

IMPACT OF COVID-19 ON BUSINESSES ACROSS SURREY

ANALYSIS OF RESULT OF SURVEY CONDUCTED BETWEEN 27TH JULY AND 14TH AUGUST 2020

INTRODUCTION

Surrey Chambers of Commerce, working in partnership with Hampshire Chamber of Commerce and Sussex Chamber of Commerce, Surrey County Council, Enterprise M3 and Coast2capital, have conducted this business survey tracking economic conditions of businesses based in Surrey, Hampshire, and Sussex.

The third survey took place from 27th July 2020 until 14th August 2020.

























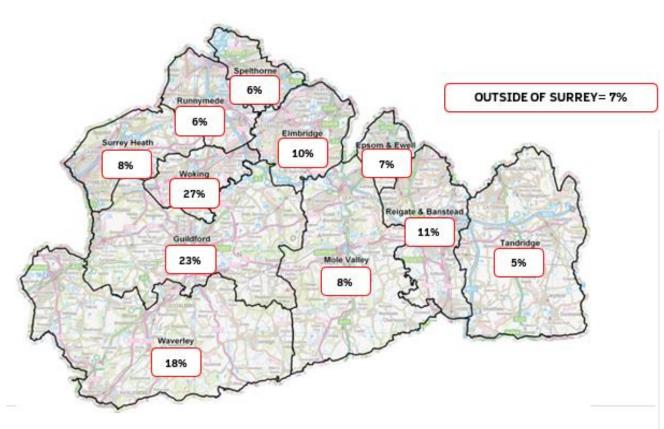




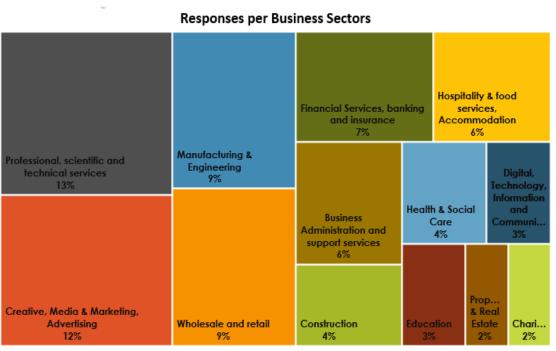




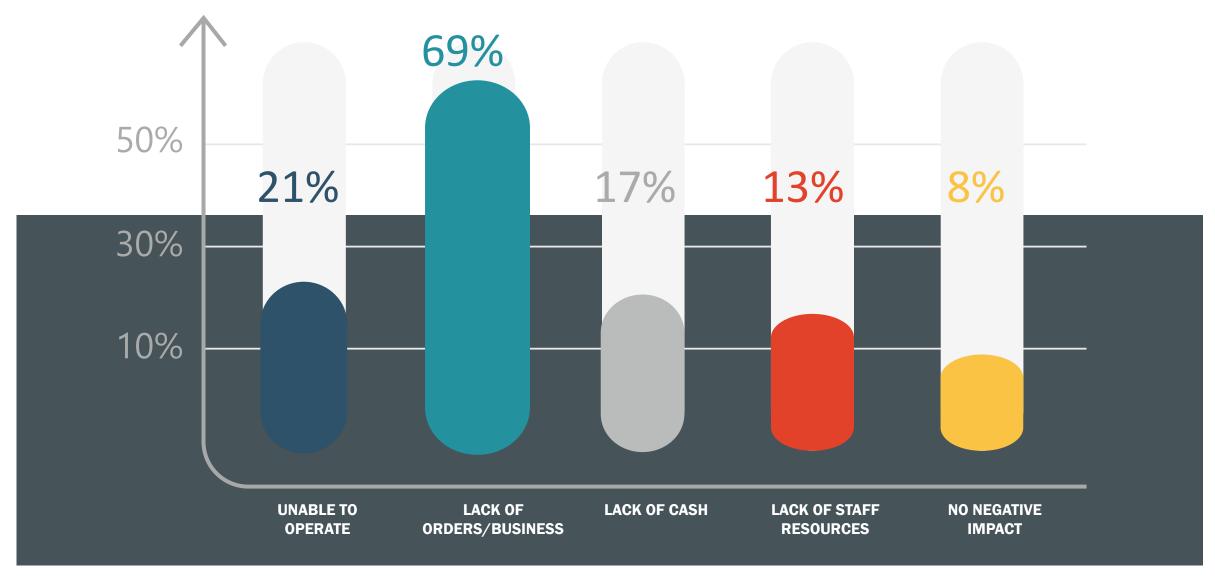
RESPONSE TO THE SURVEY



Number of Employees	% of response
Sole Trader	17%
1 to 9 employees	52%
10 to 49 employees	18%
50 to 249 employees	10%
More than 250 employees	3%

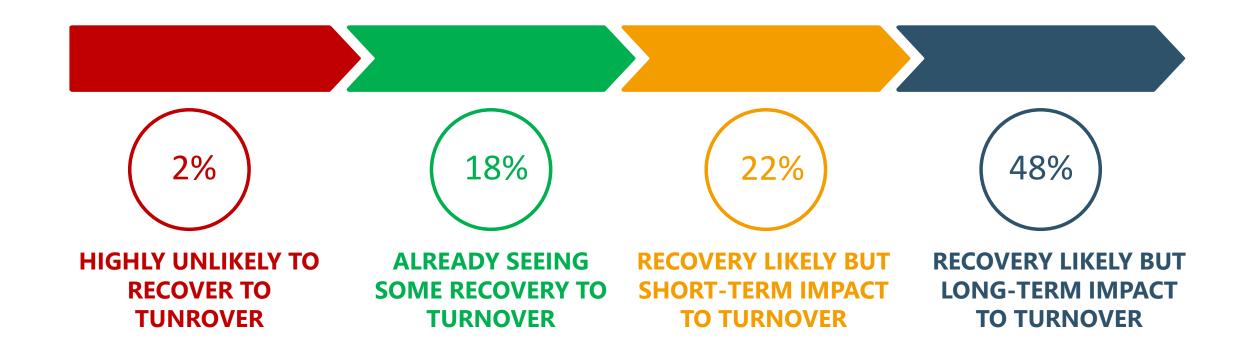


BIGGEST NEGATIVE IMPACTS ON YOUR BUSINESS FROM COVID-19

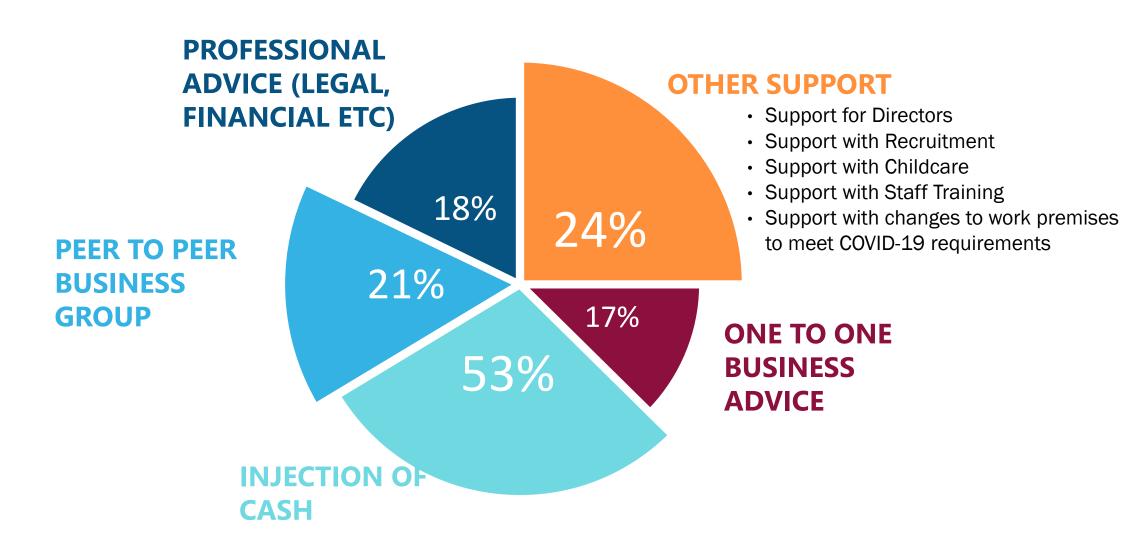


LENGTH OF TIME EXPECTED YOUR BUSINESS TO RECOVER

NEVER 0-6 MONTHS 6-12 MONTHS 1 YEAR +



WHAT TYPE OF SUPPORT WOULD SPEED YOUR RECOVERY?



HOW LONG WILL YOUR CASH LAST?



SAY CASH FLOW WILL LAST

1-3 MONTHS



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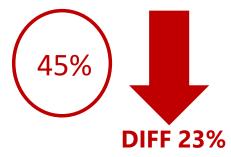
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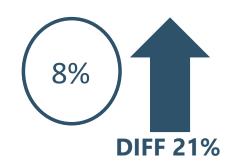
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COMPARED TO RESULTS OF 2ND SURVEY (24TH APRIL – 15TH MAY)









WHICH GOVERNMENT SUPPORT PACKAGES HAVE YOU USED?















8%

Self-Employed Income Support

22%

Bounce Back Loans 10%

Coronavirus
Business
Interruption Loan
Scheme (CBILS)

34%

Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme 23%

Local Authority Small Business Grants 3%

Local Authority
Retail, Hospitality
& Leisure Grant

13%

Local Authority
Discretionary
Grant

Other packages uterlised include:

VAT Deferment for 3 months, Statutory Sick Pay Refund, Upscaled HMRC Time to Pay and Deferral of Self Assessment (14%)

WHAT DO YOU THINK YOUR STAFFING LEVELS WILL BE GOING FORWARD?



16% BELIEVE THEIR STAFFING LEVELS WILL
DECREASE BY 20%

DECREASE BY 10%

7% BELIEVE
THEIR STAFFING
LEVELS WILL
DECREASE BY
MORE THAN
20%

IN PREPARATION FOR A RETURN TO WORK, WHICH OF THE FOLLOWING HAVE YOU CARRIED OUT?

61%

Have created a COVID-Secure Risk Assessment with action plan

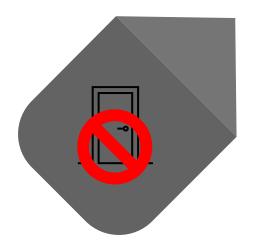


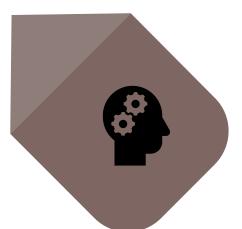


58%
Have consulted with Staff on the feeling of returning

40%

Have plans in place in case of a further lockdown

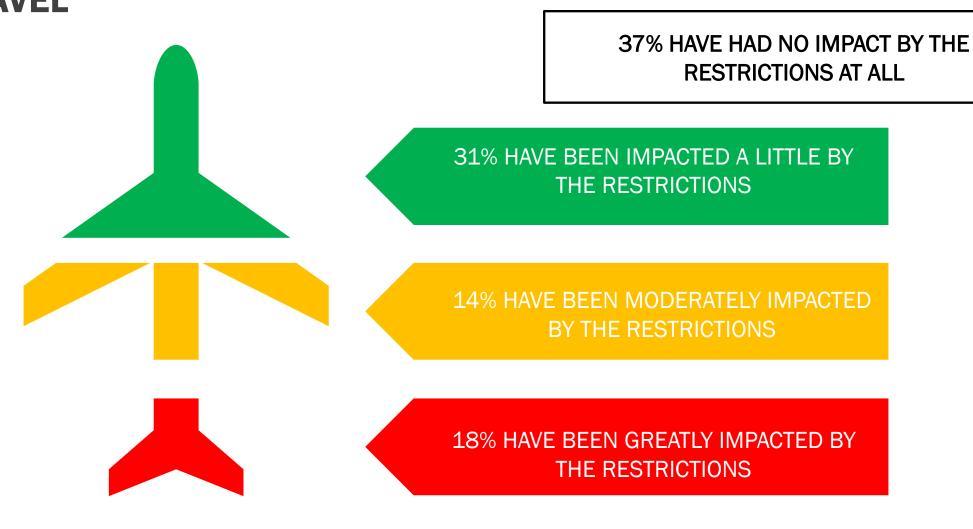




19%
Have carried out other actions

- Continue to allow to work from home,
- Alternate start and finish times
- Change to premise layout

IMPACT BY RESTRICTIONS STILL IMPOSED ON AVIATION & OTHER TRAVEL

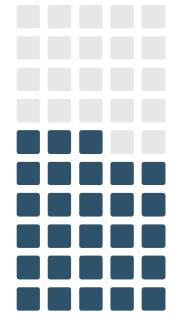


WHAT HAVE BEEN THE BIGGEST IMPACTS TO YOUR BUSINESS OF 30% OF RESPONDENTS THAT TRADE INTERNATIONALLY...



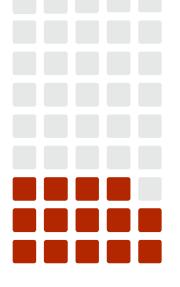
85%

Have seen orders cancelled by overseas customers



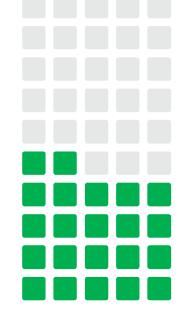
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Have had delays receiving goods from UK and Overseas customers



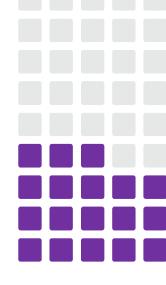
28%

Have been disrupted by severe reduction in activity on international routes (airfreight capacity/ Shipping delays)



44%

Have been disrupted by staffing issues (furloughed / redundant / selfisolating)



35%

Have been disrupted due cash flow or operational issues