, in the Angus Neill Reserve every Saturday morning. With financial support, this could be promoted for the health and well-being of other Holdfast Bay residents. This type of support has been offered elsewhere e.g. Magill Council, etc.
I'd love to find out why I continue to lose power! And maybe some promotion outside of jetty road
Ideas have been submitted previously but are normally never acted upon or responded to.
If they supported local business to do their repair and maintenance work?
Improve parking
Increase tourism
Increased marketing of Jetty Road as a Shopping destination
Invest in the street
It is not part of the Council's activities to make local businesses more profitable. It should concentrate on making its operation more efficient and provide better services to general ratepayers. Some questions are poorly structured, e.g. about KPIs as not all items are relevant yet they all require a response.
It would help to have bike parking on jetty road Brighton
It's far too rigid and perhaps that has something to do with the residents in our area? Not sure. However chill out on the local business trying to grow and expand. They help other businesses grow and expand. Side walk tables and chairs and liquor licenses could be revised...Also, some street decorations- at night Brighton is active - light it up.
Keep crime down to make customers feel safe in the area to shop
Listen to retailers more. Ease off with parking fines. Do not remove parking spaces from main road.
Local advertising
Local council newsletter and webpage offering free advertising
Longer parking available for our customers to lunch, shop, and wander the stores. And because our demographic isn't young the parking needs to be available close by.
Look at parking restrictions
Look at the mix of offerings on Jetty Road Glenelg. What direction is the council heading? Is it food based, retail based or a mix or just full shops. Have they surveyed the public to see what they would like? e.g. shopping experience or entertainment experience.
Lower rates (x 2 responses)
Lower rates equals lower rent
Manage parking better, allow people to get in and out of their driveways (small streets with parking directly opposite driveways.
Marketing the street to get more people here
Maybe a free networking event??


Maybe come and have a chat
Monitor parking in the street
more activities to bring the whole family to the beach, not just one day or two, it needs whole week or even longer.
More advertising to get people to Glenelg
More advertising. Offering incentives to small business. Assist with refits
More all day roadside parking
More car parking (x 4 responses)
More events on Jetty red Brighton. Possibly developing a Brighton square like Henley beach
More events to attract more people
More festivals and entertainment in the square
More Footpath
More free parking
More parking places
More promotion for Jetty Road traders
More research on customers
Move with the times
Much greater transparency in where it spends the business ratepayer money. I feel totally ripped off with council rates
Needs more car parking / ATM \& public toilets - same complaints all the time
Networking opportunities.
No it is more of a lack of jobs in Adelaide issue.
Not a good idea to reduce parking space in Jetty Road as this will affect and decrease traffic flow in the area.
Not sure, more local promotions perhaps
Off more grants to train business owners on technology and marketing etc.
Offer longer times in parking bays located near our branch potentially on Rose Street
Only look at ideas that will increase the number of car parks on Jetty Road Glenelg and maintain them as free, they should be for only 30 to 60 mins max. Refuse to let any further reductions take place. Adelaide is still a city that people take their cars to everything and the places that provide that for people will be the places people will support Our rent is too high even when the roadworks etc. affected us in a great deal and had no rent relief for this period Paint over graffiti, lose the bike lanes on Brighton road.
Parking
Parking availability
Parking conditions are disgusting people are going to where they can find a shopping centre rather than street parking
and pay high fines
Parking has to improve
Parking improvements
Parking is a problem
Parking permits for staff, keep the Jetty Road open to cars.
Parking still a problem
Perhaps more advertising or more ways of promoting jetty road as a shopping precinct not just a place for people to come for an ice cream.
Perhaps running business networking opportunities where owners can come and perhaps listen to a speaker on various topics of small business (e.g. leveraging social media or how to actively grow your business) and then have the rest of the time chatting to others but also encouraging everyone to keep moving onto another person to engage in conversation.
Promote it as a destination
Promoting Small Business
Provide more parking in the vicinity of Jetty Road Brighton. Somehow!
Reduce annual council fee. Already have less revenue, can't afford more
Reduce costs of doing business

reduce council rates and stop wasting rate payer's money so people have more money in their weekly budgets - for example cancel the NYE party at Glenelg, it only brings trouble, and drunken destruction, and mess that needs cleaning up. It does nothing for local businesses or rate payers but allows free loaders to come into the area, get free entertainment, and wreck whatever they can - for free, because they think no-one cares.
Reduce red tape in building and development applications 8 weeks for a carport is ridiculous. Engage more with local business in the light industrial area and listen to real issues without fobbing them off
Relax shopping hours - streamline more with eastern states
Remove barriers to business, remove petty bureaucracy, and prioritise business needs and job creation over vocal and negative minorities
Remove bicycle lane from Brighton Road.
Rent assistance and advertising
Review the council rate premiums to assist business in being more profitable.
Small business meetings - networking events- Small business courses - communicating council's plans for next 12 months
Solve the parking problems in Jetty road
Someone that actually has a position in council to communicate with businesses on a regular basis as we do not hear from anyone so hard to give feedback?
Something to draw more people to Glenelg
Speed up the road works as it impedes our traffic flow to and from appointments
Stop allowing more salons from opening every 5 minutes - enough is enough
Stop paid parking to entice more people to spend the day at Glenelg
Support more tourism and organize more events to bring more people to the area.
Support organising events for families with young children, where vendors can advertise their products.
Tai Chi \& Qigong are scientifically proven health practises. Local residents could benefit from classes and Council provided activities.
Take away bike lanes from Brighton road \& put back to Beach paths! Or get rid of restrictions at least!!
Talk more to all businesses operated in the area
The council has been great at holding special events in our strip on jetty road Brighton
The planning department need a shake up
To promote Glenelg more to try to bring back people to the street. Perhaps reduce the council rates for traders in Jetty Road Glenelg, as a reprieve for what they have gone through over the past 12 months with tram line replacement and now the water replacement.
Traders annoyed (customers vote) /food and wine festival
Try to lower overall rising cost to businesses. More support in encouraging local business to use each other keeping in the Councils area rather using overseas business. Use the people that you want to use you!
Unite landlords for common vision which happens at Harbour town and Marion Westfield
Use local business suppliers
Use local businesses
We find the council to have minimal focus on real strategies to assist small business
We have only just starting receiving the newsletters as management changed over 12 months ago, we let the council know the change, so communication to send us the newsletters would have been better.
We need more people to have jobs, too many redundancies so people are holding onto their money, no confidence in the future.
We pay higher council rates than most of suburban. But we don't think we get all the support and help to survive in the tough time for business.
Workshops like Adelaide city council provided to east end traders: digital marketing, visual and merchandise skills. Many more about understand Chinese tourists for Glenelg businesses.
Yearly meetings, talking about any opportunities for growth and development.
Yes thanks


Yes. Measure with results. More action
Q26: Optional. Enter here for your chance to win a $\$ 200$ shopping voucher.
154 people chose to enter the draw.

## 7. QUESTIONNAIRE

Q1: How long has your business operated in the City of Holdfast Bay Council area? Open ended.
Q2: How many people (including management and owners) did your business employ in the current quarter (September, 2017)? Single response.
1
2-19
20-49
50-99
100-149
150-199
200+

Q3: What is your annual turnover range? Single response.
<\$500k
\$500k-\$1 million
\$1 million - $\$ 2$ million
$\$ 2$ million-\$5 million
$\$ 5$ million- $\$ 10$ million
\$10 million-\$50 million
\$50 million+
Prefer not to say
Q4: What ratio of each of the following do you employ on a full time basis to the nearest 10 percent? Ratios.
Male
Female
Skilled
Unskilled
Full time employees
Part time employees
Q5: Is your business currently connected to the NBN? Single response.
Yes
No
Don't know/not sure
Q6: On a scale of 0 to 10 , where 0 is totally dissatisfied and 10 is totally satisfied, how satisfied are you with the NBN connection?
$\begin{array}{ccccccccccc}\text { Totally dissatisfied } \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 & 9 & 10\end{array}$
Migration process to NBN
Internet connection
Q7: Why did you rate your NBN migration/connection that way? Open ended.
Q8: Does your business transact online?
Yes
No


## Don't know/not sure

Q9: Do you invest in eCommerce or digital platforms to aid business transactions? i.e. buying and selling of goods and services, or transmitting funds or data, primarily using the internet. Single response.
Yes
No
Don't know/not sure

Q10: On a scale of 0 to 10 , where 0 is totally unimportant and 10 is totally important, how important are intrastate, interstate and international visitors to your business? Rate all 3 options.

| Totally unimportant |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | N/A |

Intrastate
Interstate
International

Q11: How do you expect the following economies to perform over the next 12 months? Rate all 3 options.
Weaker Slightly weaker Same Slightly stronger Stronger
National economy
South Australian economy
Local council area economy

Q12: How would you describe the following business KPIs in the Q3 September quarter of 2017? Were they up, down or about the same as the previous quarter? Rate all KPIs.
Down Same Up N/A/Don't know

General business conditions
Total sales/revenue
Average wages
Export sales
Non-wage labour costs (on-costs, i.e.
Superannuation, payroll taxes, etc.)
Selling prices
Profitability
Number of employees
Overtime worked
Investment in buildings and structures
Investment in plant and equipment
Investment in eCommerce

Q13: How do you expect the same business KPIs to perform in Q4 of 2017? Were they up, down or about the same as the previous quarter? Rate all KPIs.

Down Same Up N/A/Don't know
General business conditions
Total sales/revenue
Average wages
Export sales
Non-wage labour costs (on-costs, i.e.
Superannuation, payroll taxes, etc.)
Selling prices


Profitability
Number of employees
Overtime worked
Investment in buildings and structures
Investment in plant and equipment
Investment in eCommerce

Q14: Thinking about the next 12 months, how confident do you feel about your business prospects? Single response.
Extremely confident
Fairly confident
Neutral
Fairly worried
Extremely worried
Q15: As far as business is concerned, what problems, if any, are you facing at the moment? Multiple response.
Lack of work or sales
Finding or keeping staff
Cash flow, bad debts or profitability
Competition
Paperwork or bureaucracy
Economic climate
Costs or overheads
Taxes
There are no problems at the moment
Other (please specify)
Q16: What are the barriers to taking on new employees? Multiple response.
Lack of work/sales
Finding suitable/quality staff
Cost of employing
Lack of funds
Profitability/lack of profits
Don't need any more staff
Business is closing/winding down
Finding those who want to work
Lack of cash flow
Other (please specify)
Q17: What industry sector do you fall into? Single response.
Accommodation \& Food Services
Administrative \& Support Services
Arts \& Recreation Services
Construction
Education \& Training
Electricity, Gas, Water \& Waste Services
Financial \& Insurance Services
Health Care \& Social Assistance
Information Media \& Telecommunications
Manufacturing


Professional, Scientific \& Technical Services
Public Administration \& Safety
Rental, Hiring \& Real Estate Services
Retail Trade
Transport, Postal \& Warehousing
Wholesale Trade
Other Services (please specify) $\qquad$

Q18: Do you generally believe that profitability is declining in the retail sector at the moment? Single response.
Yes
No
Don't know/not sure

Q19: Are any of the following affecting/impacting on your profitability? Multiple response.
Cost of labour
Cost of rent
Lack of sales
Low margins
Competition - bricks and mortar
Competition - online
Weather
Lack of tourists
Cost of power
Local economy
Other (please specify) $\qquad$
Q20: In terms of your holding stock, is it down, up or the same as it was at this time last year? Single response. Down Same Up N/A

Q21: Why did you answer this way? Open ended.

Q22: Have you done any business with Council in the last 12 months?
No
Yes (please specify) $\qquad$
Q23: On a scale of 0 to 10 , where 0 is poor and 10 is excellent, how would you rate your experience in doing business with Council? Single rating.

| Poor |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Excellent |  |
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| 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |

Q24: On a scale of 0 to 10 , where 0 is totally dissatisfied and 10 is totally satisfied, how satisfied are you with Council's support for business in the area? Single rating.

| Totally dissatisfied |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Totally satisfied |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |

Q25: Do you have any suggestions or ideas on what strategies the City of Holdfast Bay can implement to support better business conditions for you? Open ended.

Q26: Optional. Enter here for your chance to win a $\$ 200$ shopping voucher.


Name
Email $\qquad$

