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For The 6-Month Period Ending
June 30th, 2005

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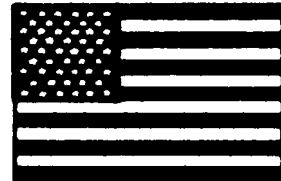
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CTMA
Canadian Tooling &
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CAMM
Canadian Association of
Moldmakers

MMC / CPIA
Moldmakers Council of
Canadian Plastics Industry Association



NTMA
National Tooling &
Machining Association

Results Compiled By:
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ARGENTINA



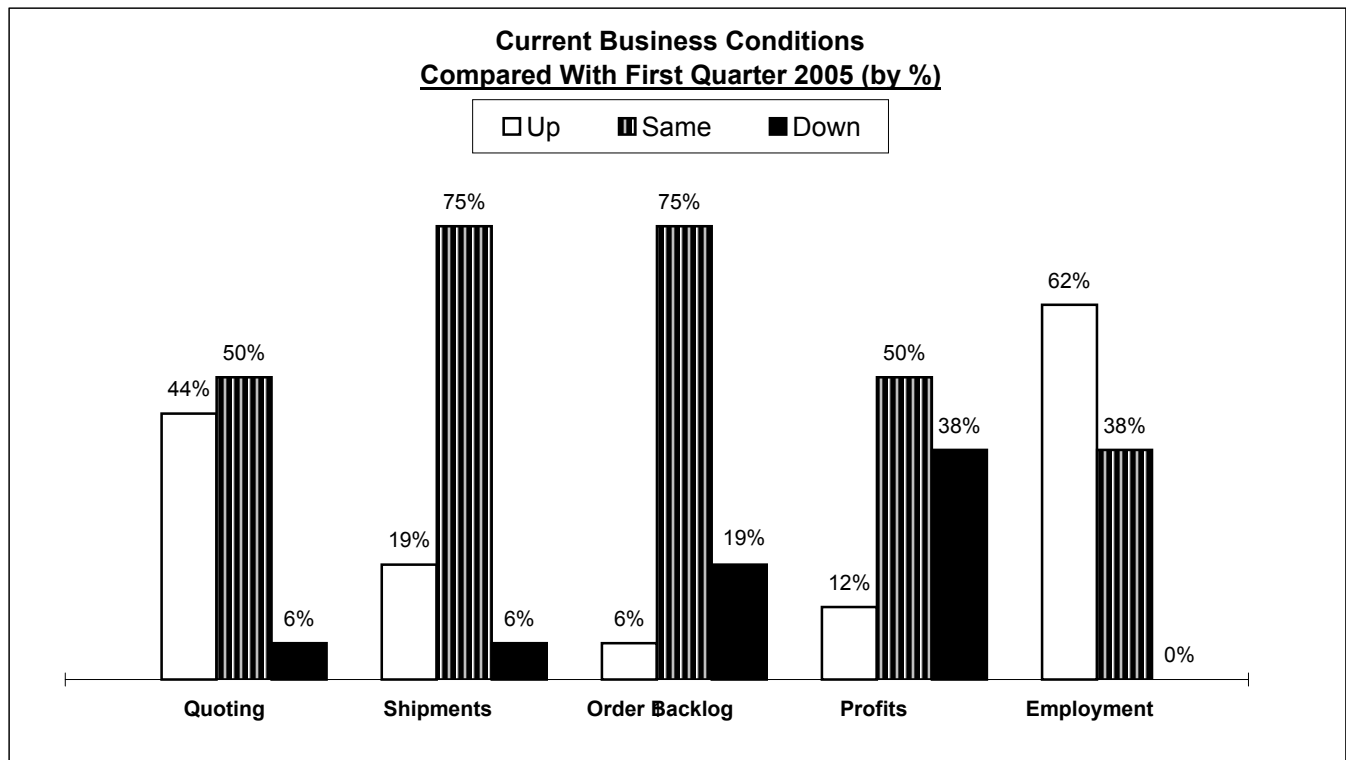
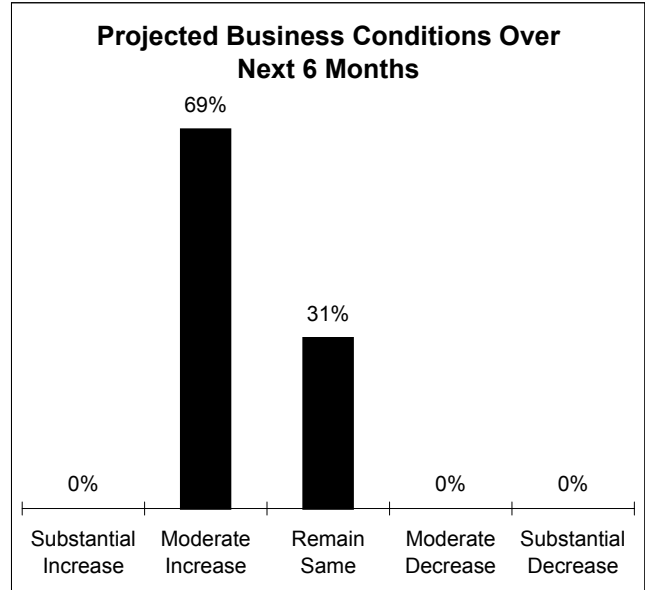
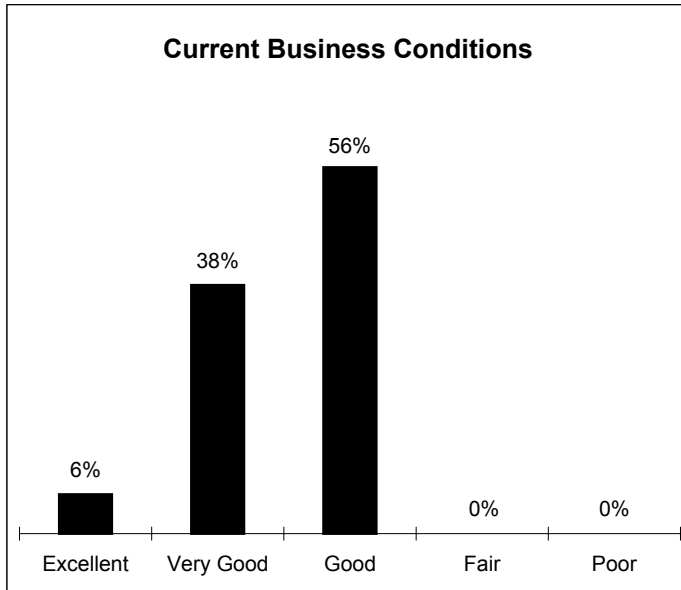
ALL SECTORS

(16 survey responses)

Total Number of Skilled Employees: 739 (at Dec. 31, 2004) 781 (at June 30, 2005)

Current Average Work Week Per Skilled Employee: 48.5 Hours

Future Work Currently on Order Books: 18.4 Weeks



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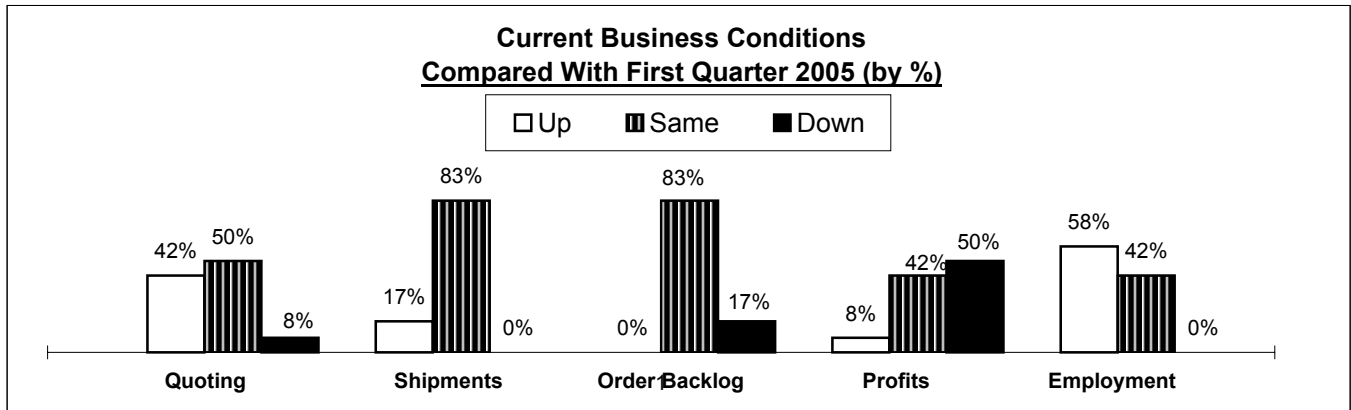
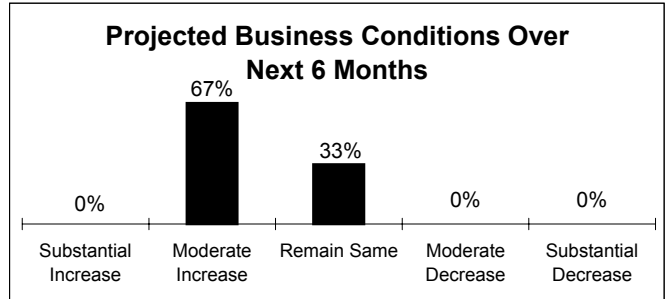
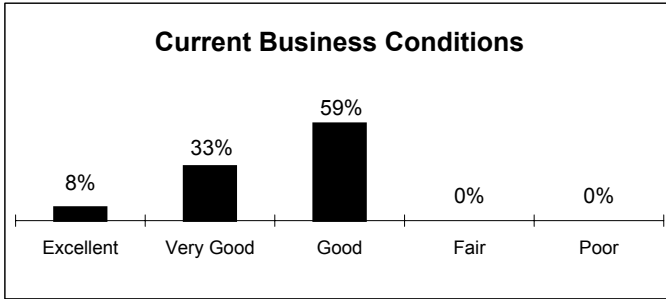
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ARGENTINA



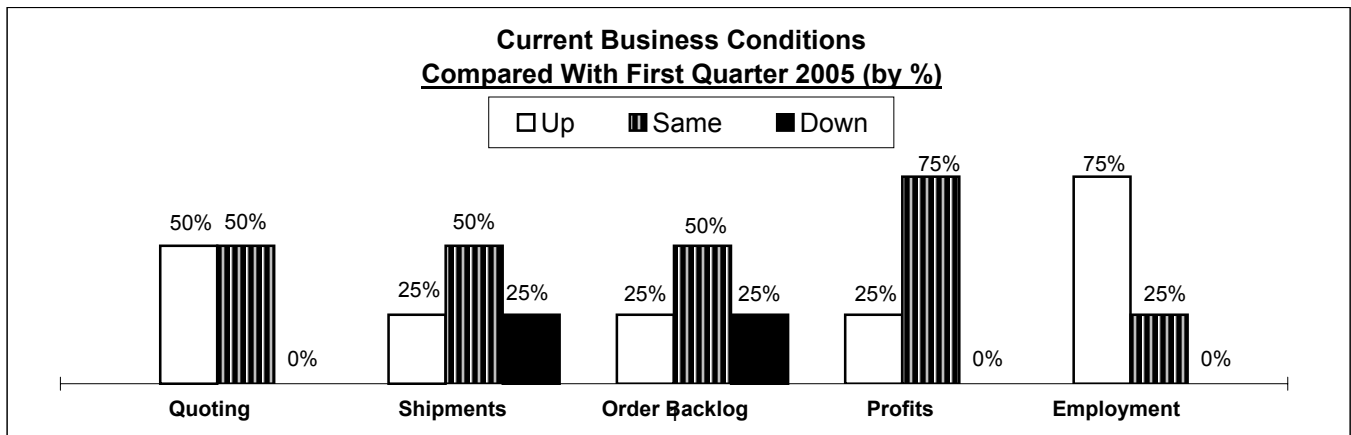
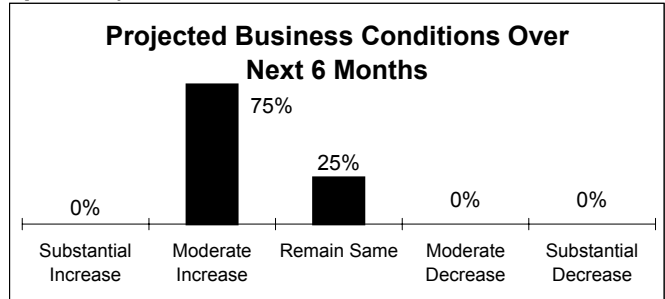
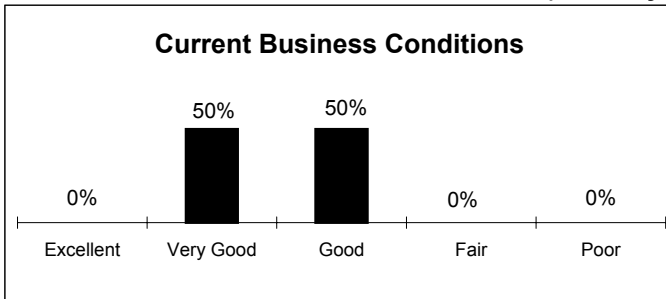
TOOL, DIE & FIXTURE SECTOR

(12 survey responses)



MOLD SECTOR

(4 survey responses)



NOTES: Precision Machining Sector - insufficient data to report.
Special Machines Sector - insufficient data to report.

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CANADA



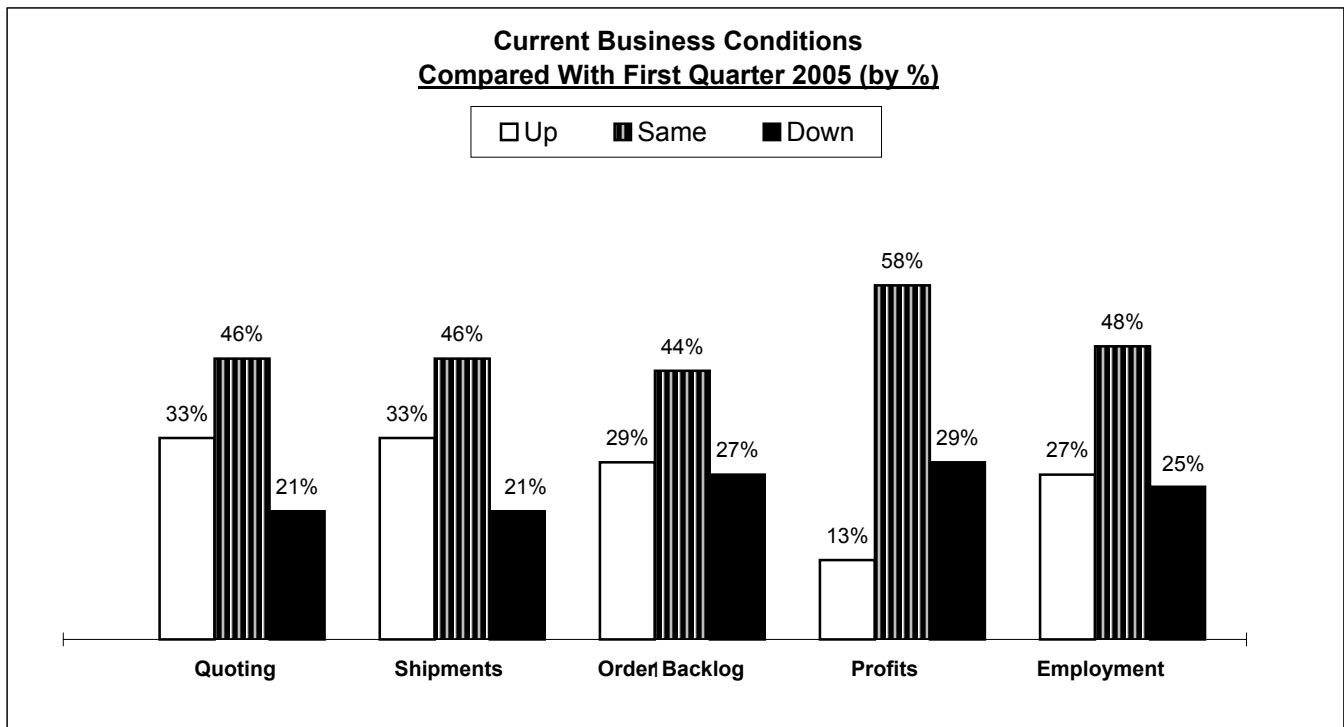
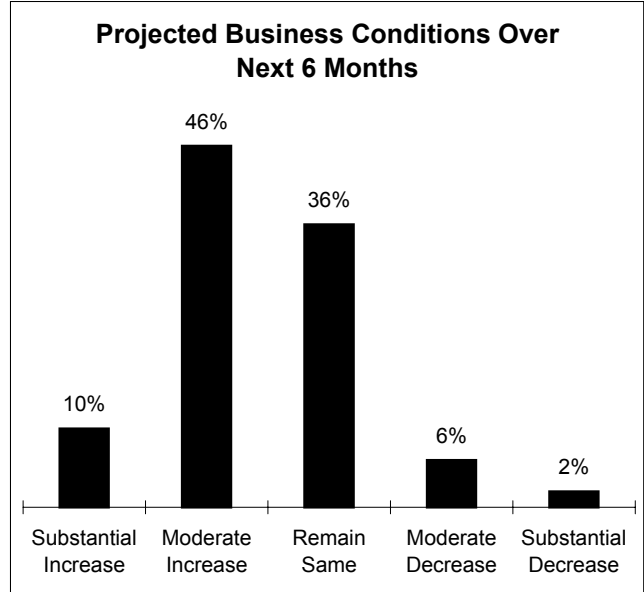
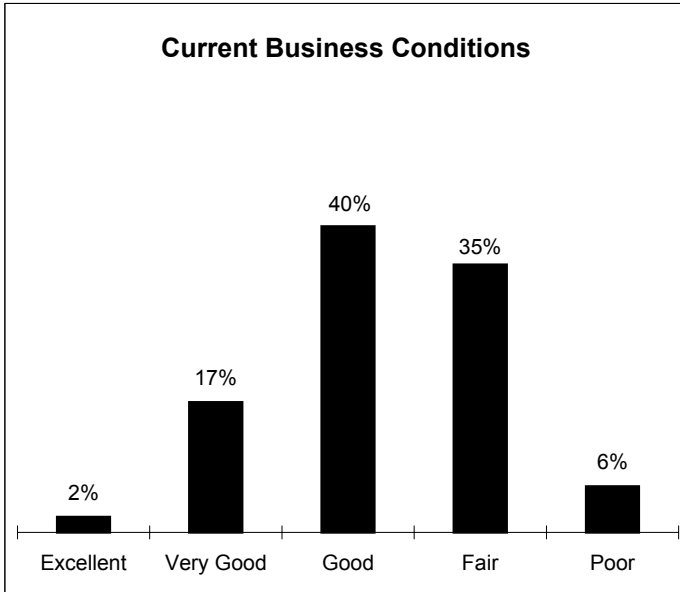
ALL SECTORS

(52 survey responses ... 32% of membership)

Total Number of Skilled Employees: 3,125 (at Dec. 31, 2004) 3,181 (at June 30, 2005)

Current Average Work Week Per Skilled Employee: 44.0 hours

Future Work Currently on Order Books: 11.4 weeks

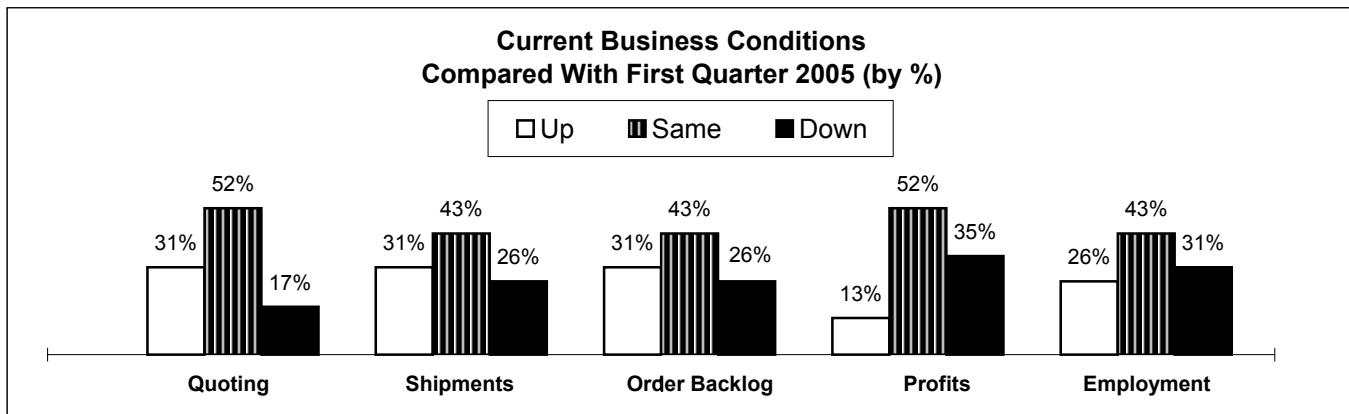
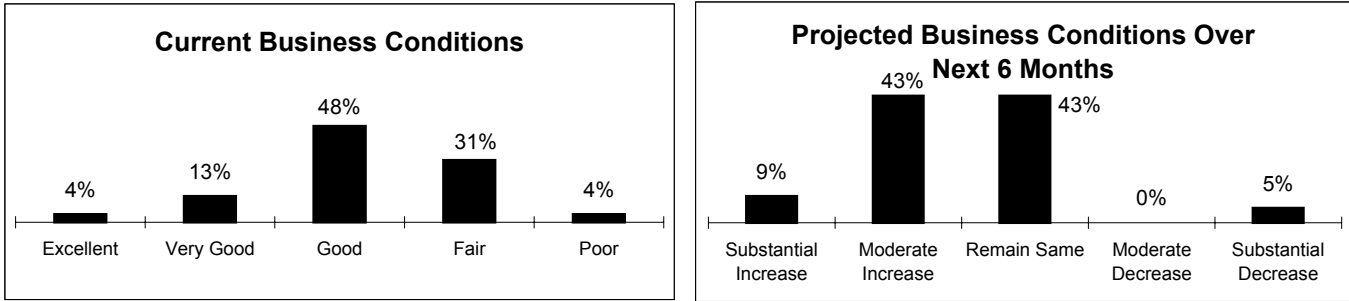


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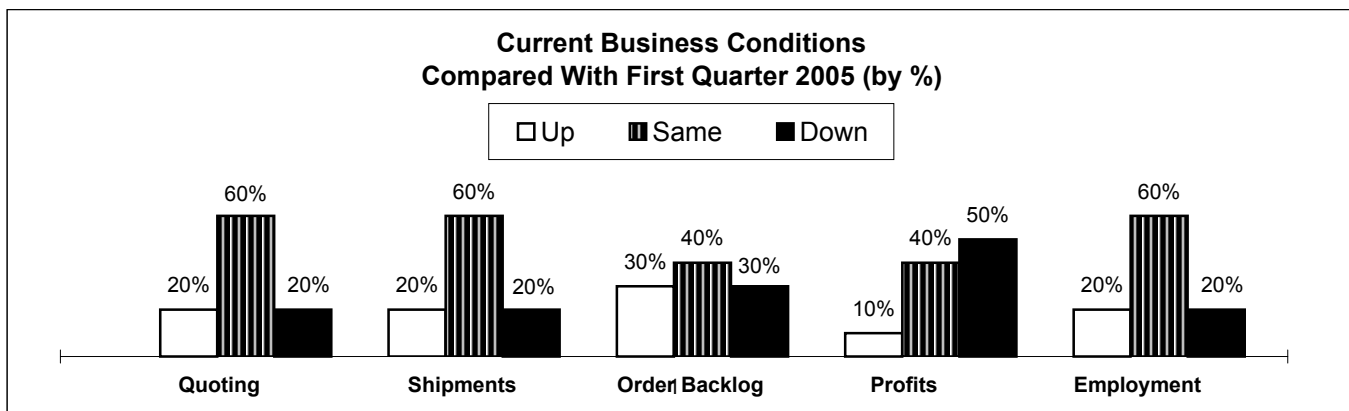
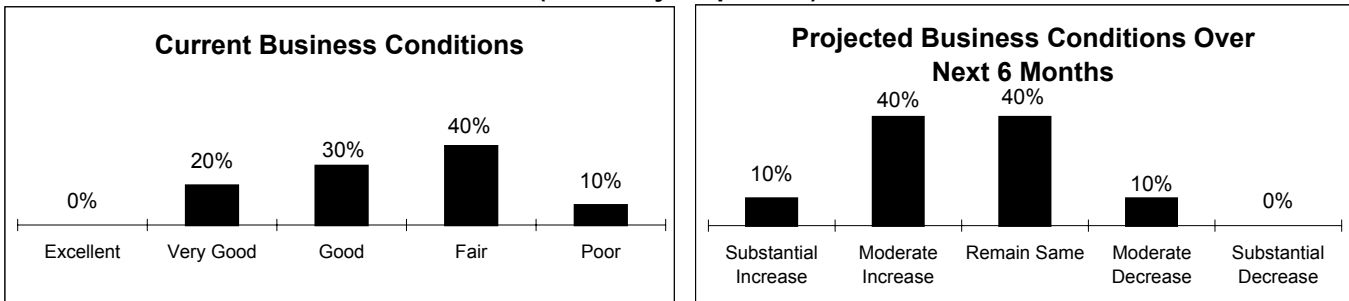
TOOL, DIE & FIXTURE SECTOR

(23 survey responses)



MOULD SECTOR

(10 survey responses)

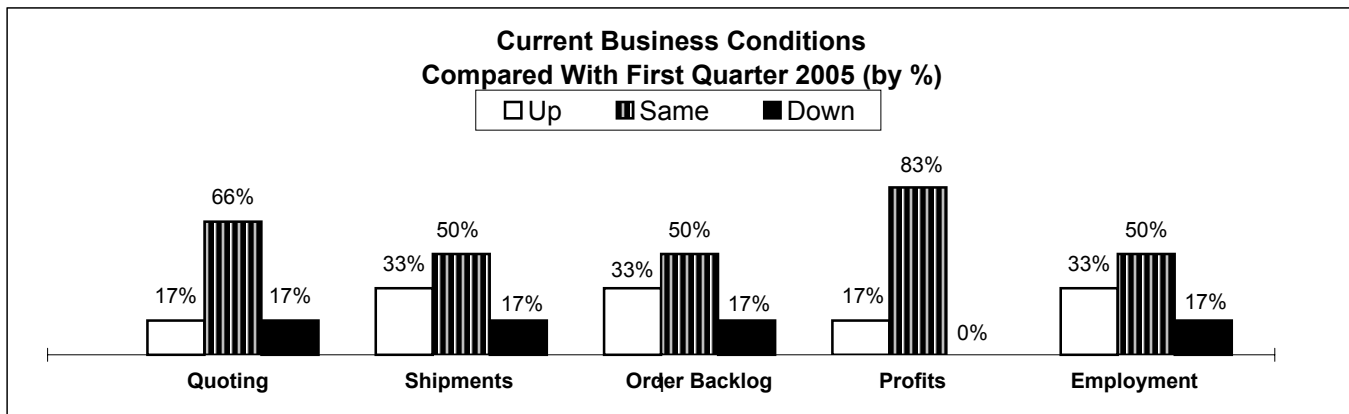
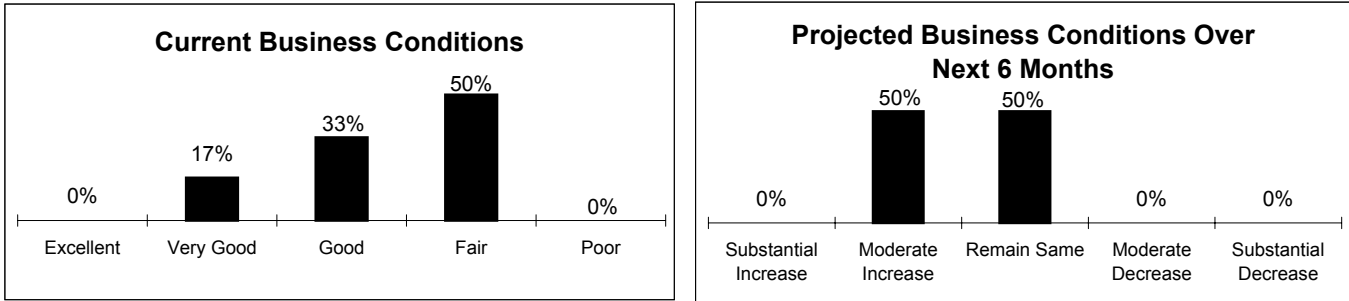


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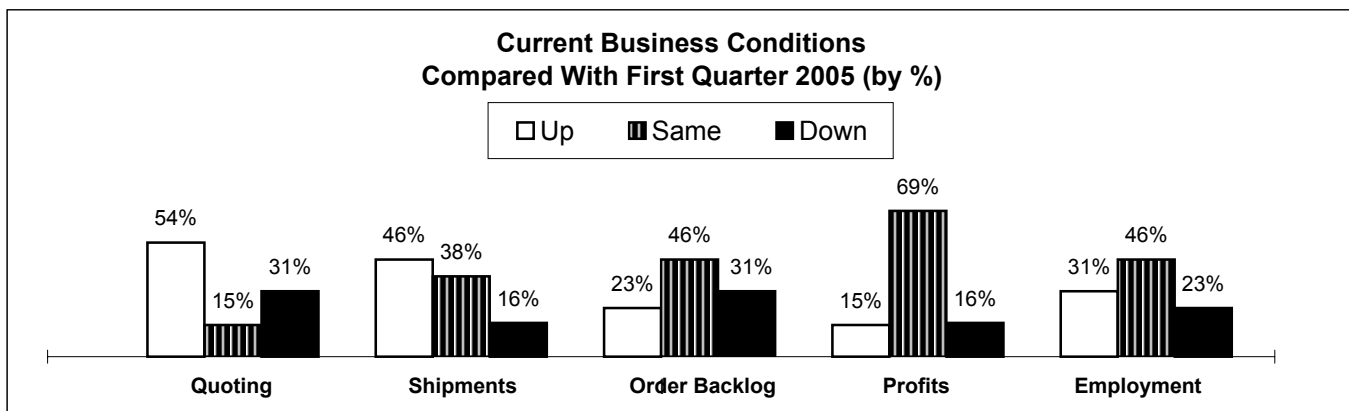
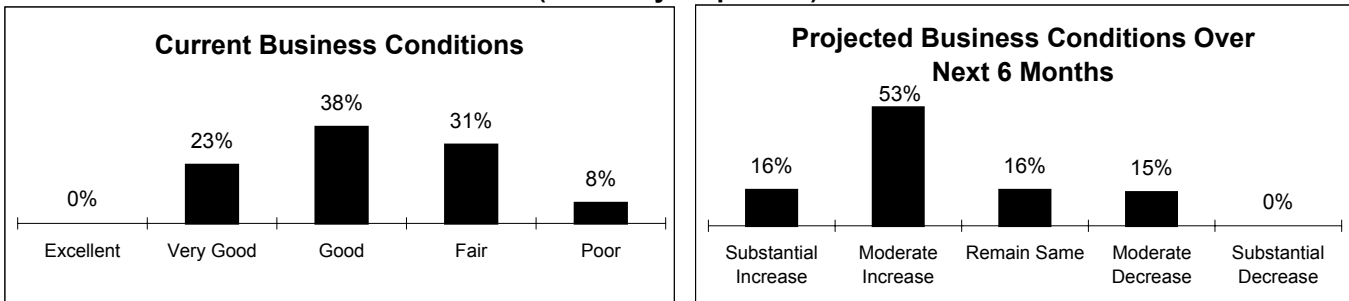
SPECIAL MACHINES SECTOR

(6 survey responses)



PRECISION MACHINING SECTOR

(13 survey responses)



NOTE: Patternmaking Sector - insufficient data to report.

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USA



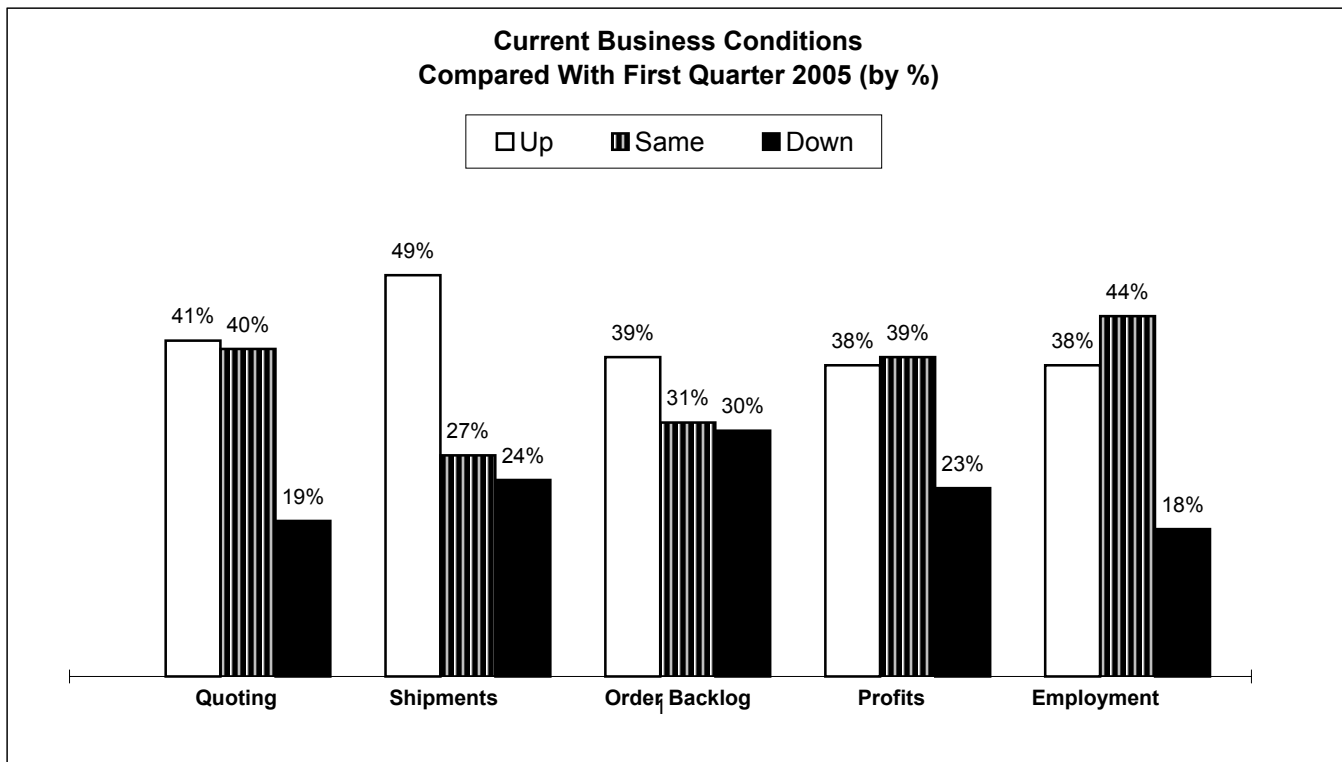
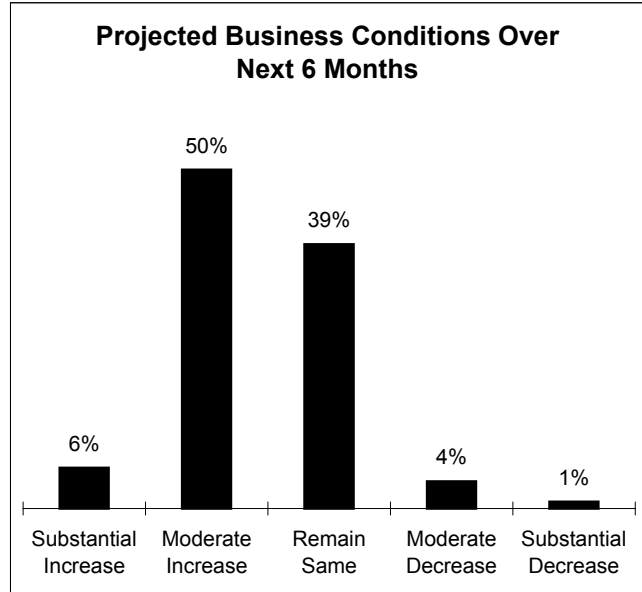
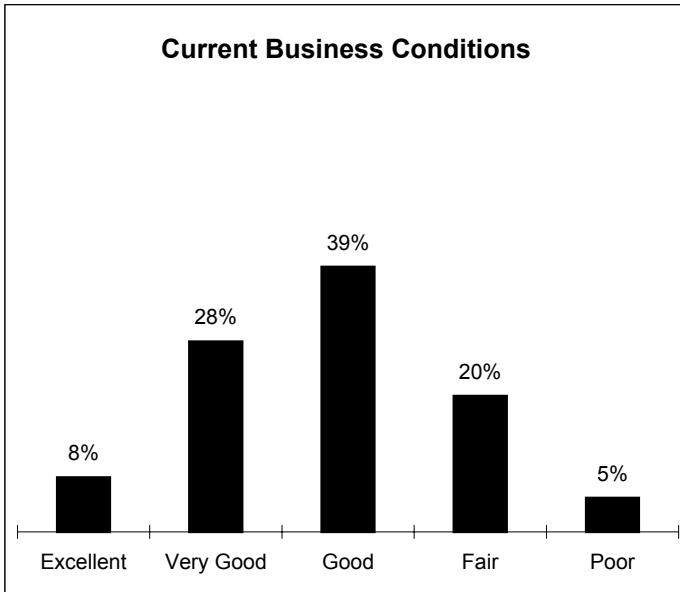
ALL SECTORS

(182 survey responses ... 11% of membership)

Total Number of Skilled Employees: 8,988 (at Dec. 31, 2004) 9,406 (at June 30, 2005)

Current Average Work Week Per Skilled Employee: 45.5 hours

Future Work Currently on Order Books: 13.6 weeks



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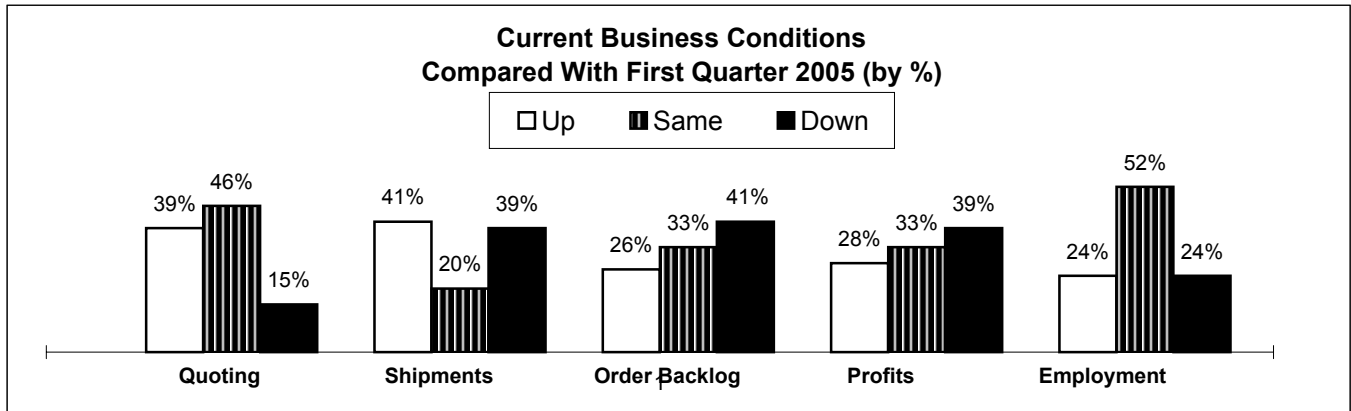
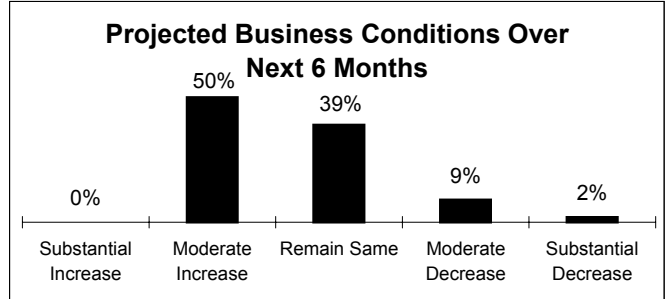
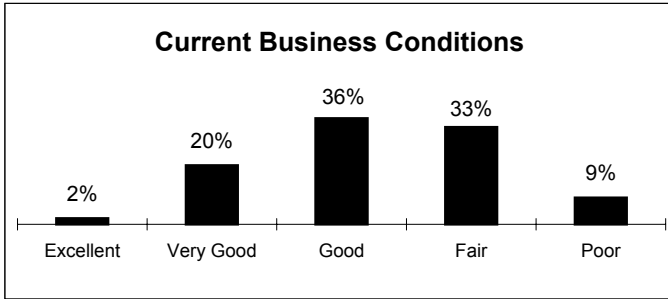
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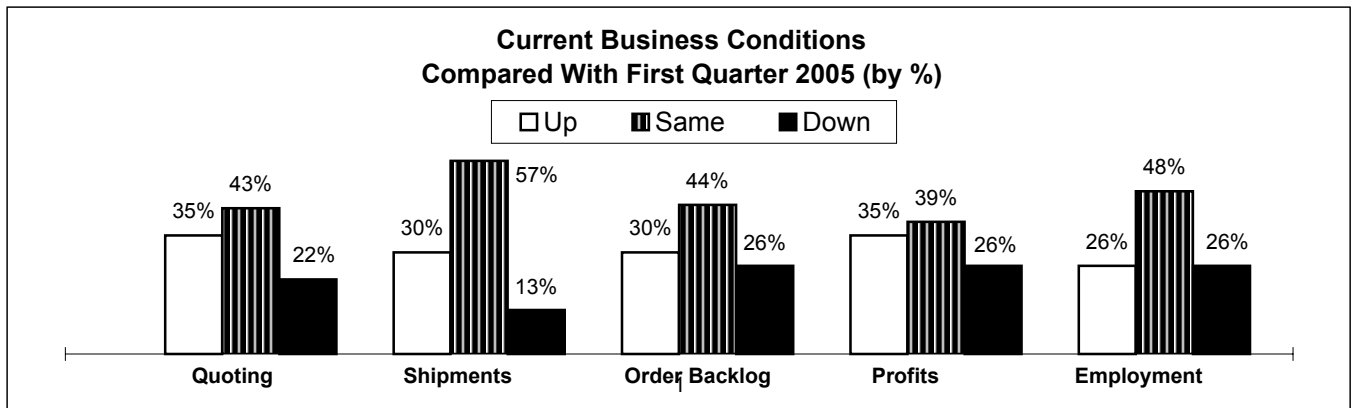
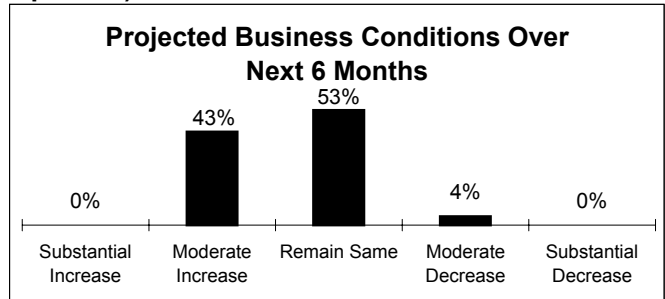
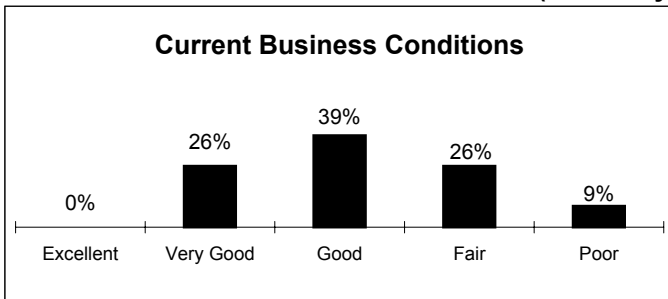
TOOL, DIE & FIXTURE SECTOR

(46 survey responses)



MOLD SECTOR

(23 survey responses)



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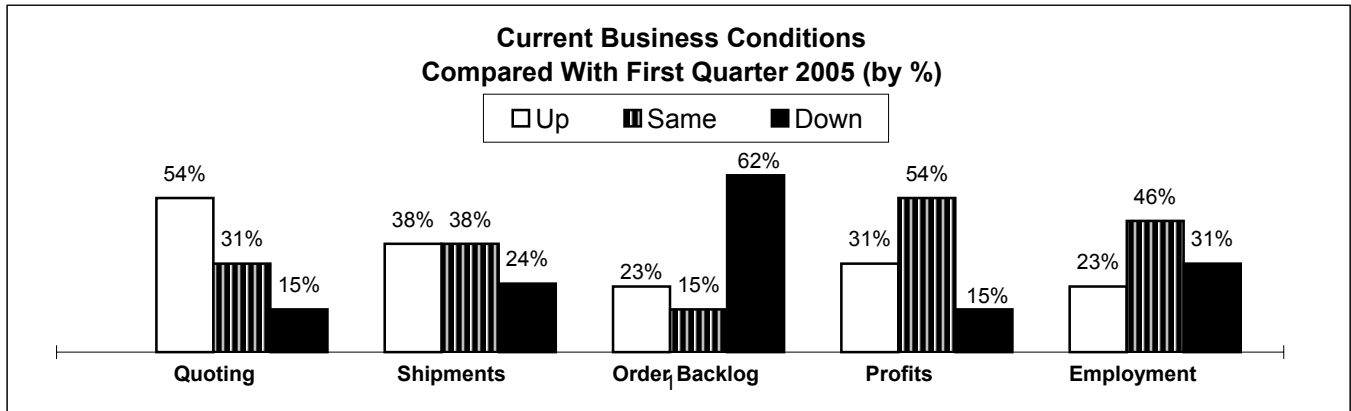
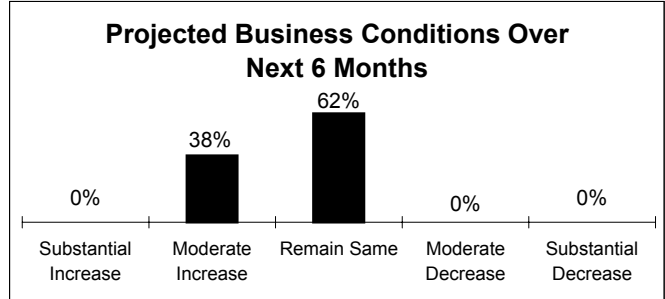
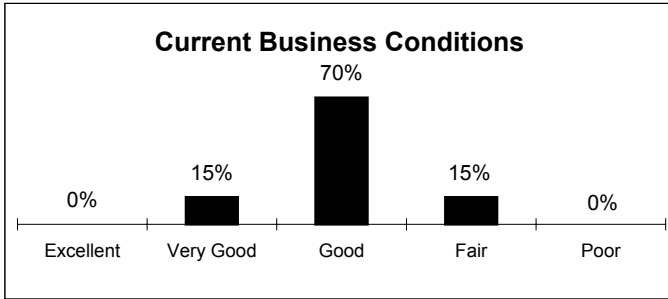
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USA



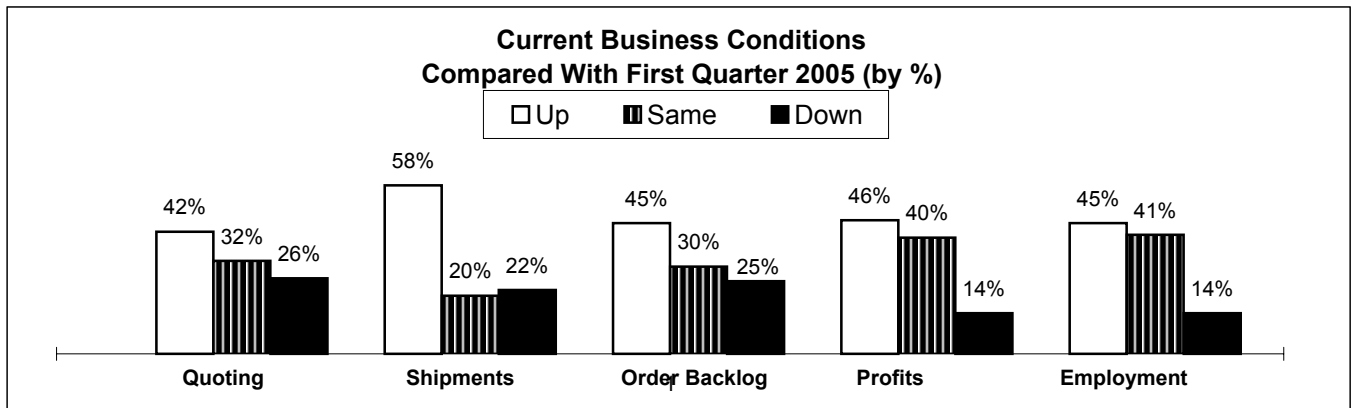
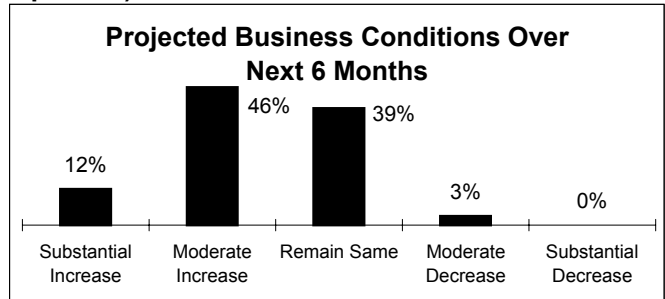
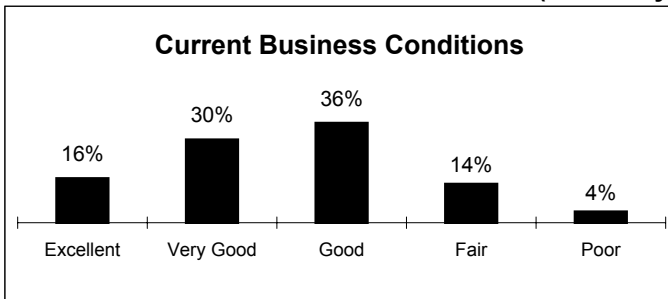
SPECIAL MACHINES SECTOR

(13 survey responses)



PRECISION MACHINING SECTOR (excluding Aerospace)

(69 survey responses)



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AEROSPACE MACHINING & FABRICATION SECTOR

(31 survey responses)

