

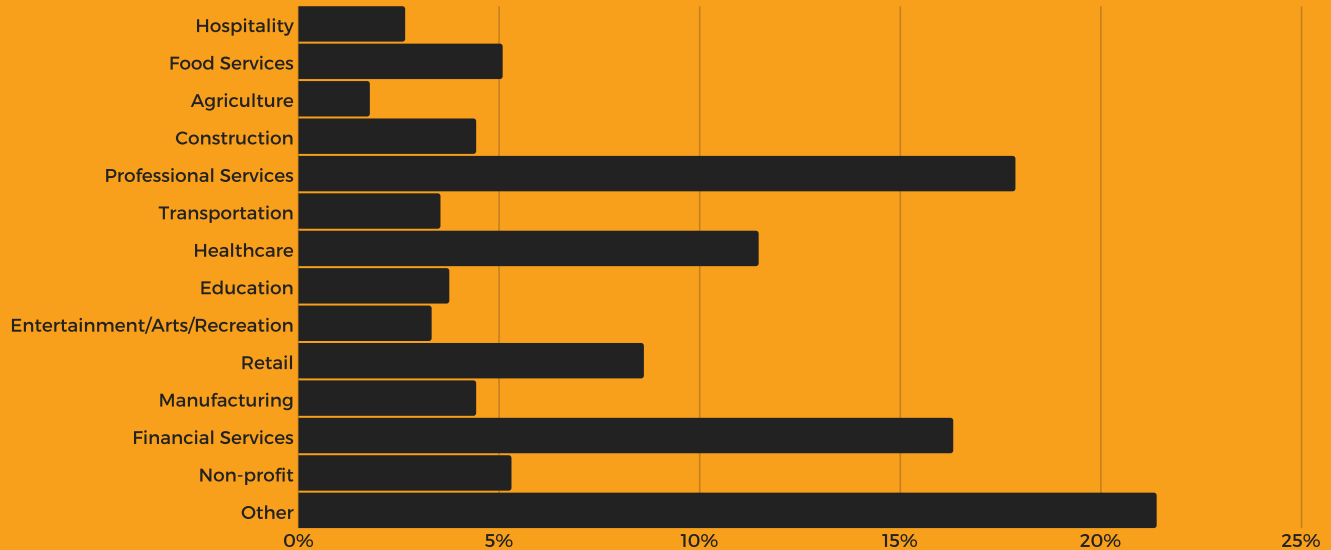
OPEN TEXAS SURVEY RESULTS

RESULTS FROM
THE ABILENE CHAMBER



The Abilene Chamber of Commerce conducted a survey on 4/23 to gauge the interests from the Abilene business community on re-opening the Texas and Abilene economy after the Shelter in Place declaration from Governor Abbott.

INDUSTRIES REPRESENTED



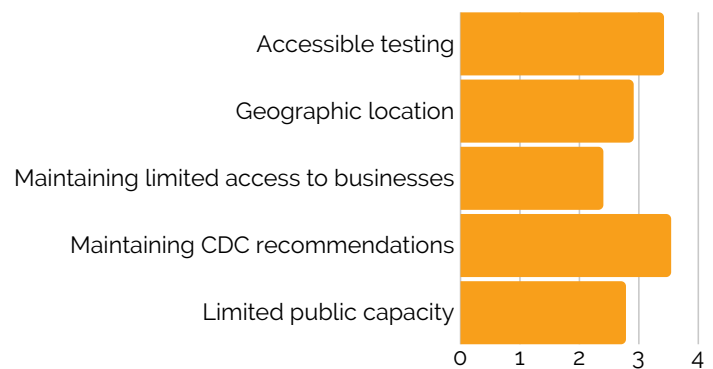
69%

of respondents thought it was imperative to expedite the reopening of the Abilene and Texas economies

64%

of respondents believed Abilene was positioned to move forward with reopening

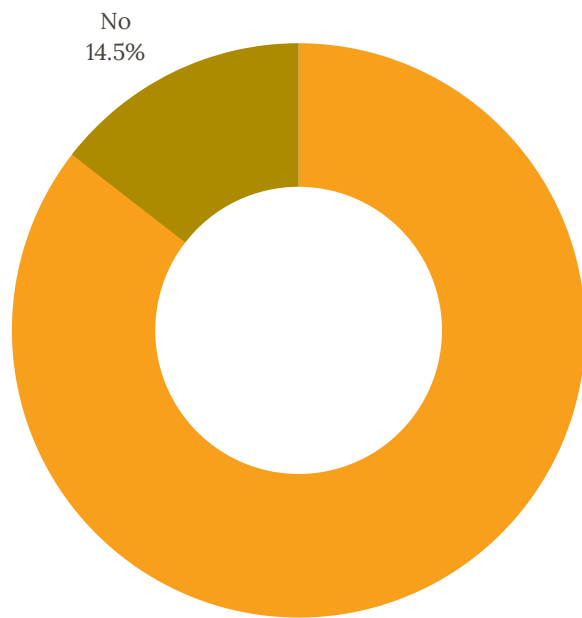
TOP FIVE FACTORS FOR THE STATE TO CONSIDER IN REOPENING THE TEXAS ECONOMY.



ONE BEING THE HIGHEST FACTOR FIVE BEING THE LOWEST.

SUPPORT SMALL BUSINESS TO RE-OPEN

while practicing social distancing, intensified sanitizing and tracking of employee health?



Yes
85.5%

For businesses currently closed: If restrictions were adjusted and you were able to re-open by the end of this month, would you be able to provide enough material and supplies needed to follow social distancing/sanitization guidelines (masks, sanitizers, gloves, etc.) in order to make sure your employees and customers feel comfortable returning?

- 28%** Yes, I already have all the supplies I would need.
- 9%** Yes, I don't already have the supplies, but I know I could get enough from my supplier.
- 12%** No, I would have trouble finding enough supplies to enable my staff or customers to feel safe returning.
- 41%** My business is already open.



65%

of respondents greatest source of anxiety or concern surrounding the reopening? That if we do not reopen soon the United States will enter into a hard recession.

ADVICE FOR TASK FORCE

A COMMON THEME AROUND THIS QUESTION:

Clearly communicate, if our economy doesn't open soon businesses won't survive, act responsibly, need more testing, follow social distancing guidelines, allow local communities to decide course of action,

44%

concern for reopening
surrounded around a re-surge
of the virus

30%

concern for reopening
surrounded around their
personal health or the health
of their family



Advice to local leaders related to reopening the local economy: enforcing CDC requirements, get back to work but make sure you do it carefully, give people the choice, reopen in phases

A common theme around gyms: require constant cleaning, no group fitness classes, remove 24 hour access so facilities can properly sanitize, use at your own risk type of opening.

Lead time on reopening varied greatly from business to business. The least amount of time stated was none business could open now with the most amount of time being one month.

41%

of respondents noted that their business
was already open and operating.

IF ABILENE WERE TO OPEN IN THREE WAVES, WHAT WOULD OPEN IN FIRST WAVE, SECOND WAVE AND THIRD WAVE.

