2024 Construction Outlook
Nebraska Survey Results

Total Responses: 32 Responses varied for some questions. Percentages are based on responses to each question and may not sum to 100 due to rounding.

1. Compared to 2023, do you expect the available dollar value of projects you compete for in 2024 to be higher/lower/about the same (answer for all market areas in which your business operates) Responses 32

   Net % expecting 2024 value of projects to be Higher or Lower than 2023

Higher	Lower	Same
58%	32%	11%
40%	15%	45%
35%	15%	50%
32%	16%	53%
42%	26%	32%
35%	20%	45%
25%	10%	65%
43%	29%	29%
41%	27%	32%
39%	26%	35%
32%	21%	47%
14%	7%	79%
20%	20%	60%
20%	25%	55%
13%	25%	63%
24%	48%	29%
14%	52%	33%

*Net equals difference between number of "Higher" and "Lower" responses as percent of total.

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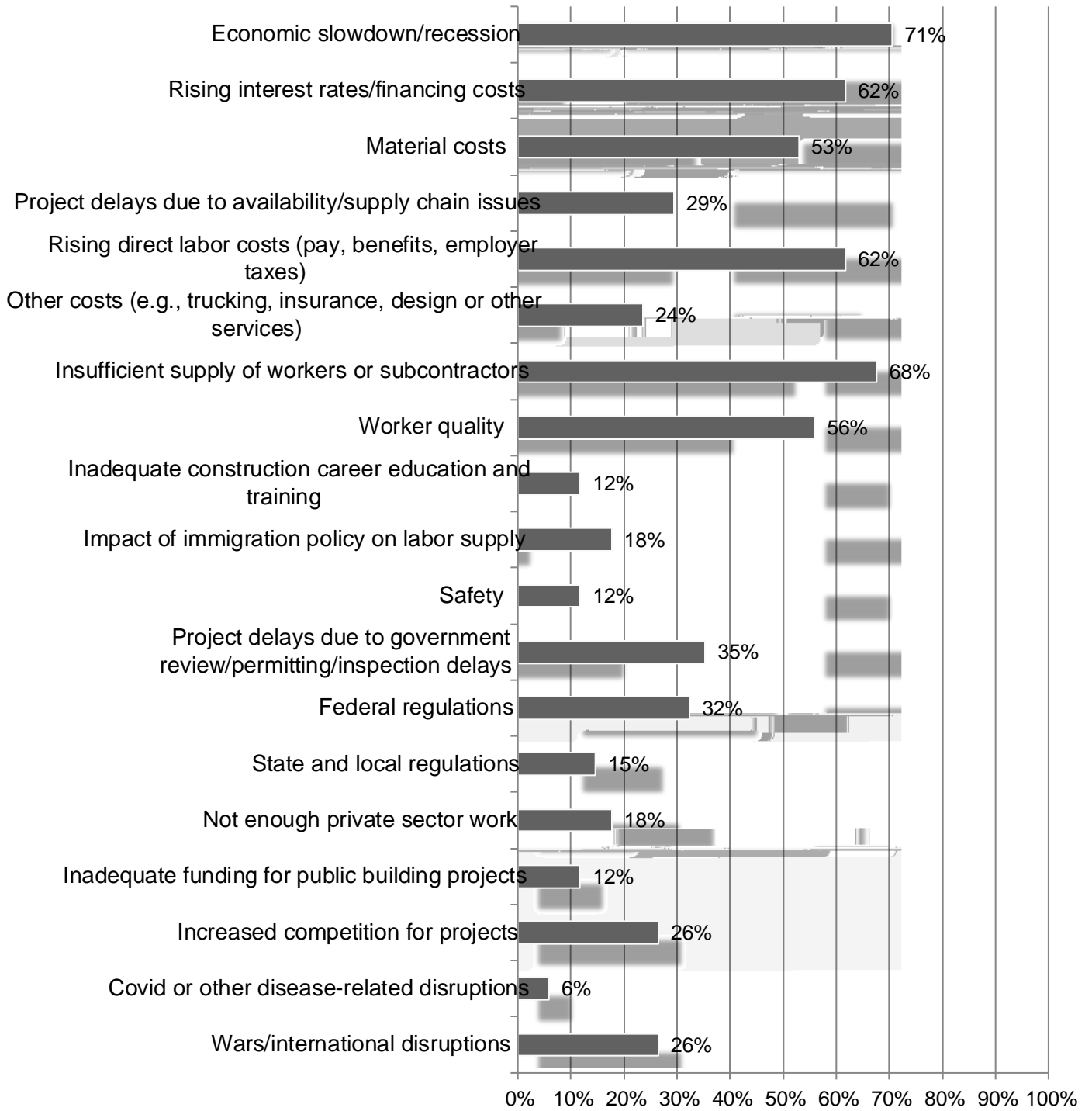
2. What percentage change do you expect in your headcount in 2024

5. What changes did your firm make in pay or benefits in 2023? (mark all that apply) Responses 34
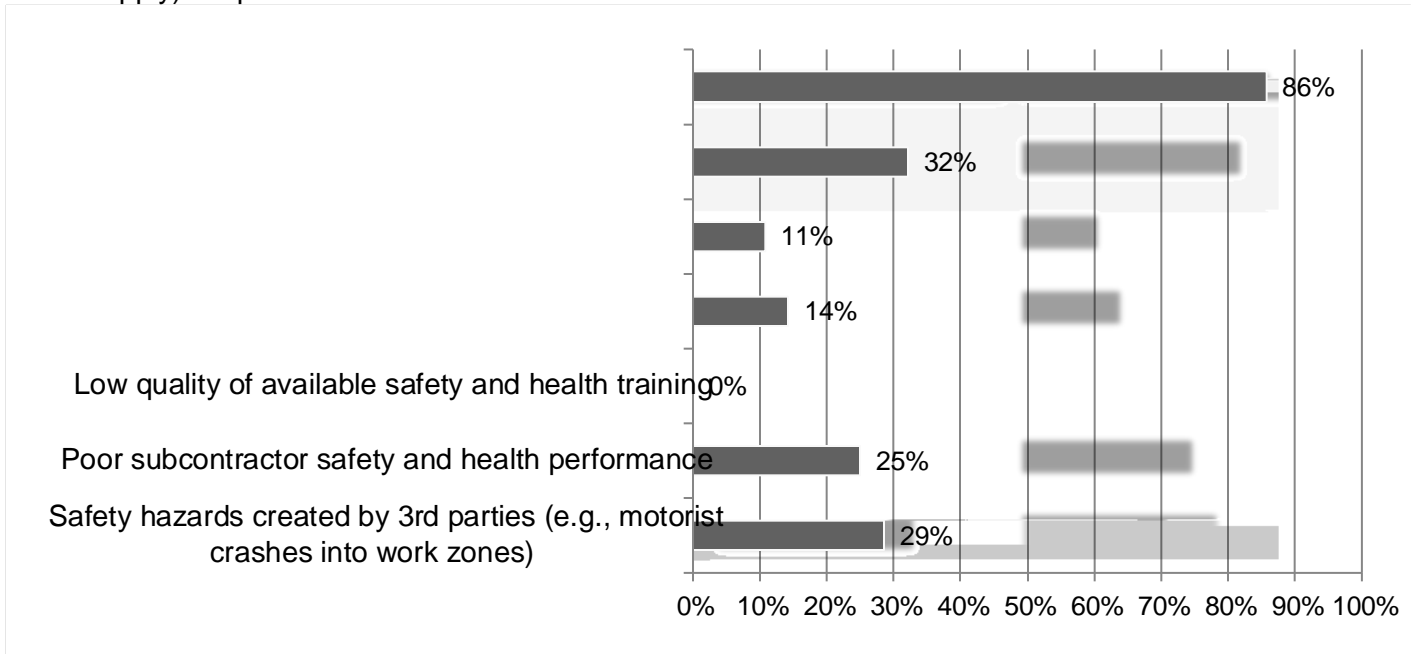

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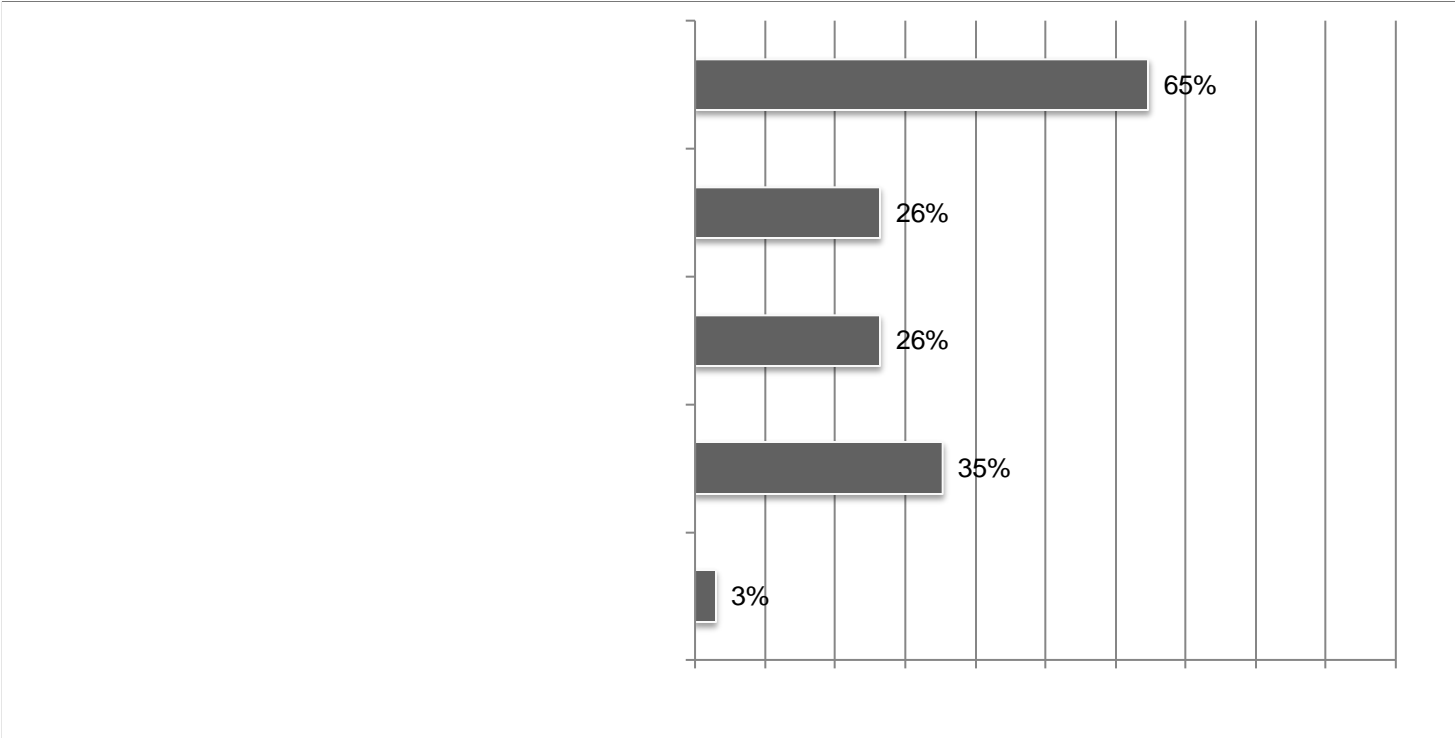
6. How has your firm responded to supply chain issues, if any? (mark all that apply) Responses 34

7. What difference, if any, has the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (also known as the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law), made to your business?

10. What are your biggest concerns for 2042 (mark all that apply) Responses: 34

Concern	Percentage
Economic slowdown/recession	71%
Rising interest rates/financing costs	62%
Material costs	53%
Project delays due to availability/supply chain issues	29%
Rising direct labor costs (pay, benefits, employer taxes)	62%
Other costs (e.g., trucking, insurance, design or other services)	24%
Insufficient supply of workers or subcontractors	68%
Worker quality	56%
Inadequate construction career education and training	12%
Impact of immigration policy on labor supply	18%
Safety	12%
Project delays due to government review/permitting/inspection delays	35%
Federal regulations	32%
State and local regulations	15%
Not enough private sector work	18%
Inadequate funding for public building projects	12%
Increased competition for projects	26%
Covid or other disease-related disruptions	6%
Wars/international disruptions	26%

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11. What challenges, if any, do you see regarding the safety and health of your firm's workers? (mark all that apply) Responses 28
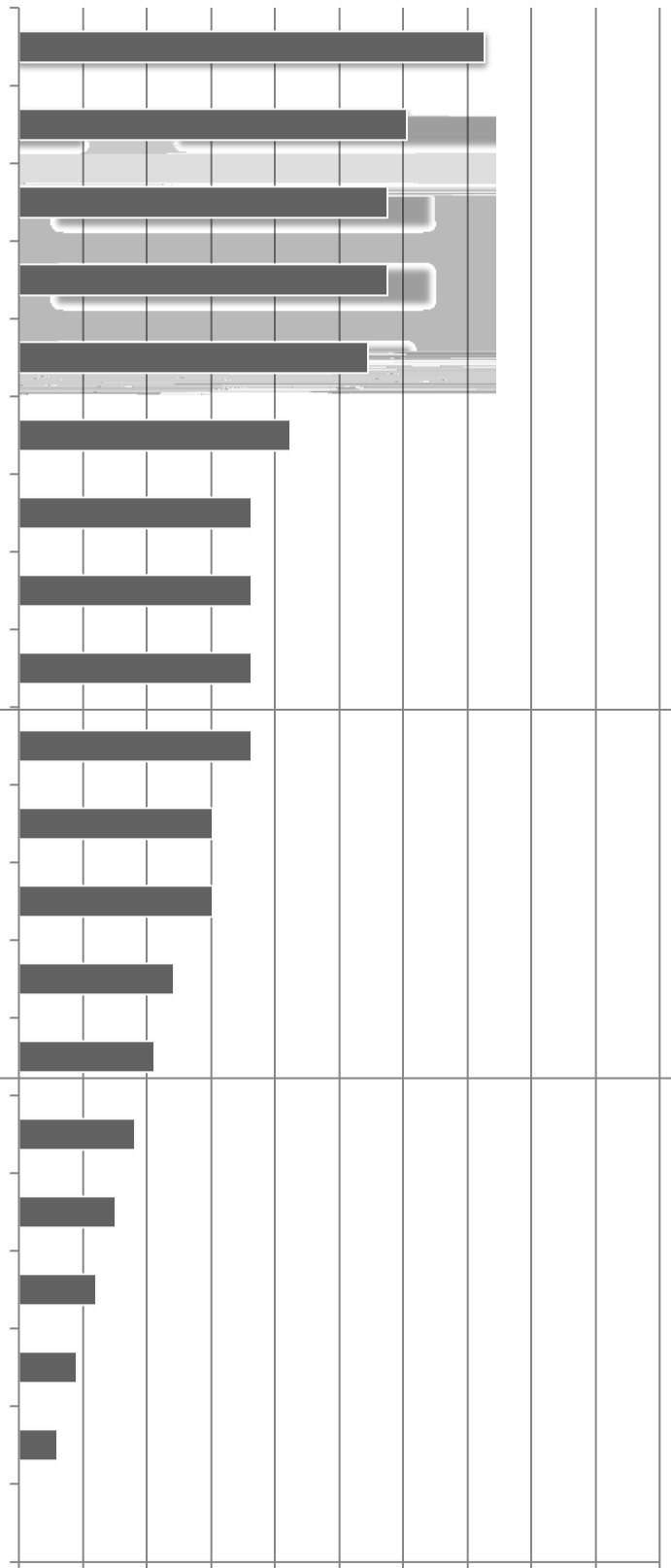

Bar chart values:
- 86%
- 32%
- 11%
- 14%
- Low quality of available safety and health training: 0%
- Poor subcontractor safety and health performance: 25%
- Safety hazards created by 3rd parties (e.g., motorist crashes into work zones): 29%

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12. Does your company invest in Responses 32

	Initial Investment	Increased Investment	Decreased Investment	No Investment
Artificial intelligence	26%	13%	0%	61%
Robotics	0%	3%	0%	97%
Drones	9%	28%	6%	56%
Autonomous equipment or vehic	7%	0%	0%	93%
3-D printing	10%	0%	0%	90%
Offsite production	13%	16%	0%	71%

13. Compared to 202, will your firm's 2023 investment in the following technologies change? (mark all that apply) Responses 33
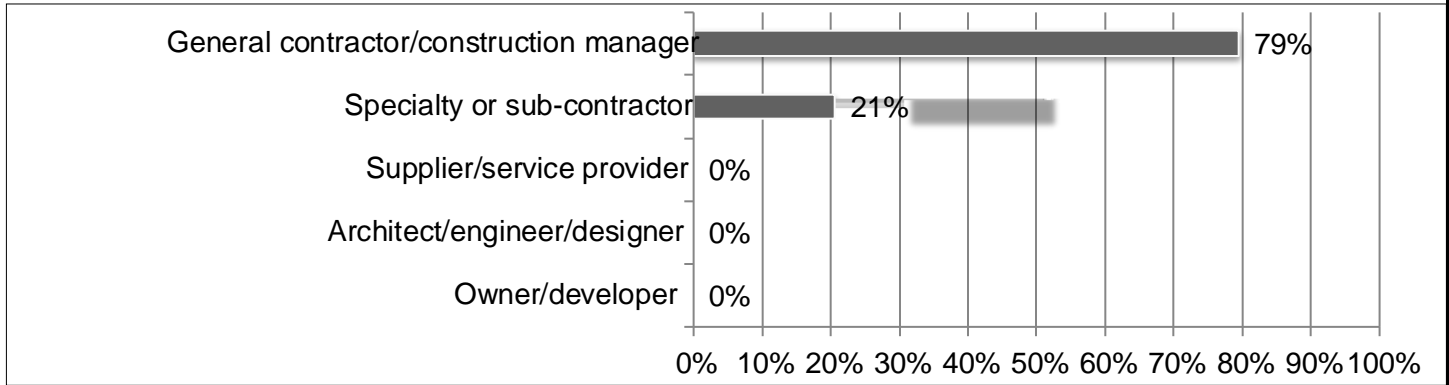
	Increase	Decrease	No change
Accounting software	36%	0%	64%
Document management software	30%	0%	70%
Project management software	28%	0%	72%
Client relationship management (CRM) software	26%	0%	74%
Human resources (HR) software	23%	0%	77%
Payroll software	21%	3%	76%
Estimating software	19%	3%	78%
Fleet tracking/management software	17%	0%	83%
Project collaboration software	17%	0%	83%
Tool/asset management/tracking	17%	0%	83%
Building Information Modeling (BIM)	14%	0%	86%
Subcontractor bid management/ITB software	10%	0%	90%
Scheduling software	9%	3%	88%
Prequalification software	4%	0%	96%
Service management software	3%	3%	93%

15. What are your biggest IT

17. What best describes your firm? Responses: 34

General contractor/construction manager	79%
Specialty or sub-contractor	21%
Supplier/service provider	0%
Architect/engineer/designer	0%
Owner/developer	0%

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18. When you self-perform construction work, do you operate as a union contractor or an open-shop contractor? Responses: 34

We operate primarily or always as a union contractor	9%
We operate primarily or always as an open-shop contractor	88%
We do not self-perform or directly hire craft personnel	3%

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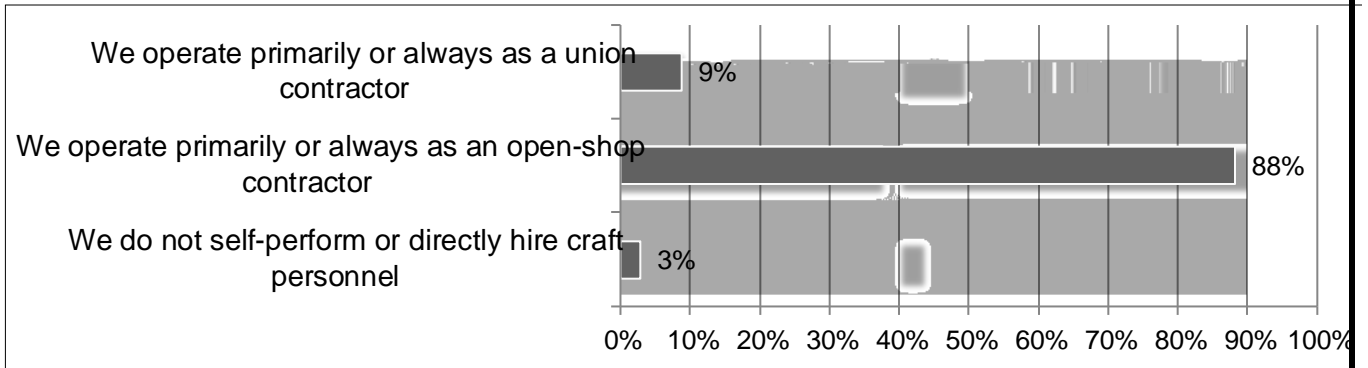
19. Estimate the total dollar amount of work your firm performed in 2012? Responses: 34

$50 million or under	62%
$50.1 milllion - $500 million	38%
Over $500 million	0%

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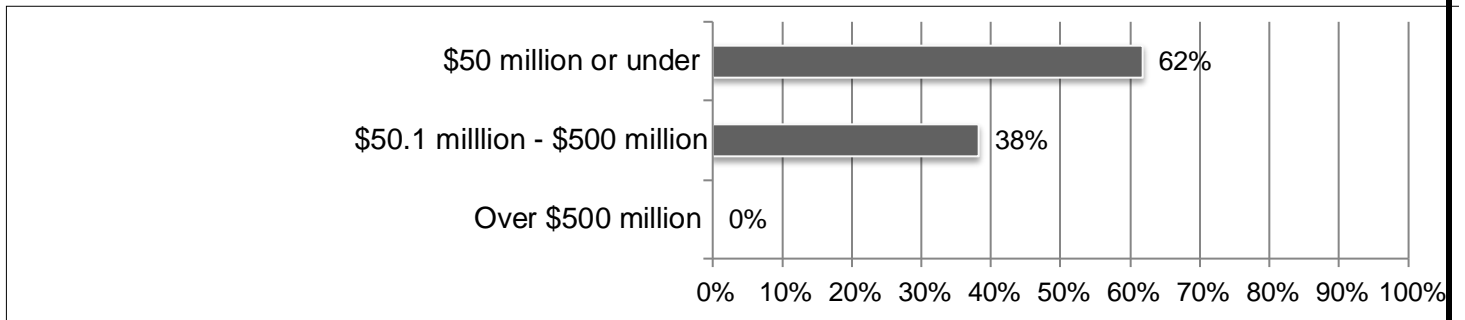
20. How many total employees does your firm employ at all of its locations? Responses: 34:

1-19	18%
20-99	35%
100-499	44%
500 or more	3%

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