

• The DI index* indicating business sentiment was 17.5 in the U.S., a significant decline from the previous year (34.7). The DI was 18.4 in Canada, up 2.6 points from the previous year (15.8).



•	In terms of measures to address management issues, the highest proportion of companies in both countries cited €



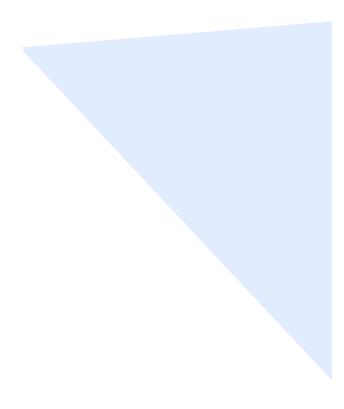
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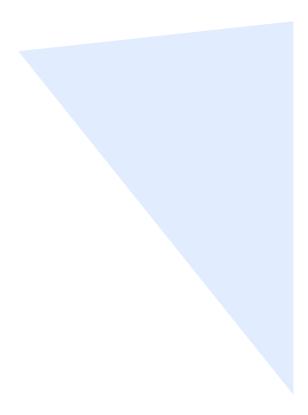
Breakdown of Locations of the Respondents and Their Main Plants













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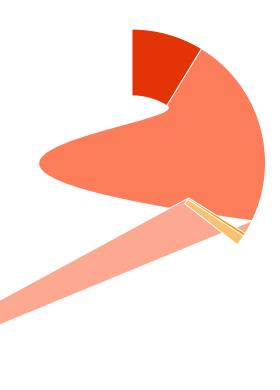
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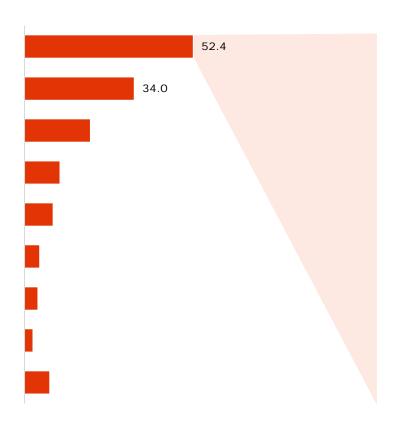
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Changes in Trade Environment:

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FY2022 Survey Overview

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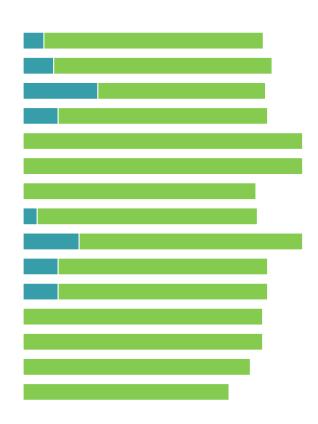




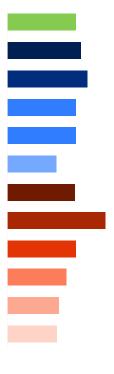


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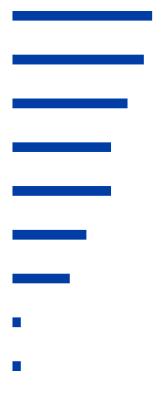




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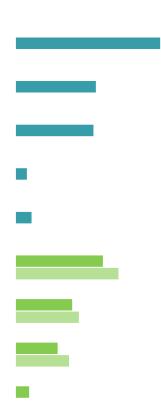






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21.5% of respondents said that their local bases have their own numerical targets for reducing emissions and using renewable energy. By industry, this response was given by 75.0% of respondents in Automotive etc. parts, and by 40.0% of those in plastic products and in Iron/non-ferrous metals/fabricated metal products



Increase in Wages/Difficulty in Recruiting Employees and Rising Logistics/Procurement Costs were Top Answers

The most common management challenge cited was an €]b\\\Y\Ug\']b`k\U[\Yg'c\Z'\Ya\d`cm\Y\Yg''\((61.8\%)\). In manufacturing, €rising

