

These results suggest that import immune firms in the Hartford area are generally "job-shops" or specialized machine and engineering firms. For the most part no "volume producers" in the area considered themselves import immune. Meaning again they neither used for nor provided complementary services to nor competed against imported items.

The economic impact of imports can be gotten from the tables on the following two pages.

An indication of the economic impact of imports on the Greater Hartford region can be derived from the following data: This again involves the 86 involved firms.

<i>Item</i>	<i>Percent of the 86 involved firms</i>
1. Impact of imports on employment:	
No effect	70
Positive	24
Negative	6

Balance (+) of imports on employment in the area 6 percent.

	<i>Percent</i>
2. Impact of imports on prices:	
No effect	55
Negative	42
Positive	13

Imports had decreased.

	<i>Percent</i>
3. Impact of imports on profits:	
Positive	45
No effect	37
Negative	18

The balance is therefore positive in the Greater Hartford region.

	<i>Percent</i>
4. Impact of imports on future income:	
Positive	55
No effect	30
Negative	15

Again the balance of imports on future income is positive in the area.

	<i>Percent</i>
5. Impact of imports on research/development:	
No effect	66
Positive	34
Negative	0

Again in this case the balance is positive.

	<i>Percent</i>
6. Probable future import involvement. Meaning how many expected involvement in the future:	
Greater	64
No change	26
Lesser	10

Balance (+).

The greater Hartford area expects greater import involvement.

	<i>Percent</i>
7. Do imports promote quality?	
Yes	60
No	40
8. Do imports promote specialization?	
No	66
Yes	34
9. Do imports promote diversification?	
No	66
Yes	34