

2008 Worldwide Annual Technology Confidence Survey

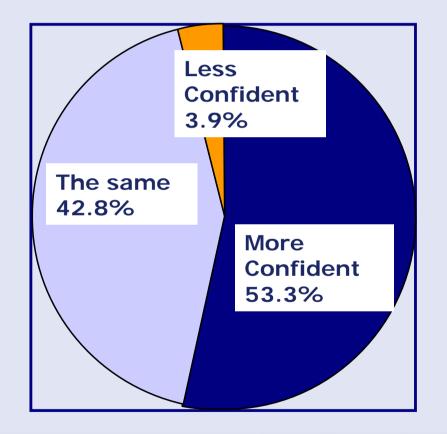
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Confidence Levels

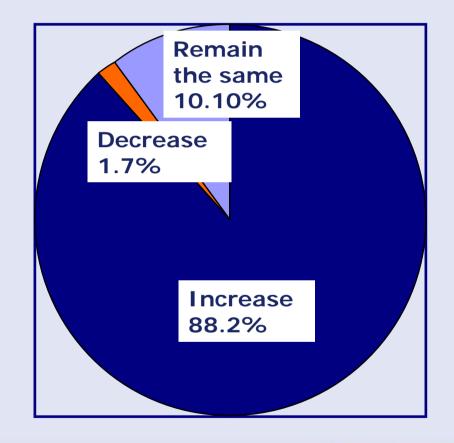


Question: Are you more confident or less confident about the tech sector compared to 12 months ago?

2008	2007
■ More 53.3%	65.4%
□ The same 42.8%	30.8%
Less Confident 3.9%	3.8%



Revenues

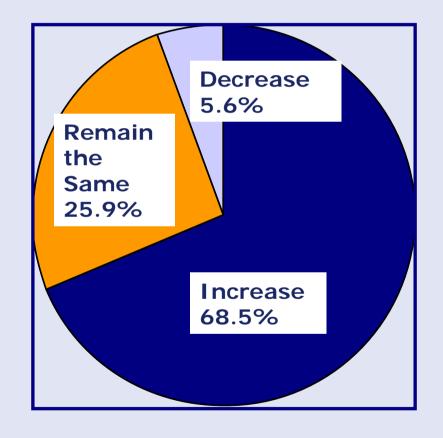


Question: Over the next twelve months do you expect revenues of the company you work for to:

2008	2007
Increase 88.2%	91.2%
Decrease 1.7%	1.2%
Remain the same 10.10%	7.5%



Employment/Jobs

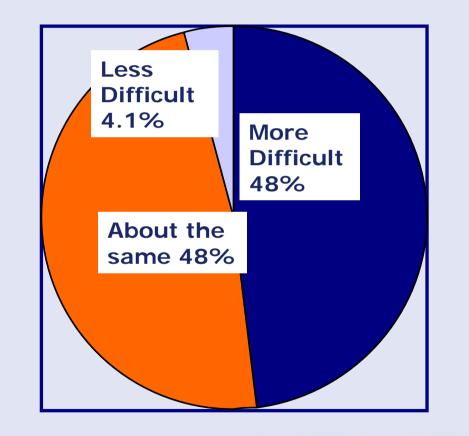


Question: Over the next twelve months do you expect employment/jobs in your company to:

2008	2007
■ Increase 68.5%	63.5%
Remain the Same 25.9%	32.4%
Decrease 5.6%	4.1%



More Difficult to Recruit?



Question: In your opinion is it easier or more difficult to recruit IT people now compared to 12 months ago?

2008	2007
More Difficult 48%	38.4%
About the same 48%	52%
□ Less Difficult 4.1%	9.6%

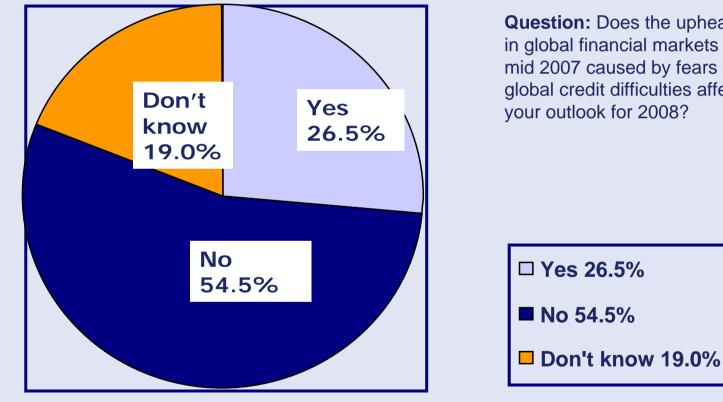


Skills Shortage	2008	2007
60.00%	Software Engineers 53.6%	45%
50.00%	International Sales 37.7%	43%
40.00%	□ Domestic Sales 34.1%	33%
30.00%	International Marketing 28.1%	17%
20.00%	Project Management 27.5%	35%
10.00%	■ Telesales 25.6%	23%
0.00%	Technical customer	
	Support 15.2%	18%

Question: In the table below is a number of different job types. Please mark from 1 to 3 (where 1 is the most difficult to recruit 2 is the second most difficult to recruit and 2 is the third most difficult to recruit) which type you think you will have the most difficulty recruiting in 2008.



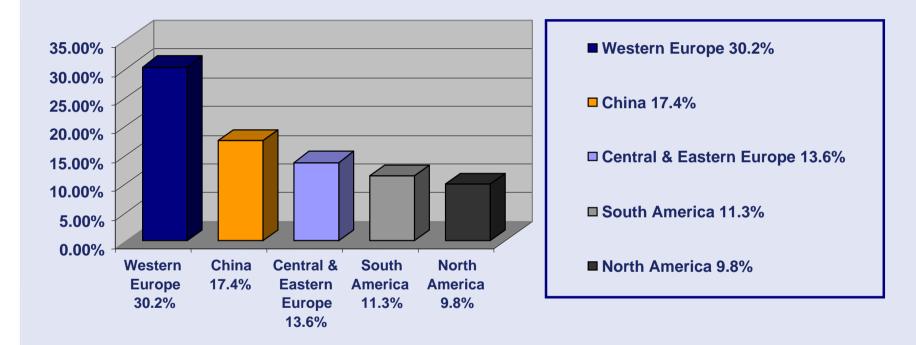
Fears of Credit Difficulties?



Question: Does the upheaval in global financial markets in mid 2007 caused by fears of global credit difficulties affect your outlook for 2008?



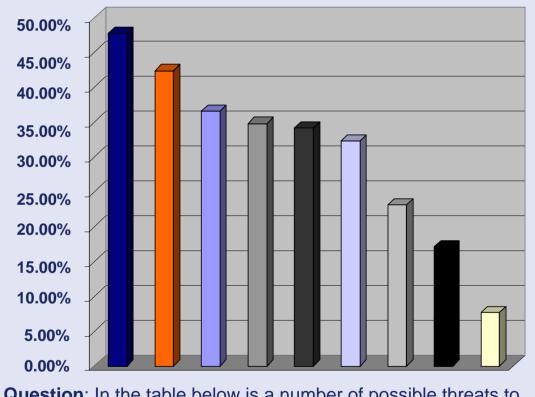
Growth Markets (region)



Question: Which region of the world do you expect will see most growth for your company in 2008?



Threats to growth



Question: In the table below is a number of possible threats to growth in the technology industry. Indicate which ones you consider the most threatening.

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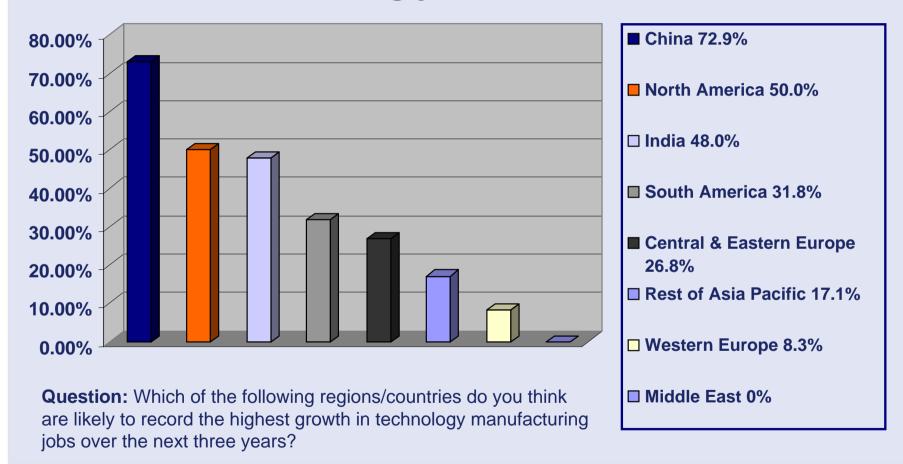
- Slowdown in the US economy 47.8%
- Skills shortage 42.4%

Oil price increases 36.6%

- Poor health of telecommunications sector 34.8%
- Poor health of financial services sector (sub prime lending) 34.2%
- Deterioration in Middle East eg. Iran, Iraq 32.3%
- Global slowdon, global property market 23.1%
- Interest Rate increases 17.1%
- Fear of another terrorist attack 7.70%



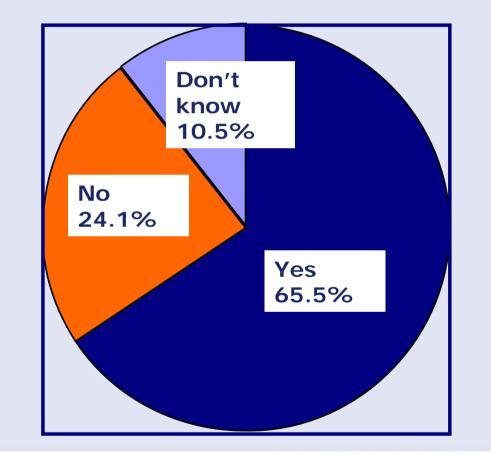
Tech manufacturing jobs





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Losing IT Manufacturing jobs?

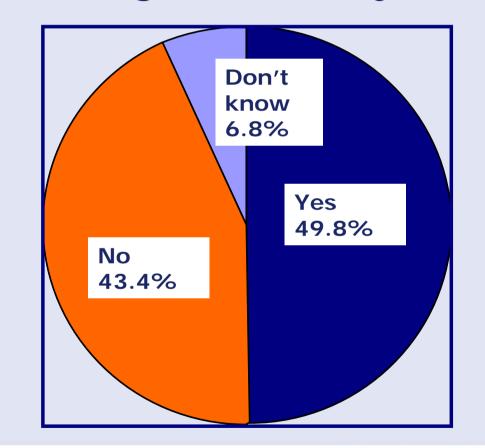


Question: Do you think that the country you are in is losing IT manufacturing jobs to low cost manufacturing locations such as China, India and Eastern Europe?

2008	2007
■ Yes 65.5%	81.2%
<mark>■ No 24.1%</mark>	15%
□ Don't know 10.5%	3.8%



Losing IT Services jobs?

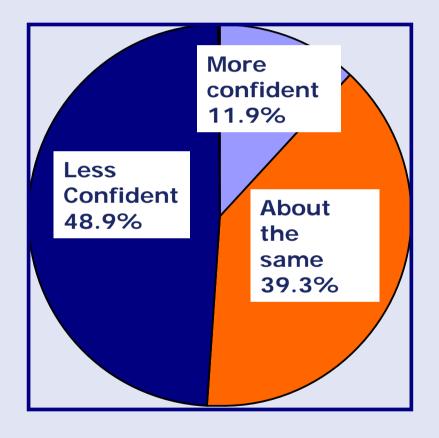


Question: Do you think the country you are in is losing IT services jobs to lower cost locations such as China, India and Eastern Europe?

2008	2007
■ Yes 49.8%	57.9%
■ No 43.4%	35.3%
Don't know 6.8%	6.8%



Outlook for US Economy

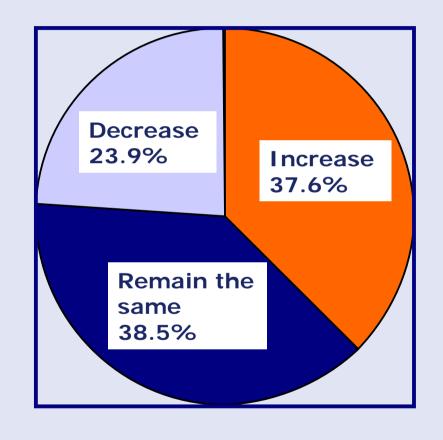


Question: Are you more confident or less confident about the growth prospects for the US economy than you were 12 months ago?

2008	2007
More confident 11.9%	19.1%
About the same	48.1%
39.3%	
Less Confident	32.8%
48.9%	



Outlook for NASDAQ



Question: Over the next 12 months do you expect the US technology stock index – NASDAQ to:

2008	2007
Increase 37.6%	43.5%
Remain the same 38.5%	42.7%
Decrease 23.9%	13.7%



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