

**Turning Results by Question**

**Session Name: New Albany 12-3-14**

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

	Responses	
	(percent)	(count)
Improve Regional Partnerships	16.44%	12
Improve Business Climate	28.77%	21
Improve Workforce	52.05%	38
Improving access to Healthcare	2.74%	2
<b>Totals</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>73</b>

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

	Responses	
	(percent)	(count)
Very Competitive	25.97%	20
Somewhat Competitive	58.44%	45
Not so Competitive	12.99%	10
Not at all Competitive	2.60%	2
<b>Totals</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>77</b>

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

	Responses	
	(percent)	(count)
Foreign Competition	9.33%	7
Lack of Skilled Workforce	41.33%	31
Negative Perception of State's Image	37.33%	28
Tax Climate	0%	0
Transportation Infrastructure	8%	6
Lack of Technology	4%	3
<b>Totals</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>75</b>

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

	Responses	
	(percent)	(count)
Economic Incentives	3.85%	3
Education	39.74%	31
Healthcare	1.28%	1
Targeted Industry Recruitment	14.10%	11
Transportation	6.41%	5
Workforce Development	34.62%	27
<b>Totals</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>78</b>

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

	Responses	
	(percent)	(count)
Very Important	89.04%	65
Somewhat Important	10.96%	8
Not so Important	0%	0
Not at all Important	0%	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>73</b>

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

	Responses	
	(percent)	(count)
Better Teacher Training	13.89%	10
Enhancing Early Childhood Education	44.44%	32
Improving Dropout Rate	9.72%	7
Increasing Funding	8.33%	6
Strengthening the Curriculum	23.61%	17
<b>Totals</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>72</b>

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

	Responses	
	(percent)	(count)
Airports	1.43%	1
Highways and Bridges	92.86%	65
Intermodal Transportation	4.29%	3
Ports and Waterways	1.43%	1
Railroads	0%	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>70</b>

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

	Responses	
	(percent)	(count)
Bridge Replacement or Repair	18.57%	13
Expansion/Widening of Existing Roadways	25.71%	18
Maintenance of Existing Roadways	48.57%	34
New Construction of Roadways	7.14%	5
<b>Totals</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>70</b>

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

	Responses	
	(percent)	(count)
Advanced Manufacturing	54.41%	37
Healthcare	4.41%	3
Natural Resources (Forestry/Energy/Agri-Biz)	2.94%	2
Retail and Service	8.82%	6
Start-up Companies	17.65%	12
Tourism	11.76%	8
<b>Totals</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>68</b>