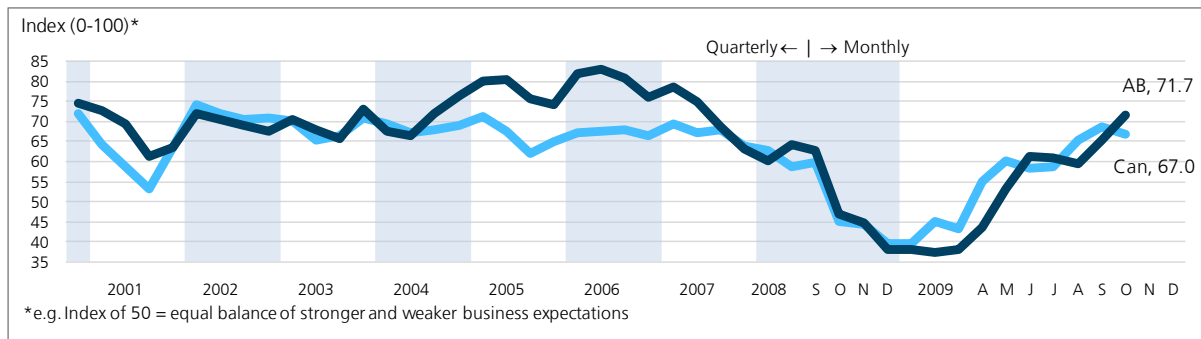


Alberta Business Barometer

November 4, 2009

September-October 2009 Results

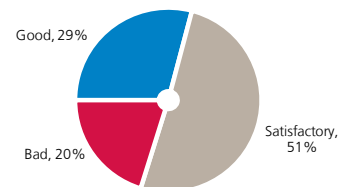
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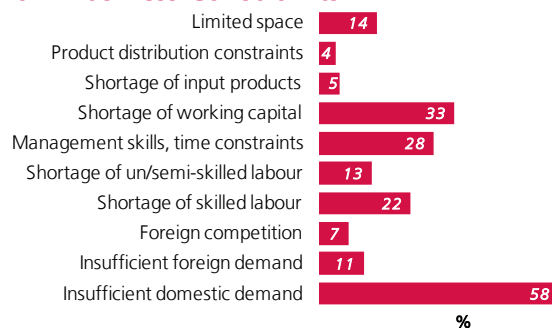
Leading Indicators

	Unfilled customer orders	Staff overtime
	% resp.	% resp.
Above normal	12	7
Normal	48	44
Below normal	40	49

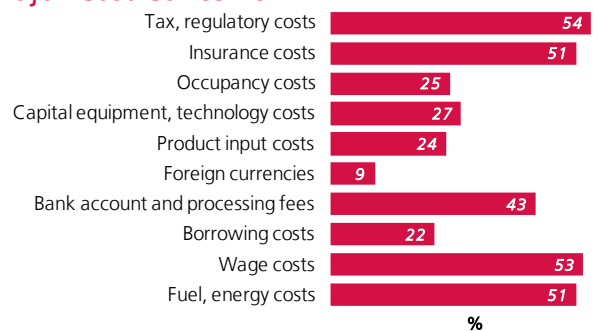
Overall State of Business



Main Business Constraints



Major Cost Concerns



Employment Plans, next 3-4 months

	Full-time	Part-time
	% resp.	% resp.
Increase	27	17
No change	62	72
Decrease	11	11

Financing Availability

	% resp.
Have access to all business credit required	50
Have access to most business credit required	14
Have access to only some business credit required	20
Don't have access to any business credit	7
Not applicable, do not require credit	9

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