



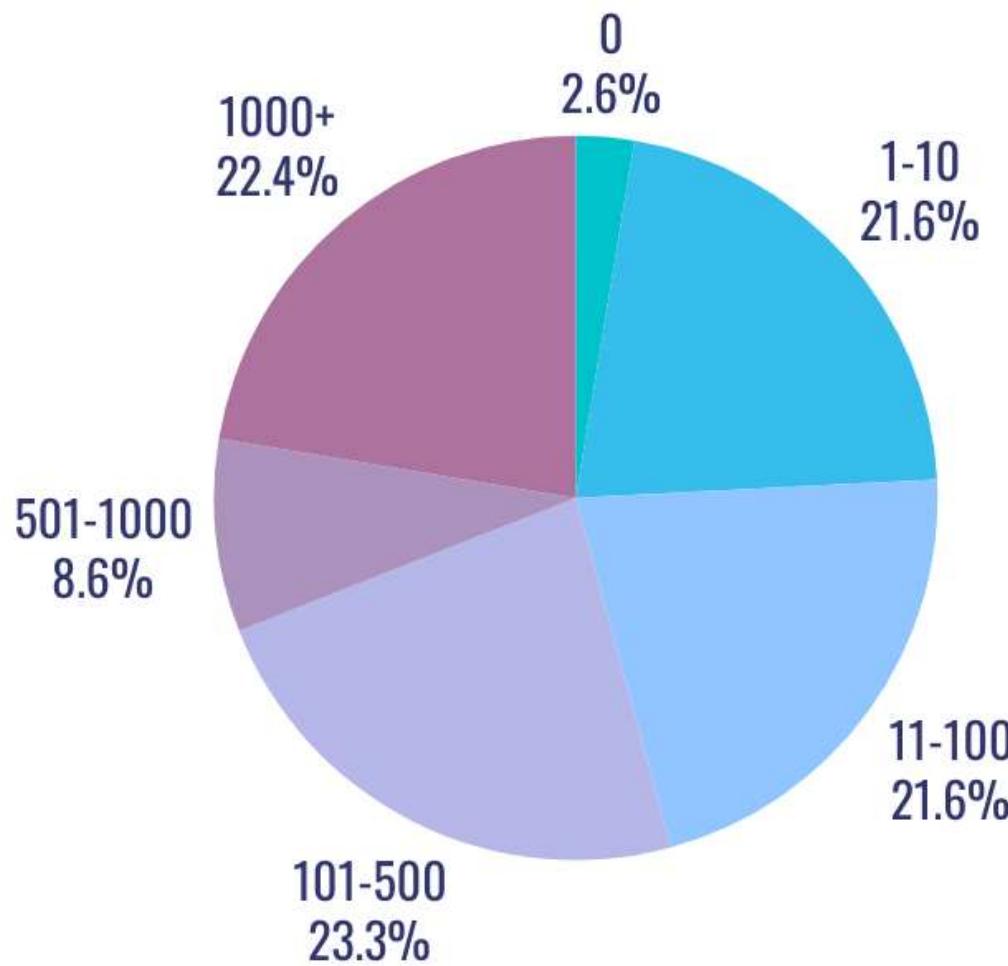
2026 Leadership Poll Series

Q1 Results

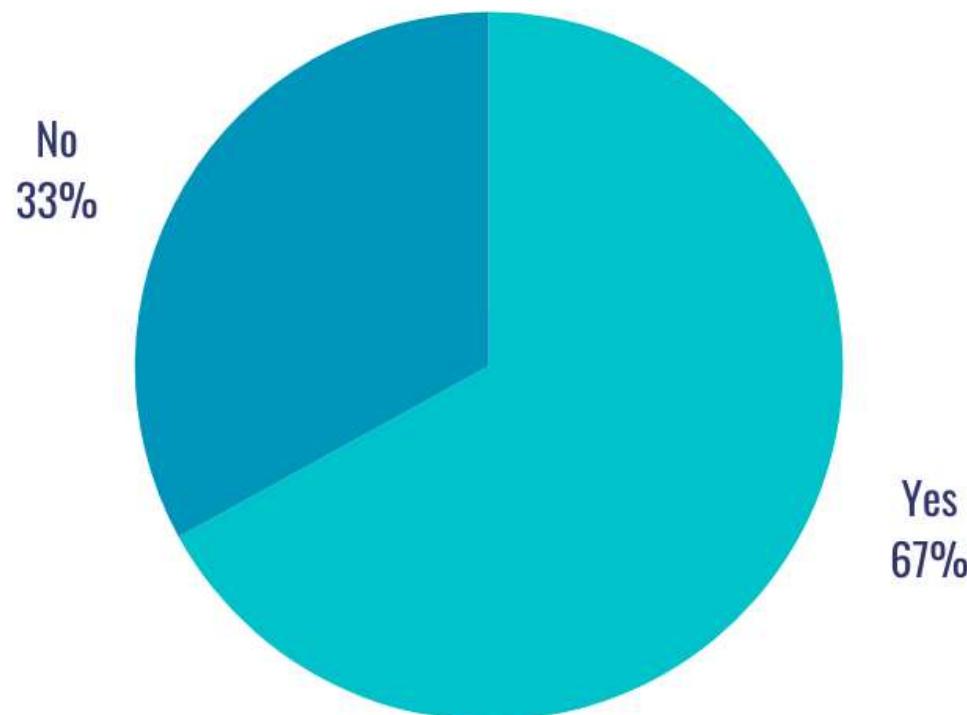
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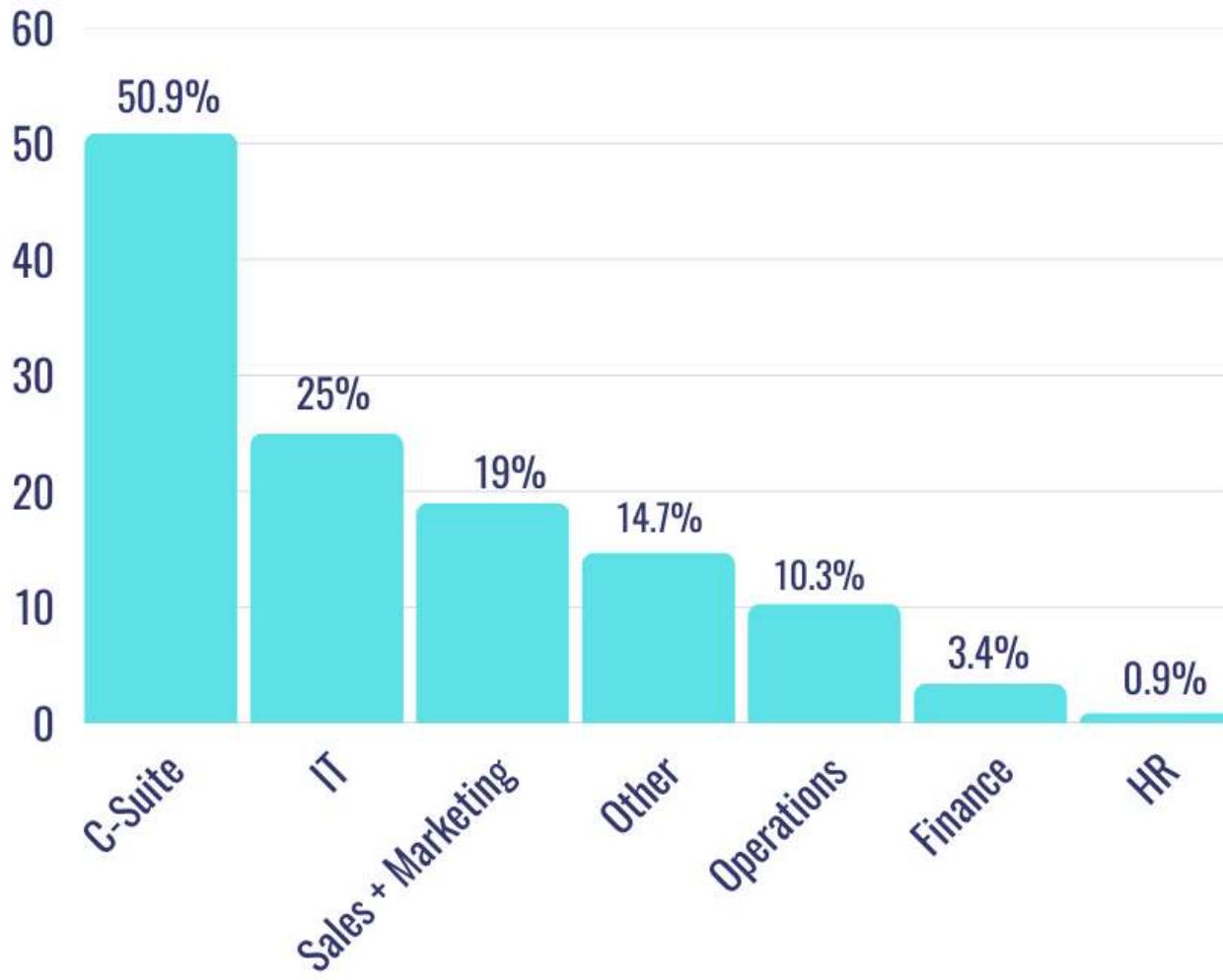
Which range best depicts the number of NC-based employees in your organization?



Is your company headquartered in NC?

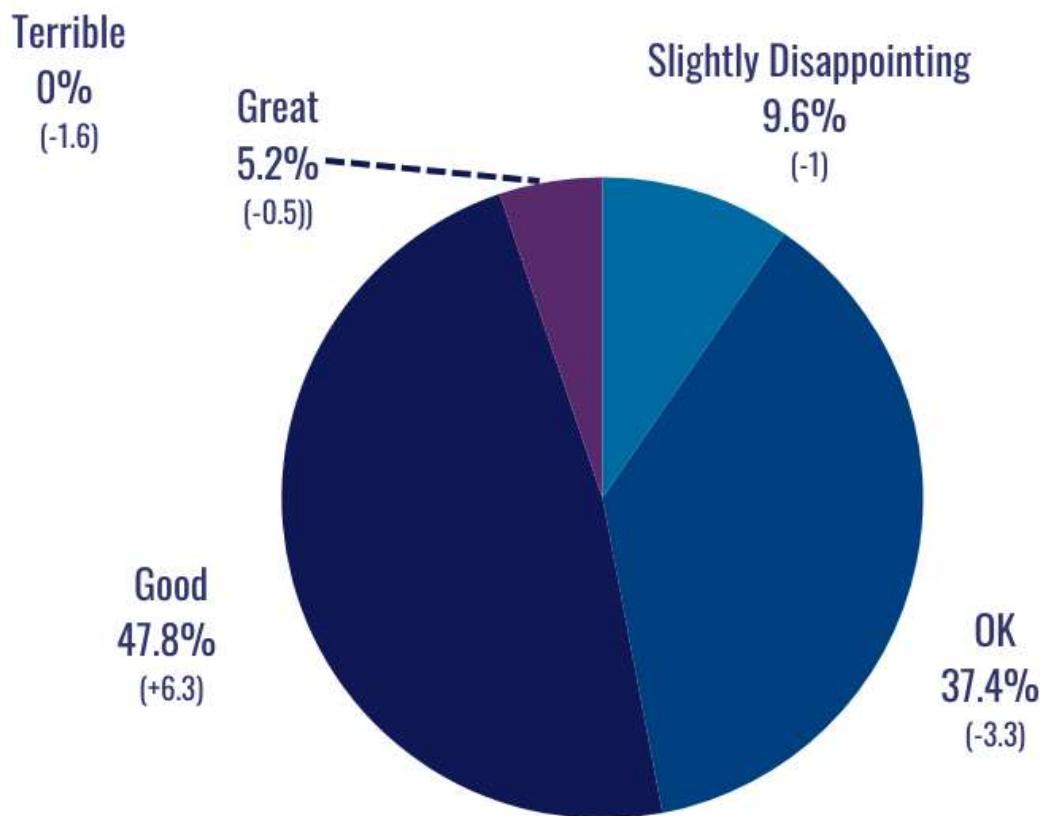


What is your role within your organization?

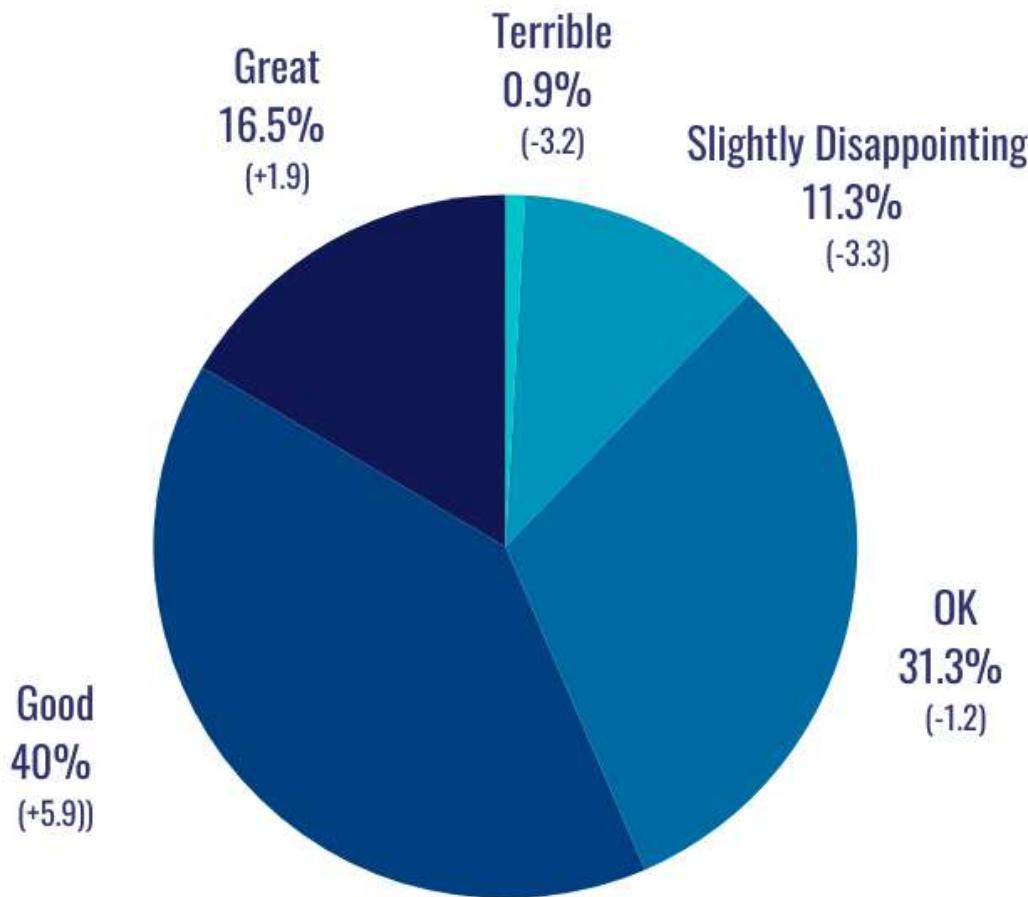


*****Respondents were given the option to mark all that apply***

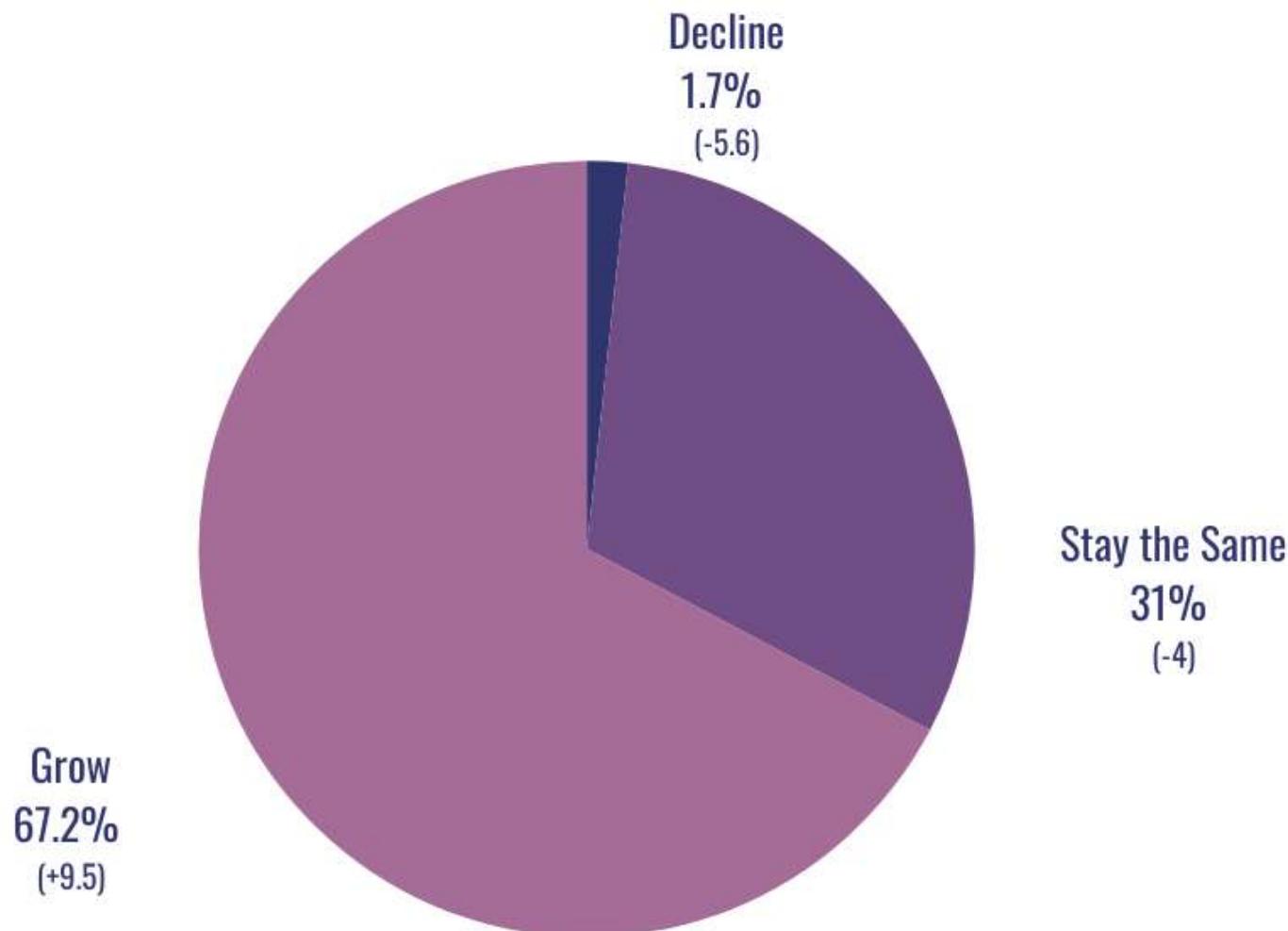
How do you perceive the past quarter has been for North Carolina's technology sector broadly?



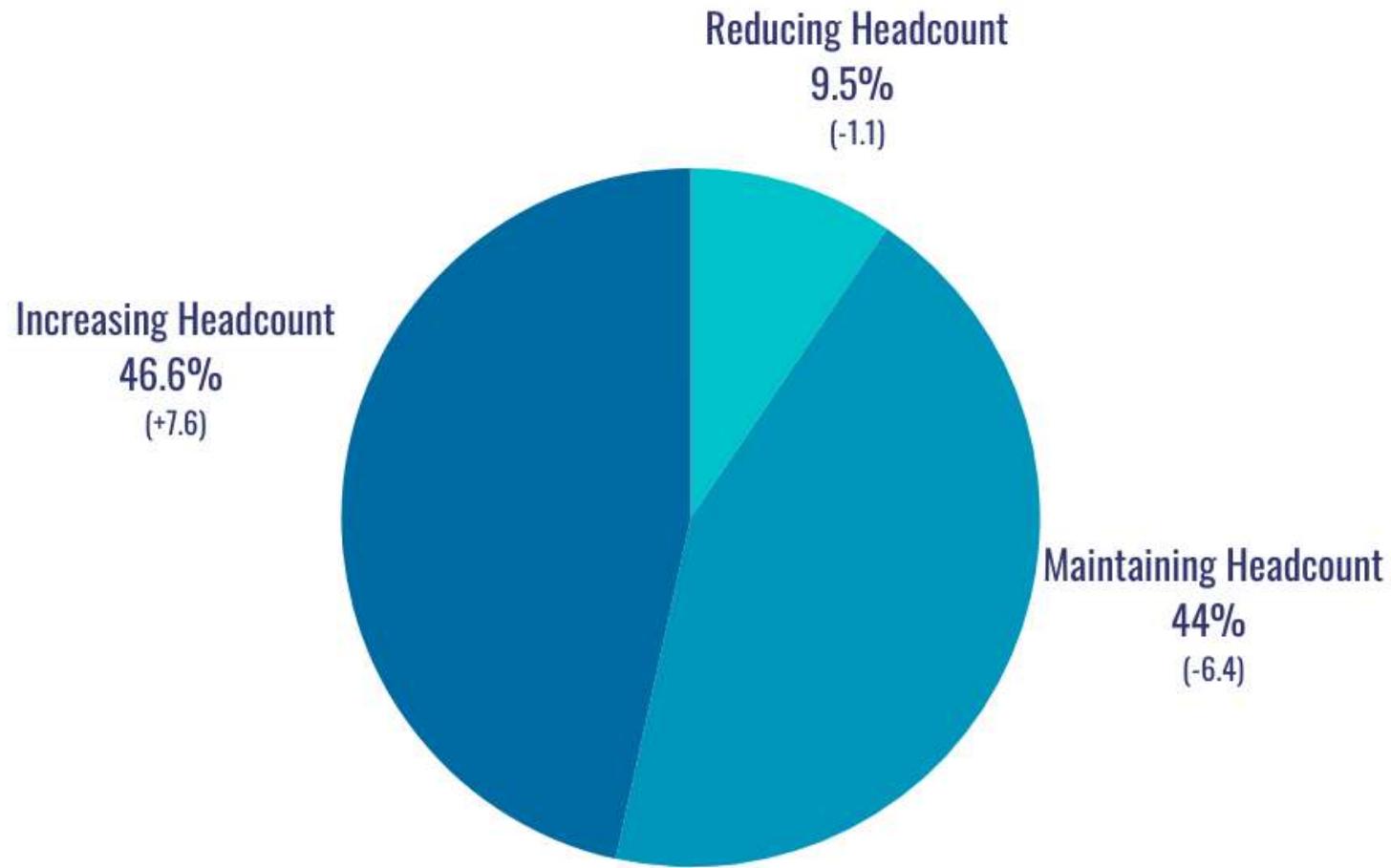
How has the past quarter been for your organization specifically?



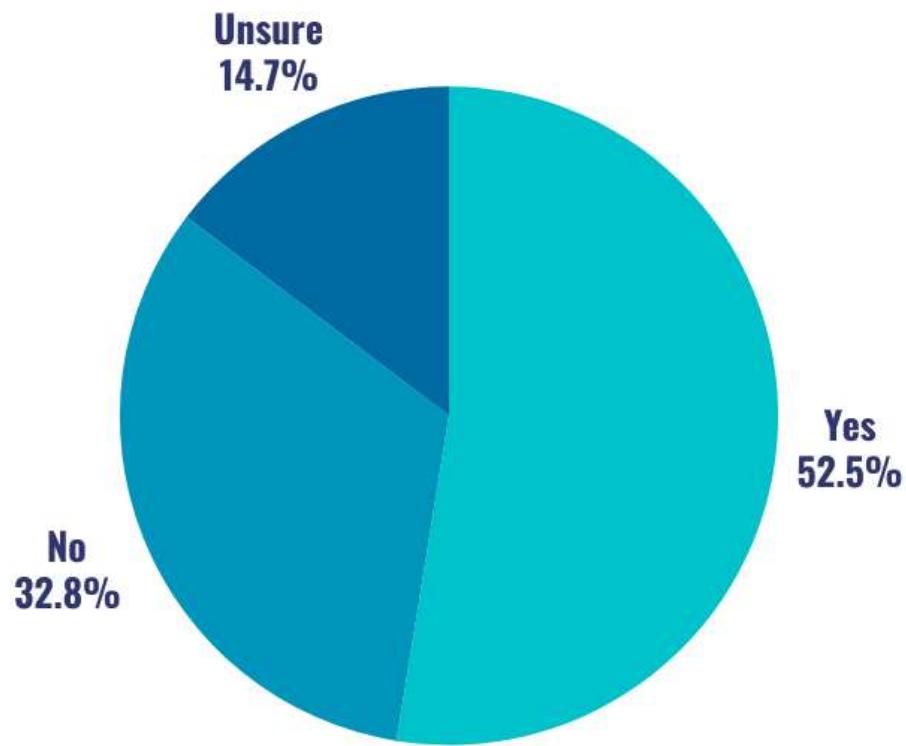
I expect that over the next quarter our business will:



Is your organization:



Are you concerned about a possible return of inflation in 2026 impacting your business costs?



What makes you optimistic about the next 12 months?

Economic
Momentum

AI Growth +
Recession
Resilience

Innovation
Continued
Demand

Stabilizing
Interest Rates

NC Growth +
Business Climate

What concerns you, if anything, about the next 12 months?

Consumer +
Customer Spending

Tariffs + Trade Policy

Stagflation

Supply Chain
Shortages

Political Instability
+ Uncertainty

Geopolitical
Tensions

Inflation
AI Misuse



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