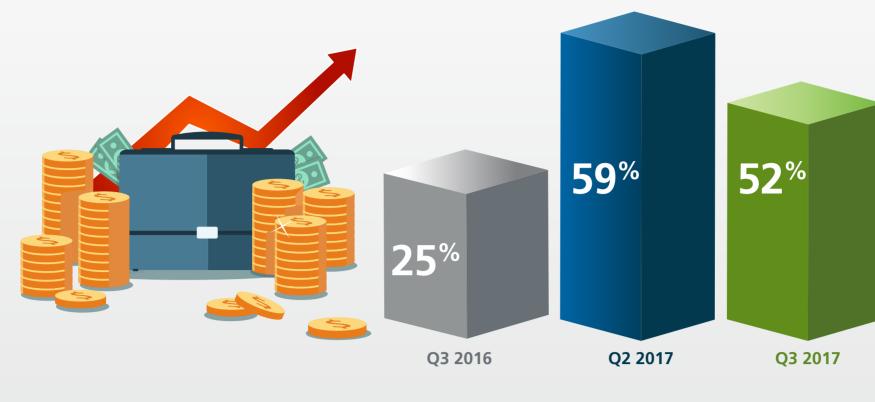
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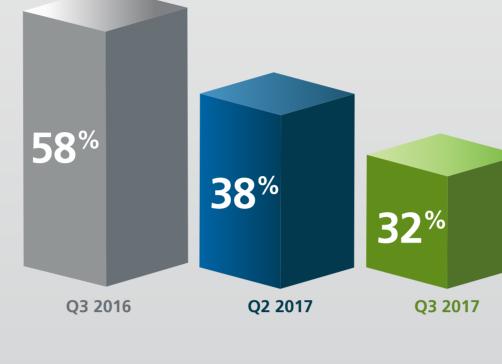
The Vistage Confidence Index was 103.0 in Q3 2017, on par with the Q2 Index of 103.1, well above last year's 91.4.

## Pace of economic growth moderating.

The majority of small business CEOs reported recent improvements in the economy.



Fewer small business CEOs expect continued improvement in the economy, yet 36% anticipate increased revenues of 10%+ for their business.



# Small business hiring and investment plans remain strong.

62% of CEOs are planning for workforce expansion.





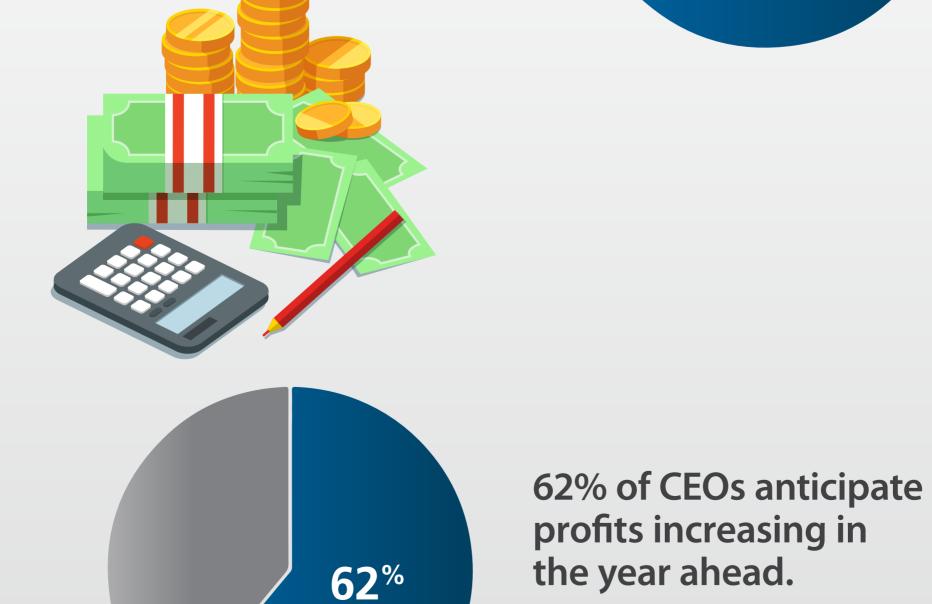


## **Increased profits**

than 3 out of 4 CEOs in the

year ahead; 36% expect

double-digit growth.



**Increased profits** 

The Vistage CEO Confidence Index has about a six-month lead over the real GDP; the index currently indicates continued expansion with an uptick in the average

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rate of GDP growth during 2017 and early 2018.

- Dr. Richard Curtin, University of Michigan