



## HIRING

57%

of CEOs planned on **expanding their payrolls**, just below last quarter's 58%, which was the highest level since the start of 2007.



30%

of CEOs reported that **hiring new staff was the top business issue** that they now face.

## INVESTMENTS



**Planned investments were at the highest level in the first half of 2014** than at any time since the start of 2011.

## ECONOMY

50%

of all CEOs reported that the **economy had recently improved**.



73%

of CEOs expect increased revenues over the next 12 months.



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