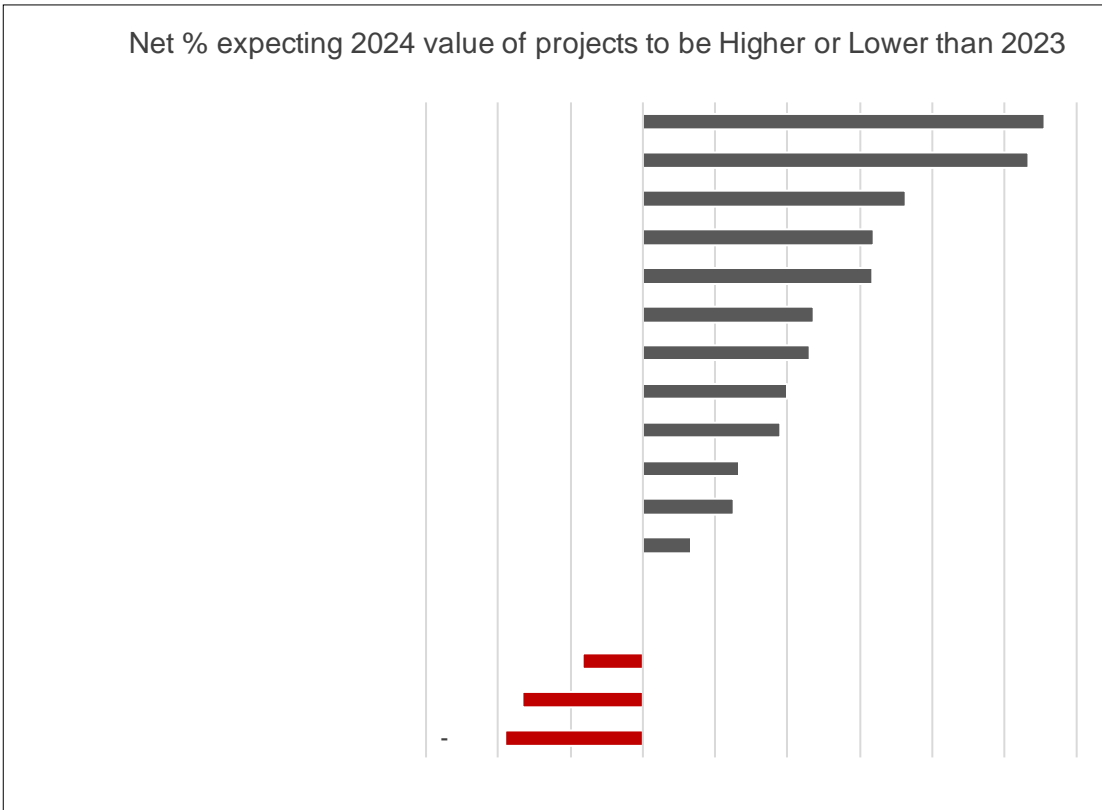# 2024 Construction Outlook
Illinois Survey Results

Total Responses: 3. Responses varied for some questions. Percentages are based on responses to each question and may not sum to 100 due to rounding.
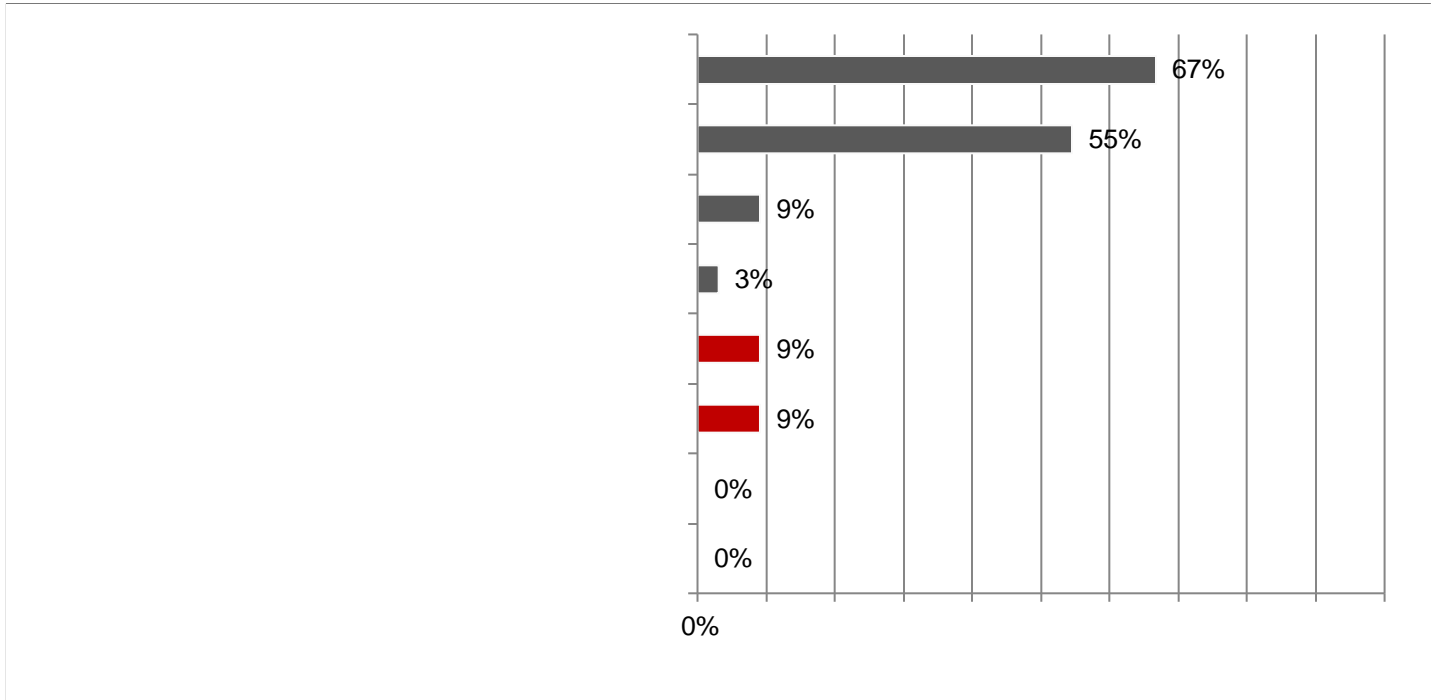
1. Compared to 2023, do you expect the available dollar value of projects you compete for in 2024 to be higher/lower/about the same (answer for all market areas in which your business operates) Responses 31

Net % expecting 2024 value of projects to be Higher or Lower than 2023

Higher	Lower	Same
61%	6%	33%
60%	7%	33%
50%	14%	36%
44%	12%	44%
45%	14%	41%
41%	18%	41%
42%	19%	38%
44%	24%	32%
52%	33%	14%
40%	27%	33%
33%	21%	46%
27%	20%	53%
29%	29%	43%

*Net equals difference between number of "Higher" and "Lower" responses as percent of total.

2. What percentage change do you expect in your headcount in 2024? Responses 33

Chart showing percentage responses:
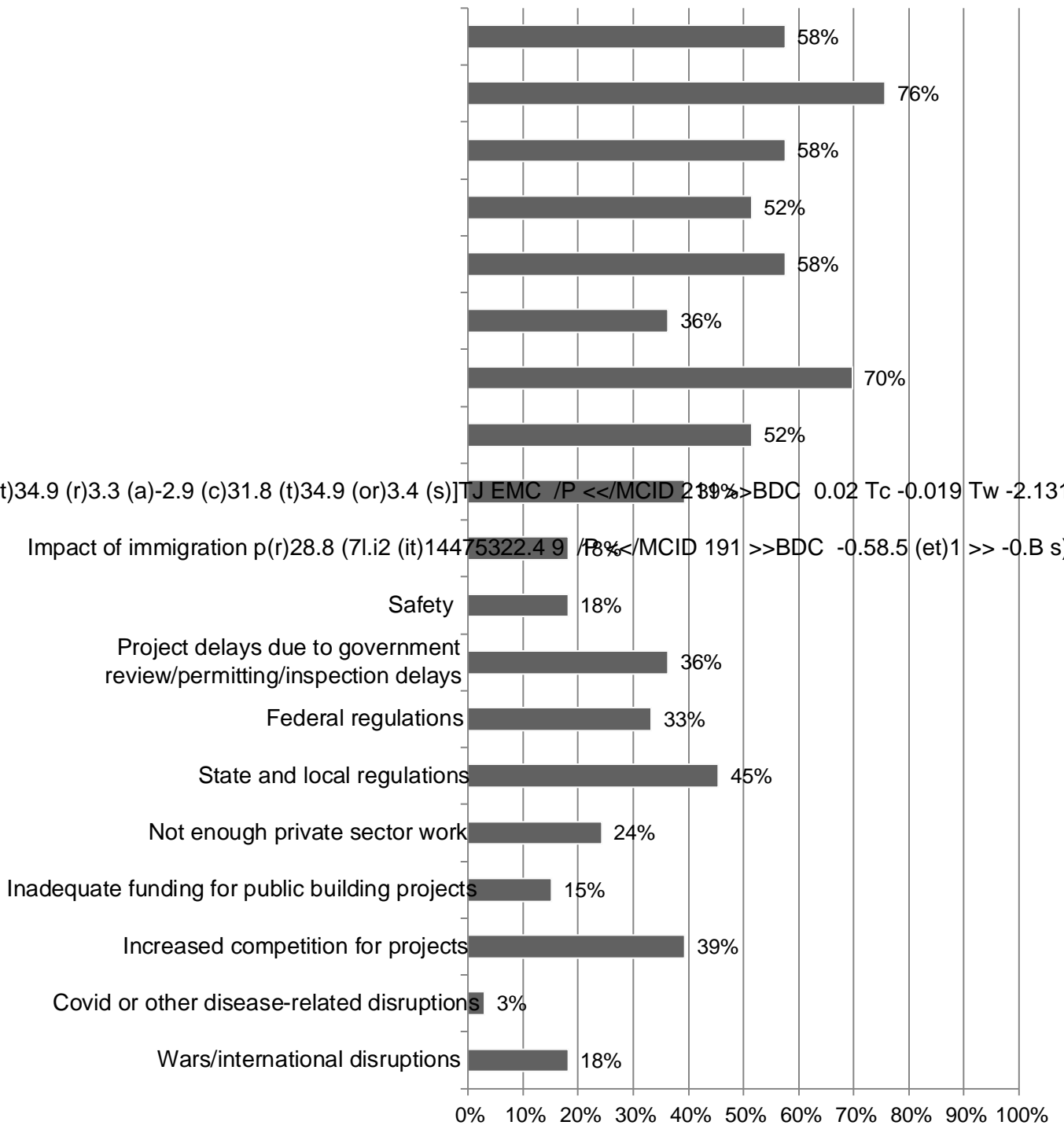- 67%
- 55%
- 9%
- 3%
- 9%
- 9%
- 0%
- 0%
- 0%

3. How would you describe your current situation in filling salaried and hourly craft positions? Responses 33

4. Do you expect any changes in the availability of hourly craft or salaried personnel over the coming 12 months? Responses 33

5. What changes did your firm make in pay or benefits in 2023? (mark all that apply) Responses 32

6.

7. What difference, if any, has the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (also known as the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law), made to your business? Responses: 32

8. Did an owner postpone or cancel any projects that were scheduled to start in 2022/2024? (mark all that apply) Responses: 32

9. If projects were postponed or canceled, what was the main reason? Responses: 26

10. What are your biggest concerns for 2042 (mark all that apply) Responses: 33

58%

76%

58%

52%

58%

36%

70%

52%

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Safety 18%

Project delays due to government review/permitting/inspection delays 36%

Federal regulations 33%

State and local regulations 45%

Not enough private sector work 24%

Inadequate funding for public building projects 15%

Increased competition for projects 39%

Covid or other disease-related disruptions 3%

Wars/international disruptions 18%

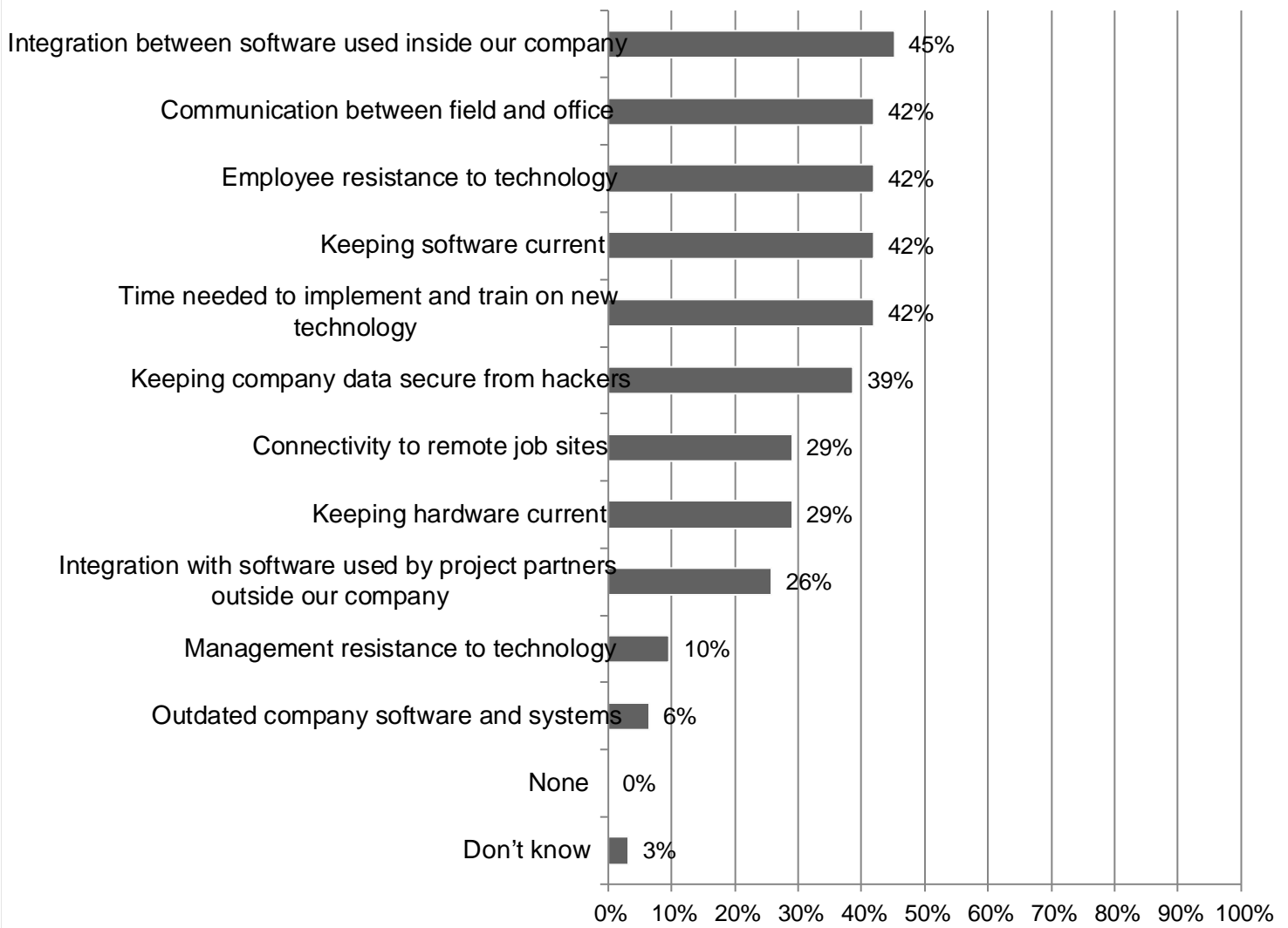0% 10% 20% 30% 40% 50% 60% 70% 80% 90% 100%

11. What challenges, if any, do you see regarding the safety and health of your firm's workers? (mark all that apply) Responses 31

12. Does your company invest in: Responses 32

	Initial Investment	Increased Investment	Decreased Investment	No Investment
Artificial intelligence	13%	13%	3%	72%
Robotics	0%	10%	0%	90%
Drones	16%	26%	3%	55%
Autonomous equipment or vehic	0%	10%	3%	87%
3-D printing	16%			

14. How does your company plan to use mobile software technology? (mark all that apply) Responses 31

15. What are your biggest IT challenges (mark all that apply)? Responses: 31

Challenge	Percentage
Integration between software used inside our company	45%
Communication between field and office	42%
Employee resistance to technology	42%
Keeping software current	42%
Time needed to implement and train on new technology	42%
Keeping company data secure from hackers	39%
Connectivity to remote job sites	29%
Keeping hardware current	29%
Integration with software used by project partners outside our company	26%
Management resistance to technology	10%
Outdated company software and systems	6%
None	0%
Don't know	3%

16. Does your firm use cloud-hosted technology in any of the following ways (mark all that apply)? Responses: 32

17. What best describes your firm? Responses 32

18. When you self-perform construction work, do you operate as a union contractor or an open-