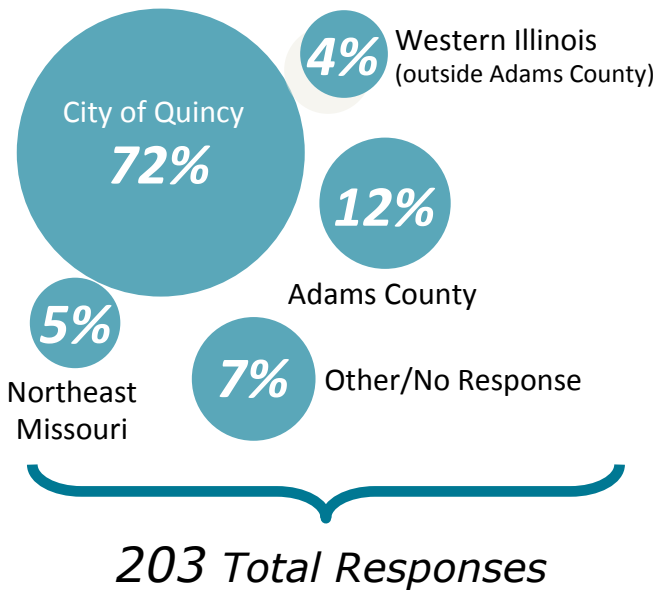


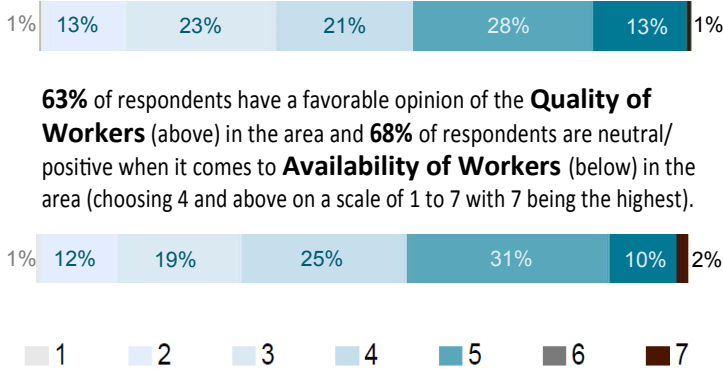
2013 Business Survey Results

Conducted by Great River Economic Development Foundation in conjunction with the City of Quincy and Adams County, Illinois

Responses by Location



Quality & Availability of Workers



63% of respondents have a favorable opinion of the **Quality of Workers** (above) in the area and **68%** of respondents are neutral/positive when it comes to **Availability of Workers** (below) in the area (choosing 4 and above on a scale of 1 to 7 with 7 being the highest).

Business Growth

39% Increasing

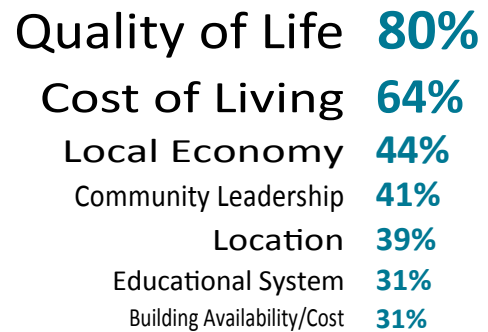
41% Stable



44% of businesses surveyed plan to expand in 3 years

Top Community Strengths

The area's quality of life is overwhelmingly a positive for those surveyed as well as our low cost of living. Both factors, along with our robust local economy, make the region attractive for business investment.



Top Community Weaknesses

The area's low unemployment impacts the availability of a qualified workforce which is why workforce development is one of the region's top priorities. While the local cost of doing business is competitive, as reflected in the survey results, room for improvement exists when it comes to the State of Illinois.



Projected Employment Needs

