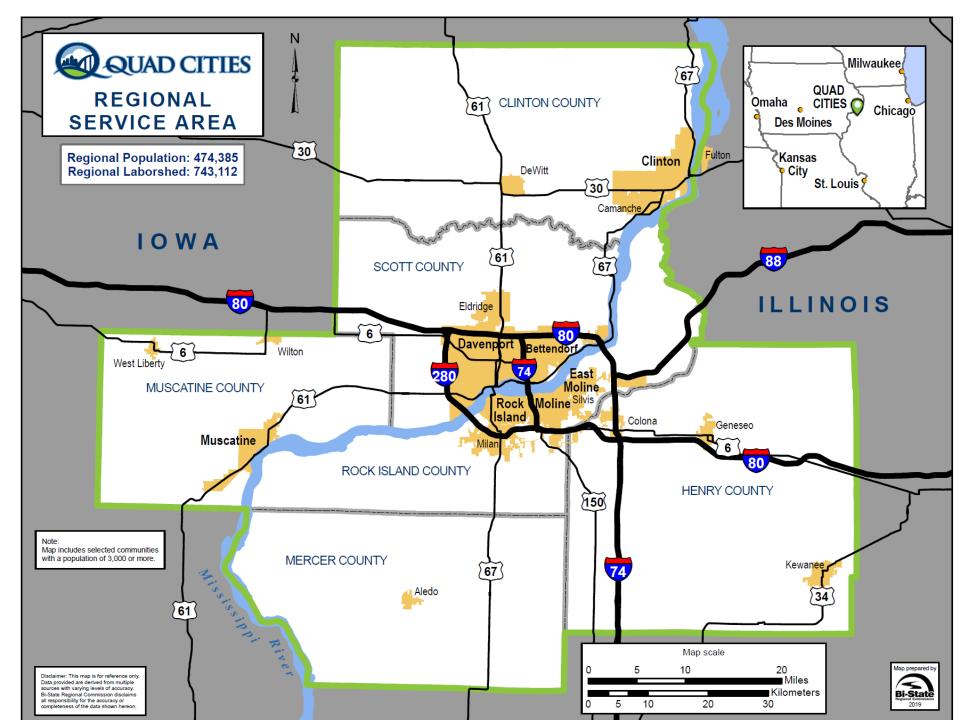


Quad Cities First Purpose

Promote the growth of the greater Quad Cities by showcasing the region as a premier business destination, serving as an expert resource for companies making location and expansion decisions.







BUSINESS CONNECTIONS:Identifying Opportunities and Issues



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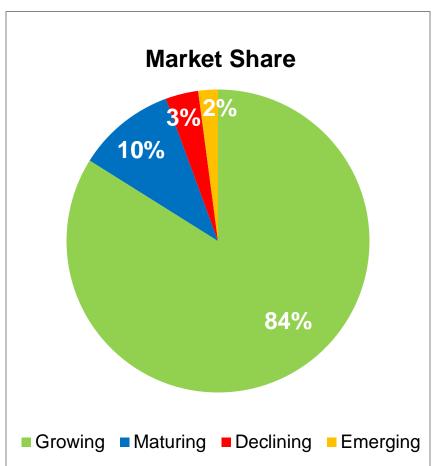
Business Retention & Expansion Metrics

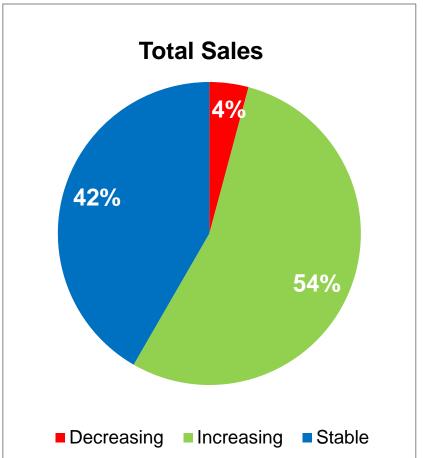
	FY 2019	Annual Goal
Business Connection Visits	145	145
Business Assistance Referrals/Technical Assists	462	300
Projects	11 – Active	20



Sales and Market Share

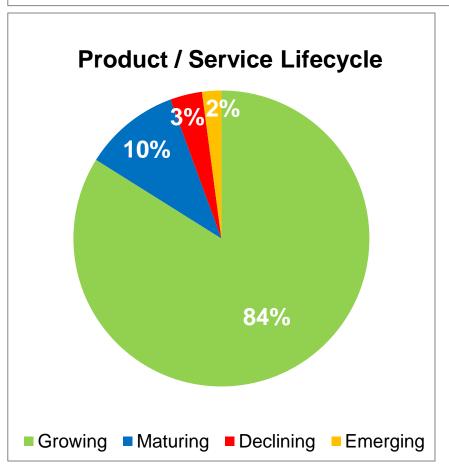
Extremely positive economic feedback from companies visited with majority indicating market share and sales are increasing

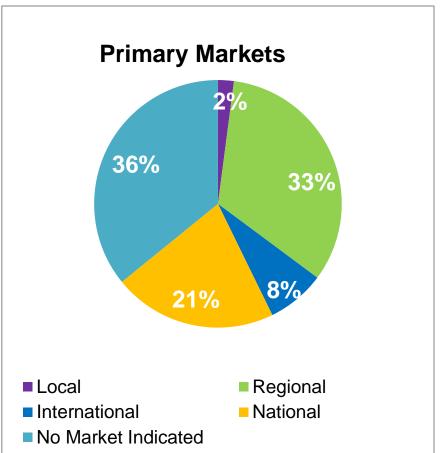




Product / Service Lifecycle and Markets

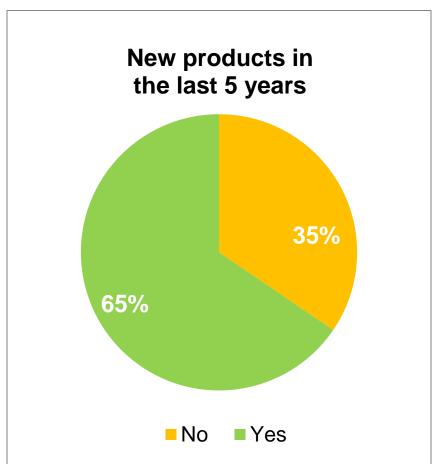
Companies indicate their products are in the "growing" stage. Of those who indicated their primary market, their primary market is more likely to be regional and international, versus local or international.

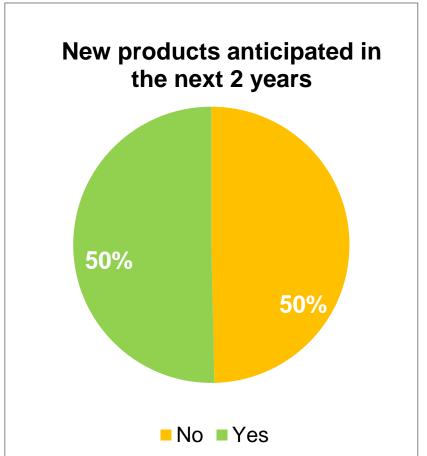




New Products / Services

Majority of businesses interviewed have added new products / services in the past five years but only half anticipate offering new products in the next two years.





Business ConnectionsRegional Challenges

- Workforce
- IL Minimum Wage
- Legalized Cannabis
- Tariffs





BUSINESS ATTRACTION: Generating New Investment in the New World of Site Selection



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Business Attraction Metrics

	FY 2019	Annual Goal
Website Traffic	27,185	15,600
Site Selector Meetings/Conversations	73	60
Site Visits	9	5
RFPs Received/Responded	29/25	36/25
Projects		
	27 – Active	25



Business Attraction Strategy

- Data Driven
- Digital Marketing
- Site Selector Relationships
 - ✓ Regionalism
 - **√** Workforce
 - **✓** Recruit from Within





FY19 Economic Development Performance Successful Projects = 12

2 Business Attraction10 Business Expansion/Retention9 Projects in Iowa; 3 Projects in Illinois

- **❖** New/Retained Jobs=1,230
- Payroll=\$84.9M
- **❖** Total Jobs= 3,354; Total Payroll=\$183 M
- Capital Investment = \$85.6 Mil
- **Economic Impact = \$998.4 Mil**



Quad Cities First Economic Development Performance 9 Years

Successful Projects: 79

- Direct Jobs: 5,509
- Total Jobs (direct, indirect, induced): 11,748
- Capital Investment: \$1.3 Billion
- **❖** Total Economic Impact \$3.09 Billion



2018 BIG MUDDY CUP RANKINGS





THE BIG MUDDY CUP 2018 TOP METROS

BY TOTAL PROJECTS

	METRO AREA	PROJECTS
1	St. Louis, MoIII.	122
2	Minneapolis-St. Paul-Bloomington, MinnWis.	73
3	New Orleans-Metairie, La.	54
4	Baton Rouge, La.	47
5	Memphis, TennMissArk.	43
6	Davenport-Moline-Rock Island, Iowa-III.	17
7	Dubuque, Iowa	12
8	Blytheville, Ark.	5
T9	Hannibal, Mo.	4
T9	St. Cloud, Minn.	4
T9	Union City, TennKy.	4





THE BIG MUDDY CUP 2018 TOP METROS

BY PROJECTS PER CAPITA

	METRO AREA	PROJECTS PER MILLION NHABITANTS (project total)
1	Dubuque, Iowa	124 (12)
2	Blytheville, Ark.	113 (5)
3	Union City, TennKy.	108 (4)
4	Hannibal, Mo.	102 (4)
T5	Natchez, MissLa.	57 (3)
T5	Baton Rouge, La.	57 (47)
T7	Davenport-Moline-Rock Island, Iowa-I	II. 44 (17)
T7	St. Louis, MoIII.	44 (122)
9	New Orleans-Metairie, La.	43 (54)
10	Clinton, Iowa	42 (2)





Business Intelligence





TARGET INDUSTRIES

- ADVANCED METALS & MATERIALS
- AGRICULTURAL INNOVATION
- CORPORATE OPERATIONS & SUPPORT SERVICES
- DEFENSE
- LOGISTICS



