

Turning Results by Question

1.) How important is the overall approach of the “Keep Mississippi Working Fund” Workforce legislation? (multiple choice)

	Responses	
	(percent)	(count)
Very Important	95.35%	41
Somewhat Important	4.65%	2
Not So Important	0%	0
Not at All Important	0%	0
Totals	100%	43

2.) What do you see as the best way to strengthen Economic Competitiveness in your Region? (multiple choice)

	Responses	
	(percent)	(count)
Improve Regional Partnerships	17.39%	8
Improve Business Climate	41.30%	19
Improve Workforce	36.96%	17
Improving access to Healthcare	4.35%	2
Totals	100%	46

3.) As a region, how do you view your economic competitiveness? (multiple choice)

	Responses	
	(percent)	(count)
Very Competitive	6.67%	3
Somewhat Competitive	51.11%	23
Not so Competitive	40%	18
Not at all Competitive	2.22%	1
Totals	100%	45

4.) What do you consider the biggest roadblock for economic competitiveness? (multiple choice)

	Responses	
	(percent)	(count)
Foreign Competition	11.11%	5
Lack of Skilled Workforce	44.44%	20
Negative Perception of State’s Image	35.56%	16
Tax Climate	4.44%	2
Transportation Infrastructure	2.22%	1
Lack of Technology	2.22%	1
Totals	100%	45

5.) What is the single most important thing for putting Mississippi in the Place of Greatest Opportunity? (multiple choice)

	Responses	
	(percent)	(count)
Economic Incentives	11.36%	5
Education	52.27%	23
Healthcare	0%	0
Targeted Industry Recruitment	20.45%	9
Transportation	0%	0
Workforce Development	15.91%	7
Totals	100%	44

6.) How important is the career & technical curriculum for high school students? (multiple choice)

	Responses	
	(percent)	(count)
Very Important	93.18%	41
Somewhat Important	6.82%	3
Not so Important	0%	0
Not at all Important	0%	0
Totals	100%	44

7.) What is the single most important factor for improving education in Mississippi? (multiple choice)

	Responses	
	(percent)	(count)
Better Teacher Training	12.20%	5
Enhancing Early Childhood Education	24.39%	10
Improving Dropout Rate	17.07%	7
Increasing Funding	19.51%	8
Strengthening the Curriculum	26.83%	11
Totals	100%	41

8.) Which area should be the top infrastructure priority? (multiple choice)

	Responses	
	(percent)	(count)
Airports	2.27%	1
Highways and Bridges	90.91%	40
Intermodal Transportation	4.55%	2
Ports and Waterways	2.27%	1
Railroads	0%	0
Totals	100%	44

9.) Which Area of Highway Transportation Do You Believe is Most Important? (multiple choice)

	Responses	
	(percent)	(count)
Bridge Replacement or Repair	11.90%	5
Expansion/Widening of Existing Roadways	9.52%	4
Maintenance of Existing Roadways	76.19%	32
New Construction of Roadways	2.38%	1
Totals	100%	42

10.) Where do you see the greatest opportunity for economic growth in your REGION? (multiple choice)

	Responses	
	(percent)	(count)
Advanced Manufacturing	6.98%	3
Healthcare	30.23%	13
Natural Resources (Forestry/Energy/Agri-Biz)	9.30%	4
Retail and Service	41.86%	18
Start-up Companies	9.30%	4
Tourism	2.33%	1
Totals	100%	43