ASIA-PACIFIC SMALL BUSINESS SURVEY 2024-2025

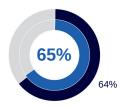
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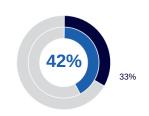
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Asia-Pacific average

BUSINSESS PERFORMANCE IN 2024

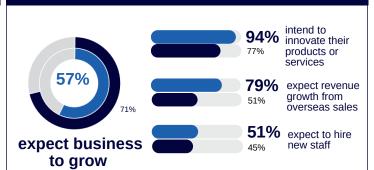


reported business growth



increased employee numbers

OUTLOOK FOR 2025



ACCESS TO FINANCE

26%

expect it will be difficult to repay their debts in 2025

and it's the highest result for the surveyed markets

21%

used personal resources as a major source of external finance in 2024

and it's the highest result for the surveyed markets

37%

found it difficult to access funds in 2024

40%

expect it will be difficult or very difficult to access finance in 2025

TECHNOLOGY ADOPTION AND USE OF AI

generate at least 10 per cent of their revenue through online sales



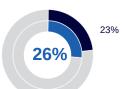
generated at least 10 per cent of their sales through digital payment options

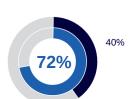
leveraged social media



28%









Artificial Intelligence (AI) was the technology they most heavily invested in in 2024

Used AI tools as a source of business advice



Suffered financial or operational losses due to cyber attacks

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RECOMMENDATIONS



Enhance cash flow management



Stay alert to policy changes impacting international trade and investment



Design and implement an Al safety guidelines