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This month, Alloy distributed about 918 surveys to business clients throughout the region. We believe the survey's findings from its 52 responses allow us, along with area legislators, media, and the public, to further understand the mood of our business community. We will continue to conduct the survey on a quarterly basis so we thank you for your participation.

Here are the anonymous responses:

- 1) Will a new health care bill affect your business plan?

- **52% YES**
- **35% NO**
- **13% NO ANSWER**



- 7) In order to balance the state's budget, do you support cutting services?

- **79% YES**
- **12% NO**
- **9% NO ANSWER**

- 2) Will the recent terror events affect your travel plans?

- **85% NO**
- **11% YES**
- **4% NO ANSWER**

- 8) What would you like to see the Governor's administration address?

- **50% TAXES**
- **44% GOVERNMENT BUREAUCRACY**
- **4% REGULATIONS**
- **2% NO ANSWER**

- 3) By the end of 2010, will unemployment be:

- **37% GREATER THAN 10%**
- **33% LESS THAN 10%**
- **27% 10%**
- **3% NO ANSWER**

- 9) Is the local economy:

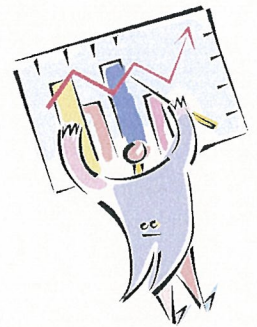
- **12% GETTING BETTER**
- **56% STABLE**
- **31% SLIPPING**
- **1% NO ANSWER**

- 4) Is this a "W" economy where we can expect another shoe to drop?

- **44% YES**
- **29% NO**
- **27% NO ANSWER**

- 10) Is your company:

- **63% STABLE**
- **23% SLIPPING**
- **12% GROWING**
- **2% NO ANSWER**



- 5) Will the governor raise taxes?

- **48% NO**
- **42% YES**
- **10% NO ANSWER**

- 11) What is today's most important national issue?

- **69% JOBS**
- **19% THE DEFICIT**
- **8% HEALTHCARE**
- **4% IMPENDING INFLATION**

- 6) In order to balance the state's budget, do you support raising taxes?

- **77% NO**
- **10% YES**
- **13% NO ANSWER**



- 12) What is today's most important local issue?

- **46% TAXES**
- **40% JOBS**
- **8% BANK BUSINESS LENDING**
- **2% HEALTHCARE**
- **4% NO ANSWER**