



Temperature check survey results

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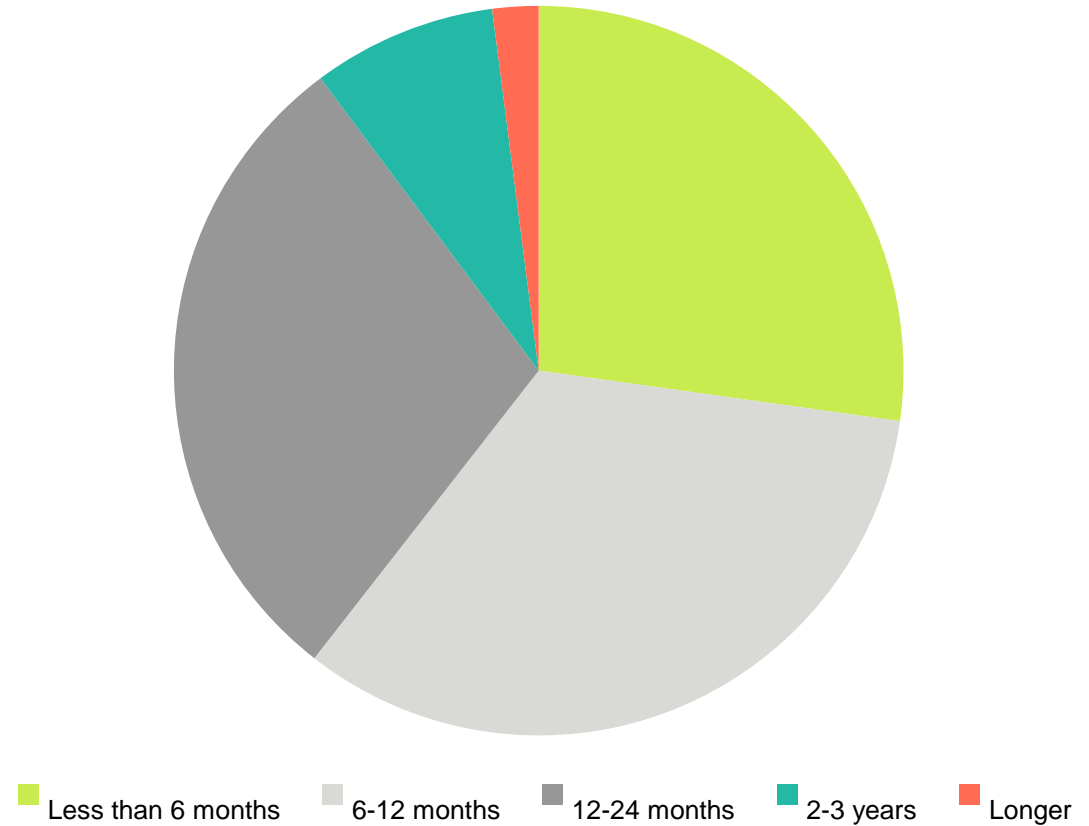
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How long do you expect it to take for your business to return to pre-COVID levels?

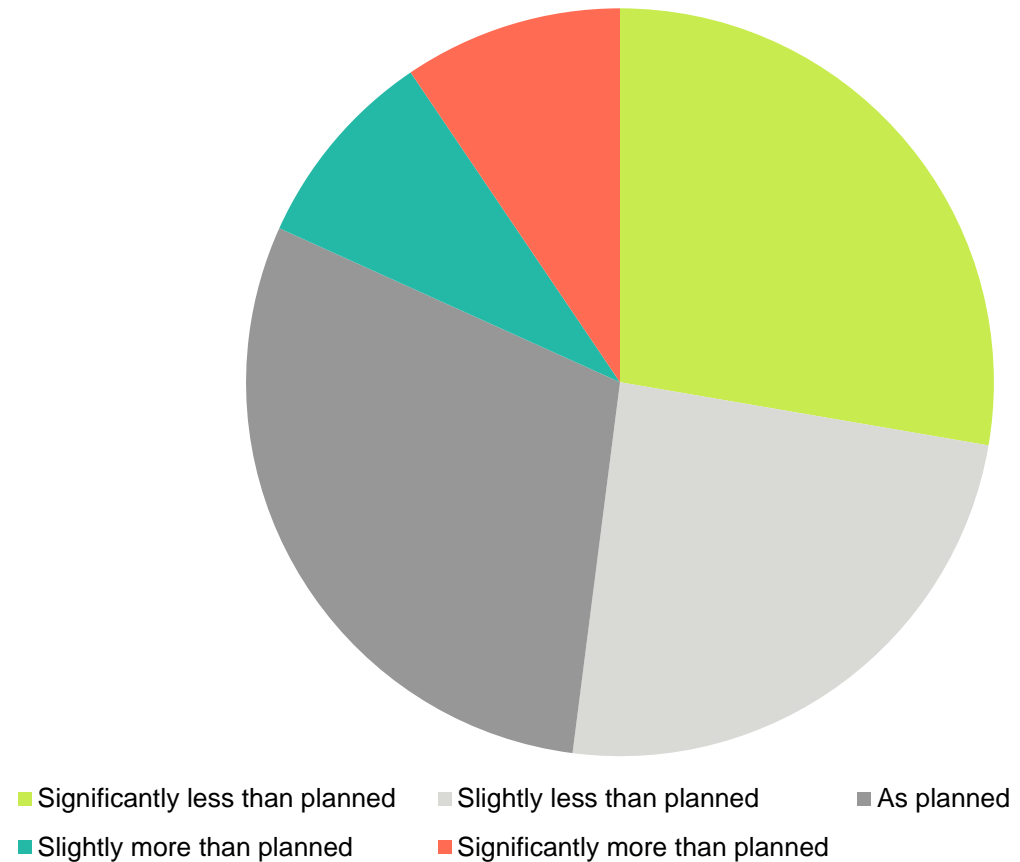
“The pandemic has highlighted various inefficiencies that we must now try to repair whilst being supported by the government.”





How has the COVID pandemic affected your investment plans for the next 12 months compared to pre pandemic budgets?

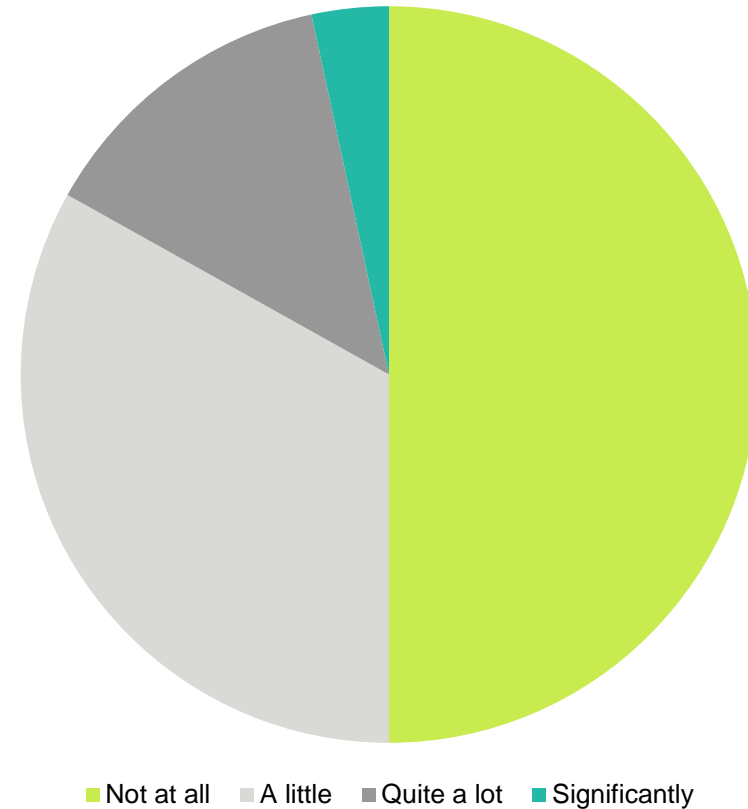
“Our Business has increased dramatically in the Covid 19 lockdown. This has actually created a large headache for us. We have had to take on additional staff and will also have to now invest heavily in new custom built equipment to handle this increase.”





Has the impact of COVID led you to change your product mix?

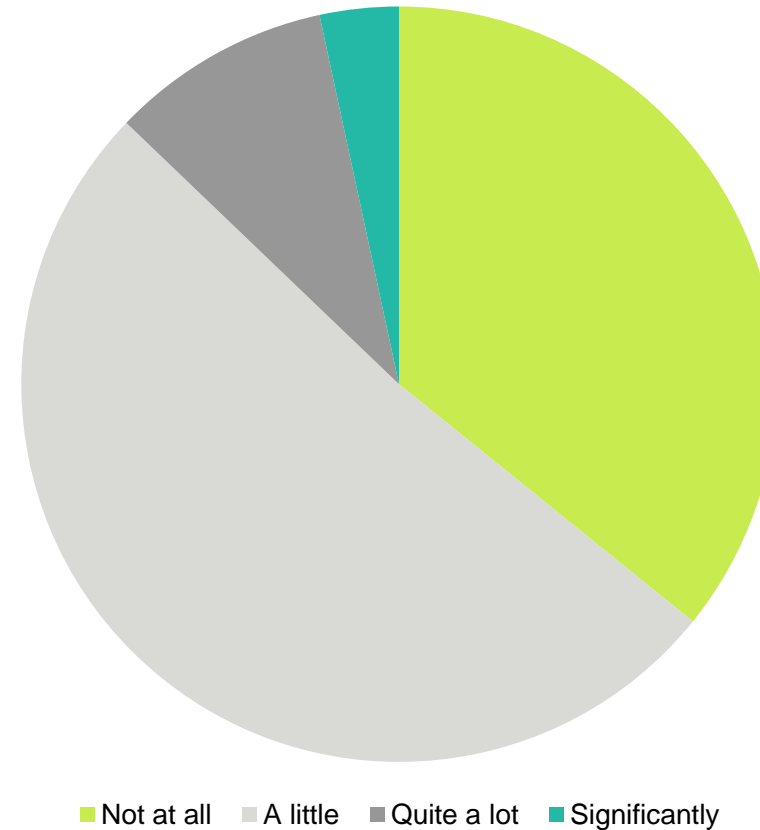
“As a plant and haulage supplier to the rail sector Covid-19 has not stopped us in anyway, as key workers to the rail industry our work continued as normal, if anything we have been busier than normal taking advantage of lockdown to under go works with minimum disruption to public using the rail network.”





How much has the social distancing rules affected your manufacturing capacity?

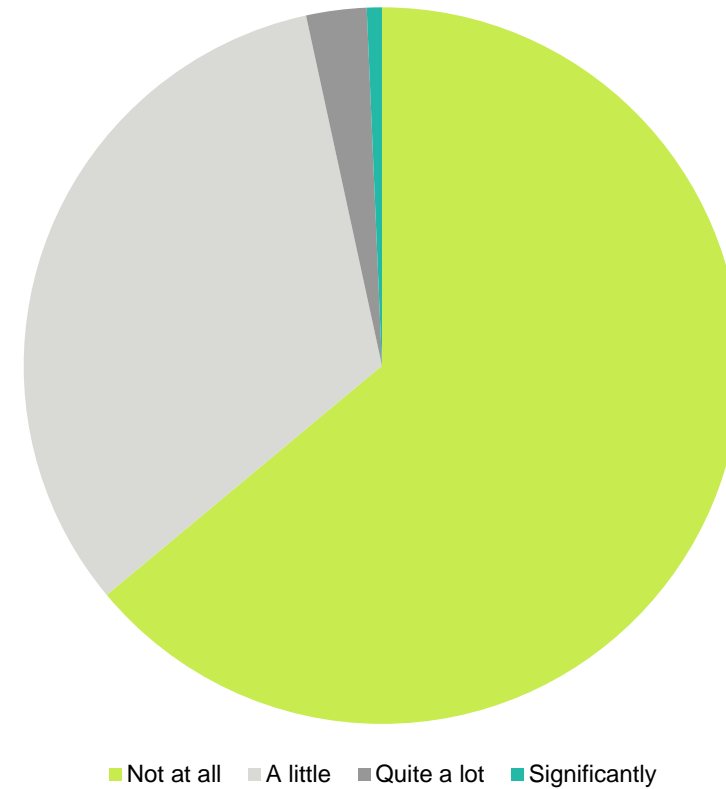
“Government policy re social distancing has a major impact on the companies we do most of our business with. While the furloughing has been a great help, it’s coming to an end in October without a similar ending to the social distancing policy will mean that those employees currently furloughed will be made redundant unless the scheme is continued on a selective basis.”





Will you be changing your supply chain as a result of the pandemic?

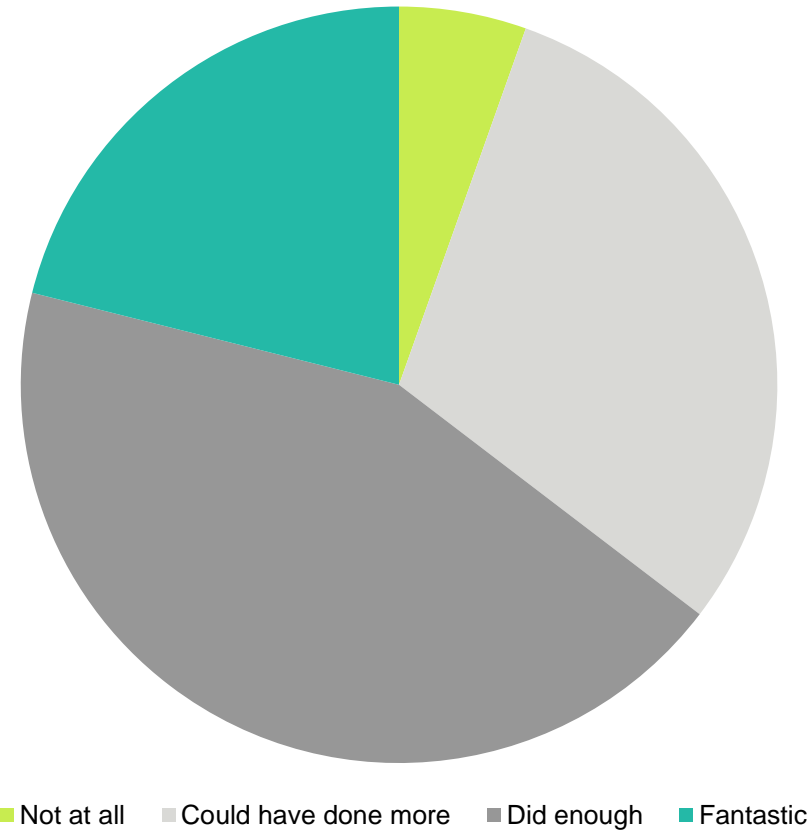
“The suppliers who raised their prices dramatically over the pandemic have now been removed from our supplier register. We will not be using them anymore in any projects.”





How well has the government supported manufacturers during the pandemic?

“We would have always liked more, but on balance across the whole economy, it is probably about right. It will be interesting to see what they do if anything more long term, with things like Industrial strategy, and Green initiatives.”





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