



**Aluminum Market** Update

# Industry Trends Survey

*Survey results:*

**Market sentiment and trends analysis**

Industry data aggregate

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Participation is invitation only, ensuring high-quality responses from industry professionals.

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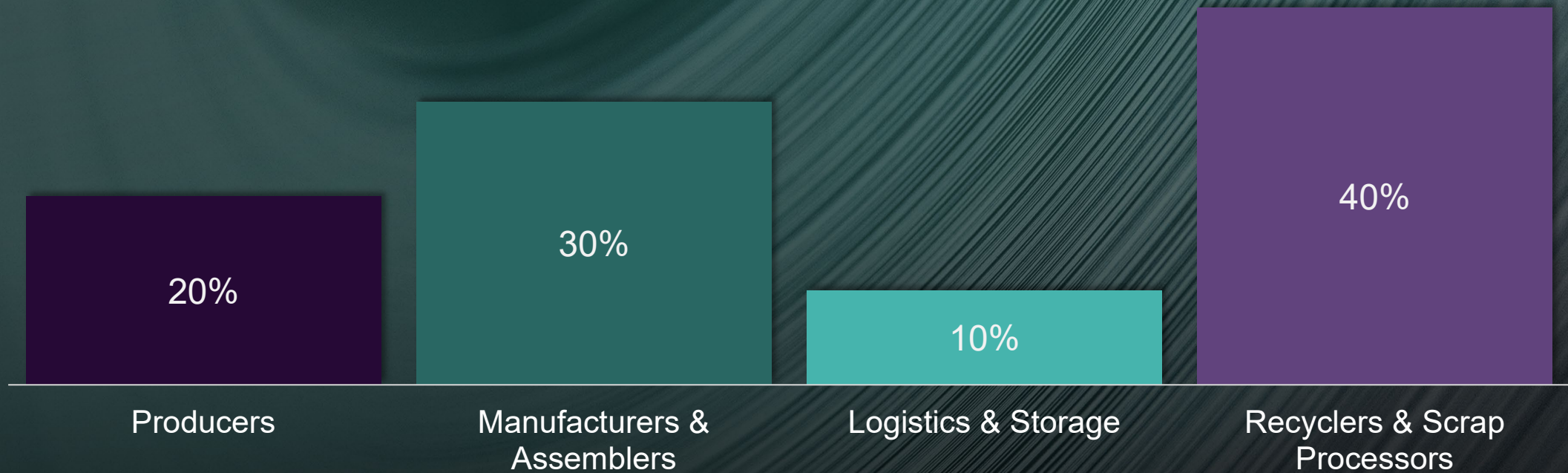
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# Survey participants

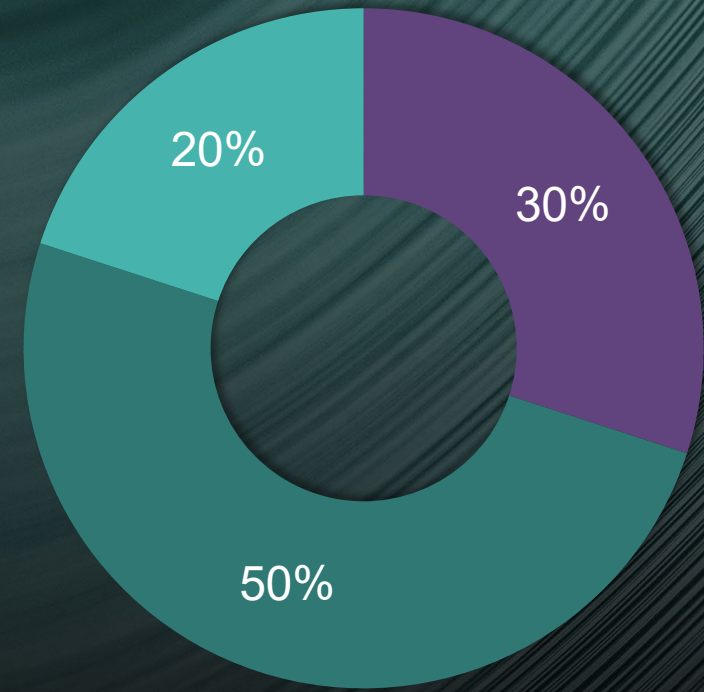
Our survey is by invitation only. Over 1,000 companies, mostly in the manufacturing or distribution industries, are asked to participate. Here are the percentages of participation in this week's survey by market sector.



# Overall demand

How is demand for your products?

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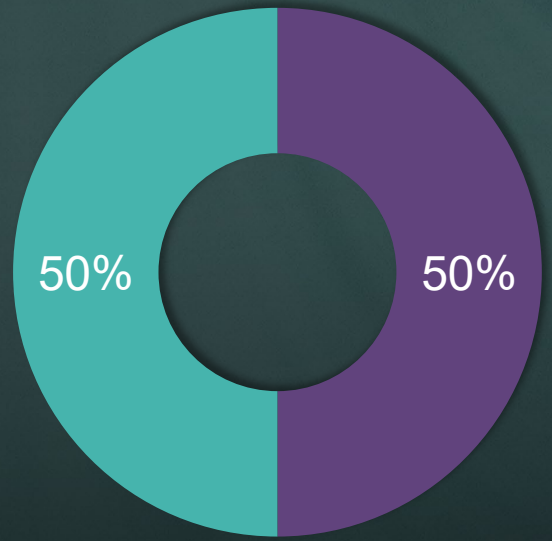


# Domestic demand

What's your outlook on overall U.S. demand in your part of the aluminum market?

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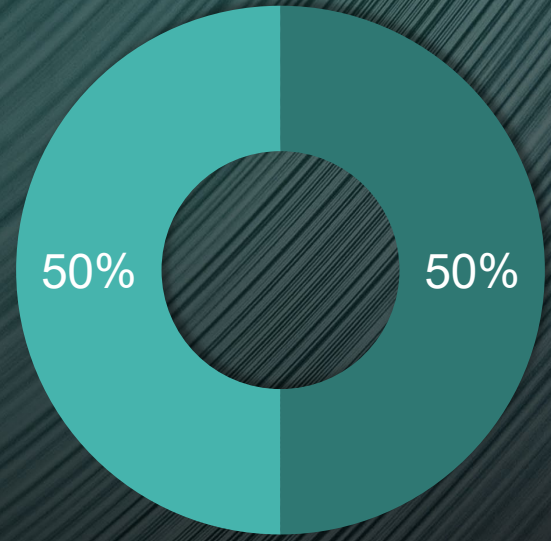
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*Manufacturers & Assemblers*



*Recyclers & Scrap Processors*



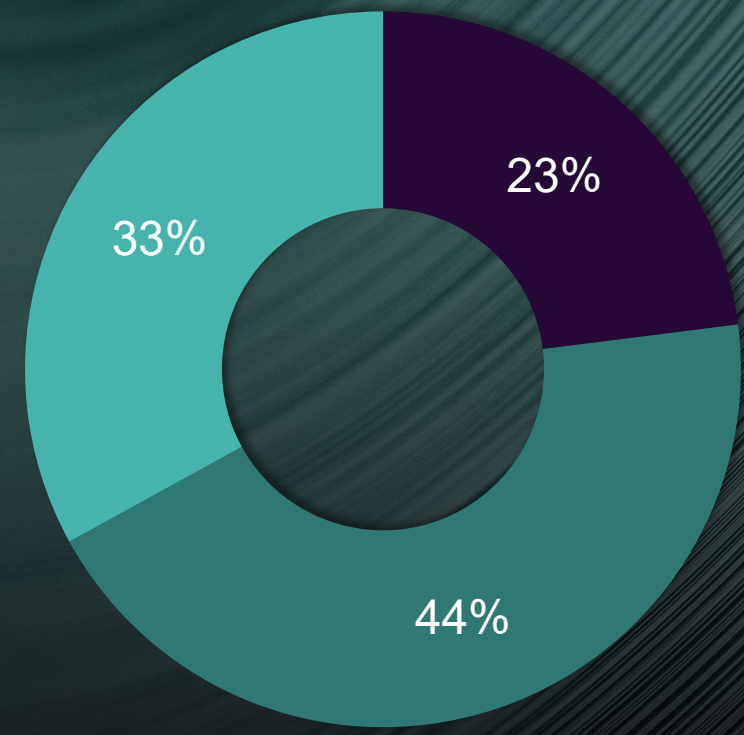
*Logistics & Storage*



# Export demand

How do you see the overall *export* demand?

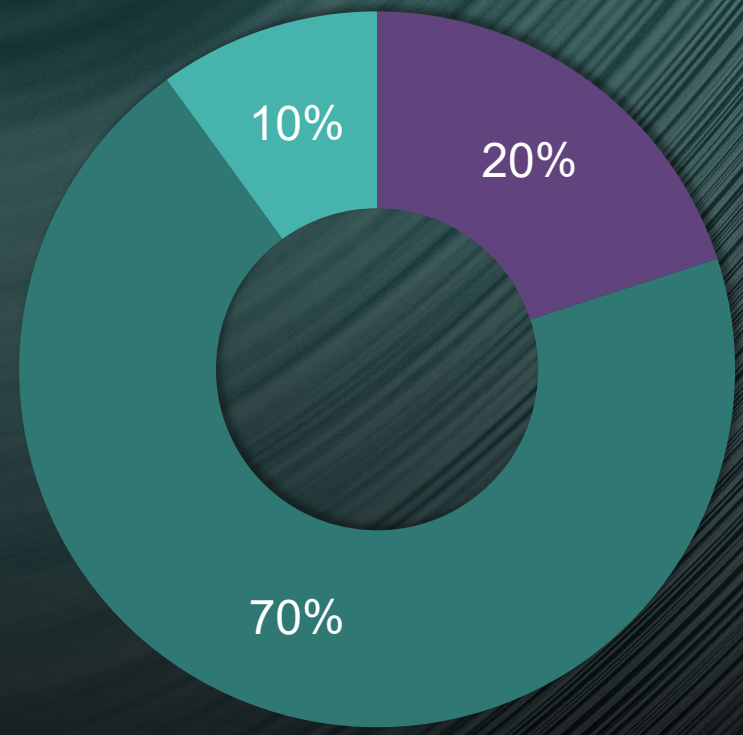
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# Business forecasts

How will your company perform this month compared to your forecast?

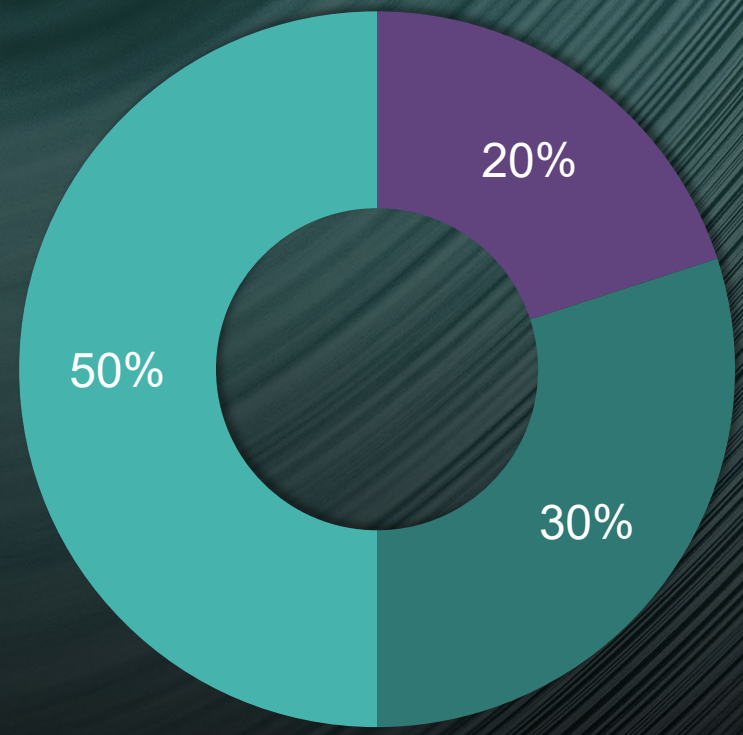
- We will exceed forecast
- We will meet forecast
- We will not meet forecast



# Future market supply balance

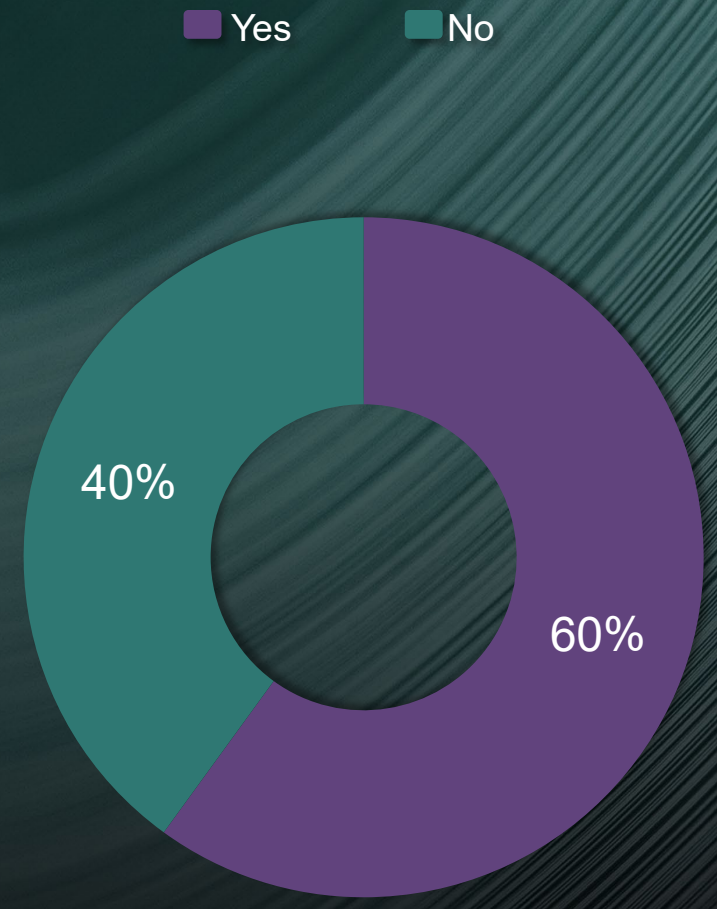
Three months from now, how do you see the balance of the market?

■ Oversupplied    ■ Balanced    ■ Undersupplied



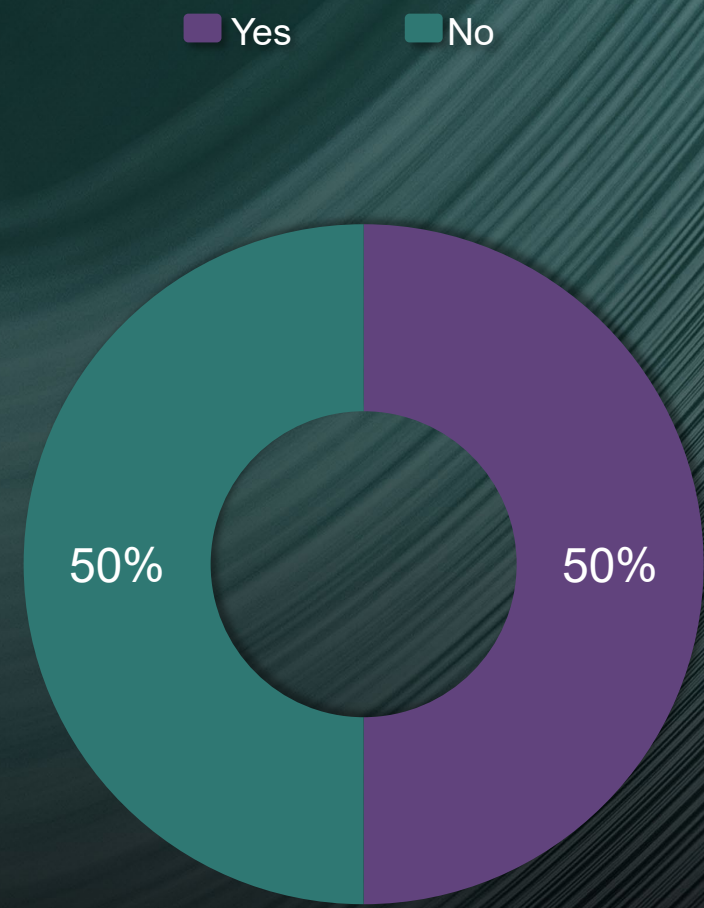
# Aluminum supply vs. demand

Is new primary or semi-finished aluminum supply in the U.S. keeping pace with projected demand?



# Aluminum supply vs. demand cont'd

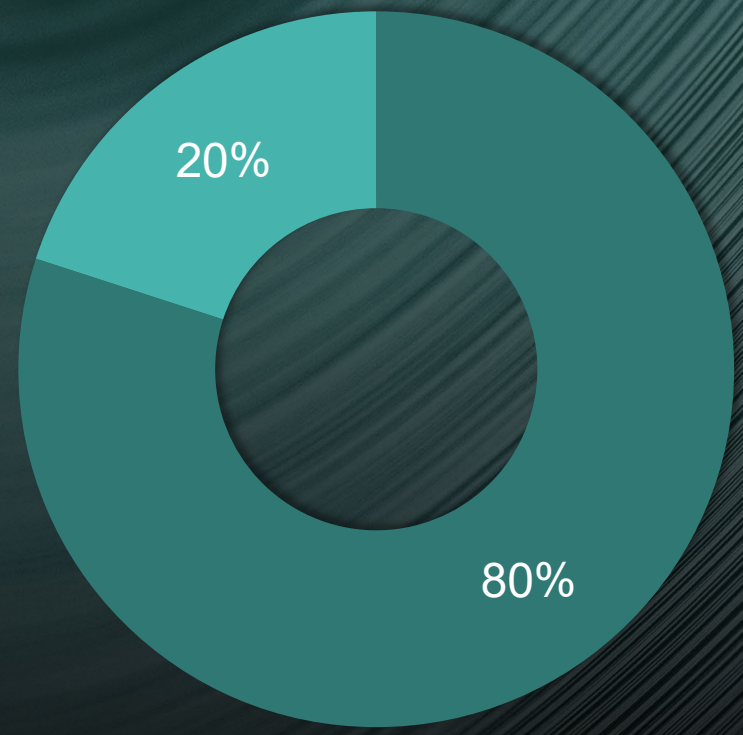
Do you think there's enough OBSOLETE aluminum scrap supply in the U.S. to meet downstream demand expectations?



# Scrap supply flows

How do intake levels for non-ferrous retail scrap compare to industrial scrap at your facility right now?

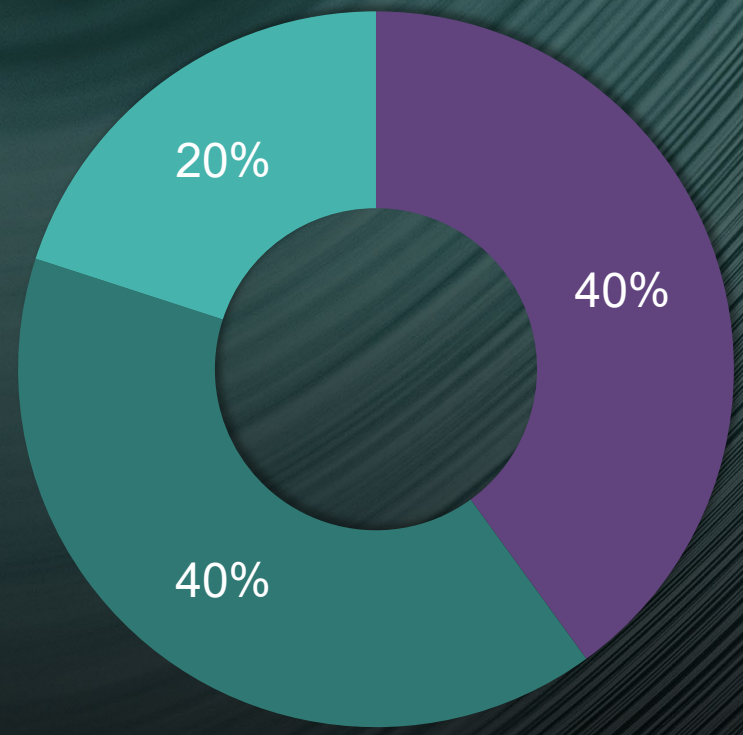
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# Overall scrap price spreads

Where do you think non-ferrous scrap spreads will be trending next month?

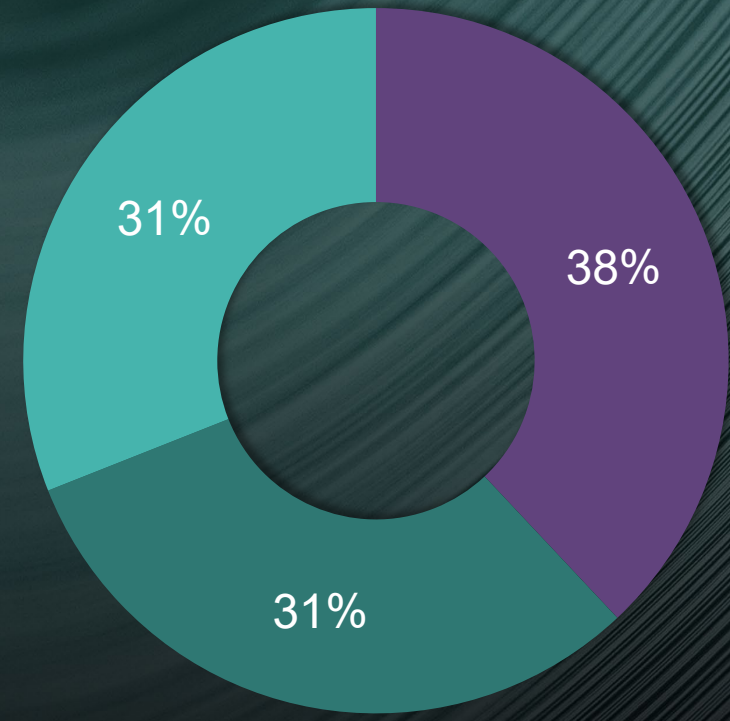
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# Near-term direction of Aluminum scrap prices

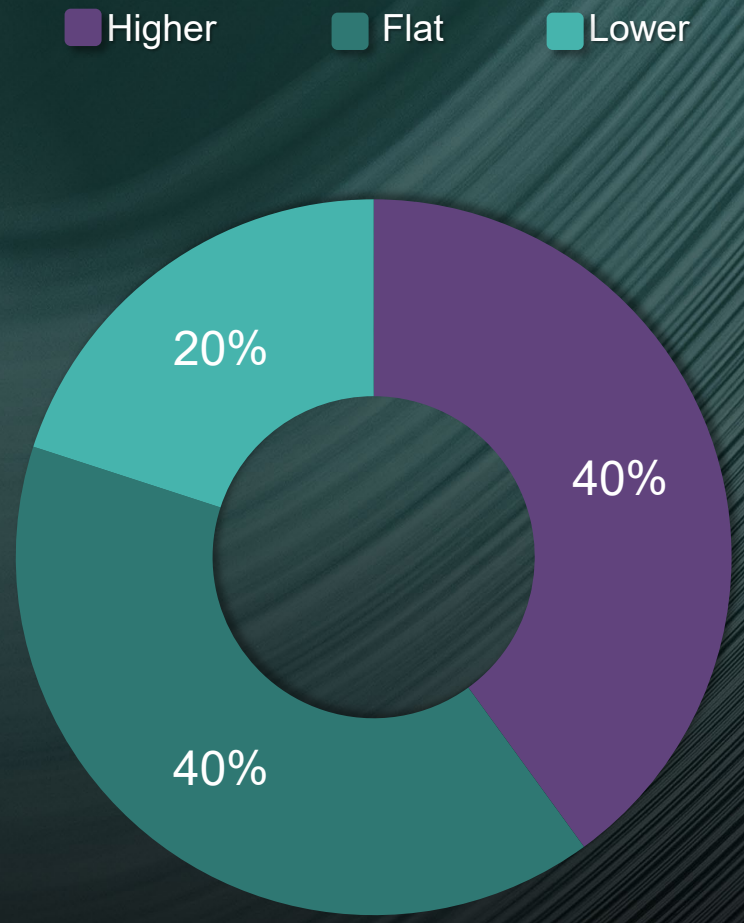
Where do you see the price of UBC trending next month?

76% or above    73% to 75%    72% or below



# Near-term direction of Midwest Premium

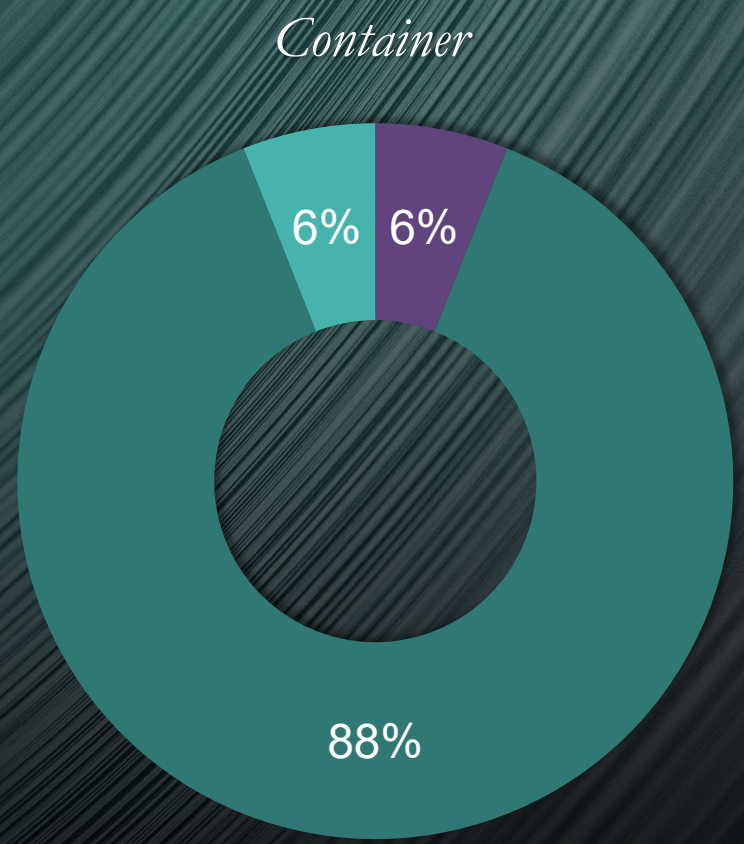
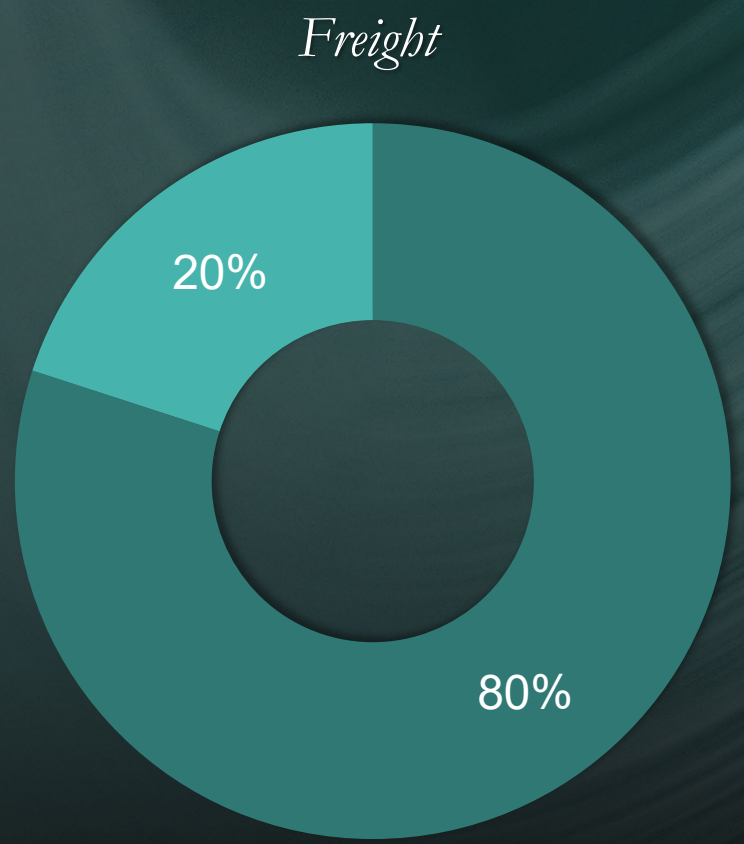
Where do you see the Midwest Premium trending next month?



# Logistics trends

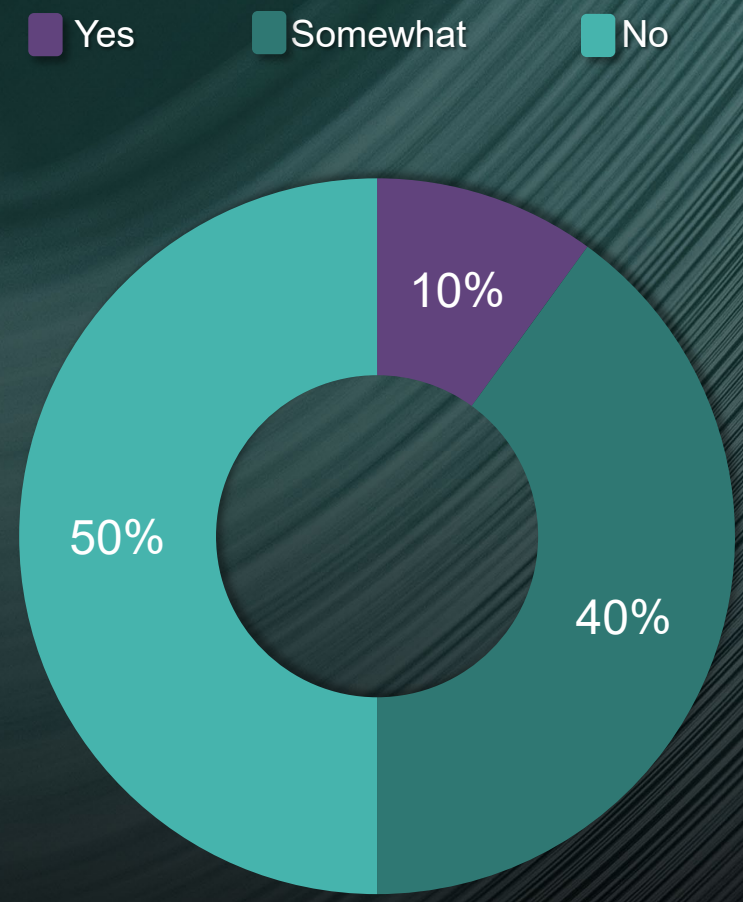
How do you see overall logistics costs?

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# Tariff impact

Are you seeing your OEM accounts with exposure to Mexico and Canada actively placing new business in the U.S., or mostly exploring options without commitment?



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