

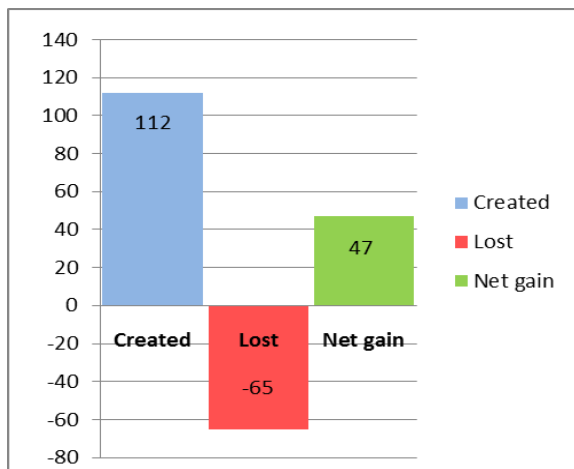
Results from September's Grand Erie Employer Survey

The Workforce Planning Board thanks the 106 employers who participated in our monthly survey regarding their workforce. The survey regarding October's employment will be distributed on Nov. 3 and close on Nov.8. Here are highlights from the survey for September. Thirty-five per cent of employers who participated were from the manufacturing sector, 11% from health care and social assistance and 10% from other services (excluding public administration).

Of the 106 employers who participated, 65% indicated their employment remained the same, while the remaining 35% either increased or decreased staff. Twenty-eight employers added staff, while 13 decreased their numbers (a few both added and decreased staff).

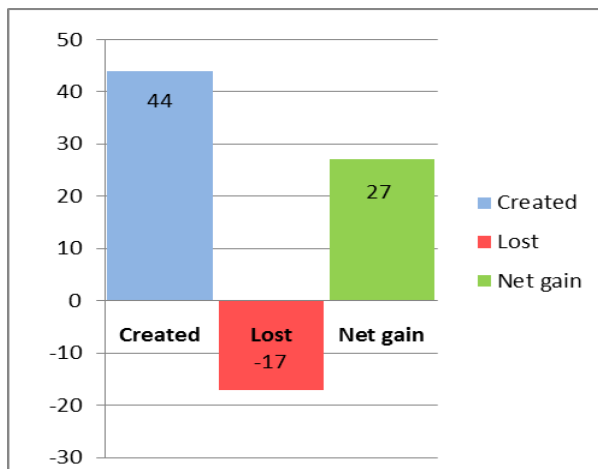


Overall Jobs Gained/Lost



The total number of positions added, both full and part-time, was 112, while the number of positions lost was 65, for a net gain of 47 jobs.

Manufacturing Jobs Gained/Lost



The number of manufacturing positions added, both full and part-time, was 44, while 17 jobs were lost, for a net gain of 27 jobs.

NOTE: Figures do not include seasonal factors, such as the layoff of students.

The following charts show a sample of the types of occupations added or lost:

