

# NICHIGAN RESTAURANI INDUSTRY TRENDS 

 Results from Member Survey (1Q18)

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## Survey Demographics

Over 115 responses

- Michigan restaurant companies covering ~\$556 million in annual revenue
- Data reflects feedback from nearly 400 sites
- 55\% of responses from single-unit independents (21\% are multi-unit indy's)
- 40\% of responses from casual dining


## Key Findings <br> From initial look at the data

- Same-store sales in 1Q18 (Jan-Mar) slowed to +1.6\% versus +2.7\% in 4Q17. Full-year 2017 samestore sales for the group finished up 3.4\%.
- Owners more optimistic on 2018 trends and expect same-store sales to finish up $4.5 \%$.
- Food costs were $32.6 \%$ of total sales during $1 Q$ (similar to overall 2017). Labor costs increased to $30.6 \%$ of total sales (higher vs. 29.2\% in 4Q).


## Segment Breakdown Majority of group represents full-service

Which type of concept is your restaurant?
Breakfast/brunch, 2\%
Catering/Contract foodservice, 2\%


## Restaurant Company Type Predominately single-unit independents

Which of the following categories best describes your restaurant business?


# Number of Employees Most organizations have fewer than 50 employees 

How many employees does your organization have?


## Top Business Challenges Owners facing issues with labor availability

What is the biggest challenge you currently face as a restaurant operator?


## General Business Conditions Opinions were less optimistic than the $4 Q$ survey

Do you think general business conditions six months from now will be worse, the same, or better?

- 2017 - 2018



## Hiring Plans Next 6 Months

In the next six months, how do you expect the total number of employees in your operation to trend?

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■ 3 \text { Q17 } ■ 4 Q 17 ■ 1 Q 18
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## Same-Store Sales Owners expecting better sales in 2018

What was your overall same-store SALES growth for the following periods? (year-over-year \% change)


## Sales vs. Expectations Operators generally finished below plan

How did these periods perform relative to your expectations (same-store sales growth vs. plan)?
Net = Above Plan - Below Plan

4Q17

-19\%

1Q18

-12\%

## Annual Demand Trends Operators very optimistic on 2018 forecasts

Michigan Restaurant Association
Annual Demand Trends
■ Same-store Sales ■Traffic


## Biggest Surprises for Owners

- High's in the quarter...
- Solid demand for 3rd party restaurant delivery services
- Some owners seeing better or steady sales/traffic trends
- Low's during the quarter...
- Bad winter weather
- Monthly trends were weak/inconsistent
- Labor issues across the board...
- Continued struggle to find, hire, and retain good talent
- Input costs such as rising wage rates and healthcare


## Food Cost Trends

Steady inflation rate in 1Q18 compared to FY 2017
During the following periods, what was your total FOOD cost as a percentage of total sales?
32.7\%


## Labor Cost Trends <br> Surpassing 30\% of total sales for full-year 2017

During the following periods, what was your total LABOR cost as a percentage of total sales?


## APPENDIX

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