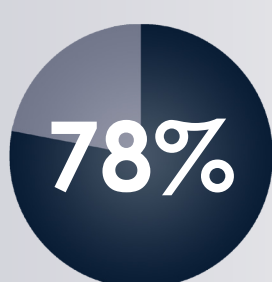


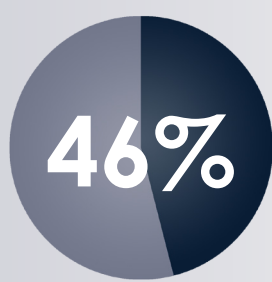
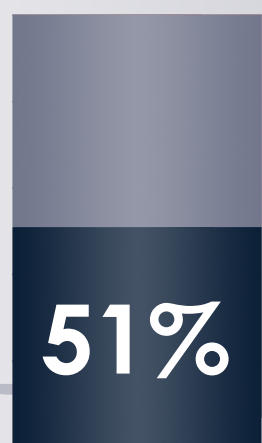
PROFESSIONAL CONFIDENCE INDEX

The PPS Professional Confidence Index (PCI), which was conducted among over 4 500 South African graduate professionals in the first quarter of 2015, revealed that these professionals' overall confidence in the country is on the rise.



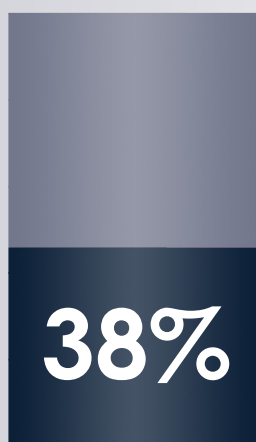
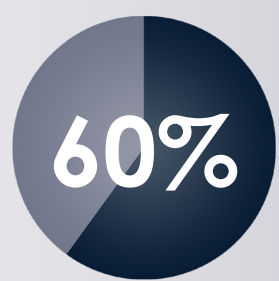
A confidence level of 78% was recorded when the respondents were asked about their confidence in the future of their profession over the next five years

Confidence in the future of the economy over the next five years increased by two percentage points to 51%



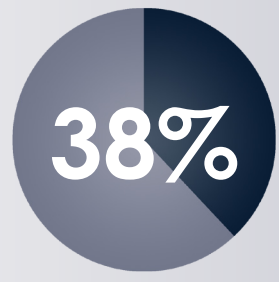
A confidence level of 46% was recorded when respondents were asked about their confidence in the standard of education at a basic school level

Confidence in the standard of education at a tertiary level over the next five years rose one percentage point to 60%



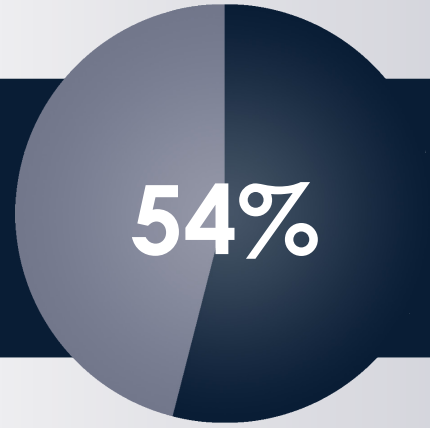
Confidence that crime rates would improve over the next five years increased one percentage point to 38%

A confidence level of 38% was recorded when respondents were asked how confident they are that unemployment would improve over the next five years



A confidence level of 46% was recorded when respondents were asked about the future of the health care system in South Africa over the next 5 years

Overall confidence across a number of socio-economic factors increased in Q1 2015, rising two percentage points to 54% from the last quarter of 2014



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