

TABLE 12
LONG-TERM IMPACTS OF FREE TRADE ON INDUSTRY

Long Term Impacts on Industry of the Free Trade Agreement	Percentage Exported					Not Stated
	Total	Under 10%	10-24%	25-49%	50%+	
	(501)	(104)	(124)	(75)	(145)	(53)
Will Benefit Industry	38	33	35	33	50	30
Will Hurt Industry	31	44	35	35	17	25
Will Have No Effect	29	21	28	29	31	43
Don't Know	2	2	2	3	2	2

Source: Question D3

4. Time for Long-Term Impact of Free Trade on the Canadian Economy

In response to the question on how long it would be before we see any long-term impacts of free trade on the Canadian economy (as opposed to their industry) the answers were very similar. Almost 38% of respondents indicated they felt the impact was already apparent. Another 42% considered that it would be within five years, with most of this group indicating that we would see the impacts in three to five years. Eight percent of exporters felt that they could not provide an answer to the question.

5. Changes to Indicate Impact of Free Trade

Respondents were asked to identify what changes they would look for to know if free trade was having an impact. As can be seen in Table 13, the most common response was changes in employment (20%). The next most common answer was to see greater exports from Canada (15%). Another 13% said they would look for changes in the economy.